

Ettalong Bowling Club proposes merger with Sporties

Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club has proposed an amalgamation with Woy Woy Bowling Club, in response to a call for expressions of interest by the Sporties' club.

Ettalong's merger offer is conditional on trading from the existing Sporties premises ceasing at the time of completion of the amalgamation.

All of the Sporties' "operations" would be relocated to the Ettalong club's premises.

The four-page proposal, signed by Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club Ltd chairperson Mr Robert Henderson and CEO Mr Timothy McGavin stated that the proposal was open to negotiation.

However, some core requirements were made clear from the first page of the club's four-page offer, including the surrender of the existing Sporties club liquor licence and transfer of poker machine revenue.

"We are open to negotiations with the landlord about the possibility of maintaining some smaller registered club operation from the site if some mutually beneficial arrangement can be struck.

"We are not in a position to make that a condition of the proposed amalgamation ... nor to hold up the proposed amalgamation on that account."

The merger conditions would appear to result in the current

proposal to redevelop the site on the corner of Brick Wharf Rd and North Burge Rd becoming invalid.

That is because the seniors housing component of the proposed redevelopment could only go ahead on RE2 zoned land if it were a component of a registered club.

The Ettalong club's proposal said the amalgamation would have to be complete by September 30 "with the total liabilities and provisions of Sporties that we pay out not exceeding \$800,000."

Ettalong Bowling Club members will also need to make a small change to their club's constitution to facilitate the amalgamation.

"Approval will be needed from Bowls NSW for the proposed Pennant arrangements," the document said.

All Sporties members would be automatically admitted as members of the Ettalong Bowling Club for their current annual subscription.

"We propose fostering a new and separate Sporites or Woy Woy Bowling Club sub-club and for so long as the new sub-club has a viable number of members [above either 90 or 150] to provide support for it."

That support would include making a green available to facilitate continuation of the existing Woy Woy bowls calendar without charge.

Basic funding for the new sub club would come from allowing it to

charge and keep the full amount of each green fee above a minimum of \$3.

The transferred members would be given personal lockers, support to enable the sub-club to provide the same internal championships with additional marketing, continuation of Pennants, transfer of life members, preservation of honour boards and historical records, continuation of social events, administrative support and access to bowls professional and State Match committee member Mr John Roberts.

Employees of the Ettalong club would not be affected and Sporties employees would be able to apply for any positions available at the time of the merger.

Sporties' current month-to-month tenancy agreement would need to be terminated to take effect at the time of completion of the amalgamation.

Gaming machine entitlements would be transferred to the Ettalong club.

SOURCE:

Proposal document, 7 Feb 2018
Robert Henderson, Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club Ltd

More on the Sporties development from page 10



Residents who reported the incident to the number shown on the sign were told trains had been ordered to slow down to avoid cars and pedestrians

Boom gate failure adds to level crossing danger

The failure of boom gates at the Rawson Rd level crossing and an inadequate response from NSW Trains has added to the danger of the level crossing, according to Member of Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch.

Boom-gates and hazard lights malfunctioned in what Ms Tesch described as "the latest terrifying incident" that caused hours of mayhem and delays after their failure at about 9pm on Wednesday, January 31, she said.

"I'm told there was disarray for four hours with traffic banking up, drivers stopping in the middle of the crossing, backing up, and doing U-turns across traffic just to get out of the situation," Ms Tesch said.

"Even more worrying were reports from locals who contacted NSW Trains about the incident and were told that as a safety precaution trains were ordered to simply slow down to avoid vehicles and pedestrians on the tracks," she said.

Ms Tesch said she would continue her calls for the NSW Government to come back to the

table to work on a permanent solution for the fatal intersection.

"Rawson Road is one of the most dangerous level crossings in the state, but this is a government that cares more about saving the dollars needed to end this madness and less about human lives," she said.

Ms Tesch said that one barrier stuck down at about 9pm and red lights continued to flash without oncoming trains.

As a result, cars were driving around barriers on the opposite side of the road to get through.

"What I'm hearing about the night's events is terrifying, and we are lucky that there wasn't loss of life," Ms Tesch said.

"Governments around the country are investing the money needed to get rid of dangerous level crossings, but the NSW Liberal Government doesn't seem to care," Ms Tesch said.

"Last night's chaos comes only a year after an elderly man lost his life when he was hit by a train while crossing at Rawson Rd."

SOURCE:

Media release, 1 Feb 2018
Liesl Tesch, Member for Gosford

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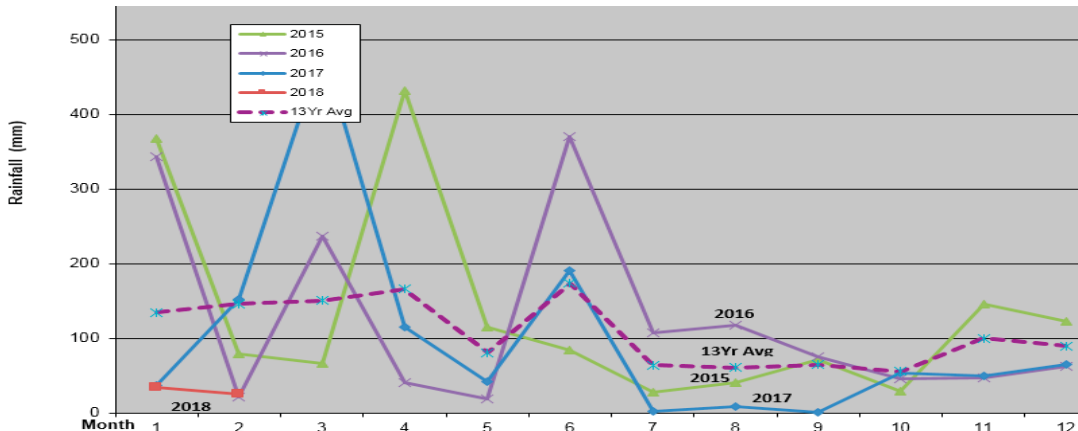
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Already 120mm below average for the year



January and February 2018 have continued the recent trend of below-average monthly rainfall on the Peninsula.

The first significant rainfall on the Peninsula in February occurred on February 3 when 18.6mm was recorded by Mr Jim Morrison of Umina.

Up to February 9 that was the only day when more than 5mm had fallen in the month.

The current trend is similar to that of January when the 124.7mm recorded on January 9 was the only day out of the month that saw more than 5mm of rain

fall. During January there were 25 days out of the 31 without a drop of rain.

Mr Morrison recorded a total of 33.8mm for the whole of January which was 75 per cent below average.

The Peninsula's average rainfall for February is 146mm so we continue to be well below that expected average.

SOURCE:
Rainfall data, 9 Feb 2018
Jim Morrison, Umina

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The Peninsula News and The Art House Wyong would like to offer one lucky reader a family pass (two adults and two children 12 and under or one adult and three children) to a Michael Sieders presents production of Alice In Wonderland adapted by Mary Anne Butler.

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Almost \$1 million will be spent to tackle beach erosion

Central Coast Council will put in nearly \$500,000 to match a NSW Government grant to tackle beach erosion at Ocean and Umina Beaches.

Council director Mr Mike Dowling said that the rate of erosion was drastically exacerbated in April 2015 during a significant coastal storm.

"This new funding will enable us to identify a long-term protective option for The Esplanade and the vital infrastructure located in it including water and drainage systems and electricity and telecommunications services.

"It will also investigate the feasibility of beach nourishment by understanding the complex sediment transport system within Broken Bay."

The funding received will allow the first two phases of a larger project to go ahead, this includes an analysis of the coastal processes and sediment dynamics for Broken Bay, options to improve beach access and amenities, the risks associated with vertical erosion scarps and the development of a long term solution for protecting The Esplanade.

"Council has a short-term strategy in place to protect The Esplanade, as a result of the storm in April 2015," he said.



A recent Central Coast Council photograph of high tide at Ocean Beach

"This includes the ongoing beach monitoring program, a temporary wall covering over 100 metres of beach and an ongoing beach scraping program that brings available sand further up the beach."

Mayor Cr Jane Smith said the funding strengthened Council's commitment to improving environmental and community assets and providing a safe environment for the community.

"This funding will provide for the development of concept designs to

address public safety due to steep erosion escarpments, beach and windblown dune erosion, dune ecology and general amenity at Ocean and Umina Beaches," she said.

"The design will consider improved pedestrian access to the beach and The Esplanade helping ensure our community can stay safely connected to their local environment.

"This type of funding is important for Council, as it allows us to research the local environment

and the way it works, and then design the best possible outcomes for everyone."

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce welcomed the funding announcement.

"This is welcome news even if it is long overdue," said Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales.

"The \$500,000 of matching State Government and Council funding is at least a start in correcting the massive erosion that has occurred between Ettalong Point and the Ocean Beach Surf

Club," Mr Wales said.

"Even though this is only a short term solution, we strongly encourage the Council to move quickly with the required studies and repair works before the erosion and vertical scarps become worse," he said.

"We understand that studies have to be undertaken, but we don't want to see massive amounts of funds spent on paperwork when we need action on the ground.

"There is a lot of concern in the community over the safety risk the erosion is causing along the beach escarpment and the lack beach access particularly for people with disabilities.

"Ultimately we see the restoration of Ocean Beach and Umina Beach tied in with the dredging of the Ettalong Beach Channel through a sand renourishment process.

"Now more than ever before, it is essential that the NSW Government approve the recent Council funding application for the dredging and let Council get on with the job," Mr Wales said.

SOURCE:

Media release, 29 Jan 2018
Mike Dowling, Central Coast Council

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Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

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Patonga boat ramp upgrade funded but Woy Woy wharf not confirmed

The NSW Boating Now fund has allocated \$3.6 million to the "Hawkesbury River, Pittwater and Brisbane Water Region".

This is expected to be spent on "priority regional projects" up to the end of 2019.

Only one of those projects is specified for the Peninsula and that is the Dark Corner Boat Ramp

at Patonga.

Brisbane Water Wharves are lumped together and no individual wharf identified.

The dark corner project involves construction of a formal car park to improve access and safety for users of the ramp and increase the parking available to meet increasing demand.

The priority wharves on

Brisbane Water expenditure will be to "upgrade priority wharves on Brisbane Water to improve safe access and provide disabled access".

The priority wharves are not named but may include Woy Woy wharf.

Brisbane Water locations will have to compete for funding with Penrith foreshore and Nepean

River access points, Wisemans Ferry Boat Ramp, Narrabeen Lake Dinghy Storage, a storage shed at North Narrabeen and two Scotland Island Wharfs.

The Boating Now funding announcement said "The total regional allocation is based on estimated projects costs and the proposed financial contributions from Council and other delivery

partners for individual projects.

"The total regional allocation may be subject to variation following further negotiations with Councils to confirm project scope, design, timeframes, funding contributions and the most efficient project delivery method."

SOURCE:
Boating Now Round 2
Funding List, 7 Feb 2018



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Sewerage, in the recent NSW Beachwatch Report 2017, Terrigal and Avoca along with numerous beaches on the lakes failed. To quote: "Terrigal Beach and Avoca Beach have been graded Poor for the last three years. While water quality at these sites is mostly suitable for swimming in dry weather conditions, elevated enterococci levels were often recorded after low levels of rainfall. These sites can be impacted by more significant sources of contamination such as discharges from lagoons and stormwater."

Solid Waste, most people on the Coast would be familiar with the nearly 1 million tonnes of waste at Mangrove Mountain landfill. Much of the waste was produced locally and the EPA have failed to protect our water catchment. Nobody knows what is in this dump, but one thing is for sure, it will eventually leach out.

With 330,000 people now, our water supply is under a cloud, the beaches are polluted and the waste problem grows. With 25% population increase, these problems will get worse. The Central Coast Regional Plan Monitoring Report was released late 2017. It has lots to say about jobs and needing to protect the environment. However, I could not find one target in response to our failing environment

John Asquith, Chairman

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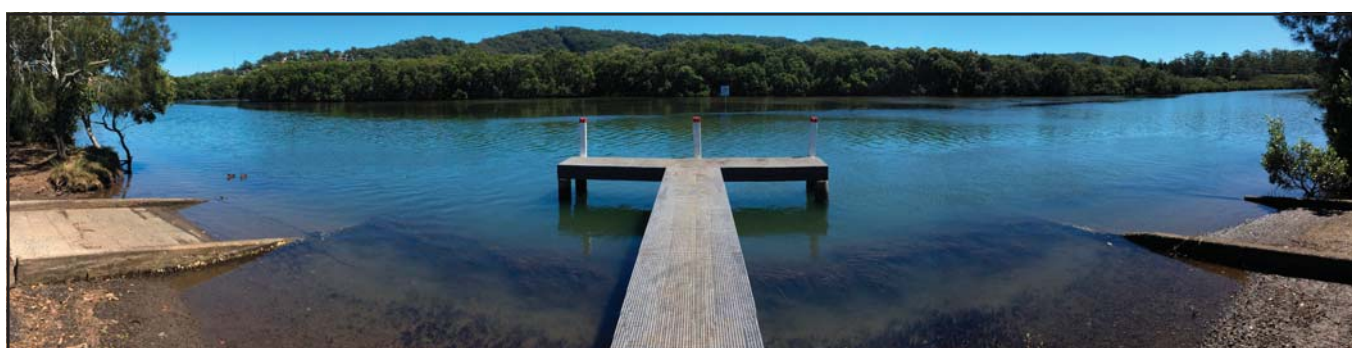
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Holstein lists Peninsula roadworks

Deputy mayor Cr Chris Holstein has responded to criticism of lack of road maintenance on the Peninsula.

He said Central Coast Council had scheduled work for the coming 12 months including resealing, initial design works and upgrades and drainage.

Cr Holstein said jobs ranged in cost from \$4500 up to \$250,000, in addition to major projects totalling \$5.5 million.

Cr Holstein listed roads and streets earmarked for improvements in the current financial year: Adelaide, Augusta, Bapaume, Bathurst, Bay, Blackwall, Bourke, Burnett, Carpenter, Central, Cowper, Dunalban, Gross, Kathleen, Lace, Lalla, Nowack, Onslow, Paton,

Patonga, Pozieres, Preistman, Schnapper, Station, Tapestry, The Espanade, Trafalgar, Uliganda, Wattle, Wellington, West and Woy Woy Bay.

"Then you have several capital works projects totalling over \$5.5 million including Davis St, Booker Bay; Ryans Rd, Umina; Ocean Beach Rd, Umina; Lone Pine Ave, Umina, and Springwood St, Umina," Cr Holstein said.

"I won't argue the need for more road works on the Peninsula but it is not the case that nothing is being done.

"I look forward to greater expenditure, hopefully with greater input from the other levels of government," Cr Holstein said.

SOURCE:
Media statement, 2 Feb 2018
Chris Holstein, Central Coast Council



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Playgroup calls on Council to justify herbicide use

Members of the Nature Play Group from the Peninsula Environment Group have called on Central Coast Council to justify use of a scheduled herbicide in the "drainage easement" adjacent to Neera Rd, Umina.

The playgroup is not a campaigning organisation and members were reluctant to make comment in the media about the use of herbicides.

The playgroup organises regular outings for picnics and exploration of the bush and waterways.

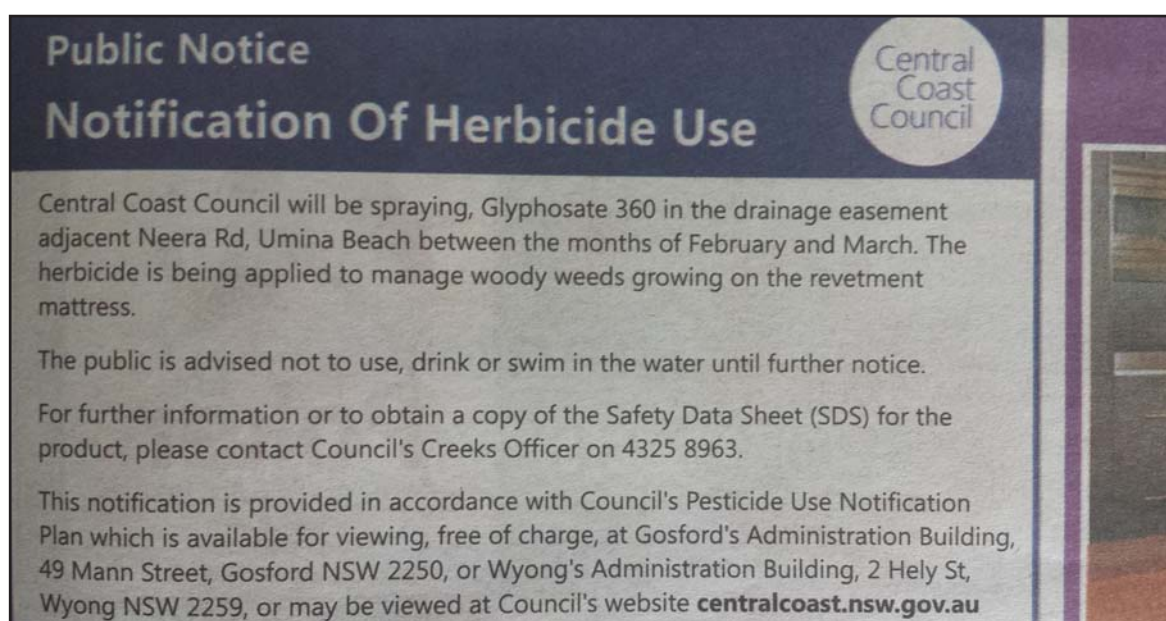
One member, Ms Verity Roser, shared the public notice placed in a regional newspaper by Central Coast Council about use of Glyphosate 360 in February and March to "manage woody weeds growing in the revetment mattress".

The notice said "the public is advised not use, drink or swim in the water until further notice".

"This creek flows to Kiddy's Corner at the south end of Umina Beach," Ms Roser said.

"My parents have lived on this creek for 30 years and have had times when fish or ducks have died on mass," she said.

"My father has called Council



Public notice alerting community to use of herbicide near Kiddy's Corner at Umina

but never had an answer."

Glyphosate 360 herbicide is a water soluble herbicide for non-selective control of annual, aquatic and perennial weeds.

Instructions for its use said: "Do not apply this product within 0.5km upstream of potable water intake in flowing water (rivers or streams) or within 0.5km of a potable water intake in a standing body of water

such as a lake, pond or reservoir.

Although proposed use adjacent to Neera Rd is not near a drinking water supply, members of the Nature Play Group have questioned whether its use is safe in an area so close to an area of beach and creek mouth preferred by the parents of young children.

Safety directions indicate the product will irritate the eyes and skin and that contact is to be

avoided.

Users are directed to wear elbow length PVC gloves and face shields or goggles.

"After use and before eating, drinking or smoking, wash hands, arms and face thoroughly with soap and water.

"After each day's use wash contaminated clothing, gloves and face shield or goggles.

"When using controlled droplet applicator wear protective waterproof clothing and impervious footwear."

Chemical company Monsanto introduced Glyphosate to the market in the 1970s under the trade name Roundup and the company's last patent expired in 2000.

Its toxicology and safety for humans remains a topic of debate.

According to members of the PEG Nature Play Group, other local governments have stopped using it in favour of safer chemicals.

Cr Richard Mehrtens said he was disappointed that Council staff considered a notice in a regional newspaper adequate to inform the local community and visitors about the use of the herbicide.

"Perhaps through the consultation Council currently has underway to get feedback from the community about its engagement strategies, they will find improved communication methods for such important safety information," he said.

SOURCES:
Interviews, 7 Feb 2018
Verity Roser, PEG
Nature Play Group
Richard Mehrtens, Central
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Reporter: Jackie Pearson

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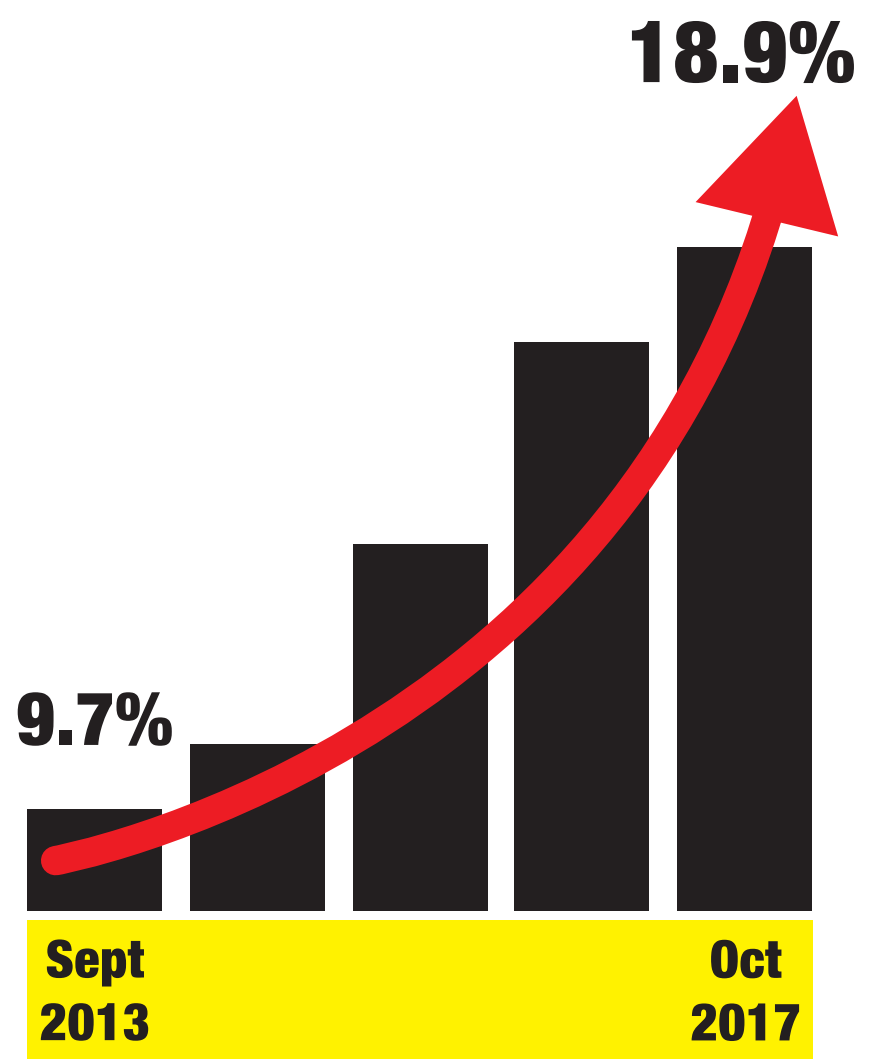
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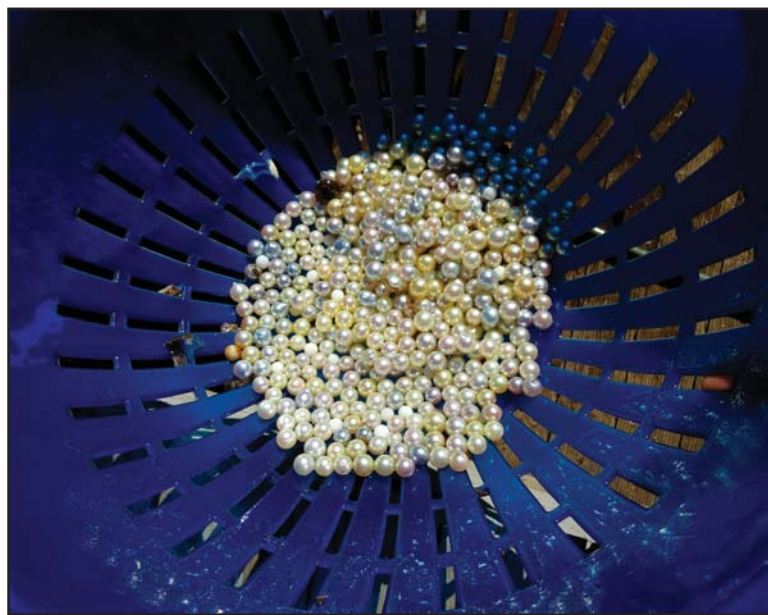
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Scientific paper written about our cultured pearls

A scientific paper about cultured pearls grown in Woy Woy has appeared in the international journal, *Gems and Gemology*.

Researchers from Macquarie University and Johannes Gutenberg University in Germany have written about their findings a paper entitled "Akoya Cultured Pearl Farming in Eastern Australia"

The researchers visited and documented the pearl-seeding and -harvesting procedures in Woy Woy and sampled pearls of

various colours, shapes and sizes.

They said the akoya cultured pearls from Woy Woy are special because they occur in a wide variety of natural colours that range from classic white and silver over more unconventional colours like yellow, orange, pink and blue.

The akoya cultured pearls industry goes back to the early 1900s when Kokichi Mikimoto produced the first fully round akoya cultured pearls in Japan.

The pearl-oysters needed to produce these pearls are also native to the local shoreline and

have produced fine quality pearls since around 1999.

"It is a unique opportunity, for us to be able to observe this richness in colour range," said Macquarie University PhD student Ms Laura Otter.

"The pearls from Broken Bay are marketed without the use of any bleaches or dyes as is common practice elsewhere," she said.

The pearls are allowed to grow for 18 months before they are harvested, which is above average for most Akoya farms.

A growing number of Australian

retailers have embraced the Brisbane Water pearls and use them to create locally manufactured jewellery.

The aim of the study was to characterise this new source of akoya pearls with their unusual colour palette to see and understand how these pearls differ from other pearls.

In the future, these findings will help to discriminate between different origins of akoya pearl production and the discrimination from other types of cultured pearls.

This information is essential

for example for gem-testing laboratories, which need to determine the authenticity, origin, and possible application of treatments for their customers.

Results of the study point towards successful discrimination of colourful Australian akoya pearls from other pearl types while naturally white pearls remain difficult to identify.

The research is expected to take at least another year to complete.

SOURCE:

Media release, 6 Feb 2018
Emma Casey, Macquarie University

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...reborn and now in Galleria Ettalong,
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.

Established in 1988, Scholten Jewellers has been manufacturing fine jewellery on the Central Coast for 30 years, having had shops in Bateau Bay, Gosford, Erina and Tuggerah.

Scholten Jewellers is now in Ettalong, providing an excellent repair, design remodelling and manufacturing service.

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Solar business claims to have been misrepresented

The proprietor of a solar installation business has claimed he has been misrepresented in a Peninsula News article published on page 8 of edition 437 entitled "Caution urged with door-to-door solar salesmen".

Smart Energy Group managing director Mr Beau Savage said he had provided lengthy answers to Peninsula News which had not been published.

"Not one of our door-to-door reps sells anything," he said.

He said they let residents know "what we are doing".

"If the customer wants solar or just an appointment for more information our rep takes basic information, name, address and contact details, and then arranges a date and time for a specialist to come by," he said.

"Our solar specialists are

qualified electricians or engineers and all have substantial hands-on experience installing solar in homes and businesses."

Although the business had only been operating just over a year, "our head solar specialist is a licensed electrician and has been tailoring solutions for rooftop solar for over five years," he said.

Mr Savage said his company "bulk buys solar systems ... to reduce the overall cost for each customer".

Explaining the flyer distributed by door knockers, he said that buyers would receive savings of "up to \$2380 per home", rather than a \$2380 solar system for free.

While not clarifying whether the installers were employees or sub-contractors, Mr Savage said: "We install the systems."

"One of our house solar installers who are individually Clean Energy Council accredited installers that are also qualified

electricians and roofers; not only are they electricians, they are solar electricians all with a minimum three years experience."

Mr Savage acknowledged that his company did not offer the finance itself, but said: "We work with Brighte, Classic Funding Group and Certegy who are all massive companies. Certegy are used as Harvey Norman's interest-free supplier."

Mr Savage claimed that "since February 2017, Smart Energy has installed solar on 837 homes - 0.7 per cent of Australia's solar last year".

"The Central Coast has one of the lowest amounts of solar per dwelling in Australia so for us it works quite well under our goal to help this area," he said.

SOURCE:

Media statements, 24 Jan 2018, 1 Feb 2018
Beau Savage, Smart Energy Group

Council considers making a submission about Sporties

Central Coast Council will consider whether it will make its submission to the Joint Regional Planning Panel, in addition to its planning staff's assessment.

Mayor Jane Smith has called for the assessment report to be referred for Council consideration before it is forwarded to the Joint Regional Planning Panel.

Mayor Smith has used a Mayoral Minute, to be debated at Council's meeting on Monday, February 12, to formally bring the Sporties proposal to the attention of all elected councillors.

"DA53119/2017 relates to three parcels of land at 184, 186 Brick Wharf Rd and 1 North Burge Rd, Woy Woy," the Mayoral Minute said.

"The application seeks development consent for Seniors Housing independent living units, a new club, retail tenancies and basement car park on the site."

"The application was on public notification from Thursday, October 26 to Thursday, November 16. [Peninsula News understands this period was extended to December].

"Ninety submissions objecting

to the development have been received by Council and a presentation by local residents was made to Council at the Residents' Forum on December 18.

"The development is being assessed by Central Coast Council staff, but will be determined by the Hunter and Central Coast Joint Regional Planning Panel."

"Council is able to make a submission on behalf of its local community for developments for which a Joint Regional Planning Panel is the consent authority."

"These submissions are separate from the assessment report written by Council staff."

Councillors, excluding those on the Panel, will vote on the Mayor's formal motion "that the Acting CEO refer the assessment report for DA53119/2017 Woy Woy Bowling Club to Council prior to being considered by the Hunter and Central Coast Joint Regional Planning Panel" and "that Council then determine whether it will make a submission to the Hunter and Central Coast Joint Regional Planning Panel in relation to this Development Application."

SOURCE:

Agenda item 2.1, 12 Feb 2018
Jane Smith, Central Coast Council

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Waterfront group calls for withdrawal of Sporties' plans

Save Woy Woy Waterfront has called for the withdrawal of the application to redevelop Woy Woy Sporties into seniors' housing if a proposal goes ahead to merge the club with the Ettalong Bowling Club.

Mr Ross Cochrane of Save Woy Woy Waterfront said he had written to all 15 Central Coast councillors, State Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch and Federal Member for Robertson Ms Lucy Wicks, calling on them to take action to stop the proposed development.

"The proposal to redevelop Woy Woy Sporties into 63 seniors' living units can only happen under State Environmental Planning Policy 14 on the condition there is a Licensed Club because of its RE2 zoning," Mr Cochrane said.

"Although the proposal as submitted in the DA shows a fanciful underground bowling green, it would still somehow classify," he said.

"A recent development has been a proposal for Woy Woy Sporties to merge with Ettalong Bowling Club.

"The proposal would see the



Main entrance to Sporties from North Burge Rd

complete closure of the club in its current location moved to Ettalong Bowling Club, the surrender of the liquor licence and immediate closure of Woy Woy Sporties.

"Woy Woy Bowling Club would cease to exist in all but name.

"This would make the current DA invalid as it is obvious that there

is no intention of using the current site for community recreation and it is being done purely on a speculative basis to further on-sell the club to Sydney or International developers.

"This DA cannot be approved knowing that the licenced club will close straight away.

"The Sporties is 85 years old.

"Generations of Peninsula residents have used these facilities.

"It is being run into the ground financially so as to facilitate its closure.

"All attempts by the members to improve its financial standing are

being blocked and dismissed.

"This development should not be some borderline decision as it is not a proposal for 63 residential units in the heart of Gosford or Woy Woy.

"These are community facilities, in a community precinct which when lost to housing units will never be regained for the residents."

Mr Cochrane said he believed the community had clearly demonstrated deficiencies with the proposed redevelopment of the site including a "lack of comprehensive geotechnical study, traffic management and flood plans".

"This development should never even have made it past a Council pre DA meeting.

"If this DA is approved there will be no justification to reject any DA on RE2 land anywhere on the Coast."

The Woy Woy Sporties board of directors has not yet put the proposal to merge with Ettalong Bowling Club to a vote of its members.

SOURCE:

Interview, 6 Feb 2018

Ross Cochrane, Save

Woy Woy Waterfront

Reporter: Jackie Pearson

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Sporties' proposal big enough for panel referral

The proposed redevelopment of the Sporties club in Woy Woy is one of only two Peninsula projects big enough to be referred to the Central Coast Joint Regional Planning Panel since 2014.

A meeting of the Panel will be organised as soon as practicable after Central Coast Council has submitted its assessment report.

"It is expected that Council will complete its assessment report within 60 days after the close of the public exhibition period," according to the NSW Government's Operational Procedures for Planning Panels, September 2016.

The public exhibition period for DA53119/2017 closed on December 11 so Council's assessment report should be delivered to the Panel and made available through its online planning portal by February 10.

The meeting agenda, with date, location and time will be available on the panel website at least seven days before the meeting.

The applicant and any person who made a submission about the proposal will have the opportunity to address the panel at the meeting.

Given the substantial public interest in the Sporties redevelopment, the Panel has the discretion to hold a public briefing prior to their formal meeting.

Community groups and

individuals, as well as the applicant, could apply to speak at such a meeting and Council's assessment staff would be required to note and consider any issues raised.

The Joint Regional Planning Panel is an independent body representing the Crown and not subject to the direction of the Minister apart from in relation to procedures.

The panel operates under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (EP and A Act).

The Minister for Planning can declare any area of the state as a region under the EP and A Act and currently the Hunter and Central Coast Panel is one of four, the other three being Southern, Northern and Western.

The principal function of the planning panel is to "determine regionally significant development applications and undertake rezoning reviews," according to the NSW Government's Planning Panels Operational Procedures.

Other functions including acting as the planning authority for preparing and processing a planning proposal (land rezoning) when directed to do so by the Minister for Planning.

It also determines Crown development applications that have been referred by Council or the applicant that Council hasn't made a decision on within the timeframe prescribed under the EP

and A Act.

Applications to modify a consent (Section 96 modifications) on a regionally significant development are also decided by the panel and, if the Minister requires, it can provide advice on planning or development matters.

The State Environmental Planning Policy (State and Regional Development) sets out the Council consent functions exercised by the planning panel.

The panel consists of five members, three, including the chair, appointed by the Minister for Planning and two nominated by Council.

At least one of the two Council delegates is supposed to have expertise in one of more of planning, architecture, heritage, the environment, urban design, land economics, traffic and transport, law, engineering or tourism.

Council remains responsible for receiving, notifying and exhibiting development applications, preparing the assessment reports including consideration of submissions and the post-determination functions including notification of determinations to the applicant and any person who made a submission.

Council may also need to provide venues for meetings, arrange site visits and briefings and provide minute takers.

The Sporties proposal is

monitored by the panel secretariat and its progress is public via planningpanels.nsw.gov.au.

The Local Government Act 1993 (Section 352) provides that a member of Council staff is not subject to direction by councillors as to the content of any advice or recommendation made by the staff member.

Equally councillors are not bound by the advice or recommendations made by staff.

Staff are responsible for assessing the DA and documenting that assessment in a report.

In the case of Sporties, that assessment will be considered by the Panel.

"Section 23G has conferred upon the planning panel the function of the elected Council to determine regionally significant DAs and certain other types of DA," according to the Operational Procedures.

"The elected council is able to make a submission to the planning panel on a DA within their local government area."

Panel members must not discuss developments if they are approached and are supposed to encourage any person wishing to discuss a development to make a submission to Council during the assessment stage.

The assessment report provided to the Panel must include a recommendation to either approve the development, in which

case it must also include any conditions of consent, or refuse the development, in which case it must include reasons for refusal.

The assessment report should also outline any developer contributions (Section 94 contributions) payable to Council by the applicant.

The assessment report has to be provided to the panel secretariat before it can be sent to elected Councillors.

Once the panel meeting has heard all public submissions and the recommendation in the assessment report considered, the panel will either determine the application or defer its decision (with reasons stated).

If the applicant is dissatisfied with the panel's determination he can apply for a merit appeal in the Land and Environment Court within six months.

The challenge is made against the Council because it is still considered the consent authority so Council would have to defend the appeal.

SOURCE:

Website, 7 Feb 2018
Joint Regional Planning
Panel, Planning Register
Planning Panels Operational
Procedures, Sep 2016
NSW Planning Department
Website, 7 Feb 2018
DA53119/2017, Gosford DA Tracker

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Mehrtens considers independent Sporties' assessment

Cr Richard Mehrstens has said he was considering moving to have an independent assessment report done by an outside organisation on the proposal to redevelop the Woy Woy Sporties club.

"I committed to raising that prospect with my colleagues but at this point it does not look like there is a great deal of support for using an external consultant to review the proposal.

"There is a possibility and appetite to have an independent internal report by development and assessment staff that were not involved in the first report," he said.

The Labor Gosford West Ward Councillor said: "I met with members of the Save Woy Woy Waterfront group recently and they let me know what their situation was.

"It was good to get their point of view because they have been dealing with this for months," he said.

"I committed to asking questions of Council staff which included what the process would be for me to bring the proposed development to Council for discussion.

"I am waiting to hear back on what options are available to me to bring it to council directly."

The \$30 million proposal for the



Kate da Costa from Central Coast Greens and Cr Richard Mehrstens with members of Save Woy Woy Waterfront

Sporties site will be determined by the Joint Regional Planning Panel.

The procedures for planning panels state that an elected Council can make its own submission to the Panel, in addition to the assessment report Council staff are required to prepare as part of the development application process.

The elected Council's submission would need to be prepared by staff that were not involved in the assessment of the DA.

The councillors who are

currently members of the Panel, Cr Chris Burke and Cr Kyle MacGregor, would need to declare a conflict of interest and not participate in any discussions with their fellow councillors about the application.

"I know the Panel met with staff and I was told it was a closed meeting and not appropriate for me to attend.

"I was keen to hear what staff and Panel members were saying about the project.

"My concerns are that it is going to be another one of those projects

that will be a major shifter for the area, particularly for those people who use the park at the end of Brickwharf Rd, but rather than give it proper analysis it will be put aside for a quick and easy approval by the Panel."

As for the proposed amalgamation of Sporties with the Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club, Cr Mehrstens said he did not support: "Any proposal that would leave a shell of a club there.

"A club only in name is not in the spirit of what that project should be and what the State planning policy

for seniors housing allows for.

"It flies in the face of what should be considered acceptable.

"My feeling is the land is zoned for recreation and that, unless the club is a substantial part of that development, it should not be allowed under the State planning policy.

"The club should be able to continue to play a role in the community as a recreation venue.

"My major concern is what is going to happen to this area if it becomes a residential development and retail complex.

"We have so little valuable recreational land on the Peninsula if we lose it to residential, retail or commercial we cannot afford to give it away.

"It has now become more of a residential development than a recreational development and if we allow the inch by inch loss of community land we set a very bad precedent.

"And that is on top of the four major tide events in last two months which makes that side of the Peninsula almost completely unusable especially with an underground carpark."

SOURCE:

Interview, 7 Feb 2018

Richard Mehrstens, Central

Coast Council

Reporter: Jackie Pearson



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Little 'trickle down' despite tourism success - Chamber

Tourism operators on the Peninsula have been enjoying a successful summer holiday season, according to the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce.

"Overall, it has been an excellent summer and that has been evidenced by the number of people who are in town," said Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales.

"When you look at venues like the Mantra, the Holiday Park at Ocean Beach and Ettalong Tourist Resort, they have done very well this year," he said.

However, Mr Wales said the Chamber was not completely convinced by Central Coast

Council's initiatives to promote the region.

"I still think there is a lot of work to do in promoting local tourism and I am disappointed in the direction Central Coast Council has taken.

"I don't believe it is going to serve local needs anywhere near what is required to promote local attractions.

"It is too focused on the big end of town and I have seen little evidence of the trickle-down effect we need for smaller and more local operators to get the assistance they need," he said.

SOURCE:
Interview, 11 Jan 2018
Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce
Reporter: Jackie Pearson



The bowling green at Woy Woy Sporties looking from the public boat ramp

Regional planning panel inspects Sporties site

The Joint Regional Planning Panel has held a site inspection and briefing at the Woy Woy Sporties on Thursday, January 25.

The briefing considered

DA53119/2017 which proposed to build seniors housing and independent living units, a new club, retail tenancies and a basement car park on the site of the registered club at the corner of

Brick Wharf Rd and North Burge Rd in Woy Woy.

Panel members who attended the meeting were Mr Jason Perica (chair), Mr Michael Leavey, Ms Abigail Goldberg and Central Coast councillors Kyle MacGregor (Wyong Labor) and Chris Burke (Wyong Liberal).

The site inspection and briefing, which took less than one hour, was also attended by Council assessment staff Ms Ailsa Prendergast, Mr Robert Eyre and Ms Antonia Stuart.

According to the Panel's record of the briefing, key issues discussed were height and character, site characteristics and surrounds, permissibility and zoning, consistency issues, parking and the need for an updated traffic assessment and issues raised in submissions.

A tentative panel meeting date to consider the development application is to be confirmed.

SOURCE:
Meeting record, 25 Jan 2018
Jason Perica, CCJRPP



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The NSW Trustee and Guardian will hold a Plan Ahead Day at Woy Woy Courthouse on Tuesday, February 12.

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"We have seen many different situations and people in a range of family circumstances, so we are well experienced to help and offer advice on estate planning," said Mr Brett Bennie from the service's Newcastle office.

"Without a will, items of monetary and sentimental value may not be distributed as you may have wanted," Mr Bennie said.

"It is also important your will is kept up-to-date as your life circumstances change, for example, when you get married, purchase a business or property, get divorced, or have children," he said.

"A power of attorney should also come hand-in-hand with a will, as it allows you to appoint an attorney to manage financial and legal affairs such as paying bills and signing documents if you are unable to

manage these affairs yourself or lose the mental capacity to make decisions for yourself in the future."

Bookings are essential and can be made through NSW Trustee and Guardian's website.

Mr Bennie said the NSW Trustee and Guardian had been making wills and powers of attorney and administering estates for the people of NSW for over 100 years and during that time written more than one million wills.

SOURCE:

Media release, 31 Jan 2018
Georgina Grimekis, The
D'Arcy Partnership



Volunteers praised

The Wagstaffe-Killcare Community Association has praised the efforts of its volunteers.

"We have praised the efforts of Mr Terry Baker and the community carvers for the wonderful provision of tables on the grass behind the Wagstaffe Hall," the Association's Ms Peta Colebatch said.

"Would you believe that 23 people sat at the new table

recently?

"But the job needed to be finished and that is where Mr Ken Tough and Ms Julie Ho stepped in.

"Many days of their backbreaking work have seen the areas under the tables paved, the grass restored and the area wonderfully improved."

SOURCE:

Newsletter, 2 Feb 2018
Peta Colebatch, WTKCA

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Few applications heard by council, fewer rejected

Your reporter states that "Under Mr Ian Reynolds' administration, the 50 submissions policy was adopted by Council".

Reynolds was the "council" and the 50 figure declared by Reynolds, without debate, no reasons given.

Cr Bruce McLachlan said: "Councillors are not trained town planners and should not impede the business of council."

"I have concerns about the implications that this will have on council staff, resources, extra expense to rate payers, slowing down DA approvals, costing people time and money," said Cr Jilly Pillon.

It should be pointed out that if DAs put to council are complying developments, the community usually has no avenue for objection and you would have to have some compelling reason to convince a

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councillor to take it to council.

It was reported in the Sydney Morning Herald on January 16 under the heading "The councils most likely to refuse renovation plans", that, in the years 2014 to 2016, Gosford councillors decided 99 applications while the staff

(doing what they are paid to do) decided 3739 applications.

In the financial year 2014 to the financial year of 2016, Gosford council refused less than one per cent of applications that came to it.

Cr McLachlan's facetious statement that he is "looking forward to the garden sheds and car ports in future meetings" illustrates the ignorance of the councillors who are trying to remove the residents from the decision-making in our council.

Shame on them.

Garden sheds and carports are exempt developments and you can have both and more up to 20 metres square each.

Mosman "refers after three objections," according to Mosman Mayor Carolyn Corrigan in the Sydney Morning Herald report.

Email, 30 Jan 2018
Bryan Ellis, Umina

New smart planning paradigms should mean less cars

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There has been some discussion lately about the future of the Peninsula with mayor Cr Jane Smith and Peninsula Chamber of Commerce president Mr Matthew Wales talking about the need for a renewed urban design.

This may be so, but what is the chamber's real vision?

The Peninsula needs an urban design that benefits the whole community, and would include low-rise, mixed-use buildings with active street frontages, more trees and open spaces that will create a better urban amenity than currently exists.

It doesn't need more traffic lights and more layers of car parking.

One of the main points of a coherent urban design is the transport system.

The Member for Gosford, Ms Liesl Tesch, is on the right track in relation to transport (Peninsula News, January 29), although what is required is future thought on transport and living spaces around the Peninsula that reflects projected climate change, sea level rise and technology.

The Peninsula needs a complete solution involving vertically-integrated public transport for residents, commuters, school children and the elderly, not one-off projects.

One possibility is the implementation of a light rail.

Research by a Canberra

university has shown utilisation of rapid transit can be successful in urban and regional areas of lower density and can be city-shaping, transforming communities when combined with long-term strategic urban planning.

A trackless light rail such as the ART in China could deliver considerable financial, social and environmental benefits to the area.

This includes a flow-on effect to diversifying the economy, improving liveability for the community and sustaining the environment by reducing traffic congestion and transport disadvantage, and increasing value capture and health via more walkable suburbs that are connected across the Peninsula.

Smart cities provides active transport, reliable sustainable public transport and urban design that responds to population growth but enhances the liveability of locations.

The money suggested to be spent on any major car parking project should be utilised in establishing a transport-orientated design project that services the whole of the Peninsula, looking at reducing traffic volumes rather than old engineering paradigms of more cars, more spaces to park them in and more traffic lights.

Email, 7 Feb 2018
Mark Ellis, Woy Woy

Council approval unacceptable

It is totally unacceptable that Council approved a non-compliant Development Application for units at 372

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Booker Bay Rd.

The Council should have the capacity to hold and review the application because the development application has not met all the necessary requirements.

Over 100 residents signed a petition opposing the development.

Should all signatories on the petition not receive a fair outcome to this issue?

I guess we will have to escalate the matter to higher authorities for proper investigation.

Email, 1 Feb 2018
Alf Quinten, Booker Bay

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Democracy needed in planning process

Matthew Wales' claim that reducing the number of DA objections required to trigger a referral to Council will "impede the orderly development we need" ("Chamber opposes lower submission threshold", Peninsula News, January 29) is, of course, patent nonsense.

Unless he means, by "orderly development", a free flow of shonky projects along the lines of the Atlantis proposal in Ettalong, the Sporties proposal in Woy Woy and the West St proposal in Umina.

If, as he avers, "the staff should be able to ... assess these applications without having to constantly refer them to council", why are we faced with the ongoing uglification of the Peninsula which is only slowed by the persistent efforts of a small number of residents who take the trouble to identify problem applications and make their views known to the Council?

On the basis of past performance, it seems doubtful that many residents would have much confidence in leaving planning decisions entirely in the hands of Council staff.

Admittedly, a Council whose most important action in recent weeks has been the removal of rubbish from Umina Beach and

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councillors whose main concern is the placement of banners on West St are weak reeds to rely on for anyone concerned about the future direction of the Peninsula.

The mayor still hasn't proceeded beyond her inspiration that the development of the Peninsula requires "thought", and, if it takes two years to prepare a plan for Woy Woy centre, the prospects of a definitive plan for the whole Peninsula must lie in the dim, distant future.

By the time of the next election, it looks as though the only achievement Council will be able to point to is the resurfacing of Ryans Rd, and even that required a hefty injection of political pork-barrelling to bring about.

Still, what else do we have?

Feeble as it is, the Council is our only protection against the sort of vision projected by Mr Wales.

In my view, there should be a more systematic procedure for lodging objections with Council than we have now, a better system of communication from Council about the handling of objections and a reliable process for informing objectors about the results of representations.

This is called democracy.

Email, 30 Jan 2018
Bruce Hyland, Woy Woy



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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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FEBRUARY 1, 2018

YOUR INDEPENDENT COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER - PH: 4325 7369

ISSUE 175

Mangrove Mountain and Spencer advisory committee holds first meeting

The Mangrove Mountain and Spencer advisory committee held its inaugural meeting at the Mangrove Mountain Hall on Tuesday, January 30, to bed down issues such as its terms of reference and frequency of meetings.

Landfill is at a critical juncture

Dr Stephen Goodwin of the Mountain Districts Association (MDA) outlined the community's expectations at the first meeting of the Mangrove Mountain and Spencer Advisory Committee on January 30.

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Recruitment company appointed

A recruitment company called Davidson, has been appointed to assist the Central Coast Council to recruit a permanent General Manager.

Legal action of Mangrove Mountain Landfill under consideration

Acting CEO of Central Coast Council, Mr Brian Glendenning, has indicated it is likely, but not guaranteed, that Council will take further legal action against the operators of the Mangrove Mountain Landfill.

Thomas Bagnat receives OAM for service to public administration

Born in Wollongong and now a resident of Springfield, Thomas John Bagnat, has received his OAM for service to public administration in NSW.

Leslie Dell receives Order of Australia for service to education and the community

East Gosford resident, Mr Leslie Dell, has been honoured with a Medal of the Order of Australia for his service to business, education and the community.

Tesch claims that dredging decision is a slap in the face to Gosford

The Member for Gosford, Ms Liesl Tesch, has labelled the NSW Government's decision to fund dredging at The Entrance Channel, but refuse to fund the Ettalong Channel dredging, a slap in the face to the Peninsula and Gosford.

Crouch keen to see higher number of objections required

Member for Terrigal, Mr Adam Crouch, has called on Central Coast Council to reverse its recent decision which decreased the number of objections required for a Development Application to be reviewed by Councillors.

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WYONG REGIONAL CHRONICLE

Issue 134
February 6, 2018

Your independent community newspaper - Ph: 4325 7369

Exploratory underwater seismic blasts approved

Asset Energy has been given permission to use underwater seismic blasts to search for coal and gas off the Central Coast, according to the Central Coast Greens.

Questions of undue influence raised

Shadow Minister for the Central Coast, Mr David Harris, has called on NSW Premier, Ms Gladys Berejiklian, and Planning Minister, Mr Anthony Roberts, to review all decisions made by former Resources and Energy Minister, Mr Chris Hartcher,

Lock the Gate Alliance submission shows concern over water security

The NSW Government is compromising the Central Coast's drinking water, along with that of Newcastle and Sydney, according to a submission to the government's drinking water catchment review by the Lock the Gate Alliance.

Well attended meeting declares continued opposition to coal mine

Approximately 200 Central Coast residents attended a public meeting, held at Ourimbah on Saturday, January 27, in opposition to the Wallarah 2 coal mine.

Independent Expert Scientific Committee Report expresses grave concerns over coal mine

The future of the Central Coast's drinking water sits with the Federal Government, which will assess the Wallarah 2 Coal Project under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act, following the

Power station demolition breaks Australian records

The demolition of the Munmorah Power Station is moving ahead with an imminent blast event scheduled to demolish the remaining boiler house.

New child care facility proposed at Fountaindale

A proposal has been received by Central Coast Council to build a \$1.4m child care facility at 98 to 112 Chittaway Rd, Fountaindale.

Multi-dwelling housing development proposed for Peel St, Toukley

A \$2.99 million development application has been lodged with Central Coast Council to build a multi-dwelling housing development at 47 to 49 Peel St, Toukley.

Seniors' housing proposal receives State Government approval

A seniors' housing proposal in Kanwal has been given State Government approval by the Department of Planning and Environment.

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

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Where is the Peninsula Urban Directions Strategy?

The spokesperson for the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce says we need a new urban planning and design approach to the town centre.

What happened to the Peninsula Urban Directions Strategy?

The strategy was prepared by consultants Newbold Urban Planning with Elton Consulting, Leyshon Consulting and Masson

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Wilson Twiney.

Brett Newbold was consulted and engaged to research the Urban Design Framework DCP by Gosford Council in 2001, a major task for the consultant.

The council must have been confident that Mr Newbold and assisting consultants had the expertise to prepare and

recommend a quality strategy for the Peninsula.

What was the cost to prepare this strategy? Were the consultants' recommendations accepted by Gosford Council? Did the Chamber spokesman and Chamber members support the strategy at the time?

I think you will find the answers are: Substantial, yes and yes.

Letter, 2 Feb 2018
Norman Harris, Umina

Save our beach - our future may depend on it

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more and more sand every high tide.

Council has only contributed to the problem by pushing sand from the beach to the dune using an excavator dropping the sand level as they go and losing the sand the next high tide.

The council seem to have no answers.

Mayor Jane Smith thinks building fences, planting new garden beds, mulching and top soils is the answer.

It makes you wonder if she has ever been to Ocean Beach to take a look at what's happening.

Wind erosion is not the problem here.

It's the high tide combined with big swells.

This is not a new problem either.

I have a photo from the 1950s showing the problem then.

I would say the issue is worse now and won't improve by planting lovely Aussie Indigenous species on what's left of the dune.

The entire beach needs renourishment.

This alone won't solve the problem.

The correct advice from experts in this field is paramount.

This means money. Yes, money.

Council must have a will to fix this, or we will lose our beach like Old Bar on the Mid-North Coast.

With pebbles and rocks only on the beach, property prices could fall, tourism could slow, local jobs could disappear, and a beautiful asset could be lost.

Is this the future we can expect?

We have the most spectacular ocean views, better than most.

Our beach is a treasured asset used by locals and shared with tourists.

Childhood lifetime memories are forged at our beach.

We need our beach as it has been through many generations.

We must save it as our future may depend on it.

Email, 31 Jan 2018
Brian Lewis, Umina Beach

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Ocean Beach is quite different to Ettalong foreshore

Members of Council's volunteer Peninsula Dunecare Group, which works on the area between Barrenjoey Rd and Ettalong Point, were interested to read in two articles (pp 10, and 12) in the last Peninsula News (Edition 437, January 29)

the views of Matthew Wales, president of the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, about the erosion of the dune-front between Ocean Beach Surf Club and Ettalong Point, and his proposed solution: to "bulldoze all the scrub in the dunes and put in

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a promenade".

He says "most of the population agrees" with that.

This does not sound like the same population that gives us positive comments and thanks for what we are doing as they walk along the footpath past our site,

or their indignant feedback on Saturday morning (February 3) about Mr Wales' comments.

Mr Wales erroneously compares this area with the Ettalong Foreshore, part of which has been given a packed-rock wall and "promenading".

However, the two areas are quite different in their aspects and therefore the effect on them of wind, waves and currents.

This can easily be seen especially by following the footpath on a day of on-shore southerly wind and surf, from Ocean Beach around Ettalong Point, through the several different aspects, to the comparative calm and shelter of the Ettalong shore.

While erosion of the front of the Ocean Beach dunes has been severe south of the sandbag wall at Barrenjoey Rd, the only section of our area's dune restoration to have been "thrown out to sea" (Mr Wales' words) was in 2015 in the part where the sandbag wall now is.

At the time of the east coast low in April that year and the following series of southerly winds and high tides, that site was still an open area with no mature trees or shrubs to deeply bind the sand and help buffer the wind-tunnel effect of Barrenjoey Rd from the onshore gale and seas.

This was worsened by an access way facing directly into the wind, with soft sand corners on the beach that were swiftly destroyed by the tidal current and surf, so the adjacent dune collapsed.

The top and much of the front of the sandbag wall is now well-vegetated and sand covers the base.

The rest of our area north from there has stayed largely intact.

The dune vegetation is a windbreak for the footpath and road, helps trap, settle and hold the sand, and with its dense foliage and nectar-rich flowers and seeds, is a nesting and foraging habitat for blue wrens, Willy wagtails, wattlebirds and others, including occasionally whipbirds, and is a stop-off place for visitors such as yellow-tailed black cockatoos that feed on the cones of the coastal banksias.

It is also habitat for a variety of lizards, crabs, insects and spiders, even acting as a refuge for a lost ring-tailed possum to build a nest.

Thus, in a thin and fragile green line between the increasingly-urbanised Peninsula and the ocean, the dune vegetation forms a vital wildlife corridor linking Blackwall Mt and Bouddi National Park with the bushland of south-west Umina and Brisbane Water National Park.

Out on the beach people and dogs enjoy a leash-free area in a beautiful environment.

Is all this not "good use for the community"?

"Promenading" along the Ettalong reserve one sees: parched grass, pigeons, mallards, seagulls and people.

In the area between our and the Umina Dunecare Groups' sites there is still some lantana and bitou, but bush regeneration methods are designed to avoid habitat disturbance and further erosion, so removal of such weeds and replanting suitable native species is done gradually in a planned and careful way and when volunteer numbers allow.

Along the footpath on our site, mulching then planting of suitable low-growing native species will begin in March.

This and the new angled access ways will, if their sand-fencing is maintained and not vandalised, help keep sand off the footpath.

The ground-cover succulent, pigface, which now covers much of the sandbag wall, is also draping over the low, recently-eroded sand front in places, ready to cover the returning sand as the beach builds up again beneath it.

The Coastal Zone Management Plan for the entire Umina-Ocean Beach shoreline addresses the aspects of safety, stability and access without the need for bulldozing and promenading, and the proposed sand movement studies will increase understanding of the continuing natural impacts on, and management of, this beautiful place.

Email, 8 Feb 2018
Kristine Martin, Blackwall

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New rehabilitation ward

New rehabilitation facilities have been approved for a local hospital.

The NSW Ministry of Health has said that the new rehabilitation ward at the Brisbane Waters Private Hospital may now accept patients.

The new ward, which began construction in January 2017 at a cost of \$10M, includes 24 rehabilitation beds, a gym, hydrotherapy pool, and a separate entranceway and facilities for outpatients.

The space also includes a front reception area, office and administration spaces, a cafe and therapy gardens.

"The new rehabilitation ward has been built with guidance from the director of rehabilitation, Associate Professor Michael Pollack," said hospital chief Ms Kathy Beverley.

"The opening of the new ward is an important occasion for the hospital and also coincides with Professor Michael Nilsson commencing in a consultative capacity at Brisbane Waters."

Ms Beverley said the services would be "headed up" by Professor Pollack, along with Dr Arooge Shafi and Dr Stephen Chung.

SOURCE:
Media release, 8 Feb 2018
Petrina Waddell, Brisbane
Waters Private Hospital

Fitness equipment installed at Killcare

The installation of fitness equipment has been completed at Killcare Surf Club.

"The second set of Bouddi fitness equipment, fully financed by the Wagstaffe-Killcare Community Association, has been installed," said the association president Ms Peta Colebatch.

In 2017 the Association raised \$54,000 for equipment installed at Turo Park and now at the Surf Club.

"Considerable investigation into the fitness towers was required to assure ourselves that the marine grade version selected, with fully sealed stainless bearings and shafts plus hot dip galvanising of the structures, would ensure a good life in the adverse sea spray conditions near salt water," she said.

"The new Surf Club tower includes the three best fitness testers, and will be popular for all, including seniors, who will no longer have to drive long distances for a workout," she said.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 2 Feb 2018
Peta Colebatch, WTKCA



The new fitness tower has been installed at Killcare Surf Club

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This workshop is held at Woy Woy library on the fourth Wednesday of every month from 3:30pm to 4:30pm.

All the plastic blocks will be provided and finished creations will be on display in the library throughout the month.

The club is designed to inspire creativity and storytelling in children.

As places are limited, bookings are required and being taken online, in person at the library and by phone on 4304 7555.

Children must be attended by a responsible adult at all times during the program.

SOURCE:
Website, 6 Feb 2018
Julie Vaughan, Central Coast Council

Rotary club pays for three Ugandan classrooms

The Rotary Club of Woy Woy has successfully raised funds to complete three new classrooms for a primary school in Buwampa, Uganda.

“The classrooms for the Divine Mercy school are nearing completion and will be ready for the first day of school for 2018 on February 5,” said the club project manager Ms Sue O’Neill.

“The building is now fully rendered and ready for the veranda railings to be attached,” Ms O’Neill said.

“The Buwampa community contributed much of the labour voluntarily to the classroom construction.”

“We were required to have new

latrines completed for the new school year and excavation work is now done and latrine construction work has started,” she said.

“Our club provided funds for desks and chairs to be produced for the school.

“These are underway now and should be ready soon,” she said.

Woy Woy Rotary also provided funds for women from an organisation called Pure Joy to attend an intensive training program on uniform-making in December.

“They have now returned to the Pure Joy centre and are training the other women in uniform making.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 8 Jan 2018
Vic Deeble, Rotary Club of Woy Woy



The completed classrooms in Uganda

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School crossing supervisor needed

Umina Beach Public School has a vacant permanent part-time position available for the role of a school crossing supervisor.

Principal Ms Lyn Davis said the school crossing supervisor, who ensured children crossed the road safely, was an important person in a child's school life.

"The role requires minimal hours out of the day and gives

something worthwhile back to the community," she said.

The position is working 10 hours per fortnight Monday to Friday during school terms.

The base rate is \$22.46 to \$26.95 per hour.

Training would be provided for key responsibilities of directing traffic to stop at the designated crossing and giving clear instructions to infants and primary

school students to cross the road safely.

A health assessment would be required and the appointment is subject to a Working with Children Check clearance.

For further information call 1300 305 855 or go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au to apply.

SOURCE:

Newsletter, 30 Jan 2018
Lyn Davis, Umina Beach Public School



Exchange student returns for Rotary club's birthday

The Rotary Club of Umina Beach celebrated its 42nd birthday on Wednesday, February 7.

It made a presentation by Ms Jenna Woodhouse who recently returned from a Rotary exchange to Mexico.

Ms Clara Delfosse, a former exchange student from Belgium, also attended the meeting.

Ms Woodhouse shared her experiences as an exchange

student sponsored by the club.

She said that, when Ms Delfosse was hosted by Umina Beach Rotary Club during her exchange to Australia, she stayed with Ms Woodhouse's grandparents Mr Bobby and Ms Sue Clark and it was her visit which sparked Jenna's initial interest in Rotary youth exchange.

SOURCE:

Newsletter, 29 Jan 2018
Geoff Melville, Rotary Club of Umina Beach

Local schools have received \$1.5M, says MacDonald

Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast, Mr Scot MacDonald, has claimed that more than \$1.5 million has been spent on local schools in the past 18 months.

He said that almost \$1 million has been spent at the Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina

campus.

Woy Woy South Public School had had maintenance work amounting to \$680,058.

The Umina campus of and Woy Woy South Public School are both on the government's list of the 10 Central Coast schools with the largest spending on maintenance.

Mr MacDonald said he

welcomed the improvement in local school facilities due to the record investment.

"Providing high-quality school facilities is vital to give our children the education they need and deserve."

SOURCE:

Media release, 5 Feb 2018
Kit Hale, Office of Scot MacDonald MLC

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High School and Training College Expanding

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The Year 7 to Year 10 high school commenced in 2013 with 65 students and has nearly doubled its student enrolments in just 5 years. The high school in 2017 was at full student enrolment capacity and has operated with a waiting list for student places throughout 2017. In 2018, the school will open with new classrooms to allow for the addition of extra student enrolment places for high school students. A new adult learning space for the adult training college has also been created and extra teaching and support staff have been employed.

ET Australia CEO, Mr Tony Mylan, said that "our high school has been really successful because of the safe and nurturing environment that our school model has become. The school staff are professional, qualified teachers who all come from diverse teaching backgrounds. The comprehensive school model caters to students across the academic spectrum in a small and supportive school setting. Our school staff have created a really dynamic school culture which is fostering positive student outcomes for the Central Coast community."

"In 2018 the additional 40 places that we are adding to our high school enrolments will provide parents and students with more educational options on the Central Coast", Mr Mylan said. "Even accounting for this expansion, ETASC is full for Year 7 and Year 10 but there are currently some vacancies still available for Year 8 and Year 9 students."

ETASC has a strong academic focus on literacy, numeracy, fostering independence and teaching students a work ethic. This independent high school offers a different learning environment to mainstream schooling as it is located in a commercial building in the centre of the Gosford CBD.

ETASC is now finalising enrolment applications for 2018. Prospective students and parents who are interested can find out more about the school by visiting ET Australia's website or contacting ET Australia on 4323 1233.

More information about ETASC can be found at www.etaustralia.com

Out&About



Gary and James Daley will perform at The Troubadour

Duo and folk singer to appear at folk club

An Australian father and son duo and an English folk singer are coming to the Troubadour folk club at Woy Woy at 7pm on Saturday,

February 24.

The Gary and Jimmy Daley Duo and Graeme Knights will perform on the evening.

Troubadour president Mr Michael Fine said something

special occurred when a musical father and son of the calibre of Gary and Jimmy Daley made music together.

"This amazing duo brings together two renowned Australian musicians to explore the rich and timeless sound of accordion and mandolin, an enchanting instrumental combination relevant to their own musical lives and deeply connected to their family history," Mr Fine said.

"As well as Bluegrass classics and some old and new folk music, there may be some original songs as well as some pieces by Beethoven, Bach and Bartok," he said.

Father, accordionist and pianist Gary Daley is best known performing in some of Australia's elite jazz and world music bands, such as The Catholics.

He has appeared regularly on ABC TV as part of the children's show, Lah-Lah's Musical Adventures.

Son Jimmy Daley plays an array of stringed instruments including the mandolin, guitar, banjo and dulcimer, and is perhaps best known for his work with The Morrisons.

Mr Fine said Graeme Knights was "a folk singer from England who learned his craft from singing and touring with some of the finest singers of trad."

He was director of the Doncaster Folk Festival for years.

"Graeme sings shanties, gospel songs and other chorus songs and is great at getting an audience to raise the rafters," Mr Fine said.

"This is his first appearance in Woy Woy," he said.

SOURCE:

Media release, 5 Feb 2018
Michael Fine, The Troubadour

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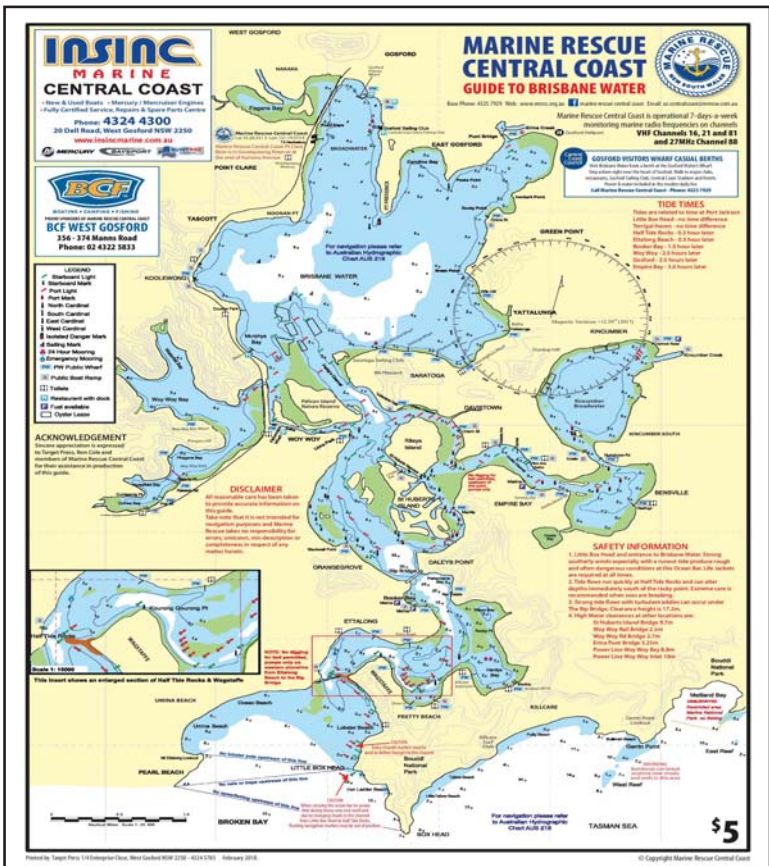
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Marine Rescue Central Coast has released an updated colour map of Brisbane Water.

The updated Guide to Brisbane Water is laminated for use on boats.

The publication shows all current navigation marks, lights and channels, in particular the notorious ocean bar at Little Box Head.

Included on the guide are all public launching ramps, public jetties, available toilets and public mooring locations.

The map enables recreational boaties and fishermen to safely navigate the many tricky channels on and around Brisbane Water.

It will assist visitors to locate local restaurants with boat docks

and it includes all marinas and fuel locations as well as other safety information for those using Brisbane Water.

The new map is available direct from Marine Rescue Bases at Pt Clare at the end of Kurrawa Ave seven days a week and at Terrigal Haven on weekends.

It is also available from many popular boating, bait and fishing shops.

Unit commander Mr Roger Palmer said: "This map is great value for just five dollars."

All proceeds will be used to support the volunteer Marine Rescue Central Coast service.

SOURCE:

Media release, 6 Feb 2018
Roger Palmer, Marine Rescue Central Coast

COACH TOURS

Day Trips

All pickups from Doyalson to Woy Woy

| | |
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| Koala Park Sanctuary Wednesday 21 Feb 2018 • Have your photo taken with a koala | \$67 pp |
| The Gardens on Forest Wednesday 21 Mar 2018 • Take a tour through the 1885 heritage listed gardens and estate | \$76 pp |
| Seven Islands Cruise Thursday 12 Apr 2018 • Enjoy a lunch cruise on the Hawkesbury River | \$78 pp |
| RAN Heritage Centre Tuesday 24 Apr 2018 • 100 years of Australian Navy history | \$66 pp |
| Vivid Sunset Harbour Cruise Saturday 26 May 2018 Saturday 16 June 2018 • 1.5 hour cruise • 3 course dinner and drinks on Captain Cook vessel | \$150 pp |

Live Shows

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| The Book of Mormon 20 May 2018 | \$175 pp |
| Priscilla – Queen of the Desert 23 May 2018 Earlybird special valid until 25. 2. 18 | \$115 pp |
| Evita the Musical 26 Sep 2018 | \$135 pp |
| Jersey Boys from Sep 2018 various dates and times | from \$140 pp |

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Surf club holds first seaside market

Killcare Surf Life Saving Club's first seaside market attracted a steady crowd all day, with a diverse assortment of stalls with gifts, according to club president Mr Peter Bagnall.

"The \$200 gift card raffle ticket sales for Central Coast Shelter's

Woy Woy Youth Cottage raised over \$700 which allowed us to give \$450 to Helena and the Killcare Beach Kiosk team as they closed up.

"The club raised \$427 through stall hire, barbecue and gold coin entry donations," he said.

**Newsletter, 22 Dec 2017
Peter Bagnall, Killcare SLSC**



Tree group prepares for National Tree Day

The Grow Urban Street Trees community group is preparing a day of tree planting for National Tree Day on Sunday, July 29.

Group publicity officer Ms Debbie Sunartha that now is the time to prepare your environment for the benefits of a shade tree.

The group has donated trees for the Peninsula and has offered to plant them on National Tree Day.

Trees offered include tuckeroo, brush box, water gum and bottlebrush trees.

"You may choose to provide

your own tree," she said.

To request a tree for your street simply email your request to the office of the Member for Gosford, Ms Leisl Tesch, at gosford@parliament.nsw.gov.au

Your request should include your address, contact details and your choice of tree.

"Trees' cool temperatures, make your walk to school, the shops or just around the neighbourhood much more enjoyable," she said.

**SOURCE:
Media release, 4 Feb 2018
Debbie Sunartha, Grow
Urban Street Trees**



Indigenous performers, Girri Girri, at the Bouddi Gallery

Bouddi Gallery celebrates 10 years

The Bouddi Gallery celebrated its 10th anniversary on Australia Day 2018, with Girri Girri, a group of local Indigenous performers and educators, conducting a smoking ceremony and performed a variety of songs and dance.

Bouddi Gallery also hosted a meet-the-artist inaugural exhibition of local indigenous wood-working artist Mr Tim Selwyn.

Mr Selwyn's shields, ceremonial music and digging sticks, nula nula and yidaki, represented both traditional and modern story telling unique to Mr Selwyn and his family, according to Wagstaffe-Killcare Community Association president Ms Peta Colebatch.

**SOURCE:
Newsletter, 2 Feb 2018
Peta Colebatch, WTKCA**

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Elandra Women and
Children's Program
Toukley - 4396 4263

Neleh Women and
Children's Program
Woy Woy - 4340 1052

Rondeley Domestic
Violence Response Program
Wyong - 4340 7088



**Marie
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Central Coast

Directory - Not for profit Community Organisations

Art & Culture

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

Central Coast Handweavers, Spinners and Textile Arts Guild
Spinning and weaving, patchwork and quilting, felting and other fibre and fabric crafts, community quilting bees
Day and Night Groups
4325 4743
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 drawing. Volunteers welcome
hospitalartaustalia.com.au
0431 363 347

Bushwalking

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

Community Centres

Peninsula Community Centre
Cnr Ocean Beach Rd & McMasters Rd Woy Woy
Activities, programs and support groups for children, teens, adults and seniors including occasional care, playgroups, dance classes, karate, fitness classes, youth services, gambling solutions, internet kiosk and social groups.
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 legal advice.
Monday to Friday
9am to 5pm
4353 4988
centralcoast@clc.net.au

Community Groups

ABC "The Friends" Support group for Public Broadcaster.
Aims: Safeguard ABC's independence, adequate funding, high standards.
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4341 5170
www.fabcnsw.org.au

Central Coast Social Group
Social contact, entertainment events, new friendships, for 30's-60's
Live music, house parties, dinners, BBQs, picnics, trips away etc.
Monthly Meet & Chat
0422 243 101
email cco30s@live.com.au

Central Coast 50+ Singles Social Group

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

Freemasons
Who are they? What do they do? Find out about the world's oldest fraternal organisation and how we help our community.
Gosford Masonic Centre
86 Mann St Gosford
www.tcc2001.org

Mingaletta Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander
Provides members and other groups a meeting place and referral hub for education, health, well-being and cultural programs.
Mon-Fri 9am - 4pm
6 Sydney Ave Umina
4342 7515
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
Carers, Grandparents, parents & 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
Apple-Mac: Mon, Tues, Wed
All at our club rooms, Kincumber Neighbourhood Centre
Bookings or inquiries
4307 9421

The NSW Justices Association Inc
Seeking volunteers for 8 community JP Desks
Tuesday Deep Water Plaza 9.30am-1pm
Wednesday Umina Library 10am-1pm
Thursday Woy Woy Library 10am-1pm
Free Insurance and training provided
0418 493 388
benefits@nswja.org.au

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

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

Entertainment

Frantastics Choir Inc
High quality variety entertainment available for matinee bookings at your venue. New members welcome.
1pm Mondays during school terms
Walter Baker Hall, Woy Woy
4343 1995
www.frantastics.org

Health Groups

Al-Anon
If someone's drinking is causing

you problems...
Al-Anon can help
4344 6939
1300 252 666
Meetings Sat 2pm
Woy Woy Hospital
Ocean 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 accommodation available.
Information 2nd and 4th Tues - 11am
4344 2599
reception@bluewaveliving.org.au

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Peninsula Village Meals
Delivered daily to your door
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4344 9199

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

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

Riding for the Disabled
Horse Riding as a therapy for those with intellectual or physical disabilities.
Volunteers required. No previous exp. necessary - School hours only. Mon to Sat 4340 0388
stateoffice@rdansw.org.au

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

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

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

Music

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

Coastal a Cappella
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0412 948 450
coastalacappella@gmail.com

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

Soundwaves
Men's a-capella 4 part harmony chorus - all ages 7pm Mon.
Central Coast Leagues Club
John 0413 276 698
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 sustainability, social & economic justice, peace & non-violence, grassroots democracy & getting Greens elected
3rd Thur,
centralcoast.nsw.greens.org.au
centralcoastgreens@gmail.com

Service Groups

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

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

Rotary Club of Kariong
Phillip House, 21 Old Mount Penang Rd, Fri 7.15am 4340 4529
karsuebay@philliphouse.com.au

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

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.
Proceeds to Woy Woy Catholic Parish.
wwcphousie@hotmail.com

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

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

Central Coast Rescue Unit
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4325 7929
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Ettalong Toastmasters
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growth
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 food buying group
www.peg.org.au

Central Coast Goju-Kai Karate
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Wambal - Mon 630pm
Kincumber - Thurs 715pm
0417 697 096
www.centralcoastgoju-kaikarate.com.au

Woy Woy Judo Club
Mon & Fri - 5pm 7+ Novice
Tue-Thur - 5 classes from 4pm
Wed from 4:30pm
Fri-6-7pm Women's BoxFitness
27 Bowden Road Woy Woy
Min age 4 years old
0434 000 170
www.woywoyjudoclub.com

Veterans

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

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

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

Women's Groups

BPW Central Coast
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0438 989 199
bpwcentralcoast@hotmail.com
www.bpw.com.au/central-coast

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 veterans and their families
RSL Club, West Gosford
4th Mon 2pm 4323 7336

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

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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.



The Rotary Club barbecue volunteers at the Youth Fest on January 25

Second youth festival to be smaller evening event

The first Youth Fest to be held at the Skate Park adjacent to Umina Oval has been described as a success by Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch.

It will be repeated on a smaller scale on the evening of Friday, February 23.

Ms Tesch said the Summer Youth Fest was intended to be a large holiday event but organisers wished to get it established as a more targeted regular event.

"Regional Youth Support Services, in association with

other service providers, have decided they will move the time to the evening and run a barbecue near the skate park in an effort to engage with the older teenagers and young adults who tend to use the skate park later in the day," Ms Tesch said.

The Rotary Club of Woy Woy, which ran a barbecue at the January 25 event, would continue with regular evening barbecues, Ms Tesch said.

SOURCE:

Interview, 7 Feb 2018

Liesl Tesch, Member for Gosford, Reporter: Jackie Pearson

Peninsula directory of services, contacts and support groups

Ambulance, Police, Fire 000

Emergency

Ambulance, Police, Fire 000
Police Assistance Line 131 444
Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000
Woy Woy Police Station 4379 7399
Energy Australia 13 13 88
Gas Emergency 131 909
Gosford City Council 4325 8222
Marine Rescue NSW - Central Coast 4325 7929
SES - Storm and Flood Emergency 132 500
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Organisations
Mingaletta 4342 7515
Aboriginal Home Care 4321 7215
Drug & Alcohol rehab 4388 6360

Accommodation

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

Animal Rescue

Wildlife Arc 4325 0666
Wires 1300 094 737

Community Centres

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

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

Family and Relationships

Centacare Gosford 4324 6403
Central Coast Family Support Service 4340 1099
Horizons (For men with children) 4351 5008
Uniting Care Burnside Gosford 1800 067 967

Health

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

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

Gosford district:
Umina Beach 4304 7333
Woy Woy 4304 7555

Problems, Habits & Addiction

Alcoholics Anonymous 4323 3890
Narcotics Anonymous 4325 0524

Professional support phone services:

Mental Health Line 1800 011 511
Beyondblue 1300 224 636
Domestic Violence Line 1800 656 463
Lifeline 13 11 14
Kids Help Line 1800 551 800
Griefline 1300 845 745

Suicide Call Back Service 1300 659 467

Transport

Taxi 131 008
Busways 4368 2277
City Rail 131 500

Welfare Services

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

The Peninsula Diary of Events

For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

Thursday, Feb 15

The Bayview's Monster Meat Raffle, The Bayview Hotel Woy Woy, 6:00pm

Throwback Thursday, Frankies Rooftop, Woy Woy, entry fee

Building Blokes Info Session, Peninsula Community Hall, Woy Woy, 4:00pm to 5:00pm, ticketed event

Friday, Feb 16

ClubsNSW Central Coast Region Charity Golf Day, Everglades Country Club, 6:30am to 3:30pm, tickets essential

Crawfish Stew Live at Ettalong, Ettalong Beach Hotel, 9:00pm to 12:00am

Dan Romeo, Club Umina, 8:00pm to 11:00pm

Saturday, Feb 17

Mental as Anything, Ettalong Diggers Memorial Club, bookings essential

The Heart of the Matter- The Music of the Eagles, Everglades Country Club, 8:00pm to 11:00pm, tickets essential

Birthing from Within Couples Workshops, Singingbird Yoga and birth support building, 3 Chambers Plc Woy Woy, 10:00am to 5:00pm, tickets essential

Umina Bunnies JRLFC

Registration Day, Ettalong Diggers 10:00am to 3:00pm

Gut Health Kickstarter Workshop, 28 The Rampart, Umina Beach, 11:30am to 4:00pm, tickets essential

Sunday, Feb 18

Jam With Pat and Ness, Hardys Bay Club, 3:00pm to 6:00pm

Sounds on Sunday Summer Sessions at The Bayview, The Bayview Hotel Woy Woy, 4:00pm to 12:00am

Central Coast Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon, Fairview St Woy Woy, 7:00am to 1:00pm

CCBUG Woy Woy to Pie in the Sky ride, Woy Woy Rail Station, 6:30am to 12:00pm

The Way Home One Day Women's Retreat hosted by Wayfit Personal Training and The Liberated Life, Neera Rd, Umina, 8:00am to 3:00pm, tickets essential

Umina Beach Markets, Peninsula Recreational Precinct, 9:00am to 2:00pm

Thursday, Feb 22

Opening Night, Art Gallery on Ocean View, Re:Publik Café Ettalong, 6:00pm to 8:00pm, limited numbers bookings recommended

Saturday, Feb 24

TC2, Hardys Bay Club, 7:30pm

Sunday, Feb 25

Deck Sessions: Honey and The Bluestones, Hardys Bay Club, 3:00pm to 6:00pm

Saturday, Mar 3

Winne Appreciation Night and South American Dinner, Everglades Country Club, 6:30pm to 10:00pm, tickets essential

The Everly Brothers and Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons, Ettalong Diggers, 7:30pm to 10:30pm, tickets essential

Sunday, Mar 11

The Bays Community Group Fair, Phagans Bay Reserve, 10:00am to 2:00pm

Saturday, Mar 24

Opera in the Arboretum, Pearl Beach, 3:00pm to 5:30pm, tickets essential

Saturday, Mar 31

The Vallies a Tribute to Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons, Everglades Country Club, 8:00pm to 11:00pm, tickets essential

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

Classifieds

ANTENNAS

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

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Sport



After lunch on the bowling green



Felix and Sada Seady arrive by trike

Bowling club celebrates member's 100th birthday

More than 60 people gathered at the Woy Woy Bowling Club on Sunday, February 4, for a lunch to celebrate the 100th birthday of long-term club member, Mr Felix Seady.

Mr Seady and his wife, Sada, had a great day with his many friends and family members.

The event started with a rousing rendition of the South African national anthem, followed by speeches from good friends Mr Mick Dunks, Mr John Orme and Mr Jim Cassidy.

It was announced that Mr Seady had been made a life member of the Woy Woy Men's Bowling Club and he was presented with a plaque to mark the occasion.

He was also presented with a copy of a newspaper published on his birthday back in 1918.

Felix and Sada arrived at the club by trike, courtesy of club member Scott Bollom.

SOURCE:

Media release, 6 Feb 2018
Ken Dixon, Woy Woy Men's Bowling Club

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Jemma Smith and Kai

Two Umina surf club members win Council awards

Umina Surf Life Saving Club had two award recipients at the recent Central Coast Council Australia Day awards.

Jemma Smith and Kai Darwin both received awards on the night.

Council's sportsperson of the year award was presented to Ms Smith who had dreamed of being in the Iron Woman series since she was young.

"Competing with the best athletes in the world has always been a goal of mine," said Ms Smith.

Jemma was nominated for her ongoing commitment to surf life-saving representing her state and country at championships and now is on the circuit for Iron Woman Series.

Kai Darwin was highly

commended in Council's youth of the year award after being nominated for his ongoing volunteer work with the Umina Surf club.

Kai assisted with state surf life-saving and helped patrol beaches that lack personnel.

The Umina surf club nominated him for his active interest and assistance that "he always gives" and "his constant support" in training the new Rookies in the club.

"Umina is very grateful for Kai's continual offers to help at club events, fundraising and with mentoring the club's nippers," said club publicity officer Mr Richard Braddish.

SOURCE:

Media release, 31 Jan 2018
Richard Braddish, Umina SLSC

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NEWSPAPERS
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Young player invited to train with West Ham United

Matthew Sarayeldin, 14, of Woy Woy has been accepted into the West Ham United Football Club Academy in the United Kingdom.

Following his recent attendance at a national camp in Australia, he was selected to participate in the Spring 2018 West Ham United Academy Elite Trip in London.

This decision was made by the coaching staff and program directors under the club's selection criteria.

Matthew has been playing soccer since the age of four and said he was overjoyed to hear that local trials for the West Ham team were being held.

"I had to try out for the local auditions first and was one of 15 people chosen out of 80 who tried out," said Matthew.

"It was a two-day trial we had to participate in and we basically trained for the first two days and played a soccer game on the third while coaches watched.

"Then when they selected their top 15 soccer players, we were sent to do a similar process again for four days in Queensland but on a national scale," he continued.

Matthew was one of the 800 soccer students chosen to continue to London.

"Now if I complete the week-long

trial in London and get accepted I get to stay for a whole year with their academy training with the under-15 division," he said.

Many players attend West Ham ID Camps each year in the hope of being invited to the Elite Trip.

Players are given the opportunity to gain valuable international and cultural experiences and to showcase their talent and dedication to the sport in front of the senior coaching staff.

The trip includes transport for the family to and from scheduled airports, training facilities and sightseeing activities, as well as training uniforms, support of qualified staff and accommodation.

"I'm very proud of Matthew," said his mother Ms Lena Sarayeldin.

"He always knew soccer was a passion of his and sometimes you just have to take a risk and travel half way across the world to support your child's dream," Ms Sarayeldin said.

His trip to London is set for March 8 to 16.

His family have started up a crowd-funding page to support his trip to London and help Matthew to achieve his goals.

SOURCE:
Interview, 13 Dec 2017
Lena and Matthew Sarayeldin, Woy Woy
Reporter: Suzy Monzer



Kaylah wins Australian under-16 championship

Umina Surf Life Saving Club member Kaylah Holmes, 15, recently competed at the Australian Royal Pool Life Saving Championships.

The event was held in Adelaide

from January 11 to 14.

She won three gold medals and two silver medals and was named Under-16 Women's Champion.

Her overall medal count totalled 17.

Other Umina club members who

competed at the championships were Bronte Smith, Rachel Wood, Lachlan Braddish and Blake Hessel.

SOURCE:
Media release, 15 Jan 2018
Richard Braddish, Umina SLSC



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