

Waterfront group asks Council to oppose development

The Save Woy Woy Waterfront group has called on Central Coast Council to oppose the redevelopment of Sporties at Woy Woy.

It has asked the council to make a submission to the Joint Regional Planning Panel against the current proposal for land at the corner of Brick Wharf Rd and North Burge Rd, Woy Woy.

Mr Ross McMurtrie of Woy Woy told a Council-organised residents' forum that the group was "very well represented" and pointed to members in the public gallery holding Save Woy Woy Waterfront signs.

He said the site was in "Woy Woy's prominent premier recreational space next to the waterfront, a recently refurbished children's playground, a dragon boat club, Sea Scouts hall and fishing club."

"My family has been living in one of the foreshore cottages for the past 40 years," he said.

Mr McMurtrie said the proposal to include an "indoor fishing club" as part of the three-building

proposal for the site was "obviously inadequate and many of the fishing people are very unhappy about it".

The views of the community had been summed up by the 84 submissions which could be seen on the Council website, he said, and offered a summary of the salient points made in those submissions.

He said there was "no mechanism to ensure the supposed senior living quarters will be occupied by seniors".

"They could all be rented out on Airbnb."

"The top issue raised with the most objections was the issue of flooding," he said.

He urged councillors to visit the site at high tide between January 2 and 5 when king tides were expected "and see what a high tide is like down there".

Privacy, parking and the community's loss of a competitive bowling club were other issues raised in objections that had been registered with council, he said.

Mr McMurtrie called for the elected Central Coast Council to

form a position on the development and make a submission to the planning panel.

He also asked that Council adopt uniform building height and floor space ratio standards for all RE2 zoned lands across the whole Central Coast area.

"Under the Gosford Local Environmental Plan, all RE1 and RE2 land has no maximum height level, whereas every RE1 and RE2 piece of land in the former Wyong Council has height and floor space ratio limits.

"So I think, now we are amalgamated, we should do something and I know which way I would go," he said.

In response to a question, Council Environment and Planning director Mr Scott Cox said "I am aware of other councils that have made submissions on matters going to the Panel so there is nothing stopping this council from putting in a submission," he said.

SOURCE:
Meeting notes, 18 Dec 2017
Residents' forum, Central Coast Council
Reporter: Jackie Pearson

Liquor and Gaming to review interests at Sporties

Liquor and Gaming NSW has undertaken to review any potential undisclosed financial interests in relation to the Woy Woy Sporties Bowling Club.

The government agency has issued a statement following reports in the previous edition of Peninsula News that Sporties had advertised through Clubs NSW for expressions of interest from other registered clubs to explore an amalgamation or merger.

The call for mergers was made days after the Sporties' annual general meeting which saw landlord Mr Tony Altavilla elected to the club's board of directors.

"A landlord can also be a director of a club if this is disclosed in the club's annual report," a statement from Liquor and Gaming said.

"Under registered clubs legislation, directors must declare any interest in any contract and would need to abstain from discussions on the matter," the statement said.

"The board of a club is permitted to approach the market regarding any potential amalgamation.

"Any such proposal would need approval of members in order to proceed.

"Liquor and Gaming NSW is reviewing any potential undisclosed financial interests in relation to the Woy Woy Sporties,"

it said.

The \$30 million development application lodged on October 16 by Woy Woy Holdings Pty Ltd to redevelop the Sporties site has prompted over 80 submissions from community members to Central Coast Council.

In a written statement, Clubs NSW told Peninsula News: "ClubsNSW encourages its member clubs to consider amalgamations when it is in their best interests to do so.

"In many cases, particularly when a club has experienced a sustained period of financial difficulty, amalgamation represents the best way to ensure the long-term viability of the club.

"Dozens of clubs issue an expressions of interest for an amalgamation each year, but amalgamations do not eventuate in every case.

"First, an amalgamation partner must be found and then the members of both clubs must vote in favour of any amalgamation proposal.

"If the membership of either club feels the proposal is not in the best interests of their club, they can vote it down," the statement said.

SOURCES:
Media statement, 11 Dec 2017
Eric Aubert, Liquor, Gaming and Racing NSW
Media statement, 20 Dec 2017
Darren Flynn, Clubs NSW



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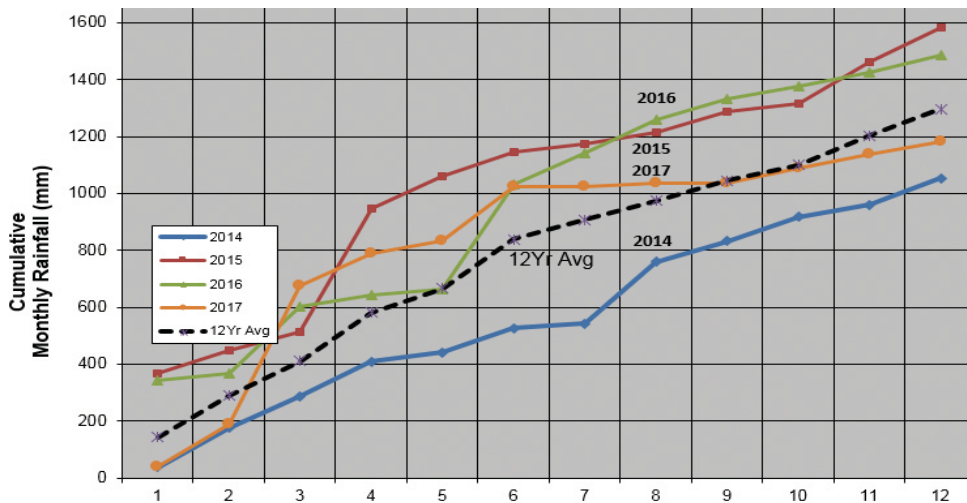
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Year ends on a dry note



The Peninsula's total rainfall for 2017 looked like coming in just under the annual average according to rainfall data from Mr Jim Morrison of Umina.

The cumulative total rainfall for the year had reached 1180.1mm by December 21 compared to a cumulative average annual rainfall for the Peninsula of 1296mm.

Another 100mm of rain would

have needed to fall between Friday, December 22 and 31 to reach that cumulative average.

Less than 200mm has fallen in the last six months.

Mr Morrison had recorded below-average rainfall for the previous five months so expectations of reaching the overall annual average were low.

Greater-than-average rainfall was recorded in only three months

during 2017, namely February, March and June.

March was the bumper month for rainfall on the Peninsula in 2017 when 485.2mm fell which was 362.2mm more than the cumulative monthly March average.

September was the driest month with only 1mm of rain recorded.

SOURCE:
Rainfall data, 22 Dec 2017
Jim Morrison, Umina

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Peninsula News and Ettalong Diggers Memorial Club have a double pass to give away to see Mental As Anything at the club on Saturday, February 17.

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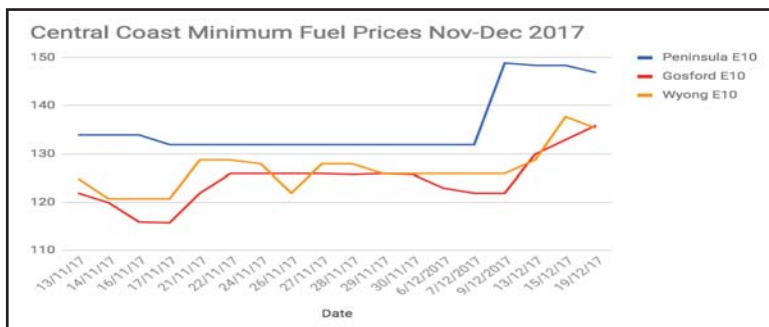


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Christmas petrol prices consistently higher here

Service stations on the Peninsula consistently had the highest petrol prices on the Central Coast in the month leading up to Christmas.

Minimum daily fuel prices clearly show Peninsula service stations are consistently charging more per litre than those located in Gosford and Wyong, according to figures compiled by Mr David Abrahams of Hardys Bay.

Average price differences show even greater variation between Peninsula petrol prices and those from the other two locations.

Minimum price variations between the Peninsula and Gosford varied from six cents per litre up to 18 cents.

Peninsula's daily E10 minimum prices were never lower than

those charged by Gosford service stations.

The minimum daily price difference between service stations on the Peninsula and those in Wyong ranged from three cents per litre up to 23 cents.

Again, Peninsula petrol stations consistently charged more.

Mr Abrahams used the NSW Government's Fair Trading Live Fuel Data Feed, a mandatory requirement for service station operators, to compare prices on a daily basis for Peninsula service stations against those in Gosford and Wyong.

Live Fuel Prices for the Central Coast can be viewed at coastcommunitynews.com.au/central-coast-fuel-prices-live/.

SOURCE:
Spreadsheet, 19 Dec 2017
David Abrahams, Hardys Bay

Recent dredging of the Ettalong channel near Lobster Beach has "largely been ineffective", according to the Hardys Bay Residents Group.

"The spoil has been deposited in a location too close to the channel and in a few days the spoil is redeposited into the channel," said resident group newsletter editor Mr Adrian Williams.

"One wonders if any hydro-surveys have been made pre and post the dredging to map the effect of tidal action?"

Mr Williams said: "The recent cancellation of a number of ferry services with the ferry and numerous yachts going aground, have galvanised us to again make contact with the Council, the State Government and Roads and Maritime Services to elevate the issue."

The group has urged the council to take up the State Government offer of joint funding.

He said the group had sent a detailed letter to mayor Cr Jane

Smith on October 23, "again making it very clear how worried the local residents are about this situation".

He said the letter included an extract from the 2012 Coastal Zone Management Plan for Brisbane Waters, which included the adoption of the recommendation to dredge the navigation channel as a priority.

Revenue raised by the State from moorings, boat licences and jetties in Brisbane Waters should be applied to the dredging and maintenance costs.

He said the group had statements of support for dredging by the ferry owners, Gosford Sailing Club, the Chamber of Commerce and other concerned groups.

"This ferry service is a public-private transport system that is used extensively by school children, working commuters, tourists and the local community, with fares subsidised by the State.

"The channel is the only safe access to the entire Brisbane Waters basin for vessels with a

draft deeper than 1.5 metres.

"We pointed out that if the channel does not receive a program of satisfactory and lasting dredging, the ferry link will likely be closed for lack of access, and the area will develop a reputation as a place where the waterways are not accessible.

"The NSW Government has committed funds to be available on application by Council and, we requested that the Council make application for these funds as a matter of urgency," he concluded.

"All of us who catch the ferry to Ettalong or Palm Beach, are very aware of how narrow the channel is near Lobster Beach," Mr Williams wrote.

"Tide and weather change things.

"The result is that over time, it is getting narrower, shallower, and the sand bank is getting larger.

"This has been an on-going concern to the residents for years."

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 16 Dec 2017
Adrian Williams, Hardys Bay Residents Group



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Council seeks report on asbestos disposal best practice

Central Coast Council chief Mr Brian Bell has been asked to report on best practice for asbestos disposal, amid calls for a tip fee waiver for small amounts and for lower asbestos tipping fees generally.

"Council has called on the Chief Executive Officer to provide a report on what other Councils are doing in this key area so we can model best practice and a progressive approach to this key issue," said mayor Cr Jane Smith.

"Any policy that is developed by Council will be subject to community consultation and we welcome their involvement in the process."

The council was told that Cumberland Council has recently offered free household inspections and free collection or disposal of small amounts of asbestos from residences during Asbestos Awareness Month.

The council will seek information from Cumberland and Parramatta Councils to inform the report.

Cr Smith said Council was keen to raise awareness about the dangers of asbestos in the community and the best way to dispose of it that protects people and the environment.

The council resolved to look for "a model for progressive asbestos removal".

The council decision came after independent Budgewoi Councillor Greg Best put a proposal at the Council's November meeting to investigate free tipping for amounts of asbestos smaller than 10 square metres.

Asbestos removal contractor Mr Tom Hudson said asbestos tipping fees were a major impediment to asbestos removal from Peninsula homes.

"They have got to put their fees down because people can't afford it," Mr Hudson said of Central Coast Council's \$450 per tonne asbestos tipping fee.

"I do a lot of work on the Peninsula area because there is a lot of asbestos there," he said.

"There is heaps of it left."

"The fibro houses were put up in the 1960s."

"They were holiday homes and it was cheap to build with."

Mr Hudson said there was a good reason why it was suggested the Peninsula name its local football club the Fibros in those days.

Mr Hudson said Central Coast Council's disposal fees for asbestos are \$100 higher than those of surrounding Councils and

Sydney.

"Of course a reduction of tipping fees would help because the people who own these houses are workers and when they want asbestos removed they are paying through the nose."

According to Mr Hudson, completely stripping a small house of asbestos inside and out would cost between \$4000 and \$5000.

"You do get some people who get on to the internet and look it up and try to remove it themselves but most people are well aware of the dangers of it."

Mr Hudson's said his advice was that if a homeowner was not sure of the exact materials used.

Asbestos was not completely phased out until 2003 so "have it tested", he said.

Asbestos removal was expensive because it was highly regulated, he said.

"This is the most regulated industry in Australia."

"We have Worksafe come out at any moment of any day so everything has got to be right."

Mr Hudson said he has to work with a hygienist to get clearance to make sure the job is done properly.

"The payments for transport, and the paperwork is phenomenal, you need an asbestos removal plan, a safe work method statements."

Doors have to be taped and sealed, an air monitor may be required and all surfaces need to be wet so the fibres do not become airborne, a safe entry and exit from the house must be designated and the operator will need a decontamination area and an emergency exit.

"We use a vacuum cleaner, no brooms or brushes and we must have drop sheets for dust."

Mr Hudson said he believed most home owners were now aware the asbestos only became dangerous when it was cracked or chipped.

"Huge amounts of dust can be created by possums, birds or rats," he said.

"You just can't turn up at the tip because they need advanced notice so they bring a water truck down in case you tip or crash the truck even though you've just come down the highway."

"Every person who has an asbestos roof should have it painted because every time a stick comes off it or a ball bounces off it a bit breaks off."

Only asbestos waste generated in the former Gosford Local Government Area will be accepted at Woy Woy tip.

Asbestos will be accepted at the tip by appointment only on

weekdays between 7am and 4pm and on weekends between 8am and 3pm.

Each load will be inspected before disposal and those that don't meet requirements may be rejected.

Council's asbestos waste disposal guidelines divide it into three types.

Asbestos waste is any waste containing asbestos as defined by NSW Government classification guidelines.

Friable asbestos is material that contains asbestos and is in powder form or material that can be crumbled, pulverised or reduced to powder by hand pressure when dry.

The third category is non-friable asbestos which is material containing asbestos that is not friable including material containing asbestos fibres reinforced with a bonding compound.

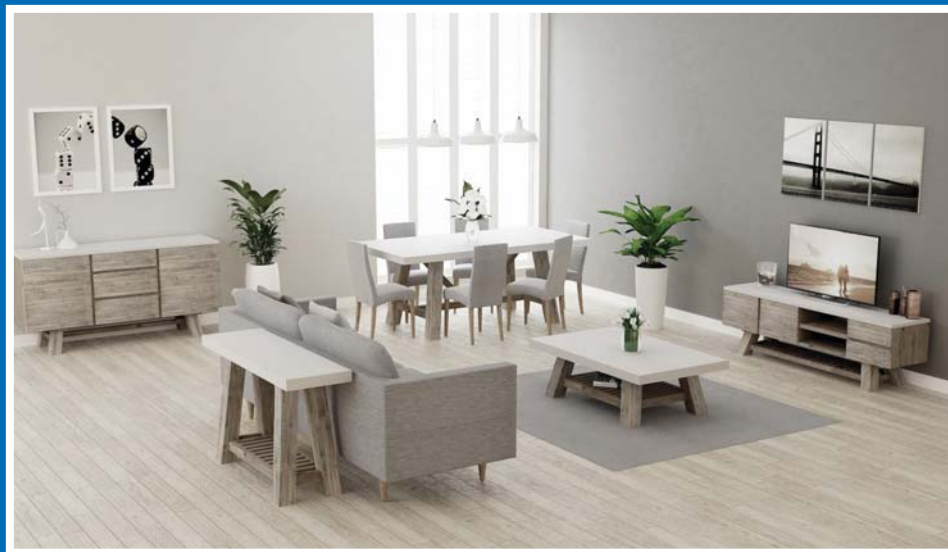
The waste section of Council's website includes steps that must be taken before and upon arrival at the Woy Woy tip with asbestos to dump.

SOURCES:

Media release, 19 Dec 2017
Jane Smith, Central Coast Council
Interview, 19 Dec 2017
Tom Hudson, Asbestos Removal
Reporter: Jackie Pearson

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Illegal camping and littering targeted

Central Coast Council will have extra rangers on the Woy Woy waterfront these summer holidays, targeting illegal camping and littering.

Council environment and certification manager Mr Jamie Loader said that incidences of dumped rubbish and illegal camping increase during this time, and Council wanted everyone to avoid the fines that apply to those who did not do the right thing.

"The festive season means more parties, more family get-togethers, more food than you'd usually eat and, sadly, more waste dumped than at any other time of the year," said Mr Loader.

"If you are getting together with your family and friends at our parks, reserves, beaches, or rock platforms, make sure you clean up after you leave and if bins are full or unavailable, take your rubbish with you.

"Council is also reminding the camping community to make sure they only set up camp in areas

designated for overnight camping.

"Illegal camping can be disruptive to the use of public spaces by the community and in some cases, potentially dangerous.

"Specific camping areas are set up with amenities, provision of bins for rubbish and lighting, that way campers are safe and the community retain full access to public space throughout the holiday period," Mr Loader said.

"The community can support efforts of the Council to keep our coast clean and safe by reporting problems such as dumped rubbish or illegal camping via Report a Problem on Council's website."

Individuals found guilty of littering can receive on the spot fines of up to \$250.

Those found to be camping on our beaches, parks, reserves or other areas that are not designated camping areas could face on the spot fines of up to \$110.

SOURCE:

Media release, 14 Dec 2017
Jamie Loader, Central Coast Council



Council asks for beach erosion funds

The NSW Government has been asked to provide funding for Central Coast Council to complete a study into long-term options for managing erosion at Ocean and Umina Beaches.

A grant application has been submitted to the Office of

Environment and Heritage for the completion of the study.

The funding will enable completion of a three-year project that was identified in its Coastal Zone Management Plan as a high priority action.

Council aims to have prepared a technical brief and engaged

specialist consultants by June 30.

The consultants will design and undertake an environmental assessment to enable construction of the coastal protection works at Umina and Ocean Beach within the three-year timeframe.

SOURCE:

Central Coast Council agenda 4.1, 18 Dec 2017



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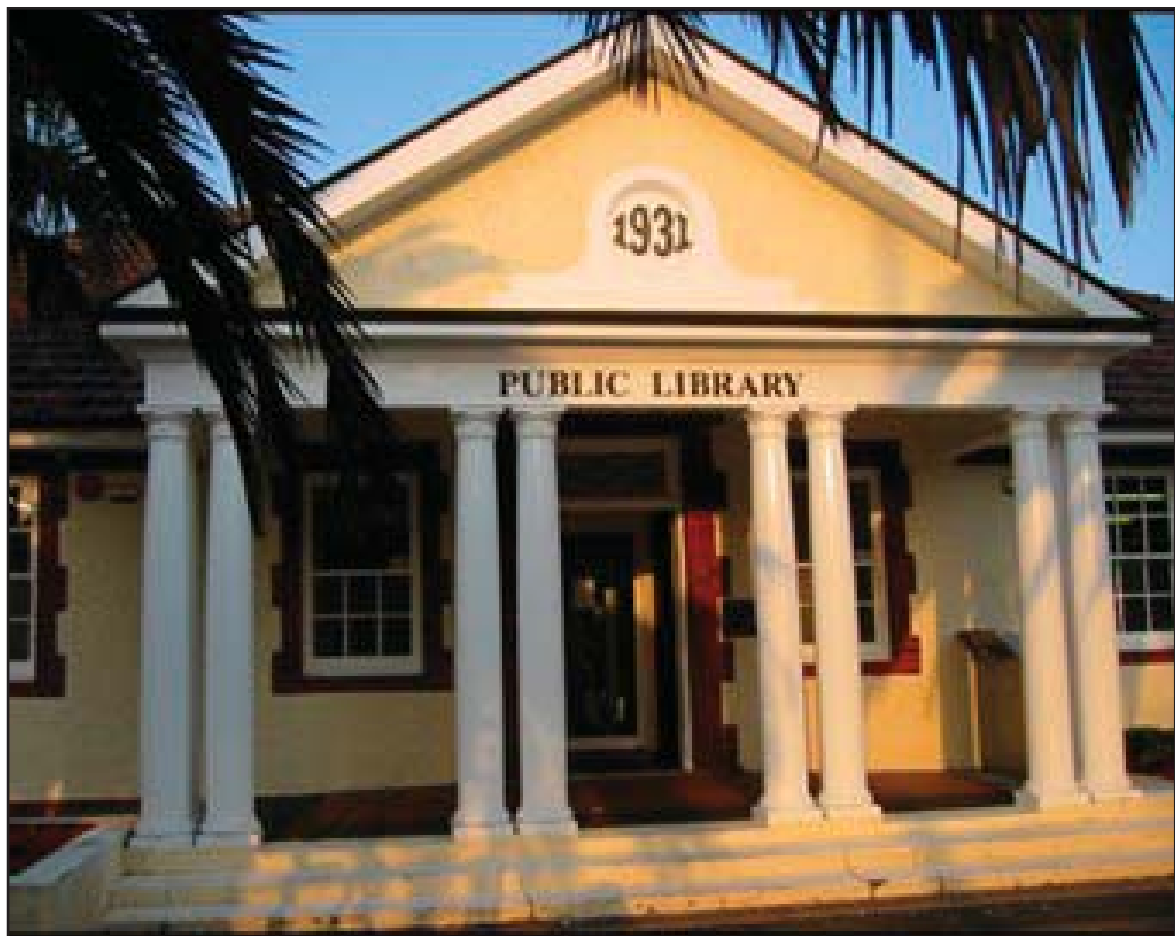
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Library work on schedule

Work on the refurbishment of Woy Woy Library's Spike Milligan Room is on target, according to Central Coast Council.

The refurbishment will include

an exhibition space for Spike Milligan memorabilia.

The project is due for completion by April 30.

Grant funding has been received from the Public Library

Infrastructure Grant Program.

"The project is currently in planning stages with concept plans designed," a Council report stated.

SOURCE:

Central Coast Council
agenda 4.1, 18 Dec 2017

Charges cover 85 per cent of centre's costs

Charges levied by the Peninsula Leisure Centre are covering 85 per cent of its costs, according to Central Coast Council.

Council's Leisure and Lifestyle unit's operational target for the year was to deliver "a high quality leisure facility and program at Peninsula Leisure Centre that achieves an 85 per cent cost recovery rate by June 30, 2018".

The Council's desired outcome

for the Centre was to efficiently "deliver community facilities that meet the community's needs".

Acting chief financial officer Ms Viv Louie told the December 18 council meeting that "cost recovery" at the centre related to maintenance and general costs associated with its day-to-day operations.

SOURCES:

Central Coast Council
agenda 4.1, 18 Dec 2017
Reporter: Jackie Pearson

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A Christmas message from Senator Deborah O'Neill



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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Deborah O'Neill'.



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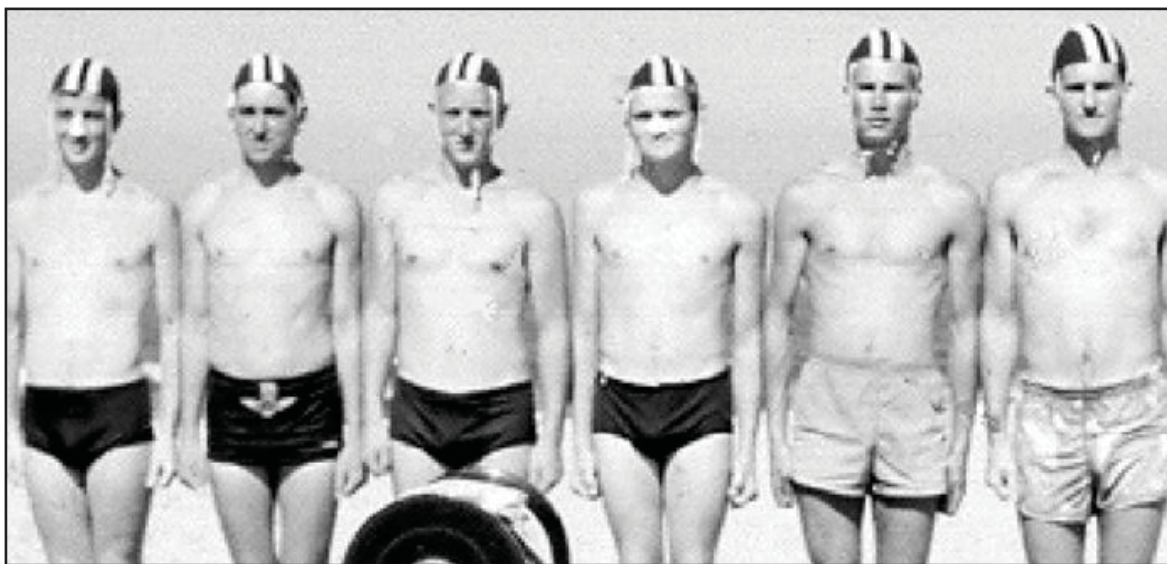
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Phil Tubby Senior second from left

Surf club stalwart dies

Killcare Surf Life Saving Club stalwart Mr Phillip Tubby Senior died peacefully early on the morning of Monday, December 11.

Mr Tubby Senior was the younger brother of Mr Jim Tubby and uncle to Mr Phil Tubby Junior and Colin Tubby.

He joined the Killcare club in the 1958-59 season and was in the first intake of the famous Erko Boys who travelled from Sydney weekends.

They gained their bronze in that season and in the process, brought the Club back from the brink over the following years.

Over the years as an active

member, his dedication to patrols, doorknocks, general fundraising and club maintenance was exceptional.

When the club received the donation of a new tuck stern surf boat from Gosford Meats in the 1970s, he made the trailer to transport the boat which he transported not just to carnivals and training but also around the streets of Erskineville.

It was parked outside the Erskineville Hotel which was the fund raising venue for the Surf Club in that era.

Phillip was secretary of the club 1966-67 and 1967-68.

He was also in the Killcare

Chariot team that won bronze at the Australian Titles 1968 which were the first Australian medals ever won by Killcare.

Phillip moved to Killcare Heights in 2014, his dream come true at last, linking up with his old mates.

The "Good Tubby", as he named himself, would sit on his veranda overlooking Killcare Beach - "not bad for a little motor mechanic from Erskineville".

"Phillip Tubby Senior will be forever in the DNA of the Killcare SLSC and will be sadly missed," said club president Mr Peter Bagnall.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 15 Dec 2017
Peter Bagnall, Killcare SLSC

Grants for community groups

Community groups at Empire Bay and Pretty Beach have secured grants under the NSW Government's Community Building Partnership.

Empire Bay Progress Association and Pretty Beach Parents and Citizens Association have both received funds, according to the NSW Member for Terrigal, Mr Adam Crouch.

Mr Crouch said Empire Bay Progress Association's grant would be spent on installation of air conditioning.

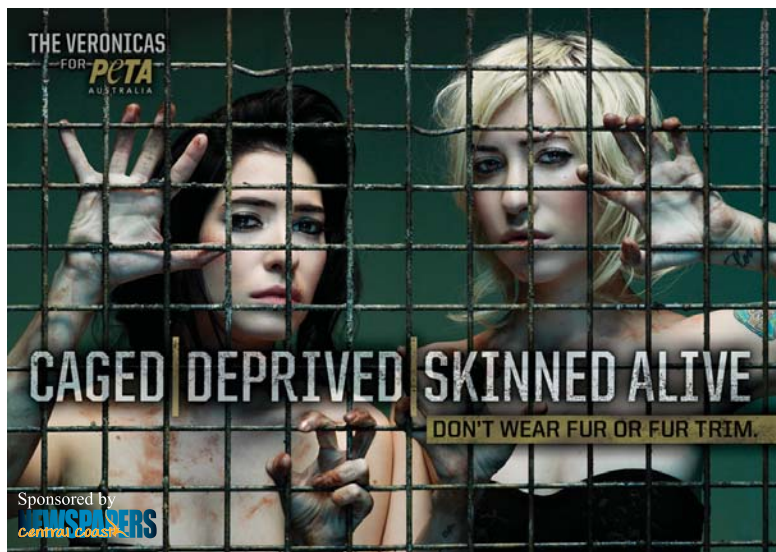
The Pretty Beach grant would

be spent on an LED sign for Pretty Beach Public School.

"This is part of a state-wide funding commitment by the NSW Government in community infrastructure projects that will enhance local facilities across every electorate in NSW," Mr Crouch said.

"Every dollar of this money aims to create more vibrant and inclusive communities, and deliver positive social, environmental and recreational outcomes," he said.

SOURCE:
Media release, 19 Dec 2017
Donna Golightly, Office of Adam Crouch MP



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the former Ettalong Markets at Ettalong Beach
Jewellers



After retiring in June 2014, Henry Scholten has now opened a small shop in the former Ettalong Markets, only trading on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays.

The Ettalong market has been beautifully revamped to a luxury European Galleria style tourist attraction.

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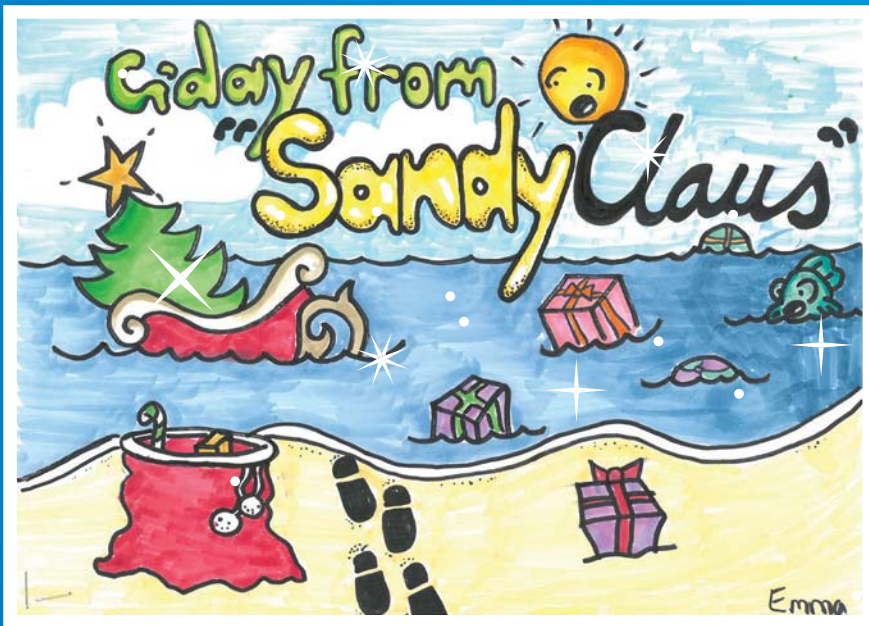
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Pearl Beach Lagoon bordered by houses

Council awaits lagoon plan approval

The coastal zone management plan for Pearl Beach Lagoon is still awaiting Ministerial approval, according to Central Coast Council.

The council has stated it submitted the plan to Minister for the Environment Ms Gabrielle Upton on September 7.

Ms Upton has until June 30 to approve the plan.

The draft plan was produced

in February 2014 to provide a strategic framework and action plan for the future management of the Pearl Beach Lagoon.

It had an indicative 10-year timeframe.

It aimed to redress current issues, and conserve existing values, using a range of implementation mechanisms, including on-ground works, community engagement programs and planning instruments.

The plan includes an indicative costing, potential funding sources and identifies responsibilities for implementation and future monitoring.

The primary goal of the Pearl Beach Lagoon Coastal Zone Management Plan was to improve lagoon health into the future, according to the draft plan.

Areas highlighted for improvement included water quality but also the condition of fringing vegetation including the melaleuca wetland listed as an Endangered Ecological Community of Coastal Sand Swamp Forest under the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995 and fringing sedgelands.

The plan also aimed to improve the diversity and abundance of native wetland fauna including water birds.

The top 10 identified threats to the health of the lagoon were listed as stormwater pollution, weed invasion, the weir, infilling of foreshores, foreshore management including mowing, shallowing and sedimentation, pollution incidents other than stormwater, introduced fauna, climate change and algal blooms.

SOURCES:

Agenda item 4.1, 18 Dec 2017
Central Coast Council
ordinary meeting
Website, 20 Dec 2017
Coastal Lagoons Management
Planning, Central Coast Council
Plan, 1 Feb 2014
Pearl Beach Lagoon CZM
Plan, Central Coast Council

Peninsula works program boosted by \$2.2 million

An additional \$2.2 million will be spent on the Peninsula this year in Central Coast Council's works program after receipt of government grants.

New Federal Infrastructure funding of \$900,000 will be spent on the upgrade of Davis St in Booker Bay including drainage, kerb and guttering, footpath and pavement works.

Another \$750,000 Federal Infrastructure grant will be spent by Council on Umina's Ryans Rd including drainage, kerb and guttering and a footpath.

A grant of \$350,000 from the Safer Local Roads program will be spent on a non-skid seal upgrade

of the Thommo's Loop Fire Trail to Wattle Cr off Woy Woy Rd.

Stabilisation of embankments damaged in the June 2016 storms will occur with grants of \$63,000 for Monastir Rd, Phegans Bay and \$50,000 for Jacqueline Ave, Killcare Heights.

An additional \$34,000 in new grant funding will be spent on more work at the Trafalgar Ave playground.

A grant of \$50,000 will be spent on lighting at Ettalong Oval.

Woy Woy library's mobile shelving units will be upgraded at a cost of \$17,000.

SOURCE:

Central Coast Council
agenda 4.1, 18 Dec 2017

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We would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy, healthy and prosperous new year.

Our office will be closed on December 22, 2017 and will remain so until January 10, 2018.

Community group granted rate relief

The Bays Community Group will receive rates assistance for the community hall from Central Coast Council.

The association applied for assistance under the council's new Community Support Grant Program.

According to a report to the December 18 Council meeting, the project proposal met all funding requirements.

Total rate relief provided by Council will be \$703.13.

SOURCE:

Central Coast Council
agenda 4.8, 18 Dec 2017



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General manager will replace chief executive officer

Central Coast Council is to replace its chief executive officer with a general manager.

The Central Coast Council has called for Expressions of Interest from suitably qualified agencies to undertake the recruitment of the general manager.

Current interim chief executive officer Mr Brian Bell was appointed by the former Administrator on a temporary contract which expires on September 13.

Mr Bell will stay in the role until a new general manager is appointed.

Mayor Cr Jane Smith said the recruitment process would take some time.

"Brian has certainly been the right chief executive officer for the job at the right time and has been instrumental in getting councillors

up to speed on the key issues and priorities for council," Cr Smith said.

"We are now keen to find the right agency who will find us the right general manager to lead what is now one of the biggest councils in the State and Australia," she said.

"This is a tremendous opportunity for the first permanent general manager of the Central Coast to work with council and the staff to achieve great outcomes for our growing community."

An extraordinary meeting will be held on Monday, January 29, to select the recruitment agency.

The recruitment process itself is expected to take between three to six months.

SOURCE:

Media release, 19 Dec 2017
Jane Smith, Central Coast Council



Work on a new masterplan for Woy Woy Town Centre will not commence until July 2018

Woy Woy masterplan due in 2020

Central Coast Council has set a timeframe for delivery of a new masterplan for Woy Woy Town Centre.

It is to be prepared by June 30, 2020, according to the council's

Quarter One Business Report.

According to the report, project scoping for the masterplan will commence in July.

A "new urban planning and urban design approach" will be used in the development of the

plan, according to the report.

The aim of the masterplan will be to "develop the Woy Woy Town Centre as a major growth centre".

SOURCE:

Central Coast Council
agenda 4.1, 18 Dec 2017

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Council sets up six advisory committees

Central Coast Council has set up six advisory committees at its meeting on December 18.

Brisbane Water will have its own Catchment and Coast Committee to assist Council in the development and implementation of Coastal Management Plans.

Other committees include a Coastal Open Space System Committee, an Employment and Economic Development Committee, and a Heritage Advisory Committee.

A Catchment and Coast Committee for Tuggerah Lakes

and a Gosford CBD and Waterfront committee were also formed.

Mayor Cr Jane Smith said a more formal committee structure would give active and interested community members a chance to be involved in driving the strategic direction and decision-making of council on matters directly affecting them.

"We are a large council area, representing over 330,000 residents and we need to ensure we are representing the community's interests in the best way we can," Cr Smith said.

"The committee structure will

give those with a real passion, interest and expertise in a key economic, environmental or development area a chance to have input into the decision-making table," she said.

The establishment of other committees will be considered at a Strategic Planning Workshop of the council in February.

A full report including the terms of reference and make-up of the Committees will be prepared for Council consideration.

SOURCE:

Media release, Dec 19

Jane Smith, Central Coast Council

Car break-ins investigated

Police have been investigating break-ins of several cars in Woy Woy Bay Rd on the night of Tuesday, December 12.

"This included attempts to steal the cars, particularly in one instance at an address where spare car keys for the family's second car were kept in their first car," said Bays Community Group president, Ms Cathy Gleeson.

"The police are currently investigating the matter and it is

a timely reminder to all residents and visitors they may have to both ensure that all cars are locked and that no keys or valuables are left in the car," Ms Gleeson said.

"Please be vigilant of both your own and your neighbour's property and if you see any suspicious activity do not hesitate to call Woy Woy Police on 4379 7399.

SOURCE:

Newsletter, 13 Dec 2017

Cathy Gleeson, The Bays Community Group

Ministers call for pause to consider Christmas meaning

As Christmas approaches, the Brisbane Water Ministers' Association is urging local residents to pause and consider its real meaning and not be blinded by the commercial hype of the season.

Several churches, including Anglican, Baptist, Catholic, Lutheran, Salvation Army, and

Uniting Church, are coming together to celebrate the birth of Jesus in a Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols.

Together, residents will sing Christmas carols and retell the nativity story of Jesus' birth and how it was foretold generations earlier by the prophet Isaiah.

There will be the opportunity to hear about the great work of World Vision Australia, a Christian

organisation that works with children, families, and communities to overcome poverty and injustice throughout the world.

The event will be held on Saturday, December 23, at St Luke's Anglican Church, 151 Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, at 7pm and is open to the public.

Source;

Media release, 18 Dec 2017

Brisbane Water Ministry Association

Council offices to close for Christmas

Central Coast Council has announced that council offices and a number of services on the Peninsula will close from midday Friday, December 22, for the

annual Christmas closure and reopen on Tuesday, January 2.

Essential services will continue throughout this time including residential waste collection and water treatment, and lifeguards will patrol beaches.

All Council-run leisure facilities will be closed on Christmas and Boxing Day.

Woy Woy tip will be closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day but open on the other days for waste disposal.

Council will have emergency and essential services available, as required, by phone 4350 5555 or 4325 8222.

SOURCE:

Media release, 18 Dec 2017

Brian Bell, Central Coast Council

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Man arrested following police investigation

A 25-year-old Woy Woy man was arrested on Thursday, December 21, as a result of investigations into the death of a Central Coast man as the result of an assault in April.

Mr Clint Starkey, 42, presented at Gosford Hospital with serious head injuries just after midnight on Thursday, April 6.

He was later flown to Royal North Shore Hospital, where he remained in a critical condition until he passed away on Monday, June 12.

Detectives from the State Crime Command's Homicide Squad, assisted by Brisbane Water Local Area Command, established Strike Force Bartondale to investigate the assault and circumstances surrounding Mr Starkey's death.

Their inquiries revealed he was assaulted at a service station at Peats Ridge, which was examined by specialist forensic officers.

In October a large-scale operation was conducted involving Strike Force Bartondale investigators, Brisbane Waters

officers, Gangs Squad's Strike Force Raptor and the Public Order Riot Squad.

This resulted in a 36-year-old senior member of the Rebels motorcycle club being charged with the murder.

As a result of additional inquiries, a further operation was commenced on December 21 involving homicide detectives, Brisbane Water detectives and the Public Order Riot Squad.

During the operation, the 25-year-old Woy Woy man was arrested along with a 29-year-old Davistown man and a 25-year-old man was arrested at Gosford police station.

Charges against all three were pending.

The arrests bring to seven the total number made as part of Strike Force Bartondale.

Investigations under Strike Force Bartondale are continuing, and further arrests are expected.

SOURCE:
Media release, 21 Dec 2017
Vivienne Crawford,
Brisbane Water LAC



Keith Ridley dies

Former Westpac Bank manager Mr Keith Ridley of Woy Woy resident and passed away on Tuesday, December 12.

Mr Ridley had lived in the Woy Woy area since the early 1980s

and served as the Woy Woy Westpac Branch manager for a number of years.

Mr Ridley played lawn bowls at Woy Woy, The Everglades and Ettalong.

His funeral was held at the

Greenway Chapel and Memorial Gardens on Wednesday, December 20.

SOURCE:
Facebook, 17 Dec 2017
Wayne Ridley, Good Old Woy Woy page

NorthConnex

NORTHCONNEX CONSTRUCTION UPDATE—DECEMBER 2017

NorthConnex is a nine kilometre underground motorway that will link the M1 Pacific Motorway at Wahroonga to the Hills M2 Motorway at West Pennant Hills, removing around 5,000 trucks off Pennant Hills Road. The project is due for completion in late 2019.

TUNNELLING PROGRESS

The project is more than half way through excavating the twin tunnels. The team recently celebrated the first breakthrough between two tunnels from the Wilson and Southern shafts. 20 roadheaders are working 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and are on track to finish excavation in 2018. The focus for next year will be to complete excavation and commence the fitout. Fit out will include installing the tunnel's final lining, building the road pavement and installing the mechanical and electrical equipment needed to operate the tunnel.

CHRISTMAS CONSTRUCTION SHUTDOWN

The NorthConnex project will be shut down from 6pm on Friday 22 December, 2017 to 6am on Tuesday 2 January, 2018. Only essential maintenance work will take place. The Community Information Centre will reopen at 9am on Monday 8 January 2018.

MORE QUESTIONS?

The NorthConnex project team is committed to working closely with the community to minimise impacts from our construction activities. For further information on NorthConnex, please to contact us by:

Phone: 1800 997 057 (24 hours)
Email: enquiries@northconnex.com.au
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Too much traffic in Hillview St already

In response to the nursing home refusal story (Peninsula News, November 27), I am writing to ask if it is possible to have the Roads and Traffic Authority to come to this site and check it out.

All the residents in the area already have to contend with the traffic flow with two schools adjacent to this property, and Hillview St is also the alternate route to the expressway for most of the Umina residents.

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This traffic constantly flows in peak hours as well as school hours.

It is hard to get out of our streets and onto Hillview St without any more traffic input from such a large development.

I do not know how much parking has been allowed for the extra staff and visitors to this development, and feel there should be no parking along the property on Hillview St,

as it blocks the view of drivers trying to get out of their streets

Have road works such as entry and exit lanes been planned?

Another article with this information would be in the interest of many local residents.

There is also the subject of native wildlife and their habitats that would be permanently disturbed by the length of time it will take to go ahead with this amended development application.

Email, 1 Dec 2017
Marilyn Borgh, Umina

Aerial view is misleading

Your aerial view of land on the corner of Veron Rd and Hillview St, Woy Woy, is misleading (Nursing home refusal to be reviewed, Peninsula News, November 27).

Attached are two views from the street taken when the first, rejected, Section 96 application was submitted.

The current application still pays no heed to the rare and endangered species and contravened the Section 96 requirements in terms of same purpose and size.

Additionally this land is rare and endangered and is on the State threatened species register.

Not enough is done to avoid future loss of cover and invasion by non-indigenous plant species

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Jetskis threaten peace of tourist destination

Coastal charm really describes our beautiful region.

Recent tourism research shows 66 per cent of visitors surveyed come to the Coast simply to relax and rest.

We have wonderful amenities, bushland, services, beaches and lakes for this relaxation.

It would, however, be important for any campaign to consider not including any images or references to jet ski activity.

A small group of people benefit from jet skis and enjoy themselves at the expense of a lot of other people's rest and relaxation time.

They are bullies in our playground.

Skis have increased in numbers in each of the recent five years.

The sounds of summer will not just be cicadas or cockatoos.

Instead, just like our feathered noisy birds, these guys will make

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their presence felt.

The noise, speed and antics upset quiet fishing, a relaxing nap, picnics and quiet time on the beach.

Groaning motors, smelly fumes, yelling bad language and their constant returns to the waterfront is annoying.

Would you call it restful?

One of the most affected areas is from Blackwall Point Wharf around to half-tide Rocks.

Mostly on the weekends, long weekends, Easter, Christmas, school holidays and on New Year's Day, as well as Australia Day last year, it was bedlam.

The little Ettalong beaches are now being overtaken by flocks of jet skis.

This summer we will see a repeat of confrontations, anger,

upset and probably more trailers parked on grassland at the Ettalong esplanade.

What is happening in your area? Where do they go?

Up to the Gosford Sailing Club? Affinity and local tourism businesses plan to market our area.

This marketing should not include images or references to jet skis as being what this area wants as part of its seaside culture.

You can consider joining the lobby to ban jet skis on our Brisbane waterway.

Be ethical when you invite tourists here to rest and relax.

Consider sending a letter or email to the ranger at Council, Ms Julie Vaughn, director of connected communities at Council, and also to Ms Liesel Tesch our Local Member.

Perhaps, you could even write to the paper about your experience with jet skis and how they affect you and your friends.

Let us reclaim our fun playground so that visitors and locals cans enjoy their rest and relaxation without the sound of a swarm of bees.

Reclaim the qualities and values that make our area special.

Return to the fun and restful times by the sea.

Email, 13 Dec 2017
Arlene Bridges, Woy Woy

Why have guidelines if the council doesn't follow them

The Peninsula News front page article, on December 11, "Planning failure used to justify non-compliance", refers to a development application for three two-storey townhouses on an existing single brick house site.

It does not comply with planning guidelines and is being justified on the basis that the Council has not followed guidelines on numerous occasions.

Why have guidelines if Council does not follow them?

These two-storey townhouses will be crammed onto a block with setback variances compromised by 25 per cent to 40 per cent.

The developer's justification is stated as keeping with the Development Control Plan setback

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objectives.

Either the setbacks meet the DCP's standards or they do not.

Homeowners should not be compromised in the provision of garden space and privacy.

The developer also claims that it will provide affordable medium density housing for the community.

This appears to be another developer opportunity to maximise profit at the expense of potential home owners.

Email, 11 Dec 2017
Suraya Coorey, Woy Woy

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ABC Radio National is under threat

ABC Radio National is under attack, so much so that it will probably cease to exist, according to the Sydney Morning Herald (December 9).

I cannot envisage life in Australia without ABC RN.

It is my window on the world; it introduces me to some of the best minds from both within Australia and around the world.

Although not religious, Andrew West's "Religion and Ethics Report" helps to widen my horizons, understand different points of view and above all it makes me more compassionate and empathetic.

The "Health Report" keeps me up to date with medical matters so that I can have more enlightened discussions with my GP instead of wasting her time.

Geraldine Dooghue and Phillip Adams don't just educate me with their fantastic guests, but they lead me to a reading list I will never be able to complete.

Waleed Ali makes me think in different ways about some of today's problems.

"Away" introduces me to an ancient Australian culture from which we have much to learn.

What is happening to ABC management that they pursue ratings and try to just appeal to the young and global market?

Bigger doesn't necessarily mean better.

Management does not realise that in so doing they are losing a consistent, reliable audience.

Isn't it the job of the ABC to educate and enlighten citizens which leads to a brighter, informed and cohesive society?

It seems inconceivable that ABC management is so divorced from its public, pursuing its own agenda, that it does not recognise the quiet but significant impact that the Radio National Network has on the nation.

We may not have the ratings of

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Triple J but does that mean that we don't matter; that our needs are not to be considered?

Radio National is essential for the National Conversation.

As our culture seemingly becomes brasher, noisier and triter, RN gains in importance.

The ABC should not be chasing ratings it should be providing for those citizens ignored by other stations because it is our democratic right and part of the ABC charter.

It is just not older listeners either.

There are countless people in regional and remote areas who are dependent on the ABC, for their intellectual stimulus and culture.

There are middle aged citizens who listen to RN and/or podcasts, use them in their work e.g. educating students, teaching English to migrants and yes, discussing them at their dinner table conversations.

RN followers must let ABC management know that this cannot be allowed to happen.

Management must return from whichever world it is they are living on and retain Radio National as a network.

If not, I fear that it will not just be RN which will disappear but the ABC itself.

Email, 11 Dec 2017
Margaret Lund, Woy Woy

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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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Mayoral minute calls for a new strategic approach

Central Coast Mayor, Jane Smith, wants a new strategic approach to the future development of the Gosford CBD that includes traffic management, transport and parking.

New regional library and a regional performing arts centre are closer to fruition

It has been a big year for the Gosford CBD and Central Coast Mayor, Jane Smith, has hinted that two major civic projects may take big steps forward in 2018.

Selection process for new Council CEO underway

The process has commenced for the selection of a new CEO for Central Coast Council.

Development at Mount Penang questioned in Parliament

Greens Member of the NSW Legislative Council, Mr David Shoebridge, has asked questions in Parliament about the proposed subdivision and development of land within the Mount Penang Parklands precinct at Kariong.

Call centre staff will be the largest group of ATO employees

Client engagement and call centre staff will be the two main groups of ATO employees to occupy the new Gosford waterfront tax office, according to Deputy Commissioner, Ms Sue Sinclair.

Financial reports for amalgamated Council referred to external audit

The financial reports for Central Coast Council, from amalgamation until June 30, were referred to external audit, following an Extraordinary Meeting held on Thursday, December 7.

Revised Council Code of Meeting Practice on public exhibition

Community members have until January 22 to make comments on Central Coast Council's revised Code of Meeting Practice.

Sydney Regional Environmental Plan 8, Central Coast Plateau Areas is under review

Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast, Mr Scot MacDonald, is encouraging the Central Coast community to engage with the proposed State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP), Primary Production and Rural Development 2017, which is

Lucy Wicks voted no in the plebiscite and yes for the legislation

In a speech to Parliament, following the results of the Same Sex Marriage Survey, Member for Robertson, Ms Lucy Wicks, thanked Central Coast residents who reached out to her regarding the debate, and confirmed that despite voting 'no' in

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Councillors want to consult with the community over the airport

Councillor Greg Best, with the support of Cllrs Bruce McLachlan and Jilly Pilon, planned to overturn the resolution made by Council at its November meeting, to suspend works and stop further development at the Central Coast Airport.

Proposed new conservation lands' protection zone supported

A motion moved by Central Coast Mayor, Jane Smith, that enjoyed unanimous support at the NSW 2017 Local Government Conference, could see the expansion of the former Gosford Council's Coastal Open Spaces System (COSS) to

436 hectares of unlined ash dams require constant monitoring

The unlined, 40-year-old, ash dams at Munmorah and Vales Point Power Stations, cover a total of 436 hectares but, according to the NSW EPA, they are monitored carefully.

Wyong South Sewage Treatment Plant upgrade completed

Central Coast Council's \$15 million upgrade to the Wyong South Sewage Treatment Plant is complete.

Twelve community consultation committees to be established

The new Central Coast Council was expected to reinstate up to 12 community consultation committees when it held its last ordinary meeting for the year on December 18.

Central Coast will fall under the new Primary Production SEPP

Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast, Mr Scot MacDonald, had a follow-up meeting with farmers on the Central Coast to discuss the proposed Primary Production and Rural Development State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP).

Lake Munmorah's Carters Rd needs to be prioritised

Member for Swansea, Ms Yasmin Catley, met with Central Coast Mayor, Jane Smith, where she again raised ongoing concerns around pedestrian safety on Carters Rd, Lake Munmorah.

Tuggerah Station lift funded then cancelled

The Members for The Entrance and Wyong met with a group of protesters at Tuggerah Station on December 12.

Proposed advisory committees would cost over \$425,000 per year

The advisory committees that Mayor Jane Smith wants to establish are costly and timeconsuming for staff, according to Mr Brian Glendenning, Executive Manager of Governance at Central Coast Council.

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Only system changes could make councillors responsive

What Fred Charles fails to grasp (Do we have to wait another three years? Peninsula News, December 11) is that the majority of councillors do not represent the ward they live in or the ward they are elected from.

They represent the political party with which they are affiliated and they are fundamentally elected by the donkey vote of people who just mark 1 above the line, regardless of who the candidate is.

As is obvious from the results of the election, these people make up the majority of Central Coast residents, so, if he expects to see a different makeup of council in three years' time, he is being very naive.

The Labor-Liberal parties could run a slate of candidates who don't even live on the Central Coast, and the result wouldn't be very different from the present one.

Of course, there are possible changes that could affect an election outcome and, perhaps,

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make councillors more responsive to the concerns of residents, such as Mr Charles.

First, we should have 15 one-member wards, and it should be a requirement that a candidate live in the ward for which he/she campaigns: obviously, this would focus attention markedly on voter concerns.

Secondly, there should be no party affiliations shown on the

ballot paper, and a voter should have to fill in every box (or, perhaps, a minimum number of boxes) in order of preference: this will give every elector an incentive, at least, to know the names of the candidates.

Given that the council has been elected under the present system, it isn't difficult to judge the likelihood that any such changes to the system will be welcomed, regardless of how they might benefit the ratepayers.

Despite all the rhetoric aired during the campaign, we are already seeing voting along party lines, elusiveness of ward councillors and secrecy about council proceedings, and it is easy to project how these trends will develop over the life of the council.

The reign of the administrator was nothing to write home about, but, in a couple of years' time, we might be looking back on 2016/2017 with nostalgic regret.

Email, 17 Dec 2017
Bruce Hyland, Woy Woy

Rates for our roadworks have gone elsewhere

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It is apparent that the rates from the Peninsula landowners has gone to developing other parts of the shire, but improvements on the Peninsula are well overdue and the new Central Coast Council should recognise that the current lack of improvement is not acceptable.

Street improvement throughout the Peninsula should be high priority for the new Council, especially as it is already being and has been paid for.

Email, 18 Dec 2017
R Fountain, Booker Bay

The Woy Woy-Umina Peninsula is probably the most densely occupied and developed part of the former Gosford Council district.

Residents in this area have been paying council rates for decades, yet many streets are poorly paved without footpaths or kerbing.

You would expect the footpath along the esplanade between Ettalong and Umina to be first class, but alas no, just like Booker bay Rd which has some of the most expensive real estate on the Peninsula.

Where are the regional boundaries?

I wonder whether anyone really knows what and where the NSW Central Coast is.

For example, the Sydney Television channels display Gosford as being part of Central

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Coast but vaguely refer to it as part of Sydney.

Therefore, is it part of Sydney?

If so, why?

The Sun Herald (Sydney) issued a magazine with an advert from VisitNSW for the "Central Coast" and then the whole thing related to Newcastle.

What is the southernmost boundary of and the northernmost boundary the Central Coast region?

Wollongong is classified as the Illawarra and a separate region but the region of the Central Coast is an anomaly.

Newcastle is classified as being in the Hunter region. What is the southernmost boundary of that region?

And so one could go on.

It's time that the whole regional situation be addressed to set out, once and for all, what the areas are and refer to them as such.

Source:
Email, 1 Dec 2017
Ian Butler, Pearl Beach

Party councillors have been missing in action

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missing in action since being elected.

No media releases or motions to Council for the betterment of the Peninsula.

So I think you will have to wait another three years for the chance to elect a new set of representatives who live on the Peninsula or at least close to the Peninsula, and hopefully the new representatives will all be independents, not just androids for the political machines they work for or used to represent.

Email, 13 Dec 2017
Carl Veugen, Umina

In response to Fred Charles, "Do we have to wait another three years?", how would things have been different when the candidates that were elected didn't live on the Peninsula?

Like usual, we are the forgotten south of the LGA, and now we become even more forgotten as our make-believe elected representatives don't come past the west Gosford interchange unless they will get something in return like praise for what they have done from their party faithful.

They all claimed to be for the people of the Peninsula during the election but they have been

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New doctor joins skin cancer clinic

A new doctor is joining a local skin cancer clinic just in time for the summer season.

Dr Susan Molesworth is joining Woy Woy's Vidler Ave Skin Cancer Clinic.

She is a graduate from Notre Dame University and completed

her hospital training with St Vincent's Hospital, Sydney.

Since then, she has undergone further qualifications in skin cancer medicine and dermatoscopy with the University of Queensland and is currently completing her Diploma of Skin Cancer Surgery.

Dr Molesworth has a passion for skin cancer medicine and enjoys performing skin cancer checks and skin cancer procedures.

SOURCE:

Media release, 14 Dec 2017
Karen Mead, Vidler Avenue Skin Cancer Clinic

Surf club to support Coast Shelter youth cottage

Killcare Surf Life Saving Club has decided to support Coast Shelter's Woy Woy Youth Cottage.

It has organised "Santa Sacks" for each of the young people in the local shelter.

"Coast Shelter has been doing incredible work with the community's homeless for over 25 years and we're proud to be able to partner with them this Christmas, in particular their Woy Woy Youth Shelter which caters specifically to 14 to 20 year olds," said club president Mr Peter Bagnall.

"Woy Woy Youth Cottage's primary focus for each resident is to work through their crisis in a safe and supportive environment," Mr Bagnall said.

"Where appropriate, residents under the age of 16 will be encouraged to reconcile with their families," he said.

"If other residents also wish to repair family breakdown, they will be supported to do so.

"Where reconciliation is not appropriate, staff will assist residents to find independent housing and provide the necessary supports to ensure their tenancy can be sustained.

"This Christmas, we're organising a 'santa sack' each for the youth in our local shelter and transitional cottages."

The Surf Club encouraged members to help contribute to what the residents living in the college really wanted for Christmas.

"These are real people with real stories so we've spoken to the program director and Killcare locals who are both support officers at the cottage to find out what they would like and need," he said.

Surf club members were invited to donate gifts and attach

Christmas cards using the donor's own name to let the recipient know who the gift was from.

"This can be the beginning of the important process of forming real connections between our club's extended family and local youth in need."

Members were also encouraged to donate money via a box at the beach kiosk to go toward nine \$50 Killcare Beach Kiosk Credit Cards that they could use when they visited the beach and worked alongside club members to learn new skills and have new positive experiences.

"Just showing people in crisis that someone gives a damn can be a big help."

The young people being accommodated in the Woy Woy Youth Cottage included an 18-year-old young man who and enjoyed rugby league and wanted to learn to surf.

Another was aged 13 and liked watching DVDs.

Another was a 16 year old boy who loved cats and animals.

Another was a 17-year-old girl who said she liked anime.

A 15-year-old girl said she loved clothes (black, size 14).

An 18-year-old young woman said she would love some body care products. Another was into outdoor activities.

A 21-year-old woman said she liked trinkets, small home furnishings, including candles.

A 20-year-old woman said she would like small furnishings to decorate her new accommodation.

"Our small acts of kindness have positive ripple effects," Mr Bagnall said.

SOURCE:

Newsletter, 15 Dec 2017
Peter Bagnall, Killcare Surf Life Saving Club

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Beach wheelchairs available for disability use

A new beach wheelchair has been made available by Central Coast Council for use at Umina Beach.

The wheelchair has been made available as part of the implementation of the Central Coast Council Disability Inclusion Action Plan.

The plan is designed to increase opportunities for people with disabilities and their families to fully participate in community life.

The plan has been lodged with the NSW Disability Council, Local Government NSW and the Australian Human Rights

Commission in line with legislative requirements.

Two beach wheelchairs are now available at Umina Beach: a sand cruiser and a hippocampe, suitable for younger people.

Ocean Beach also has a sand cruiser available for public use.

The beach wheelchairs may be booked through the Umina Beach Surf Life Saving Club.

SOURCES:
Website, 20 Dec 2017
Beach services, Central Coast Council
Agenda item 4.1, 18 Dec 2017
Central Coast Council ordinary meeting

Fitness stations installed by community association

Two fitness stations have now been installed in Turo Park at Wagstaffe and there will be another installation at Killcare according to Wagstaffe-Killcare Community Association committee member Mr Graeme Anderson.

"It all started when two association members were in Port Macquarie and noticed a fitness park down quite close to the sea," Mr Anderson said.

"While they were looking at it closely, the council parks engineer came by to inspect an addition nearby and explained that the equipment was Australian-made and had been absolutely trouble-free," he said.

"They were putting in three more parks as they were so popular.

"The issue was canvassed in the next association meeting, and one attendee commented that we had lots of play areas for kids, so it would be good to get something for grown-ups.

"It was almost unanimously agreed to investigate, and a provision of \$50,000 was made in association accounts.

"In discussing this with Council, we found that they were importing overseas equipment that had potential maintenance problem if near the sea, as it was really designed for a fresh water environment.

"Problems had occurred in Council's first fitness parks and some had been closed due to deterioration, so fitness parks were not of high priority."

The association was told that the small local population would not justify the council expenditure, so any equipment would have to be fully financed by the association.

"After much community consultation, it was decided that Turo Park would be the most appropriate place to set the equipment up.

"There was a suggestion that large drainage pipes supposedly running under our site selection may cause a problem, but the association proved that the pipes were not as shown on the park



drawings, so Council joined in the proposal.

"Our preference for the Australian equipment was checked with other councils who were quite happy with their equipment in the "marine" version as being low maintenance.

"The association provided the cost of the installation from funds raised over the years.

"It now becomes Council property and Council will maintain it in the future.

"The fitness equipment has six activities, and the way seniors use

such equipment in other seniors' fitness areas is for five-minute bursts on as many items as you feel like on the day.

"It has been enthusiastically used by all age groups in the park.

"Turo Park has become a wonderful place for us all in Bouddi, with a first class tennis court, soccer net for all ages, fitness equipment for the grown ups, and play areas for children."

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 30 Nov 2017
Graeme Anderson, WTKCA

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Nippers clean up plastics

Nippers from Umina beach Surf Life Saving Club have participated in the Take 3 for the Sea project for the fourth year running.

The Take 3 project aims to prevent plastic pollution from

entering the ocean where it is detrimental to marine life.

The nippers picked up 20kg of litter from the beach on the morning of December 19.

The Nippers showed enthusiasm in taking care of the ocean and in learning about the

effects plastics in the sea, said club's Take 3 project ambassador Ms Lilly Perry.

Mr Oliver Shepherd, Ms Sue Perry and Mr Nick Shepherd also helped with the project.

Website, 19 Dec 2017
Lilly Perry, Umina Beach SLSC



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More than \$20,000 raised at Woy Woy

Woy Woy Public School's Parents and Citizens association has raised more than \$20,000 in the past year.

P and C president Ms Gillian Graf said: "I have been lucky to have had the assistance of some amazing parents in our community, working hard to raise funds for the school over the last year.

"I am proud to say that we have donated over \$13,500 with an additional \$6700 still to come.

"That is over \$20,000.00 to the school in 2017."

Ms Graf said those holding a position with the association during the year were Letitia Cooley, Billie Jean Higgison, Erin Hill, Carmen Von Nida, Larissa Clarke, Melissa Pritchard, Fiona Fry, Hayley

Winchester, Leanne Jobson, Deb Tonkin, Jody Rooney, Nicole Golds, Tracey McLennan and Lea Colwell.

"We have already started planning some great events for 2018 with a fundraising goal of providing more items from the school wish list such as technology improvements and additions, further upgrading the hall and assisting with new and existing programs.

"Our first meeting of the year is scheduled be held on Wednesday, February 14, at 7pm in the school staff room."

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 15 Dec 2017
Gillian Graf, Woy Woy Public School P and C



Students from across the Peninsula were celebrated in the Deadly Awards on December 7

Deadly awards at Woy Woy campus

Brisbane Water Secondary College Woy Woy Campus hosted its annual Deadly Awards ceremony on Thursday, December 7.

The Deadly Awards acknowledged the consistent efforts and achievements of aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students on the Peninsula.

The local schools in attendance consisted of Empire Bay Public School, Ettalong Public School, Umina Public School, Woy Woy Public School, Woy Woy South Public School and Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina and Woy Woy Campuses.

The awards included 100 per cent Attendance, Outstanding Attendance, Academic Excellence, Academic Achievement, Cultural Excellence, Cultural Encouragement, Excellence in Sporting, Leadership, University Early Acceptance Awards and \$500 scholarship from Kari Aboriginal Resources and Woy

Woy Rugby League for two senior school students.

"The evening allowed for community gathering to appreciate and feature our 'deadly' students all over the Peninsula," according to senior student Dylan Barnes.

"The evening also featured

guest speakers Brandon Grosse, Val Frances and Caitlin Grosse, who were past recipients of the awards, and performances by the Mingaletta Didge and Dance Group," he said.

SOURCE:
Media release, 7 Dec 2017
Dylan Barnes, BWSC Woy Woy

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Ettalong announces next year's leaders

Ettalong Public School has announced its student leaders for 2018.

Principal Ms Lynn Balfour made the announcement in the school's last newsletter for 2017.

"Aviana Alipate and Adam Innes-O'Keefe, our school captains for 2018, will head our leadership team," Ms Balfour said.

The new captains will be

assisted by Skye Southon and Mitchell Stocken, as vice captains.

Will Brett, Chloe Cattley, Jacob Falconer, Jade Hinchliffe, Tyce Johnson and Lexi Smithers have been elected as the school's new prefects.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 12 Dec 2017
Lynn Balfour, Ettalong Public School

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Chris Masters speaks of our forces in Afghanistan

Acclaimed journalist Mr Chris Masters, of Pearl Beach, addressed the Rotary Club of Woy Woy about his latest book.

Coming from a family famed for its journalism skills, Mr Masters was educated at Macquarie Boys School at Parramatta getting his leaving certificate in 1965.

He joined the Australian Broadcasting Corporation shortly after leaving school and in 1983 he joined the Four Corners program as an investigative journalist.

He remains the program's longest-serving journalist.

He then changed his style by writing books on a range of sometimes controversial topics including crime, corruption and religion.

Mr Masters' new book is about the Australian Special Forces in Afghanistan.

He said he found it a difficult subject to research because of the secretive nature of special services.

Writing the book was a 10-year effort.

He said he believed there was something special about Australian soldiers who come from an open society that believes in the fair go.

Mr Masters became interested in the war in Afghanistan, which he said had become Australia's longest war.



Ian Butler, Vic Brown, Chris Masters and Russell Grove

He said he had travelled to Afghanistan three times starting in 2007.

The humanitarian side of the conflict attracted his attention and by 2010 this had changed to a mentoring and training issue so that the locals could gain control of their country.

He said he also wrote the book because he felt that the current generation knew more about the first and second world wars than the one that their children were occupied in today.

The bravery of the young troops who were going out to the villages

with the mantra of "courageous restraint" with their fingers off the trigger was commendable, Mr Masters said.

He saw for himself how in 2010 an improved explosive device caused the death of some of his young compatriots in the army camp and that reinforced his determination to write about what was going on in Afghanistan.

He said he was fortunate in 2011 to meet some of the special forces at Whyalla, where in the desert, mud brick fortresses such as those in Afghanistan were built for training purposes.

Afghan immigrants were used to

give authenticity to the experience.

According to Mr Masters, there were essentially three groups of special forces: the Special Air Services Regiment, the Commandos and the Special Operations Engineer Regiment who defuse the bombs.

One of the characters who feature in the book is Mr Albert Trinh, a boat person and a son of a boat person.

He grew up in Melbourne and decided to join the army as a way of giving back to Australia.

He survived four near death experiences in Afghanistan.

In combat, on one occasion

he found himself surrounded by red smoke which had come from a canister in the front of his chest armour that had been hit by a bullet.

Another time he stepped on a detonator which exploded but did not set off the main charge.

Later he was supported in combat by a US Apache helicopter that unfortunately fired its guns too close to his team and he was the only one not injured.

The final time was during the biggest mission the Australians were engaged in when he was hit in the chest and invalided out but again he survived.

He said it was interesting to see the way that ordinary people stepped up in extraordinary circumstances.

To combat the income from drugs, it was important not to interfere with the livelihood of the average farmer but to somehow stop the income being used by the Taliban for combat, he said.

The key was to attack the drugs distribution after the farmers had been paid.

They therefore had to take on the drug lords who had their own defence force to prevent loss of their drugs which were worth hundreds of millions of dollars.

SOURCE:

Newsletter, 12 Dec 2017

Vic Deeble, Rotary Club of Woy Woy

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Children's activities at Pearl Beach in January

The Pearl Beach Kids Club, an initiative of the Pearl Beach Progress Association, will present a series of activities throughout January.

Events include weekly family bingo, a production by the Windmill Theatre in film of Rumpelstiltschen, make and fly a kite, world of magic, family beach safety, astronomy for kids, art class with Marijke, and tennis camp and coaching.

"On Australia Day, we will be holding kids' races for six to 14 year olds, plus a barbecue and refreshments," said association publicity officer Ms Lynne Lillico.

"The kids' activities will attract a large number of young holiday enthusiasts, many accompanied

by parents, to enjoy the variety of activities presented.

"All events and activities, except Australia Day Kids' Races, will commence at the Pearl Beach Memorial Hall.

"Costs range from free entry to \$25 depending on the activity, and \$45 for tennis.

"Proceeds from the events will go toward the upkeep and maintenance of the Memorial Hall. "Bookings are recommended," Ms Lillico added.

For further information, refer to the Pearl Beach website: pearlbeachprogress.org.au

SOURCE:
Media release, 17 Dec 2017
Lynne Lillico, Pearl Beach Progress Association



Ms Carol Ogilvie with her artworks

Artist creates Christmas wildlife theme display

An Ettalong artist has created a Christmas-themed display of Australian wildlife at her home on the Ettalong beachfront

Ms Carol Ogilvie created the display, which included a team of festive wombats.

Ms Ogilvie said she painted the artwork to bring a smile to people's faces by representing the heat of the Australian Christmas Summer

with an artistic quirkiness.

"I didn't want to represent the season with snow or a winter wonderland because that's not how it is here.

"It's about being with friends and family and enjoying the summer and the beauty of the Peninsula area," she said.

Most of the artworks are stylised versions of Australian wildlife with a bit of comical licence, she said.

"There is a goofy looking emu who is hiding in the palms and Warren, the lead wombat, sporting his little red nose as he leads the trio of wombats on Santa's journey," Ms Ogilvie said.

"The men at the Umina Men's Shed were so helpful in organising the woodwork backings for many of the artworks," she said.

SOURCE:
Media release, 18 Dec 2017
Carol Ogilvie, Ettalong

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Residents and guests at the 2016 Carols at Dusk

Carols at Dusk to be held at Peninsula Village

Peninsula Village will hold its Carols at Dusk in its main hall at from 6pm on Friday, December 22.

The event will be open to the public and will be followed by supper.

Showband Tempo Terrific will perform Christmas favourites, including Jingle Bells, Silent Night, Rudolf the Red-Nose Reindeer, Santa Claus is Coming to Town, and Have Yourself a Merry Little

Christmas.

Peninsula Villages chief Mr Shane Neaves said: "They put on a terrific show last year, so we can't wait to have them perform again at Peninsula Villages and I believe our resident choir will also be doing a few carols.

"We invite all members of the community to attend this festive evening, including our resident's family and friends, neighbours, staff and Central Coast locals, all are welcome.

"Don't forget the Santa hat, tinsel or reindeer ears," Mr Neaves said.

There will also be a visit from Santa for children young and old at heart.

"Carols at Dusk is the biggest event on the Peninsula Villages Christmas calendar, so we encourage the community to come and join us for this special night."

SOURCE:

Media release, 13 Dec 2017
Katey Small, Brilliant Logic

Community carols on Hardys Bay waterfront

The 2017 Community Carols on the Waterfront at Hardys Bay will be held on Saturday, December 23.

"This is a very popular event for locals and visitors, and has grown to become one of the biggest events in the Killcare to Wagstaffe community," said Hardys Bay Community Church Pastor Stephen Hinks.

Hosted by the Church, the event will be held from 7:30pm to 9pm, with live entertainment from 6:30pm.

"Hundreds of families and friends bring their own picnics and enjoy one of the Central Coast's most beautiful settings" Pastor Hinks said.

"Killcare Rural Fire Service provide great assistance,

especially their famous sausage sizzle; and of course, delivering Santa, who will again be collecting for local charity, Coast Shelter,.

"Parents from Pretty Beach Public School also help out; and the first item on stage will be the School Strings Group, following their successful Gala Concert.

"Guest vocalist this year is Tiana Young, singing her favourite jazz numbers from 6:30pm and again during the Carols program.

"The atmosphere sets the tone of peace and joy as holiday season begins, especially with glow sticks and community sing-along with the carols," Pastor Hinks said.

SOURCE:

Media release, 18 Dec 2017
Stephen Hinks, Hardys Bay Community Church

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BREAKING NEWS

COMMUNITY COAST NEWS

home and business deliveries have commenced – Inserts welcome

Following seven years of publishing a separate newspaper focusing on postcode areas 2250, 2251 and 2260, Central Coast Newspapers has decided to take Coast Community News to its next natural stage, and set up a home delivery arrangement.

The program commenced on November 16, and the print run for Coast Community News increased initially to 24,000 copies. As more walkers come on board, the print run will increase by 300% to 44,000 copies, 42,000 of which will be hand delivered to letterboxes in 26 suburbs in those postcode areas.

This has made it possible to have brochures and catalogues included within the newspaper to help pay for the increased print run and high distribution costs.

Despite the 300% increase in the print run and associated distribution costs, advertising rates have remained unchanged, making advertising better value than ever.

Additionally, advertisers that take advantage of the new insert offer, receive a free advertisement in the paper to support their insert. A full distribution entitles the advertiser to a full colour, half page advertisement at no additional cost. A part distribution entitles the relevant business to a proportionally reduced

size advertisement.

Papers are not thrown into gutters or on driveways or lawns, but are being placed in letterboxes or, if delivering to a business, they are hand delivered to the reception area. There should be no wet weather issues unless letterboxes are not waterproof.

As the newspaper is highly regarded, after having built a loyal following on the Coast over 7 years, it is not being seen as junk mail and therefore reaches more homes than other catalogue distributions in those same areas. Inserts benefit from being included in such a highly respected publication.

In another novel move, the cost of inserts reduces for each other insert that is also included in the same distribution. This discount can be up to 33% off the single insert price.

At least 40 walkers are being employed to complete the distribution, as well as drivers to deliver bulk quantities to selected locations.

Well over 120,000 readers will now be better informed than ever by having this highly respected newspaper delivered to their home.

If you would like further information or wish to take advantage of this vast home delivery, feel free to contact me.



Mr Dave Mitcheson with Ms Danielle Shay and the pieces of her major work

Apprentice completes jewellery certificate

An apprentice working with a Umina-based jeweller has completed her Certificate III in Jewellery Manufacture.

Ms Danielle Shay from Seaspray Valuations and Fine Jewellery has travelled to the Design Centre Enmore once a week for the past three years and has been working under the guidance of Seaspray's master jeweller, Mr David Mitcheson.

Ms Shay was nominated for the Consistent High Standard of Work (Trade) award at the One Night Under Lights 2017 awards where the work of all the graduating students was on display.

Ms Shay's major work has been

on display in the front window of Seaspray Valuations and Fine Jewellery and will be viewable until December 22.

SOURCE:
Media release, 14 Dec 2017
Julie Mitcheson, Seaspray Jewellery

Pearl Beach Progress Association is holding its Holiday Reading Book Sale from 8am to 2pm on December 27 in the Pearl Beach Memorial Hall.

"This year we have been focussing on sourcing the latest fiction titles by well-known authors that will tempt the reading tastes of our visitors and avid readers," said publicity officer Ms Lynne Lillico.

"We also have children's books to encourage the younger reader into the wonderful world of make believe and a selection of games to amuse," she said.

All books are \$2 each, and kids' bundles at \$2 each.

Proceeds from the book fair go toward the Pearl Beach Memorial Hall maintenance.

SOURCE:
Media release, 17 Dec 2017
Lynne Lillico, Pearl Beach Progress Association



A snapshot of 2016's very successful book sale

Holiday reading book sale

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Workshops 9.30am 1st & 3rd
Wed Gosford City Art Centre 4363
1156.
Social Meetings 1.30pm 4th Wed
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4325 1420
publicity@artcentralcoast.asn.au

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Spinning and weaving, patchwork
and quilting, felting and other
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Day and Night Groups
4325 4743
www.cottagecrafts.net.au

Ettalong Beach Art & Crafts Centre

Adult classes in Pottery
Watercolours, Oils, Acrylics,
Pastels, Silvercraft,
Patchwork & Quilting
0412 155 391
www.ebacc.com.au
ebacc_email@gmail.com

Hospital Art Australia Inc.

Meet every Tue and Fri
9am-2pm - 109 Birdwood Ave,
Umina - Painting and Canvas
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hospitalartaustalia.com.au
0431 363 347

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National Parks Association Central Coast

Twice weekly bush walks, varying
distances and grades of difficulty.
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4389 4423 & 4332 7378

Community Centres

Peninsula Community Centre

Cnr Ocean Beach Rd &
McMasters Rd Woy Woy
Activities, programs and support
groups for children, teens, adults
and seniors including occasional
care, playgroups, dance classes,
karate, fitness classes, youth
services, gambling solutions,
internet kiosk and social groups.
www.coastcommunityconnections.com.au
4341 9333

Ettalong 50+ Leisure & Learning Centre

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

Central Coast Community Legal Centre

Not for profit service providing free
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Monday to Friday
9am to 5pm
4353 4988
centralcoast@clc.net.au

Community Groups

ABC "The Friends" Support
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Monthly Meet & Chat
0422 243 101
email cco30s@live.com.au

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Ladies & gents dinner, dancing -
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Monthly programme for all areas
0412 200 571
0437 699 366
50pssg@gmail.com

Mingaletta Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander

Provides members and other
groups a meeting place and
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well-being and cultural programs.
Mon-Fri 9am - 4pm
6 Sydney Ave Umina
4342 7515
admin@mingaletta.com.au

Peninsula School for Seniors

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

Peninsula Village Playgroup

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& children 'Intergenerational
Playgroup'
Tues 10-11.30am
4344 9199

Seniors Computer Club Central Coast

Classes held Monday to Friday for
everyone over 50
Basics: Mon , Tues and Thurs
10am to 12noon
Different programs every day,
10am to 12noon or 1pm to 3pm
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Bookings or inquiries
4307 9421

The NSW Justices Association Inc

Seeking volunteers for 8
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9.30am-1pm
Wednesday Umina Library
10am-1pm
Thursday Woy Woy Library
10am-1pm
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Umina Beach Men's Shed

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Darrell 4342 9606

Volunteering Central Coast

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Training for volunteers & their
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recruit@volcc.org.au

Wagstaffe to Killcare Community

Protect and preserve the
environment & residential nature
of the Bouddi Peninsula and to
strengthen community bonds
2nd Mon, 7.30pm
Wagstaffe Hall 4360 2945
info@wagstaffetokillcare.org.au

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Health Groups

Al-Anon

If someone's drinking is causing
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4344 6939
1300 252 666
Meetings Sat 2pm
Woy Woy Hospital
Ocean Beach Road

Arthritis NSW

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

Better Hearing Australia - Central Coast

Hearing loss management
Support and educational groups
providing practical experience and
confidence
Learn the benefits of hearing aids
4321 0275

BlueWave Living

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

Central Coast Parkinson's Support Group

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

Gambling Solutions

Gambling help counsellors
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and The Entrance
4344 7992

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www.grow.org.au

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4341 6699

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marymacs@woywoycatholic.org.au

Overeaters Anonymous (OA)

12-step fellowship for those with
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weigh-ins.
Peninsula Com. Cntr, cnr. Mc
Masters Rd & Ocean Beach Rd.
Woy Woy, Fri 8pm
0412 756 446
www.oa.org

Peninsula Village Wellness Centre

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aromatherapy, massage and
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Peninsula Village Carer's Support Group

For carers of loved ones with
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11.30am
Paula 4344 9199

Prostate Cancer Support Group (Gosford)

Last Fri, Terrigal Uniting Church,
380 Terrigal Drive, Terrigal
9.30am to 12 noon 4367 9600
www.pcfa.org.au

Riding for the Disabled

Horse Riding as a therapy for
those with intellectual or physical
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stateoffice@rdansw.org.au

Schizophrenia and Bipolar Fellowship

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

Woy Woy Public Hospital Alliance

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

Woy Woy Stroke Recovery Club

Everglades Country Club
2nd Tues 11am
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Soundwaves

Men's a-capella 4 part harmony
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Central Coast Leagues Club
John 0413 276 698
jbthomson51@gmail.com

Troubadour Central Coast

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

Political Groups

Australian Labor Party

Political discussions, national,
state and local government issues

Umina Ettalong Branch

2nd Mon Umina Beach Bowling
Club 7.30pm 4342 3676

Ourimbah/ Narara Branch

Niagara Park Primary School
7.30pm 1st Mon
0410 309 494
kyle.macgregor@hotmail.com

Woy Woy Branch

Everglades Country Club
7.30pm 2nd Mon
0412 517 520
belindaneal@bigpond.com

Peninsula Day Branch

1pm 2nd Mon
CWA Hall Woy Woy
4341 9946

Central Coast Greens

Active regarding ecological
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justice, peace & non-violence,
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Greens elected
3rd Thur,

centralcoastnsw.greens.org.au
centralcoastgreens@gmail.com

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1st and 3rd Mon. Woy Woy
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Wednesdays 6.30pm
Everglades Country Club
0409 245 861
curleys@ozemail.com.au
0409 245 861

Rotary Club of Woy Woy

Tues 6pm Everglades Country
Club.

Don Tee 0428 438 535

Special Interest

Bridge

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

Cash Housie

50 Games every Sat night
Peninsula Community Centre,
McMasters Rd, Woy Woy, 7.30pm.
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Parish.
www.cashousie@hotmail.com

Central Coast Family History Society Inc.

Resources, information
& advice to study your
family's history.
1st Sat 1pm Lions
Community Hall, 8 Russell
Drysedale St, E. Gosford.
www.centralcoastfhs.org.au
4324 5164

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Tenants' Advice and Advocacy Service

Help with issues with landlords
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cctaas@hotmail.com

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4325 7929
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www.ccoaring.com.au

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empowered to develop
communication and leadership
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self-confidence and personal
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2nd & 4th Tue, 7:30PM,
Ettalong Diggers
0408 416 356

Peninsula Environment Group

Environmental projects,
(incl. Woytopia),
Woy Woy community garden,
social events, workshops, organic
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www.peg.org.au

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Wed from 4:30pm
Fri-6-7pm Women's BoxFitness
27 Bowden Road Woy Woy
Min age 4 years old
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www.woywoyjudoclub.com

Veterans

National Malaya Borneo Veterans Association

1st Sat F(except Jan) 1pm
Ettalong Beach
War Memorial Club,
51-52 The Esplanade.
4342 1107

Vietnam Veterans', Peacekeepers' and Peacemakers'

Assist all veterans & families with
pension & welfare issues.
Mon & Wed 9am-1pm 4344 4760
Cnr Broken Bay Rd & Beach St
Ettalong.

centralcoastveterans@bigpond.com.

Woy Woy Ettalong Hardy's Bay RSL

Provide help with pensions and
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Shop 5/382 Oceanview Rd
Ettalong. Tues & Thurs 9am to
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Country Women's Association Umina

2 Sydney Ave
Branch Meetings
2nd Wednesday 10am
Craft & Friends
Wednesdays 9.30am
2nd and 4th Sundays 12.15pm
0416 193 070 - 4340 1746

Country Women's Association Woy Woy

30 The Boulevard, Woy Woy
Craft & Friendship: 1st, 2nd and
3rd Wed 10AM.
Meetings: 4th Wed 10AM.
Ph: 0411 434 785
woywoycwa@gmail.com

Gosford RSL Women's Auxiliary

For women over 18 years.
Raise money for welfare of
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RSL Club, West Gosford
4th Mon 2pm 4323 7336

Peninsula Women's Health Centre

Counselling, therapeutic and social
groups, workshops, domestic
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4342 5905
www.ccowhc.com.au

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

Entries in the Not For Profit Community Organisations Directory are free. However, we require each organisation to subscribe to each newspaper to ensure that someone from that organisation keeps their entry up to date. Subscription rates are \$75 for 25 editions.

Building work at Woy Woy over the holidays

Woy Woy Public School principal Ms Ona Buckley has announced that building work will be taking place at the school over the summer holidays.

"All our classrooms in B Block, the library and the computer lab, plus all the hallways, are being repainted during the break.

"It will definitely make for a much smarter, brighter school look.

"All the Kindergarten classrooms in G Block will also be painted.

"Some rooms in the Preschool will be painted.

"The back work shed near the Preschool will be painted externally.

"The school hall roof with all of the downpipes and gutters will be

completely replaced.

"The flooring in the kitchen-community room will be replaced with new hard-wearing flooring.

"The Preschool yard is progressing well and most of it will be completed in time for the new arrivals in January."

A new demountable is also being installed in late January or early February to accommodate an increase in numbers within the school.

"It is so good to see these improvements happening for our school.

"There will be a lot of workmen on site and our cleaners will be here as well.

"After the Christmas season is over, you will no doubt see a

number of staff busy about their work preparing for 2018.

"School resumes for students in Years 1 to 6 on Tuesday, January 30.

"New Kindergarten students have been sent a letter about the date and time for their Best Start testing being held on January 31 and February 1, and they will then commence school on Friday, February 2.

"Preschool orientation starts with the Seahorse Group on Wednesday, January 31, and the Pelican Group on Thursday, February 1."

SOURCE:

Newsletter, 15 Dec 2017
Ona Buckley, Woy Woy Public School

Teachers leave Umina school

Umina Public School has announced that a number of teachers are leaving at the end of this year.

"At the end of this week, we will be sending off some of our wonderful teachers to other schools in 2018," said principal Mr Chad Tsakissiris.

"Ms Rodwell will be taking up a position at Holgate Public School as assistant principal.

"Ms Coleman will be taking up a position at Charlestown Public School.

"Mr Svihla will be spending a year away at Cardiff South Public School in a temporary position.

"Ms Hauraki will also be leaving us and taking on a role of class teacher at Woy Woy Public School.

"We thank all of our departing teachers for their amazing contributions to our school over their time here and wish them the very best for a successful future," he concluded.

SOURCE:

Newsletter, 12 Dec 2017
Chad Tsakissiris, Umina Public School

The Peninsula Diary of Events

For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

Saturday, Dec 23

Null and Void, Hardys Bay Club, 7:30pm

Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols, St Luke's Anglican Church, 151 Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, 7pm

Christmas Carols, Hardys Bay Waterfront, live entertainment from 6:30pm

Sunday, Dec 24

The All In Christmas Jam, Hardys Bay Club, 3pm to 6pm

Tuesday, Dec 26

Ben Woodham, Ettalong Beach Hotel, 3pm

Wednesday, Dec 27

Killcare SLSC 9th Annual Art by the Sea

Killcare Art Show, major charity fundraising event for Killcare SLSC, Killcare Surf Life Saving Club, Beach Drive, Killcare, 10am to 3pm daily until January 7, opening night on December 27 from 6pm to 8pm bookings essential

Pearl Beach Holiday Book Sale, Memorial Hall, 9 Diamond Rd, 9am to 2pm

Saturday, Dec 30

Big Yellow Moon Band, Hardys Bay Club, 7:45pm

Sunday, Dec 31

The Camry's and DJ Daddy Long Legs, DJs Rusty and Boonge, 5:30pm to 12am

Crowded Enz, Riley's at Ettalong Diggers Memorial Club from 8:30pm

NYE with Tom Burlinson and live band including show, meal and glass of bubbly, Ettalong Diggers Memorial Club, bookings essential

Wednesday, Jan 3

The Official Blues Brothers Review, Ettalong Diggers Memorial Club, bookings essential

Saturday, Jan 6

The Ultimate Elvis Tribute, Ettalong Diggers Memorial Club, bookings essential

Tuesday, Jan 9

Coding for beginners, Woy Woy Library, ages 7 to 14, 10am to 12pm

Kids' Summer Cooking Classes, Jasmine Greens Kiosk, Umina, 1pm, bookings essential

Saturday, Jan 13

Crawl File Australian Crawl Show, Ettalong Diggers Memorial Club, bookings essential

Monday, Jan 15

Drive in craft and movie, Woy Woy Library, 2:30pm to 4pm

Tuesday, Jan 16

Sharpie Tie Dye to Teens, Umina Library, 2:30pm to 4pm

Wednesday, Jan 17
Family Food Fiesta, Mexican Food and activities, Peninsula Community Centre, 93 McMasters Rd, Woy Woy, 10:30am to 1pm, bookings essential

Monday, Jan 22

Summer Storytime, Woy Woy Library, 10:30am to 11:30am

Wednesday, Jan 24

Games Maker, Umina Library, 10am to 11:30am

Friday, Jan 26

Australia Day Breakfast, Wagstaffe Community Hall, 8:30am

Pearl Beach Kids Club Australia Day Races for six to 14 year olds, Memorial Hall

BBQ on the Terrace, Ettalong Diggers Memorial Club, bookings essential

Saturday, Jan 27

Troubadour Folk Club presents Jitensha, Duo from Canada, CWA Hall, The Boulevarde, Woy Woy, from 7pm

Peninsula directory of services, contacts and support groups

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Gosford City Council 4325 8222
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Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Organisations
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Drug & Alcohol rehab 4388 6360
Accommodation
Dept. of Housing Gosford 4323 5211
Cassie4Youth 4322 3197
Coast Shelter 4325 3540
Pacific Link Com Housing 4324 7617
Rumbalara Youth Refuge 4325 7555
Samaritans Youth Services 4351 1922
Youth Angle • Woy Woy 4341 8830
Woy Woy Youth Cottage 4341 9027
Animal Rescue
Wildlife Arc 4325 0666
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Community Centres
Peninsula Community Centre 4341 9333
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Counselling
Centacare: 4324 6403
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The Salvation Army 4325 5733
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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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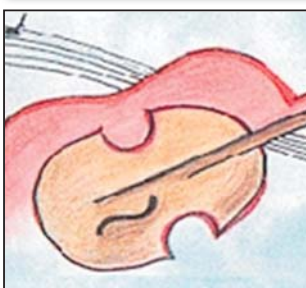
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See www.CentralCoastNewspapers.com or www.CentralCoastNews.net

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Personal and Not For Profit Organisations

As Central Coast Newspapers are community newspapers, the cost of advertising not for profit organisations' events is subsidised. This makes them the same rate as non business advertisements.

A mono 5cm advertisement only costs \$33. Each additional cm costs \$6.60 as does colour, and/or a photograph or a logo. Private advertisements need to be paid for at the time of booking.

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Time - Height(m)

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Mr Wal Rainbow and Mr Ian Jarratt

Life membership for services to zone bowls

Patron, life member and past president of Umina Beach Men's Bowling Club, Mr Wal Rainbow has been honoured with life membership of Bowls Central Coast Zone 15 for his services to the zone and to bowls in general.

His award was presented by the Deputy President of Zone 15, Mr Tony Hegyi, and included a zone life membership jacket, shirt and certificate together with his life membership badge.

Mr Rainbow's contribution to the zone consisted of zone president

from 1991-1994; vice president 2001-2002; state councillor 1995-1997; and zone patron 1997-2009.

He was awarded the Australian Sports Medal in 2000 for his contribution to lawn bowls.

The presentation was held on Saturday, November 18, at Club Umina on the Umina Beach Men's Bowling Club Annual Presentation Day.

Almost 90 bowlers and friends attended the day where lunch was followed by a game of bowls.

Mr Lee Patterson won the Major Singles and was named Bowler of the Year.

Encouragement Award went to
Mr Shaw (Sid) Stokie.

Achievement Awards went to Mr Roger Twells and Mr Shane Starkey, both of whom had excellent results in the zone competitions.

Past president Mr Ian Jarratt was also honoured, receiving life membership to the Men's Bowling Club for his contribution to Club Umina, the Men's Bowling Club, and annual Prostate Charity Day.

SOURCE:

Media release, 12 Dec 2017
Ian Jarratt, Umina Beach
Men's Bowling Club

Sea kayaker nominated

A sea kayaker who has recreated the journey of a Killcare resident from Germany to Australia has been nominated for an international award.

Ms Sandy Robson paddled the same route, recreating the journey of the late Mr Oskar Speck of Killcare.

Following her successful journey, Ms Robson was nominated as a finalist in the Australian

Geographic 2017 Adventurer of the Year Award and took out the top prize in November.

Ms Robson dedicated her win to Mr Speck.

Ms Robson has since been nominated as the Sportswoman of the Year in the World Paddle Awards, and is one of the three finalists.

Winners will be announced in a ceremony in Denmark in February.

The Hardys Bay Residents

Group invited Ms Robson to its 2016 Christmas meeting as an inspirational speaker before her journey.

"The story so captured our imagination that we invited her to Hardys Bay to tell us about her trip.

"It was an enthralling evening," said Residents Group newsletter editor Mr Adrian Williams.

SOURCE:

Newsletter, 16 Dec 2017
Adrian Williams, Hardys
Bay Residents Group

WOY WOY, NEW SOUTH WALES

December 2017 Daily Weather Observations



Australian Government
Bureau of Meteorology

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Surf club to get new tractor

Ocean Beach Surf Life Saving Club has been granted \$20,000 to buy a new tractor.

The club was granted the money through the Community Building Partnership grant program.

"The grant will allow us to purchase a brand new four-wheel-

drive tractor which will enable us to get the patrol trailer, inflatable rescue boat and surfboats on and off the beach with ease given our access issue," said club president Mr Scott Hannell.

SOURCE:
Website, 20 Dec 2017
Scott Hannell, Ocean Beach SLSC



Jemma Smith and Rachel Wood

Jemma and Rachel named for State squad

Umina Surf Life Saving members Jemma Smith and Rachel Wood have been named for the Surf Life Saving NSW's 2018 Interstate Championship Open Squad.

"This year's team is a blend of highly experienced competitors and those fast emerging as some of the best new talent in surf sport," said NSW Surf Sports development

coordinator Mr Tim Piper.

"Almost every open athlete selected has previously pulled on the blue cap, while some have already had a taste of competition on the world stage," he added.

Mr Piper said the depth of talent in the squad was impressive with selectors confident they have chosen a team with the quality to wrest back the trophy from Queensland.

The Interstate Championships are a highlight of the surf sport representative season.

Each state is allowed to field a maximum of 12 competitors, six male and six female, in the Open and Youth category with four under-17 athletes to be part of the Youth Squad.

SOURCE:
Media release, 18 Dec 2017
Donna Wishart, SLS NSW

Last charity bowls day for the year

Woy Woy Bowling Club's last Charity Bowls day for the year has raised \$1678.

has recounted the charity bowlers last gathering at Sporties, Woy Woy, for 2017.

"We had 66 bowlers at our end of year December event when we handed over a cheque for \$12,100 to Central Coast Kids in Need," said charity day organizer Mr Ken Dixon.

"This is a great achievement for our small club and the total figure would have been closer to \$14,000

if we add the cheques that we have sent up to Central Coast Kids in Need treasurer Ms Rhonda Doyle during the year from the Woy Woy Leagues Social Club, Woy Woy Lions Club and Bendigo Bank at Ettalong Beach.

"The \$1678 on the day included a donation from Bendigo Bank for our Christmas turkey as well as money raised by the Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club at their Christmas party a few days earlier.

SOURCE:
Media release, 18 Dec 2017
Ken Dixon, CC Kids Charity Bowlers

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Mixed pairs final

The final of the Umina Beach Mixed Pairs was played on Sunday, December 2, in front of a small but enthusiastic group of supporters.

The match was a fluctuating game with favourites Pat Neal and Alan Rhodes getting the early break on Roger Ford and daughter Lauren.

However, the Fords kept their

cool and fought back to gradually reduce the lead and come out winners 20-17.

On checking the records, it is believed to be the first occasion for a father and daughter to win this event at Umina Bowling Club.

SOURCE:
Media release, 13 Dec 2017
Ian Jarratt, Umina Beach Men's Bowling Club

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