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Proposed dredging area shown in yellow but the initial grant applies only to the location closest to Little Box Head

Council does not have \$1.2M to start dredging program

No money exists in the Council's 2018-19 budget to cover its half of the proposed \$2.4 million dredging program for the Brisbane Water channel.

That could delay the return of ferry services to Ettalong and Wagstaffe until at least July 2019 when the Council's next budget is adopted.

A Central Coast Council briefing document, called Broken Bay Dredging, said the cost to Council under the Rescuing Our Waterways funding announced on September 12, would be \$1.225 million but "no current budget exists".

Council staff were "discussing options regarding the timing of this project with the State agencies as Council's request identified a start date in 2019-20 financial year so that Council could allocate funding," the briefing document said.

It explained that the cost to dredge 80,000 cubic metres of sand would be just under \$2.1 million with another \$120,000 for approvals and \$250,000 for mobilisation and demobilisation of channel was "of particular concern to many people".

"There are commercial benefits to the ferry service itself. and the local economy through visitor numbers.

"This transport and tourismrelated project also provides the potential to address regional interconnectivity challenges including traffic congestion on the M1 during peak periods and the closure of major roads during natural disasters and motor accidents by developing a reliable alternative route to Sydney."

The briefing said the proposed large-scale dredging exercise would be "an opportunity to place the dredged sand on Ocean Beach, thus making good some of the effects of recent severe beach and dune erosion.

"Many recreational craft of all sizes are being impacted by the shoaling, particularly vessels such as keeled sailing boats.

"The entrance channel from Little Box Head into the Ettalong Beach reach has long been subject to shoaling and narrowing," the briefing said.

"There have been calls from

in the NSW Transport, Roads and Maritime Services boating guidelines map.

The first warning said: "The entrance to Brisbane Water is encumbered by sandbanks upon which heavy breakers occur in southerly winds."

The second warning covered the Little Box Head to Ettalong area.

"Due to constantly changing shoals, port and starboard buoys are being repositioned as necessary to indicate the best available channel," it said.

According to the briefing in 2009-10, a consultant completed a Review of Environmental Factors and the channel was dredged by a contractor using a sweeper dredge which swept approximately 30,000 cubic metres of sand to the side of the channel.

NSW Government The contributed 50 per cent of the project funds which, in total, cost \$360,000.

The channel was dredged twice in 2017.

In one instance, according to the briefing, the NSW Department of Industry Crown Lands spent \$150,000 to remove 3,000 cubic metres of sand which was placed about 100 metres from the channel. SOURCE: **Briefing document, Central Coast Council Reporter: Jackie Pearson**

Service NSW hub 'still not open'

The Service NSW "Hub" has still not opened in Woy Woy, months after it was promised by the NSW Government.

Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch said the Service NSW Kiosk was still located in Woy Woy's Deepwater Plaza but she had received no information about the timeframe or extent of services that would be delivered by the promised Hub.

"The pop-up digital kiosk is still there, but it is basically selfservice," Ms Tesch said.

"Staff can assist with use of the iPads but the kiosk cannot take cash, and you cannot use it to apply for a licence or do a senior citizen's licence," she said.

to community pressure and announced a Service NSW Hub.

"There is no other hub in the state, so we don't know what it is going to look like.

"Will it have a shopfront and what are the 1200 services that cannot be provided by the kiosk that will be available from the hub?

"I have written to Service NSW asking them for answers to those questions but I am still waiting for their response.

"Once again we have had a media event and media release but no qualification and clarification," Ms Tesch said.

SOURCE:

Interview, 20 Sep 2018 Liesl Tesch, Member for Gosford **Reporter: Jackie Pearson**

"The NSW Government bowed

Express services to be doubled during peak periods

Woy Woy train commuters will benefit from a doubling of express services to and from Central station in Sydney from September 30, with four express trains an hour during the morning and afternoon peaks.

Minister for Transport and Mr Infrastructure, Andrew Constance, said commuters would have access to peak express services to and from the city, via Strathfield every 15 minutes on average, compared to every 30 minutes as it currently stands.

"These services will be the fastest option for customers travelling to and from the Sydney CBD, and will skip suburban stops such as Eastwood and Burwood, in response to customer feedback," Mr Constance said.

"Our priority is to give Central

"I've long been advocating for more train services from the Central Coast to Sydney and I'm proud to be part of a government that is delivering for the region," Mr Crouch said.

These services will also be among the first to receive the brand new intercity trains from late next year, which will transform longer distance travel with features including charging stations for mobile devices, wider seats with arm rests, and dedicated space for luggage, prams and wheelchairs.

Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast, Mr Scot MacDonald, assured local commuters that they will still have the option to catch direct trains to and from Sydney CBD via the North Shore, with access to the same level of peak services they receive today.

SOURCE: Press conference, 17 Sep 2018 Andrew Constance, Minister for **Transport and Infrastructure** Scot MacDonald, Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast Taylor Martin, Member of the **NSW Legislative Council** Adam Crouch, Member for Terrigal **Reporter: Naakaree Spero**

the dredge.

Whilst indicating the \$2.4 million dredging program may not start until 2019-20, the briefing document acknowledged the fact the new and larger public ferry was unable to pass through the

the public over many years to undertake dredging activities to restore free and unhindered navigation through this channel," it said.

The briefing document said two warning statements were included Coast customers what they want, which is fast, reliable and regular services," he added.

Member for Terrigal Mr Adam Crouch said these improvements to train services were welcome news.

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Brace for summer

Despite the deceivingly wet start to the month, September skies have remained barren, with next to no rainfall events recorded after the first fortnight of the ninth month.

According to data compiled by Umina's Mr Jim Morrison, the Peninsula saw no further rainfall after the fact, except for two events on September 19 and 20, with the former recording 8.3mm and the later 4.5mm.

These events bring the Peninsula's total rainfall for the month of September up to 37.9mm.

Seasoned sky watchers will know this result is vast improvement for the ninth month's total rainfall record from previous years, with September 17 recording only a measly 1mm of rain, however they will also know that over the past five years September has traditionally recorded at least 70mm of rain.

With nine days left in the month at the time of writing this report and clear skies and warm temperatures forecasted over the coming week,



it seems doubtful the Peninsula will see any meaningful rainfall as September transitions into October.

The Peninsula has now recorded a yearly total rainfall of 522.6mm.

Hopeful water watchers can still bank on the unpredictability

of the September, October and November rainfalls to add some much needed millimetres to regional water catchments and water tanks everywhere.

SOURCE: Spreadsheet, 21 Sep 2018 Jim Morrison, Umina



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Plans may have to change

Plans to build 27 units and seven townhouses on the corner of Blackwall Rd and Farnell Rd, Woy Woy, may have to change substantially to meet regulatory requirements.

Save Our Woy Woy group founder Mr Harvey McDougall said he understood Roads and Maritime Services had rejected the developer's plans to have driveway access from Blackwall Rd.

"Their recommendation is to have driveway access on the Farnell Rd side of the property," McDougall said.

Council has also called for changes to the proposed location of waste enclosures and the redesign of the plans to allow more space in the north east corner of the property to comply with the setbacks.

Mr McDougall said Council was also calling for engineering amendments, including improvements to drainage.

Visitor parking may also need to be moved from Farnell Rd to basement parking allocating seven spaces for visitors.

The developer has been asked to keep more of the trees on the nature strips of Farnell and Blackwall Rds.

"The amended plans are scheduled to return back to Council in the next two weeks," he said.

"On return they will be checked by the appropriate authorities before going back on the website where there will be another 21 days for all of us to do our own checking and submit our comments."

The \$11.1 million proposal resulted in Council receiving around 120 submissions opposed to the development.

It was referred back to the applicant on June 28.

SOURCE: Media statement, 20 Sep 2018 Harvey McDougall, Save Our Woy Woy

replace the level crossing at Rawson Rd and is proposing to ask the NSW Government to fund a business case for a new underpass.

When Cr Smith takes her motion to the September 24 Council meeting, it will be her first notice of motion since being elected a year ago.

Mayor Cr Jane Smith has

joined the campaign to

She will move that "Council make representation to the State



The existing Rawson Rd level crossing in Woy Woy

Mayor joins campaign to replace level crossing

Government in order to secure funding for the development of a business case for the construction of a new railway underpass at Woy Woy so as to remove the Rawson Rd level crossing".

"Rawson Rd in Woy Woy experiences high daily traffic volumes and has pedestrians and cyclists passing through the level crossing regularly," Cr Smith's motion said.

"This road is the main arterial link to and from Woy Woy Rd.

"The level crossing also

provides an important east-west connection to adjoining suburbs on the west side of the rail line.

"Benefits of the program include removing significant risk to the railway corridor; improving emergency evacuation routes during natural disaster events; improving vehicle access to Woy Woy and southern beach areas; reducing commuter travel times; reduced traffic congestion and delay."

SOURCE: **Central Coast Council** agenda 7.5, 24 Sep 2019

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Proposal to build six units in Osborne Ave

A \$1.8 million proposal has been received by Central Coast Council to build six units at 5 to 7 Osborne Ave, Umina.

The proposal is non-compliant with local planning controls for height (3.5 per cent), floor space ratio (nine per cent), setbacks and outdoor space (around 27 per cent for two of the units).

The total site area of the combined residential blocks is 1348 square metres.

Two existing single storey, timber framed, clad dwellings and outbuildings are to be demolished and removed along with all existing vegetation on the land.

None of the vegetation was described as "significant" in the consultant's report submitted to Council in support of the proposal.

"In terms of carparking, double garaging (and, in the case of Unit Three and Four, garage and carport), on-site parking for 12 vehicles is provided.

"The subject land is zoned R1 General Residential via the Gosford LEP zoning map and multi dwelling housing is permissible.

"The development satisfies the zone objectives in providing for a variety of housing types taking optimum advantage of the beach suburb location being within walking distance of not only the retail and service facilities of the Umina CBD and Umina Beach



Aerial view of the site for the proposed six units

reserve," the consultant's report said.

The absolute maximum height above natural ground would be 8.79m; 0.29m over the 8.5 limit or about 3.5 per cent.

"The variation to height control causes absolutely no impact either on or off-site with respect to privacy or overshadowing and, accordingly, it is anticipated that the Council will support the variation required," the report said.

The proposed multi-dwelling housing development has parking "not at basement level" on a site greater than 1000 square metres so the permissible Floor Space Ratio is 0.6:1

The site area and total gross floor area of 885 square metres produces a FSR of 0.656:1.

"The marginally greater than permitted FSR is a result of generous inclusions at first floor level, enhancing the 'liveability' of the proposed dwelling without detriment with respect to ground level access and open space, landscaping, utility space, vehicular access and manoeuvring and onsite stormwater management.

"The approximate nine per cent variation to the FSR development

standard is thus justified," the consultant said.

"It is an undoubtedly a high standard project that is advanced by the proponents; a project that incorporates private pools (in two units)...; private and accessible courtyards to each of the proposed dwellings; internal floor plan arrangements including generous and well-lit voids vertically connecting ground and first floor levels with attached and secure car parking.

"The level of non-compliance from statutory height controls is 'de minimis' arising only where an existing depression within the ancient sand dune structure causes the localised numerical departure.

"The departure does not result nor manifest any off-site impacts and the variation is justified and permissible within the provisions of Clause 4.6 of the Gosford Local Environmental Plan 2014," the consultant said.

The proposal also fails to comply with setbacks, however, according to the consultant, "few, if any multiunit housing projects of the nature proposed within the Central Coast LGA achieve strict compliance with the preferred setbacks advocated by the DCP.

"Those adopted do not compromise outdoor recreation space, privacy or amenity either for the residents or neighbours but rather, provide for and

accommodate integrated utility and recreation opportunities together with the ability to accommodate deep soil planting to provide 'leafy surrounds' while providing functional outdoor space for each of the units.

"Units 1, 2, 5 and 6 have compliant open space significantly in excess of the requirements in terms of area and dimension.

"Acknowledging the need to produce a variety of housing types has directed the proponents to incorporate at least two units identifiable and marketable as 'lock it and leave'; a form of townhouse accommodation that facilitates empty nester and-or active semi-retired individuals who are able to benefit by extended periods of absence with minimal maintenance of their principle place of residence.

"Units Three and Four have been specifically designed to provide that particular variety of housing."

The resulting courtyard spaces have shortfalls of 26.2 per cent and 27.2 per cent respectively but, according to the consultant, "are specifically intended to provide adequate and appropriate utility and recreational-alfresco space with minimal maintenance requirements".

SOURCE: DA55206/2018, 20 Sep 2018 Gosford DA Tracker, Central Coast Council

LOLTEN TEN ... 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 obsein the former Ettalong Markets

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.

The location is also an impressive



showroom of unique, handmade rings, pendants, earrings, bangles, brooches, chains set with precious and semi-precious gems, and a huge selection of Australian Opal. All repairs and manufacturing is done on the premises in a fully equipped workshop.

Come and say hello to Nicola and Henry at their new Ettalong Beach store, or call them on 0431 670 033 or 0412 655 316.

Group starts campaign against over-development

All Woy Woy residents with housing that is zoned R1 General Residential have been invited to join the Save Our Woy Woy campaign against over-development on the Peninsula.

"Every older style property that comes on the market is being targeted by developers," said Save Our Woy Woy group founder Mr Harvey McDougall.

"We need to be diligent in our efforts to stop or alter this to protect our community."

He said the extent of the area currently zoned R1 Residential showed how important it was for residents to raise their concerns about future development applications "to avoid Woy Woy becoming another Sydney suburb".

Save Our Woy Woy group has met to continue its campaign against DA54551 for Farnell Rd which has been referred back to the applicant by Central Coast Council

Mr McDougall said anyone interested in the group's campaign could join their Facebook page and attend a future meeting at Woy Woy Leagues Club.

He said he also encouraged residents concerned about overdevelopment to attend the Central Coast Council Listening Post to be held at Deepwater Plaza on Saturday, October 20.

The three ward representatives Cr Richard Mehrtens, Cr Chris Holstein and Cr Troy Marquat are expected to be available between10am to 12pm.

"We will be doing a letterbox drop all around the Woy Woy area that has the same zoning rules as the development on the corner of Blackwall Rd and Farnell Rd that we are objecting to," Mr McDougall said.

> Source: Media statement, 12 Sep 2018 Harvey McDougall, Save **Our Woy Woy Reporter: Jackie Pearson**



The area in yellow is zoned R1 General Residential

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Change of code may stop public addressing council

Members of the public will not be able to address Council meetings if further changes to Central Coast Council's **Code of Meeting Practice are** passed when Council meets on Monday, September 24.

The changes are aimed at making the business of Council meetings more efficient.

This will be the fifth lot of changes made to the Code since it was created in September 2016.

The opportunity for speakers to address councillors within meetings is proposed to be replaced by 30-minute public forums immediately prior to each ordinary meeting.

The public forum will be "for the purpose of hearing oral submissions from members of the

public on items of business to be considered at the meeting.

"Public forums may also be held prior to Extraordinary Council Meetings and meetings of committees of the Council.

"Public forums are to be chaired by the mayor or their nominee.

'To speak at a public forum, a person must first make an application to Council in the approved form ... which contains guidelines for speakers' participation.

"Applications to speak must be received by 10am on the day of the meeting, and must identify the item of business ... the person wishes to speak on, and whether they wish to speak for or against the item."

SOURCE: **Central Coast Council** agenda 4.2, 24 Sep 2018

Association objects to **Killcare Heights fencing**

Wagstaffe-Killcare The **Community Association has** objected to the proposed fencing of a property on Wards Hill Rd, Killcare Heights.

It is proposed to erect a 50m colourbond fence on the southern side of the property.

Association president Ms Peta Colebatch said that there was also another 90 metres of fencing on the northern side of the property entrance that was "unlawful and subject of an entirely separate building application".

"The core issue here is the Development Control Plan 2013 Character Statement for this area of Killcare Heights specifying "Scenic Buffers Desired".

"This section states clearly: 'Maintain the informal character of existing semi-rural hillsides by avoiding tall retaining walls. extensive terraces or broad driveways that would be visible from any road or nearby property, and provide boundary fences that are see through such as traditional post-and-rail designs'.

"The Bouddi Peninsula is a very special place, as celebrated in the book, The Bouddi Peninsula A Very Special Place, as recognised in the early 1900's by Marie Byles, campaigning successfully for the establishment of the National Park, the core of Bouddi's character, and as exemplified by its artists, Russell Drysdale and John Bell and many others," Ms Colebatch said.

"This special place, this character has been embedded in our character statements by experts, such as prominent local architect, Bruce Lay, who understood the need to preserve that special character.

"The existing illegal fence and the subject DA54624 fence, are diametrically opposed to that character.

"The character of this place is scenic.

"It is open. It is welcoming. "A wall, a steel curtain, whether painted or screened by shrubs remains a wall, a barrier and the total antithesis of that character,'

Ms Colebatch said.

The Association's submission to the Council stated: "Council is urged to enforce the compliance requirements of its own LEP and DCP and reject this DA proposal.

'Council is urged to reject the parallel application for a Building Certificate for the northern portion of this fence.

"Council is further urged to progress a demolition order on the entire fence as unlawfully constructed, and invite the owner to submit a compliant design for future consideration."

Members of the Association are also urging other residents of the area opposed to the DA to make their own submissions to Central Coast Council.

Interested residents mav contact the association for more information regarding the DA, how to make a submission and for an outline on the history of the disputed fencing.

SOURCE: Email, 13 Sep 2018 Document, 13, Sep 2018 Peta Colebatch, WTKCA



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Tesch petition for Woy Woy wharf upgrade

Member for Gosford, Ms Liesl Tesch, has launched a petition calling on the NSW Government to undertake immediate revitalisation and upgrade works to Woy Woy Wharf.

Ms Tesch launched her and petition campaign on September 11, and is calling on Peninsula residents to show their support for an upgraded Woy Woy Wharf by signing.

"The Wharf is one of the first things people see as they enter Woy Woy, we deserve a new, functional public wharf that we as a community can be proud of," Ms

Tesch said.

"Local ferry operators experience severe difficulties during high and king tides, with boats becoming inaccessible for people with mobility issues, prams, or wheelchairs.

"Public wharfs at Koolewong, Ettalong and Spencer have recently received floating pontoon upgrades, allowing the wharf to rise and fall with the tide, but Woy Woy has been ignored.

"Woy Woy public wharf is an important piece of infrastructure for local business, tourism and commuters," Ms Tesch said.

"Even though it's been long

overdue for an upgrade, the State Government keeps knocking back grant applications," she added.

Gosford Council has previously been the recipient of State Government grants to undertake a study to investigate options to upgrade the wharf.

"The studies have been done and the community is tired of waiting in limbo for State Government to fund the project with Council.

"Let's get on with it," Ms Tesch said.

According to Ms Tesch, the goal of the campaign is to alert State Government to how important the wharf is to the local community.

"I'm hoping that this campaign will bring Woy Woy the public wharf it deserves - a beautiful, modern, floating pontoon style wharf with inclusive access.

"I'll be standing side by side with local ferry operators, local businesses, commuters and tourists to bring Woy Woy the beautiful wharf it deserves," Ms Tesch said.

Petitions are available to sign at Ms Tesch's Woy Woy office and at various shops around Woy Woy.

SOURCE: Media release, 20 Sep 2018 **Richard Mehrtens, Office** of Liesl Tesch MP



Emergency dredging 'a failure to date' - Mehrtens

Emergency dredging of the Ettalong Channel had been a failure to date, according to Cr Richard Mehrtens.

"The most recent community meeting at Ettalong showed just how disappointed the community was that the promise of dredging hasn't come through," he said.

Cr Mehrtens said that Central Coast Council has had "nothing to do with the emergency dredging".

"Councillors haven't received a scope of those works.

"All we were given was a link to a State Government website that said emergency dredging was underway.'

Cr Mehrtens said he was initially heartened to see the NSW Government commit \$660,000 but expected that commitment to result in the channel being cleared quickly so ferry services and normal navigation could be restored while a longer-term solution was put in place.

"I think that when we moved our motion in May, five months ago now, we were basically under the impression, various sources told us, the emergency dredging could start the next day or next week," Cr Mehrtens said.

"We took that to heart and here we are in September and dredging that was undertaken as an act of good faith by the NSW Government in return for our agreement to apply for 50:50 funding, has not been done," he said.

However, Cr Mehrtens said he was hopeful Central Coast Council staff would find a way to ensure the proposed 80,000 cubic metre dredging program could start before July 2019.

"| spoke to Council's Acting Director of Assets and Infrastructure as recently as two days ago.

discussions with the Department of Lands but those conversations had not proved fruitful yet.

"The local community is understandably very frustrated.

"They are looking out their windows and walking down their streets seeing a dredge not doing its job, whether or not it is because the dredge is not big enough or because of the weather," Cr Mehrtens said.

"The emergency dredging was supposed to open the channel and at least provide some leeway in terms of time to keep it open while

"He said he has been in funding was applied for, processed and put in place.

"I am still hoping that when the emergency dredging is complete it will still do that

"Regarding budgeting for the co-funding, the Director told me he is looking at options in terms of what might be available to bring it forward or look for alternative ways to fund the project before July 2019," he said.

> SOURCE: Interview, 20 Sep 2018 **Richard Mehrtens. Central** Coast Council **Reporter: Jackie Pearson**



Liesl Tesch MP Member for Gosford

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Residents disappointed by lack of information

A community meeting at **Ettalong Diggers Memorial** Club on Tuesday, September 18, attracted 325 residents for an update on the status of the channel and their ferry service.

However, they were disappointed.

"It became abundantly clear that there is very little information available about the current state of play," said Diggers chief Mr Bill Jackson, who chaired the meeting.

The meeting was attended by councillors Chris Holstein, Richard Mehrtens, Rebecca Gale Collins, Bruce McLachlan and Jeff Sundstrom.

"There were a lot of concerned residents," said Mr Jackson.

"They were concerned that they were not being kept up to date with what was happening with the emergency dredging, with planning for the future.

"In fact, nobody was able to keep them up to date with anything and that included any one of the five councillors we had at the meeting

"They were as much in the dark as we were.

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funding to dredge the channel but,

once you read into it, it was nothing

to do with being new but approval

of the funding Council had already

"It was just another photo

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"There was a question asked by one of the members of the audience as to whether anyone had seen a copy of the works program.

not even the "Nobody, councillors, had seen anything to



Meeting about dredging at Ettalong Diggers

opportunity for the politicians," Mr Jackson said.

The gathering resolved to have another meeting at a time when the NSW Parliament was not sitting, so Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch and Member for Terrigal Mr Adam Crouch would be able to attend

The meeting also resolved to call on Council and the NSW Government to work collaboratively to create a sustainable long term plan for access to Brisbane Water from Broken Bay, and beachfront preservation for the beaches fronting Broken Bay and Ettalong Channel, informed by professional

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hydrographic analysis.

They called for the local and State governments to devise a clear scope of works for immediate project delivery and longer term maintenance to support this plan.

The meeting demanded Council and the NSW Government "provide a secure basis for funding the near and longer term program of works to maintain waterway access and beachfronts in the target area, engage service providers capable of executing the works efficiently, monitor progress professionally, and communicate progress throughout".

It called for the establishment of a steering group or stakeholder forum to communicate plans, actions and results and receive feedback accordingly.

Suggestions made at the meeting included a proposal to run a shuttle bus service between Ettalong and Patonga to assist commuters who relied on the ferry service.

Mr Jackson said he would work through local parliamentarians for ways to improve the bus service connecting Patonga.

He thanked the councillors who attended the meeting.

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SOURCE Media statement, 19 Sep 2018 Interview, 19 Sep 2018 **Bill Jackson, Ettalong Diggers Reporter: Jackie Pearson**



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Sally attended a doctor's theatre following her fall on the Patonga Wharf

Accident blamed on 'unsuitable wharf'

public wharf as a major commuter thoroughfare has been blamed for a commuter accident which took place on the afternoon of September 12.

Upon disembarking from the Palm Beach ferry at around 5:30pm, Ms Sally Perrett was tripped by being caught up in a fishing net laying on the wharf.

Ms Perrett suffered bruising to the arms and face and bleeding from a face wound, according to Mr Barry Ward of St Hubert's Island.

"Other passengers rushed to be of assistance and limited medical attention was provided at the site," the report said.

"Sally then went to Ettalong Beach Surgery where wounds were investigated.

"Sally has suffered pain and anguish from this unnecessary accident.

"Fortunately no bones appear to have been broken.

"Patonga is a public wharf, however, it is not suited in its current state to provide for the passenger load it is being subject to due to the failure to clear the channel at Ettalong.

"Combining the net fishermen and passengers is just a recipe for disaster and this is such a case." Mr Ward said he was walking

The unsuitability of Patonga behind Ms Perrett at the time of the accident.

"I saw it all unfold before me," Mr Ward said.

"Luckily another passenger had a cloth to stem the bleeding and I had a first aid kit in my car so we were able to patch her up and go directly to Ettalong where, fortunately, the doctor was on duty." he said.

Ms Perrett said she still had two black eyes on Thursday, September 20, but intended to make her usual trip across to Palm Beach on the ferry that morning.

"I volunteer in the Red Cross Shop at Newport and I do Tai Chi at Dee Why so I use the ferry two or three times a week," she said.

Ms Perrett usually caught the ferry from Ettalong before it stopped operating in May due to the state of the channel.

She said the diversion to Patonga was "shocking" due to the poor state of the road, lack of parking and unsuitable sharing of the public wharf with commercial fishing operators.

Mr Ward said he had sent his report on the incident to Central Coast Council but had not received a response.

SOURCE: Incident report, 12 Sep 2018 Interviews, 20 Sep 2018 Barry Ward and Sally Perrett, St Huberts Island **Reporter: Jackie Pearson** Keeping the Ettalong channel navigable and controlling erosion from Ettalong to Ocean Beach would be a \$100,000-a-year job if those in charge simply worked with nature.

That is the opinion of Community Environment Network chair Mr John Asquith.

"There are many opinions being expressed about the channel and most of them are by people who do not understand the science of coastal geomorphology, coastal engineering and how the system works," Mr Asquith said.

"The sand that is in the channel, whether it is at Wagstaffe, or the current deposit off Little Box Head is continually moving," he said.

"It moves roughly in a figure eight, which is how scientists have explained it to me, and where it comes from is Ettalong Beach.

"It comes off the western shore, gets cut out by the outgoing tide, and gets into that system of moving around," Mr Asquith said.

As a result the navigation channel develops two major pinch points over time, one adjacent to Wagstaffe and the off Little Box Head.

"If you don't put that sand back on Ettalong Beach when you dig the channel out, nature will still take sand off Ettalong Beach."

In other words, according to

John Asquith, sand will end up back in the channel, no matter how much money is spent on dredging.

"We live in a continually changing and dynamic environment. "Nothing is static around us.

"The solution is not to make it worse because the estuary management plan for Brisbane Water recognised this pattern exists.

"What we've got to do is keep the channel navigable at the pinch points.

"We dig that out, but what we have got to do is put it back on Ettalong Beach.

"If we work with nature, we won't have erosion at Ettalong Beach because we will put the sand back where it came from.

"The second thing that is going on, and Ocean Beach is one that I have looked at closely, is erosion.

"Ocean Beach gets cut away in storms, as all beaches along the NSW Coast do, and the thing that saves them is the dune vegetation behind them, because that slows the cut out during a big storm.

"That sand gets taken offshore and that is the bar you see sitting off the beach.

"That is the sand that has been taken off the dunes and put out there.

"Again it is part of a circular system and we have got to put it back

"There are ways of doing that,

they involve using machinery if you want to accelerate it.

"That sand during normal oceans will get slowly brought back into the inter-tidal zone.

"So what you do is beach scraping, where that sand, because it has been delivered by the water, is pushed up the beach to the dune

"Water is powerful. Wind is nowhere near is strong.

"So you scrape that sand, push it up there and nature will use water to take a bit more of that offshore sand and dump it and about six months later you will need to come back to scrape it again.

"If we worked with nature, annual dredging would be a \$100,000-a-year job, everyone would have navigation and nature would continue to play its games with the sand."

Mr Asquith said he had been having conversations with local parliamentarians and Central Coast Council about his understanding of Broken Bay system.

"Council has good scientists working for them but they get overpowered by people with dogmatic views who have no expertise in the area what so ever," he said.

SOURCE:

Interview, 20 Sep 2018 John Asquith, Community Environment Network **Reporter: Jackie Pearson**



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Dredging program to cost \$2.45 million

Up to \$2.45 million will be spent on an expanded program to dredge the channel at the entrance to Brisbane Water.

Central Coast Council welcomed the confirmation of State Government funding from the Rescuing Our Waterways Program to extend the dredging of the Ettalong Channel.

Council applied for funding under the program in June and the NSW Government's announcement on Friday, September 14, confirmed the success of this application for matching funding from the state.

Mayor Cr Jane Smith said Council had responded to community concerns about navigation in the channel by applying for the matching funding and was pleased the application had been processed so quickly.

"Our community wants a solution to the issue of Ettalong Channel and today's announcement will see that happen through collaboration with the State Government," Cr Smith said

"The devil is in the detail of how best to undertake this dredging exercise in cooperation with the State Government and how we will now use the sand to renourish nearby beaches," she said.

"We are willing to work through a long-term solution for our community

"As we have said all along, there is currently no funding allocated in



this year's budget so savings of \$1.225 million will now need to be found in other areas to pay for our share."

The funding is in addition to a \$660,000 emergency dredging contract funded by the NSW Government currently underway.

The NSW Government will contribute \$1.225 million, through the Rescuing Our Waterways program, towards a new longerterm solution for Ettalong Channel, which will be overseen by Central Coast Council.

This new phase of dredging will see 80,000 cubic metres of sand from the navigation channel removed, with the intention to

relocate it to the nearshore areas of Ettalong, Ocean and Umina Beaches.

The project will focus on keeping Ettalong and Box Head Channels open and navigable, and reducing sand from re-entering the waterways.

dredging The emergency involves removal of about 10,000 cubic metres of sand to provide a channel of 30 metres width and 2.5 metres depth.

A further 10,000 cubic metres will be removed to widen the entrance opening in an effort to slow the movement of sand back into the navigational channel.

funding commitment "This

provides certainty to our community that the NSW Government, in partnership with Council, will keep local waterways safe and navigable," said Member for Terrigal Mr Adam Crouch.

"This will provide access for recreational and commercial vessels, which is particularly important for locals in Wagstaffe, Killcare and surrounding suburbs,' he said.

"It is also essential that Council continue working to establish a long-term maintenance strategy so that we never see a repeat of the past 12 months.

"The NSW Government will continue to provide Rescuing Our Waterways funding to assist Council with this local waterway, which is their responsibility."

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce welcomed the NSW Government's commitment to dredging of the channel.

"This is excellent news and confirms the ongoing commitment by the NSW Government to implementing a long term solution to the channel dredging," said Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales.

"It is vitally important to local businesses that the dredging works are completed as quickly as possible so that the Palm Beach Ferry Service can recommence operations," Mr Wales said.

"The Chamber has been working closely with the Minister's office for over 12 months so we are particularly pleased with this announcement," he said.

"It's also great to see a better level of cooperation between the NSW Government and Central Coast Council."

"It is in everyone's interest that the long-term solution is implemented not only for local jobs but for tourism."

SOURCE: Media release, 14 Sep 2018 Ben Sheath, Office of Adam Crouch MP Media release, 14 Sep 2018 Matthew Wales, Peninsula **Chamber of Commerce** Media release 14 Sep 2018 Jane Smith, Central Coast Council



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Is Peninsula the worst heat sink on the Coast?

The Peninsula is one of the worst "heat sinks" on the Central Coast, it has been claimed.

"The Peninsula is noticeably hotter than other areas because of its lack of trees," according to Cr Richard Mehrtens who has been working on the development of an Urban Forest Policy.

"We very much run the risk of creating even more heat sinks with this undeterred development and lack of green space we are looking at," he said.

Cr Mehrtens has successfully moved a motion for Central Coast Council to reinstate the former Gosford Council's policy of providing free trees to residents upon request.

Councillors also resolved to work towards developing a more substantial urban forest policy.

"Even a number of metropolitan

councils in Sydney have urban forest policies and are doing really good work in making sure their tree canopy is not being reduced through development and that developers are following through and replacing trees.

"We are falling behind especially when we rely on private certifiers who are ticking off developments without replacing trees," he said.

"I was recently shown an aerial shot of a site with four houses with nine big canopy trees.

"There was then a photo of the finished development on the four consolidated blocks with not a sinale tree.

"This is the reality of this unrelenting drive to fill in every space we can with residents.

SOURCE: Interview, 20 Sep 2018 **Richard Mehrtens, Central Coast Council Reporter: Jackie Pearson**

Funding for outdoor water park

Funding for an outdoor water park at Peninsula Leisure Centre has been announced.

Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast Mr Scot MacDonald, announced the \$850,000 project as part of a \$5 million package for Central Coast Council projects under the Stronger Country Communities Fund.

"The outdoor waterpark at Peninsula Leisure Centre will be a unique facility for the region and attract further casual users," Mr MacDonald said.

"This project will include all design and construction elements, such as a zero-depth water play park with water splash activities, a water slide, and other water features," he said.

"It will also include a standalone filtration system, landscaping, and items such as deckchairs, picnic areas and relaxation areas.

"This new water play attraction will draw new visitors, as there is no such facility available in the region and it meets a gap in the market.

"By providing a safe water play environment for young people, aquatic safety will be improved across the region, as will recreation and leisure participation all of which contribute to positive health and wellbeing.

"This new water park will also provide opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to come together while addressing the need for quality recreation and

community facilities."

Mayor Cr Jane Smith said she welcomed the significant investment.

"Our community's vision is for a smart, green and liveable region with a shared sense of belonging and responsibility," Cr Smith said.

"Working closely with the State Government to deliver high quality infrastructure and opportunities for our growing community is a way we are delivering on that promise," she said.

"We are pleased the State Government has come to the table and delivered such significant funding.'

SOURCE:

Media release, 11 Sep 2018 Kit Hale, Office of Scot MacDonald MLC

Software company wins interest-free loan

A Umina software company has won an interest-free \$400,000 regional growth loan that will allow it to almost triple its workforce.

The loan was granted to allow ClockOn in Umina to grow from 8.5 fulltime equivalent positions to 25 positions, according to Mr Taylor Martin MLC, chair of the Standing Committee on State Development. Mr Martin said ClockOn offered rostering, time attendance and payroll systems with a subscriptionbased software platform.

"They can potentially service any company in the world," he said

"At the moment ClockOn has 14 positions but has a goal to reach 30 positions including software developers, and digital sales and marketing positions," Mr Martin said.

The loan came through the NSW Government's Jobs for NSW program.

SOURCE: Media release, 5 Sep 2018 Todd Kirby, Office of **Taylor Martin MLC**



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Peninsula's water and sewerage prices may drop

Water, sewerage and stormwater charges on the Peninsula are likely to drop with the alignment of prices across the Central Coast.

Average residential water bills would be reduced from July, if Central Coast Council's recommendations to a review of water, sewerage and stormwater prices are adopted.

The proposed water usage price would be reduced to \$2.20 per thousand litres and the water service charge reduced to \$113.20 per year.

The stormwater drainage charge would be reduced to \$110.77 per year.

The annual sewerage service charge would be \$538.70, which would also be a reduction for Peninsula residents.

The submission was sent to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) on Friday, September 7.

Council senior manager Ms Bileen Nel said it proposed to align prices across the two former councils, improve key service levels and reduce the typical residential water bill.

Council's proposed prices would affect residential customers in different ways depending on how much water they used,



whether they owned a house or an apartment or were eligible for a pensioner concession. The submission detailed a four-

The submission detailed a fouryear capital works program and

agreed service levels. "A number of capital works programs have been identified to improve water supply security

Current and proposed typical residential bills

The Woy Woy sewer treatment plant including an upgrade to the Mangrove Creek Dam spillway," Ms Nel said.

Over the past five years approximately \$90 million for operational and capital works has not spent.

"Council proposes that this money is allocated to deliver a

program of upgrades to the water, sewerage and stormwater drainage networks," the submission said.

"This will include an increased water mains renewal program and additional upgrades to its sewerage system.

"Revenue variance amounts attributed to water, sewerage or stormwater drainage will only be used in the same specific area which generated the revenue," the submission said.

The Council reported that, in the past four years, customers had experienced discoloured water, sewage odours, pricing differentials (especially in relation to retirement villages), fluoride, taste (chlorine), water security, water main breaks, response times and follow up work.

Council had recorded water quality complaints of 9.9 per 1000 properties, 151.8 unplanned interruptions per 1000 properties and 23.7 water main breaks per 100km.

It also recorded 32.6 sewerage overflows per 100km.

A specific water and sewer complaints management framework had been established to improve areas of underperformance.

Council told IPART its operations would now focus on the introduction of a 24-hour seven-day a week water operations centre, the use of new technologies to improve monitoring and performance and improved water quality.

Chemicals used to treat the water would be changed to reduce the "chlorine residual".

Another aim would be enhanced waterway health through early detection of sewerage chokes and overflows.

The community has opportunities to provide feedback direct to IPART by October 12 and by attending IPART's public hearing on November 27.

SOURCE: Submission, 7 Sep 2018 Media release, 12 Sep 2018 Bileen Nel, Central Coast Council Reporter: Jackie Pearson

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Marine Watch holds final meeting

Brisbane Water Marine Watch held its final meeting on Wednesday, September 19.

membership, An ageing societal and governmental change and the inability to attract younger members have all contributed to the group's demise.

The changing nature of boating, an increasing reliance on insurance as well as busier lifestyles have also played their part.

Membership drives, changes in subscriptions, venue alterations and timing adjustments were to no avail.

incorporated The group operated under the banner "observing, reporting and helping" which summed up the focus of activities.

It fostered camaraderie among

all water users and shared a large reserve of practical boating knowledge among its members.

Brisbane Water Marine Watch at one stage boasted 90 members. With zone reporters from every major boating locality, it had one of the largest memberships of any similar group in NSW.

"Led by Zone Commander Sherwin Hensby, with the counsel of John Burnet who was an original founding member and participant through the 30 years of its existence, the organisation contributed to water safety, conservation, governance and the protection of vessels throughout its existence," said group member Mr Gus Plater.

one government "Through restructure after another and decreasing interest and

effectiveness of the Maritime Services Board, the organisation continued to represent the interests of Brisbane Water boat owners.

"Throughout its time, it combined with other water users to lobby for such things as wharf improvements, mooring facilities, dredging and responsible recreational use.

"The group's liaison with the Water Police, local government and Marine Rescue always played an important part in the operations of the organisation.

"A feature at one time was the useful and informative newsletter which was produced in which boating advice, marine articles, water rules and legal obligations were disseminated."

> Media release, 20 Sep 2018 Gus Plater, Brisbane Water Marine Watch

Brigades promote awareness ahead of fire season

The Pearl Beach and Empire Bay rural fire brigades participated in Get Ready Weekend over September 22 and 23.

Members of the Pearl Beach brigade were on hand at Pearl Parade playground from 9am to 1pm on Saturday, September 22. to assist with information about the bush fire season which commenced locally on September

The Empire Bay Get Ready event was held on Saturday, September 22, at the Empire Bay Fire Station from 10am to 2pm.

Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast, Mr Scot MacDonald, said the Rural Fire Service brigades opened their doors to the community to help people be aware and prepare for bush fire risks this summer.

Mr MacDonald said it was particularly important for residents who live near bushland and areas prone to grass fires to start preparing now.

"We're fortunate to have some of the most skilled and experienced firefighters in the world here.

"However, they're facing a potentially protracted bush fire season, so we all need to do our part in the community to be as prepared as possible," he said. SOURCE:

Media release, 18 Sep 2018 Kit Hale, Office of Scot MacDonald MP

Council to consider local procurement policy

A local procurement policy will be discussed at the next meeting of Central Coast Council, on Monday, September 24.

Cr Kyle MacGregor has said he will move a motion calling for the Council to request Council chief Mr Gary Murphy instigate necessary steps to formulate and develop a local procurement policy for Council.

If councillors vote in favour of the motion, it is expected a policy will be developed in consultation between relevant staff and councillors and included in next year's operational budget.

Cr MacGregor said local labour and businesses products and services should be included in the delivery of Council services that are not delivered by directly employed staff or council directorates.

"I will move that we consider favouring local workers and local businesses in the tendering processes as an option, or consider if weightings or ratios are appropriate for these tenders to

encourage the use of local workers and businesses in delivering services and stimulating our local economy through the fiscal activity of Central Coast Council," Cr MacGregor said.

"I also want to see Council consider support for a Buy Local campaign that promotes and encourages the purchase and use of local services and products by our local community similar to the Buy Australian Made campaign that has been so successful at the national level," he said.

"I will also be calling for the Council to recognise the unique skills, products, produce and exceptionally high quality of our local workforce and small businesses particularly in the agriculture, construction and manufacturing sectors and seek to promote these to strengthen our local economy and local community," he said.

SOURCE: Media statement, 13 Sep 2018 Kyle MacGregor, Central Coast Council

Meander at Warrah Trig

The National Parks and Wildlife Service will be holding a Monday Meander to Warrah Trig in Brisbane Water National Park on October 8.

The outing starts with morning tea at Patonga Beach at 10:30am before heading out to Warrah Trig lookout

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> SOURCE: Media release, 18 Sep 2018 **NSW National Parks and** Wildlife Service

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Local conservationist seeks election to national body

Woy Woy resident Mr Mark Ellis has announced he is standing for election to the national council of the Australian Conservation Foundation.

Mr Ellis, who is president of the Central Coast Branch, said: "The Council is the core body elected by our members in every Australian state and territory.

"As one of the largest democratic, member-focused environmental non-government organisations, members can decide who they think bring the skills, experience and diversity that will help shape the Foundation's strategic direction over the next three years," Mr Ellis said.

"Over my 30-year involvement as a member and supporter, I have held various positions with the branch and have been involved in many campaigns locally and nationally, which include Jabiluka, Murray Darling, Green Home,

Woy Woy resident Mr Mark I Care, Count me in and Stop Ellis has announced he Adani," Mr Ellis said.

Mr Ellis has also organised and run many local campaigns and events to tackle a variety of environmental issues affecting the Peninsula and wider Central Coast.

Mr Ellis has been involved with the Australian Conservation Foundation since 1987, when he became a founding member of the Central Coast branch.

"I have great drive to protect the urban and natural environment, and an eagerness in providing intergenerational equity, by enabling sustainable cities via green urbanism, with renewable energy, protecting and enhancing the open spaces, oceans, rivers and bushlands in the urban settings and the built places we love," Mr Ellis said.

SOURCE: Media release, 28 Aug 2018 Mark Ellis, ACF Central Coast

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The existing dwelling to be replaced by three townhouses

Three townhouses proposed to replace single dwelling

A three-townhouse development has been proposed for 2 Warrah St, Ettalong, with work estimated at \$870,000.

The site is on the southern side of Warrah St near its intersection with Barrenjoey Rd and is currently occupied by a single dwelling and shed.

Each townhouse will be two

storeys with an attached garage accessed by a common driveway along the eastern boundary of the 272 square metre property.

The proposal does not comply with the Gosford Local Environmental Plan for minimum lot size by three per cent.

The proposed height is well below the maximum set out in planning controls and the proposal also complies for floor space ratio. The proposal involves the removal of four trees.

It has asked for a variation to controls for minimum ceiling height for first floor bedrooms and to side boundary setbacks.

> SOURCE: DA55184/2018, 20 Sep 2018 Gosford DA Tracker, Central Coast Council

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Girl Guides celebrates 10th birthday

Guides Blackwall Girl celebrated their 10th birthday recently and Woy Woy Rotarians were invited to the celebration.

"The evening was well attended with approximately 24 Guides and Junior Guides, a number of parents, local and District Guide Leaders, Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch, and past Member for Gosford Ms Marie Andrews," said Rotarian Ms Sue Tee.

"Speeches were made and photographs of the activities

displayed.

"There was pizza for dinner and a beautiful birthday cake, with a rendition of happy birthday led by Ms Tesch." SOURCE:

Newsletter, 28 Aug 2018

Vic Deeble, Rotary Club of Woy Woy

Evening honours fire fighters

An evening honouring local and September. firefighters and brigade volunteers was held at Hardys Bay Club on Saturday, September 8.

The Thank You Firies Night was held to honour the work of Central Coast Rural Fire Service Brigades, National Parks and Wildlife Services and emergency services and volunteers that helped quell the series of bushfires that plagued the Bouddi Peninsula over August

Medallions of Honour were provided by Member for Terrigal Mr Adam Crouch and were presented to each of the brigades present on the night in appreciation of their efforts.

Special guests included Mayor Cr Jane Smith, Member for Robertson Ms Lucy Wicks and Cr Jeff Sundstrom.

SOURCE: Media release, 13 Sep 2018

John Brown, Hardys Bay Club

Youth forum to be held in Woy Woy

A youth forum will be held in Woy Woy on November 26.

Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch announced the event in response to calls from the NSW Government for local youths to put their hands up to join the 2019 NSW Youth Advisory Council.

"I will be excited to hear from the voices that often go unheard," Ms Tesch said.

"We should be hearing from the people our policies will affect," she said.

"We need talented young Australians to showcase their fresh ideas and fresh faces to influence changes in policy.

"The younger generation will be the ones who live the decisions that politicians make today, so it is so important they have their say about changes in society.'

Meanwhile, Ms Tesch said she encouraged Peninsula youth to get involved in the advisory council.

"The Council allows you to have your say and represent the voice of young people on the Peninsula to the highest levels of government," Ms Tesch said.

"This offers you not only experience, but also the power to provoke a change in policy.

"This opens a wide array of opportunities for our youth and puts a foot in the door for those who may one day like a career in politics, or just want to make the Peninsula an even better place to live."

Twelve Council members from across the state will be selected from diverse locations, backgrounds and life experiences.

Ms Tesch said she would release more details about the November youth forum closer to the event.

SOURCE: Media release, 23 Aug 2018 Liesl Tesch, Member for Gosford



Proposal to review Council facilities management

The use and management of Council's community facilities will be the subject of a review by a working group comprising interested Councillors and Central Coast Council staff if a Mayoral Minute is adopted.

The Mayoral Minute will be considered at the next ordinary meeting of Central Coast Council on Monday, September 24.

Mayor Cr Jane Smith will call for Council to engage with the community "in order to identify key issues and determine the scope of the review".

If the Mayoral Minute is adopted, it will "request CEO Gary Murphy to engage an appropriate consultant to assist with the review".

Cr Smith called for Council to be provided with a progress report at the first meeting in February outlining key actions and milestones in the review process.

"In recent years, there has been a high level of community concern about changes in the way that Council manages community facilities," the Mayoral Minute said.

"These concerns have included

changes to the management structure of facilities, a move between leases and licenses and changes to pricing structures.

"The purpose of this motion is to undertaken a review of the issues that have been raised by the community and put forward a model for the future."

The Mayoral Minute had originally been placed on the agenda for discussion at the August 13 Council meeting but had been deferred.

SOURCE: **Central Coast Council** agenda 2.1, 24 Sep 2018

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Why is MP being denied Crown Lands list?

I find it incomprehensible that our local MP is, for a second time, being denied access to a list of Crown Lands in the Central Coast Local Government Area (Peninsula News, page 1, September 10).

Surely this is public information? There must be a list, as all Councils have been asked whether they want to take over responsibility for Crown Lands, owned by the people not the State Government, and Central Coast Council says it is currently inspecting properties on their list.

What is the reason for depriving our Local Member of a copy of the lands held in trust by the State Government on behalf of the people she represents?

Email, 10 Sep 2018 Kay Williams, Pearl Beach

I am a resident of Umina and have lived here since 1985.

I regularly visit or travel through Gosford and consider it to be the administrative centre of the Central Coast.

It can also once again become the town centre of the Central Coast with some well-designed development.

I have the following objections to the Gosford Draft Development Control Plan (DCP) 2018 that in my view, does not contribute to this growth and advancement.

There is no traffic or parking study.

Such a study should be undertaken and implemented prior to any changes in zoning or planning criteria.

Lack of attention to parking does not provide confidence that the developers of the DCP have even been to Gosford, let alone tried to park there.

I am very concerned about any amendments to the provision and location of car parking requirements for selected developments.

I am very concerned about any unlimited density and heights of buildings in key locations, including any future site over 5600 square metres.

This makes absolutely no sense.

The design of buildings needs to

DCP that does not control is no improvement

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avoid any creation of wind tunnels. Residents of and visitors to Gosford City currently enjoy amenity that would be destroyed by bad design and associated wind tunnels.

I am very concerned about any overshadowing of public areas especially Kibble Park and Leagues Club Park.

This should be avoided with good design.

Changing the current DCP controls from unlimited sunlight to Kibble Park to only 50 per cent is a serious neglect and mismanagement of public space.

Even allowing the Leagues Club Park to have 70 per cent solar access identifies that Kibble Park is being treated as second rate.

Kibble Park as the heart of the Civic Centre should not be compromised by overshadowing.

How can the DCP include no limit on the number of storeys in some locations?

Buildings could be 30 or more storeys in height.

This ignores an unpublished economic feasibility study from 2017-18 that predicted buildings in excess of 10 storeys as actually not feasible in Gosford.

This serious lack of research needs to be acknowledged.

The current developers' contribution of four per cent of the value of the development should not be removed.

This is essential to enable the Central Coast Council to construct critical infrastructure.

Substituting a Special Infrastructure Contribution of three per cent will just further increase pressure on the Council budget that is already unable to meet the current infrastructure demands.

And how can you justify that of this three per cent, when the State Government would take two per cent leaving only one per cent for the Central Coast Council.

That is unconscionable and seems like theft to me.

Do not take planning controls away from the democraticallyelected local Central Coast Council and transfer that control to unnamed bureaucrats and the Minister for Planning.

This is the result of classifying any development above \$75 million as State Significant development. Hands off our community.

Classifying development between \$10 million to \$75 million to be assessed by the Department of Planning and determined

of Planning and determined by the Minister or Independent Planning Commission is taking planning controls away from the democratically-elected local Central Coast Council. Don't.

Council is the best place to make local planning decisions, not State Government and its employees who didn't live here, have no interest in decisions made that impact on residents and visitors and have no apparent appreciation for what their policies mean on the ground.

I am concerned that the key views appear to favour developers rather than implement sound planning principles.

Building setbacks appear to favour developers rather than implement sound planning principles.

Finally, I do not understand why in some locations consideration is allowed to provide off-site parking rather than ensuring any proposed development provides adequate on-site parking.

The Development Control Plan is a misnomer.

There are few controls and none that reflect the hopes and aspirations of the people whose lives will be impacted by building and construction within this plan.

I do not regard what is being proposed as "development" other than growth.

It is certainly not an advance or improvement on the Gosford town centre.

> Email, 20 Sep 2018 Sally Jope, Umina

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Remembrance Day service will be held as usual

Regarding front page articles in edition 351 (August 13) and 450 (July 30) of Peninsula News, I would appreciate you including the following item in your next available edition.

Most local people will be aware that the Woy Woy memorial park was established in the mid-1920s and since that time Anzac dawn and morning, and Remembrance Day services have been held annually.

Dr Karsai indicated in edition 351 that this year's Remembrance Day service would only be held at Ettalong.

This is incorrect, the service will be conducted as usual at 11am on November 11 at the Woy Woy Memorial Park.

Over recent years, there have been a number of maintenance issues affecting the park.



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contribution conditions

Firstly roots from the pine trees both raised and distorted the brick and steel fence resulting in it being removed and replaced with wooden bollards.

Locals will also be aware of the constant movement of boats past the north wall that resulted in the foundations of that wall being weakened.

The council has replaced and underpinned the wall.

Unfortunately, salt water has penetrated the park, killing any flowers planted very quickly. Additional improvements will include the Victoria Cross and the replacement of the stones surrounding the stars within the flag.

In my 44 years living in Umina, I haven't encountered any graffiti within this area.

If this happens, it will be removed and a protective coating will be applied.

Anyone seeking further explanation can contact us on 4341 2594.

Email, Aug 22 Ian Corbett, Woy Woy Ettalong Hardy's Bay RSL Branch

Council has not done enough

Many residents joined together on Tuesday, September 18, to protest about the fact that Central Coast Council have not done enough to ensure the continuing service of the Palm Beach Ferry.

Nearly six months have expired since the ferry service stopped running due to channel dredging not having been put into place.

Whether the dredging was a State or local matter is of no concern to local businesses or Peninsula residents.

All have suffered.

The question should be: Why has the Council not provided a shuttle bus from Ettalong to

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Patonga to assist ferry travellers? Will Council be making some financial assistance to businesses affected by the loss of tourist income?

Will the ferry service resume in time for the Oyster Carnival in Ettalong in November?

Can Council guarantee that dredging will be continued to ensure future ferry services are not cancelled?

Finally, will the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce organise extra promotions when the ferry resumes to bolster local business income?

> Email, 18 Sep 2018 Rod Fountain, Booker Bay

A mobile phone is now a must

Our house has a lift originally installed for disabled use, and in the old days of land lines and ADSL, the lift telephone continued to work in a power blackout as did all fixed line telephones.

Now with the arrival of NBN

broadband, our home and lift telephone will not operate in a power failure.

I wonder how many of our Peninsula residents who do not have a mobile phone realise they are cut off in the event of a power failure if they have NBN.

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The reason is that most NBN connections on the Peninsula are fibre to the node and the nodes do not have a backup power facility.

This is a serious matter particularly for any elderly and

disabled people who may have health issues or any other emergency during a blackout.

The only solution is a mobile phone.

This is now a must for NBN households.

For those without a mobile, I

recommend buying the cheapest phone for the cheapest plan.

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> Email, 24 Aug 2018 John Taylor, Woy Woy





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Chambers Place flats are poorly sited

I cannot for the life of me imagine why the Housing Department would build an apartment block at Chambers PI. Wov Wov.

The two worst pubs on the Central Coast are at the end of the street and, when the football stadium across the road is happening, the crowds are out of control.

It becomes the hub for drunks, hoons, bikies, druggies and the homeless

Every single night, the tenants have to put up with screaming, shouting, swearing, drunken and drugged up people fighting each

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other with broken bottles, as well as people urinating and defecating around the building.

There is no police presence and the tenants have to ring up to ask for the police to venture out.

Putting this building in such a bad hotspot, where the tenants are vulnerable and suffer with anxiety, is ridiculous.

What the people in the flats have to go through on a nightly basis has to be heard and seen to be believed.

> Email, 17 Sep 2018 R Laverty, Woy Woy

ntral Coast Other Regional News - In brief

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

Waterfront included in

draft Gosford CBD DCP

Draft Affordable and

Alternative Housing Strategy

on public exhibition

according to Central Coast Council.

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on www.centralcoastnews.net Copies of these other publications may be obtained from our offices in Gosford, by subscription, or from a myriad of locations in the areas covered by each publication.



PH: 4325 7369

Parking fine amounts could be reduced over-run with weeds and infested with

YOUR INDEPENDENT COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

Adam Crouch to oppose his own government's proposal

The NSW Department of Planning's draft As the NSW Greens feared the State The NSW Government's proposal for a Development Control Plan for Gosford Government was about to 'backfl ip' marine park includes a network of 25 reveals the State Government's intention on its plan for a marine park from distinct sites, three of which fall within the to develop the city's waterfront. Newcastle to Wollongong, Member for greater Gosford area, off Forresters Beach,

\$500,000.

Terrigal, Adam Crouch, decided to stand the ex- HMAS Adelaide dive site off Avoca, with the community and oppose his own and Bouddi. Anonymous donor increases

the possibility of community gardens in Avoca

Chief Executive Officer's performance to be monitored

Marine Parks proposed

An innovative new strategy will address The possibility of community gardens A panel of eight Councillors and an housing insecurity on the Central Coast, in Avoca has come one step closer, with external facilitator has been established to

a pledge from an anonymous donor of set and monitor the performance of new Chief Executive Offi cer, Gary Murphy.

Springfield Pond Wetland

mosquitos

by noxious weeds to Central Coast Council.

Council to join court case over Mangrove Mountain landfill

Central Coast Council has joined the NSW Council will receive a report outlining Springfi eld residents have taken their Environment Protection Authority (EPA) options for a discretionary reduction in campaign to repair a wetland pond overrun as second respondent in the Land and parking fines on the Central Coast. Environment Court (LEC) in two pending appeal proceedings applied for by Verde

Terra Pty Ltd, the operator of the Mangrove

The full articles and more can be seen on line on our website www.centralcoastnews.net Coast Community News focusses on news specifically related to post code areas 2250, 2251, 2260 and articles can also be read and shared on your mobile phone by going to www.coasto unitvnews.com.au.



Stage 3A section of the widening of the

Pacific Hwy at Ourimbah completed

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Minister announces increase to four express trains an hour during peak periods

morning and afternoon peaks.

Central Coast customers will benefit from Member for The Entrance, David Mehan, It is now two years since expressions of a doubling of express services to and from has welcomed the long awaited switching interest were called to purchase the 88 the Sydney CBD from September 30, with on of three sets of traffic lights on the hectare Warner Business Park, at Kiar four express trains an hour during the newly widened Stage 3A section of the Ridge, once the former Wyong Council's Pacific Hwy at Ourimbah.

Current status of former regional airport site shrouded in mystery

preferred site for a regional airport.

Councillors are our starting point

After reading Brian Lewis's letter (Peninsula News edition 452) regarding the state of repair of the whale street art pieces in tail Peninsula Recreation the Precinct, I agree the art should be kept in a good state of repair otherwise the local community of people (kids) who like to destroy anything during the night might see this as an easy target because it is in a state of disrepair.

The lack of interest from the Council doesn't surprise me.

We are the forgotten South.

So I suggest Brian to seek out our ward councillors and ask them for the funds out of their small local project funds.

When I was a councillor we had \$10,000 for this type of thing.

It might be hard to get them though. None of them live on the Peninsula

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The councillors are vour starting point as they are our representatives and can get you access to the people who matter in the decision making process as the staff take direction from the Council who are our representatives.

I will be interested to see what happens to see if our elected reps stand up for this area.

Email, 30 Aug 2018 Carl Veugen, Umina

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Most of the land to be biobanked to make The NSW Environment Protection Agency Parliamentary Secretary for the Central way for a proposed 226 lot subdivision has confirmed that it is required to review Coast, Scot MacDonald, has announced at 79 Berkely Rd, Glenning Valley, will the Environmental Protection Licence \$5m in funding to Central Coast Council for be located in Northern NSW, not on the (EPL) of the Vales Point Power Station by six community projects through round two Central Coast, according to d o c u m e n December 24. of the NSW Liberal National Government's t s submitted to the Federal Environment Stronger Country Communities Fund.

Speakers may no longer be able to Eloora Rd major upgrade currently address Council meetings underway

Wallarah Creek fl oodplain risk management study closes soon

Members of the public will no longer Central Coast Council is currently A floodplain risk management study for be allowed to address Council meetings, delivering Stage 1 of a \$6.7m road and the Wallarah Creek catchment, is currently under further changes proposed to Central drainage project focussed on Eloora Rd, being carried out by Central Coast Council. Coast Council's Code of Meeting Practice. a major access road for popular tourist to identify the risk and impact of flooding destinations Long Jetty, Toowoon Bay and during storm events. The Entrance.

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Health



Dr Oliver Florica

Brisbane Waters Private Hospital has announced that three doctors have joined its

"We are excited to announce that Dr Oliver Florica from the Sydney Adventist Hospital is joining our surgical team," said hospital chief Ms Kathy Beverley.

"Dr Florica is a general and weight loss surgeon and was one of the first surgeons in Australia to use the Da Vinci Robot in his field. "He has performed multiple robotic bariatric and general surgery procedures and has been asked to proctor in robotic surgery.

Hospital announces

new doctors

"Dr Florica is a well-respected and talented surgeon in his chosen field and brings a wealth of experience to the Coast for gastric sleeves, bands and other weight loss procedures," Ms Beverley said.

The second doctor was Dr Anthony Mason.

"Dr Mason is a general adult psychiatrist with special interest in addictions, ADHD, and the older person," Ms Beverley said.

"This month we have also welcomed back to the Peninsula Dr David Parkin.

"Dr Parkin is back consulting at Woy Woy and operating with us.

"Dr Parkin specialises in the diagnosis and treatment of a range of disorders affecting the gastrointestinal tract, along with disorders of the liver, gall bladder, biliary tree and pancreas," Ms Beverley said.

SOURCE: Social media, 14 Sep 2018 Kathy Beverley, Brisbane Waters Private Hospital



Dr Anthony Mason

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Education

Hospital licensed to provide Parkinson's program



Peninsula Villages now has two tilt recliners which are much loved amongst residents

A local hospital has been licensed to provide a new Parkinson's disease treatment program.

Brisbane Waters Private Hospital recently announced it would provide the PD Warrior program to Peninsula residents battling Parkinson's.

The hospital is just one of two health centres on the Central Coast licensed to offer the program.

"PD Warrior has been designed specifically to treat the symptoms of Parkinson's disease and is modelled on recent scientific evidence that supports the introduction of specialist rehabilitation exercises from the time of diagnosis," said hospital chief Ms Kathy Beverley.

"Exercise is front line defence for people with Parkinson's disease.

"PD Warrior aims to rewire the brain to allow everyday movements and activities to be performed with greater ease," she said.

For more information about the program, visit the Central Coast Rehabilitation website and search for the PD Warrior program.

SOURCE: Social media, 17 Sep 2018 Kathy Beverley, Brisbane Waters Private Hospital

Second donation buys second tilt recliner chair

A local aged care facility has received a second donation to buy a second tilt recliner chair for use by its residents.

Peninsula Village has received a Club Grant from Everglades Country Club to purchase the chair that provides assistance to elderly and frail residents who experience difficulty standing and sitting.

Positive feedback from residents after the donation of the first chair led the village to seek a grant for another chair.

"Residents are usually required to purchase this type of equipment,

which could cost in excess of \$1000," said Peninsula Villages chief Mr Shane Neaves

"It is a necessity for their health and wellbeing that some residents may not be able to afford and therefore this grant has assisted us to offer residents an additional Village-owned chair for general temporary usage.

"With 30 per cent of our residents being supported residents, we hope we can give them peace of mind, knowing that this equipment is readily available to them where required," said Mr Neaves. "The tilt recliner chair has been purchased and is currently in our special care facility, Jack Aldous House, being utilised by our respite patients.

Peninsula Villages currently has two permanent respite beds and provides over 4000 respite bed days to locals each year.

"We've already had a lot of positive feedback from the residents who have seen its huge benefit," Mr Neaves said.

SOURCE: Media release, 20 Sep 2018 Katey Small, Brilliant Logic



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SOURCE: Social media, 12 Sep 2018 Emily Bowtell, Woy Woy CWA Branch

for the next fortnight," said branch

publicity officer Ms Emily Bowtell.



Pretty Beach Public School students have been visited by volunteers from Surf Live Saving Central Coast to talk about beach safety.

"Students participated in activities designed to teach them the correct thing to do when swimming at the beach," said principal Ms Deborah Callendar.

"Students learnt they must always swim between the red and yellow flags, that rips are not easy to spot sometimes and how to react if they find themselves stuck in a rip.

"Students were taught the importance of remaining calm in situations where they feel they are in trouble and were also instructed on the best way to signal for help.

"This was a great refresher on how to be safe at the beach as the weather starts to warm up," Ms Callendar said.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 13 Sep 2018 **Deborah Callendar, Pretty Beach Public School**

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However, with summer just around the corner, and the days starting to warm up, might I take a minute to suggest exploring a morning walk or an evening stroll?

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Kindergarten students visit college farm

Kindergarten students from Umina Beach Public School visited Brisbane Water Secondary College's farm on September 5, as part of their Living Things unit of study.

"Kindergarten visited the farm to enhance their learning in the science component of their Living Things unit," said primary school principal Ms Lyn Davis. "The agriculture students who guided them around the farm were all well informed and had arranged a variety of fun activities including a gumboot throwing competition, honey tasting and a fruit break in the orchard, where our Kindies were able to pick and eat oranges straight from the trees," Ms Davis said.

"Of course, the farm animals were the stars of the day and we

were able to handle and learn about sheep, cattle, poultry, bees and pigs.

"Morning drizzles and mud puddles only enhanced the farmyard experience with the sun coming out in time for a picnic lunch," Ms Davis said.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 11 Sep 2018 Lyn Davis, Umina Beach Public School



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Umina wins debating in local division

Umina Beach Public School's Year 6 debating team have won the local division of the Premier's Debating Challenge.

"Our Year 6 debating team won their local division and have begun competing in the knock out rounds," said the school's debating teacher, Ms Angela Ainsworth.

"In their last round competition our team, the Umina Da Bombbaters competed against the Avoca Beach Brainiacs.

"The topic for the debate was that: students in Years' 5 and 6 should watch the news each night and write a weekly report about it for homework.

"The affirmative team (Avoca) claimed that this would be a much more fun way to do homework.

"It would help students to become 21st century learners.

"It would benefit students greatly by increasing their knowledge of current events and it would improve student's writing ability.

"The negative team (Umina) argued that the news programs, which are televised each night, are made for an adult audience and the content often features violence, terrorism and inappropriate content for children.

"Students are already stressed out with enough homework to do. "Students in this age group think

watching the news is boring. "Students in Years' 5 and

6 watch BTN (children's news program) each week and already



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learn about this at school," the Umina team argued.

"Avoca rebutted that it would not be more time consuming as it would replace the regular spelling and maths homework, many students did not find watching the news to be boring and that teachers would tell students which channels and segments to watch to ensure that they don't watch anything inappropriate.

"Umina countered that it would be impossible for teachers to know what the news is going to show each night as it is live.

"If we got rid of the current model of homework, the literacy and numeracy skills of students would suffer, and students may become depressed and frightened about what is going on in the world."

Ms Ainsworth said: "It was a very close debate but the adjudicator declared that Umina delivered the most convincing arguments.

"Both teams were lucky to have a special judge, Mr Tony Davey from The Arts Unit, adjudicate the debate.

"He was able to give us some great advice to help us prepare for our next debate against Erina Heights Public School.

"Our Year 6 Debating team have now made it to the top 16 teams in the Hunter-Central Coast region, which is an outstanding achievement."

> SOURCE: Newsletter, 11 Sep 2018 Lyn Davis, Umina Beach Public School

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Education

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Year 6 students from Umina Beach Public School recently returned from an excursion to Canberra.

The excursion was a part of their Civics and Citizenship studies and students participated in a number of educational tours and activities to facilitate their learning and understanding of Australian history, culture, heritage and governance.

The excursion included visits to The Australia War Memorial, the Australian Institute of Sport, the Royal Australian Mint and the Electoral Education Centre.

A highlight of the trip was the students visit to Parliament House where they got to meet with Australia's newest Prime Minister Mr Scott Morrison.

> SOURCE: Newsletter, 18 Sep 2018 Lyn Davis, Umina Beach Public School

Peninsula schools have celebrated the efforts and contributions of their schools' administrative and support staff, known as SASS.

"If you'd had occasion to visit our school office earlier this September, you may have noticed streamers, balloons, flowers and the like decorating the foyer and window," said Woy Woy Public School principal Ms Ona Buckley.

"This was done in celebration of SASS Appreciation Week.

"It was an opportunity for the staff of Woy Woy Public School to acknowledge the wonderful work done by all of our school administrative officers, school administrative manager, our general assistant and all of the school learning support officers, who work with children in classrooms.

"We consider ourselves incredibly lucky to have such dedicated, hard-working and professional people working in the school for the benefit of students and family and community members.

"They all do an absolutely amazing job and we as a staff were happy to be able to spoil them a little bit over the course of the



Members of Woy Woy South Public School's SASS staff enjoying a special thank you breakfast as part of SASS Appreciation Week

week," Ms Buckley said.

"Unfortunately, I'm sorry to report that our SASS members are not always treated with the respect they deserve.

"We understand that circumstances may arise in the day to day running of a school that may be inconvenient or frustrating for parents but I would like to respectfully ask that people remember not to take their frustrations out on them and to speak to them with the respect they deserve at all times. "Let's all do our best to model respectful interactions for the benefit of our children and for every member of our school community," Ms Buckley said.

Woy Woy South Public School principal Mr Matt Barr also took the time to thank his school's dedicated staff.

"Our staff in the front office, those assisting our teachers and students in the classroom and those who keep our grounds

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maintained and tidy are essential to the successful running of any school.

"At Woy Woy South, we are extremely lucky to have such a hardworking and committed group."

SOURCE: Newsletter, 14 Sep 2018 Ona Buckley, Woy Woy Public School Newsletter, 6 Sep 2018 Matt Barr, Woy Woy South Public School



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Education





Fun run to raise money for school

Ettalong Public School held a fun run on September 13.

The run raised funds for the school to purchase new playground equipment.

Students were rewarded for

their efforts, with prizes available, increasing with students' fundraising targets.

The grand prize was a family holiday.

The fun run included a series of

challenges including an inflatable obstacle course, a tyre run and tube crawl.

SOURCE: Social media, 13 Sep 2018 Lynn Balfour, Ettalong **Public School**

Breakfast club at Woy Woy

established its own School Breakfast Club.

The club was started by the school at the beginning of the month so every student had the chance to have a healthy breakfast before school.

"The club has been open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and has proved to be popular with the students," said principal Ms Ona Buckley.

"On Wednesday, we went through 10 loaves of bread before

Woy Woy Public School has the bell rang and the students made their way to class.

> "We had been talking about how nice it would be to have a cool touch conveyor toaster available to us and quickly realised that it would become an absolute necessity in order to keep up with the level of demand we were experiencing.

> "The P and C have generously agreed to purchase the toaster and donate it to the school."

SOURCE: Newsletter, 14 Sep 2018

Ona Buckley, Woy Woy **Public School**





Before and after-school care at Umina

A local community health and support service provider is launching a Before and After School Care program at **Umina Beach Public School** this October.

Coast Community Connections will be running the program from at the school from 6:30am to 9am and 3pm to 6:30pm, from October 15.

"Children are supervised and cared for by our quality educators who organise a variety of activities to ensure your child gets the most out of their time," said Coast Community Connections General Manager of Families and Community, Ms Emma Gilby.

SÓURCE: Media release, 19 Sep 2018 Emma Gilby, Coast **Community Connections**



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Nominations open Monday 17 September and close Friday 2 November 2018.

Kindergarten orientation starts



Woy Woy Public School's Vale Focas, Hayley Flower, Ian Lumley, Erik Jahn, Easun Zhang and River Quennell

Woy Woy Public School have officially begun their Kindergarten orientation process for 2019.

"The orientation process for 2019 Kindergarten students began earlier this term with open classrooms and parent information sessions," said principal Ms Ona Buckley.

"The process continues next term with official transition sessions, during which students participate in activities in the Kindergarten classrooms with this year's Kindergarten teachers. "These sessions take place in

Weeks 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Term 4. "More details will be provided in

the lead-up to the first session." Anyone intending to enrol their child or children in Kindergarten or our preschool next year has been asked to complete the requisite

paperwork. "Preschool places are filling up fast," Ms Buckley said.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 14 Sep 2018 Ona Buckley, Woy Woy Public School

Woy Woy team wins science competition

A team from Woy Woy Public School has won a Science Invitational Competition.

The competition was part of National Science Week, run at the district level.

Woy Woy's team, consisting of Year 5 students Vale Focas, Hayley Flower, Ian Lumley, Erik Jahn, Easun

Zhang and River Quennelle, attended the local competition and competed against teams from six other schools.

"Their aim was to design and successfully build three structures in limited time to solve a design problem," said principal Ms Ona Buckley.

"From the egg drop problem

through to the tower design problem, our six students showed they were up to the challenge.

"After much competition, Woy Woy Public School were judged the overall winners of the day." SOURCE:

Newsletter, 14 Sep 2018 Ona Buckley, Woy Woy Public School

Sensory garden at Pretty Beach

A sensory garden is to be created at Pretty Beach Public School.

"I am pleased to say that our Sensory Garden will start to take shape as the school is expecting a delivery of soil and rocks," said principal Ms Deborah Callendar.

She said the project had involved gathering student suggestions, creating an overall design and submitting a successful grant application, and included the donation of time and machinery to create the garden structure.

"Once the soil and rocks have been delivered, the area near the fixed equipment will be out of bounds for safety reasons," she said.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 13 Sep 2018 Deborah Callendar, Pretty Beach Public School



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Artisans at Patonga 2017



Art fair to be held at Patonga

The 2018 Artisans at Patonga art fair will be held at the Patonga Community Hall from September 29 to October 1.

"Patonga is a hub for artists and people with creative talents," said event organiser, Mr Michael Kelliher.

Some of the exhibitors in the fair will include Ms Judith Hoste, Ms Celeste Boonaerts, Ms Trudie Deekeijzer, Ms Leeanne Livens

2018 Artisans at Artist and Ms Rebecca Irving.

According to Mr Kelliher, there are still many more exhibitors to be announced and he encourages Peninsula residents to visit the event over the October long weekend to support local creatives.

Doors will be open from 10am to 4pm each day. SOURCE:

Media release, 20 Sep 2018 Michael Kelliher, Artisans at Patonga

Annual craft exhibition is being planned

The Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre's annual exhibition and sale will be held on Saturday and Sunday, November 3 and 4, at the Peninsula Community Centre.

"There's not long to go before our major exhibition and sale, and planning and preparations are well underway," said president Ms Gwynneth Weir.

"There is still much to be done and we will be reaching out to the community in search of helpers over the coming weeks.

"There are lots of jobs that need doing to ensure the exhibition is a success," she said.

Ms Weir said volunteers were needed to prepare advertising banners, hang bunting at the Peninsula Community Centre, help set up the Centre prior to the event, help with the cafe, sell raffle tickets and clean up afterwards.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 12 Sep 2018 Gwynneth Weir, EBACC



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Theatre production to support autism school



The Show Offs exhibition of local artists, Pim Sarti and Marijke Greenway, will coincide with Jazz in the Arboretum

Woy Woy Little Theatre will stage Alan Ayckbourn's comedy Season's Greetings on October 20, from 7pm, at the Peninsula Theatre.

All proceeds from the event will be donated to Aspect School in Terrigal, which caters for children with autism.

The money will be put towards the purchase of two electronic whiteboards.

The Little Theatre will be supported in its fundraising efforts by The Entrance Rotary Club.

This is the second time the theatre company has partnered with a Central Coast Rotary Club to raise funds for Aspect School, having raised \$5000 for the school to purchase computer programs last year.

The evening will begin with a glass of sparkling wine, with hot and cold food prepared by Options Disability, a local charity which works with adults with a disability. Tickets are essential and cover

the cost of food and drink and entry to the show.

Tickets can be purchased through The Entrance Rotary Club. SOURCE:

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Media release, 14 Sep 2018 Gordon Crawford, The Entrance Rotary Club

Jazz in the Arboretum coincides with art exhibition

Jazz in the Arboretum will feature jazz vocalist Monica Trapaga and the World According to James Greening Band this year.

The event will take place from 2:30pm on Sunday, September 30

Organised by the Pearl Beach Progress Association and the Crommelin Native Arboretum Committee, tickets must be bought in advance through the Progress Association.

The event will coincide with the

Show Offs art exhibition, showing the works of local artists Ms Marijke Greenway and Ms Pim Sarti.

The exhibition will run in the Pearl Beach Memorial Hall from 10am to 5pm, from September 28 to October 1.

Art critic, academic and ABC presenter Dr Andrew Frost will open the exhibition at 6:30pm on September 28.

Ms Greenway said the focus of this year's Show Off exhibition was the people and places of Pearl Beach.

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Works from Ms Greenway's husband John and Ms Sarti's son Warren, will also be featured in the exhibition.

Progress Association publicity officer Ms Lynne Lillico said a raffle would take place over the weekend, with proceeds from the raffle going to the Pearl Beach Rural Fire Brigade.

SOURCE:

Media release, 9 Sep 2018 Marijke Greenway, Pearl Beach Media release, 17 Sep 2018 Lynne Lillico, Pearl Beach Progress Association



Horsfield Bay artist exhibits in Patonga

Horsfield Bay artist Ms Naomi Veitch is holding a solo art exhibition in Patonga.

This exhibition celebrates the launch of her website and new business venture Coastal Art Australia which started earlier this year.

The idea came about after Ms Veitch and family moved from Sydney to Horsfield Bay in 2014.

Ms Veitch said she quickly realised she had some very large bare walls crying out for decoration and set about completing pieces for their home which reflected her family's new surroundings.

Ms Veitch describes her art style as multi-faceted.

"On display is a collection of original paintings, sculpture, limited edition prints and gifts.

"These artworks are inspired by the beaches, rivers and wildlife of our beautiful Central Coast, with a majority of the works being based



on Pearl Beach," Ms Veitch said.

Ms Veitch's exhibition will run from September 28 to October 28 on Bay St, Patonga, opposite the Bakehouse Gallery, and will be open on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 10am to 4pm. SOURCE:

Media release, 20 Sep 2018 Naomi Veitch, Horsfield Bay

Inside the Square art show

The Wagstaffe-Killcare Community Association will hold its Inside the Square art show in the Wagstaffe Hall on Saturday and Sunday, September 29 and 30.

Artists purchased canvases from the Association for the show and were asked to create a piece that in some way featured the exhibition theme: light.

"Residents and friends have been preparing for the show for weeks," said show coordinators Ms Robyn Warburton and Ms Margaret Crane.

"It will be great fun to see the ideas that people have come up

with," they said.

During the show there will be a People's Choice Award for entries in the adults and children's categories.

The show will also feature a community raffle with many prizes donated from local businesses.

The closing celebration will feature guest speaker and community artist Ms Nina Angelo, the presentations of the People's Choice Awards, the drawing of the raffle and light refreshments.

To coincide with the show, many artists on the Bouddi Peninsula will be opening their homes and studios as part of the Bouddi Peninsula Art Trail. "The Art Trail on the Bouddi Peninsula was made famous during the 1990s and early 2000s, when on every October long weekend, local artists invited locals and visitors into their studios," said Ms Warburton and Ms Crane.

Twelve studios across 11 sites, featuring 17 artists will be open and a red flag will be flying in front of each house to help locate it.

Information regarding the artists, their addresses and an interactive map is available on the Bouddi Art Trail website.

SOURCE: Media release, 12 Sep 2018 Robyn Warburton, Margaret Crane, WTKCA

Craft centre condition impresses council, says president

The Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre committee has claimed Central Coast Council inspectors were impressed with the organisation's care and dedication in managing its building.

"The new Central Coast Council

appears to be checking out all the buildings it owns," said president Ms Gwynneth Weir.

"We lease our building from the Central Coast Council.

"When the Council representatives arrived, they were pleased to see the care we were taking of the building and the improvements we had made. "They were also impressed to hear just how many classes we run in the buildings.

"We keep our facilities clean and tidy, not just to please the Council, but so that we are all able to enjoy working in a pleasant environment," Ms Weir said.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 12 Sep 2018 Gwynneth Weir, EBACC

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Woytopia to be held on October 14

Woy Woy's sustainability festival, Woytopia, will be held at Woy Woy South Public School on Sunday, October 14.

It will feature a full program of entertainment, exhibitions and activities for festivalgoers.

"The Woytopia festival has an environmental theme, with talks this year on organic gardening, solar panels, energy saving, fermenting, keeping bees and chickens," said event organiser Mr Mark Mann.

"There's also a large eco-market of local green organisations and sustainable living products, from natural cosmetics and eco-friendly clothing to native plants.

"But whether you're a hardcore greenie or just looking for a great morning out with the family, there's something for everyone, with live music from the Rhythm Hut's Five Lands Band, Gypsy Dub Sound System and Johnny Devilseed and Old Man Rubes plus some great young local talent.

"A wide range of food stalls will



be serving delicious food from around the world, plus coffee, chai and juice stalls.

"But if you'd rather relax, the Tranquil Tipi offers yoga nidra and mindfulness relaxation sessions," he said.

There will also be a full line-up

of activities for children including Walkabout Wildlife Park shows, bouncy castle, face painting, Indian dancing, games, storytellers, kids' pottery and craft activities.

Woytopia will commence from 9am and will be officially opened on the day with a smoking

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ceremony performed by Darkinjung representative Gavi Duncan.

"The aim of Woytopia is to

celebrate what a great place the Peninsula is, surrounded by beautiful national parks and beaches, and to celebrate the great community here," Mr Mann said.

"We particularly want to show there's plenty of creative people, artists and musicians, and also a strong eco-aware community," he said.

"Woytopia aims to be plastic free, and is powered by 100 per cent renewable energy through GreenPower.

"No drugs, alcohol or dogs are allowed on school grounds.

"Bicycles can be chained to school fencing.

"Interested parties can find out more about the festival by visiting the Peninsula Environment Group's website," Mr Mann said. SOURCE:

Media release, 17 Sep 2018 Mark Mann, Woytopia Festival







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Tonkin Drysdale partners, Mr Darrell Pannowitz, Mr Lee Pawlak, Mr Paul Tonkin, Mr Paul Quinn

Red Carpet Day declared a success

The first Ettalong Red Carpet Day, held on Sunday, September 9, has been declared a success by Peninsula Tourism Partners.

Fifty local small businesses participated in the inaugural Red Carpet Day, according to Ettalong **Diggers Visitor Information Centre** administrator Ms Kim Cole, which co-hosted the event.

Ms Cole said the Studebaker Car Club visited the Ettalong Diggers Memorial Club car park annually.

"We used the annual car club visit as a centrepiece and then asked all Ettalong businesses to open their doors between 10am and 2pm and offer visitors some special discount or something special for the day," she said.

"One business made a special red cupcake.

"The day spa gave free neck massages.

"The weather was absolutely amazing, and we ran a clicker on the day that reached over 3000 visitors for an inaugural event with no funding and a small team.

"We were very excited it was such a success.

"We are looking at holding more Red Carpet days, already lining up some future car shows in the shoulder period for tourism to create more events and a bit of a buzz in town, not only as a tourism destination but a destination for markets and special events.

"Our local small business owners and operators have been struggling since the diversion of the ferry.

"We are doing everything we can to try and bring people to the area even if it is just to spend \$5 to buy a cup of coffee.

"It is all about supporting local businesses and buying locally.

"It was great to see a buzzing town on Sunday.

"We painted the town red with balloons and red carpets.

"Even people who did not know about it were asking what it was all about.

"It has given the business owners and opportunity to get motivated and work together to promote our beautiful area," she said.

SOURCE: Interview, 19 Sep 2018 Kim Cole, Ettalong Diggers **Visitor Information Centre Reporter: Jackie Pearson**



A Woy Woy business has celebrated 60 years of operation.

Law firm Tonkin Drysdale Partners celebrated 60 years of trading on the Peninsula on September 10.

In 1958, Mr Phillip Tonkin founded the legal practice in Woy Woy, then called, PD Tonkin and Co

At that time, television had only been in Australia for two years, and the world was watching as the USA and Russia competed in sending the first man to space.

PD Tonkin and Co only had one secretary and Mr Tonkin was the only lawyer.

"Currently, Tonkin Drysdale Partners has a team of more than 20 legal staff, and has four partners," said Tonkin Drysdale partner Mr Darrell Pannowitz.

Despite the large changes over the last six decades, the company



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"On behalf of the entire team at Tonkin Drysdale Partners, we'd like to give thanks to our loyal clients over the past 60 years," said Mr Pannowitz.

"We are very passionate about looking after our community and are proud to have built lifelong relationships that transcend generations.

"Having worked in the business myself for 30 years, I have seen firsthand the benefit of supporting locals and families, representing people who now have children and grandchildren whom we now support.

"We look forward to serving the community into the future with many more years to come," Mr Pannowitz said.

Tonkin Drysdale Partners, provides legal services and advice across a wide range of fields, including property conveyancing, litigation, planning, estate intellectual property as well as family, commercial, employment and criminal law.

SOURCE Media release, 10 Sep 2018 Katey Small, Brilliant Logic



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Poetry competition opens

Central Coast Library Service is seeking entries for its Poetry Writing Competition, which opens today.

Council acting manager Ms Beth Burgess said: "We will be hosting a number of poetry workshops during October to assist hopeful entrants develop their language, characterisation, structure and dialogue skills, in order to build confidence and improve their writing

"We love that we can help boost the profile of creative writing across the Coast while simultaneously helping to improve reading and writing skills in our community.

Three age divisions will apply in the competition: junior (9-12

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years), youth (13-16 years) and open (17 plus years).

Winners of each division will receive a \$200 gift card and writing gift pack to encourage a continued love of writing and further develop their skills.

Winning entries will also be displayed in the Central Coast community on World Poetry Day, March 21 next year.

The Poetry Writing Competition 2018 is open to current library members and residents of the Central Coast

"With more opportunities than ever, I would urge everyone to become a member of our Library Service and take advantage of the amazing resources and services

available.

"It's free and lasts a lifetime," Ms Burgess said.

Entries are open until 5pm, Wednesday, October 31, and can be submitted in branch or online. SOURCE:

Media release, 19 Sep 2018 Beth Burgess, Central **Coast Council**

A comprehensive listing of events over the next three weeks on the Central Coast

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MONDAY, SEP 24

Kidney Health Australia Charity Golf Day, Gosford Golf and Function Centre, 8am

WEDNESDAY, SEP 26

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Gosford Bush Poets, Gosford Hotel Conference Room. 5:30pm, Free

THURSDAY, SEP 27

Central Coast Council IPART water pricing submission community session, Halekulani **Community Hall, 107** Scenic Dr, Budgewoi, 11am

Central Coast Council IPART water pricing submission community session, The Erina Centre, Erina Fair Shopping Centre, Terrigal Dr, 5:00pm

FRIDAY, SEP 28



SHOWOFFS 2018 ART EXHIBITION Marijke Greenway & Pim Sarti John Greenway & Warren Liang - Pearl Beach Hall, **Opening 6 pm** 0418 655 817 marijkegreenway@mac.com

Fundraising evening for Thompson family, Mingara Recreation Club, adult only Swamp Rock Bluesy Funk with Claude Hav The Rhythm Hut 135 Faunce St Gosford, 7pm, Ticketed

SATURDAY, SEP 29

Drawing in the Garden, **Gosford Regional Gallery**, 29/9 - 7/10, 10am - 4pm

Rumours - Fleetwood Mac Tribute Show, Ettalong Bowling Club, 8pm

The Enormous Horns, Ocean Beach Hotel, Umina, 8:30pm

Raising of the Flags North Avoca Surf Club, 9:00am

Secret Society, **Club Umina, Melbourne** Ave 7:30pm, Free 4343 9999 www.clubumina.com.au

Art Show and Art Trail Bouddi Peninsula, 29 - 30 Sept 9am - 4pm, Gold coin entry to go to the WTKCA ArtsFund.

SHOWOFFS art exhibition, Pearl Beach Hall 10am to 4pm free.

Alan Reid and Rob van Sante St Lukes Hall 147-149 Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, 7pm, Ticketed

Artisans At Patonga Coastal Art Exhibition, Patonga Hall, 29/09 - 01/10, 10am - 4pm, Free

SUNDAY, SEP 30

Central Coast Branch Meeting of the Liberal Democrats of NSW, The Old Pub, Woy Woy, 3pm

5 Lands Experience September, The Rhythm Hut, Gosford, 5:00pm, cash donation on entry

WEDNESDAY, OCT 3 Jazz in the Arboretum,

> Funky slime craft, **Tuggerah Library**, 10:30 - 11:30am

Film editing workshop, The Hub, Erina, 2 - 4pm

Pool lifequard course, 3 - 5 Oct, Wyong Olympic Pool, 9am - 4pm

THURSDAY, OCT 4



Chalk the walk, The Entrance, 4 - 7 Oct, Waterfront Plaza & Memorial Park 10am - 4pm

Design your own cap, Umina Library 2pm - 3:30pm

Active kids indoor sports program, Lake Haven **Recreation Centre** 2 - 4pm

Drawing faces and portraits, Gosford **Regional Gallery**, 1:30 - 3:30pm

Create your own cartoon character, Gosford Lake Haven Recreation **Regional Gallery** 10:30am - 12:30pm

Animation workshop 1.0, **Creative engineers** professional development 11am - 1pm 2 - 4pm workshop 1.0,

> The Hub Erina, 5-7pm Mod podge mania, Kincumber Library, 2 - 3:30pm

Inflatable Pool Obstacle

FRIDAY, OCT 5

Iron on transfers, Toukley library, 1-2:30pm Make spring themed art,

Bateau Bay Library, 10:30am - 12pm

Johnny O'Keefe Tribute Show, Woy Woy Leagues Club,

7:30pm The Healthy Bumps Health and Fitness Workshops.

> 80 Minnesota Rd, Hamlyn Terrace Community Centre, 9:30 - 11:45am, Ticketed



Opus: The mind blowing immersive dance experience,

The Art House, Wyong, 7pm, Ticketed www.thearthousewyong.com.au

SATURDAY, OCT 6



Tosca **Central Coast Grammar School Performing Arts** Centre, Arundel Rd Erina, 6 Oct 7:30pm - 7 Oct

2:30pm, Ticketed SUNDAY, OCT 7

A celebration of Japanese culture, Gosford Regional

Gallery and Edogawa Garden Sue Robinson: CD Launch

Living Room Music, Troubadour House Concert, Ticketed 4342 6716

experience, Deepwater Plaza, 08/10 - 20/10 10am – 2pm

Peninsula Leisure Centre **Pool inflatable** 10am & 1pm Waterslide 11am & 2pm

Inflatable Pool Obstacle **Course, Gosford Olympic** Pool

11am - 2pm, 08 - 12 Oct Rock Pool Rambles,

Terrigal Haven 1pm Science show and workshop Holiday fun, The Entrance Waterfront Plaza,

10am - 1pm, Free Central Coast Pink Ribbon Dinner Gosford RSL Club, 7:00pm, Ticketed

Poetry Workshop, Woy Woy Library, 2:30 - 4pm

Employ Me, The Hub, Erina, 9.30am

TUESDAY, OCT 9

Inflatable Pool Obstacle **Course, Toukley Aquatic** Centre, 11.30am-2.30pm

Magic show and roving magician - The Entrance Waterfont Plaza, 10am - 1pm, Free

Animation Workshop 2.0, The Hub Erina, 11am-1pm & 2-4pm Snow Globe Creations, Kariong Library 3- 4pm

Learn to Cross Stitch, Lake Haven Library, 11am - 12pm

Swish Technics Basketball Clinic, Lake Haven Recreation Centre, 2 - 4pm

Colourful Wall Art Weaving, Gosford Regional Gallery

10.30am - 12.30pm

1.30 - 3.30pm

Jumping Castle Fun,

9 - 11/10

Buttonderry Waste Facility Michael Jackson The 9-10:30am Seed bombs & Legacy Tour, The Art Herbs House Wyong, 11am - 12.30pm Make a 8:00pm ticketed 4335 terrarium 1485 1 - 2:30pm Make a bee or www.thearthousewyong.com.au insect hotel

> Lego Club, Gosford Library 3:30 - 4:30pm

SATURDAY, OCT 13

Elvis: An American Trilogy, **Ettalong Diggers Club** 8:30pm, Ticketed 4343 0111

www.ettalongdiggers.com

John Paul Young and

The Allstar Band perform

'The Vanda and Young

Wyong, Ticketed

4335 1485

www.thearthousewyong.com.au

Mingara Relay for Life

3:00pm - 9:00am

Bouddi Foundation For the Arts

Awards Afternoon, Wagstaffe

Hall, 2pm Ticketed

Men's and Women's Premier

League Presentation Night,

Everglades Country Club, Woy

Woy, 6:00pm

Point Clare Car Boot Market,

Fairhaven, 209 Brisbane Water

Dve Point Clare, 9am to 2pm,

SUNDAY, OCT 14

Fun. 10 - 12 Oct. Memorial Park Stage The Entrance, 10am, 11am, 12pm

Introduction to the Ukulele, Kincumber Library, 2 - 3pm

Rock Pool Rambles,

Terrigal Haven 1pm

Tints and Shades,

Gosford Regional Gallery

10:30am - 12:30pm

Lake Haven Recreation Centre

community fun day for Mental

Health Awareness Month.

10:00am - 1:00pm

Cars 3 Free Kids Screening,

Ettalong Bowling Club, 6:15pm

Hoot and Hootabelle Holiday

WEDNESDAY, OCT 10

CNTL + ALT + A Film Editing Workshop, Introduction to the basics of film editing, Songbook' The Art House, The Hub Erina 2 - 4pm

Rock Pool Rambles, Terrigal Haven 3.45pm

THURSDAY, OCT 11

Creative Engineers Professional Development Workshop 2.0, Understanding Copyright and Songwriting Challenge,

The Hub Erina, 5:30 - 7:30pm

Springtime Craft,

Woy Woy Library, 2 - 3pm

Meg Gatland-Veness Young

Adult Author Event,

Erina Library, 5 pm

Drawing Faces and Portraits,

Gosford Regional Gallery,

1:30 - 3:30pm

event, 6:00pm, Ticketed

YOUTHfest Umina. Umina Skate Park, 2 -8pm

Me and My Girl, Wyong Musical Theatre Company, The Grove, Wyong, multiple show times, 29/9 - 7/10

Cycling Skills Workshop, 10am - 12pm, **Bicycle Maintenance** Workshop, 12:30pm -2:30pm, **Central Coast Lifetime** Learning Centre, 13 Palmdale Rd, Palmdale 4350 5387 Centralcoast.nsw.gov.au

Jumping Castle Fun, **Course, Toukley Aquatic** 2 - 4 Oct, Peninsula Centre, 2 - 4 Oct, 11:30am Leisure Centre, - 2:30pm, 12pm or 2pm sessions 1 - 7 Oct Gosford Olympic Pool, 11am - 2pm Spirituality in the Pub, The Grange Hotel Function Ocean Alley, The Florida Beach Room Wyoming, 7:30pm -Bar, Terrigal, 7pm, ticketed 9pm Community Health Expo, Mingara Recreation Club, 9:15am - 3pm, Free

Wyong District Garden Competition, Tour of the Winning Gardens, 8:15am Wyong Bowling Club, 8:30am Bay Village Bus Rank 4392 3271 **MONDAY, OCT 8**

Pop up Spring garden

Green Living Workshops,

FRIDAY, OCT 12

Painting Silk Mandalas Bird Feeder Workshop, Gosford Regional Gallery, The Entrance Library 10am - 12pm & 2 - 3:30pm Active Kids Indoor Sports Program, Peninsula Leisure Centre, Lake Haven Recreation Centre 12pm or 2pm sessions 2-4pm

Broadway to Boggabri, Halekulani Bowling Club, Budgewoi, 2:00pm, ticketed

Woy Woy FC Juniors Presentation Day, Everglades Country Club, Woy Woy, 11:00am to 2:00pm

Ettalong Markets, Ocean View Rd, Ettalong, 10:30am to 1:30pm

Basic entries in the Coastal Diary are **FREE**. Send information to **coastaldiary@centralcoastnews.net** ENHANCED entries using bold typeface with an address, phone number and a live link are available for a small fee. Photographs can also be added for a small fee. All display advertisers are entitled to a free enhanced entry.

Directory - Not for profit Community Organisations

Art & Culture

Central Coast Art Society Weekly paint-outs Tues 0428 439 180. Workshops 9.30am 1st & 3rd Wed Gosford City Art Centre 4363 1156. Social Meetings 1.30pm 4th Wed for demonstrations 4325 1420 publiclt@artentrakcast.sn.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

Ettalong Beach Art

& Crafts Centre Adult classes in Pottery Watercolours, Oils, Acrylics, Pastels, Silvercraft, Patchwork & Quilting 0412 155 391 www.ebacc.om.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 hospitalartaustralia.com.au

0431 363 347

Community Centres

 Peninsula Community
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 McMasters Rd Woy Woy
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 Activities, programs and
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 support groups for children,
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 teens, adults and seniors
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 playgroups, dance classes,
 86 M

 karate, fitness classes, youth
 services, gambling solutions,

internet kiosk and social groups. www.coastcommunityconnections.com.au

4341 9333

Ettalong 50+ Leisure & Learning Centre Cards, Chess, Choir, Creative Folk Art, Dancing, Darts, Handicraft, Handicrafts, Indoor Bowls, Leatherwork, Line Dancing, Mahjong, Painting, Rummking, Scrabble, Table Tennis, Ukulele, Women's Shed, 4304 7222

Central Coast Community Legal Centre Not for profit service providing free legal advice. Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm 4353 4988

Point Clare

Community Hall Community Garden -Playgroup Craft and Exercise Groups Function or Meeting Hire Managed by Gosford Regional Community Services Enquiries regarding hire to accounts@gosfordcommunity.org.au www.gosfordcommunity.org.au **Community Groups ABC** "The Friends" Support group for Public Broadcaster. Aims: Safeguard ABC's independence, adequate funding, high standards.

4323 7483

Meetings through the year + social afternoons Well-known guest speakers 4341 5170 www.fabonsworg.au

Central Coast

Caravanners Inc 3rd Sun Monthly Visitors - New Members welcome, Trips Away, Social Outings, friendship with like minded senior folk - Details from Geoff 0447 882 150

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

CCLC Indoor Bowls Mon - Ladies Social Wed Night - Mixed Social Sat - Mixed Social New members welcome tuition given level 2 Central Coast Leagues Club 4334 3800

Freemasons Who are they? What do they do? Find out about the wolrd's oldest fraternal organisation and how we help our community.

Gosford Masonic Centre 86 Mann St Gosford

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Peninsula Village Playgroup Carers, Grandparents, parents & children tergenerational Playgroup' Tues 10-11.30am 4344 9199

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

The Krait Club

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

The NSW Justices Association Inc Seeking volunteers for added community desks Wednesday Umina Library 10am-1pm Thursday Woy Woy Library 10am-1pm Free Insurance and training

0418 203 671 marketing@nswja.org

provided

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

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

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@blowavelking.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

feature of our meetings. 2nd Tue - 1.30pm

1800 644 189

amblers, 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

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

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 Nutritious, great for the elderly

4344 9199

Peninsula Village

Carer's Support Group

For carers of loved ones with

dementia - 1st Wed - 10 to

11.30am

Paula 4344 9199

Prostate Cancer

Support Group

(Gosford)

Last Fri, Terrigal Uniting

Church, 380 Terrigal Drive,

Terrigal

9.30am to 12 noon

4367 9600

Schizophrenia and

Bipolar Fellowship

For Schizophrenia/Bipolar/

Mental Health sufferers,

1st Thur - 1pm Room 3

Uniting Church Donnison St

Gosford

4344 7989 or 4368 2214

family, carers and friends.

org.a

marvmacs@

catholic.org.au

vw.grow.org.au

Gambling SolutionsRecovery ClubGambling help counsellorsEverglades Country Clubproviding free confidential2nd Tues 11amprofessional service tohydrotherapy, bus trips

4341 7177 Music

Woy Woy Stroke

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

Vibrant women's a cappella chorus. New members welcome - music education provided. Rehearsals. Tues 7pm Gosford Tafe Performance opportunities Hire us for your event 0412 948 450 coastalacappella@gmail.com

SOUNDWAVES

A cappella harmony for Men – new members welcome. Rehearsals Mondays 7.00pm to 9.30pm Central Coast Leagues Club, Dane Drive, Gosford Ring Max on 4324 3631

or Kieran 4324 1977

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

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,

centralcoastgreens@gmail.com

ns.org.au

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 kersuebay@philliphouse.com.au

Rotary Club of Umina Beach Wednesdays 6.30pm Everglades Country Club 0409 245 861

0409 245 861 Rotary Club of Woy Woy Tues 6pm Everglades Country Club.

Don Tee 0428 438 535

Special Interest

Bridge Duplicate Bridge Mon Tue Thur Fri Sat-12.15pm & Wed 9.15am Brisbane Water Bridge Club, Peninsula Community Centre 93 McMasters Rd.

Woy Woy ww.brisbane-water.bridge-club.org

Cash Housie

50 Games every Sat night Peninsula Community Centre, McMasters Rd, Woy Woy,t 7.30pm. Proceeds to Woy Woy Catholic Parish.

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

1st Sat 1pm Lions Community 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

Central Coast

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

Central Coast

Soaring Club Inc Gliding Club, Learn to fly, Instruction FREE to members Come and have an Air Experience Flight All Welcome 14 and up for Training Flying at Bloodtree Road Mangrove Mountain Thur, Sat, Sun (weather permitting) 0412 164 082 0414 635 047 www.ccsoaring.com.au

Ettalong Toastmasters We provide a supportive and positive learning experience in which members are empowered to develop

communication and

leadership skills, resulting in greater self-confidence and personal growth 2nd & 4th Tue, 7:30PM, Ettalong Diggers 0408 416 356

Peninsula

Environmental projects, (incl. Woytopia), Woy Woy community garden, social events, workshops, organic food buying group

Central Coast Goju-Kai Karate Traditional Karate & Self Defence for Teens & Adults No Contracts, Cheap Rates Wamberal - Mon 630pm

Kincumber - Thurs 715pm

0417 697 096

kaikarate.com.au

Woy Woy Judo Club

Mon & Fri -Beginners

From 4:30pm

Tue & Thur - graded classes

4:30pm - 8:30pm

Min Age 3 years old

0434 000 170

Veterans

National Malaya Borneo

Veterans Association

1st Sat (except Jan) 10.30am

Umina Club

Melbourne Avenue

Umina Beach

4342 1107

Veterans' Help Centre'

Assist all veterans &

families with pension &

welfare issues.

Mon & Wed 9am-1pm

4344 4760 Cnr Broken Bay

Rd & Beach St Ettalong.

Woy Woy Ettalong

Hardy's Bay RSL

Provide help with pensions

and welfare etc.

Shop 5/382 Oceanview Rd

Ettalong. Tues & Thurs 9am

to 1pm 4341 2594

Women's Groups

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 Boulevarde, Woy Woy

Craft & Friendship: 1st, 2nd

and 3rd Wed 10AM.

Meetings: 4th Wed 10AM.

Ph: 0411 434 785

woywoycwa@gmail.com

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

Bowden Road Woy Woy

Central Control Contr

see www.duckscrossing.org or www.centralcoastnewspapers.com for the forms or contact Central Coast Newspapers on - 4325 7369

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Sport

Wicks tells parliament of Bunnies under-10s

Member for Robertson Ms Lucy Wicks has told Federal Parliament she was "really proud" of the Umina Bunnies' Under-10s team in its recent grand final.

"They faced some formidable opponents in the Wyong Roos and, even though they weren't able to get the win, the whole team made every single person watching proud.

"There wasn't a dry eye in the personal cheering squad, including mv own.

"I've got to say I was pretty inspired by the attitude and perspective of the whole young team, particularly seeing the way they backed each other, even after such a tough match where they didn't get the outcome they were hoping for.

"When coach Darren Phillips gathered the boys at the end of the match and invited them to speak, they all talked about their team and what the team meant to them.

"They spoke about the bonds

they shared and how their focus was on backing each other.

"They spoke about playing not as individuals but as a group.

"It was a privilege to listen to a group of nine-year-old boys, some of them no doubt future NRL stars, live out what it means to be part of a team regardless of the outcome."

Ms Wicks said: "I'm really proud of this amazing team and the boys played incredibly.

"We were all cheering madly from the sidelines as they really did give it their all," Ms Wicks told the House.

"Our sporting teams are the life blood of the Central Coast and sport is something that connects us all," Ms Wicks said.

Ms Wicks acknowledged the teams from her electorate that had made the finals, including

Woy Woy Football Club, Woy Woy Rugby Union Club and Woy Woy Rugby League Club.

SOURCE: Speech, 14 Sep 2018 Lucy Wicks, Member for Robertson



Umina Bunnies Dvision 1 Under 10

College student sets State athletics records

A Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina campus student and has set two records and won three gold medals at the NSW Combined High School Athletics Championships.

para-athlete Multi class Annabelle Rodgers set two new NSW discus records and won gold medals in shot put, discus and javelin.

She also placed fourth in the long jump and recorded a time in the top 10 competitors for the 100m sprint.

> SOURCE: Social Media, 11 Sep 2018 Brent Walker, BWSC Umina



Annabelle Rodgers

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of Complete Bathroom

- Renovations
 - First Premier Electrical Hague, Trading as **Service** of Umina Beach By the Bay Takeaway

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Peninsula directory of services, contacts and support groups

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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

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 Kids Help Line 1800 551 800 Griefline 1300 845 745 Suicide Call Back Service 1300 659 467 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

warning to our readers so that they will be wary when dealing with them. Simon and Samantha

> • High Thai-d Restaurant of Umina Beach Mal's Seafood & **Charcoal Chicken** of Ettalong Beach Simon Jones - All external cleaning and sealing services · Erroll Baker, former barber, Ettalong • Tye King - Formerly The Fish Trap Ettalong Beach · Jessica Davis of Erina - Trading as A1 cleaning services

Empire Bay · Rick Supplice of Ettalong Beach, Trading as Rick's Flyscreens Mountain Mutts - Monique Leon, **Ettalong Beach** · RJ's Diner - Ryan Tindell of Woy Woy Thomas James Clinton, Trading as TMA Products & AthroBalm & Effective Business Solutions of Ettalong

Furnishings - Steve McGinty, Wyoming • Menhir Tapas & Bar PTY LTD · Dean Lampard - Trading as Lampard Painting Callum McDonald -Trading as Sunset Decks Linda Smith, Bookkeeper Horsfield Bay Robcass Furniture Removals, Mannering Park · Emma Knowles -Blacksmith NSW

Wires 1300 094 737 **Community Centres** Peninsula Community Centre 4341 9333 Men's Shed Cluster Inc 0413 244 484 Transport 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

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Sport

TREE SERVICES

Bridge club raises \$2000 for women's refuge



Brisbane Water Bridge Club has raised more \$2000 through than fundraising and its annual charity day.

"All proceeds will be presented to the Peninsula Women's Refuge at our Christmas Party in December," said publicity officer Mr Laurie Powell. Charity Committee chair

Ms Vicki Halliday said domestic violence was an unfortunate part of modern society.



From L to R Mr and Ms Noel and Shirley Crockett, Ms Sylvia Foster and Mr Jaan Oitmaa "We can only hope that poor women and children in The winners of the Charity our small part helps these their time of need," she said. Day competition were Ms

Judy Wulff and Ms Marilyn Whigham and Ms Shirley and Mr Noel Crockett.

Spring Pairs was won by Ms Lorraine Lindsay and Mr Chris Hannan and Mr John Duncan and Mr Barry Foster.

The Novice Pairs was won by Ms Merilyn Reid and Mr John Fielding and Mr Tony Langmead and Ms Mona Maher.

SOURCE Media release, 18 Sep 2018 Laurie Powell, Brisbane Water Bridge Club

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Come and try water polo

The Woy Woy Wombats water polo club held their first official registration day on Saturday, September 24.

The club has scheduled "come and try" events for Thursdays, October 18 and October 25, at Peninsula Leisure Centre. Interested children can visit the Centre from 7pm to learn about the sport and participate in a friendly game or two.

Interested families should contact the club prior to the event. SOURCE: Social Media, 12 Sep 2018

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Under-19s miss out on rugby union premiership

Woy Woy's Under-19's Rugby Union squad have been unsuccessful in their bid to be crowned the Under-19 Premiers.

Woy Woy unfortunately stumbled at the final hurdle, going down seven points to 23 in the Under 19's grand final against Avoca Beach.

The Under-19's grand final was an intense, spirited contest held at Woy Woy Oval on Saturday, September 15, according to Central Coast Rugby Union's football officer Mr Larry Thomson.

"It was certainly an intense first

half but as the game progressed Avoca Beach gradually took control of the match," Mr Thomson said.

"Avoca Beach had jumped to a 10 points to nil lead at the halftime break and everything appeared to be going their way.

"Woy Woy did respond with their own converted try early in the second half and suddenly things grew more tense with the score 10 to 7 in favour of Avoca Beach.

"However, the further the match went on, the more momentum the visitors gained," Mr Thomson said.

Avoca Beach were able to post 13 points in the final 20 minutes

of the second half and this was enough to secure the Under 19's Premiership.

"Woy Woy never stopped trying and they were best served by lock Ben Austine, and centre Tamani McInnes-Cama.

"Woy Woy may be hanging up their boots for the season but they should be proud of their efforts this year given how hard each and every team fought to secure the place in the finals," Mr Thomson said.

Source:

Media release, 16 Sep 2018 Larry Thomson, Central Coast Rugby Union

Kingfisher Carnival held at Umina

Umina Beach Bowling Club's second annual Kingfisher Carnival was held from July 30 to August 3.

The first two days of the Carnival saw the women compete on the three greens with teams from across the Central Coast and Sydney.

Competition was fierce and the eventual winning team was a composite team of Ms J. Evans, Ms G. Reid, Ms D. Day and Ms G. Sheehan, who compiled four wins and 43 ends with a margin of 67.

Second place went to Team Ettalong, skipped by Judy King.

"It was a very close and exciting finish," said publicity officer Mr Ian Jarratt.

The mixed carnival held on the Wednesday and saw 56 players compete.

"The eventual winners were Warren Brooks, Merryl Burgmann and Tom Burgmann from Umina.

"All participants had an enjoyable day and looked forward to returning next year," Mr Jarratt said.

Thursday and Friday saw the Men's Kingfisher contested by 34 teams from the Central Coast and across NSW vying for the\$3000 prize money.

"Competition was keen and the lead fluctuated during the course of the two days with the winner finally decided on the last round of games.

"The composite side of Danny Casey, Mick Braham and Harley McDonald took out the top money with seven wins and a 75 margin from the fast finishing composite team of Tony Wood, Jeff Kime and Shane Starkey with seven wins and a 69 margin," Mr Jarratt said.

"The weather being perfect, the greens in superb condition made the game enjoyable for both bowlers and spectators with high quality performances from all teams," he said.

SOURCE: Media release, 30 Aug 2018 Ian Jarratt, Umina Beach Men's Bowling Club



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Winners are grinners; prop Jack Fletcher celebrates the Roosters triumph



Skipper Tim Bovis and his team greet the fulltime siren and premiership success



Hefty Woy Woy fullback Wade Hynes powers past a trio of Erina defenders



The Woy Woy Roosters Open Grade rugby league team capped a successful return to the Central Coast's third tier rugby league competition by claiming the 2018 premiership.

The grand final was played before a large lunchtime crowd at the Woy Woy Oval and the Roosters found themselves trailing Erina 7-0 at the break, despite having dominated for large periods of the opening half.

Once the teams were turned around, things clicked into place for the home team.

A try to right centre, TJ McLean, and a booming sideline conversion from dummy half, Ben Webber, launched a red and white comeback which culminated in a gritty 12-7 victory.

The result further highlighted the Roosters' late season dominance over the 2017 champions, following hot on the heels of their thumping 20-0 victory in the major semi-final played a fortnight earlier.

SOURCE: Media release, 19 Sep 2018 Andrew Stark, Gosford Kariong Storm RLFC



Roosters props Beau Bovis and Luke Maloney dump a hapless Eagle



Woy Woy forward Beau Bovis taking the hard yards up centre field

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