



## Council drops land sale plans

**Five Peninsula community parks and reserves have been saved as a result of a concerted community campaign to stop their reclassification and sale by Council.**

The former Gosford Council's "highly contentious" Land Sale Strategy was abandoned by Central Coast Council's Administrator, Mr Ian Reynolds, at an ordinary council meeting on September 28.

The "affection" expressed by the community towards their reserves also resulted in Mr Reynolds calling for Central Coast Council staff to explore establishing an Adopt a Park Scheme.

Mr Reynolds said the newly-merged Central Coast Council could find more efficiencies and savings in its consolidated budget than the former Gosford Council had access to.

He said the economies of scale that could be achieved by the newly-merged Council meant there was "no reason to reclassify and sell" the parcels of community land that had been listed as part of Gosford Council's "land sale strategy".

A report prepared by the unit of the Chief Executive Officer, Mr Rob Noble, and presented to Mr Reynolds at the meeting, suggested that the new Council may wish to reconsider whether

to implement some or all of the strategy but fell short of recommending that the new Council either adopt or abandon the proposed reclassification of six sites on the Peninsula.

However, after listening to three speakers on the issue, Mr Reynolds said: "In no uncertain terms the community has made its views clear to me and Council.

"I know a lot of people are interested in this report and issue because they have been raising it with me on a regular basis since I arrived here in May," he said.

Council had listened to the community and taken decisive action by not implementing the proposed strategy, Mr Reynolds said.

He said the community had not only shown a desire to save their reserves but had expressed affection for them.

"I see some merit in Council looking at an Adopt a Park Scheme," Mr Reynolds said.

"The environmental assets in the community are important to them and they love them," he said and requested that the CEO provide a report on an Adopt a Park Scheme in due course.

Mr Reynolds then formally resolved to take no further action in relation to resolutions that had been made by Gosford Council to reclassify and sell community land.

"This is a clear expression of my views," Mr Reynolds said as the

formal resolution was greeted with applause from the public gallery at Wyong's Council Chamber.

The sixth block listed for potential sale on the Peninsula, at 23 Memorial Ave Blackwall, was already classified as operational land.

After the meeting, a media statement from Council provided the following clarification on the potential sale of that site: "Irrespective of the land classification of any site, Council carries out a rigorous due diligence process before finalising decisions on whether any parcel will be sold or retained".

According to the statement, that process involves a review, marketing and then the subsequent sale and that will be the process applied to the Blackwall land.

The other five Peninsula locations were classified as community land and most were actively used by the local community as reserves and parks.

The Peninsula's parks and reserves that will remain as community land were located at: Brisbane Ave, Umina; 40 and 42 Albion St, Umina; 40, 42 and 46 Pozieres Ave, Umina; 9 to 11 Mackenzie Ave, Woy Woy, and 10 to 12 Jumbuck Close, Woy Woy.

Ms Sue Chidgey, the founder of Save Central Coast Reserves, the umbrella group that coordinated the community's campaign against the land sale strategy, said Mr

Reynold's decision had "brought immense relief to the communities whose neighbourhood sites were threatened.

"Save Central Coast Reserves, the Community Environment Network and eight additional community groups across the Gosford region have campaigned for over a year for the protection of their 25 local reserves, parks and green spaces," Ms Chidgey said.

"Only two councillors voted against the Land Sale Strategy, Ms Vicki Scott and Ms Hillary Morris.

"In the campaign that followed hundreds of community emails and submissions were sent to the Mayor, CEO and Councillors as well as a large petition.

"In addition, rallies were held as the community pleaded for the protection of their sites.

"Then in early 2016, with the Council Amalgamation, the community again rose up and sent huge numbers of emails and submissions to the new Administrator and CEO," Ms Chidgey said.

"Many of our communities now look forward to joining with Council in the 'Adopt a Park' initiative to enhance their community sites for the well-being of their community and for the urban environment.

"I wish to extend my sincere thanks to every community member or group who supported the campaign to achieve this wonderful outcome."

Ms Jane Smith of Community Environment Network said: "An overwhelming groundswell of community support has saved these precious sites from sell-off and development."

Mr Noble's status report provided a clear explanation of the process involved in the reclassification of community land.

"Public land that is classified as community may be reclassified as operational by way of a Local Environmental Plan made under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979," the status report said.

According to the report, the EP&A Act prescribed mandatory steps in the making of a Local Environmental Plan.

The first of those steps was the submission of a planning proposal to the NSW Minister for Planning.

According to Mr Noble's status report, the former Gosford Council did not ever take that first step in executing its Land Sale Strategy.

"The LG Act and the EP&A Act prescribe a number of mandatory steps that must be taken to effect re-classification of public land from community to operational by way of an LEP," the status report said.

"The former Gosford Council did not initiate any of those steps.

"The [Central Coast] Council has not initiated any of those steps.

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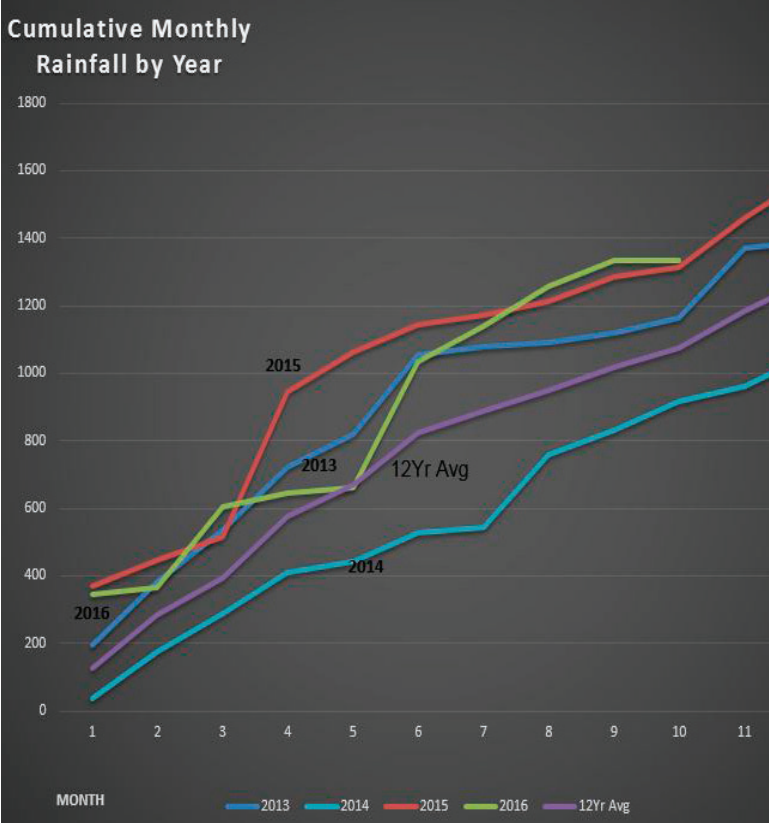
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# Rainfall reaches annual figure



The Peninsula has reached its average annual rainfall figure of 1279mm in just nine months.

Rainfall for September was close to average with 75.1mm recorded for the month, but it brought the total figure for the year to above the annual average.

The September total brings the rainfall so far this year to 1332.6mm, 4.2 per cent more than the average annual average of 1279mm.

This is almost one third (30.8 per cent) above the average cumulative figure at the end of September of 1019mm.

The total was only 7.3 per cent above the September average 70mm, according to figures provided by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy.

Most of the month's rain, 58.3mm, was recorded over just three days: September 2 and 3 and September 19.

Spreadsheet, 30 Sep 2016  
Jim Morrison, Woy Woy

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# NBN audit to be conducted by local industry group

The calls of former local Regional Development Australia chair Mr David Abrahams for a detailed audit of the NBN rollout on the NSW Central Coast has been taken up by a local industry group.

Mr Abrahams said he had gained the backing and support for the audit from the local IT/digital industry group, Coastal Connexions, which will now conduct its own audit.

"We are now calling on community, education and business groups to assist in distributing the online survey that can be found at [organise.net.au/NBNAuditCC](http://organise.net.au/NBNAuditCC)."

Mr Abraham said his call for an audit had received strong public support but has fallen on deaf ears in government and at NBN Co.

"The whole region knows of problems with the NBN rollout."

"The idea of the audit is to identify problems and to replicate successes."

Co-convenors of the Coastal Connexions, Mr Tim Willcox and Mr Edgar Adams, said they believed an audit was a sound and



Members of Coastal Connexions from left Mr Jon Dawson, Ms Louise Lewis, Mr David Abrahams and Mr Tim Willcox

sensible idea.

"There have been some good successes with the NBN rollout locally, though there are also major issues for many," Mr Willcox said.

"We are now using the expertise of our IT group to create our own self-funded audit," he said.

The Central Coast NBN audit will have both a simple online survey and an in depth case study

section.

The results will then be mapped up to the known NBN infrastructure map for accurate identification of successes and of problem areas.

The survey gives people ample opportunity to tell their stories in a disciplined and standardised fashion.

"We expect the report to be very informative," Mr Abrahams said.

"The information could undoubtedly save significant amounts of money if applied by the NBN Co."

"The audit will run for 30 days and the report will be collated and published after the numbers and stories are crunched and edited."

"The report will be made public and handed over to local MPs, Ministers, the NBN Co and Telcos."

Coastal Connexions is calling on everyone with an NBN story, good, bad or otherwise to complete the survey.

"We encourage other community groups to spread the word."

Media release, Sep 20, 2016  
Dave Abrahams, Organise IT

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# Department ‘should formulate’ pelican management plan

The NSW Department of Primary Industry and Water should step in and formulate a management plan to protect a pelican colony at Blackwall, according to local water bird scientist Ms Wendy Gillespie.

Ms Gillespie was commenting on findings by the NSW Environmental Protection Authority that the mortality of water birds around Blackwall had been caused by the presence of algal growth and toxins in storm water.

The findings were released by Central Coast Council last week.

Ms Gillespie said it was a “good outcome” from the EPA.

“It is the logical outcome because the headwaters from the top of the catchment area pass through the nearby golf course and golf courses are commonly associated with algal problems

when they are near marine environments,” she said.

Ms Gillespie said she believed the NSW Department of Primary Industry and Water could now step in and regulate the problem because there was now an “established impact on a marine species”.

“There will be a whole range of things that will need to be done including a management plan,” she said.

Ms Gillespie said she believed over 4000 pelicans had died over the 20-year period following the replacement of a natural creek with a storm water drain near a known pelican breeding area at Blackwall.

“Hundreds have died per year and it has taken over six years for the cause of the problem to be recognised,” she said.

Interview, 28 Sep 2016  
Wendy Gillespie, Pelican Rescue Reporter: Jackie Pearson



# Council acts after canal algae blamed for pelican deaths

Blue-green algae and toxins in stormwater are the most likely causes of pelican deaths at Blackwall, according to the findings of an Environment Protection Authority investigation into the pelican deaths at Blackwall.

Central Coast Council released the findings of the investigation last week.

The Council has now “developed a strategy to reduce the presence of blue-green algae in the storm water canal north of Alpha Rd”, the Council statement said.

“The Council has been assisting the EPA with its investigation,” said

Council chief Mr Ron Noble.

“Council is committed to working with the EPA and other relevant experts and agencies to protect the pelican population in Blackwall and prevent further deaths.”

Media release, 19 Sep 2016  
Ron Noble, Central Coast Council

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# Residents get together to plant street trees

**Residents of Brisbane Ave, Umina, have planted 10 mature street trees in a community effort to transform a barren nature strip into an attractive tree-lined avenue.**

The 45 residents, children and local community members held a street tree planting day and neighbourhood barbeque on September 18.

The native trees have been planted alongside the footpath on a block of Brisbane Ave, between Perth and Melbourne Avenues, to create shade for the busy pedestrian footpath and improve the look of the street.

The project was funded through a Central Coast Council Placemaking grant.

"Neighbours have all commented that this street has been calling out for trees for years," co-project organiser, Ms Penny Joep said.

Residents Ms Melissa Chandler, Ms Joep and Ms Natalie Watson, saw the potential of Brisbane Ave with its wide verges to become a tree-lined avenue and showcase the benefits of street trees.

"We all know that trees provide shade and a tree-lined street sells houses, but through this

project I was surprised to learn studies show street trees lower the ambient air temperature, assist with drainage and reduce traffic speeds," Ms Joep said.

The organisers successfully applied for a Placemaking grant through Central Coast Council's community funding programs, which was open to individuals as well as community organisations.

The grants provided up to \$2000 towards a project that transforms a public space into a more vibrant and attractive area, and builds community through participation.

"This project was the brainchild of Ms Mel Chandler, who's been guerrilla gardening for some time, knocking on people's doors and saying 'Hi, do you want a free street tree?'"

"This time she's stepped it up a notch, organising a street tree planting day."

"She also managed to outsource the door knocking part to me, but I'm really thankful, because it's meant I've met all my neighbours."

"Our kids are playing together and we have an avenue of trees to show for it," Ms Joep said.

**Media release, 19 Sep 2016  
Andrea Bruscher, Umina**



*The award-winning Peninsula Community Garden*

## Community garden is best on the Coast

**The Woy Woy Peninsula Community Garden is the best on the Central Coast if won two awards in the Council's Garden Competition is any guide.**

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2009.

The Peninsula Environment Group embraced the concept and provided support for the project to proceed.

The original site plan was drawn up by local horticulturalist Mr Adam McCall.

The last four years of hard work have paid off and the garden is now a beautiful space where children can play and learn about healthy food and how it is grown, according to Ms Meredith.

The elderly, disabled and frail have pathways and seating that allow for easy egress and enjoyment of a passive recreation space filled with frivolity and fun,

sights and smells that celebrate all things natural.

The latest addition to the garden is a mosaic sundial, depicting community groups and nature concepts.

Many hands helped to create individual tiles that make up the clock face and install it in the garden.

Funds for this project were provided by Gosford Council via a Community Builders grant in 2015.

An open garden was held on September 25 as part of the Council's Open Garden day.

**Email, 21 Sep 2016  
Jill Meredith, Woy Woy  
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# Administrator defers trust wind-up proposal

**A recommendation to wind up three trusts of the former Gosford Council has been deferred by Central Coast Council administrator Mr Ian Reynolds at the September 28 council meeting.**

One of the trusts, the Protection of the Environment Trust, may hold monies related to at least one controversial Peninsula development and may hold other local assets including community land.

It was a condition of development consent in 2007 for a luxury retirement village to be built in Hillview St, Woy Woy, that \$225,000 be paid into the trust.

It is understood the payment was to be made in three parts, the final one upon completion.

The retirement village project was started with clearing of endangered bushland and some groundworks, but has not proceeded beyond that.

Mr Reynolds resolved to seek further information after listening to two speakers against the recommendation to wind up the Gosford City Council Protection of the Environment Trust, the Gosford Affordable Housing Trust and the Gosford Foundation Trust.

He said taking into account the information provided by the two speakers he had decided to defer the matter and request a further report.

According to the report prepared by the unit of the chief executive officer, Mr Rob Noble, the Gosford City Council Protection of the Environment Trust was established in 2006.

At the time, its stated purpose was to promote the protection and enhancement of the natural environment or of a significant aspect of the natural environment and in particular the conservation of flora and fauna indigenous to the Local Government area of Gosford City; and provide information or education or the carrying on of research about the natural environment or a significant aspect of the natural environment in particular relating to flora and fauna of that area for the benefit of persons within the Local Government Area of the City

of Gosford.

On October 3, 2006, the former Gosford Council resolved in part to "transfer the sum of \$1.5 million from funds generated from the bonus provisions of subdivision of 7(c2) lands, into a special interest bearing account to be administered by Council's newly established Gosford Sustainability Environmental Trust.

"The \$1.5 million transferred to the relevant account remains Council's funds, and the Trust has been administering the account for Council.

"The intent was that income from the investment of the \$1.5 million was to be used for the maintenance of Coastal Open Space System (COSS) land.

"The annual interest from this investment (approximately \$65,000), was allocated by the Trust annually to specific environmental projects, following an application process."

However, Ms Jane Smith, manager of the Community Environment Network and a member of the trust's management committee since 2010 said the report from the CEO's unit that formed part of the agenda for the September 28 Council meeting was "inadequate".

Ms Smith said that the report to the meeting had failed to explain that the Trust was set up as an outcome of the Somersby Industrial Park plan of management which was coordinated by NSW Premier's Department to address the conflict of interest between the site's perceived value as an industrial site and the fact it included Indigenous sites of national significance and national endangered species.

The money held by the trust, according to Ms Smith, was initially intended to compensate land owners who were unable to develop Somersby sites because of their cultural and/or ecological significance.

The trust was also established, Ms Smith said, to have Australian Taxation office status which meant land owners could donate land to the trust and receive 100 per cent of the land's value as a tax

deduction over five years.

Ms Smith said she believed Council needed to consider whether a properly constituted trust, which its own trust deed, could, in fact, legally be wound up via a Council resolution.

She said lands donated to the trust, under trust law, should remain the property of the trust and she did not believe it was a simple matter of stating in a report that the lands were held on behalf of council.

She said the trust may have also, from time to time, held monies received from developers as offsets to compensate the community for developments that may have been approved at the expense of Ecologically Endangered Communities.

One such development was the plan to build a luxury retirement village on land in Hillview St, Woy Woy, near the corner of Veron Rd.

As for the trust's property holdings, Ms Smith said she believed parcels of land had been donated to the trust "from all over the [former] Gosford Local Government Area".

She said the committee of management had specifically requested that land holdings

since 2010 should have been classified as community land, which means they could not be sold by Council in its role as trustee.

Mr Noble's report to the September 28 Council meeting said applications for funding in 2016/17 have not been allocated, due to the timing of the amalgamation.

"This process will cease, and community organisations will be encouraged to apply for grants and sponsorships from the wide range of grant support programs offered by Council," the report to Council said.

"The Protection of Environment Trust operates similar to the former Gosford City Council's previous Advisory Groups and Committees, with minimal community representation (three community members).

"The Advisory Groups and Committees of the former Councils ceased to operate from the date of the proclamation on 12 May 2016.

"A new community participation process will be developed by Central Coast Council, to be far reaching, engaging and

inclusive to replace the traditional committee and advisory group structure," the report said but these views were disputed by Ms Smith.

The trust deed also specifies that the trust is to be wound up after 80 years and prescribes the process by which that winding up is to occur.

The winding up provisions of the deed can only be altered by the creation of a new trust deed.

Arguably the fact the trust was founded as a condition of the Somersby Industrial Park plan of management may mean that the NSW Government may be interested in scrutinising any proposal to amend the trust deed.

The report to the September 28 council meeting set out a similar rationale to justify the winding up of the Affordable Housing Trust and the Gosford Foundation Trust.

**Agenda item 3.5, 28 Sep 2016  
Meeting notes, 28 Sep 2016  
Central Coast Council  
ordinary meeting  
Reporter: Jackie Pearson**

**Winding up of trust  
Termination Date**

28. The trust shall be wound-up and terminate 80 years from the date of this deed.

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Capital works to improve drainage on Veron Rd has been carried forward to 2016-17

## Projects continued this financial year

**Central Coast Council will continue a number of projects around the Peninsula this financial year that were to be completed last financial year.**

They are the sewer program at Cockle Bay, the sewer treatment plant high voltage switchboard at Woy Woy, replacement of a major sewer pump station at Woy Woy and stormwater drainage works at Veron Rd, Umina.

The particular reasons why individual projects were delayed were spelt out in a report to the Council administrator, Mr Ian Reynolds, from the unit of the chief executive officer, Mr Rob Noble.

According to the report, other Peninsula capital works valued at more than \$100,000 that had to be continued into the 2016-17 financial year included: \$304,000 for drainage in Bowden Rd, Woy Woy, because the project was delayed due to contractor availability in the previous year.

A \$128,000 road upgrade at the intersection of Woy Woy Rd and Banyo CIs in Horsefield Bay had to be carried into the current financial year because of a utility relocation delay.

A further \$287,000 was required to be carried into the 2016-17 financial year as part of IPART-approved treatment plant

upgrades including the upgrade of a minor plant at Woy Woy.

A water pump station refurbishment at Patonga was subject to a "delay in planning due to higher priority works" so the funding of \$163,000 needed to be continued into 2016-17 to complete the project due to IPACT and risk analysis.

Other items, valued at less than \$100,000 included land that needed to be compulsorily acquired and was still under negotiation.

The grand total of continuing projects identified in the report as located on the Peninsula was approximately \$7 million out of the total \$23.6 million increase to the 2016-17 capital budget approved to accommodate continuing projects.

Mr Noble's report stated that reductions of \$23.6 million were to be identified in the quarterly budget review during 2016-17 to offset the cost of continuing projects.

All cuts identified in the report came from capital expenditure in the former Wyong LGA; there were no cuts to Peninsula projects.

**Agenda item 3.1, 28 Sep 2016  
Central Coast Council  
ordinary meeting**

## Council announces lease of Woy Woy cafe

**Central Coast Council has announced that it has awarded a tender to lease the new Woy Woy Oval cafe.**

"Central Coast Council has awarded the tender to lease the Woy Woy Oval cafe and is currently working with the successful applicant to finalise the lease documentation," according to a statement issued by the council.

The statement said Council was also working with the successful applicant to finish the fit out of the facility.

"The timeframe for the opening of the cafe has not yet been finalized."

The statement said Council would keep Peninsula News updated about the status of the cafe.

The redeveloped Woy Woy Oval, including the new 600-seat grand stand, was officially opened on March 19.

The project was jointly funded by the Federal Government (\$3.5 million), the NSW Government (\$2 million) and the former Gosford Council (\$2.75 million).

At the opening, the Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast Mr Scot MacDonald said: "Woy Woy

Oval is a wonderful community facility and this redevelopment will be a well-loved asset for both locals and visitors to the region for generations to come."

Tenders were sought by Gosford Council to manage the new "landmark cafe" within the Woy Woy Oval Forecourt at Chambers Place in January.

At the time, Gosford Council described the cafe lease as: "An exciting opportunity to partner with Council to provide a vibrant destination facility for residents and visitors, and contribute to the social and economic growth of the community."

The tender process closed in February.

The cafe construction was completed in March.

Potential operators needed to be financially competent in hospitality, with a proven ability to run a commercially viable and sustainable business.

**Media statement, 16 Sep 2016  
Carla Silvestri, Central  
Coast Council**

**Media alert, 21 Jan 2016  
Coralie McPhee, Gosford Council  
Reporter: Jackie Pearson**



The Woy Woy Oval cafe remains empty

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## Council to run green living workshops

**Central Coast Council is holding a series of free green living workshops on the Peninsula to help residents live sustainably and reduce their environmental impact around the home.**

Locals can learn from experts how to compost, set up a worm farm, keep backyard chickens and clean the house without chemicals at Woytopia Sustainable Living Festival at Woy Woy South Public School on October 9, from 9:30am to 1:30pm.

An organic gardening class will be on offer at the Peninsula Leisure Centre on October 17, from 12pm to 2:30pm.

On November 12, a wicking bed construction workshop is available at the Woy Woy Community Garden from 9am to 11am, and an op shop hop group will be meeting at Woy Woy train station at 9:30am.

Council's environmental education officer, Ms Anni Griffiths, said there would be workshops to suit all households.

"Regardless of what size your

backyard is or whether you live in a unit, we have a range of workshops to suit everyone's lifestyle and sustainability goals.

"By making small changes you can easily live a greener lifestyle.

"For instance, the average household wastes around \$1,000 worth of food each year.

"At these workshops you can learn how to reduce your household food waste and save money, especially during the festive season.

"Discover how to turn your junk into treasure, make more sustainable food choices, and create a healthy and bountiful garden.

"We are also giving a free compost bin or worm farm to each attending household that completes the compost and worm farm workshop," Ms Griffiths said.

The free workshops are to be held at various locations around the Central Coast until the end of the year.

Bookings are essential.

Media release, 28 Sep 2016

Anni Griffiths, Central Coast Council



The Bays Rural Fire Brigade celebrates 50 years of community service

## Bays brigade celebrates 50 years

**The Bays Rural Fire Brigade will celebrate its 50th anniversary this year.**

"The brigade has tirelessly served and protected the communities of the Peninsula and the wider Central Coast and has been through many ups and downs, particularly during the January 2006 bushfires where many members lost their own property whilst on duty helping others save theirs," said brigade secretary Mr Lloyd Jones.

"Demonstrating resilience and determination, the brigade has always bounced back to ensure it is ready for when the community next calls upon its service.

"Current brigade members have been serving with the Rural Fire Service for a combined tally of almost 200 years.

"This tally is shared between only 14 people, reflecting the longstanding commitment the members have to the service.

"Being there for the community

serves as a foundation for each member when choosing to volunteer their time for no financial benefit.

"The dedication shown by each member over the many years of commitment is essential for preserving strong communities, like that of the Peninsula."

Mr Jones said the Brigade was always looking for fresh faces to join its ranks.

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Lloyd Jones, Bays Rural Fire Brigade

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# Council drops land sale plans

"The parts of the September and December Resolutions that required that land be re-classified from community to operational have therefore not been implemented," the report said.

On September 8 last year, Gosford Council resolved to initiate a process for a planning proposal for 14 parcels of community land including Lot 195 and 196 DP 9894 Brisbane Ave, Umina and 40 to 42 Albion St, Umina.

Subject to the outcome of that land reclassification process the former Gosford councillors went on to endorse the sale of those properties.

The subsequent community outcry resulted in the councillors softening their stance by their December 10 meeting when they endorsed the commencement of a process to reclassify a further nine parcels of community land including reserves in Pozieres Ave, Umina and Mackenzie Ave and Jumbuck Close, Woy Woy.

Gosford Council also endorsed the sale of the operational land at Blackwall on December 10.

Instead of endorsing the sale of the second list of community land to be reclassified, it did revert to voting to "consider" its sale "subject to the outcome of the land reclassification process".



Brisbane Avenue Reserve Umina

According to Mr Noble's status report: "The proposed re-classification of public land, and the subsequent potential sale of the re-classified land, was a contentious issue resulting in a significant number of submissions from the community."

The status report posed the question: "Is the Central Coast Council obliged to implement the Land Sale Strategy of the former Gosford Council?"

Mr Noble responded in his report: "The former Gosford Council was dissolved, and the Central Coast Council constituted, on the publication of

the Local Government (Council Amalgamations) Proclamation 2016 ("the Proclamation") on 12 May 2016.

"Sub-clause 17(2)(b) of the Proclamation provides that the Central Coast Council may complete or discontinue anything that the former Gosford Council commenced.

"That is, the Council has discretion whether or not to implement some or all of the Land Sale Strategy of the former Gosford Council," Mr Nobles report said.

According to Mr Noble's status report, the proceeds from the

Land Sale Strategy were intended by the former Gosford Council to be used to fund the reduction of the significant back-log of infrastructure maintenance.

"A key aspect of the May 12 merger of the former Gosford and Wyong Councils was to maximise funding opportunities through greater scale and capacity, and potential new external funding opportunities," the status report said.

"Deferring or terminating the re-classification process will save about \$750,000, but will result in a corresponding loss of sales revenue of between \$6 million to

\$10 million (depending on market conditions at the time of any sale and the number of properties that would have eventually been sold)," the report said.

The Local Government Act of 1993 prescribes how a council must manage and deal with its public land.

Council must classify all public land as either operational or community land and cannot sell or otherwise dispose of public land that is classified as community land.

The management of community land is subject to other significant constraints including on how it is leased, licenced or occupied, according to the status report.

Operational land can only be sold by a resolution of council.

Submissions received by the former Gosford Council and the Central Coast Council in respect of the Land Sale Strategy were kept confidential as they were deemed to include personal information about individuals who were not councillors.

**Agenda item 3.4, 28 Sep 2016**  
**Meeting notes, 28 Sep 2016**  
**Central Coast Council**  
**ordinary meeting**  
**Media release, 28 Sep 2016**  
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## ANNUAL GEM SHOW AT MINGARA

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**This year's Central Coast Lapidary Club festival, to be held at the Mingara Club over the weekend of the 8th and 9th October, promises to be bigger and brighter than ever.**

The festival will run from 9am to 5pm on the Saturday and 9am to 4pm on the Sunday.

Admission is free and there are displays and exhibits to interest all age groups, ranging from precious rubies and emeralds to fossilised dinosaur

droppings.

The Club has been running the Annual Gem Show since it was first held in the Methodist Church Hall in Gosford in 1963 before relocating to the Memorial Hall at Wyong.

The highlight of the Club's calendar, the festival attracts thousands of gem and mineral fans from across the state.

Exhibitors have been very keen to participate in the festival and a number have come from interstate.

The displays and exhibits include rocks and minerals from around the globe.

"You could purchase a beautiful

Columbian emerald from one exhibitor and find a special setting for your gem across the aisle," said organiser Mr Lester Marquet.

"You may prefer just to browse and look at the exhibits or you may be after that irresistible gem for that special someone.

"Are you interested in collecting minerals or fossils?

"If so, this is the event for you.

"If your interest is gem craft then this will be a great opportunity to purchase faceting rough or lapidary supplies.

"Silverwork, beading, cabochons, faceting, enamelling, jewellery making;

whatever your interest, you'd have rocks in your head if you miss the festival," said Mr Marquet.

The Central Coast Lapidary Club has been established for 51 years.

It started in a chook shed in Narara and has grown to become one of the Coast's real treasures attracting members from 14 years of age to octogenarians.

Currently, the club has around 200 members who meet on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Thursday evenings and some Saturday mornings.

The Clubhouse is located on Ourimbah Creek Rd, Ourimbah.

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# Disabled runabout towed to safety

## Marine Rescue Central Coast has been able to tow a disabled runabout to safety at Woy Woy.

Volunteers on duty at the Point Clare Base received a phone call just before 3pm on September 24 from the owner of a 4.5m runabout seeking assistance.

He indicated that he and his son were anchored at the entrance to Woy Woy Channel and the boat's motor had failed with a suspected fuel problem.

Mr Mitch Giles was driving the Unit Rescue Water Craft (Jet Ski) in the area and was able to determine the exact location of the runabout.

Given the location, rescue vessel Central Coast 22, with Mr Robert Smith, Mr Ted Leeson, Mr Peter Ashworth and Mr Peter Fischer on board, proceeded

directly to the boat and towed it to the launching ramp at Woy Woy for retrieval.

The owner expressed his relief and thanks for the prompt assistance.

The Point Clare Base received a phone call around 12:30pm on September 25 from an Arvor 20 at Mosquito Bay with two men on board.

They reported a diesel fuel blockage had stopped the engine.

Mr Ken Sharp and his crew, Mr Peter Ashworth, Mr Bob Knowles, Mr Peter Fischer and Mr Chis Hartcher, aboard Central Coast 21, located the vessel and it was towed to Woy Woy Railway Bridge and passed to a tinny to enable it to return to its mooring.

Media release, Sep 25, 2016  
Ron Cole, Marine Rescue Central Coast



## Tibetan monks to learn to surf

### The Gyuto Monks of Tibet will stop on the Peninsula as part of their Beyond Karma tour.

Wow Wave of Wisdom and Gyuto House Australia will hold two community events that the monks will attend, including the WOW Beach Day at Umina Beach and a screening of documentary Pure Sound the Gyuto Monks of Tibet at Cinema Paradiso, Ettalong.

Wow Girls will be on hand for the Beach Day and will be teaching the monks how to surf from 10am

to 1pm.

Pure Sound will screen from 6:30pm at a cost of \$20 per ticket.

Both events will be held on October 5.

The monks' program Compassion on the Coast will be presented at the Anglican Church, Gosford, from November 12-20.

The nine-day tour on the Coast will celebrate the quality of kindness.

Daily activities include culture and kids, sand mandala, meditation and personal puja,

tantric art classes and public talks.

Highlights include a three-part series the Dharma Challenge and a sacred music concert Beyond Karma.

Funds raised through the tour go to the Gyuto Monastery in Dharamsala to support its young refugee monks, many of who are recent arrivals from Tibet, as well as the dwindling numbers of elderly monks who escaped Tibet in 1959.

Media release, 21 Sep 2016  
Yvonne Lamont, Wow Wave of Wisdom



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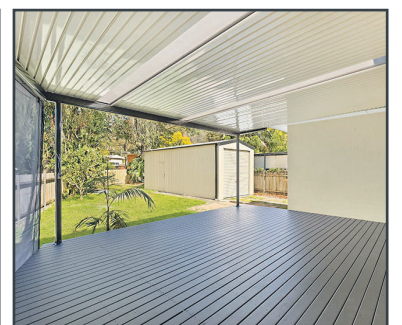
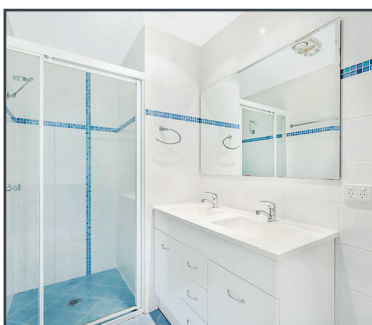
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# Wicks reiterates commitment to election promises

**The Federal Member of Robertson, Ms Lucy Wicks, has reiterated her commitment to her key 2016 election promises for the Peninsula.**

"The Coalition is committed to working with Central Coast Council to help fix local roads on the Peninsula," Ms Wicks said.

"It's no longer acceptable that people in suburbs like Umina should have to put up with second-rate roads," she said.

"We're committed to fixing these roads, which will also help to free up Council to direct its resources to other priority roads more quickly.

"The funding for Ryans Rd in Umina Beach, and Murray and Davis St at Booker Bay include essential upgrades to kerb and guttering, widening footpaths and improving drainage."

According to Ms Wicks, the \$2.75 million investment includes: \$1.1 million for Murray St, Booker Bay; \$900,000 for Davis St, Booker Bay; and \$750,000 for Ryans Rd, Umina.

"I have recently written to the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Mr Darren Chester, and the Minister for Urban Infrastructure, Mr Paul Fletcher, to obtain an update on these projects, which I want to see delivered as soon as possible.

"I have been advised that the Australian Government must speak to the New South Wales Government, to seek information such as the proposed profiling and funding allocations to projects as appropriate.

"The timing for the delivery of the individual commitments will depend on the complexity of the project and the current status of planning.

"Before any funding can be released, States are required to submit detailed Project Proposal Reports to the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development which outline information such as project scope, cost and timing.

"Once the Project Proposal Reports have been received we will move to implement these important projects as soon as possible.

"To assist in this process, I have also undertaken a detailed briefing with Central Coast Council.

"I am advised that planning is underway, and I will continue to work with the Council to ensure that these projects are delivered," she said.

Ms Wicks also pledged during the election campaign that she would make a funding boost to the Umina PCYC.

"I was pleased to announce further support for our area during the 2016 campaign, with a funding boost to New South Wales Police Citizens Youth Clubs," Ms Wicks said.

"The funding supports communities at the grass roots to help address crime and anti-social behaviour, and support local crime prevention initiatives to keep our streets safe.

"It's not only an investment in our local PCYC in Umina, but also to help our young people and families on the Central Coast.

"The commitment is part of a wider \$1.2 million investment in PCYCs across NSW to undertake Project Booyah, a police-run leadership and mentor program that uses adventure-based learning, resilience training and policing strategies to help young people years make better life choices.

"The 20-week early-intervention program is for young people aged 14 to 17 years.

"It has been running in Queensland since 2011 and the results speak for themselves.

"Almost 80 per cent of young participants have re-engaged in education and 63 per cent of graduates have gained some form of employment or work experience as a result of the program," she said.

Ms Wicks also provided information about the status of



*From left Mr Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce President with NSW Minister for Urban Infrastructure Mr Paul Fletcher and Member for Robertson Ms Lucy Wicks on Ryans Rd*

her promise to improve mobile coverage at Killcare.

"During the 2016 election campaign, we were able to announce that Killcare will receive improved mobile phone coverage, as part of an additional \$60 million in funding to extend the Mobile Black Spot Program.

"New mobile base stations in these areas will bring a much-needed boost, providing benefits to emergency service operators, businesses and residents.

"To help to keep our communities informed about the process, I have written to the Minister for Regional Communications, Senator Fiona Nash, for an update.

"The next steps involve the Government inviting mobile network operators to bid for funding from the list of priority locations, including Killcare.

"The Government will then ensure that that funding is provided to build new base stations on the priority list, subject to receipt of an application from at least one mobile network operator.

"It's also expected that co-contributions will be received from State and Local Government, mobile network operators and third parties.

"Because of the need for better coverage there is also a possibility that Killcare may be included in an earlier round of funding, which will

be finalised by the end of 2016.

"It's expected that the rollout on new or upgraded base stations will be completed over the next three years.

"I acknowledge that there is a desperate need for better mobile coverage, and I will continue to fight to see these towers delivered as soon as possible.

"Many regions have previously been overlooked by mobile network operators due to commercial factors.

"They were also overlooked by Labor, who despite being in Government for six years, did not spend one single dollar on improving mobile coverage," she said.

"Plans are already underway for a community event to be held in Killcare on this issue before the end of the year."

Ms Wicks' final promise to the Peninsula community during the election campaign was for the installation of free wi-fi at Woy Woy train station and continuous mobile coverage to Sydney.

"This is a commitment that's been well received by our community, particularly our hard-working commuters," she said.

"There are more than 60 kilometres of rail between Wyong and Hornsby where commuters currently face little or no mobile data coverage.

"Our commitment will allow commuters to access emails, browse the internet and use social media while on the long train journey to and from work.

"Wi-Fi will also be made available at train stations to give commuters broadband access while waiting for trains to arrive at the platform.

"Many commuters have already asked me for details on the next steps.

"I have recently spoken with the Minister for Communications, Senator Mitch Fifield, to obtain an update, and also asked about the matter in Parliament Question Time.

"I'm advised that the \$12 million commitment is on track, and expected to leverage an additional \$4 million investment from the NSW Government.

"The NSW Government will also provide in-kind assistance in facilitating access to land along the rail corridor, and help arrange planning approvals for new and upgraded telecommunications infrastructure.

"Funding will be awarded through an expression of interest process, taking bids from interested telecommunications network providers.

"This is expected to be underway within months, with work on track to begin by the end of 2017, so that we can deliver the free Wi-Fi hot spots and continuous mobile coverage that our commuters deserve."

Ms Wicks said Peninsula residents are welcome to contact her office on 4322 2400 if they have any questions about her election commitments or other issues or they can email [lucy.wicks.mp@aph.gov.au](mailto:lucy.wicks.mp@aph.gov.au).

Updates on these projects are also regularly posted on her Facebook and Twitter @LucyWicksMP, or you can sign up to Ms Wick's monthly e-newsletter via [www.lucywicks.com.au](http://www.lucywicks.com.au).

**Media statement, 29 Sep 2016**  
**Tim Sowden, Office of Lucy Wicks**

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# Major sponsor secured for Oyster Festival

**A major sponsor has been secured for the Brisbane Water Oyster Festival to be held at Ettalong on November 13.**

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has confirmed a major sponsor partner deal with Ettalong Diggers.

"The Chamber is proud to have teamed up again this year with the Ettalong Diggers who are the events major partner for 2016," said Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales.

"Ettalong Diggers has always been a big supporter of the Oyster Festival which is traditionally held on The Esplanade adjacent to the Club," he said.

"With almost 30,000 visitors to the event each year, it's vitally important that major sponsors such as Ettalong Diggers provide both

financial and logistical support.

"Otherwise we would not be able to hold the event to the standard that the public have come to expect.

"This year's event will be held at the same location although with some changes to the layout due to construction work commencing on the development site opposite the club.

"It will still have all the traditional elements including food from around the world in the food court with our famous oysters and seafood, fine wine from our neighbours in the Hunter Valley and food, over 40 art and craft stall as well as exhibition stands.

"The day commences with a full program of live, on-stage entertainment.

"The popular 'How Many Oysters Can You Eat in 30 Seconds' is the highlight of the day with many competing for the famous trophy and prize."

Media release, 28 Sep 2016  
Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce



## Expressions of interest in Patonga Hotel close

**Expressions of interest in the purchase of the Patonga Hotel closed on September 8 and negotiations continue but the property has not yet been sold.**

The 1543 square metre site was listed for sale with Ray White Hotels and with Manenti Quinlan and Associates.

The property last changed hands in 2014 and has been described by Manenti Quinlan as

an "outstanding waterfront location just one hour from Sydney... boasting absolute beach frontage".

The Patonga Hotel includes a residence, studio apartment, fish and chip shop and cafe with access from Palm Beach Ferries and Brooklyn Ferries and from chartered tours.

The pub is located on a "large land parcel across two separate titles" which, according to the selling agents, points to its

"underlying property value".

The Patonga Community Working Group has been campaigning against a proposal by Mr Andrew Smith, who acquired the pub in 2014, to complete a \$2.2 million redevelopment of the site via a development application lodged with the former Gosford Council in December last year.

Website, 28 Sep 2016  
Gerry Quinlan, Manenti Quinlan and Associates

## Brain cancer fundraiser

**Business and Professional Women Central Coast will be hosting a fundraiser for Cure Brain Cancer on November 5.**

The fundraiser will be hosted at the Ela Mesa Greek restaurant in Woy Woy.

Attendees will enjoy Greek specialities, learn traditional Greek dancing and break a plate or two.

There will be raffles and lucky door prizes on the night.

Tickets are \$85 per person, with all money raised going to brain cancer research.

Email, 28 Sep 2016  
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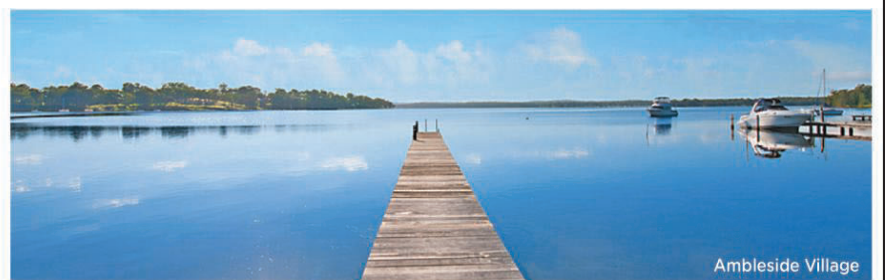
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Sue O'Neill and Di Schwarzl at Nakigo community school where they donated exercise books and school resources

## Rotarians return from Uganda visit

**Two Woy Woy Rotarians have returned from Uganda where they spent a hectic few weeks visiting many schools and communities which the club supports.**

Ms Sue O'Neill and Ms Di Schwarzl visited six schools, a children's clinic and two sewing workshops that assemble washable sanitary pads for girls.

The Rotarians delivered educational materials to each of the schools, two new ultrasound machines - foetal dopplers, a quantity of magnifying reader glasses, solar lights and reusable sanitary kits.

They also checked on the progress of another club project, the construction of teachers' houses at Kyanaka primary school in Luwero.

The schools visited ranged from a small community school where students were writing in the dirt to do their lessons to a well-resourced private school.

"Generally poor community schools are more common," Ms O'Neill said.

"Government schools are filled with dedicated teachers working

against extreme odds to deliver education," she added.

A major part of the visit involved organizing a Vocational Training Team Exchange between Australia and Uganda.

A team from Alive Medical Services in Kampala, which provides services to 13,000 HIV-positive clients will visit Australia

next year as guests of the Rotary Club of Woy Woy.

They will spend time at the Central Coast sexual health clinic and work with Australian professionals to understand diagnosis, counselling and treatment methods in Australia.

Media release, 15 Sep 2016  
Joan Redmond, Woy Woy Rotary

## Craft centre displays works

**A number of artists from the Ettalong Beach Arts and Craft Centre will display their work at Council's Community Gallery this October.**

The exhibition "Origins: spring is here" will display ceramics, paintings, photographs and glassware.

The featured artists include Ms Anness Seymour, Ms Annette

Heidrich, Ms Annette Poole, Ms Sandy Robinson, Ms Meg McDonald, Ms Thel Browne, Ms Jenny Knibb, Ms Robyn Lowe and Mr Murray Lowe

The exhibition runs from October 14 to 23, between 10am and 4pm.

Email, 19 Sep 2016  
Anness Seymour, EBACC

## Umina pie-maker competes in Melbourne

**A Umina pie-maker has successfully competed in the Great Aussie Pie Competition, recently held in Melbourne.**

Mr Ron Bruns from Bremen Patisserie received a gold medal for his Pulled Pork Pie.

The local pie shop also gained a silver medal for its Mango Peanut Curry Chicken Pie and two bronze medals for its plain meat pie and its Italian Bolognaise Pie.

Mr Bruns said the Great Aussie Pie Competition was a five-day event and more than 2000 pies were judged each day from all over

Australia.

Pies were judged based on their appearance and tested hot and cold for a variety of factors including taste, texture, and the ability to hold an even temperature when hot.

The medals were awarded by a panel of four expert judges and two tasters.

Bremens enters the Great Aussie Pie Competition every year and achieved best overall pie in 2013.

Interview, 20 Sep 2016  
Ron Bruns, Bremens Patisserie  
Reporter: Jackie Pearson



Ron Bruns with award winning Bremen pies

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## News

# Line-up announced for Opera in the Arboretum

**The Rotary Club of Woy Woy has announced the singers who will perform for the next Opera in the Arboretum in Pearl Beach to be held next March.**

The line-up includes tenor David Hobson, mezzo-soprano Sally-Anne Russell, local soprano Michael Archer and baritone Andrew Jones.

Ms Archer, artistic director of the event, described the booking of tenor David Hobson as "a major coup".

Ms Archer said David Hobson started his career in rock and jazz bands but his potential as a classical singer was discovered by the Victoria State Opera in the 1980s.

"He subsequently made his name with Opera Australia in his award winning performance of Rodolfo in La bohème directed by Baz Luhrmann (filmed in the early 1990s to world wide acclaim).

"Since then he has gone on to become a well-regarded classical performer, major recording artist, most recently a music theatre leading man and a frequent television performer on shows like Carols By Candlelight, Carols in The Domain, Spicks and Specks, Dancing With the Stars (finalist in 2007), It Takes Two (winning with model-singer Erika Heynatz in 2006 and with comedian and TV host Julia Morris in 2008) and a presenter on FoxTEL's Studio.

"He has performed for the Queen in the Great Hall in Canberra and sung at the AFL Grand Final."

Also appearing at Opera in the Arboretum 2017 will be Sally-Anne Russell, who Ms Archer described as "one of Australia's finest mezzo sopranos".

"Ms Russell has over 50 operatic roles in her repertoire and has sung in 15 countries including the United States, Austria, The Netherlands, United Kingdom, Italy, Germany, New Zealand, Japan and Canada.

"As a principal guest artist she has sung with Opera Australia, all of the State Opera companies and all of the major Australian symphony orchestras.

"Sally-Anne's many CDs and DVDs include her solo operatic disc Enchanting, Pergolesi's Stabat Mater (winner of the 2005 ARIA Listeners Choice), Bach Arias and Duets (ARIA Nominated), Mozart's Requiem, Don John of Austria, Top 100 ABC Concert Gala, Opera Australia's Golden Jubilee/50th Anniversary DVD (ABC Classics), Prokofiev's Love for Three Oranges (Chandos) and The No 1 Classical Album 2007 and 2009 (Decca)."

Ms Archer said that the event will welcome Andrew Jones, "one of Australia's most outstanding baritones", for his first appearance.

"Andrew Jones' concert repertoire includes the baritone solos in Orff's Carmina Burana and Faure's Requiem.

"He appeared in Victoria Opera's Gala Opening Concert, Opera Australia's 2010 New Year's Eve Gala and has been a frequent soloist for Orchestra Victoria.

"In 2015, he performed the title role in Le nozze di Figaro and Marcello in La bohème for Opera Australia.

"He also appears as soloist for Royal Melbourne Philharmonic, Darwin Symphony and for Opera in the Domain."

Ms Archer said she had been the event's artistic director since its inception in 2006.

This time she will also perform some all-time favourites.

Ms Archer said she had performed extensively nationally and internationally and had studied in New York with world renowned voice teacher, David Jones who works with singers at the Metropolitan Opera.

She had performed with Opera Australia in Turandot, Otello, and Werther and as a guest soloist in concert, she said.

"Other roles include Emmie in Albert Herring (Opera Australia), Mrs Peachum in The Beggar's Opera, Nedda in Pagliacci and Tosca."

Email, 20 Sep 2016  
Michael Archer, Woy Woy Rotary Club

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Given the advent of the new Central Coast Council, following is a summary of the first 9 news articles published in the most

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Issue 142

### Gosford's battlefield

Claims and counter claims in the Land and Environment Court, the JRPP's decision to defer a ruling on the NSW Finance building, and the growing perception that the Central Coast Council ...

### Liberals missing in action following legal challenge to ATO site

Labor Senator Deborah O'Neill has accused local Liberals of being missing in action following a legal challenge to the building of an Australian Tax Office (ATO) on the Gosford waterfront.

### Gosford business community feels abandoned

The business community of Gosford City has gone from riding on the crest of a wave prior to the removal of Gosford Council in May, to feeling neglected ...

### Doma seeks cost guarantee from Land and Environment Court

The Doma Group, the developer of the Australian Tax Office (ATO) building on the corner of Mann St and Georgiana Tce, Gosford, has lodged an application with the Land and ...

### Rare community support for resigning senior bureaucrat

The resignation of the Central Coast Council's Group Leader, Customer and Community Relationships, Ms Judy Jaeger, has been described as an enormous blow for the southern area ...

### Former councillors still offer a small voice

Community members should keep speaking to their former councillors if they have any concerns during the period of Central Coast Council administration, according to former Gosford...

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September 27, 2016

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Issue 101

Wyong Regional Chronicle focuses on news specifically relating to post code areas 2258, 2259, 2261, 2262, & 2263.

### Mines Subsidence Districts Boundaries reduced by 6,500 hectares

A NSW Government review of Central Coast Mines Subsidence Districts Boundaries has received support from staff at Central Coast Council.

### Regent Honeyeater and Swift Parrot at Kangy Angy cause further delays

The proposed rail maintenance facility at Kangy Angy will be subject to Federal Government approval, following the Federal Department of Environment's decision to assess the development as a ...

### Expressions of interest sought to build and deliver an upgraded Wyong Hospital

Moves to privatise Wyong Hospital have been described in the NSW Parliament as an "ambush" by the member for Wyong, Mr David Harris.

### Council remains opposed to Wallarah 2 coal mine

A submission from the Central Coast Council, responding to the amended development application for the Wallarah 2 coal mine, was adopted by the Administrator, Mr Ian Reynolds, at the council meeting on September 14.

### Denial of right to vote for councillors is undemocratic - Primrose

Central Coast residents are part of the 50 per cent of the NSW population that did not get to vote for local government representatives in the local elections on Saturday, September 10

### The future of Central Coast Tourism needs to be resolved soon

Wyong's former Deputy Mayor, Ms Lynne Webster, has used the latest meeting of the Economic Group of the Local Representation Committee to call for action on tourism from the new Central Coast Council.

### Council meetings to be reduced from four per month to one per month

The frequency of Central Coast Council meetings will be halved again following the adoption of amendments to its Code of Meeting Practice

### Changed traffic conditions at Ourimbah

The installation of storm water pipes between the pedestrian footbridge and the Pacific Hwy near the Tall Timbers Hotel at Ourimbah will begin on September 27, resulting in changed traffic conditions for night

### Greywater treatment system and rainwater tank rebates no longer available

Rebates for up to \$1,000 for greywater treatment systems and rainwater tanks ceased from Wednesday, September 14, when Central Coast Council Administrator, Mr Ian Reynolds,

Wyong Regional Chronicle focuses on news specifically relating to post code areas 2258, 2259, 2261, 2262, & 2263.  
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# Happy memories of 'Runway Park'

**We were in Gosford yesterday visiting, had lunch at the Leagues Club and picked up your newspaper.**

It brought back so many happy memories for my husband.

My husband, now in his 70s, used to play in "Runway Park" on a crashed Wirraway aeroplane.

He did that, he remembers, for two to three years.

He spent many hours riding his push bike all around Ocean Beach and Ettalong from breakfast until

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dark.

The gravel on the runway was perfect Shanghai ammunition.

There were lots of kids collecting their ammunition.

Unfortunately we are no longer local people.

My husband's grandparents lived in what was then called Ocean Beach every school holiday because both his parents worked.

Those times were the happiest of his childhood.

My "oldies" lived in Booker Bay, so my holidays were spent there not realising that one day I would marry someone else who spent their school holidays on the Central Coast.

It is so good the park is to stay and not be developed.

Open space is needed for kids like my husband.

**Emails, 22 and 23 Sep 2016  
Pamela Garske, Winston Hills**

# Woy Woy, Umina or Blackwall?

**Regarding the proposed Runway Park article in Peninsula News, dated September 19, from the office of Lucy Wicks, the initial paragraph had the address of the park as Trafalgar Ave, Woy-Woy.**

Further into the article, Ms Wicks described Trafalgar Park as a "small pocket of land in Umina".

Both addresses are incorrect, as the "small pocket of land" is located between Alma Ave and Waterloo Ave on the eastern side of Trafalgar Ave, which puts the land in Blackwall, not Woy-Woy or Umina.

It would be a shame if the name of the park went up on a sign as

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Runway Park Woy-Woy or Runway Park Umina when it should be Runway Park Blackwall.

**Email, Sep 26, 2016  
Phillip McBurney, Blackwall**

# Speak up to protect beautiful area

**How I love this beautiful area, from the great availability of an interesting bush walk to our spectacular beaches from Patonga to Tuggerah and beyond.**

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From my dad's fishing shack at Point Clare in the 50s, to my parents' upgrade to Koolewong, with a gradual migration of family

and friends in the 60s-70s, all of us sharing in the community and great friendships that were on offer.

So, why is it that a suspected tension is beginning to be felt among our residents?

Yes, in all of these years, I have witnessed a growth in housing and of course population, with the council not quite keeping up with infrastructure.

Now that's worse, with the amalgamation and very few public consultation projects undertaken that do not suit our environment, like the aesthetic ugliness of the low-cost housing development in Oval Ave, Woy Woy, and the large developments that will be established in Umina and in Ettalong.

Parking areas will now be gone. Then of course there is the dictatorship of the Baird Government.

Don't ask, just do. New trains, less seats, more commuters.

Sell off and develop developers. Please, good and faithful Peninsula residents, if and when the bureaucrats or developers over step their mark, let your voice be heard.

We have two local State Members and a Senator. Let them know your opinion.

Let us maintain our great sporting and social community, and let it be known that we will be heard and preferably listened to.

**Email, Sep 4, 2016  
Genny Murphy, Woy Woy**

# Boxing has no place in civilised society

**It is concerning to see that Umina PCYC is encouraging young students to take up boxing ("Boxing training for school students", Peninsula News, September 19).**

This extremely dangerous activity (I shan't dignify it with the name of sport) has no place in a civilised society, and it is particularly disturbing to see its being promoted amongst schoolchildren whose brains are still not fully formed and who risk long term damage from coup-contracoup trauma.

The long-term effect of concussion injuries is now recognized in football and boxing whose main objective is to render an opponent unconscious poses a much greater threat, probably about the worst of any activity imaginable.

The argument that young boxers wear headgear is inane.

Headguards provide no protection against brain damage

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and might, in fact, increase the danger, since an opponent is likely to land a heavier blow on a padded helmet where there is little risk of damaging his hand.

Similarly, the use of gloves greatly increases the violence of head blows: a bare-knuckle fighter will mainly concentrate on his opponent's body, because he will break a bone with a hard punch to the head, but gloves remove this barrier.

Boxing is not a manly art. A boxer's intention is to injure his opponent, either visibly or through internal damage, and some of this injury will not manifest itself until later in life (as we have seen in many examples)

Perhaps, the child protection agency should be looking at any parent who would put a child's future at risk in this way.

**Email, Sep 25, 2016  
Bruce Hyland, Woy Woy**

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## Speaking for animal lovers

**Ms Wendy Gillespie speaks for all who love animals at the official killing of mallard ducks at Woy Woy.**

These ducks were loved by locals and visitors alike, particularly the children.

This cruel and arrogant action illustrates man's basic violent and selfish nature.

As soon as a bird or animal adapts to man's environment, it has to be destroyed.

The only animal, secretive

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and cunning, that thrives in our environment is the rat, because it lives and breeds in inaccessible places.

Sir David Attenborough remarked that the only animals that increase in population in this world are man and the rat.

Email, 26 Sep 2016  
Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy



Residents enjoy the festivities

## Poetry performed at retirement village

**A retirement village in Umina has held a Country and Western Day on September 27, in celebration of Country Music Month.**

Peninsula Village played host to bush poet Carol Heuchan, singer Steve Richards, and the Umina Kids Club.

The Country and Western Day provided residents an opportunity to enjoy live entertainment, spend time with old friends, meet new ones and enjoy a BBQ lunch.

Ms Heuchan, formerly a horse riding teacher and show horse judge, performed her award-winning bush poetry in the main hall at the village.

The village regularly holds entertainment days, enriching their social wellbeing and providing cultural experiences for its residents.

Chief executive officer Mr Shane Neaves said that there had been a lot of buzz surrounding the Country and Western Day.

"We have a lot of poetry fans here at Peninsula Villages.

"Everyone was looking forward to seeing Carol perform her famous bush poetry," Mr Neaves said.

"The Umina Kids Klub also performed a play for the residents.

"It will be wonderful to see the children engaging with the community and our residents always get so much joy from seeing the kids," Mr Neaves said.

Media release, 26 Sep 2016  
Katey Small, Brilliant Logic



2015 Grant Winner puppeteer Gabrielle Paananen introduces one of her creations to Foundation chairman John Bell

## Foundation awards

**The Bouddi Arts Foundation has awarded more than \$24,000 to young artists following its annual auditions for creative young Central Coast artists.**

Thirty local shortlisted artists, film makers and screenwriters, classical musicians, musical theatre performers, songwriters, jazz musicians, photographers and ceramicists were judged by panels of adjudicators.

Twelve winners will be showcased and awards totalling over \$21,000 presented at a special event at Wagstaffe Hall on Saturday, November 5.

Bouddi Foundation chairman Mr John Bell noted that adjudicators were bowled over by the wealth of talent and enthusiasm on display

by finalists including from Empire Bay, Umina, and Woy Woy.

Expert judges this year included for visual arts the artists Peter Godwin Sandi Phillips, Terry Baker, art curator Gavin Wilson, Ian Provost and Jordan Richardson.

The dance adjudicator was Nicky Castle of the Central Coast Conservatorium; classical and contemporary music was appraised by Philip Walker, Philip Mortlock and Kim Ransley, Joy Park and John Bell.

Veteran film maker David Elfick judged filmmakers and screenwriters.

Accompaniment for the performers by Narelle Jones ensured successful auditions.

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Joy Park, Bouddi Foundation for the Arts



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## Health

# Peninsula Village will hold family open day

Peninsula Village at Umina will hold a free Family Day on Saturday, October 8, as an opportunity to invite community members of all ages to experience what the village is all about.

The Family Day will include free live entertainment, farmyard animals in a Kidz Zoo, a photo booth and jumping castle, as well as a barbecue and performances

by magician Mr Lewis Ramsay.

Peninsula Village is a community-based non-profit organisation, serving the needs of locals for more than 40 years.

Chief executive officer Mr Shane Neaves said that the Family Day was an opportunity to open the doors of Peninsula Village and give back to the community.

"For more than 40 years, we've been caring for older locals and

providing a welcoming community for residents to feel safe and included," said Mr Neaves.

"As a not-for-profit organisation, we are also focused on serving the needs of the wider Peninsula and Central Coast community and are proud to enjoy strong relationships with a host of local schools, social clubs, sporting clubs and groups," he said.

"Our Family Day is an opportunity to invite not just the families of our residents, but families within our local area, to pay a visit to Peninsula Village and enjoy a day of fun.

"Families will also have an opportunity to find out more about the Peninsula Village's difference, check out our facilities, interact with our residents and talk to our friendly staff and volunteers," he said.

Community members are invited attend the Peninsula Village Family Day from 10:30am to 3:30pm at 91 Pozieres Ave, Umina.

Media release, 29 Sep 2016  
Katey Small, Brilliant Logic



The Family Day is an opportunity for Peninsula Village to give back to the community

## Program about tuning in to teens

A program is for parents of 10-18 year olds called Tuning in to Teens, while be held at the Peninsula Community Centre in coming weeks.

The free six-session program is based on "emotionally-intelligent" parenting.

The program will develop emotional intelligence by exploring: the ability to identify and understand one's own emotions, understanding others' emotions and responding with empathy, using emotional awareness as a guide when solving problems, dealing with frustration and being able to wait for an outcome, keeping distress from overwhelming the ability to think; and being in control of how and when to express feelings.

The aim of this program is to help parents improve their communication skills with their adolescent children and promote healthier emotional management for parents and teens.

Other program outcomes include teaching teens how to deal with conflict and how to avoid problem behaviours.

Tuning in to Teens will take place in Meeting Room 5 of the Peninsula Community Centre, Woy Woy, from 7pm-9pm on September 28, October 4, 11, 18 and 25, and November 2.

Bookings are essential.

The program is run by Uniting Burnside and hosted by Coast Community Connections.

Media release, 25 Sep 2016  
Louise Manson, Coast Community Connections

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## Free hearing checks offered

A "Hearing Bus" will visit Woy Woy in October to offer free hearing checks and raise hearing health awareness.

Visitors to the bus will find information on a range of common hearing issues and view a display of easy-to-use hearing devices for around the home, including headsets for watching TV and alert systems for doorbells.

Manager of Australian Hearing Woy Woy, Mr Matthew Reid, said age-related hearing loss develops gradually so it is common for people to be unaware their hearing is diminishing.

"A hearing check is a quick and easy way to measure the sounds you can and can't hear," Mr Reid said.

"Our team will also be on hand to guide you through what next steps you may have to take in regards to your hearing," he said.

"Not everyone who is experiencing problems hearing needs a hearing aid.

"Sometimes it's just hearing the TV at normal volumes, hearing your doorbell, or hearing your friends on the phone that's the problem," Mr Reid said.

The Australian Hearing bus will be outside Woolworths on Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, from October 18 to 20.

No appointment is necessary, and Australian Hearing will provide hearing checks to any interested adults who visit the bus on the day.

Media release, 20 Sep 2016

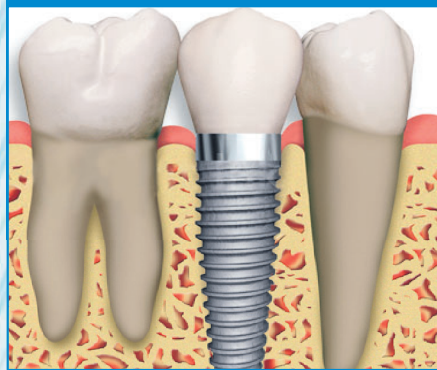
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Education

# Rugby Sevens Olympian visits school



Jesse Parahi with Umina student Luke

Umina Beach Public School has had a visit by member of the Australian men's Rugby 7's Olympic team, Jesse Parahi.

Jesse visited the school to talk to the students in Years 3 to 6 about his experiences at the 2016 Rio Olympic Games.

Parahi was then reunited with young student Luke who had given Jesse his lucky Hulk toy to take with him to the Rio Games.

He carried the toy with him at all times and had sent photos back to Luke during his time in Rio.

During his recent visit, Jesse finally returned the toy to Luke and thanked the student for his support.

Newsletter, 6 Sep 2016  
Paul Farrugia, Umina Beach Public School

# Planetarium at school

The Ettalong Public School's Science Committee brought a planetarium to the school on September 12 and 13.

"Students were absolutely amazed at the 360 degree view of our solar system," said relieving principal Ms Lynn Balfour.

"Their experiences were out of this world as they learned how the solar system evolved and how we can best protect our planet," Ms Balfour said.

Newsletter, 13 Sep 2016  
Lynn Balfour, Ettalong Public School

# Fourth round win

Umina Beach Public Schools boys' touch football team successfully won their fourth round match against Erina Heights Public School with the final score being 8-5.

The boys will go on to play the fifth round.

If successful, it will move on to play in the final rounds in Sydney.

Newsletter, 6 Sep 2016  
Paul Farrugia, Umina Beach Public School

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# Star on the rise

Ettalong Public School Year 6 student, Jardean Hinchliffe, has won the September Stars on the Rise award.

The award is sponsored by the Central Coast Council, local radio station SEA FM and Fairplay Entertainment.

Jardean has also been selected to commence Year 7 at the Newtown School of Performing Arts in 2017.

Newsletter, 13 Sep 2016  
Lynn Balfour, Ettalong Public School

# Students compete in spelling bee

Students from each year at Pretty Beach Public School have taken part in the annual Premier's Spelling Bee over the past few weeks.

The winners of the junior and senior competitions have been finalised and students will

represent Pretty Beach Public School

Four Pretty Beach students have made it through to the next stage of the competition.

Newsletter, 8 Sep 2016  
Deborah Callendar, Pretty Beach Public School

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## Education



The Pretty Beach Public School debating team

### Public speaking finals

**Pretty Beach Public School students recently joined over 80 students from 11 public schools to compete in the in the four stages of the Zone Public Speaking Finals.**

The standard of speeches was outstanding, according to Pretty Beach principal Ms Deborah Callendar.

"Eight representatives from Pretty Beach Public School

participated in the event," Ms Callendar said.

One Pretty Beach Public School student received a Highly Commended award in the stage one competition.

The Pretty Beach Public School debating team also recently travelled to Biddabah Public School to represent the school in the first round of the debating competition at Zone level.

The team was given the

affirmative side to debate the topic "All primary school students should learn how to play a musical instrument".

"It was a tough debate and although the students lost by one point, they displayed excellent behaviour at all times and were gracious in their defeat," Ms Callendar said.

Newsletter, 8 Sep 2016  
Deborah Callendar, Pretty Beach Public School

### Reading program places available

**Places are now available at Woy Woy and Umina Libraries for the Reading Buddy program during Term Four (October to December).**

Aimed at developing the literacy skills of school-aged children and fostering a love of reading, the program matches students one-on-one with Reading Buddy volunteers from the community.

Council's library services coordinator Ms Michelle Swan-Beardmore said Reading Buddy programs have been shown to enhance literacy outcomes in young people around the globe.

"The Reading Buddy program is so successful because children enjoy quality time and the undivided attention of an adult dedicated to helping them improve their literacy skills and encourage their enjoyment for reading," said Ms Swan-Beardmore.

"Children develop a real rapport with their Reading Buddy and our

volunteers gain just as much from the program as the students do.

"Previous term programs have been fully booked out, proving the program's popularity and value with both volunteers and students."

The program consists of bookings for half an hour per week, every week for the 10-week school term.

Some volunteers opt to be partnered with more than one student per term.

Volunteers receive training prior to commencing the program and are subject to all the necessary checks.

Anyone looking to be a part of the Term Four Reading Buddy program either as a volunteer or to book in their child can contact Council's Outreach Services Librarian on 0447 162 210 or by email to [elizabeth.robertson@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au](mailto:elizabeth.robertson@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au)

Media release, 29 Sep 2016  
Michelle Swan-Beardmore,  
Central Coast Council



Eight speakers represented Pretty Beach Public School at the Zone Public Speaking finals

### Students compete in zone athletics

**Students from Woy Woy Public School competed in the PSSA Zone Athletics Carnival on August 22.**

The large number of students proudly represented their school with hard work and excellent behaviour, according to relieving

principal Mr Dan Betts.

Anwar El-Kurdi and Lahni Moore achieved personal best times in their races, and have been selected to attend the Regional Athletics Carnival.

Newsletter, 23 Sep 2016  
Dan Betts, Woy Woy Public School

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# Volunteers sought to run ethics classes

## Volunteers are being sought to run ethics classes in Peninsula primary schools.

Public primary schools on the Peninsula are among a growing number of schools in NSW which now offer philosophical ethics classes for children from kindy to year 6.

Umina Beach, Ettalong, Woy Woy, Woy Woy South, Empire Bay and Pretty Beach Public Schools all offer ethics programs for students and the hunt for volunteer teachers is on as waitlists for classes are growing.

Ethics classes are discussion-based and are facilitated by trained volunteer teachers.

Parents, grandparents and members of the general community are invited to apply to be ethics teachers through the approved charity Primary Ethics.

"It's a rewarding way to be involved in your local school," said Ms Sue Ellis, who teaches a weekly class of eight to 10 year olds at Umina Beach Public School.

"This term we discussed being selfish, disagreeing respectfully, and bragging," Ms Ellis said.

"The students have lots of interesting opinions and learn from each other," she said.

Ethics classes are available for students who would normally attend "non-scripture" during the Special Religious Education (SRE/SEE or 'scripture') timeslot.

In ethics classes, children explore a range of stories and scenarios, discussing what they ought to do, how they ought to live, the kind of society they should

have and what kind of person each of us should strive to be.

"I recommend it to anyone who is interested in helping kids develop their reasoning skills," said Ms Ellis.

Ethics is a branch of philosophy that examines ethical concepts and issues, asking what is right or wrong in particular circumstances.

The curriculum has been written for Primary Ethics and comprises a wide range of topics that primary-aged children find interesting.

Students learn to think about these ethical matters together and engage in the give-and-take of reasoned argument.

This process allows children to properly consider other people's points of view and to be sincere, reasonable and listen respectfully in dealing with their differences and disagreements.

It's not only ethics teachers who are needed to run these programs successfully.

Each school also needs its own ethics coordinator, who has the role of school liaison and to support the school's ethics teachers.

There is also a volunteer regional manager, who manages the programs right across the Peninsula.

Anyone interested in volunteering to be a local Primary Ethics teacher can visit the Primary Ethics website at [primaryethics.com.au](http://primaryethics.com.au) or contact the Regional Manager for Primary Ethics at [bouddicoast-region@primaryethics.com.au](mailto:bouddicoast-region@primaryethics.com.au).

**Media release, 19 Sep 2016**  
**Heidi McElnea, Primary Ethics**



The Woy Woy Public School girl's football team

## Girls football team vies for State title

### The Woy Woy Public School girl's football team is only two wins away from being crowned State Champions.

The team has made it into the semi-finals in the State Cup knockout competition played by up to 900 public schools from all around NSW.

To make it into the final four, Woy Woy had to win eight matches

against teams from the Central Coast and as far away as Yamba.

Although from a relatively small school, the girls, ranging in ages from eight to 12 are proof that determination, raw talent and team work can get you there.

Coached by Mr Peter Graham, the school scored 28 goals and only conceded three.

The school came second in this

competition last year.

To gain at least a semi-final position two years in a row is a rare achievement in primary school competitions.

The team will travel to Sydney on October 17 to play the two decider matches.

**Media release, 20 Sep 2016**  
**Tracey Lowden, Ettalong Bowling Club**

## Students visit Canberra

### Year 6 students from Woy Woy Public School have taken part in an educational tour in Canberra with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The students visited The Australian Institute of Sport, The Australian Mint, Questacon, The Australian War Memorial, Parliament House, The National Art Gallery, Regatta Point Exhibition Centre, The National Dinosaur

Museum and participated in an electoral education program at the Old Parliament House.

To assist families in meeting the costs of the excursion, the Government contributed funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program.

The rebate is paid directly to the school after the excursion has been completed.

**Newsletter, Sep 23, 2016**  
**Dan Betts, Woy Woy Public School**



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## Remake of 1936 film shows Peninsular Paradise

In a remake of a 1936 film about Woy Woy, local film maker Mr Noel Sadler has attempted to show the area's modern-day natural beauty and lifestyle.

The idea for his soon-to-be-released film, Peninsular Paradise, was presented to Mr Sadler by Umina resident Ms Vivien Sale, who is now the project's executive producer.

"When Vivien Sale first approached me about the idea of filming Peninsular Paradise, there was no script, only an idea," Mr Sadler said.

"After our first pre-production meeting, it was decided that Peninsular Paradise was to be a remake of the old 1936 film Woy Woy: The Venice of Australia, with a 21st Century twist," he said.

"Using footage of this old black and white film, the new film is a story of how our lifestyle has changed over 80 years, but also showing how our beautiful environment has not.

"What we have found researching the old film, and what we filmed for the new production, is that the beaches, national parks, waterways and Lion Island are still as they were, to be enjoyed by us all and our future generations.

"A lot has changed over 80 years and then there are things that have not and may never change such as the lifestyle here on the Peninsula, the fishing, boating and a great sense of belonging," he said.

The 1936 film, Woy Woy: the Venice of Australia, told of the Peninsula being the jewel of Australia's tourist industry, a mecca to all motorists.

There was no end to the delights of a holiday on the Peninsula, the trains from Sydney were always packed.

It was standing room only to travel to Woy Woy, described as an unpretentious fishing settlement, on a glorious natural harbour called Brisbane Water.

"Nowadays you often read comments such as, 'the Peninsula is now part of the faceless urban sprawl that blights Australia's east coast', or 'one only sees grim-faced commuters and geriatric lawn bowlers'.



Scenes from the filming of Peninsular Paradise

"Not so," Mr Sadler said.

"The Peninsula has even more to offer nowadays than in the 1930s.

"There is the fishing and boating we have always had, but there are the Ettalong Markets, a large selection of restaurants along with entertainment venues, lots of options for travel on the water to enjoy with the Palm Beach ferries and the Central Coast Ferry that now conducts history tours a from Gosford to the Hawksbury River.

"No, we don't have the big theme parks but we do have a relaxed lifestyle.

"I once read in a local tourist document for the Peninsula that no matter where you go on the Peninsula, you usually find the sun shining down on sparkling water, your personal invitation from Mother Nature.

"How true is that statement?

"Not only is it a great place to visit but a fantastic place to live and bring up your kids as we did.

The weather was true to form during the eight months of filming for the new Peninsular Paradise.

"As with all film projects that have a lot of outside on location filming, the biggest issues is the weather.

"With Peninsular Paradise, the whole story is about a one day visit to the Peninsula looking at the attractions and how the Peninsula has changed over the

past 80 years.

"Peninsular Paradise required almost 20 days of filming, some being only part days, but each day of filming had to be a bright sunny day so that the finished project looks like it was all filmed in just one day just like the old 1936 film.

"I ended up with the name weather man from the crew as each day booked for on location filming always turned out to be a clear sunny day even throughout the winter months," he said.

Mr Sadler's obsession with filmmaking began when he was about 15 when he bought his first camera, a Super Eight.

"It wasn't long before I started working as a camera assistant for a regional TV network.

"In those days, the cameras used 16mm film, not video or media files.

"It was very expensive shooting on film and you could not waste the film by recording more than you needed for the story.

"Today media files can be reused over and over making the cost of recording a fraction of what it used to cost and you can play back what you just recorded instantly."

Mr Sadler has produced television commercials and a large number of business and corporate video projects and documentaries.

He has won a number of



national video awards for music video projects.

Cinema Paradiso has agreed to host the premiere of the new film and the black tie, red carpet affair has already been booked out for the evening of Wednesday, October 26.

Cinema Paradiso has also agreed to put the film on its

cinema program for the two weeks following the premiere.

DVD copies of the documentary will be available through local retail outlets and at the Oyster Festival in Ettalong in November.

**Media statement, 28 Sep 2016**  
Noel Sadler, Skip Film Productions  
Reporter: Jackie Pearson

## Painter exhibits at Norah Head

**Umina Beach painter Ms Elsie Winkel has held an exhibition at a restaurant in Norah Head.**

The 83-year-old artist sold 20 of her paintings at the Shorethyme Restaurant and received another seven commissions for her work.

Ms Winkel, who has been painting for the past 54 years, is a self-taught artist.

"I never had the opportunity to train officially, but I trust my own instincts," she said.

Ms Winkel has honed her skills by attending workshops over the years, where she has met a number of like-minded artists and influential teachers, such as the late Mr Brian Hasler of Bateau Bay.

"He gave me the courage to step outside the square," she said.

Ms Winkel said she enjoys capturing local scenes, such as Ettalong Point and Lion Island, as well as animals, birds and countryside landscapes.

Locals may be familiar with Ms Winkel, who paints along the sidewalk of Ocean View Rd, Ettalong, on the first and third Saturday each month.

Painting five days a week, it takes Ms Winkel eight months to create between 30 and 35 paintings a year.

Ms Winkel has lived in Umina Beach for the past 25 years, deciding to make the move in her husband's retirement after spending years holidaying in the area.

**Interview, 29 Sep 2016**  
Elsie Winkel, Umina Beach  
Reporter: Jasmine Gearie

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# Woytopia to feature live music, stalls and talks

The Woytopia sustainable living festival is back on again on Sunday, October 9, with live music, market stalls, food, talks and children's entertainment.

This is the fifth Woytopia festival and it has grown into one of the Peninsula's best family days out, according to event manager Mr Mark Mann.

"This year's music line-up is headlined by Old Man River, aka Ohad Rein, with his blend of melodic folk-soul-pop, and Central Coast favourites Dr Goodvibe, featuring the laid-back funky grooves of singer-guitarist Edu Valk and Christian Marsh, probably Australia's finest harmonica player.

"There's also jazz-electronica from Sydney duo Triage, Tim Hall (formerly of The Whitlams and Chakradiva), multi-instrumentalist Paul Robert Burton and jazz-cabaret classics from Alan French and Roz Phillips, plus some of the Peninsula's best emerging young musicians."

A full program of activities and entertainment for kids includes Walkabout Wildlife Park's reptile rampage show, JoJo's circus play space, hula-hooping, soccer, storytelling, Indian dancing, creative craft and 'nature play', go-karts, bouncy castle, facepainting,



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You'll find clothes, bodycare, jewellery, local organic produce and more in the Woytopia 'eco-market'.

This year, the festival organisers have added extra food stalls,

extending the choice to paella, pizza, Vietnamese and vegan tacos, as well as the popular Woytopia eco-BBQ, where you can try crocodile, kangaroo or emu sausages.

For a sweet treat, there's

churros and home-made cakes and other goodies at the Woytopia chai tent.

For the eco-minded, there's a range of green living talks.

This year the focus is on planet-friendly gardening, with

talks and stalls offering advice on permaculture, composting, keeping native bees and chickens, worm farms, growing herbal plants and soil fertility, as well as stalls selling native plants and organic seedlings, and a free native plant giveaway.

The festival begins at 9am with Gavi Duncan conducting a smoke ceremony, then Gavi and Phil Bligh will discuss Aboriginal attitudes to the environment, followed by Jake Cassar's bushtucker show.

Drumbala will close the day with a drum circle.

Woytopia is organised by the Peninsula Environment Group and aims to be a truly eco-friendly event, powered by renewable energy and with all waste composted or recycled.

This year you can also cycle to the festival with the Woytopia Bike Bus starting at 9am at Gosford pool.

Woytopia Festival will be held on Sunday, October 9, from 9am to 3pm; at Woy Woy South Public School, Waterloo Ave, Woy Woy.

The event is free, but a gold coin donation will be appreciated.

Visit the event's website [www.woytopia.info](http://www.woytopia.info) for further information.

Media release, 28 Sep 2016  
Mark Mann, Peninsula Environment Group

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1300 252 666  
Meetings Sat 2pm  
Woy Woy Hospital  
Ocean Beach Road

**Arthritis NSW**  
Woy Woy support group  
Woy Woy Bowling Club  
North Burge Road Woy Woy  
3rd Tues 10.30am  
1800 011 041

**Better Hearing Australia - Central Coast**  
Hearing loss management support and education. 7 groups across the Coast  
Providing practical experience and confidence  
4321 0275  
www.centralcoast.betterhearingaustralia.org.au

**BlueWave Living**  
Woy Woy Community Aged Care facility providing residential aged care to the frail aged. Permanent and respite care accommodation available.  
Information 2nd and 4th Tues - 11am  
4344 2599  
reception@bluewavelliving.org.au

**Central Coast Parkinson's Support Group**  
We aim to help individuals and their families better manage living with Parkinson's Disease  
Guest speakers are a regular feature of our meetings.  
2nd Tue - 1.30pm  
1800 644 189

**Gambling Solutions**  
Gambling help counsellors providing free confidential professional service to gamblers, family and friends.  
Woy Woy, Kincumber, Gosford and The Entrance  
4344 7992

**GROW Support Groups**  
Small friendly groups formed to learn how to overcome anxiety, depression and loneliness and to improve mental health and well-being. Anonymous, free and open to all. Bring a support person if you like. Weekly meetings at Woy Woy, Bateau Bay and Wyong  
1800 558 268  
www.grow.org.au

**Meals on Wheels**  
Delicious meals delivered free  
Join us for a midday meal  
Help with shopping and cooking classes  
4341 6699

**Mary Mac's Place**  
Providing hot, freshly cooked meals - Mon to Fri 11am-1pm with support, info & referrals  
4341 0584  
marymacs@woywoycatholic.org.au

**Overeaters Anonymous (OA)**  
12-step fellowship for those with eating disorders. No dues, fees, or weigh-ins.  
Peninsula Com. Cntr, cnr. Mc Masters Rd & Ocean Beach Rd. Woy Woy, Fri 8pm  
www.oa.org  
0412 756 446

**ParaQuad**  
Specialist healthcare products home delivered for all continence, wound care, respiratory and nutrition requirements - Professional Clinic Support avail. 1300 886 601  
www.brightsky.com.au

**Peninsula Village Wellness Centre**  
Offering holistic and complementary therapies including aromatherapy, massage and music therapy  
4344 9199

**Peninsula Village Meals**  
Delivered daily to your door  
Nutritious, great for the elderly  
4344 9199

**Peninsula Village Carer's Support Group**  
For carers of loved ones with dementia - 1st Wed - 10 to 11.30am  
Paula 4344 9199

**Prostate Cancer Support Group (Gosford)**  
Last Fri, Terrigal Uniting Church, 380 Terrigal Drive, Terrigal  
9.30am to 12 noon 4367 9600  
www.pcfa.org.au

**Riding for the Disabled**  
Horse Riding as a therapy for those with intellectual or physical disabilities.

Volunteers required. No previous exp. necessary - School hours only. Mon to Sat  
4340 0388  
stateoffice@rdansw.org.au

**Schizophrenia and Bipolar Fellowship**  
For Schizophrenia/Bipolar/ Mental Health sufferers, family, carers and friends. .  
1st Thur - 1pm Room 3  
Uniting Church Donnison St Gosford  
4344 7989 or 4368 2214

**Woy Woy Public Hospital Alliance**  
To restore medical services previously available & upgrade to a standard that meets with local needs.  
2pm 2nd Sat St Lukes Church Hall, Blackwall Rd Woy Woy  
4344 4811

**Woy Woy Stroke Recovery Club**  
Everglades Country Club  
2nd Tues 11am  
Company, up-to-date info, hydrotherapy, bus trips  
4341 7177

## Music

**Brisbane Water Brass**  
Brass Band entertainment for the community playing all types of popular music.  
Rehearsal every Tues  
7.30pm-10pm  
0419 274 012

**Gosford Musical Society Minstrels**  
Entertain at various venues on the Coast seeking new members  
Thur Night Laycock St North Gosford 4341 4210

**Soundwaves**  
Men's a-capella 4 part harmony chorus - all ages 7pm Mon.  
Central Coast Leagues Club  
John 0413 276 698  
jthomson51@gmail.com

**Troubadour Central Coast Folk, Traditional & Acoustic**  
Music and Spoken Word Concerts, Ukulele meets, and Sessions  
4th Sat 7pm CWA Hall Woy Woy 4342 6716  
mail.info@troubadour.org.au

## Political Groups

**Australian Labor Party**  
Political discussions, national, state and local government issues

**Umina Ettalong Branch**  
2nd Mon Umina Beach Bowling Club 7.30pm 4342 3676  
**Ourimbah/ Narara Branch**  
Niagara Park Primary School  
7.30pm 1st Mon  
0410 309 494  
kyle.macgregor@hotmail.com

**Woy Woy Branch**  
Everglades Country Club  
7.30pm 2nd Mon  
0412 517 520  
belindaneal@bigpond.com  
**Peninsula Day Branch**  
1pm 2nd Mon  
CWA Hall Woy Woy  
4341 9946

**Central Coast Greens**  
Active regarding ecological sustainability, social & economic justice, peace & non-violence, grassroots democracy & getting Greens elected  
3rd Thur,  
centralcoast.nsw.greens.org.au  
centralcoastgreens@gmail.com

**Politics in the Pub Central Coast**  
Discussion of important political, social, economic, education, land philosophy issues in a non partisan manner - The Grange Hotel 4th Thur every month besides Dec

## Service Groups

**Lions Club of Woy Woy**  
1st and 3rd Mon. Woy Woy Leagues Club  
0478 959 895  
Make new friends and have fun while serving your community.

**Northern Settlement Services - Volunteers**  
Volunteers needed for friendly visits to the elderly in nursing homes.  
People with a second language encouraged.  
Training support provided  
4334 3877  
cvsc@nsservices.com.au

**Rotary Clubs**  
International service club improves lives of communities in Aust. & o/seas. Fun-filled activities, fellowship and friendship.

**Rotary Club of Kariong**  
Phillip House, 21 Old Mount Penang Rd, Fri 7.15am 4340 4529

**Rotary Club of Umina Beach**  
Wednesdays 6.30pm  
Everglades Country Club  
0409 245 861  
curleys@ozemail.com.au  
0409 245 861

**Rotary Club of Woy Woy**  
Tues 6pm Everglades Country Club.  
Don Tee 0428 438 535

## Special Interest

**Brisbane Water Caravan Club**  
located on the Central Coast and looking for new members  
www.bwcaravanclub.wix.com/bwcc  
4344 4363

**Biz Plus Networking Association**  
Business owners networking group.  
Biz Networking breakfast every Thur 7:15am - 9am  
Erina Leagues Club  
Geoff Neilson  
network@bizplus.com.au

**Bridge**  
Duplicate Bridge Mon Tue Thur Fri Sat-12.15pm & Wed 9.15am  
Brisbane Water Bridge Club, Peninsula Community Centre  
93 McMasters Rd. Woy Woy  
www.brisbane-water.bridge-club.org

**Cash Housie**  
50 Games every Sat night  
Peninsula Community Centre, McMasters Rd, Woy Woy, 7.30pm. Proceeds to Woy Woy Catholic Parish.  
www.cashousie@hotmail.com

**Central Coast Family History Society Inc.**  
Resources, information & advice to study your family's history.  
1st Sat 1pm Lions Community Hall, 8 Russell Drysdale St, E. Gosford.  
www.centralcoastfhs.org.au  
4324 5164

**Central Coast Tenants' Advice and Advocacy Service**  
Help with issues with landlords & real estate agents? Free telephone advice and advocacy for all tenants and residents in residential parks.  
4353 5515  
cctaas@hotmail.com

**Central Coast Lapidary Club, Minerals & Gems**  
Learn silverwork, cabochons, faceting, enamelling, stone fieldtrips & fossicking.  
Weekly Workshops  
Tues and Thurs 8.30am-2.30pm  
Thurs evening 6-10pm  
10 Ourimbah Creek Rd Ourimbah  
4362 2246

**Central Coast Rescue Unit**  
Marine Education Courses. Radio Licenses, Boat Safety & Boat License & PWC License Tests, Navigation, Seamanship and Meteorology.  
4325 7929  
www.vmrcc.org.au

**Central Coast Soaring Club Inc**  
Gliding Club, Learn to fly, Instruction FREE to members  
Come and have an Air Experience Flight  
All Welcome

14 and up for Training  
Flying at Bloodtree Road  
Mangrove Mountain Thur, Sat, Sun (weather permitting)  
0412 164 082  
0414 635 047  
www.ccsoaring.com.au

**Peninsula Environment Group**  
Environmental projects, (incl. Woytopia), Woy Woy community garden, social events, workshops, organic food buying group  
www.peg.org.au

**Woy Woy Judo Club**  
3 Classes every Tue & Fri 5.00pm to 8pm  
Ettalong Leisure & Learning Centre  
Min age 5 years old  
0434 000 170  
www.woywoyjudoclub.com

## Veterans

**National Malaya Borneo Veterans Association**  
1st Sat F(except Jan) 1pm  
Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club,  
51-52 The Esplanade.  
4342 1107

**Vietnam Veterans', Peacekeepers' and Peacemakers'**  
Assist all veterans & families with pension & welfare issues.  
Mon & Wed 9am-1pm 4344 4760 Cnr Broken Bay Rd & Beach St Ettalong.  
centralcoastveterans@bigpond.com.

**Woy Woy Ettalong Hardy's Bay RSL**  
Provide help with pensions and welfare etc.  
Shop 5/382 Oceanview Rd Ettalong. Tues & Thurs 9am to 1pm 4341 2594

## Women's Groups

**BPW Central Coast**  
Empowering women of all ages in the areas of work, education, well-being and friendship. All women welcome to attend monthly dinner meetings. Be enlightened. \$40 covers two course meal and speaker.  
0438 989 199  
bpwcentralcoast@hotmail.com  
www.bpw.com.au/central-coast

**Country Women's Association Woy Woy**  
Opposite Fisherman's Wharf Craft & Friendship  
1st and 2nd Wed 10am  
Meetings 4th Wed 10.30am  
4324 2621

**Country Women's Association Umina**  
Branch meeting  
1st Wed 10am  
Craft and Friendship  
Other Weds 9am  
1st and 3rd Sun 12.30pm  
0414 576 366 - 4344 1070

**Gosford RSL Women's Auxiliary**  
For women over 18 years. Raise money for welfare of veterans and their families  
RSL Club, West Gosford  
4th Mon 2pm 4323 7336

**Peninsula Women's Health Centre**  
Counselling, therapeutic and social groups, workshops, domestic violence and abuse issues. All services by women for women  
4342 5905  
www.cccwhc.com.au

**WOWGIRLS Wave of Wisdom**  
WOWGIRLS Wave of Wisdom connects women and local businesses around a common theme of wellbeing to share wisdom and explore life's potential.  
Regular PowWows, WOW Wisdom gatherings, WOW days and WOW courses.  
www.wowgirls.com.au  
info@wowgirls.com.au

# NEWSPAPERS

## Central Coast

If you would like your Community Organisation listed here, see [www.duckscrossing.org](http://www.duckscrossing.org) or [www.centralcoastnewspapers.com](http://www.centralcoastnewspapers.com) for the forms or contact Central Coast Newspapers on - 4325 7369



## Sport



1st Grade Player of the Year Darcy Etrich dashes out of dummy half



The supplementary number is '20' The Roosters line up for the national anthem



Despite the 20-0 loss the local fans remained fiercely loyal

Photos - Andrew Stark

## Action from the First Grade Grand Final between Woy Woy and Wyong



Neither side gave an inch during a tense first half at Woy Woy



Young Woy Woy fans have a chat with the Rooster



Roosters centre Greg Wisham charges at the Roos line

## The Peninsula Diary of Events

For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

### Tuesday, Oct 4

Tuning in to Teens, emotionally intelligent parenting program at Peninsula Community Centre from 7pm to 9pm

### Wednesday, Oct 5

WOW Beach Day with the Gyuto Monks of Tibet, Umina Beach, 10am

Pure Sound, the Gyuto Monks of Tibet, Cinema Paradiso, Ettalong, 6:30pm

### Saturday, Oct 8

Jimmy Barnes official book signing, Book Bazaar Umina, 327 West St, 10am

Peninsula Pacific Island Group Jumble Sale, Mingaletta Hall, Umina, selling bric-a-brac, cakes, sausage sizzle, Hula performance, 8am to 2pm

Jez Lowe, Troubadour Folk Club, CWA Hall Woy Woy  
Katie Brianna and Adam Young, Hardys Bay Club

### Sunday, Oct 9

Woytopia Festival, Woy Woy South Public School, 9am to 3pm

### Tuesday, Oct 11

Tuning in to Teens, emotionally intelligent parenting program at Peninsula Community Centre from 7pm to 9pm

### Thursday, Oct 13

Ben Woodham at Bayview Hotel, Woy Woy from 8pm

### Friday, Oct 14

Origins, Spring is Here Exhibition featuring works from members of the Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre, East Gosford Community Gallery daily until October 23

### Sunday, Oct 16

Umina Beach Markets, 9am to 3pm, Peninsula Recreational Precinct, Umina

### Tuesday, Oct 18

Tuning in to Teens, emotionally intelligent parenting program at Peninsula Community Centre from 7pm to 9pm

Australian Hearing Bus visiting Woolworths, Woy Woy from 8:30am to 3:30pm till Oct 20

### Wednesday, Oct 19

Bays General Meeting, The

Bays Community Hall from 7:30pm

### Saturday, Oct 22

Central Coast Council Garage Sale Trail

### Tuesday, Oct 25

Tuning in to Teens, emotionally intelligent parenting program at Peninsula Community Centre from 7pm to 9pm

### Wednesday, Oct 26

Peninsular Paradise film premiere, Cinema Paradiso, Ettalong

### Saturday, Oct 29

Open Day to celebrate 40 years of public education, Umina Campus, Brisbane Water Secondary College, 10am to 2pm followed by Gala Dinner at Everglades Country Club

### Tuesday, Nov 1

Melbourne Cup Luncheon at Pearl Beach Memorial Hall

### Wednesday, Nov 2

Tuning in to Teens, emotionally intelligent parenting program at Peninsula Community Centre

## Peninsula directory of services, contacts and support groups

### Ambulance, Police, Fire 000

#### Emergency

Ambulance, Police, Fire 000  
Police Assistance Line 131 444  
Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000  
Woy Woy Police Station 4379 7399  
Energy Australia 13 13 88  
Gas Emergency 131 909  
Gosford City Council 4325 8222  
Marine Rescue NSW - Central Coast 4325 7929  
SES - Storm and Flood Emergency 132 500

#### Aboriginal & Torres Strait

Islander Organisations  
Mingaletta 4342 7515  
Aboriginal Home Care 4321 7215  
Drug & Alcohol rehab 4388 6360

#### Accommodation

Dept. of Housing Gosford 4323 5211  
Cassie4Youth 4322 3197  
Coast Shelter 4325 3540  
Pacific Link Com Housing 4324 7617  
Rumbalara Youth Refuge 4325 7555  
Samaritans Youth Services 4351 1922  
Youth Angle - Woy Woy 4341 8830  
Woy Woy Youth Cottage 4341 9027

#### Animal Rescue

Wildlife Arc 4325 0666  
Wires 1300 094 737

#### Community Centres

Peninsula Community Centre 4341 9333  
Men's Shed Cluster Inc 0413 244 484

#### Counselling

Centacare: 4324 6403  
Relationship Australia: 1300 364 277  
Interrelate: 1800 449 118

#### Family and Relationships

Centacare Gosford 4324 6403  
Central Coast Family Support Service 4340 1099

Horizons (For men with children) 4351 5008

Uniting Care Burnside

Gosford 1800 067 967

#### Health

Poisons Information 131 126  
Ambulance Text Mobile 106  
Ambulance GSM 112  
Gosford Hospital 4320 2111  
Woy Woy Hospital 4344 8444  
Sexual Health @ Gosford Hospital 4320 2114  
After Hours GP Help Line 1800 022 222

#### Legal & Financial Help

Financial Counselling Service 4334 2304  
Tenants' Advice and Advocacy Service 4353 5515  
Woy Woy Court 4344 0111

#### Libraries

Gosford district:  
Umina Beach 4304 7333  
Woy Woy 4304 7555

#### Problems, Habits & Addiction

Alcoholics Anonymous 4323 3890  
Narcotics Anonymous 4325 0524

#### Transport

Taxi 131 008  
Busways 4368 2277  
City Rail 131 500

#### Welfare Services

Gosford Family Support 4340 1585  
Meals on Wheels 4341 6699  
Department of Community Services Gosford 4336 2400  
The Salvation Army 4325 5733  
Samaritans Emergency Relief 4393 2450  
St Vincent De Paul Society HELPLINE 4323 6081

If you've got something happening on the Peninsula over the next few weeks, let us know about it and we'll list it here for you, for free. Contact details are on page 2. See the Coast Community News for events in post code areas 2250, 2251 & 2260 and the Wyong Regional Chronicle for events in post code areas 2258, 2259, 2261, 2262 & 2263



## Classifieds

Prices for classified advertisements in these pages come in three categories

### Not For Profit Organisations

Not for profit organisations' events advertisements are subsidised.

A mono 5cm advertisement only costs \$20 + GST.

Each additional cm is only an additional \$4 + GST, colour is \$6 + GST and a photograph or logo is an additional \$6 + GST.

### Private advertisements

Private advertisements only cost \$33.

Each additional cm costs \$6.60 as does colour, and a photograph or a logo.

Private advertisements need to be paid for at the time of booking.

### Business rates

A one off advertisement only costs \$40 + GST in mono and an extra \$8 + GST for colour, a logo or a photograph.

Advertising on an ongoing basis attracts discounts if paid for in full in advance.

3 months \$215 + GST, 6 months \$385 + GST, 12 months \$700 + GST – Approximately \$14 per week.

Having the same advertisement in one of the other Central Coast Newspapers as well attracts an additional 10% discount for those advertisements.

If in the third paper as well, it will attract a 15% discount which drops to \$11.50 + GST per week in that paper.

Artwork is free and advertisers are encouraged to change their advertisements frequently.

### Online classified advertising rates Online only

GosfordClassifieds.com.au is one of a network of 10 websites which form one of the largest independent online classifieds network in NSW with over 350,000 annual visitors, over 80,000 online advertisements and over 15,000 business advertisements.

A premium VIP online business advertisement on GosfordClassifieds.com.au only costs \$299 + GST for 3 months, \$399 + GST for 6 months and, \$499 + GST for 12 months.

It costs a similar amount to go on any one of the other nine Sydney based websites as well, or only \$1699 + GST for all sites for 12 months.

The other sites cover Bondi, Manly, Newtown, Cronulla, South Sydney, St George, West Sydney, North Sydney, Wollongong and suburbs surrounding those areas.

All that we require for you to have an online advertisement such as this is: 1) Heading for the advertisement; 2) Text for the body; and, 3) Up to 3 images if required i.e. logos etc.

### Combined online and print advertising

Combined print and online packages have been created providing further discounts.

Having a Gosford classifieds premium on line advertisement plus a printed advertisement in one newspaper will only cost \$495 + GST for 3 months, \$695 + GST for 6 months and \$999 + GST for 12 months.

Having it in two newspapers as well as online costs \$595 + GST for 3 months, \$995 + GST for 6 months and \$1499 + GST for 12 months.

To be in all three newspapers as well as online costs \$795 + GST for 3 months, \$1395 + GST for 6 months and \$1899 + GST for 12 months.

See page 2 for contact details.

All newspaper advertisements have a minimum of two weeks' shelf life.

**GosfordClassifieds.com.au**  
for online Central Coast  
classified advertisements

### ANTENNAS

A Better Picture  
**Antenna & Digital Installations & Tuning**  
New home specialist  
Credit cards OK  
**HAYWARD VIDEO**  
All areas  
Gosford 4323 6367  
Woy Woy 4344 4414  
Warnervale 1800 244 456  
0412 685 555

### Hawkins U.V. Service

Antenna sales  
and installations  
TV and Audio  
Repairs  
**4341 8860 - 4341 7332**  
**0473 468272**  
23 Wallaby Street, BLACKWALL

### BATHROOM

**TJM Bathroom Renovations**  
Quality  
Workmanship at  
affordable prices  
Call Tony  
**0411 678 203**  
tjmbathrooms.com.au  
lic15642c

### BOOKKEEPING

**GOSFORD BOOKKEEPING**  
Registered BAS Agent  
Member of Institute of Certified Bookkeepers  
Accredited and experienced  
with various accounting  
packages  
Contact Ken  
www.gosfordbookkeeping.com.au  
0417 657 414

### BOREWATER

### Bores and Spears

Install high quality  
pumps and maintenance  
free spears, existing  
systems reconditioned,  
all work guaranteed.  
Warren Greenway  
Ph: **4341 7736**  
Mob: **0408 225 390**  
lic No. DL1960

### Bore Water Pumps

Spear pump installations,  
repairs & maintenance for  
all types of pumps  
est 1978  
**John Woolley**  
**4342 2024**

### BUILDER

### Carpentry - Building

over 30 years  
experience  
Local know how -  
working with pride  
and honesty  
Paul Skinner  
Lic 62898c  
**0432 216 020**  
or **4339 2317**

### Carpenter

(Semi Retired)  
Lic 1355c - Fully Insured  
For all your home  
maintenance repairs  
and small jobs  
contact Max Hull  
for a friendly reliable  
service  
**4342 5893**  
**0413 485 286**  
All quotes obligation free

### AJ Donnellan Carpenter & Joiner

For all your carpentry needs  
Specialising in Joinery

**30 Years Experience**

Call Anthony

**0419 611 637**  
Lic#R92786

### MGL CARPENTRY

Carpenter & Joiner  
40yrs Experience  
Decks, Pergolas, Doors,  
Windows etc  
Fully Insured - Call Gary  
**0458 130 829**  
**4341 1346**  
no labour & materials over \$1000

### CLEANING

### Weston & Wilson Cleaning Services

Domestic, end of lease,  
holiday & vacate cleans.

Regular or one off.

Fully insured, WWC &  
Police check avail.  
From \$35 hour.

**Maryanne**  
**0403 505 812**

Carpet cleaning, window  
pressure cleaning, house  
washing, stone floor  
cleaning, sealing and grout  
colouring, floor sanding,  
vinyl floor stripping and  
cleaning, move out cleans  
and general cleaning.

For all your cleaning  
needs, commercial  
and residential:

Ph: **0421 493 447**

### DANCE

### CENTRAL COAST BUSH DANCE & MUSIC ASSOCIATION

Experience Folk  
Music at its best at

**East Gosford**  
**Progress Hall @ 7.30pm**  
**Henry Parry Drive**

**OCT 8**  
**Spring Ball with**  
**Snake Gully**

Admission \$15  
incl. supper  
www.ccbdma.org  
for more information

Enq: **4344 6484**

### DOORS&WINDOWS



Security : Entrance : Interior :

Bifold : Wardrobe Doors :

Aluminium Glass Sliding Doors and

Windows : Blinds : Awnings :

Alluminium Quickslat Screening :

Dog And Cat Doors : Fly Screens :

Locks : Wheels And Tracks

**ALL MAINTENANCE  
AND REPAIRS**

Unit 1/14 Alma Avenue Woy Woy

**4339 2424**

**0402 186 546**

POLICE MASTERS LIC 409982903

SECURITY LIC 2E409965334

CARPENTRY JOINER LIC 256823C

### ELECTRICIANS

### BKW

Electrical Services

Lic No:248126C

Lights - Fans -

Power - Reno's

Switchboards -

Security lights

No job too small

Call Ben on

**0404 093 299**

### YOUR LOCAL ELECTRICIAN

**Same day service  
Guaranteed**

Lighting, Power Points,

Phone & Data,

Fault Finding,

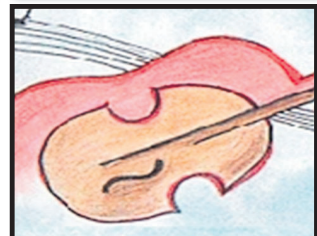
**No job too small.**

Seniors Discount.

Lic number 265652C

**4308 6771**

### ENTERTAINMENT



*The*  
**Troubadour**  
**FOLK AND ACOUSTIC**  
**MUSIC CLUB**

**SATURDAY**  
**OCTOBER 8**  
**AT 7PM**

**JEZ LOWE**

**CWA HALL**

**WOY WOY**

**TICKETS \$12**

www.troubadour.org.au

**4342 6716**

### BLUESANGELS

Your total acoustic  
blues/roots package,  
top to toe, and then  
some. Minnie the  
Moocher to Eagle  
Rock and on into indie  
roots, beatnik jazz,  
backhills bluegrass  
and prog folk.  
Available as duo, trio  
or band negotiable  
for your party, event  
or venue.

tomflood@hotmail.com

**4324 2801**

### FENCING

### BLUEPRINT FENCING

All types of  
fencing, gates and  
retaining walls  
Call Luke  
Free quotes

**0401 347 247**

### FOR SALE

### Daihatsu Terios All Wheel Drive

Excellent Condition

224,000km - 5 speed, 1 months  
rego, 5 speed manual, towbar,  
electric mirrors, MP3 sound system

**\$2250 ono**

**0410 522 070**

### 2001 Hyundai Accent GL

3 door sedan, 5 speed manual

11 months rego

Only 125,000 ks, log books, full  
service history

Air conditioned, power steering

Very clean, economical, reliable,  
small car. Only \$2,750

Ph: **0410 522 070**

To advertise here call

**NEWSPAPERS**  
*central coast*

**4325 7369**



## Classifieds

## HEALTH

**Alternative Therapy**

We offer holistic approach to assist with your physical & emotional issues, and spiritual connections!

HolisticFreedom.com.au  
Komal 0405 090 333

## PHOTOGRAPHY

**CENTRAL COAST EVENT PHOTOGRAPHER**

corporate - website - events  
a one stop solution for all your photographic needs

**VALSPIX**  
www.valspix.com  
0418 600 436

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**JOSH**  
**ET TALONG BEACH**  
You rang my mother Wanda twice.  
Please ring her again & she will give you my mobile number.  
Please use SMS. Anna Remember your father and my mother were patients at Woy Woy Rehab in May 2016

## TILING



**Tiling Wall & Floor Property Maintenance**  
**0439 589 426**  
homes2nv@gmail.com

## TUITION - DANCE

**Gosford Scottish Country Dancers**

hold an intermediate class on Wednesdays from 7 to 10 pm at Wyoming - It's an excellent form of exercise which brings men, women and young people together socially, learning new and old dances in a very friendly relaxed atmosphere  
No experience or partner necessary  
All ages welcome  
Cost \$7.00 per week -  
Contact Janice on **4388 2253**

## TUITION - MUSIC

Learn to play harmonica at your own pace at my place or  
Skype at yours  
www.harmonicatom.com.au  
phone 02 4324 2801  
email tom@tomflood.com.au  
\$40 hr or \$25 1/2 hr  
Skypeharp: pay by PayPal  
SPRINGFIELD, NSW

**Olympic-themed carnival**

Woy Woy Public School held an Olympic-themed Athletics Carnival on September 9, for students in Preschool

to Year 2, and the Disabilities Programs classes.

All the classes represented a country that competed in the 2016 Rio Olympic Games, with the students dressing in the colours of their chosen country, and marching onto the oval to the many national anthems.

Students shared a picnic lunch with their family and friends on the oval, before those who won first, second and third place were presented with their medals on the podium.

A circuit of activities allowed students to rotate between long jump, high jump, discus, hurdles, agility ladders, egg and spoon races, dancing, shot put, sailing, javelin and relay running.

Newsletter, 23 Sep, 2016  
Dan Betts, Woy Woy Public School

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Sport



Woy Woy bowlers on the green

# Bowls day to honour Ken McMorrow

**Woy Woy Bowling Club has honoured popular club member Ken McMorrow, who died recently, with a bowls day in his name.**

The Ken McMorrow Memorial Bowls Day was held on September 28, with more than 60 bowlers playing a competitive game.

The winners were Sid Mayoh,

Bob Fell and Doug Scherf.

They were presented with the Ken McMorrow Trophy by Ken's son Michael.

Ted Gentle won the Spider.

Ken McMorrow was a former first grade rugby league player for the Sydney Roosters, and was also the captain-coach of the Mullumbimby rugby league team

on the NSW North Coast.

The organisers have proposed to hold the Ken McMorrow Memorial Bowls Day each year in the week leading up to the rugby league grand final.

All proceeds from the day will be presented to the Woy Woy St Vincent de Paul Society.

Email, 29 Sep 2016

Ken Dixon, Central Coast Bowls



Winners of the 2016 Central Coast Champion of Club Champion Pairs Mr Peter O'Sullivan (left) and Mr Shane Starkey (right)

# Umina bowls rookie makes two State finals

**A bowler for just two years, Shane Starkey of Umina, has captured two Central Coast titles in a week.**

Shane won the Rookie Pairs with club mate Glen Simington on September 25.

He then won the prestige Champion of Club Champion Pairs with partner Peter O'Sullivan, by defeating the accomplished Toukley District pair of Eric Henriksen and Barrie McFetters.

The Zone Match Committee did not anticipate Shane's wins, with both events scheduled for the

same weekend.

The committee did not expect a rookie to qualify in the Champion of Club Champion Pairs which is usually contested by the most experienced of bowlers.

The two outstanding wins will see Shane Starkey and Glen Simington travel to Raymond Terrace on October 8, and Starkey and Peter O'Sullivan go to The Rules Bowling Club, Wagga Wagga, from November 21-24, to contest the State Final Series of both events.

Media release, 26 Sep, 2016

Kevin Dring, Bowls Central Coast



The winning team Bob Fell, Doug Scherf and Sid Mayoh with Michael McMorrow

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Ms Patricia Toohey has been awarded life membership of Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club

## Life membership for Pat Toohey

Ms Pat Toohey was unanimously awarded life membership of the Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club at the club's annual meeting in August.

Pat joined the Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club in 1995 when she transferred from the Bass Hill Bowling Club.

Over the years, Pat has been an active member of the club serving in numerous positions including president, chairman of

match and selection (her current position) and has been responsible for steering the social committee to create fantastic arrangements and catering for special and carnival days over many years.

Pat continues to be a great bowler winning many championships and representing Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club in Pennants and other inter-club competitions.

Email, 21 Sep 2016  
Gaye Scarfe, Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club

## Bowlers raise \$1240

Thirty eight bowlers and four handicap pair bowlers raised \$1240 at the Woy Woy Sporties Bowls Club's September charity event.

This brings the club's total fundraising total for Central Coast Kids in Need to well over \$11,000 for the year.

The club's fundraising has been further boosted by the \$120 purchase of Dave Bevan's picnic table by club regular Hartley Patterson as well as \$50 raised by Anne Dixon at her Terrigal Markets art stall.

Central Coast Kids in Need raises money to assist families

who have seriously ill children with prolonged illness.

Most of these children are cancer patients, others with organ transplants and premature babies with life threatening issues.

The funds raised are also used to cover travel costs, equipment requirements and pharmacy accounts for these Central Coast Kids in Need.

The charity bowls days are held on the third Sunday of every month.

The club's next charity say will be held on Sunday, October 16.

Media release, 18 Sep 2016  
Ken Dixon, Bowls Central Coast

## Liesl Tesch to be honoured with civic reception

Woy Woy's Gold-medal-winning Paralympian, Ms Liesl Tesch, will be honoured by Central Coast Council with a civic reception upon her return to the Coast.

Ms Tesch and partner Dan Fitzgibbon won back-to-back gold medals at the London and Rio Paralympics in the SKUD18 sailing class.

The pair secured their Rio gold with two days of competition to spare, setting a Paralympic record.

The Central Coast Council will host a Civic Reception in October to honour Ms Tesch along with the other Central Coast Olympians and Paralympians who represented Australia at the 2016 Rio Games.

In announcing the reception, Council administrator Mr Ian Reynolds mentioned Ms Tesch's success as a Paralympic basketballer and sailor.

Four athletes from the Coast made their Olympic debuts in Rio and five local Paralympians represented Australia in Rio including Liesl Tesch.

Mr Reynolds said the athletes were great ambassadors for the Central Coast and the community was proud of what they had achieved.

"These athletes have taken on the best on the world's biggest sporting stage and have done



Liesl Tesch and Dan Fitzgibbon celebrated their Rio Gold Medal

themselves, and our region, proud," Mr Reynolds said.

"To be the best takes a lot of time and sacrifice - but it is worth it when you get to represent your country in a sport you love."

"We are proud of how these

athletes have performed in Rio and are delighted to have them as sporting ambassadors for our great region."

Media release, 28 Sep 2016  
Ian Reynolds, Central Coast Council

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