

Pursuit of ferry captain 'cowardly act', says Tesch

The man at the helm of a ferry that ran aground in the Ettalong Channel is being investigated by NSW Roads and Maritime Services, according to Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch.

Ms Tesch has labelled the NSW Government's pursuit of the captain of the ferry that ran aground on a sandbar in the silted up Ettalong Channel a "cowardly act".

The Palm Beach to Ettalong ferry was grounded in July and continues to be regularly diverted due to tidal patterns in the mouth of Brisbane Water, according to Ms Tesch.

"This incident occurred only two weeks after the first round of emergency dredging was undertaken at the site," Ms Tesch said.

Ms Tesch said she was appalled at the attitude of the NSW Government.

"If the NSW Government and RMS try to peg this failing on the driver when it's likely to be due to the failure of the inadequate dredging, then that is a low act," Ms Tesch said.

"At every step of the way, this Liberal Government has shirked its responsibility to the community to create safe and navigable waterways," she said.

"I expect that the skipper will be exonerated at the end of this, and I hope that this investigation doesn't leave a red mark on his record."

Ms Tesch said she wrote to the Minister for Planning, Mr Paul Toole, and Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast, Mr Scot MacDonald, in August to raise her concerns about the inadequate response from the Liberal Government.

"It is unacceptable for the NSW Government to provide just \$150,000 in funding, which was clearly not enough to do an appropriate job, and then walk away," she said.

"The NSW Government needs to urgently invest in a long term solution to this problem.

"If the government is willing to put \$10 million over four years to fund dredging on the North Coast,

then they can't keep saying it's a local government issue only.

"We have a new Council and the NSW Liberal Government needs to come back to the table and negotiate in good faith to get this issue sorted."

Ms Tesch thanked Fantasea Cruises and their staff for their flexibility during this disruptive time, and commended them for keeping commuters and tourists on the move despite recent regular diversions to Patonga.

The current situation has created an atmosphere of uncertainty in the local area with businesses, commuters and tourists fearing for the future of the waterway, she said.

"If suitable dredging is not carried out immediately, incidents like this will become commonplace."

Ms Tesch said Mr MacDonald had to do more than make piecemeal offerings to the Coast and to step up and fight for our community in Government.

"The Government cannot ignore the adverse effect this issue is having on the day-to-day lives, and livelihoods, of ferry operators, commuters, tourists and commercial fisherman who rely on this crucial waterway," Ms Tesch said.

"If Scot MacDonald is serious about being the Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast, then he actually needs to knock on those doors next to his in Macquarie St and get the funding the Coast needs.

"If the channel remains in its current state, there is a very serious risk of harm to recreational and commercial vessels as well as the potential for irrevocable damage to the confidence of local operators.

"We need to work to promote our strong tourism industry and ensure there are no barriers to businesses that rely on the channel to operate."

The NSW Government announced an additional \$160,000 in emergency dredging the day after Ms Tesch's statements.

SOURCE:
Media release, 21 Sep 2017
Richard Mehrtens, Office
of Liesl Tesch MP



Ettalong Channel dredging resumed on September 25

Photo: Julian Bowker

Criminal investigation instigated against ferry skipper

A Palm Beach ferry skipper "is being criminally investigated" for coming into contact with a sandbank in the Ettalong Channel, according to ferry operator Fantasea Cruising.

"On July 27, our vessel attempted to enter the channel on its way to Wagstaffe for the first collection of the day," Fantasea Palm Beach acting chief Ms Wendy Harch has stated in a letter to local residents on September 13.

"The vessel, while attempting to enter the channel, came into contact with the sand bank."

The service was diverted to Patonga for the remainder of that day.

"Fantasea Cruising Palm Beach is not prepared to expose its ferry skippers to criminal prosecution for an event that occurred because the channel is not being properly maintained," Ms Harch said.

She said that during the 13 years Fantasea had been operating the ferry service between Palm Beach and Ettalong and Wagstaffe

the channel area from Little Box Head to the Ettalong terminal had gradually been silting up.

"This has resulted, on occasion, in ferries having to be diverted to Patonga when the ferry is unable to safely navigate the market channel," she said.

"Whilst we take every precaution to ensure that there is communication with the public when there is a need to change the ferry stops, we are very aware of the inconvenience and additional travel time that this causes to residents.

"Fantasea... is very committed to providing local residents with a safe and reliable ferry service.

"However, it is the NSW Government's obligation and duty to maintain the marked channel so that it is safe for vessels to navigate.

"It is with the safety of our passengers in mind that the decision to divert the ferry is made.

"We have also communicated with the NSW Government regarding the state of the channel

on previous occasions and the channel has also been the subject of some local media attention.

"We are aware that the NSW Government has undertaken some interim dredging on the channel this year however this issue has not been resolved.

"Attempts to operate the ferry service are continually becoming frustrated by the additional sand in the channel," she said.

The letter from Ms Harch called on residents to contact their local MP and the media in support of urgent dredging of the channel.

She said the ferry operator had requested the NSW Government conduct further urgent dredging of the marked channel to ensure it was safe for the ferry to use.

"We have advised that until the dredging takes place we will continue to divert the ferry stop to Patonga in all situations where it appears that the ferry may be unable to enter the channel," Ms Harch said.

SOURCE:
Letter, 13 Sep 2017
Wendy Harch, Fantasea Cruising

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Rain? Maybe on another day

One millimetre on September 14 was the only recorded rain on the Peninsula for the whole month of September (up to September 29).

According to Mr Jim Morrison's rain data the lack of rain resulted in the month of September being 70mm below the monthly average.

The Peninsula's dry spell has now turned into a dry quarter with three consecutive months of very little measurable rain falling.

In fact, only 11.3mm of rain has fallen on the Peninsula since July 1.

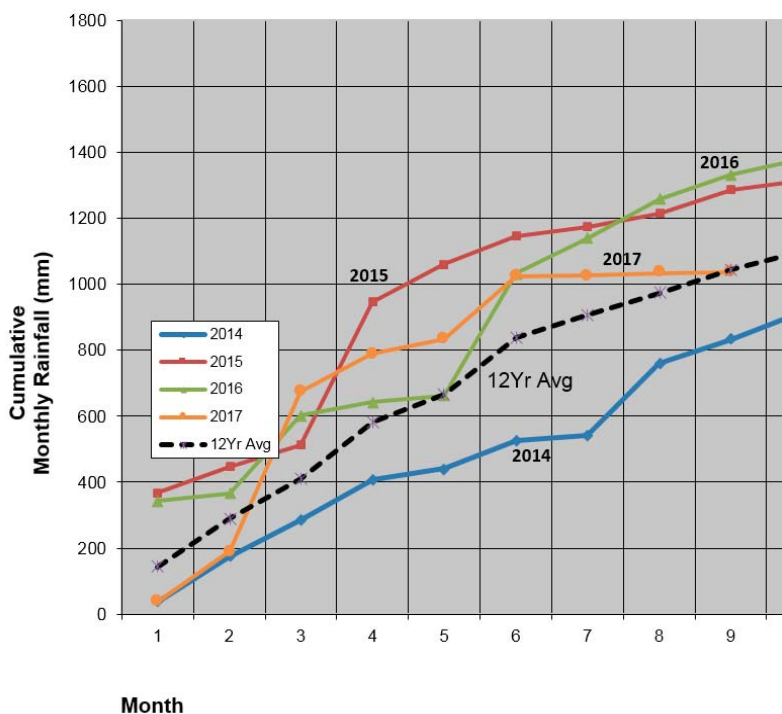
The cumulative total for the year sits at 1034.9mm which has slipped below the cumulative average for all years of 1044mm.

Three more months of dry weather could see the Peninsula's annual rainfall drop significantly short of the average 1296mm.

SOURCE:

Rainfall data, 29 Sep 2017
Jim Morrison, Umina

Cumulative Monthly Rainfall by Year



YOUR CHANCE TO WIN

Peninsula News and Ettalong Diggers have three Peninsula Dollar Voucher booklets to give away to three readers.

Peninsula Dollars is a new campaign that promotes local businesses and encourages visitors to shop locally and support jobs and enterprises on the Peninsula.

The new initiative was created by Accom and the Re:Publik Café in conjunction with Ettalong Diggers and the club's Visitors Information Centre Manager to get the project off the ground.

The voucher book includes \$200 worth of discounts and



special offers from Fantasea Ferres to homewares, beauty, boat hire and eateries to flower shops.

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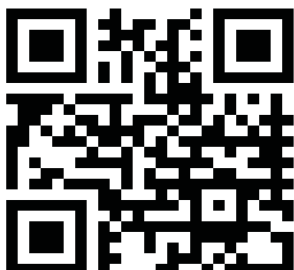
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Providers sought for train phone and internet services

Reliable mobile phone and internet service on the train between Woy Woy and Sydney is a step closer, according to Member for Robertson Ms Lucy Wicks.

Expressions of interest were called on Wednesday, September 27, to upgrade the mobile telecommunications infrastructure along the rail line from Woy Woy south to Hornsby and North to Wyong.

"Mobile drop outs and blackspots are incredibly frustrating for commuters along the Central Coast Line, and the Turnbull Government is delivering on its election commitment to fix the problem," said Ms Wicks.

"The total package will improve mobile coverage as well as provide wifi at stations for Central Coast commuters," Ms Wicks said.

She said the investment was

an important step forward in supporting thousands of local, hard-working commuters.

The Expression of Interest will be open until November and a formal tender process will commence by the end of the year.

"We'll be working with mobile network operators and infrastructure providers to remove coverage blackspots on more than 60 kilometres of rail corridor so commuters will be able to continue working, or stay in touch with family and friends, while travelling.

"This is an important milestone in delivering better services to local commuters.

The NSW Government will be seeking further Expressions of Interest to install wifi at Woy Woy station and others along the Central Coast rail line.

SOURCE:
Media release, 27 Sep 2017
Tim Sowden, Office of
Lucy Wicks MP

Oyster Festival to continue in its own right

Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has rejected claims by Central Coast Council that Ettalong's Oyster Festival will be absorbed into the council's Lakes Festival.

Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales said that the Oyster Festival will continue in its own right.

The 2017 Oyster Festival was shaping up to be another record-breaking event for Ettalong and the Peninsula on Sunday, November 12, he said.

"The Festival is an iconic event for the Peninsula and the Central Coast drawing weekend visitors and day trippers, some for the first time to our area for many years," Mr Wales said.

"The Oyster Festival is business as usual but we will certainly benefit from some of the cross promotion with the Lakes Festival and that has been a good decision.

"Over the next couple of years, we will strengthen that partnership."

Mr Wales said: "It is an alignment not a takeover.

"The Oyster Festival is probably the most important event within the Lakes Festival calendar because of how close it is to Sydney and how easy it is for people to get there," he said.

"Now in its 19th year and one



of the Coast's biggest events, stallholders and exhibitors at the Oyster Festival have been booking their space as early as January with many returns and new faces applying to be a part of this event," he said.

"With the construction of The Atlantis building well underway, we have lost the old car park used for our food and wine stalls," he said.

"Ettalong Diggers has come to the rescue offering their car park for the festival.

"So it is business as usual with an array of food and wine companies offering fine local food and of course the famous Sydney Rock oysters.

"Memorial Ave will now become

Eat St and the main stage will remain centre of the festival with great entertainment from G'day Hollywood Productions hosted by Wayne Cornell.

"It is business as usual with the fantastic hard work of Impact Exhibitions and Events as our event managers.

"We are really looking forward to this year's event because with everything that is happening in Ettalong at the moment, we have gone back to our basics."

SOURCES:
Interview, 26 Sep 2017
Media release, 27 Sep 2017
Matthew Wales, Peninsula
Chamber of Commerce
Reporter: Jackie Pearson

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Planning panel approves new aged care facility

An aged care provider has received approval to expand its facilities with a new 120-bed \$24.5 million "ageing in place" facility at 85 Pozieres Ave, Umina.

The new accommodation will replace the current care facility at Peninsula Villages' Jack Aldous House, providing residents with access to the newest ageing in place amenities on the Central Coast.

The proposal was referred to the Central Coast Joint Regional Planning Panel for approval because its value was greater than \$20 million.

The panel granted permission on

August 24, subject to a few agreed amendments.

The planning panel supported an assessment of the proposal from Central Coast Council that recommended Peninsula Village be given approval, with conditions, for the project to go ahead.

Conditions included finding ways to improve the project's impact on privacy in, and the new building's visibility impact from, Bapaume Ave.

The planning panel also required Peninsula Villages to provide additional street landscaping, and the development of a Parking Management and Operational Plan to address the need for more parking to accommodate a net of

24 additional beds once the new facility is up and running.

Peninsula Villages chief Mr Shane Neaves said the new facility would benefit ageing community members and create new job opportunities for locals and prepare the organisation for the increased demand in residential aged care in the future.

"We are extremely pleased with this decision," Mr Neaves said.

"It is an exciting outcome for our for-purpose aged care organisation and the local community," he said.

"This \$24.5 million development will bring a great deal of economic and social benefit to the Peninsula and wider Central Coast, creating more jobs and opportunities

to accommodate our ageing community with the very best facilities, both now and in the future," he said.

The new building would provide three levels of private single rooms, each with their own ensuite.

The organisation has also planned for the rooms to be broken into family units of up to 14 residents with key staff to be allocated to each area to ensure continuity of care.

"As the needs of our community members evolve, so must we.

"The new building will be a move forward and away from the traditional aged care facility to rather a focus on the comfort and enjoyment of residents," Mr

Neaves said.

"We aim to achieve this through the provision of high-quality amenities and services, as well as improved care by our multi-skilled team.

"Aging in place means Peninsula Villages will offer three distinct levels of care within one facility, including aged care and palliative care, as well as specialist dementia care with a dedicated dementia unit on the ground floor."

Construction of the new Peninsula Villages facility is planned to commence in early next year.

SOURCE:
Media release, 25 Sep 2017
Katey Small, Brilliant Logic

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Time for change

The recent Council election has resulted in significant changes for the Central Coast. Of the 15 Councillors elected, only 5 had been on either Gosford or Wyong Council previously. This outcome brings both experience and new ideas to the Council.

In addition, CEN is proud to congratulate Jane Smith and Louise Greenaway on their election to the Central Coast Council. Both Jane and Louise are currently members of the CEN Executive, with Jane having served as our CEO for many years. At the first extraordinary meeting of the Council, Jane was also elected as Mayor.

CEN is a non-political organisation however, we are encouraged that two independents who have a demonstrated commitment to ecologically sustainable development will be joining the Council responsible for planning a pathway into the future.

We are hopeful that the new Council will resolve some of the issues that have been concerning many of our members including - Mangrove Mountain Landfill issues, Warnervale airport, ensuring that COSS lands are protected and planning in Gosford CBD.... Just to name a few.

There will also be changes at CEN with Jane stepping down as CEO of the organisation. We thank Jane for her tireless work in this role. We hope that both Jane and Louise will continue on the Board of CEN.

John Asquith, Chairman

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Chamber calls for high density residential zone

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has called for the introduction of a high density residential zone on the Peninsula with a comprehensive review of planning controls for the Central Coast Council.

Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales urged the new Central Coast Council to act swiftly on key planning issues, following the swearing-in of the new councillors.

"It's imperative that the new Council pushes forward with the comprehensive review of the planning guidelines and ensures that there is adequate land supply and diversity of housing.

"The comprehensive review will be the game changer and this council needs to get onto that almost immediately because it is going to take several years to review, resolve and have gazetted but it will deal with those crucial underlying issues such as land availability, urban consolidation and the introduction of new residential zones like R3 and R4 which is high-density zones.

"There is certainly a role on the Peninsula for the R3 zone in order to achieve higher urban densities," Mr Wales said.

He said that meant finding ways to accommodate more people per square metre and that included a review of both floor space ratio controls and height controls particularly around town centres.



Peninsula Chamber wants Council to fast-track the revitalisation of Woy Woy town centre

"Elections are over and it's now time for the new Council to get on with the job of running this city," said Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales.

"During the period of administration, many of the key merger issues were addressed including the cleaning up of the financial mess from the former Gosford Council," Mr Wales said.

"Also during that time, planning staff prepared a new Consolidation Plan which merged the former Gosford and Wyong Local Environmental Plans but sadly this was never placed on public exhibition prior to the Local Government Elections," he said.

"This now has to be the priority for the new Council so that the building and development industry has certainty as the city moves forward.

"The sooner the new Council adopts the new planning regime and gets this out on exhibition, the better equipped the city will be to deal with the 70,000 new people that will call the Central Coast home over the next 20 years.

"We cannot afford for that to be delayed.

"It needs to go out on exhibition so that the council can get public feedback and send that plan on to the Minister.

"It needs to clean up the anomalies between the two existing planning instruments if for no other reason than to get consistency across the new local government area.

"More importantly for the Peninsula is that the Consolidation Plan is a housekeeping process which will then lead to the comprehensive review of the city-

wide planning controls.

"For me the most pressing issue this new council has to come to grips with, is the Woy Woy town centre review," he said.

"We have to get on top of that and find ways to renew that town centre and encourage, more importantly, residential accommodation within the town.

"We have to be realistic and accept that you've got to make development financially attractive in order to encourage the right development to occur.

"We really do need all the councillors to show some leadership and focus on town centre revitalisation and not just be Gosford-centric, we have paid an ugly price for that.

"The Chamber wants a full review of the town centre controls particularly for the Woy Woy

commercial precinct.

"While we congratulate Jane Smith on her election as mayor of the Central Coast Council, we would encourage her to show quick and strong leadership in advancing these key planning projects for the benefit of all residents," he said.

"This is clearly an unusual council with an odd mix of experience and politics but there has never been a more important time for this city than this next two years and the Chamber of Commerce genuinely hopes that strong, bold and quick decisions are made on a raft of issues.

"Our members are telling me that business is still very patchy.

"Some sectors are good such as restaurants and cafes.

"Retail is still tough but I think we have come to a time when we need to change our offer and lift our standards because a lot of people we are seeing coming into town now are younger.

"They demand more and they have the money to spend but you've got to provide the right product otherwise they will spend the money elsewhere.

"I think the Peninsula has some catching up to do to capitalise on the change in the demographics."

SOURCE:

Media release, 25 Sep 2017

Interview, 26 Sep 2017

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Reporter: Jackie Pearson



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Peninsula's future needs 'thought', says mayor

New Central Coast Council mayor Cr Jane Smith has told Peninsula News the future of development on the Peninsula needs a lot of thought.

Ms Smith said the Peninsula was an area earmarked for population growth through infill and medium-to-high density development but that could not happen without infrastructure improvement.

"It is a low lying area and transport in and out really needs a lot of thought if we are going to get more people living in that area," Cr Smith said.

She said she would be looking into the long-standing storm water and flooding issues that plagued the Peninsula.

Cr Smith said she would also be calling for a briefing on the Rawson Rd level crossing replacement project which the NSW Government backed out of in 2016.

As Mayor, Cr Smith said she would stand for transparency and genuine community involvement.

"Having been involved in the community for 15 to 20 years and an observer of Councils, I have been really concerned about the direction they have been heading in especially in relation to community involvement and consultation.

"I want to see council return to being driven by community involvement and representation,"



Cr Jane Smith is the first mayor of Central Coast Council

Photo Noel Fisher

she said.

The new Mayor has been involved her community and with environmental activism in her role as the voluntary CEO of the Community Environment Network.

Many were subsequently surprised when she secured the mayor's role with votes from the four Liberal councillors and three independents.

Cr Smith said no deals had been done with the Liberal Party or the three independents, Mr Chris Holstein (Gosford West), Mr Greg Best (Budgewoi) and Mr Bruce McLachlan (The Entrance) who voted for her as mayor.

"From my point of view, it was important to try and have

an independent in the mayoral position.

"I said it was really critical that the 15 councillors work together and so that was one of the things that drove my discussions about how that might work," she said.

"There are no deals at all.

"I think other people voted according to their own priorities, their own reasons, but I certainly have not made any commitments to anybody about securing their vote and I think those people who voted for me know me well enough to know what my values and priorities are.

"Broadly it comes back to community, residents, ratepayers and community aspirations for the

area.

"I think it is really clear most people on the Coast value the natural environment so it is important to protect it," she said.

Cr Smith said the whole new local government area was facing a critical time because the Council was in the process of developing the next 10-year community strategic plan and consolidating the two Local Environmental Plans from the former Gosford and Wyong Councils.

"I think we need to again ensure that process protects or looks after the values and we will then be coming up with a new LEP for the Central Coast and that will be effectively rewriting the rules."

Cr Smith said she remained committed to giving the community a vote on whether or not it wanted to keep the amalgamated Central Coast Council or revert to the former Gosford and Wyong Councils.

"I am still committed to de-amalgamation vote.

"At some point in the near future, I think there are a number of councillors who want to see some sort of poll on whether they want amalgamation or not.

Cr Smith said she was reasonably ambivalent about whether or not the community should back the amalgamation.

"I think it has been a difficult process but I think it can work but

the community needs to have its say.

"Management of a large organisation is not the problem.

"I think that what should really be assessed is whether the community feels they have adequate representation."

Her preference would be for a poll on the amalgamation to occur at the same time as the next NSW State Government election.

"If people overwhelmingly say they don't want the amalgamated council then councillors should consider what the best option is."

Cr Smith has been an active advocate of the former Gosford Council's Coastal Open Spaces System which has protected the ridge line from development for at least 20 years.

She said she would continue to fight for a unique E5 zoning for COSS.

Cr Smith said she believed her election as Mayor and the swearing in of all 15 Councillors on the brand new Council represented "a great opportunity for change".

"We have a strong council that will be responsive and I would just ask for the community to be patient, it will take time for the Council to progress some of those issues that we know the community are concern about," she said.

SOURCE:

Interview, 27 Sep 2017

Jane Smith, Central Coast Council Reporter: Jackie Pearson

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- Over \$50 billion cut from public hospitals.
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PENSIONS

- Cut the pensioner energy supplement (\$365 a year for singles & \$550 for couples).
- The Liberals want to raise the retirement age to 70.



EDUCATION

- \$31 million cut from public schools across the Central Coast.

**Malcolm Turnbull and Lucy Wicks
have failed the Central Coast.**

Patonga Hotel has been sold

The Patonga Hotel has been sold, with new owners, The Boathouse Group, officially taking possession on October 6.

"The venue complements and strengthens the Boathouse mission of providing a classic Australian seaside experience," said Group owner Mr Andrew Goldsmith.

The Patonga Beach Hotel will continue as normal throughout the summer with only menu changes being made initially, according to Mr Goldsmith.

A rebranding and small renovation of the venue is planned from autumn after consultation with the local community.

This rebranding will maintain the hotel's character while incorporating The Boathouse Group aesthetics, including an abundance of fruit and flowers, vibrant gardens and relaxed coastal interiors, he said.

"The hotel rebrand will not change the core offering provided.

"The cafe, beer garden and beachside takeaway will remain the focus of the business.

"We want to combine what they're doing now as a pub,

and what we do well, which is beachside cafes.

"We take our seafood seriously, and what better way to maintain standards than to set up shop in Patonga, a town built for fishing.

"We love the spot and love that it's close to our existing businesses.

"The Patonga Beach Hotel is a quintessential Australian coastal gem.

"We are excited to maintain this iconic venue and share it with locals, day-trippers and tourists, both domestic and international," he said.

The Boathouse Group is a collective of seven hospitality businesses located in Sydney.

Established by Ms Pip and Mr Andrew Goldsmith in 2008, the group's aims include "creating iconic Australian experiences of dining, celebrating and living by the water".

The group provides cafe dining, for weddings and events, and more recently has added a homewares store.

SOURCE:

Media release, 28 Sep 2017
Ruby Flew, The Boathouse Group

Independent councillors elected to top jobs

Two independent councillors have been elected as the first mayor and deputy mayor of Central Coast Council.

Cr Jane Smith, independent from Gosford East, has been elected mayor, with Cr Chris Holstein, former Gosford mayor and former Member for Gosford, from Gosford West, chosen as the deputy mayor.

The election was held at an extraordinary meeting of Central Coast Council, in the Wyong Chamber, on Monday, September 25.

Cr Smith said it was an honour to be elected as the first mayor and she was looking forward to the council working together with the whole of the community and in the best interests of the Central Coast.

"We will listen to the community and together we will deliver better roads, footpaths, drainage, recreational facilities and protect our waterways, this is our contract with the community," Cr Smith said.

"The services and infrastructure Council deliver is an essential part of maintaining our fantastic way of life here on the Coast," Cr Smith said.

"We need to find the right balance between delivering the infrastructure our growing community needs as well as protecting our quality of life and our local communities.

"I believe we are up for that challenge," she said.

Both the Mayor and Deputy Mayor will serve a two-year term.

The 15 new Central Coast Councillors decided to vote for the two senior positions using a show of hands.

Four Councillors nominated for the position of Mayor including Cr Smith, Cr Doug Vincent for Labor, Cr Chris Holstein, and Cr Louise Greenaway was a late nomination from the floor.

In the first round of voting, Cr Greenaway was excluded.

Crs Smith and Vincent received seven votes each and Cr Holstein received his own single vote.

In the second round Cr Holstein was excluded.

In the third round, Cr Smith was elected mayor on the votes of Crs Best, Holstein, McLachlan and along with the four Liberal Party councillors.

After a short break, Cr Smith

took the chair and restarted the meeting with an acknowledgement of country.

Councillors then moved to elect a deputy mayor in the same fashion as they elected the mayor, by a show of hands.

Cr MacGregor moved an amendment that the deputy's position would be for one year only, an amendment supported by Cr Vincent.

Cr Best argued that continuity was paramount and the amendment was lost on the basis of the mayor's vote.

Two nominations were received for deputy, Cr Doug Vincent and Cr Chris Holstein.

A third nomination for Cr Louise Greenaway was received from the floor.

Cr Chris Holstein was declared deputy mayor.

The first ordinary meeting of Council to be presided over by the new Mayor will be held on Monday, October at 6.30pm in the Wyong Chambers.

SOURCE:

Central Coast Council
agenda, 25 Sep 2017
Reporter: Jackie Pearson

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Emergency dredging starts again with new funding

Emergency dredging of the Ettalong Channel recommenced on Monday, September 25, after the NSW Government decided to provide more funding.

Mr Crouch announced the latest funding for more emergency dredging following criticism by Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch that the Government was trying to pin a recent grounding near the channel on a ferry captain.

"Safety is our number one priority," Mr Crouch said.

"The NSW Government has stepped in following reports of a vessel grounding and near misses in Ettalong Channel," Mr Crouch said.

"I strongly encourage the newly-elected Central Coast councillors to accept responsibility for the management of the waterway and work with the NSW Government to secure a long-term strategy to maintain safe access for the hundreds of thousands of tourists and residents that take trips through this channel each year."

Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast, Mr Scot MacDonald, said the NSW Government was committed to delivering a sustainable dredging strategy to improve the accessibility and environmental health of waterways.

"This is the second time this year that the Government has provided emergency funding for this waterway," Mr MacDonald said.

"In June, \$150,000 was spent dredging a narrow section of the



Emergency dredging underway between Little Box Head and Ettalong

channel," he said.

"This month, more sand will be removed from the channel to secure immediate ferry and boating access."

Hunter Wharf and Barge Pty Ltd have been engaged to undertake the emergency dredging.

Work was expected to take up to three weeks, weather-dependent.

Newly-elected Central Coast Council mayor Cr Jane Smith said Brisbane Water was "a dynamic

system so we are always going to have to maintain the channel if we are going to have the ferry services operating there.

"I am not interested in politicising that issue but I am happy to sit down with staff and councillors to work out a proper strategy for the channel," Cr Smith said.

"I appreciate Mr Crouch's efforts to help provide the emergency funding," she said.

"We clearly need to sit down and

work out the long-term solution.

"It is the purview of the State Government," she said.

Mr Crouch said repeated earlier assertions that the NSW Government was not responsible for the maintenance of the Brisbane Water channel because there were no State-owned assets in the waterway.

He said the Central Coast Council needed to apply for the \$6.9 million it had said would be required to properly dredge the channel under the NSW

Government's Growing Our Local Economies program which had \$500 million available that would be allocated until exhausted.

Mr Crouch said the money was part of the \$1.3 billion the NSW Government had made available for regional infrastructure and that the Central Coast qualified as a region.

"It would be appropriate to apply under the Growing Local Economies program because the channel's maintenance would have economic benefits to the region due to tourism and the ferry services," Mr Crouch said.

He said he had already met with Mr Toole and both he and Mr Toole were prepared to lobby the Deputy Premier of NSW, Mr John Barilaro, who had responsibility for the allocation of the available \$500 million for regional projects.

Mr Crouch said the "proper dredging of the channel was a major infrastructure job".

He said sand could then be redistributed to the beaches at Ettalong and Umina.

"I have then suggested that Council needs to set up an annual maintenance program, that would cost between \$160,000 and \$300,000 per year and they could apply for dollar-for-dollar funding under Rescuing Our Waterways for that maintenance program," he said.

SOURCES:

Media release, 21 Sep 2017
Ben Sheath, Office of Adam Crouch MP

Interview, 27 Sep 2017

Jane Smith, Central Coast Council

Interview, 27 Sep 2017

Adam Crouch, Member for Terrigal
Reporter: Jackie Pearson



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Central Coast Council

Council needs new direction, says Shadow Minister

Shadow Minister for the Central Coast, Mr David Harris, has called for the newly-elected Central Coast Council to act quickly to improve transparency for rate payers.

"An independent panel of solicitors should be set up to replace the internal Ombudsman position so staff complaints can be heard with confidentiality," Mr Harris said.

"The former Warringah Council had such a structure to protect staff," he said.

Mr Harris also called for an immediate review of community use charges for facilities "to ensure fair, affordable access for sporting and community groups."

"Our Council needs a new direction as soon as possible," he said.

SOURCE:

Media release, 27 Sep 2017
Zachary Harrison, Office of David Harris MP



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CPI rise for Davistown ferry, but not for Palm Beach

Fares on the Davistown ferry will rise in line with the CPI while prices on the Palm Beach ferry will remain the same for the next four years, according to a draft determination by the NSW Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal.

The tribunal is now calling for public submissions about the proposed fares.

The Davistown ferry is operated by Central Coast Ferries, which provides a service between Woy Woy and Empire Bay.

The Palm Beach Ferry is operated by Fantasea Cruising, which provides ferry services between Ettalong and Palm Beach.

The current maximum fare for Central Coast Ferries is \$7.80.

The current maximum fare for the Palm Beach Ferries service is \$11.60.

Under the draft decision, the new fares would apply from the start of next year until the end of 2021.

Tribunal chair Dr Peter Boxall said that the draft decision on the fares varied due to different levels of competition and different costs involved in providing the services on each of the ferry routes.

"We have accepted Central Coast Ferries' fare proposal as we considered it to be market-driven, considering that it is operating in a relatively competitive market.

"However, for the Palm Beach ferry, having reviewed the costs, our draft decision is for fares to remain unchanged for the next four years.

"Our view is that passengers should pay the prices that reflect the efficient cost of providing the services while enabling private ferry operators to sustain their business over the long term," Dr Boxall said.

The review of ferry fares on the Central Coast is part of a broader review of fares for regular private ferry services across NSW.

Submissions to the draft report close on October 27, with an opportunity for further comments at a public hearing to be held on October 23.

All stakeholder comments will be taken into consideration before making the final determination in December.

The draft report is available on the Tribunal's website: ipart.nsw.gov.au.

SOURCE:

Media release, 18 Sep 2017
Julie Sheather, IPART



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The crane in the sky over Ettalong

Building industry shows confidence, says Chamber

The building industry has confidence in Ettalong town centre, according to the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce.

Chamber President, Mr Matthew Wales said it was “wonderful to see a crane in the middle of Ettalong building a seven-storey apartment building”.

He was referring to the Atlantis mixed use development on the corner of The Esplanade and Memorial Ave, across the road from Ettalong Diggers.

“It is inspiring in that it demonstrates the building industry has confidence in the town centre,” Mr Wales said.

“Within the next 18 months we will have a first class, seven storey residential beachfront apartment building which we hope will lead to other sites being developed,” he said.

The building, under construction by Mars Group, also includes about 800 square metres of commercial space on the podium level.

“That will be really good for

Ettalong because it currently doesn’t have any brand new commercial or retail floor space available.

“The Mars Group is keen to get first class tenants in the commercial space to boost the standard of the commercial and retail offer in Ettalong and complement the very successful range of retailers in the village,” Mr Wales said.

SOURCE:
Interview, 26 Sep 2017
Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce
Reporter: Jackie Pearson

Woman dies after apparent domestic violence incident

A woman has died after an apparent domestic violence assault at Ettalong on Tuesday, September 26.

Police were called to a home at Picnic Parade at about 7.10pm and located a 35-year-old woman suffering critical injuries.

Police undertook resuscitation until the arrival of NSW Ambulance paramedics who took the woman to Gosford Hospital in a critical condition.

A 34-year-old man was arrested and taken to Gosford Police Station where he was charged with

attempting to strangle or suffocate with intent to murder.

He was refused bail and appeared at Gosford Local Court on Wednesday, September 27.

The woman died in Gosford Hospital the following day.

The man is next due to appear at Gosford Local Court, on Friday, November 24, at which time the charges against him are expected to be upgraded to murder.

SOURCE:
Media release, 29 Sep 2017
Danny Sullivan, Brisbane Water LAC

Road maintenance slows Rip Bridge traffic

Maintenance work has been carried out about 50 metres north of Rip Bridge on the embankments of the road shoulders of Empire Bay Dr in both directions.

The work has been scheduled to take place for three weeks,

excluding Fridays and Saturdays, from Sunday, September 24, between 7pm and 5am.

Lane closures and a reduced 40 km/h speed limit have been put in place and may affect travel times.

SOURCE:
Media release, 21 Sep 2017
Joshua Mathews, NSW RMS

Long-term Bays resident dies

The Bays Community Group has reported the death of long-term resident and benefactor, Mr Dick Campbell.

“Dick and Dianne moved into Woy Woy Bay in 1969 where they raised their family,” said Bays Community Group president Ms Cathy Gleeson.

“Dick was the moving force in establishing Gurdon Park as a

recreational area for the Bays,” Ms Gleeson said.

“Dick passed away on September 14 after a long period in care.

“The Bays Community would like to extend their condolences to the Campbell family at this sad occasion.”

SOURCE:
Media release, 21 Sep 2017
Cathy Gleeson, Bays Community Group Inc



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Road safety seminars for seniors

Free seminars on road safety for seniors and pedestrians and motorised scooters will be held in Ettalong on Tuesday, October 17.

The seminars will be hosted by Central Coast Council to give the residents tips on how to be safe on roads.

The road safety for seniors seminar will take place from 9:30am to 10:30am.

It will include safe driving tips, an update on the road rules, older driving licencing, health and driving.

The pedestrians and motorised scooters seminar will follow from 11am to 11:30am.

It will include general pedestrian safety tips, how to use pedestrian facilities safely, motorised scooter (motorised wheelchair) safety, and the abilities and physical fitness require to control a motorised scooter.

The seminars will be held at the Ettalong Senior Citizens' Centre located on the corner of Broken Bay Rd and Karangi St in Ettalong.

Bookings are essential, and can be made by calling 4350 5387, as spaces are limited.

Morning tea will be provided from 10:30am to 11am.

SOURCE:

**Media release, 28 Sep 2017
Brian Bell, Central Coast Council**



Wayne Lynch inside his Ettalong barber shop which will close shortly

Barber's shop to close after 50 years

An Ettalong barber's shop will close after nearly 50 years.

Barber Mr Wayne Lynch, who has been cutting hair there for the last 18 years, said he would be "sad to leave".

The barber shop is decorated with Roosters' memorabilia and has a 100-year-old chair.

"Lots of characters make this barber shop uniquely Australian," he said.

The owners of the shop intend to turn it into an arts and craft shop,

according to Mr Lynch.

"I would like to thank all my loyal customers, especially John, who made every day fun," he said.

"Lynch" will continue to work locally at a Umina barber's shop.

SOURCE:

**Media release, 25 Sep 2017
Wayne Lynch, Ettalong**



Prefabricated extensions were lowered into place at Fishermen's Wharf Woy Woy

Seafood restaurant starts renovations

A seafood restaurant in Woy Woy has commenced major renovations.

Woy Woy's Fishermen's Wharf was closed on Monday, September 25, while pre-fabricated extensions to the wharf restaurant were craned into position.

The extension will expand the restaurant's seating capacity and is expected to be completed, weather permitting, by November.

Fishermen's Wharf commenced

planning for the renovation over 12 months ago.

The site is Crown Land, so the operator needed permission for several state authorities as well as from Central Coast Council.

The upstairs flat will also undergo renovations.

"Fishermen's Wharf is a really important redevelopment because it will reshape the Woy Woy waterfront and hopefully also lead to other property owners doing

some building upgrades," said Peninsula Chamber of Commerce president Mr Matthew Wales.

"We are really excited about that because Fishermen's Wharf is such an iconic site for the Peninsula," Mr Wales said.

SOURCE:

Website, 25 Sep 2017

Fishermen's Wharf Facebook page

Interview, 26 Sep 2017

Matthew Wales, Peninsula

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Reporter: Jackie Pearson

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Ms Lucy Wicks, Member for Robertson with Federal Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Mr Darren Chester and resident Judy Steed at Ryans Rd Umina

Road upgrades due to start

Federally-funded upgrades of Ryans Rd, Umina, and Davis St, Booker Bay, are due to start in October, according to Member for Robertson Ms Lucy Wicks.

"Getting on with both of these projects is going to help residents, visitors and businesses get around the region safely and efficiently," Ms Wicks said.

Ms Wicks said she pledged at the last election to make sure the

upgrades happened.

She confirmed on Friday, September 22, the funding had been signed and would commence in October.

Ms Wicks said the Ryans Rd and Davis St upgrades would improve the road pavement, drainage and pedestrian facilities.

"For too long, local roads on the Peninsula have been neglected," she said.

"At the last election, we committed to fixing these roads

that needed urgent work.

"It's great to see now that construction is just around the corner.

"These projects will deliver better ride quality, drainage and footpaths, regulating on-street parking by the provision of kerbs and gutters and in doing so improving safety for both motorists and pedestrians."

SOURCE:

Media release, 22 Sep 2017
Tim Sowden, Office of
Lucy Wicks MP

Coloured water explanation 'not good enough'

Ms Karin Solondz of Woy Woy does not accept Central Coast Council's explanation for why her drinking water regularly comes out the the tap the colour of pale tea.

Ms Solondz sent Peninsula News photographs of tap water in white cups which we subsequently forwarded to the Central Coast Council for an explanation.

"We were not warned not to drink it," Ms Solondz said.

According to Central Coast Council, discoloured water can occur when there are changes to the water flow within the water supply system.

"Council is currently undertaking work on a major water supply program in Woy Woy that will help secure the supply on the Peninsula.

"An unforeseen operational issue during these works may have caused some discoloured water issues in the area.

"Testing has shown that drinking water on the Peninsula is safe to drink.

"Council regularly tests and monitors drinking water on the Peninsula to ensure it complies with the Australian Drinking Water

Guidelines.

"Council encourages residents to report all incidents of discoloured water 24 hours a day on 4325 8222.

"If residents experience discoloured water they should run their front tap into a bucket for one minute.

"If the water clears they should then run the back tap for a minute to clear any discoloured water from the home.

"If the water doesn't clear, try again in half an hour."

Council has full instructions, including a video on managing discoloured water on its website.

Ms Solondz said the Council's response was "not good enough" and she believed the quality of tap water on the Peninsula was "unhealthy".

"We mainly have water that is undrinkable because of unmonitored amounts of chlorine and occasional, but regular, orange discoloration," Ms Solondz said.

"We have been told by Council it is due to the old pipes they can't afford to replace," she said.

SOURCE:

Email, 14 Sep 2017

Karin Solondz, Woy Woy

Media statement, 13 Sep 2017

Ian Reynolds, Central Coast Council

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Tax Office sells benefits of Gosford building

The Australian Taxation Office sold the "benefits" of its new Gosford building when it attended Peninsula Link Day on Wednesday, September 27.

Held at the Peninsula Community Centre, the event featured government information stalls, employment services information, youth services, health information and health checks, free food and entertainment.

"Most people already knew about the new office," said tax officer Mr Michael Corner.

"We had a lot of interest in the services the Tax Office can provide, and some positive feedback on the upcoming employment opportunities.

"Lots of our Gosford employment information postcards were taken too.

"The Tax Office will continue to engage with Central Coast community over the coming months, with a showcase event planned for December for small businesses and tax agents," he said

Mr Corner said he and his team spoke to about 150 people throughout the day, fielding questions from attendees about their online services, scams, tax obligations around investment properties, and superannuation.

"These included locals who ran their own small businesses, school kids who learnt about setting up a tax file number for their first jobs, and taxpayers interested in some of the Tax Office's digital products including our online lodgement system myTax, and the myDeductions tool in the Tax Office app.

"We explained how you can manage a range of personal financial information using our online services, such as lodging and revising activity statements, finding and managing your super, and viewing your study and training support loan account balance."

The staff also demonstrated how to set up a myGov account and link to the Tax Office in order to access the digital products.

SOURCE:
Media release, 28 Sep 2017
Peter O'Rourke, Australian Taxation Office

Bays group members meet fire service committee

Committee members from the Bays Community Group Inc met with members of the local Rural Fire Service Committee at its headquarters recently.

"It was a very worthwhile and informative catch up," said Bays Community Group president Ms Cathy Gleeson.

"It was made quite evident that due to our very dry winter months, we all need to make sure we will be fire ready for the predicted hot months ahead," Ms Gleeson said.

"At our recent Community Breakfast, the RFS displayed posters showing the fire zones and

the devastating impact this would have if a fire was to come through our area again," she said.

Ms Gleeson said she thanked the RFS personnel for the jobs they had done to complete recent controlled burns in preparation for the fire season.

She said the RFS also held its annual Get Ready Day at its headquarters in Wattle Cr, Phegan's Bay, on Saturday, September 16.

"I believe many residents popped in and said hello and got to know the team," she said.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 20 Sep 2017
Cathy Gleeson, Bays Community Group

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Other Regional News - In brief

Peninsula News focuses on news specifically relating to post code areas 2256 and 2257. Given the advent of the new Central Coast Council, following is a summary of the first 9 news articles published

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Newly-elected Central Coast Councillors ready to take on the challenge

The results of the first election for the Central Coast Council were declared at around 3:00pm on Friday, September 15.

Mayoral race is like a Melbourne Cup field

Mr Chris Holstein, longterm Gosford Councillor, six-term Gosford City Mayor, and former Liberal Member for the State Electorate of Gosford, has returned to civic duties as a newlyelected, independent Councillor for the Gosford West Ward.

Government has committed to a target for social and affordable dwellings

Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast, Mr Scot MacDonald, and Member for Terrigal, Mr Adam Crouch, have welcomed the announcement by NSW Premier, Ms Gladys Berejiklian, that the Government has committed to a target for

Tax office up for sale

The Doma Group has appointed Colliers International to sell the brand new office building being constructed to accommodate the Australian Taxation Office at 99 Georgiana Terrace and 38 Mann Street in Gosford.

Petitions with over 1,300 signatures objecting to Point Clare development submitted

Community resistance has continued against a proposed 55 unit development at the rear of the Orana nursing home in Point Clare.

New works at the Mangrove Mountain Golf Course could be in breach of development consent

It is understood that Verde Terra Pty Ltd, owners of the Mangrove Mountain landfill, have been told to cease new excavation works on fenced land adjacent to the site licensed by the EPA.

Work on Langford Dve roundabout to start in October

Work to fix the intersection of Langford Dve and Woy Woy Rd in Kariang will begin before the end of the year.

50 years of service by JPs recognised

Member for Terrigal, Mr Adam Crouch, presented two of the state's longest serving Justices of the Peace (JP), Mr Michael Bevan and Mr John Mitchell, with a certificate recognising 50 years of service.

Mountain Districts Association refers EPA chairman to ICAC

The Mountain Districts Association (MDA), based on concerns that an ICAC investigation into the NSW EPA will not look high enough, has referred CEO and Chair of the EPA, Mr Barry Buffier, to ICAC.

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Councillor Jane Smith elected as first Mayor for the combined Central Coast Council

Councillor Jane Smith has been elected in an open ballot as the first Mayor to represent the combined Central Coast Council.

New Councillors officially sworn into office

Fifteen new Councillors were officially sworn into office at the Wyong Chamber of Central Coast Council on Thursday, September 21.

Central Coast misses out on a public hearing in the retirement village inquiry

The Member for Swansea, Ms Yasmin Catley, and the Member for The Entrance, Mr David Mehan, have called on the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation to ensure that all retirement village residents around NSW have the

EPA to advise on the presence of PFAS in ground and surface water

Local politicians and Central Coast Council both say that they are waiting for more information from the EPA about the presence of PFAS fire-fighting chemicals in surface water, ground water, soil and in the Tuggerah Lakes system, before

Power station manager warns of unnecessarily alarming the public about PFAS

Mr Steve Saladine, Managing Director of Generator Property Management, the company that now owns Munmorah Power Station, said that it was important not to unnecessarily alarm the public about the presence of PFAS chemicals at

ABC Friends meet with Member for Dobell

Members of the ABC Friends, Central Coast, met with Member for Dobell, Ms Emma McBride, on Tuesday, September 19, to discuss the group's concerns about cuts to the ABC, its funding and staff, and continued reception problems on the

Amended Wallarah 2 proposal is back with the Planning Assessment Commission

The Wallarah 2 Coal Project has been referred back to the Independent Planning Assessment Commission for determination.

Trivia night raises over \$7,000 for Cord Blood Research

Local business houses have been very generous with their donations which helped raise over \$7,000 for A52 award at the 2017 Institute of Public Inner Wheel District's trivia night, held at Diggers@TheEntrance on Friday, September 8.

Saltwater Creek Reserve boardwalk officially opened

The Wyong CBD Drainage Upgrade Project has won the Best Public Works award at the 2017 Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia (IPWEA) Australasia Excellence Awards, in Perth, on Wednesday, August 24.

Wyong Regional Chronicle focuses on news specifically relating to post code areas 2258, 2259, 2261, 2262, & 2263. The full articles and more can be seen on our website www.centralcoastnews.net

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Forum

Electoral officer could have played nicely

I have to agree with comments made by Mr Alan Bacon (Forum, Peninsula News, September 18).

We also were at the early voting at Woy Woy and a lady was very

Forum

rude and aggressive to everyone that went to her.

She had a job to mark names off and give papers to them not make

them feel inferior.

The people outside giving candidate papers out all played very nicely.

She could have done the same.

Email, 22 Sep 2017
Dianne Gray, Woy Woy

Safety learning program



FREE Road Safety presentations

Council is hosting FREE presentations to help give our community tips they need to be safe on our roads.

Road Safety for Seniors – 9.30-10.30am

Safe driving tips, an update on the road rules, older driver licencing, health and driving.

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Redevelopment to target seniors for poker machines?

Forum

I wish to comment regarding Woy Woy Leagues Club considering, due to financial losses, redeveloping its site, which could include a multi-storey building with seniors living on the upper floors.

We recently had a similar proposition for the Woy Woy Bowling Club on Brickwharf Rd.

One assumption is that the only solution to financial solvency is redevelopment that includes commercial and residential units with minimal landscaping.

Another is the assumption that mid-rise independent living is desired by seniors.

Lateral thinking might suggest other solutions along the path to solvency including broadening the

appeal of the club to other interest and age groups, including a focus on community interests that include family activities, with green space (lawn bowls for families) and promotion of local entertainment and small interest groups.

The assumption that independent units on a busy road is conducive to senior living is misinformed.

Seniors need a sense of community, quiet living in garden surroundings, with easy access at ground level, rather than living above a noisy club that would target seniors for their poker machines patronage.

Email, 15 Sep 2017
Suraya Coorey, Woy Woy

Will council continue to sideline the scientists?

Forum

In 2010 Gosford Council hosted four community forums.

I attended the Environment Forum, held on November 8 with Dr Karl Kruszelnicki the keynote speaker.

Dr Karl informed the residents and senior staff of Gosford Council that the technology existed to provide renewable energy to meet Australia's needs.

A technology professor has assured me that technology has improved since Dr Karl confidently assured the audience that renewable energy was a viable alternative to traditionally-generated electricity, meaning coal-fired power stations.

What has happened in the

seven years since the acclaimed scientist assured the audience of switching to renewable energy was not a risk?

The topic is now a political football, with scientists sideline observers.

Will there be a postal ballot in the future asking voters if there should be action on climate change and rejuvenation of coal-fired power stations?

The Central Coast Regional Plan 2036 failed to comment on renewable energy; and favoured ongoing coal supply for energy generation.

Email, 21 Sep 2017
Norman Harris, Umina

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Ms Phyllis Jacobson at the celebration



Phyllis Jacobson's 103rd birthday celebration at Blue Wave Living

Phyllis celebrates 103rd birthday

Ms Phyllis Jacobson has celebrated her 103rd birthday at Blue Wave Living on Friday, September 22.

Staff at Blue Wave described Ms Jacobson as "a delightful, happy and positive 103 year old lady".

Ms Jacobson was born in Glebe on September 23, 1914, the oldest of four children.

As a young woman, she worked as a dressmaker at David Jones in the city specialising in wedding

gowns.

Ms Jacobson did not move in to Blue Wave Living until she was almost 99 when she left her own home.

Staff said she can tell a good joke.

She has her hair set weekly, enjoys shopping for clothes and was still sewing with her machine until recently.

Phyllis celebrated her 103rd birthday with her friends from BlueWave and went out to lunch

the following day with her daughter-in-law Joyce and family.

She said her tips to a happy old age included "never drive, walk everywhere, never smoke, be happy, be social and have a nip of whisky every evening before bed".

Ms Jacobson's family includes daughter-in-law Joyce, two grandchildren Brett and Lisa, and four great grandchildren.

Her one son, Brett is deceased.

SOURCE:
Media statement, 28 Sep 2017
Christine Eades, Blue Wave Living

Hospital auxiliary volunteers are thanked

Volunteers from the Woy Woy hospital auxiliary have been thanked by the Central Coast Local Area Health District for their donations to Gosford and Woy Woy Hospitals.

District chief Dr Andrew Montague said the volunteers had done an incredible job of fundraising for local hospitals and health services over the past 12 months.

"The District is extremely grateful to these dedicated volunteers who give up their time to sew, bake and hold various fundraisers to benefit our hospitals and patients.

"Every one of these auxiliary members from Woy Woy are committed to supporting our health services and the local community,

and we commend them for these wonderful efforts," Dr Montague said.

"Their generosity does not go unnoticed.

"It is greatly appreciated by all of our staff, management and most importantly, our patients.

"These purchases make a big difference to their experience and treatment," Dr Montague said.

The auxiliary is always keen to recruit more community-minded locals who are willing and available to help out with sewing, knitting, baking or cooking or simply lending their time to take part in one of the fundraising activities.

SOURCE:
Media Release, 25 Sep 2017
Lauren Nicholls, Central Coast Local Health District

Aged care provider selected as finalist

A Peninsula aged care provider has been selected as a finalist in the Employer Excellence in Aged Care Awards.

BlueWave Living was selected in the 2017 NSW-ACT Regional Achievement and Community Awards.

With an ageing population, aged care facilities and the services they provide are an important part of the lives of an ever increasing number of people, according to Blue Wave Living marketing manager Ms Kylie Scott.

"The Employer Excellence in

Aged Care Award recognises and acknowledges businesses, organisations and not for profits who have a strong focus on staff engagement, safety and well-being, training and providing staff with higher education learning opportunities and development," Ms Scott said.

"The award will also recognise the provision of quality services for clients, patients and residents," she said.

The winner will be announced at a special dinner in November.

SOURCE:
Media release, 25 Sep 2017
Kylie Scott, Blue Wave Living

Annual meeting

The Peninsula Villages' annual meeting will be held at 91 Pozieres Ave, Umina.

The meeting will commence at 10am on Monday, October 30.

All members of the community are welcome to attend.

SOURCE:
Media release, 21 Sep 2017
Melanie Morrell, Peninsula Villages

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Photos from the 2016 Peninsula Villages open day



Open day at aged care facility

An aged care facility at Umina will be hosting a free Family Open Day from 10:30am to 3:30pm on Saturday, October 7.

The day will include live entertainment, farmyard animals in a petting zoo, a photo booth and jumping castle, as well as a free barbecue lunch and performances by Los Bonkers and Katie Conty.

Peninsula Villages chief Mr Shane Neaves said the open day would be an opportunity for community members of all ages to experience the village and care facilities as well as enjoy a range of free family entertainment.

"Families will also have an opportunity to find out more about Peninsula Villages and our care services as well as enjoy some intergenerational activities and family entertainment," he said.

Attendees on the day will be able to also tour the Peninsula Village facilities, interact with residents and talk to the staff and volunteers.



"Peninsula Villages also enjoys promoting activities that engage all generations from the little ones to our older aged residents, and this year's event will see free dance therapy and djembe drumming demonstrations so everyone can enjoy some shared fun on the day," he said.

"For more than 40 years, we've been caring for our older aged locals and providing a welcoming community for residents to feel safe and included," Mr Neaves

said.

"As a community for-purpose 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.

Peninsula Village is located at 91 Pozieres Ave, Umina.

SOURCE:

Media release, 18 Sep 2017
Katey Small, Brilliant Logic

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A greater appreciation of democracy

Year 5 and 6 students from Pretty Beach Public School travelled to Canberra to explore and learn more about the nation's capital.

"Students and teachers had a magnificent time participating in tours of Parliament House, the War Memorial, Old Parliament House and the National Museum of Australia," principal, Ms Deborah

Callender said.

"They also loved discovering the Royal Australian Mint, participating in night tours of the Institute of Sport and the Botanical Gardens and finished off the trip with Questacon.

"A huge thanks goes to the teachers who attended the excursion and to the parents for supporting their children's learning

and funding the trip.

"We all had such a great time and came away from the experience with a greater appreciation of democracy and our government system, and also made some amazing memories along the way," Ms Callender said.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 21 Sep 2017
Deborah Callender, Pretty Beach Public School

\$7400 raised in rope jump

Woy Woy Public School has raised \$7449 for the Heart Foundation through their Jump Rope for Heart activities.

The school has announced the

winners of its Jump Rope for Heart Colouring Competition.

The winners were: Preschool, Amy Ferguson; Kindergarten, Kiarna Tyler-Hull; Year 1, Zoe Adams; Year 2, Toby Cridland;

Year 3, Nassar Romeo; Year 4, Lana Corkill; and Year 5 and 6, Mikayla O'Farrell.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 21 Sep 2017
Dan Betts, Woy Woy Public School

Community group offers scholarship

Secondary and tertiary students who are residents of Horsfield, Phegans or Woy Woy Bay have been encouraged to apply for The Bays Community Group Scholarship.

Submissions are due by October 31 and the decision of the committee will be announced by February 4.

The scholarship will be up to \$300 as determined by the committee.

Applications must be made in writing and will be considered on the basis of the standard of the written presentation, the young person's demonstrated interest in the subject and the projected benefits the study will provide the student.

More information is available at

thebayscommunity.org

Applications are to be addressed to Cathy Gleeson, President, The Bays Community Group and emailed to thebaysemail@gmail.com or posted to PO Box 208, Woy Woy 2256.

SOURCES:
Newsletter, 20 Sep 2017
Website, 20 Sep 2017
Cathy Gleeson, Bays Community Group

Principal reflects on Term 3

Woy Woy Public School relieving principal, Mr Dan Betts, has reflected on Term 3 and the upcoming Term 4 in the school's last newsletter before the spring school holidays.

"This week sees the end of a very productive term for the students of Woy Woy Public School," Mr Betts said.

"Term 3 has always been an exciting one for our students, with a variety of high-quality camps, excursions and in-school events scheduled for students throughout the school.

"Students have been to Canberra, the Great Aussie Bush Camp and Jenolan Caves; have attended performances of 'Leader of the Pack' and 'Horrible Harriet', and have participated in Aboriginal Cultural Continuum excursions for the Brisbane Water Learning Community.

"We've had visits from Rumbalara, Education Interactive (who delivered a Forensics Workshop to Stage 3 students), and the Brisbane Waters Secondary College student CAPA group performed under the Cola.

"Our students have celebrated Naidoc Week, Education Week and Book Week.

"Term 4 is shaping up to be every bit as exciting and engaging for our students," Mr Betts said.

"In the first few weeks of the term, we will have visits by Healthy Harold of the Life Education group and we'll be staging our annual P-2 Athletics Carnival.

"Another important Term 4 institution is the election of school leaders for the following year.

"Mr Smith, Mr Brady and Mr Wolski have conducted a review on the existing leadership preparation and eligibility program, with a view to encouraging as many of our students as possible to run for leadership positions next year.

"More details will be forthcoming at the beginning of next term and parents will be invited to review any proposed changes to the program, but essentially Mr Smith, Mr Brady and Mr Wolski aim to develop a more engaging, personalised

application assignment that affords students more choice about how to present the work they need to submit in order to be eligible for election.

"There have been lots of exciting things happening in our Guliyali Preschool this year and we have received very positive feedback about the service we deliver in the preschool," Mr Betts continued.

"Mrs Lavers and Mrs Arnot have already remodelled the inside of the preschool and we have begun planning for the process of upgrading the outdoor areas.

"The idea is that we hope to create spaces that are aesthetically pleasing (we plan to make use of natural resources and landscape features such as dry creek beds), and incorporate features that preschool students will want to utilise for recreation, entertainment and exploration.

"An Outdoors Areas Upgrade Project Plan has been submitted to the Director for Public Schools NSW (Gosford Network) and to the Asset Management body who oversee building work in public schools.

"The removal of the camphor laurel tree has caused some minor problems in the front playground of the preschool and, as you've no doubt noticed, the area has been fenced off for the past five weeks as a precautionary measure.

"It is anticipated that the area will need to be fenced off until the root system of the tree has been professionally removed.

"We are currently investigating less intrusive fencing options for this part of the preschool.

"We appreciate your understanding and patience as we undergo the process of improving the grounds in the preschool.

"I'm certain we'll have outdoors spaces early in the new year," he said.

Mr Betts also discussed the 2018 Kindergarten Orientation process in the newsletter.

"The process for 2018 Kindergarten students began earlier this term with open classrooms and parent information sessions.

"Both events were very well attended, leading us to believe that we will have healthy enrolment numbers for Kindergarten next year," he said.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 21 Sep 2017
Dan Betts, Woy Woy Public School



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Rotary to sponsor students to attend Dookie

The Rotary Club of Umina Beach will sponsor three students from Brisbane Water Secondary College to attend the Dookie Campus of the University of Melbourne.

The students will be chosen by the school's Head of Agriculture, Ms Louisa Briggs.

The sponsorship will allow the students to attend Dookie Campus and take part in laboratory and fieldwork courses.

The club will sponsor and pay

for the students and a guardian in a family cabin while there and cover all fuel, accommodation and meal costs as they travel to Dookie Campus and back.

"This is an exceptional opportunity for these students and the Rotary Club of Umina Beach is proud to sponsor this worthwhile project involving our local, very motivated youth," said Rotary club president Mr Geoff Melville.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 20 Sep 2017
Geoff Melville, Rotary Club of Umina Beach



Umina Beach Public School Year 6 students during their Canberra excursion

Students take tour of national capital

Students in Year 6 from Umina Beach Public School have undertaken an education tour of the national capital.

Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history,

culture, heritage and democracy during their excursion to Canberra.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education by contributing \$20 per student under the Parliament and

Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs.

The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 19 Sep 2017
Lyn Davis, Umina Beach Public School



Year 6 Umina Beach Public School students with Leader of the Opposition, Mr Bill Shorten at Australian Parliament House in Canberra

Stilts, sack races and hoop jumping at carnival

Kindergarten and Years 1 and 2 students from Pretty Beach Public School have taken part in their Athletics Carnival.

They competed in rotational activities of scoop ball, bean bag toss, soccer dribbling, stilt walking, sack races, hurdles, hoop jumping,

egg and spoon races, skipping and quoits.

"They were encouraged and cheered on by their parents during the carnival," said principal Ms Deborah Callender.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 21 Sep 2017
Deborah Callender, Pretty Beach Public School

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Umina Rotary Exchange student, Ms Jenna Woodhouse in Pueblo after the earthquake



Earthquake damage in Ms Woodhouse's host city in Mexico

Exchange student lives through earthquake

Umina Rotary exchange student Ms Jenna Woodhouse has lived through the magnitude 7.1 earthquake in the state where she is living in Mexico.

Ms Woodhouse has told the Rotary club that the earthquake's epicentre was just one hour from her host city of Pueblo.

"Many houses have been destroyed and hundreds have died throughout Central Mexico," she said.

"My house suffered some damage, particularly in my room, and I'm currently staying with a

friend for the time being.

"Today I volunteered in collecting food, water and clothing donations and will be volunteering over the next few days as classes have been suspended."

She has also created a crowd funding campaign for people to donate money that will go directly to the donation account of the Rotary district.

The crowd funding campaign can be found at gofundme.com/support-for-puebla.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 26 Sep 2017
Geoff Melville, Rotary Club of Umina Beach

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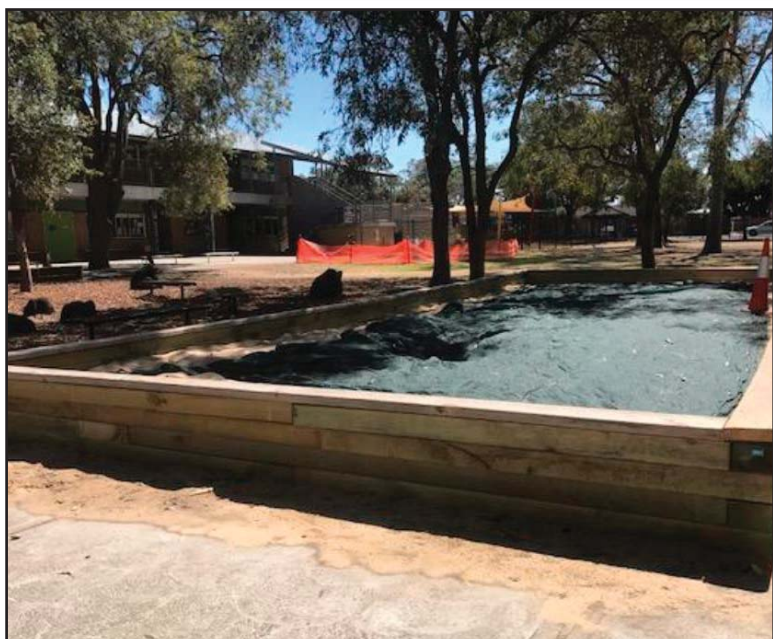
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The Umina Men's Shed completed an upgrade of the Umina Beach Public School sand pit

Men's Shed refurbishes sandpit

Umina Beach Men's Shed has recently completed a refurbishment of the sandpit at Umina Beach Public School.

"It looks terrific and we do appreciate their support for the students of our school," said school principal Ms Lyn Davis.

"We are very fortunate to have

such a close connection with the Men's Shed," Ms Davis said.

"They are outstanding supporters of our school.

"Now we just need to purchase some more sand to top it up," she said.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 19 Sep 2017
Lyn Davis, Umina Beach Public School

Grant winner expresses gratitude

Empire Bay performer Ms Madeline Bell, one of four artists from the Peninsula to receive a 2017 grant from the Bouddi Foundation of the Arts, has expressed her gratitude for the grant.

Ms Bell was awarded a grant of \$1000 to pursue a career in musical theatre and said she would be using the money to continue her training in dance, drama and music.

"I have been doing musical theatre for around eight years and I have been training in dance for 16 years," Ms Bell said.

"I've been studying drama for seven years and have done music vocal training for five years.

"I am so passionate about performing and would not be where I am or who I am today without it.

"I currently travel around an hour and 40 minutes to attend Hunter School of the Performing Arts Newcastle.

"Ever since I was little I had a passion for performing and having such encouraging and supportive parents I was able to do so at such a young age."

Ms Bell said her goal for the future was to become a professional performer.

"The ultimate goal for me is to



Empire Bay's Madeline Bell

be performing in Musical Theatre professionally, but being such a difficult industry to be in if I wasn't able to do it I would love to teach any of the three arts and share my passion with others."

"I am so grateful for this opportunity," she said.

Another recipient was Ms Tiana Young of Umina who received a \$2000 grant and a full day of recording time with writer producer Mr Michael Carpenter, as well as a music publishing contract.

Ms Young has been performing since she was two years old and said she has been in love with

music for as long as she could remember.

"I started performing in early childhood and have since done singing, dance, drama, modelling, visual arts and also play the guitar and piano," she said.

Ms Young has also been working a stage circuit in leading roles in musicals and operas and is currently in her first year of university and studying with Sydney Conservatorium.

She said she was going to use her grant money to record her original music and produce an album.

"My music is inspired by my musical theatre and classical background combined with my love of jazz and lyric writing," she said.

After graduation Ms Young said she wanted to explore the international music scene and discover the cultural influence on music in different regions of the world.

"I would love for one day to be able have my own band and work with orchestras globally in large concert settings," she said.

SOURCE:
Interviews, 15 Sep 2017
Madeline Bell, Empire Bay
Tiana Young, Umina
Reporter: Dillon Luke

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Park kiosk wins sustainable business award

A kiosk at Umina Oval has won an award for being the Central Coast's most sustainable business.

Jasmine Greens Park Kiosk beat Gosford's Don't Have Time at the 2017 Central Coast Business Excellence Awards to claim the title at the awards evening held at the Crowne Plaza Terrigal for the second time.

Kiosk owner Ms Gabby Greyem said it was an honour for her and the Jasmine Greens team to be named the greenest business on the Central Coast.

"Established in 2004, as an organic cafe purveyor and delicatessen, Jasmine Greens' food philosophy is all about celebrating delicious food while nurturing our health and the health of the planet," Ms Greyem said.

"The focus at Jasmine Greens has always been about developing and promoting a culture of sustainable business, both socially and environmentally.

"We take enormous care when sourcing all of our products to ensure we make the least impact on the environment and that we support local farmers and producers to keep on doing what they do best; and we can trace just about every food ingredient in our kitchen to the farm gate and we're proud of the fresh, high quality ingredients we serve," she said.

Jasmine Greens is split between a dine-in restaurant and a takeaway kiosk which Ms Greyem said presented its own unique opportunities to pursue ecofriendly, socially sustainable business.

"Since we opened we have always strived to deliver fresh, wholesome locally sourced produce to the Peninsula.

"We brew Mecca coffee, sourced for its sustainable farming and fair trade practices.

"All our meats are free-range, chemical-free and hormone free.

"Our bacon is locally and lovingly hand smoked, nitrate free, chemical free and gluten-free.



Paddy Gerrard from 2GO Breakfast Show, Awards MC, presents the Central Coast Business Excellence Award for Sustainability to Ms Gabby Greyem, owner of Jasmine Greens

"Our eggs come from a local free range farm," Ms Greyem continued.

"Our seafood is chosen for its sustainable listing in Australia's Sustainable Fishing Guide and wherever possible, we source locally harvested seafood including local oysters, prawns and black fish.

"Our kitchen is GMO free and our deep fryer oil is high in omega and low in saturated fats.

"The haloumi on our famous haloumi burgers is made locally by multi-award winning Little Creek Cheese.

"Our mushrooms are grown locally by Margin's Mushrooms.

"Our tofu and soy milk is organic.

"We work closely with Rosnay Organic vineyard and are proud to showcase their organic, preservative-free and vegan friendly wines on our wine list," Ms Greyem said.

Since perfecting their menu, Ms Greyem said Jasmine Greens had continued to build its foundation as a sustainable business through the creation of local jobs and by endeavouring to perform the best green business practice possible.

According to Ms Greyem,

Jasmine Greens recycles at least 5000 tonnes of waste a year and aims to keep waste to a minimum.

"A big focus of ours has been incorporating the most sustainable packaging into our kiosk as possible.

"All of our packaging is now made from 100 per cent recycled materials, is compostable and biodegradable.

"People are becoming increasingly more aware of the huge impact takeaway packaging has on the environment and we want to make sure that we are contributing as little as possible to that impact, so we are supplying the best possible environmentally friendly packaging we can," Ms Greyem said.

Ms Greyem also said reducing Jasmine Greens' carbon footprint was another sustainable initiative the business had been striving to achieve, with Ms Greyem entering an agreement with Council to have 100 solar panels installed on site with the hope of reducing their carbon footprint to zero.

"I've always been a bit of an ecowarrior and starting Jasmine Greens was my way to think global and act local," Ms Greyem said.

The win at the Central Coast Excellence in Business Awards sees Jasmine Greens nominated for the Excellence in Sustainability category at the NSW Business Chamber Awards in November.

SOURCES:

Interview and website, 30 Aug 2017
Gabby Greyem, Jasmine Greens
Reporter: Dillon Luke

Guide Dog handler to speak at library

A Guide Dog handler and her guide dog will visit Umina Library at 10:30am on Thursday, October 5, to speak about the difference a guide dog can make in the life of a vision impaired person.

Ms Angela Allen, with her guide dog Piper, will tell their story.

"Having a Guide Dog improves my mobility and also the quality of my life," Ms Allen said.

As a member of the Central Coast Guide Dogs volunteer support group, Ms Allen attends fundraising stalls across the Central Coast.

The money raised is used to provide free services to enable people who are blind or vision impaired get around independently,

so they can live the life they choose.

"It costs more than \$35,000 to breed, raise and train each Guide Dog, with demand for them growing as the number of people with vision loss increases," Ms Allen said.

"Every day in Australia, 28 people are diagnosed with vision loss that cannot be corrected, including nine who will become blind.

"We are always looking for more volunteers to join our Central Coast Support Group, to help out at our stalls and promote the wonderful help that is provided by Guide Dogs NSW-ACT," she concluded.

SOURCE:

Media release, 27 Sep 2017
Lynne Lillico, Central Coast Support Group



Ms Angela Allen and her guide dog Piper

Author to talk at Woy Woy library

Woy Woy Library will host an author talk by a romantic and suspense novelist on October 30.

Ms Lisa Chaplin is the author of several romantic suspense novels under the pseudonym Melissa James.

She also writes mainstream historical fiction under her own name.

Her most recent publications

are Beneath the Skin and The Tide Watchers.

The Tide Watchers is an historical novel inspired by the true story of British spies who sought to prevent Napoleon's forces from invading Great Britain in 1803.

Ms Chaplin will give her author talk at Woy Woy Library on Monday, October 30 at 2:30pm.

SOURCE:

Newsletter, 26 Sep 2017
Brian Bell, Central Coast Council

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Assistant commissioner visits Umina PCYC

The Assistant Commissioner of Police who is responsible for youth in NSW, Mr Joe Cassar, visited Umina's Police Citizens Youth Club on Monday, September 25.

Assistant Commissioner Cassar visited to discuss strategies and programs to improve the police force's relationship with youth on the Peninsula.

Mr Cassar said it was exciting to see positive relationships with NSW Police and the young people in communities across the state.

"Programs run at PCYCs are vital in reaching and teaching young people at a grass roots level," he said.

"The visit is a great opportunity

to engage with local police and youth and to obtain feedback on their experiences.

"We also have Youth Liaison Officers, supported by Specialist Youth Officers, in each local area command who develop strategies to reduce juvenile crime," he said.

A new draft NSW Police Force Youth Strategy requires that police officers aim to prevent youth from becoming victims of crime, prevent youth from offending, work in partnership to reduce anti-social behaviour and support collaborative approaches in all aspects of youth policing, he said.

SOURCE:
Media release, 25 Sep 2017
Joe Cassar, NSW Police Service

Annual fashion parade at The Bays

The Bays Community Group will hold its annual fashion parade on Saturday, October 21.

The parade will showcase apparel from Jenny Jazz fashions, the fashion label of Ms Jenny Campbell, a member of the Campbell family who are long-term residents of Woy Woy Bay.

The doors of the Bays

Community Hall at Woy Woy Bay will open on October 21.

The admission price is \$20 including wine and nibbles.

Tickets are limited and available from Bays Community Group president Ms Cathy Gleeson on 0409 302 102.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 20 Sep 2017
Cathy Gleeson, Bays Community Group

Woy Woy butchery makes champion sausage

A Woy Woy family butchery has been awarded the Champion of Deli Meats at the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW's prestigious Taste of Excellence Awards held at Sydney Showground, Sydney Olympic Park.

Edwards Family Butchery won for their Chilli Con Carne entry in the Champion Gourmet Sausage Class through their Woy Woy premises.

The Edwards family had in previous years won a silver and bronze medal in the same competition, but had never been declared Champion.

The Edwards family's links to the meat industry stretch back to the early 1900s and the then 12-year-old apprentice butcher Jack Edwards.

The family later famously established shops across Sydney's North Shore, Round Corner in northwest Sydney and now the Peninsula.

Mr Mark Edwards said he had been making the chilli con carne fat sausage for about 18 months and it had proven quite popular.

It was even more popular following the announcement of the Champion win on Friday, September 22.

Mr Edwards said he had run out of the winning sausage at both the Woy Woy Peninsula Plaza shop and the East Gosford shop.



Mitch Edwards, Marc Edwards and JoAnn Edwards.

He said he was definitely a sausage specialist, having distributed his sausages wholesale throughout Sydney in the early 2000s.

"A chef from the Fine Food Fair asked for 15 kg and then we received a letter saying it would be advantageous for us to attend the gala announcement."

Mr Edwards has been

butchering for over 40 years, following in the footsteps of his father and grandfather.

His two sons now work in the business.

SOURCE:
Media release, 23 Sep 2017
Cathy La Manna, RASNSW Finefood Interview, 26 Sep 2017
Mark Edwards, Edwards Family Butchery
Reporter: Jackie Pearson



Robert Hutton and Luke Edwards at the Woy Woy butchery

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www.coastcommunityconnections.com.au
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President Mike Curley, Maree Richardson (Bendigo Bank) Caitlin McLaughlan (Bakers Delight), Andrea Cingi (YC Group), & Sally Linnen (Peninsula Villages) Vocational Director, Simon Darwin



A Pride of Workmanship Award was presented to Ms Melanie Morrell, of Peninsula Villages, at a Board meeting by Rotarian Mr Geoff Melville.

Workmanship awards presented by Rotary club

Five Pride of Workmanship Awards were presented by the Rotary Club of Umina Beach at a special dinner on Wednesday, September 20.

The awards were to celebrate several employees, nominated by their employers or managers as people who take a special pride in their work.

Rotary advocates that pride of personal performance in the workplace and the sense of responsibility to do a job well, are two of the most intangible assets in our society, according to the club's vocational service director, Mr Simon Darwin, who presented the awards.

The awardees included Ms Andrea Cingi who is manager of Educational Programs, at

YC Group (formerly Youth Connections).

Ms Sally Linnen who is accommodation coordinator for Peninsula Villages at Umina also received an award.

Peninsula Villages also nominated Ms Melanie Morrell, who is executive assistant to the CEO, to receive a Pride of Workmanship award.

Another recipient was Ms Caitlin McLaughlan who works in customer service at Umina's Baker's Delight.

Ms Maree Richardson who works as a supervisor and relief manager at the Ettalong Community Bank (Bendigo Bank) was also presented with an award.

SOURCE:

Media release, 26 Sep 2017
Geoff Melville, Rotary Umina

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The Peninsula Diary of Events

For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

Thursday, Oct 5

Meet guide dog handler, Angela Allen with her guide dog Piper at Umina Library, West St, Umina, 10:30am

Friday, Oct 6

Chris Buchannan, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 7:30pm

Saturday, Oct 7
Back to the 80s, Ettalong Diggers Memorial Club, 8pm
Chris James, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 7pm

Sunday, Oct 8

Special concert, Commemorating 100 years since the 1917 Strike, Troubadour Folk and Acoustic Music Club, CWA Hall, Woy Woy, 2pm to 5pm
Jam with Pat and Ness, Hardys Bay Club, 3pm
Bob Allan, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 5:30pm

Tuesday, Oct 10

Woy Woy Rotary Club presents Hat Parties in aid of Lifting the Lid on Mental Health, Café Reepublic, 271 Ocean View Rd, Ettalong and Jasmine Green's Kiosk, Umina Recreation

Area, 10am

Saturday, Oct 14

Ballistix Fitness Open Day, 6am to 11am, The Shed, 3/77 Rawson Rd, Woy Woy
Kids Halloween Party, Hardys Bay Club, from 3:30pm
Karaoke Bring Your X-Factor, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 7pm

Sunday, Oct 15

Jam, Kaijin, Hardys Bay Club, 2pm to 5pm
Caiti Baker, Hardys Bay Club, 6pm
James Brennan, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 5:30pm

Wednesday, Oct 18

Spring Cabaret and lunch, Woy Woy Leagues Club, doors open 11:30am, lunch 12pm, show 12:30pm

Friday, Oct 20

Duane Marnell, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 7:30pm

Saturday, Oct 21

Rick Price, Hardys Bay Club, 14 Heath Road, Hardys Bay, 8pm
Bays Community Group Fashion Parade, featuring apparel from Jenny Jazz Fashions, Bays

Community Hall, Woy Woy Bay Rd, Woy Woy Bay, from 7pm
The Hops, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 7pm

Sunday, Oct 22

Z-Star Delta, Hardys Bay Club, 14 Heath Road, Hardys Bay, 7pm
Jubila Singers Annual Concert, St John The Baptist Catholic Church, Woy Woy, 2pm, free entry

Brent Murphy, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 5:30pm

Thursday, Oct 26

Ben Woodham and \$5000 giveaway, Woy Woy Leagues Club

Friday, Oct 27

The Anniversary by Bill MacIlworth, by Woy Woy Little Theatre, Peninsula Theatre until Nov 12

Eric Camilleri, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 7pm

Saturday, Oct 28

Karaoke, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 7pm

Sunday, Oct 29

Deck sessions featuring The Camry's, Hardys Bay Club, 3pm

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

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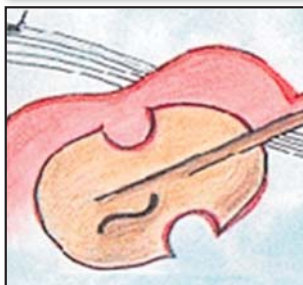
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Ms Anne Charlton presents a new Australian flag to Mr Ken Dixon and Mr Jim Cassidy at the Central Coast Kids in need Charity Bowls Day at Woy Woy Sporties

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Charity day attracts 50 bowlers

Around 50 bowlers participated in the most recent Charity Bowls Day at the Sporties at Woy Woy.

Several first-time bowlers participated at the September Charity Bowls Day.

The Woy Woy Leagues Social Club were there in good numbers as were all Jim Kaldane's friends and family.

Around \$970 was raised for Central Coast Kids in Need together with cheques from Woy Woy Lions and the Social Club amounting to another \$1000.

A total of around \$10,000

has been raised for the organisation so far this year.

Labor candidate for Robertson Ms Anne Charlton paid the Charity Bowls Day a visit to present the bowlers with new Australian Flags for the club's flag pole on behalf of Senator Deborah O'Neill.

Central Coast Kids in Need raises money to assist families who have seriously ill children with prolonged illness.

The next two Charity Days will be held on Sunday, October 15, and Sunday, November 19.

SOURCE:
Media release, 17 Sep 2017
Ken Dixon, Woy Woy Bowling Club

Gym holds open day

A newly-renovated Woy Woy gym is holding an open day to celebrate its new look and the introduction of Thai kick boxing.

The open day will be held at Ballistix Fitness on Saturday, October 14, between 6am and 11am.

The gym's recent renovations will be officially unveiled and it will celebrate the introduction of 888 Muay Thai kick boxing to its program.

Clients have been invited

to try any class for free.

The open day will start at 6am with a fitness circuit class, followed at 7am by beginners' calisthenics.

A free boxing session starts at 8am followed by Muay Thai at 9am and Ninja Kids at 10am.

From 11am, there will be free gym use and an NDIS information session.

Ballistix Fitness is located in Rawson Rd, Woy Woy.

SOURCE:
Media release, 28 Sep 2017
Chris Nixon, Ballistix Fitness

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Ken Dixon, Woy Woy Bowling Club

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Winners of the Ken McMorrow Trophy Chris Newell, Mick Burch and Neil Williams



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Sherriff named Central Coast champion

Ettalong Bowling Club's Aron Sherriff wound up 2017 Central Coast Bowls Champion with a series of outstanding wins in the Champion of Club Champions Singles.

Aron Sherriff won five consecutive games to take out the prestigious title, recording an aggregate total of 155 shots and only conceding 63 shots throughout the event.

He played Toukley RSL's Gary Pollock in the final at Wyong Bowling Club on Saturday, September 23.

Gary Pollock displayed good form in the sectional rounds and was never too far away from the

jack in the final, but Aron Sherriff's touch and class showed why he is likely to be one of the first selected in the Australian team for next year's Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast, according to Bowls Central Coast president Mr Kevin Dring.

The Champion of Club Championship is an International event and Sherriff will now contest the State title at Kiama Bowling Club on November 23-24, with the winner progressing to the National and then the World title.

"It's a progression well within the reach of a bowler of Sherriff's talent," said Mr Dring.

SOURCE:

Media release, 27 Sep 2017
Kevin Dring, Bowls Central Coast



Central Coast Club Champion Aron Sherriff



Award-winning Jemma Smith to compete

Jemma selected for international challenge

Umina Surf Life Saving Club member Jemma Smith has been named one of six NSW surf sport athletes that will contest the 2017 International Surf Rescue Challenge in New Zealand in November.

The team has been confirmed by Surf Life Saving Australia last

week with a host of familiar names joining the NSW contingent in a squad that boasts plenty of experience on the international stage.

"It's an honour to be selected in any representative side, but to wear the colours of your country is obviously the pinnacle of an athlete's career," said Surf Sport

Manager, Mr Rob Pidgeon.

Events in the Surf and Beach disciplines will be contested with the competition considered a vital part of preparations for the 2018 World Lifesaving Championships that will be held in South Australia.

SOURCE:

Media release, 12 Sep 2017
Rob Pidgeon, Surf Life Saving NSW

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