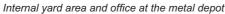
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Photos: Statement of Environmental Effects, Cardno

Application for metal depot at old abattoir site

A development application been lodged with Council Central Coast seeking consent for the establishment of use of the old Woy Woy abattoir site at 170 Woy Woy Rd as a metal depot.

The metal depot has been operating on the site without Council approval for 30 months, according to documents lodged with Central Coast Council.

Council had called on the land owner to take immediate steps to remedy the unlawful use of the premises and to remedy environmental issues raised.

The application establishment of use was lodged on Wednesday, January 4, by Cardno NSW-ACT Pty Ltd on behalf of Peninsula Industrial Park Pty Ltd.

If successful, the application will remedy the business' unlawful use of the land.

The environmental breaches were being addressed by the tenant under separate cover, according to the statement.

According to a Statement of Environmental Effects, the site is located within the Peninsula Industrial Park, on the western outskirts of Woy Woy, adjacent to the main northern railway line and was previously known as the Woy Woy Abattoir which closed in 2004.

"The site is now known as the Peninsula Industrial Park, which... occupies a space of approximately 12.5 hectare with a perimeter approximately

the north and west, a railway line to the south and Woy Woy Rd to the east...currently consists of industrial uses, cleared land and three dams.

"Woy Woy Creek traverses the site.'

A letter from Council to the landowner dated November 3 stated that an inspection had resulted in Council forming the view that, in addition to operating without approval, the business was not operating in an environmentallysatisfactory manner.

"Batteries were not stored with adequate secondary containment to prevent fluids from entering the environment should a leak, spill or escape occur.

"Various leaks, spills and escapes of oil were located on the ground throughout the premises."

There was found to be "inadequate fencing to prevent waste from leaving the premises in the event of windy conditions".

"No protection exists on the stormwater inlet in close proximity to the premises.

"A portion of the premises was dirt and not hardstand allowing for air pollution and water pollution risks.

Parts such as motors and radiators were stored without adequate bunding.

"Unconsolidated waste material was littered throughout the premises on the ground."

The letter from Council to the land owner said: "A search of Council records has failed to

1.56km...enclosed by bushland to identify the required development application to change the use of the premises."

The land is zoned IN1 General

Industrial under the Gosford Local Environmental Plan 2014. The area subject to the application is known as Australian Metal Refinery and is near the

entrance to the industrial park. The business is fenced on all sides with a lockable gate and occupies 1530 square metres of

The area contains an office, three parking spaces, truck loading, machinery, ferrous metal piles and bins containing nonferrous metals.

Another 10 parking spaces are located within the industrial park for use by Australian Metal Refinery, according to a Statement of Environmental Effects.

According to the statement, no refining takes place at the site, which has operated from 7:30am to 4pm Monday to Friday and from 7:30am to 11:30am on Saturdays for the past 30 months.

The business proposes to store 600 tonnes per annum of nonferrous metals and 1200 tonnes per annum of ferrous metals for recycling as well as 15 tonnes of batteries for reuse and another five tonnes of batteries for recycling.

The business employs four fulltime staff and two part-time.

Ferrous metals are stacked in a pile at the site and collected by a third-party truck while non-ferrous metals are stored in bins and bought by a metal works.

Environmental Effects concluded that: "The proposed development is local development under the terms of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 (as amended) and has been assessed against the requirements of Section 79(c)(1) of the Act, Gosford LEP 2014, and Council's Development Control Plan 2013.

metal depot is permissible with consent within the IN1 General Industrial zone.

"In this regard, it is considered that the proposal satisfies the aims and objectives as well as the prescriptive requirements of the above controls.

"The metal depot has been in operation at this site for 30 months and is situated within an industrial park.

"Therefore, it is in keeping with surrounding uses.

"Accordingly, Council's favourable consideration for the 'Establishment of Use' is requested."

Website, 4 Jan 2017 **Central Coast Council DA** tracker, DA00051323/2017

Planning breaches are investigated, says council chief

Allegations of businesses operating without approval appropriate" for the Council to are investigated when they are reported to Council, according to Central Coast Council chief Mr Rob Noble.

He was responding to questions about how a metal depot had allegedly been able to operate for 30 months at the old Woy Woy abattoir site without approval.

Mr Noble said it was "not comment further on the metal depot's operation "at this time".

"The business in question has now lodged a DA with Council and all matters relating to its operation will be considered in the assessment process."

Media statements, 5 Jan 2017 **Rob Noble, Central Coast Council**

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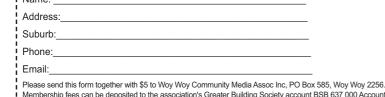
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Year's rainfall was 16.3 per cent above average

A total rainfall of 1487.7mm was recorded on the Peninsula in 2016.

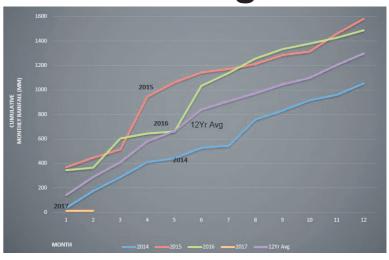
The annual total was 16.3 per cent more than the average annual rainfall figure of 1279mm.

Figures supplied by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy show a December total of 62.7mm, which was one third less than the December average of 94mm.

Monthly rainfall figures during the year were evenly split between those greater than the monthly average and those that were less.

While only February and April recorded figures which were greater than 100mm less than average (134.9mm and 141.4mm less respectively), January, March and June all recorded figures more than 100mm above average and more than double their average figure.

January recorded 343.4mm, which was 218.4mm or 174.7 per cent above the average rainfall for



the month of 125mm.

March recorded 237.5mm, which was 124.5mm or 110.2 per cent above the average rainfall of 113mm for the month.

June recorded 369.9mm, which was 214.9mm or 138.6 per cent above the month's average figure of 155mm.

Taking into account last year's rainfall, the annual average has increased to 1296mm.

Just 10.9mm of rainfall had been recorded this year by 9am on Friday, compared to the new January average of 143mm.

Spreadsheet, 6 Jan 2017 Jim Morrison, Woy Woy

YOUR CHANCE TO WIN

The Peninsula News and Ettalong Diggers Memorial Club have four double passes to give away to see the INXS Show and Wild Thing The Australian Divinyls show at the club on Australia Day, January 26.

The show is direct from Melbourne and booked out last time it was performed at Ettalong Diggers.

Wild Thing The Australian Divinyls Show features Xen Halvales as Chrissy Amphlett: she sounds like her, looks like her and captures her renowned live stage antics.

The Auistralian INXS show, Never Tear Us Apart rectreates the sound that made the band famous throughout the world.

This show has the sound, the swagger and the stage presence that brings to life what it was like to see INXS with Michael Hutchence as front man.

To be in the draw to win one of four double passes to see the show, write your full name, address and daytime phone number on the back of an envelope and mail it to Peninsula News Ettalong Diggers Competition, PO Box 1056, Gosford, NSW, 2250.

Entries close 5pm Thursday,



January 19.

The winners of the Peninsula News Fluff competition were Anita Yates of Woy Woy and Maree Sulter of Mount White.

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News

Council to prepare plan for channel dredging

A dedicated team at Central Coast Council will prepare and implement a plan of management for the Brisbane Water Channel, according to **Member for Terrigal Mr Adam** Crouch.

Community groups have been lobbying the NSW Government and the Central Coast Council for the past 12 months to dredge the channel at Lobster Beach as it has been becoming dangerously narrow and shallow.

Central Coast Council chief Mr Rob Noble and administrator Mr Ian Reynolds have acknowledged on several occasions that the dredge previously owned by Wyong Council and located at The Entrance could be made available for dredging within the previous Gosford local government area.

Mr Crouch said: "I have met with

Mr Noble to discuss the Brisbane Water Channel to discuss a plan of management to keep the channel open for commercial and leisure craft.

"Council's group leader for assets, infrastructure and business, Mr Mike Dowling, has put in place a dedicated team who will prepare a plan of management which we hope to see in place within coming months," Mr Crouch

"This channel is so important to ensure it is kept open for boating access to the Peninsula...the many villages on the Brisbane Water and feeder services to Gosford City," Mr Crouch said.

"It is also very important that passenger services can navigate through the channel safely and with good clearance," he said.

Newsletter, 5 Jan 2016 Adam Crouch, Member for Terrigal



Number 3 Pattie Place, Woy Woy, was expected to sell for around \$1 million

House prices increase on Sydney demand

The Peninsula is becoming increasingly popular with Sydney home buyers paying higher prices for local homes that are still within reach of the Sydney CBD, according to a Woy Woy real estate agent.

and Horne sales Raine consultant Mr Shane Johnson said he had seen the popularity of the Peninsula grow with Sydney buyers throughout 2016.

"I predict this trend, as well as the demand for properties on the Peninsula, will continue into 2017 with the Reserve Bank more than likely to keep rates on hold for the at least the first quarter of the year," Mr Johnson said.

The local real estate market usually slows down during December as businesses and families take a festive break but Mr Johnson said there were strong sales over the three major Peninsula suburbs in December.

Woy Woy saw 14 sales, Umina 35 and Ettalong seven.

"These sales saw us close the year with some fantastic sales growth and numbers across 2016," he said.

For 2016, agents reported 336 sales in Woy Woy with the average house sale price climbing 10.5 per cent for the year to \$580,000.

Unit sales prices also saw solid growth of 8.4 per cent reaching \$502,000.

Umina is definitely Peninsula's suburb of the year, seeing 496 home sales and an average sale price for houses at \$605,000 up 11.1 per cent.

The average sale price for units in Umina also grew by almost 10 per cent in 2016 to \$500,000.

Around 230 homes changed owners in Ettalong during 2016 with its average house price achieving the highest of the three main Peninsula town centres, sitting at \$650,000 representing annual growth of 13.8 per cent.

The average sale price for units in Ettalong grew by around eight per cent to \$580,000.

> Media release, 5 Jan 2017 Shane Johnson, Raine and Horne Woy Woy

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The market will operate each Sunday from 8.00am till 1.00pm Rain, Hail or Shine.

Gosford City Farmers' Market

Gosford Racecourse,

4 Racecourse Rd, Gosford West



Police to investigate pelican

At least five infant pelicans were mauled to death by dogs at Blackwall on December 30.

"In relation to the recent attack, police are leading the investigation," according to a statement issued by the Council.

"Council is assisting the police with the investigation particularly in relation to whether the dogs are a restricted breed or not," the statement said.

"In any case, the owner will be issued with fines in relation to attack (under the Companion Animals Act) and further fines if the dog breed is in fact restricted," the statement said.

Council rangers and water police were contacted for assistance when the attack was underway on December 30 but they did not attend.

Ms Wendy Gillespie from Pelican Rescue and Research said she believed the two unrestrained dogs were American staffordshire terriers

Due to an unusually low tide, the dogs had open access to Pelican Island, a known local nesting area, for at least two hours before she and several Blackwall residents intervened.

"The sad thing is it may be the same dogs that were out there in November when the Water Police and Council Rangers did attend," Ms Gillespie said.

She said she was concerned that the public did not understand the extent of the injuries that dogs could cause.

"We need empathy and action.



retrieved the carcasses of five pelicans that were between eight and 10 weeks old and would not have yet been able to fly to safety.

"The injured and dead pelicans were strewn around the island on arrival and the gross injuries indicated they were mauled by both dogs while swimming and either bled out or died later.

"It would have been an extremely horrific and cruel death.

"According to locals who helped, the dogs had been out there causing carnage for hours before being 'rescued from drowning' by other residents in their kayak and owner without consequence.

and 2pm and asked the first caller if they could rally neighbours with kayaks to get the dogs off the

"I received a second call from the neighbours opposite who paddled out on my arrival.

"When I arrived, the dogs were still free-ranging with one bounding through the nesting area with newly-hatched chicks.

"As the parents could not return, most were likely to have died of exposure due to the heat wave.

"Other older chicks appeared to have died but there were no dead

hours number just after I received the first call and received a call back from a ranger at 5:30pm (four hours later) by which time most of the tragic drama was over.

"I also contacted Maritime Services without a response to date, as they have been supportive in the past.

"A neighbour also contacted the Water Police who said they would attend but they were at another location and they didn't attend as I was out collecting bodies and checking for other injuries until

"No regulatory agency attended

spoke to an inspector who stated that without the name, address or rego number of the owner they couldn't respond.

"The rego number only surfaced on the weekend. I followed up with the ranger the next morning also and there was a change of shift so I was not contacted until Tuesday mornina.

"I contacted Gosford Police on Monday who advised that the proper channels were through Council's ranger services.

"The dogs could have killed other wildlife, domestic pets or children in the interim.

"This has been a severe failure



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deaths in dog attacks



"Sadly at the peak time of year when injuries and cruelty incidences are highest to our wildlife, there is almost no one there to contact for support or regulatory action.

"Thankfully residents opposite the island had my contact and also responded and courageously paddled around the lethal dogs as they were rescued.

"Her husband then thankfully bravely agreed to be interviewed by NBN News and took the pictures of the dogs and owner.

"This incident has to be answered with euthanasia of the lethal dogs and a major prosecution of the owner otherwise we know the system to protect innocent creatures and people is totally inept.

"I have to say it's the most devastating scenario that I've had to face and deal with in over 18 years of proactive rescue. "However, I would like to add that Council's Rangers have been very supportive and helpful in relation to other dog issues but this event exposes the holes in the protective system during peak visitation time," Ms Gillespie said.

In a media statement, Central Coast Council said: "If a dog attack has occurred residents should contact Council and our rangers will investigate.

"The Companion Animals Act was introduced by the NSW Government in 1998 to protect pets, their owners and the broader community.

"Under the Act, owners of puppies and kittens must microchip and register their pet by 12 weeks of age or when they are first sold.

"This ensures the pet can be returned to the owner if lost, hurt or stolen and links pets directly to their owners.

"Dogs are required to be

restrained while in a public place at all times with the exception of prescribed dog off leash areas which are signposted.

"Shared pathways such as the one at Woy Woy are not dog off leash areas so dogs need to be on a lead at all times.

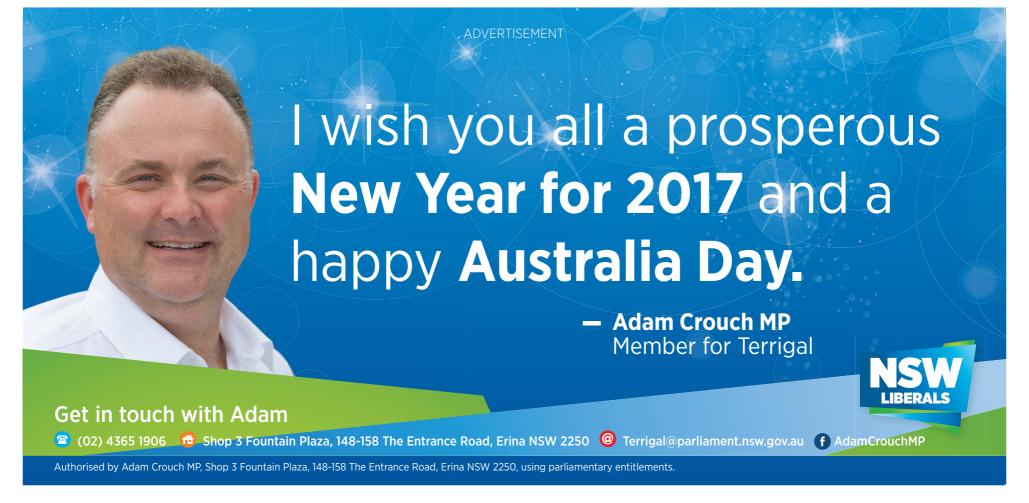
"Section 16 of the Companion Animals Act defines a dog attack as: 'If a dog rushes at, attacks, bites, harasses or chases any person or animal (other than vermin), whether or not any injury is caused to the person or animal'.

The only times when it doesn't apply are in the case of vermin, if the dog is in its own property or if the dog is provoked," the statement

Media statement, 5 Jan 2017 Interview, 5 Jan 2017 Wendy Gillespie, Pelican Rescue and Research Media statement, 5 Jan 2017 Rob Noble, Central Coast Council Reporter: Jackie Pearson







Swimmers rescued from Ettalong sand bar

Ocean and Umina Beach Surf Life Savers were tasked with rescuing a group of swimmers at the Ettalong Point sand bar on December 27 after a jetski officer noticed the group was unaware of the changing tide.

From his jetski, Mr Peter Dell spotted the group of seven, who seemed unaware of the turning tide at around 4pm.

Mr Dell called Surf Life Saving NSW State Operations Network, with members of Ocean and Umina Beach clubs both launching their rescue boats to attend. "It was an extremely busy afternoon for us as we were treating a number of people who had suffered bluebottle stings," said Central Coast duty officer Ms Katie Dixon from Ocean Beach.

"That sandbar is really enticing spot and it appears that the holidaymakers got caught out by not knowing the environment well.

Fortunately this happened in an area where there was a lot of activity.

"It seemed like they got taken by surprise by how quickly the tide turned.

"Conditions were quite good with only a little chop, so it was a

relatively straight forward rescue," she said.

The Surf Life Saving "unmanned aerial vehicle", Little Ripper 22, was also deployed to monitor the situation.

"The Little Ripper drone was being flown by Mr James Irwin out of Umina and it was really useful to have it.

"What it provided our lifesavers was a bird's eye view of the situation as it unfolded in real time.

"While fortunately we didn't require it yesterday, if someone had fallen into the water, it would have helped provide an ideal starting point to commence a search," Ms Dixon said.

Between the two club's boats and the support ski, the group of people were ferried to shore where the remaining lifesavers assessed them for injuries.

All were given a clean bill of nealth.

Media release, 28 Dec 2016 Surf Life Saving NSW Media



Navigation changes are under way on Brisbane Water

Channels, markers and speed limits change

Boating skippers need to be aware of new speed limits, new channels and markers in Brisbane Water, according to boating safety officer Mr Mark Raward at NSW Maritime.

Speed limits throughout Brisbane Water are currently under review

Mr Raward said that, for now, boaters should follow existing speed signs, especially on the approach to the Rip Bridge.

The speed limit at Wagstaffe has changed from eight knots no wash to four knots.

New four knot signage has been located to improve visibility for boaters.

Additional yellow markers have been installed along the unofficial north western channel that will

direct the majority of traffic away from residents' properties on the southern foreshore.

The old north-south channel has been reopened so there are now two alternate channels allowing vessels to bypass Wagstaffe without using the main channel.

Deep draft vessels should continue using the main four knot channel along the southern foreshore.

This is lit between sunset and sunrise.

Hardy's Bay is currently eight knots but the Hardy's Bay Residents' Group has been working with Roads and Maritime Services to make the bay four knots and to install additional signage on both sides of the southern cardinal market at the entrance to the bay.

Newsletter, 5 Jan 2016 Mark Raward, NSW Roads and Maritime Services





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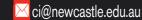
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Looking back - and looking forward....

2017 will mark 20 years since the Community Environment Network (CEN) was formed.

Our beginning was a forum held at the Central Coast Leagues Club in May, 1997. The forum brought together individuals and groups from across the region (including Lake Macquarie and the Hunter) to share their stories and vision for the future.

The forum was organised in part by the Brisbane Water & Gosford Lagoons Catchment Management Committee with support from the Department of Land & Water Conservation - both organisations have long since been absorbed into other entities.

The energy and enthusiasm at the Forum was inspiring. At the end of the day, there was a consensus that this kind of gathering needed to continue - that there needed to be an over-arching network for the region - and so the journey began. At that time, we were the "Central Coast Community Environment Network" however, as our activities broadened, we became the Community Environment Network.

2017 will be about celebrating our 20 years but more importantly, it will be about bringing together individuals and groups that are working for the environment and their communities - renewing our efforts, both individually and together.

The vision of CEN is about working for ecologically sustainable development (ESD), a concept that exists in legislation and that we believe is a model that will take us towards a just and sustainable society. ESD is not "antidevelopment" - it is about encouraging development that complies with 4 key principles:

- 1. Intergenerational equity
- 2. Precautionary principle
- 3. Conservation of biological diversity and ecological integrity
- 4. Improved valuation and pricing of assets and services (eg. "the polluter pays" principle).

It would be nice if we could say that we were well on the path to achieving ESD, however, the challenges seem to be increasing. We invite you to join us, and many other Central Coast residents, to continue this work towards ESD. Let's work together to achieve real progress in 2017! There are many ways of doing this—become a member, volunteer, attend one of our events... or contact us to find out what works best for you.

Jane Smith, CEO

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Join us for Breakfast with the Birds to celebrate **World Wetlands Day 2017**

Come along to The Central Coast Wetlands, Pioneer Dairy on Saturday, 4 February to celebrate World Wetlands day 2017. As well as enjoying a delicious buffet breakfast, participants will take part in activities such as talks about wetlands, water quality monitoring, a bird spotting walk, dip-netting for water bugs, lucky door prizes and displays relating to local environmental projects.

World Wetlands Day is celebrated on the 2nd of February each year and marks the anniversary of the signing of the Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar Convention) in Ramsar, Iran, in 1971.

The theme for 2017 is Wetlands for Disaster Risk Reduction. This theme is selected to raise awareness and to highlight the vital roles of healthy wetlands in reducing the impacts of extreme events such as floods, droughts and cyclones on communities, and in helping to build resilience.

Breakfast with the Birds is organised by CEN's Waterwatch program and supported by the Tuggerah Lakes Reserve Trust and Birding NSW. The Central Coast Waterwatch Program is supported by Local Land Services through funding from the Australian Government.

Registrations start at 8.00am with activities and breakfast running through till 11:00am. The cost for the event is \$10 per adult and \$6 for children (4-16 years) and this includes breakfast and site entry.

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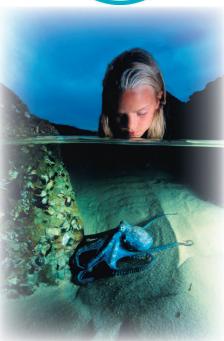


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Garbage service interruption averted

A stop work meeting to be held by the Transport Workers' Union that interrupted may have the Peninsula's garbage collection services on January 10 has been averted.

The union has been garbage campaigning for workers employed by Remondis, the company contracted by the Central Coast Council to deliver its waste collection services.

The stop work meeting was to discuss stalled negotiations with Remondis about a new enterprise agreement.

The union wants the Central Coast Council to guarantee that any new waste collection contractor must retain the current pay and conditions of the Coast's waste collection workers.

It wants the Council to include a specific clause in its next set of



Garbage collections will go ahead

for new waste service tenders.

Remondis expires on February 1 next year.

Union official Mr Grant Rodger said the union wants to have a new enterprise agreement put in place with Remondis because the old agreement had expired.

However, the union advised on January 5 that its stop work

for now.

"The company has now been given two weeks' notice to come up with a better current agreement to ensure that drivers' pay and conditions are protected as Remondis fulfils the waste contract to pick up residents' bins on behalf of Central Coast Council," Mr Rodger said.

"Central Coast Council still

needs to act," he said.

"Administrator Ian Reynolds and CEO Rob Noble can still make a difference to workers who live where they work.

"The Transport Workers Union is calling for the Central Coast Council to let the Remondis workers know when the next waste contract tender will be released and to ensure that protection of pay, work conditions and entitlements are included in the tender."

However, stop work meetings may still be held, according to the union.

The timing of stop work meetings would be designed to provide minimal impact on the residents of the Central Coast, but some bins may take longer to be collected on those days, according to union secretary Mr Richard Olsen.

"Drivers are concerned about possible losses of wages and conditions around any changes to the waste contract run by the Central Coast Council," Mr Olsen said.

"They are not asking for a pay rise or anything else," he said.

"Drivers just want what they already have to be maintained and are questioning Central Coast Council as to why they refuse to provide security for local workers and local jobs.

"This is a matter that is in the hands of Remondis.

"They can accept the value of their experienced drivers who are the means by which they fulfil the contract on the Central Coast.

"Remondis are attempting to cut drivers' wages by 25 percent," Mr Olsen said.

"Blame for this must also rest at the feet of the Central Coast Council administrator Mr Ian Reynolds and Council CEO Mr Rob Noble.

"These two have washed their hands of the issues faced by drivers working for Remondis.

"The waste contract is issued by Council and it appears that

the Council administrator is simply beyond caring about what happens to families on the Central Coast," Mr Olsen said.

Mr Rodger said the only path available to the employees was to take protected industrial action against Remondis but the ultimate goal would be to convince the Central Coast Council that any new competitive tender process should have workers' current conditions and wages as its base level.

He said workers had agreed to a wages freeze for the past two years in good faith.

The union was attempting to secure a two per cent pay rise plus two percent over the next two years.

Mr Rodger said workers would not accept Remondis' current condition that their employees retain a new enterprise agreement for the first four years of any new contract with the Council.

"The industrial action can go on for the next two years if Remondis and the Council like," Mr Rodger said.

He said it usually took 18 months for a Council to do the ground work for a competitive tender of waste service.

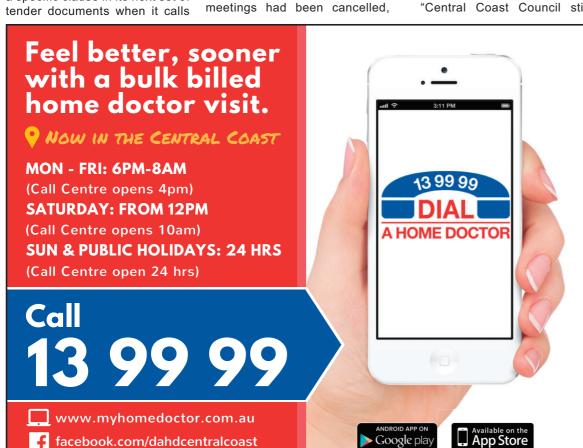
On that basis, the union and its members expected Remondis' current contract to be extended for 18 months, he said.

In a media statement, Central Coast Council said: "The current waste contract with Remondis runs until January 31, 2018.

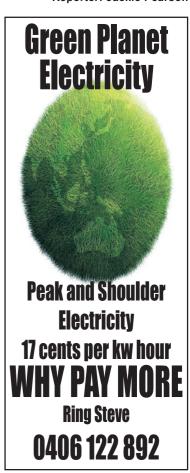
"There are no plans to extend that contract at this time.

"Council is finalising the tender documents and they should be issued publicly in the next month."

Media release, 3 Jan 2017 Media release, 5 Jan 2017 Colin Henderson, Transport Workers' Union NSW Interview, 4 Jan 2017 Grant Rodger, Transport Workers Union Media statement, 5 Jan 2017 Ian Noble, Central Coast Council Reporter: Jackie Pearson







News

Free advice about lifejackets at boat ramp

A mobile van will provide free advice about modern life jackets and will exchange old lifejackets for new at a discounted price in Woy Woy on Sunday, January 22.

State Member for Terrigal, Mr Adam Crouch, said the the Old4New van will be located at the Woy Woy boat ramp from 2pm to 5pm on the day.

Mr Crouch said trained staff would provide advice on choosing the right lifejacket for height, weight, ability and water activity, and tips on lifejacket care and service.

"This is Old4New's fourth season and the team is as keen as ever to get amongst our boating communities to spread the word about choosing the right lifejacket for your height, weight, ability and water activity," said Mr Crouch.

"It's important to take good care of your lifejacket and to care and

service them to ensure they can do their job effectively if they're needed," he said.

"In NSW, it's the law to service your inflatable lifejacket once a year or in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, so this is an excellent opportunity to understand exactly what you need to do to make sure your lifejacket always keeps you safe."

The Old4New van's visit to the Central Coast coincides with the Royal Life Saving Society's latest regional drowning report, highlighting the importance of safety for all water enthusiasts, regardless of age and experience.

According to the report, 29 people drowned in the Central Coast and Hunter region waterways between 2005 and 2015, and more than half of these people were not wearing a lifejacket.

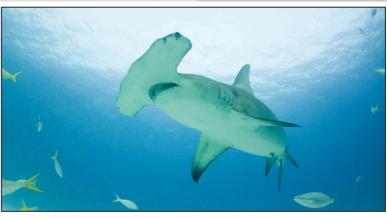
"These are not just numbers, each represents a parent, child, uncle, aunty or friend lost participating in an activity that is meant to be enjoyable and that everyone should come home safely from doing" Mr Crouch said.

"This report is a timely reminder for us all to think about how we can protect ourselves out on the water so that we can have a great day out on the water and make it back home to the people we love.

"Wearing a lifejacket is by far the most effective way to prevent drowning while boating, and with new, modern designs, lifejackets are less bulky and more comfortable to wear so there's no good reason for not chucking one on."

The Old4New exchange is part of a wider Transport for NSW program which has helped support an increase in lifejacket wear rates and achieved a decrease in boating fatalities statewide.

Media release, 23 Dec 2016 Debra Wales, Office of Adam Crouch



A hammerhead shark

Hammerhead shark closes beach on Boxing Day

The sighting of a hammerhead shark sighting off Umina Beach caused the closure of the beach for more than an hour on Boxing Day, traditionally one of the busiest days of the year.

Umina Beach was closed at around 11:30am following reports of a hammerhead shark sighting in the vicinity.

Upon being notified of the sighting, life guards on duty immediately sounded the shark alarm and cleared the water of swimmers and surfers.

Beach goers watched on as life guards entered the water in an inflatable rescue boat to perform a search for the hammerhead.

They were unable to find the shark and concluded that it left the beach of its own accord, saving them from having to shepherd the animal back out to sea.

According to Mr Liam Howitt of Surf Life Saving NSW, surf life savers from Ocean Beach were also notified of the shark sighting.

Mr Howitt said that, following a discussion between the two clubs, Ocean Beach life guards decided the beach could remain open with continuous monitoring.

Umina Beach was reopened just before 1pm when life guards were satisfied the immediate threat had passed.

Interview, 5 Jan 2016 Liam Howitt, Surf Life Saving NSW Reporter: Dilon Luke

Drunk in charge of a boat?

A man will face court after being charged with having high range blood alcohol content while operating a vessel on Woy Woy Bay.

Officers attached to Brisbane Water Local Area Command were patrolling Woy Woy Bay, when they detected a boat travelling above the speed limit at about 12.30pm on Thursday, January 5, as part of Operation Fortitude.

Police stopped the vessel and spoke to the master, a 36-year-old man, and conducted a random breath test, which returned a positive result.

The 36-year-old man was arrested and taken to Woy Woy Police Station where he was charged with operate vessel with high range PCA.

He was issued a field court attendance notice to appear at Woy Woy Local Court on Tuesday, January 24.

Operation Fortitude is an ongoing operation focused on alcohol-related crime and antisocial behaviour during the holiday

period on the Central Coast.

Media release, 6 Jan 2016

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Service station may be redeveloped

A service station in Ocean valid for five years. Beach Rd, Umina, may soon be redeveloped, following the issue of conditional consent by Central Coast Council.

Deferred commencement and conditional consent has been given for the \$2 million construction of a service station-convenience store, two shops and an automated carwash at 303 to 313 Ocean Beach Rd, Umina.

The site includes the currently unmanned United Petroleum service station at 307 to 309 Ocean Beach Rd.

Consent was conditional on the applicant submitting a preliminary contamination investigation, detailed contamination investigation, remedial action plan and validation and monitoring report which Council's Environmental Officer must approve.

If necessary, Council may also request a site audit statement and summary report to be provided by a NSW EPA accredited site auditor.

Upon compliance with those conditions Council would issue an operative consent.

The current deferred consent is

The subject site consists of six allotments with a total development area of 3092 square metres including a main frontage to Ocean Beach Rd and a secondary frontage to Ryans Rd.

Another frontage is to an unsealed, unnamed side lane and immediately across the lane is a public reserve.

United Petroleum submitted for the site's the proposal redevelopment. includina the installation of new petroleum infrastructure, but an assessment report that recommended the conditional consent confirmed that the existing underground fuel storage tanks were to be retained.

A convenience store will operate 24 hours a day and the automatic car wash bay will be open during the day and evening periods only and proposed tenancies are envisaged to operate as small shops.

site was owned by The various private proprietors until around 1992 when the site was purchased by Midcoast Petroleum, a subsidiary of Mobil Oil Australia

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It is believed to have operated as a service station since at least 1959.

The site was purchased by United Petroleum in 2006 and remained operational until around December 2010.

It was closed until late 2013 before it reopened as an unmanned

It is currently zoned Business Development Zone 5(b) zone and a Statement of Environmental Effects submitted to the Council with the application concluded that a service station was permitted with consent in the B5 zone "as it falls under any other development not specified...".

The use of the two tenancies will be subject to future development

Pre-lodgement advice given to the applicant by the former Gosford Council in March 2016 highlighted that the lots at 307, 309, 311 and 313 Ocean beach Rd were potentially contaminated so a contamination summary report was prepared by United Petroleum.

The nearest surface water receptors are Brisbane Water 1.7km to the east and Broken Bay 1.7km to the south.

registered The nearest groundwater bores were 100 metres south west and 200 metres east of the site.

United has also conducted biannual testing of groundwater wells to comply with the NSW EPA POEO (UPSS) Regulations.

The latest round of groundwater monitoring was reported in November 2015 when five on-site wells were gauged and sampled.

Based on a review of environmental assessments commissioned between 2004 and 2015, with the exception of one shallow soil sample (MW04 0.5), soil samples reported petroleum hydrocarbon contaminant concentrations below the laboratory limit of reporting or below the adopted site assessment criteria.

In studies conducted in the early 2000s Benzene (2.8 µg/L) and ethyl benzene (380 µg/L) exceeding the adopted site assessment criteria was in the groundwater sample taken from MW04.

Naphthalene concentrations were reported above the adopted assessment criteria (70 µg/L) in the groundwater sample taken from MW04 (158 µg/L) and MW05 $(100 \mu g/L)$.

Dissolved phase petroleum hydrocarbon contaminants were reported in groundwater wells in the south eastern portion of the

However, the groundwater contaminant concentrations in a November 2015 sampling round were reported below the laboratory reporting limit or the adopted site assessment criteria and did not pose a health risk to the site occupiers or off-site receptors, according to a report lodged in support of the development application.

"The investigations completed to-date conclude that the site is suitable for on-going use as a service station," the report said.

"The proposed redevelopment is likely to improve the soil and groundwater quality at the site," it

"Hydrocarbon and soil groundwater impacts identified are considered unlikely to pose human health risks to site users or workers, or to near-site parkland users or local residents via dermal, ingestion and-or inhalation pathways."

off-site However, two groundwater monitoring wells (MW05 and MW06) appeared lost under resealing of the road and could not be located in the November 2015 round of testing.

The former Gosford Council informed the applicant that the site was not listed on the EPA record of contaminated sites and no notices under the Contaminated Lands Management Act 1997 had been recorded for it.

According to a Statement of Environmental Effects lodged with the application, the development was not considered as potentially hazardous industry under SEPP 33 as the filling and dispensing point is 17 metres from the nearest boundary when the minimum requirement is 10 metres.

The service station is also expected, depending on demand to generate between three and seven tanker visits per week whereas daily visits are expected for service stations with highest

The development required the removal of eight trees from the site.

Discussions with Council also resulted in amendments to mitigate road traffic safety issues particularly at the intersection of Ryans Rd and Ocean Beach Rd including a relocation of the exitentry away from the Ryans Rd intersection and installation of a no

"Council will be carrying out works for kerb and guttering along the southern side of Ryans Rd in the near future," an assessment report from Council staff noted.

Only one public submission was received in relation to the DA.

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Application for units in Ocean View Dr

A development application has been lodged with Central Coast Council to build four residential units with a car park over three storeys in Ocean View Dr. Ettalong.

The site is also the subject of a subdivision application.

The residential flat building will be erected predominantly over 306 Ocean View Rd but the building will extend across the boundary of

Another DA is currently before Council for a dwelling over 308 Ocean View Dr.

The proposed residential flat building contains four units, and is part two-storey and part threestorey, with ground level parking for six cars.

The site is zoned R1 General Residential under Gosford LEP 2014, and the proposal is permissible with Council consent.

The assessment of the proposal against Gosford LEP 2014, DCP 2013 and Section 79C of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 concluded that the proposal was permissible, met the intent of all relevant planning controls and standards and was of a design quality that should be supported by Council, according to a Statement of Environmental Effects submitted with the application.

"The site is located on the southern side of Ocean View Dr and also has frontage to a coastal reserve and the Ettalong foreshore at the rear," the statement said.

A subdivision application has been lodged with Central Coast Council to re-subdivide the land into two allotments (DA51024/2016).

The application proposes the creation of a new lot 2A with an area of 751.2 square metres fronting Ocean View Dve, and a new, 340 square metre Lot 2B at the rear with access to Ocean View Dr by way of a right of carriageway.

"The application for the proposed residential flat building relates to proposed Lot 2A in DA51024/2016, and it is understood that consent



Aerial view of the subject land

could not be issued until such time as the subdivision is approved," it

The proposal is for four threebedroom units.

The proposed building presents as two-storey to Ocean View Dve, and the third storey comprising one unit is setback a considerable distance from the street frontage.

On the ground level is Unit 1 with a street front terrace and single rear garage, and behind that is covered parking for five cars.

On the first floor are Units 2 and 3 which have terraces to the north

On the second floor is Unit 4 which has both a front and rear terrace. and is to be adaptable.

Vehicular access is provided along a driveway on the western side, with a width of three metres, and a passing-holding bay is provided in the front setback area.

The units are orientated north-south towards the Ettalong foreshore to the south, and Ocean View Dve to the north.

"The proposal is a permissible use for the land and will provide a quality development which will support the renewal of housing and additional housing choice in the Ettalong area," the statement

> Website, 22 Dec 2016 **Central Coast Council DA** Tracker, 00051301/2016

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The Telecommunications Industry Ombudsman's annual report has revealed Gosford falls into the national top 10 for complaints about the national broadband network (NBN).

Hawkesbury River Bridge has freight train limitations imposed

A Sydney Trains report, leaked to the Sydney metropolitan media, detailed the extent of the damage suffered by the Hawkesbury River Rail Bridge.

A pre-Christmas road safety awareness blitz by Federal Infrastructure and Transport Minister, Darren Chester, has started with an inspection of local 'black spots' on NSW ...

Minister sees 'black spots' first

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Ice pigging procedure underway to clean water mains

Residents in Point Frederick East Gosford, North Gosford and Springfield can expect cleaner water as Central Coast Council undertakes ice pigging works over a three week period from ...

Fairview Homestead finally wins first step after a 30 year campaign

A 30 year campaign to save Fairview Homestead at Mangrove Creek has won its battle to restore the colonial property.

Application made

An application has been received by Central Coast Council to modify the consent for a 180unit retail and shop top housing development on the corner of Erina St and Henry Parry Dve...

70 unit Terrigal apartment building due for completion in March

The scaffolding is starting to come off the \$9.5 million Pine Tree Apartments building next to the Post Office in Pine Tree La, Terrigal.

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hangar at Central Coast Airport

Aboriginal Amphibian Aerospace Industries Pty The (LALC) has slammed Wallarah 2's response Application (DA) for the first stage to submissions made as part of the assessment of the Amended Coast Airport.

Ltd (AAI) has lodged a Development of a new aircraft facility at Central Greens call for Wallarah 2 to cancelled

Glenning Valley Development

objectors to get a public

Council hearing

The Say No to Glenning Valley

Development group has succeeded

in garnering well in excess of the

50 public objections needed to have the amended development

application for a 223-lot subdivision

Mining Greens NSW Spokesperson. Mr Jeremy Buckingham, has called on the NSW Government to cancel the Wallarah 2 coal mine near Wyong.

Shots fired at The Entrance

believed that a shot was fi red at

Man crashes stolen car

State Member for Wyong, David Just after 3am on December 7, it is A man has been charged after crashing a stolen car at Charmhaven

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Dire consequences of planning never emerge

Thank heavens, we have the Community Environment Network to offset the selfishness and short-sightedness of the Coastal Residents group with respect to the new Coastal Management Policy.

It is clear that the Coastal Residents have none but their own interests in mind and care nothing for the welfare of future generations who are going to face enormous costs and disastrous environmental degradation, unless some action is taken now to ameliorate the damage caused by past, thoughtless development patterns.

The concern that the policy will "stifle development and business activity", that is, limit profit-making and unearned income, says it all.

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The fact is that this policy should have been introduced decades ago and that, if it had, the Peninsula would not now be facing the almost insuperable burden of remediating past errors.

Even with this policy in place, it is doubtful that more than Band-Aid measures can be achieved, because the worst mistakes are beyond curing, except at unacceptable expense.

It is, also, easy to suspect that the provisions of the policy sound better on paper than they will emerge in practice, unless there is a serious implementation process put in place.

Without this, "flexibility" will almost certainly prevail, and hard decisions will be avoided as

politically unpalatable.

As for the scaremongering about the dire consequences of the Policy, we have heard it all before over and over again, and the Coastal Residents really need a new songbook, if they want to sound plausible.

I well recall exactly this kind of objection going back, at least, to the first planning legislation of 60-odd years ago, but the dire consequences never emerge, and life goes on unimpeded and usually for the better.

In fact, it would be a reasonable wager that the Code of Hammurabi was met with predictions of the end of society as known, if not worse.

That certainly would have been the case, if there had been a Chamber of Commerce in Babylon. Email, 23 Dec 2016

Bruce Hyland, Woy Woy

Mural to be ripped down in five years' time?

According to a respected retired teacher of art and art history, the representation of the pelican on the mural at Woy Woy Oval bears little semblance to reality.

This travesty of an ancient bird is nothing more than a Frankenstein-like creation assembled from the beak of a stork or kite with the head of an American vulture, whoops I meant eagle, that has then been turned into road kill by a steam roller or B Double.

The pelican beak developed more than one million years ago has obviously has been rebioengineered by the American poetic license of the artist.

Why was this undoubtedly outrageously expensive excuse for artistic endeavour not undertaken by one of the many excellent local artists who, from early childhood, know that pelican beaks are pink not red.

Perhaps colour confusion with red-legged flamingos is occurring or is it blood spatter from being turned into cosmetic colouring?

There also appears to be a problem with the feet that on the mural appear to be more suitable to the character used to promote a well-known Scottish sounding hamburger store.

Obviously the children have been inadequately taught in the physical functioning and observation of the distinctive features of the bird.

However since Disney commenced popularising animals through caricature, the ability of the eyes of children now fails to

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Lang brothers were spectacular duo

On the Peninsula, the Lang brothers, Bill and Jack, were a spectacular duo.

Bill was a master pastry cook and a master of balance.

He could balance schooners or jugs of beer on his head and waltz across the dance floor without spilling a drop.

Both worked for the post office. Jack had been a seaman and Bill a cake shop proprietor.

Jack always needed a starter when working, a smoke and a beer to keep him functioning.

I remember times when he had not had his medicine he could be

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quite mean.

He once shouted at an old chap wearing an ear trumpet: "What's the matter you deaf or something?"

Jack had plenty of stories from when he shipped with two seamen, nicknamed "Cat" and "Flea".

Spotting them in a waterside pub, he offered them a drink.

He said to the barman: "I'll have a schooner of old, a schooner of milk for the Cat and a schooner of Mortein for the Flea.

Another time, Jack's wife left the bathroom tap on.

He arrived home to find his house flooded and his poodle wearing a life jacket.

My brother and I were with Jack one day when he tackled a mountain man seven pick handles wide and seven pick handles tall (Jack was as thin as a broomstick).

He danced around the man like a whirling dervish and the fellow got so dizzy he crashed through the pub door taking the whole doorway with him.

Jack would always grin and with a schooner in hand he'd say: "Gee, I love drinking."

Letter, 5 Jan 2017 Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy distinguish reality and results in such abominations as the Woy Woy Oval Franken-pelican.

Thus do we now have no worthy role models or even a grasp of reality, instead preferring the stupor of psychiatric drugs, alcohol, political and fraudster spin-doctoring through television and newspapers and to deny us reality?

Like the Jesuits say "give us a child til seven and our indoctrination will last for life": A worthy symbolic artefact for future generations to look at and wonder why this generation got it so wrong when they had the magnificent live pelicans regularly flying by?

Or is there a plot, like the path to oblivion of the humble bee through insecticides, to send the pelican along the route of the dodo who it shares similarities of beak with?

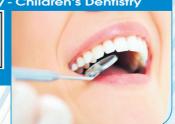
Perhaps that is why this expensive mural will be ripped down in five years' time.

Email, 31 Dec 2016 Richard Newby, Horsham

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If you always do what you have always done, you will always get what you always got

It is that time of year again when your inbox overflows with emails suggesting that 2017 is the year to: lose weight; learn a new language; get organised; spend more time with family and friends; get on top of debts; quit smoking; and/or, get fit and healthy.

Sound familiar? These are actually the top New Year's resolutions people make and most likely never accomplish.

It has been estimated that only 8% of us ever actually achieve our resolutions.

Doesn't sound too promising, does it?

So, why do we fail achieving those goals?

For most of us, resolutions are a form of 'social procrastination' and an attempt to motivate us to change a benaviour.

But unless we actually want to change a behaviour or habits, we are doomed to fail.

Another reason for the high failure rate is that most resolutions are unrealistic and unspecific

'false hope syndrome'.

This describes a resolution that is significantly unrealistic and out of alignment with someone's internal view of themselves.

Lastly, failed resolutions come down to a cause and effect relationship.

You may think that by losing weight, reducing your debts or spending more time with your family, your whole life will change in a good way.

When this doesn't happen, you may get discouraged and revert back to old habits.

So, this year, try a different approach, as making resolutions work is essentially changing behaviours, and in order to do that, you have to change the way you think.

This is called rewiring the brain. Focus on one resolution only everything else is too much.

Set realistic and specific goals - losing weight is unspecific; to

psychologists have identified as drink 2 extra glasses of water per day is specific and realistic.

The practitioners at this centre commonly see clients with pain or functional conditions that relate directly to poor lifestyle choices.

Remember, muscles and joints require large amounts of available oxygen and food.

If they don't get it, they complain, that means it hurts.

Take small steps - don't start the New Year with a marathon, commit to walking 10 minutes more than what you do now, every day for a week or a month. Slowly increase the intensity

and amount. Be accountable - be it by having a partner with similar goals or someone close.

Others commit on social meala.

Celebrate little milestones buy yourself flowers or have a relaxing bath.

We wish all our clients a happy new year and look forward to being part of your wellness



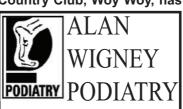
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Swampies Golf Club president Mr John Lewis presents the cheque to Central Coast Local Health District fundraising and donations manager Ms Jan Richens

Golf club donates to children's fund

The Swampies Golf Club, which plays at the Everglades Country Club, Woy Woy, has



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donated \$1000 to the Gosford Hospital Childrens' Fund.

President Mr John Lewis presented the cheque to Ms Jan Richens, fundraising and donations manager for Central Coast Local Health District, at a ceremony on December 20.

Ms Richens thanked the golfers from Swampies Golf Club for their continued support of the paediatric

"Donations to our children's fund enable us to support areas such as the children's ward, physiotherapy therapy, occupational outpatient clinics and Kid's Corner in Wyong and Gosford Emergency Departments," she said.

"All donations received by Central Coast Local Health District for any of our services and facilities remain on the Coast and go directly towards patient treatment and care."

The Swampies club committee decided to make the donation after club treasurer Mr Warwick Ford announced that the club, with a membership of 40 players, ended the 2016 season in a strong

Media release, 28 Dec 2016 Ken Martin, Swampies Golf Club

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Council approves 24-bed medical ward

an increase in peak staff numbers

two-storey, and the new building to be

constructed on the northern side is

The existing hospital is single and

A new courtyard within the

approved building footprint has also

been approved as part of the Section

96 application to provide natural light

to the adjacent bedrooms of the

proposed new ward and a centrally-

located roof top mechanical plant

from 55 to 58.

single storev.

Central Coast Council has approved a 24-bed medical ward at Brisbane Waters Private Hospital, in a modification of its original consent for alterations and additions at the hospital.

A section 96 application was made in relation to the Joint Regional Planning Panel's earlier approval for the hospital's redevelopment at 9 Vidler Ave, Woy Woy.

The purpose of the changes was to convert the originally-approved single-storey medical consultant suites and gym building to a 24bed medical ward, according to the Statement of Environmental Effects submitted with the application.

Council agreed to the amendments which would involve internal alterations and minor modification to the footprint of the originally-approved hospital additions.

The cost of the modified development, according to the statement, is \$6.76 million, an increase of \$594,000 over the original development.

Brisbane Waters Private Hospital currently accommodates 56 general hospital beds and 33 mental health beds; provides a spectrum of geriatric services backed by the support of an allied health team comprising dieticians, occupational therapists and physiotherapists.

It is also the only private mental health facility in the Central Coast region.

Additional hospital car parking is provided in both Vidler Ave and

The original development consent was granted by the Central Coast Joint Regional Planning Panel in April

According to an assessment report prepared by the Council's Department of Environment and Planning: "It is proposed to change the ... consulting suites-gym within the extension to the hospital to a 24bed medical ward.

"The change results in a decrease in floor area by five square metres, and an increase in staff at any time

"Car parking provided does not



change and there is excess car parking spaces serving the hospital," the Council assessment report said.

The original consent made way for the demolition of various existing single storey structures, driveways and hardstand within the area of the proposed hospital additions and minor internal demolition of part of the existing fit-out within the main hospital to provide additional ward beds.

The Panel also approved construction of a new single storey building at the northern end of the site to consolidate existing administrative offices and consulting suites already located within the hospital precint.

The original proposal incorporated ancillary facilities such as gym; diagnostic medical imaging; kiosk cafe; staff and patient amenities; and illuminated hospital signage.

Internal alterations to the fit-out of the existing hospital were also approved to provide 18 additional general hospital and eight mental health beds.

The car parking layout was reconfigured for greater efficiency and to provide one additional disability space.

A new hospital set down-pick up and pedestrian areas fronting Vidler Ave was planned; and site landscaping works.

The approved proposal resulted in an increase in the hospital's gross floor area by 1315 square metres, an

screen (2100mm height).

An external stairway located at the southwest corner of the hospital remains as approved in the original consent and the bin store located adjacent to the northern site boundary remains unchanged.

According to a Statement of Environmental Effects submitted with the Section 96 application: "The proposed modified development as detailed ... is substantially the same development for which consent ... was originally granted.

"The internal refurbishment of the existing hospital approved under Consent 48744/2015 remains unchanged.

"The approved reception area, cafe and vehicle entry-exit arrangements associated with the new hospital addition remains as approved.

"The approved car parking arrangement and waste store located along the northern hospital boundary remains unchanged.

"The proposed modification to the physical form of the hospital addition approved ... is minor and actually results in a slight reduction of the gross floor area from that of the approved additions.

"The proposed change of the predominant use of the approved hospital addition from consulting

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suites to a hospital medical ward are both included in the definition of 'health services facility' contained in the dictionary to Gosford Local Environmental Plan 2014, that is they are the same category of use for the purposes of LEP 2014.," the statement said.

Consequently, the considered it appropriate to approve the application for modification of development consent.

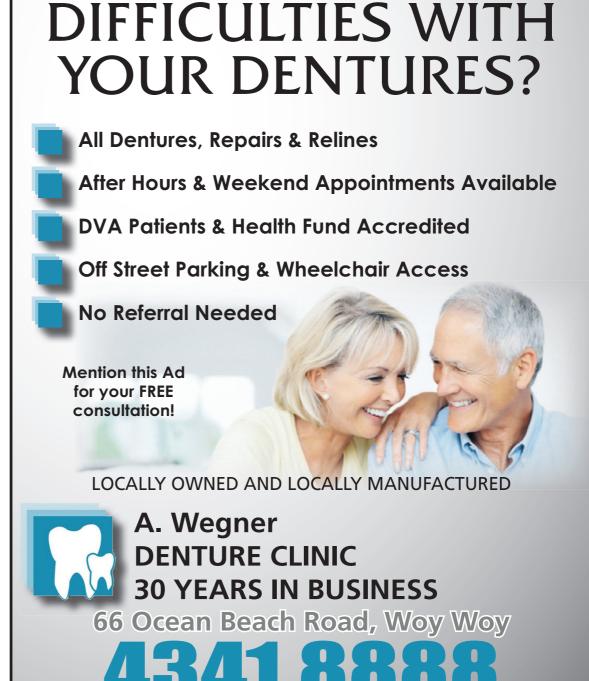
According to the Central Coast Council, no submissions were received to the proposed modifications.

"The proposed modifications will not result in adverse amenity impacts on the adjoining properties and the streetscape.

"The proposed development is substantially the same as the development that was originally granted consent.

"As such, in accordance with Section 80(1)(a) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, the Section 96(1A) for modification is recommended for approval," the Council's assessment report

> Website, 20 Dec 2016 Central Coast Council DA Tracker, DA48744/2015



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Out&About













Mitchell brings extra bit of Christmas cheer

Mitchell Sneddon has dipped into his own pocket to bring a bit of extra cheer to children on the Peninsula.

Three years ago last September, Mr Sneddon lost his best friend in a motorcycle accident in Woy Woy.

"He left behind three little girls who didn't care much about Christmas that year so I decided to dress up as Santa Claus and ride my bike to them with presents and it has grown from there," he said.

For the 2016 Christmas bike run, Mitchell was joined by friends Peter Tindale, Glen and Sandra Aquilina, Scooter Farrugia, Paul Crawford and Warren Parry.

"We started in Woy Woy as we do every year and we go down to Umina and across to Empire Bay," he said. The bike run has expanded each year and now the group of friends dress up and hand out presents to hundreds of children from Woy Woy to the northern reaches of the Central Coast.

The group hands out gifts and lolly bags to children and children can get their photos taken with Santa and his helpers.

Central Coast Harley Davidson came to the party this year along with Ms Donna Prince by donating gifts, a gift voucher and t-shirts.

Mr Sneddon said the Christmas bike run would always start in Woy Woy and said he hoped it would get bigger and better every year.

Interview, 5 Jan 2017 Mitchell Sneddon, Berkeley Vale Reporter: Jackie Pearson





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Short and sweet registrations open



The Peninsula Theatre will host Short and Sweet Central Coast from January 22 to 29.

It will feature the best Central Coast performers in all areas of theatre performance.

Short and Sweet Central Coast is now calling for submissions from performers aged 16 and over who are Central Coast or NSW residents who are looking for a platform to launch their professional careers or those who are already seasoned professionals.

The top acts, solo and ensemble, will be selected after an audition process, presented over three nights and climaxing with a gala finale and awards evening complete with a panel of industry

judges where generous cash and industry prizes are presented.

According to organisers, Short and Sweet Central Coast is a proven vibrant, socially inclusive and innovative festival that allows local artists on the cusp of their professional careers, the ability to gain professional industry exposure without leaving Woy Wov.

Registrations for actors, dancers, voice, cabaret, musical theatre and all areas of stage performance are currently being accepted by email to chenoa@ shortandsweet.org.

Website, 5 Jan 2017 **Central Coast Council,** events calendar

celebrates 40 years The Frigid Digits Swimming Club celebrated its 40th

2016

in

another successful competitive season.

anniversary

In April, the group voted to change its name from the Hardy's Bay Frigid Digits to the Killcare Frigid Digits in recognition of the number of members who live in Killcare.

The club boasts of many foundation members still swimming at its meetings every Sunday.

Four members competed at

the Australian Winter Swimming Championships in Newcastle in September.

Mr Bob Cochrane won a welldeserved bronze medal in the 80 to 84 years 50 metre freestyle championship.

The club's over 70s men's relay team of Ron Malcolm, Bob Cochrane, Dave Stevenson and Norm Little swam well but just missed out qualifying for the final.

Ron Malcolm and Norm Little qualified for the final of the 70 to 74 year men's freestyle.

A team of six travelled to Coogee during the year for the annual four way swim with South Maroubra, Coogee and Bulli.

Greg Bourne and Bob Cochrane were awarded life membership at the club's 2016 presentation day.

Geoff Brown was voted clubman of the year and Brent Malcolm won club champion.

Digits made The Frigid donations to both the Asthma Foundation and the Killy Cares local charity.

> Newsletter, 6 Jan 2016 Sue Purcell, Frigid Digits





Directory - Not for profit Community Organisations

Art & Culture

Central Coast Art Society

Weekly paint-outs Tues 4369 5860. Workshops 9.30am 1st & 3rd Wed Gosford City Art Centre 4363 1156. Social Meetings 1.30pm 4th Wed for demonstrations 4325 1420

Central Coast Handweavers, Spinners and Textile **Arts Guild**

Spinning and weaving, patchwork and quilting, felting and other fibre and fabric crafts, community quilting bees Day and Night Groups 4325 4743

Central Coast

Potters Society
Running classes, workshops, demonstrations, exhibitions and social events - Annual exhibitions in May and December info@ccpotters.org 4324 5343

Ettalong Beach Art & Crafts Centre Adult classes in Pottery

Watercolours, Oils, Acrylics, Pastels, Silvercraft, Patchwork & Quilting Children's Art & Pottery Mon – Sat 10am – 3pm 4341 8344

Point Clare Art & Craft

Wed - Adult Art Class Wed & Fri - Adult Crafts Bunka Embroid, Cards, Crotchet, Cross Stitch \$3 Point Clare Hall 10am - 12noon 4325 5007

Hospital Art

Australia Inc. Meet every Tue and Fri 9am-2pm - 109 Birdwood Ave, Umina - Painting and Canvas drawing. Volunteers welcome

0431 363 347

Bushwalking National Parks **Association**

Central Coast Twice weekly bush walks, varying distances and grades of difficulty. Explore, enjoy scenery, fauna, floral, history. Keep fit and make friends. 4389 4423 & 4332 7378

Community Centres

Peninsula Community Centre

Cnr Ocean Beach Rd & McMasters Rd Woy Woy Activities, programs and support groups for children, teens, adults and seniors including occasional care, playgroups, dance classes, karate, fitness classes, youth services, gambling solutions, internet kiosk and social groups.

4341 9333

Ettalong 50+ Leisure & Learning Centre

Mon - Fri - Cards, Computer Lessons, Dancing, Indoor Bowls, Fitness, Handicrafts, Leatherwork, Line Dancing, Painting, Scrabble, Table Tennis, Tai Chi, Yoga, Darts 4341 3222

Central Coast Community Legal Centre

Not for profit org in Wyong providing free legal advice. Intake times for legal advice Monday to Friday 9am-5pm

4353 4988

Community Groups

ABC "The Friends" Support group for Public Broadcaster. Aims: Safeguard ABC's independence, adequate funding, high standards Meetings through the year + social afternoons

Well-known guest speakers 4341 5170

Central Coast Social Group

Social contact, entertainment events, new friendships, for 30's-60's Live music, house parties, dinners, BBQs, picnics, trips

away etc. Monthly Meet & Chat 0422 243 101 email cco30s@live.com.au

Central Coast 50+ **Singles Social Group**

Ladies & gents dinner, dancing BBQs & socialising each w/end Monthly programme for all areas 0412 200 571 0437 699 366

Mingaletta Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander

Provides members and other groups a meeting place and referral hub for education, health, well-being and cultural programs. Mon-Fri 9am - 4pm

6 Sydney Ave Umina 4342 7515 dmin@mingaletta.com

Peninsula School for Seniors

Community Centre, McMasters Road, Woy Woy Discussions, rumikin, craft, history, walks, & coach trips Tues, Wed, Thur 4341 5984 or 4341 0800

Peninsula Village Playgroup

Carers, Grandparents, parents & children 'Intergenerational Playgroup' Tues 10-11.30am 4344 9199

Probus Club of Woy Woy

Friendship, Fellowship and social functions for active retirees. 1st Wed - 10am Everglades Country Club 4344 7070

Seniors Computer Club Central Coast

Classes held Monday to Friday for everyone over 50 Basics: Mon , Tues and Thurs 10am to 12noon Different programs every day, 10am to 12noon or 1pm to 3pm Apple-Mac: Mon, Tues, Wed All at our club rooms, Kincumber Neighbourhood Centre Bookings or inquiries 02 4307 9421

The Krait Club

Community Centre - Cooinda Village, Neptune St, Umina 10.30am For seniors. Gentle exercises, quizzes, games, social activities, guest speakers, entertainment and bus trips - 4344 3277

Umina Beach Men's Shed

Men share a variety of tools, pursue interests and hobbies, spend time with other men and learn new skills Darrell 4342 9606

Volunteering

Central Coast
Refers potential volunteers to community orgs. Supports both volunteers and community orgs. Training for volunteers & their managers. 4329 7122

Wagstaffe to Killcare Community

Protect and preserve the environment & residential nature of the Bouddi Peninsula and to strengthen community

2nd Mon, 7.30pm Wagstaffe Hall 4360 2945

Health Groups

Al-Anon If someone's drinking is causing you problems...
Al-Anon can help

4344 6939 1300 252 666 Meetings Sat 2pm Woy Woy Hospital Ocean Béach 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

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@bluewaveliving.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

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www.grow.org.au

Meals on Wheels

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Mary Mac's Place

Providing hot, freshly cooked meals - Mon to Fri 11am-1pm with support, info & referrals 4341 0584

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

0412 756 446

Peninsula Village Wellness Centre

Offering holistic and complementary therapies including aromatherapy, massage and music therapy 4344 9199

Peninsula Village Meals

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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

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

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Gosford Musical

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Music and Spoken Word

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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 Món 0410 309 494

Woy Woy Branch

Everglades Country Club 7.30pm 2nd Mon 0412 517 520

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,

Politics in the Pub Central Coast

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Everglades Country Club 0409 245 861 0409 245 861
Rotary Club of Woy Woy

Tues 6pm Everglades Country Club. Don Tee 0428 438 535

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Biz Plus Networking

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Erina Leagues Club Geoff Neilson network@bizplus.com.ar

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Fri Sat-12.15pm & Wed 9.15am Brisbane Water Bridge Club. Peninsula Community Centre 93 McMasters Rd. Woy Woy bane-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.

Central Coast Family

History Society Inc. Resources, information & advice to study your family's history.

1st Sat 1pm Lions Community

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4324 5164

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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

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.

Woy Woy Ettalong
Hardy's Bay RSL
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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.c www.bpw.com.au/central-co

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 0416 193 070 - 4340 1746

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 CentreCounselling, therapeutic and social groups, workshops, domestic violence and abuse issues. All services by women for women 4342 5905

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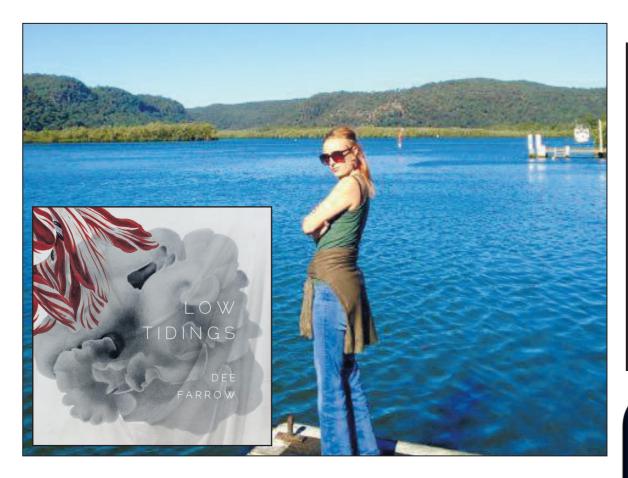
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Singer-songwriter releases first EP

Singer-songwriter Ms Dee mixed and produced by Christian Farrow of Phegans Bay has just released her first EP.

Low Tidings includes four original tracks written and performed by Ms Farrow.

The EP was played, recorded,

Pyle at his SS Prawn and Spanner Studios near Byron Bay.

Ms Farrow has fronted various bands over the years, including Carbuncle Shack (ex Wet Taxis) and added vocals to recordings for

David Lane, Even As We Speak and Ian Shadwell.

Low Tidings is distributed through Half A Cow Records and is available on iTunes.

Website, 5 Jan 2016 Dee Farrow, Phegans Bay

The Peninsula Diary of Events

For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

Tuesday, Jan 10

Aussie Heroes and Villains Craft at Umina Library, 2:30pm

Wednesday, Jan 11

Magic with Mr Sparkles, Pearl Beach Kids' Club, memorial Hall, 10am

Family Bingo, Pearl Beach Memorial Hall, 5pm

Super Villain Science, Woy Woy Library, 10am to 11:30am, bookings essential

Friday, Jan 13

Rock Pool Ramble at Umina Beach with OCCI guides, from 3:20pm, wear covered footware, bookings essential

Saturday, Jan 14

Saturday Bingo, fund raising for Mary Mac's, Peninsula Community Centre, 1:30pm to

Killcare Surf Life Saving Club Mega Carnival, Killcare Beach

Monday, Jan 16

Animal Heroes, Woy Woy Library, 10:30am to 11:30am

Wednesday, Jan 18

Art Class with Marijke, Pearl Beach Kids Club, Memorial Hall, ages eight plus, from 10am, bookings essential

Story Time with Pim, Pearl beach Kids' Club, back deck of Memorial Hall, 10am

Family Bingo, Pearl Beach Memorial Hall, from 5pm

Thursday, Jan 19

Lego heroes, Umina Library, 10am to 11:30am

Saturday, Jan 21

Saturday Bingo, fund raising for Mary Mac's, Peninsula Community Centre, 1:30pm to 4:30pm

Sunday, Jan 22

Short and Sweet Central Coast Semi Finals, Peninsula Theatre until Jan 29

Monday, Jan 23

Superhero craft, Library, 2:30pm to 4pm

Tuesday, Jan 24

Supersized Creations, Woy Woy Library, 10am to 11:30am

Thursday, Jan 26

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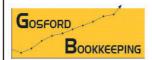
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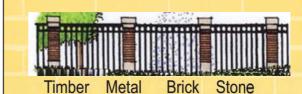
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Sport

PCYC becomes 'national boxing hub'

The Umina PCYC is becoming a national hub for the sport of boxing due to the dedication and ambition of its coaching staff.

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boxers take a training trip to England.

The training camp will be conducted by internationallyrenowned coach Mr Bodo Andreass who has been the national coach for Australia, Nigeria, South Africa and East Germany.

Following the camp, 16year old Jason Fawcett from Brisbane Water Secondary College and Thomas Deakin, 14, from Kincumber High, both of whom train at Umina PCYC, will be travelling to England from January 19 to February 5.

The two-week development tour will be based out of England's own boxing hot spot, Manchester, and will take in as many training and development sessions throughout the north of England as possible.

"We did the trip two years ago and it was a big part of the development we have seen from our boxers since then," Keegan said.

Umina PCYC is one of six clubs that Keegan looks after and he said the program in place at the Umina club "is working".

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"And when I say commitment and dedication, it is not just time and not just from the coaches.

every development activity."

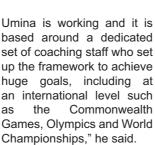
Later in the year, Mr Keegan said he hoped to hold a King of the Ring event

Juniors from the club will have the opportunity to compete in national titles in Adelaide in April and the Elite national titles will be held in NSW in June.

qualifiers take place in

Australian female boxer Ms Bianca Elmir has moved to the Peninsula from Canberra in order to complete her Commonwealth qualification preparation at Umina PCYC.

Email, 4 Jan 2017 Interview, 4 Jan 2017 Joel Keegan, Umina PCYC Reporter: Jackie Pearson



"The boxers all give up work to attend the England trip and they are all putting their hands in their pocket for

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The finals took place on Commonwealth Games Saturday, December 24, between: Elaine Finlayson (substitute) for Bev Bartle who injured her shoulder the start; at Leanne Chenoweth, Shane Starkey; and Mal Dodds (skip), against Lee Morley; Corinne Morley; Jeff Dixon; and Guy (Jock) Young.

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hung in there and were able to draw level on the eighth

It took until the 14th end for Jock's team to hit the front and they held the lead until the 20th end when Mal's side scored a three-tolevel the game at 16-all.

With both sides showing signs of nerves and the spectators on the edges of their seats, the head changed after each bowl

until it came down to the two skips final bowls.

Mal had first bowl with his side holding two shots. Jock bowled into the head

and cleaned out Mal's team's two bowls and claimed two shots.

Mal's last bowl missed the mark giving victory to Jock's team by 18 to 16.

Media release, 27 Dec 2016 Ian Jarratt, Umina **Beach Bowling Club**

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Killcare Surf Lifesaving Club members at the Central Coast Mariners' half-time relay



Killcare Surf Lifesaving Club was one of six invited to participate in the Central Coast Mariners' Surf Lifesaving round of the A-League recently

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Surf clubs do battle on soccer field

The Ocean Beach and Killcare Surf Lifesaving Clubs did battle on the soccer field recently to support the Central Coast Mariners' Football Club's traditional lifesaving round.

Killcare and Ocean Beach Surf Life Saving Clubs were chosen to be among six clubs to form an honour guard as the Central Coast Mariners entered the field for their A-League match.

The surf lifesaving clubs also participated in a light-hearted relay

during half time.

Killcare was represented in the relay by Blake Leivesley, Zane Foulis, Clarlie Pate, Jennifer Webb and Emily Buckley.

Ocean Beach was victorious.

Newsletter, 22 Dec 2016 Craig Sheppard, Killcare Surf Life Saving Club



Disabled surfers call for volunteers

The Central Coast branch of the Disabled Surfers Association has called for volunteers for its next Smiles on Dials event at Umina Beach on Saturday, February

The association is a volunteer organisation that enables people of all ages and abilities to take part in beach surfing.

Volunteers provide a unique and safe surfing experience to a wide range of people with various disabilities who would otherwise be unable to access the beach.

To ensure safety, the association has a high volunteer to participant ratio, with a minimum of six to one up to as high as 30 to one for more challenging participants.

The association only surfs in

broken waves in waist depth water.

Volunteers help participants to and from the beach, assisting them in and out of the water and helping set up and clean up.

They do not need to know how to surf, just to be willing to get wet and have some fun.

A rash shirt will be provided, but volunteers are encouraged to bring their own wetsuits.

Sign in on the day is at 9am with surfing starting at 9.30am.

A free barbecue is provided from noon.

To register as a volunteer, contact: Pauline Maniskas on 0416 332 166, email pmaniskas@hotmail. com, or visit https://www.facebook. com/events/1618817568440662/.

> Media release, 5 Jan 2017 Rae Fiechter, Disabled Surfers **Association Central Coast**



Umina United's Women's League players with coaching staff

Soccer club offers session for women and girls

more girls and women, he hoped

the session would encourage

more people to join the girls and

women's club teams and would

Umina United soccer club will host free session for women and girls who want to give the sport of soccer a go on January 22.

The session will be held at Umina Tennis Courts from 9am.

Club president Mr Nigel Mainland said the session was about tapping into the fitness culture of the young and offering them "a chance to experience the great game".

"It's a great time to get women and girls interested in soccer," Mr Mainland said.

"We see women and girls exercising, going to the gym to maintain their fitness and we want to offer them the opportunity to do that in a fun and social setting through soccer.

"We have 120 female players right through from the under-fives to the over-40s and we want the session to be an exciting and energetic introduction to soccer for interested locals," Mr Mainland

The session will be run by the club's Women's League squad players and is open to girls and women of all ages.

Mr Mainland said, other than

inspiring a love of soccer in generate more interest in the Women's League in general.

Interview, 5 Jan 2017 Nigel Mainland, Umina United Soccer Club Reporter: Dilon Luke



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Three carnivals in one

A local surf life saving club will host three carnivals in one on Saturday, January 14.

The Killcare Mega Carnival will include Round Five of the Surfboat Series

This event involves five people trying to push through waves in a seven metre, 200kg vessel made of timber and fibreglass

Killcare does not have any rowing teams this season but local surf club members are competing for other clubs, including Pete

Bagnall, Sarah Doak Stride and Megan Sheppard in various Terrigal crews and Lisa Mount in the MacMasters' crew.

Competitors will be involved in swim, board, board rescue, double and single ski and ironperson

On the sand, under-14s through to Opens and Masters will be doing battle in two kilometre beach runs, flags, sprint and relay events.

Newsletter, 6 Jan 2016 Peter Bagnall, Killcare **Surf Life Saving Club**





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