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Woy Woy Peninsula Community Garden

Nine groups granted a total of almost \$200,000

Nine Peninsula organisations have been granted a total of almost \$200,000 under the Community Building Partnership program.

The largest grant was \$100,000 made to Umina Beach Men's Shed to build permanent premises.

St Luke's Anglican Church in Woy Woy was granted \$25,000 for a kitchen upgrade in the church hall.

The Women's Health Centre in Woy Woy was granted \$15,000 for information and communication technology, while St Vincent de Paul Society will receive the same amount to refresh of its Woy Woy Charity Shop.

Peninsula Environment Group was granted \$12,153 for security improvements at Woy Woy Peninsula Community Garden.

Umina Surf Club, Woy Woy

Public School and the PCYC in Umina each will receive \$10,000.

The Surf Life Saving Club will use the money to buy a new inflatable rescue boat.

The school's Parents and Citizens Association spend the money on an outside play area.

The PCYC will upgrade its garden.

Mingaletta Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation

at Umina will receive \$2500 for speakers at the community centre.

Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch said the grants reflected community infrastructure needs.

"These community organisations do so much to support all of our locals through the good and bad times and they are very deserving recipients," she said

Ms Tesch said the Community

Building Partnership program was initiated by the then Labor Government in 2009.

Ms Tesch said the next round of Community Building Partnerships funding would open on May 4.

More information can be found at https://www.nsw.gov. au/projects/community-building-partnership.

Media release, 29 Apr 2020 Liesl Tesch, Member for Gosford

Petrol is cheaper at Broken Hill than on the Peninsula

Petrol is cheaper at Broken Hill than it is on the Peninsula, according to a Blackwall resident who monitors local petrol prices.

Mr Allan Nash said he started posting comparison petrol prices daily to community group social media sites about a month ago.

"All I do is post the list of petrol prices on the Peninsula compared to other nearby suburbs and people can make up their own minds, but blind Freddie can see how ridiculous it is.

"You can actually buy fuel cheaper in Broken Hill than at a Peninsula petrol station.

"The figures speak for themselves," Mr Nash said.

"Like the Shell, Caltex and BP at West Gosford, for example, are all far lower prices, no matter what fuel you buy, they're all cheaper.

"It will be interesting see

whether the new United service station that's going to open on Ocean Beach Rd will follow the prices of the Empire Bay United where prices are not necessarily the cheapest but still reasonable, or whether it will join the cartel.

"We've heard all the reasons from the fuel companies before but none of them hold water.

"To say there is a lack of competition mystifies me - five service stations on the Peninsula sounds like competition to me."

"The petrol stations on the Peninsula know there are many elderly people on restricted licenses who can't get their petrol anywhere else and I don't think the coronavirus crisis has made a difference to prices because they were high before Covid-19 and they've been high during the pandemic too."

Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch said she had written to oil companies to demand an end to appallingly high petrol prices on the Peninsula.

"Despite plummeting global fuel prices, Peninsula fuel prices are sitting over 35 cents per litre higher than Gosford fuel prices and the average fuel price in NSW," she said

"Petrol companies have been price gouging Peninsula residents for too long and I'm disgusted by the inaction.

"I've written to the Australian representatives of the big oil companies on behalf of all residents and demanded an end to this appalling behaviour."

Ms Tesch said Peninsula prices had always been higher than others on the Central Coast and she had worked hard to try and boycott the fuel prices, speaking in State Parliament about the issue over the years.

"This recent fuel price stunt by

the Peninsula petrol stations has fired me up even more," she said.

"The entire world is in upheaval, dealing with the global coronavirus pandemic and locally we are experiencing the virus, the fear and the economic downturn, yet petrol companies seem oblivious to the vulnerable communities on the Peninsula.

"It disgusts me to see how these companies are ripping off Peninsula residents who are doing it tough, while local businesses and locals in general are doing their very best to support their community.

"The trouble is that by petrol stations over-charging, they're hurting the businesses around them because people who go elsewhere to get their petrol will likely be shopping elsewhere too and that is a loss for Peninsula businesses."

Ms Tesch said the only oil

company yet to respond was a "wishy washy" reply from BP saying it was a "geographical" matter.

"The hairpin bend at the bottom of Woy Woy is not a geographical excuse, considering delivery trucks also have to go over Rip Bridge to Empire Bay where the prices are cheaper," she said.

Ms Tesch said Mr Nash had been following the price hikes for years.

"He's right – this has been going on for too long and enough is enough," she said.

Ms Tesch says she'll continue to fight for what's right.

"I will continue to fight for a fair price, and I urge you all, if you can, to fill up somewhere else."

SOURCE

Media release, 22 Apr 2020 Interview (Sue Murray), 28 Apr 2020 Gosford MP, Liesl Tesch. Interview (Sue Murray), 28 Apr 2020 Allan Nash, Blackwall

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Driest fortnight this year

Only 10mm of rain fell in the last two weeks of April, the driest fortnight this year, according to figures supplied by Mr Jim Morrison of Umina.

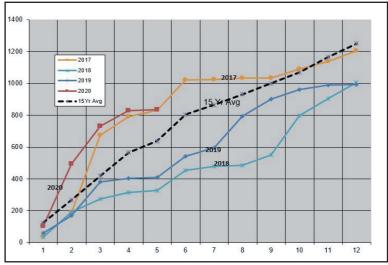
Total rainfall for April was 96.1mm, 35 per cent below the average of 148mm for the month.

The March quarter this year was the wettest in 15 years, with a total of 731mm compared to an average of 418mm.

This was 75 per cent above average.

Despite the low rainfall for the second half of April, the rainfall total for the first four months was the second greatest in 15 years.

The total at the end of April was 827.4mm, 46 per cent above the average at the end of April of



when the figure was 944.9mm. Spreadsheet, 1 May 2020 Jim Morrison, Umina

566mm.

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Bridge safety plan 'overkill', says association

St Huberts Island Residents Association says a safety on the bridge barrier proposed by Central Coast Council is "overkill" and will do little to deter bridge jumpers as it is intended.

Association president Mr Ken Stewart said the group received notice from Council that it was going to refurbish and paint the railings on the bridge.

At the same time, it would erect metal barriers across the bridge which connects Empire Bay Dr and Helmsman Boulevarde.

The association has sought the community's feedback through letterbox dropped flyers around the island and along the mainland waterfront from Merritts Wharf to the traffic lights on Empire Bay Dr at Daleys Point, because those properties also would be affected by the view of the barriers.

"The metal barriers got everyone well and truly fired up," Mr Stewart said.

"Overwhelmingly, the residents are not in favour and we're not satisfied the mesh barriers will prevent bridge jumping."

The association received a letter from Council saying work planned for the bridge included removal of the existing bridge railings and replacement with safety barrier mesh fencing on both sides of St Huberts Island bridge.

"This will improve the safety of

pedestrians and deter improper actions of some members of the public previously experienced on the bridge," the letter said.

"Council has engaged an appropriately quality civil and structural engineering consultant to design the proposed safety barrier mesh fencing in accordance with guidelines and standards.

"It is anticipated tenders for the supply and installation of the new safety barrier mesh fencing will be called in June-July 2020 ... and the residents association would be advised when work would start," the letter said.

Mr Stewart said the mesh barrier Council suggested would not stop jumping as its design still meant it could be climbed.

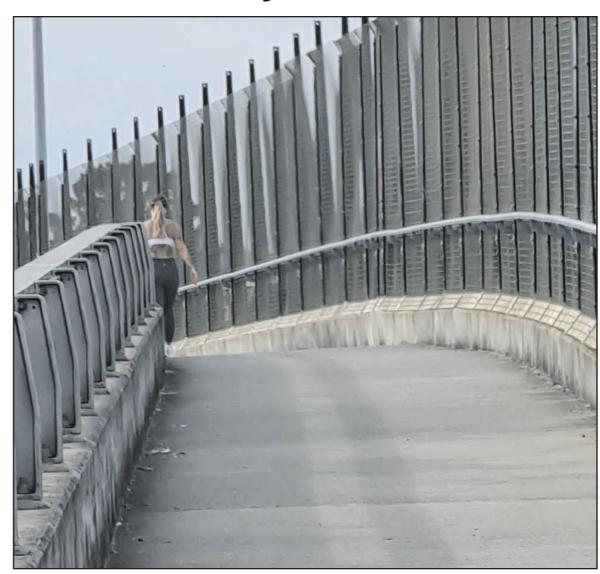
"On the Rip Bridge, for example, there is a security barrier on the pedestrian side that's all vertical and it can't be climbed, but if you use the square mesh like Council is planning for our bridge, its perfect for climbing," Mr Stewart said.

St Huberts Island Residents Association is preparing a submission opposing Council's barrier mesh proposal and invites residents to email feedback to it at secretary@sthubertsisland.nsw.au

comments until May 8. SOURCE

Council will receive written

Website, 30 Apr 2020 Interview (Sue Murray), 30 Apr 2020 Ken Stewart. St Huberts Island **Residents Association**



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Council provides financial relief to ratepayers

Central Council Coast announced it has may provide interest waivers on outstanding accounts until August 31 for those home owners who have been impacted by the coronavirus pandemic.

Announcing the measures. mayor Cr Lisa Matthews said: "I want to assure the community that we are understanding of the hardships many are experiencing and we will be providing flexibility and financial assistance to support our residents."

Council has also halted debt recovery activities until May 31 and is offering hardship payment arrangements to allow ratepayers to organise payment plans over longer periods of time.

Mayor Lisa Matthews said that while Council is prioritising community safety, it is dedicating resources to help local businesses and residents withstand the financial effects of the pandemic.

Eligible pensioners are also provided with rebates on their rates notices and water accounts. Council may seek

interest waivers. More information is available on the council website at centralcoast.

information to support requests

for longer term assistance and

nsw.gov.au/covid-19. Media release, 1 May 2020

Lisa Matthews, Central **Coast Council**

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Community Environment Network

Systems Change



One thing I have noticed with the current pandemic, being forced to stay at home and only going out in our localities for essential services - many more people are out in nature. Whether it is enjoying beaches and going for walks with family and friends, short bush walks

and riding bicycles. This virus has forced those able, to be outdoors for their daily exercise. Our natural environments are essential for our human health and well-being. Two of the beneficiaries of these current restrictions has been our natural environment and wildlife, they seem to be looking and sounding a lot healthier. The non-essential daily exercise limit has reduced our dominance of nature - if only for a short period, we are seeing the benefits.

Living on the Central Coast, staying at home gives us the opportunity to reflect on how lucky we really are, here on the coast with our beaches, native forests, wetlands, bicycle, and walking paths. Hence, how important it will be, to continue to look after them once this crisis passes. In fact, it will be crucial.

The current system is changing whether we like it or not, during this time of isolation, it is an important time to reflect on what we value. Do we want to live in thriving communities working in collaboration, developing local creative businesses, such as ecotourism ventures, recycling and reuse workshops and permaculture/gardening events that are inclusive, intergenerational, abundant, connected with the local natural environment, prioritizing human and natures health and education over extraction, fear and limited world views. I and members of our CEN team will be working towards the former. We hope you will join us in shifting the system to ensure its sustainability for generations to come

> We are all in this together. Hale Adasal CEN Chairwoman

"MANAGING THE ENTRANCE CHANNEL FOR PEOPLE AND ECOLOGY NOT POLITICS"

CEN is campaigning in support of the Tuggerah Lakes Flood Plain Management Plan approved by council in 2014. The key to managing floods is Managing the Berm (the low beach dune on the northern side of the channel). If the berm was managed (at a height of approximately 900 mm) this

could significantly reduce flood levels. To keep the lakes healthy, it is essential that the lakes normal levels are maintained. Some groups are calling for large scale opening of the channel. This would be dangerous and could lead to; exposure of the town centre to inundation or fish kills

and widespread odour if the lakes drain. We need the NSW Government to appoint the Expert Panel promised last year ASAP, to guide management of the lakes.

> John Asquith **Dep Chair**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2020

When: Thursday 28th May, 2020

Where: Zoom meeting - Please RSVP to chair@cen.org.au for the link

Time: 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Current financial members of CEN are eligible to nominate. If you are interested in nominating for a position on CEN's Executive and would like to find out more, then please contact Hale Adasal on chair@ cen.org.au or John Asquith at esd@cen. org.au to discuss.

A big thank you to our retiring CEN Executive Committee member Avril Lockton for 13 years of service, including as Deputy Chair. The Lake Macquarie LGA is a better place due, in no small part, to Avril's advocacy, participation and representation on environmental issues. We too, in the Central Coast LGA have benefitted from her knowledge and experience.

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Swift Parrots have been recorded feeding in Swamp Mahogany Eucalyptus robusta in the area surrounding Bateau Bay for over 40 vears.

Swamp Mahogany is a known habitat for Swiftys and other threatened species who are dependent on this winter food source. Swamp Mahogany are found in small patches on the Central Coast including along Salt Water Creek at Bateau Bay.

This project aims to restore a wildlife corridor

of the Stepping Stones Landcare site, located on the eastern edge of the EDSACC recreational facility over a 3 year period.

The plan is to restore Swift Parrot Lathamus discolour habitat by reducing weeds and revegetating areas with over 2000 plants.

For more information and to find out how you can get involved contact Nicole Heta nicole.heta@cen.org.au

This project is proudly supported by the NSW **Government through its Environmental Trust**



The Community Environment Network (CEN) is an alliance of individuals and groups that work for ecologically sustainable development.

Permission obtained for remembrance activities



Captain Simon Reay Atkinson, who normally leads the Anzac Day ceremony at Hardys Bay, obtained permission from police to conduct some remembrance activities.

Flags at the cenotaph at Hardys Bay Community Club were lowered to half mast at 5am by Simon, with Lyn and Cate Cotterell of Killcare Rural Fire Brigade.

Members of the community gathered on their driveways throughout the neighbourhood to hear the Last Post played at 6am.

Two members of the Armed Forces stood on the driveway of the club at 6am.

During the day people visited the cenotaph to lay flowers or a wreath, as part of their exercise routine.

Flags were raised at the cenotaph at 5pm to complete the

SOURCE Media statement, photos, 29 Apr 2020 Treveen Brown, Hardys Bay Media release, 22 Apr 2020 Simon Reay Atkinson, Hardys Bay John Brown, Hardys Bay **Community Club** Stephen Hinks, Hardys Bay **Community Church**

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John Twiner pays his respects

Mr John Twiner will turn 94 in May.

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about paying his respects, just as he has done for many years.

Mr Twiner is a World War II air force veteran who was stationed in Morotai, Indonesia.

Standing beside the War Memorial in Patonga, fully adorned in his service badges, Mr Twiner recited the Ode of Remembrance beneath the Australian flag.

The Bays residents' lives change dramatically

With people told to stay home and social distance as coronavirus measures, the lives of residents of The Bays had changed dramatically, according to Bays Community Group president Ms Cathy Gleeson.

"This has brought out the best in people within our community with many caring gestures," she said.

"There has been a few of our local residents reach out to the vulnerable and the elderly to offer assistance if needed.

"We have definitely seen a few more locals getting out exercising, walking their dogs, walking with their children, which is pleasing to see

"Although our lives have changed so dramatically, very suddenly, we have shown we are adaptive to this temporary new way of life, and keeping our spirits high."

Ms Gleeson asked residents to keep their speed to 40km when entering and travelling within the Bays.

"This is particularly necessary

at the moment with the increase of walkers, joggers, children and cyclists, all sharing the road."

Ms Gleeson also asked residents to keep their dogs on leads when walking in the Bays, as a courtesy to others.

"Not everyone feels comfortable with dogs off lead. And it is a Council offence."

Although the group had cancelled its activities for the immediate future, the group was seeking people interested in serving on the committee.

"As we are also unable to hold our annual meeting, the committee members will remain in play for the immediate future," Ms Gleeson

"We will hold our annual meeting at a later date, hopefully by end of June.

"We still have two outstanding positions on the committee – secretary and vice-president.

"If anyone is interested in applying for either of these positions, please get in touch."

Newsletter, 30 Apr 2020 Cathy Gleeson, Bays Community Group

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Cancelled event turns a profit for thankful Rotary club

This year's Opera in the Arboretum event has turned a profit, despite the event being cancelled due to the coronavirus.

The Rotary Club of Woy Woy runs the event annually, usually attracting 800 people, as its major fundraising activity.

"Naturally, we have not been able to make the monies we had hoped to achieve had the event taken place, but we are exceedingly thankful that through the generosity of our subscribers and sponsors we have still been able to support worthy causes," said club president Mr Don Tee.

"These include Rotary National Drought and Bushfire Relief, support for the young musicians of the Central Coast Conservatorium of Music, Umina Beach Men's Shed, Purple House which is an indigenous-run health service in Central Australia, Cerebral Palsy Research, support for women in Uganda taking part in our Pure Joy

project and the Rotary Foundation."

Mr Tee said patrons and sponsors had made donations from their ticket purchases and sponsorship commitments.

He said that in July the club would be celebrating its 70th year of service and there are plans to commemorate the milestone with a special picnic table incorporating Rotary's wheel and sign at a park in Woy Woy.

"We've applied to Central Coast Council and already met with two council officers to discuss our proposal," Mr Tee said.

"We've submitted plans, and a model of our proposal for a commemorative picnic table somewhere on the Woy Woy peninsula and Council seems to be quite amenable about the proposal," he said.

The Opera in the Arboretum this year would have been the 15th event

SOURCE Interview (Sue Murray), 27 Apr 2020 Don Tee, Rotary Woy Woy

COVID-19

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Community groups ask visitors to stay at home

Unease among Peninsula residents about the influx of visitors to the area for Easter and the school holidays, prompted leaders of community groups to put out messages asking them to return to their permanent homes.

Wagstaffe-Killcare Community Association president Mr Mike Allsop said that normally visitors were most welcome, adding to the vitality and economy of the region.

However, unfortunately now it was becoming a source of concern because of the non-essential travel restrictions to stop the spread of Covid-19.

"Our local State MP, Mr Adam Crouch, has assured us that current rules to refrain from living away from the primary residence are to be reinforced quite strongly for the school holiday break," he said.

"This is targeted especially at holiday rentals but also applies to owners of holiday homes in our area who are encouraged not to take up residence here while the movement restrictions are in place.

"If you are already here and wish to stay, please ensure it is for the long haul, and avoid travelling to and from your primary residence," Mr Allsop said.

Pearl Beach Progress
Association communications
officer Ms Lynne Lillico said
residents at Pearl Beach were
also concerned that many nonpermanent residents were arriving
in the lead-up to Easter.

"The police were roaming around here before Easter trying to identify people that maybe shouldn't have been here but you can't expect them to come all the time," she said.

"The beaches were crowded and a lot of the locals were disappointed," she said.

"There seems to be a considerable number of visitors in rental houses.

"I know it's a hard call if you have a holiday house here and regularly visit, some people come up every weekend.

"A lot left after Easter and it's fairly quiet now but there's still a lot of people around that you know are visitors.

"It's really hard — if they're behaving properly, what can you do?"

Member for Terrigal Mr Adam Crouch said he was pleased to hear from police that generally the community did the right thing over the Easter break.

He said both Brisbane Water and Tuggerah Lakes police reported good results but warned police would not ease up on those failing to abide by social distancing rules.

"Only a very few fines were issued to people across the Coast who didn't listen to move-on advice."

"I want to thank everyone in the community who have been doing the right thing and remind everyone that they have to keep following the regulations," Mr Crouch said.

"By doing the right thing we are keeping out community safe."

SOURCE
Media release, 15 Apr 2020
Adam Crouch, Member for Terrigal
Interview (Sue Murray), 16 Apr 2020
Lynne Lillico, Pearl Beach
Progress Association.
Media statement, 4 Apr 2020
Mike Allsop, WTKCA



Community Bulletin COVID-19 Information



Issue 2

FROM THE MAYOR

Local government plays a critical role in keeping locals in jobs and keeping the local economy going. Whilst there have been changes to some Central Coast Council services, essential works continue to be delivered, helping keep locals employed and the Central Coast economy going.



Whilst COVID-19 poses some challenges in how we operate and work, Council continues to deliver important maintenance work and projects, including upgrades to sporting infrastructure and amenity, road maintenance and construction, and water and sewer maintenance and upgrades. Continuing these essential works is important for our community and the local economy.

Council is also continuing with established projects including Adcock Park redevelopment and the Mardi to Warnervale Pipeline, with adjustments made to comply with the latest NSW Health and Government requirements around physical distancing and keeping our staff and community safe.

As the coronavirus situation continues to evolve, Council has actively sought opportunities like this, including signing up to the Local Government (COVID-19) Splinter Award 2020, to secure employment for our workers, and in turn support the many local businesses we work with.

We know many people are struggling during this time and this stimulus package is one way Council is able to help keep locals, council workers and contractors employed, to continue to positively contribute to the local economy.

Lisa Matthews Mayor

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Lots to do while you're at home!

While it's important to stay home as much as possible to prevent the spread of COVID-19, sometimes you might find yourself feeling restless or bored.

There's a range of free online activities available from Council, including:

- Take a virtual tour of Mardi Dam and Water Treatment Plant:
 - centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/MardiVirtualTour
- Find new places to fish, walk or bike ride, with the Tuggerah Lakes Explore app and learn about the Coast's waterways with two interactive iBooks: centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/exploretuggerahlakes
- Check out our online library services for eBooks, eAudiobooks and eMagazines, and the music streaming platform Freegal: centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/libraries

It's also important to exercise regularly. Beaches, parks and reserves are open to residents for this.

Here's a few ideas to keep moving:

- go for a walk or run in your local park
- ride a bike along a cycleway
- take your dog for a walk around your neighbourhood
- kick a ball at a sportsground
- head bush to hike on a nature trail or to visit a scenic spot.

Please remember the playspaces and skateparks within our parks are closed to minimise virus transmission.

Whatever you choose to do, please practise social distancing, avoid busy areas and head home as soon as you're finished to help prevent the further spread of COVID-19.

Water and COVID-19 - safe to drink

There is no evidence that the COVID-19 virus is transmitted by water, especially as drinking water in Australia is of high quality and meets national standards.

Water supply is an essential service and water treatment plants are well prepared to manage their response to COVID-19. There is no need to buy bottled water, as safe, clean tap water will continue to be supplied to your home every day.

Pandemics

Pandemics are an abnormal event and reactions such as frustration, sadness, anxiety or having trouble sleeping are normal under these difficult circumstances.

Health and wellbeing support services are available and there to help, including:

Australian Red Cross - 1800 077 284

Beyondblue – 1300 22 4636 Provides information and support to help everyone achieve their best possible mental health

Child Protection Helpline – 132 111 If you think a child or young person is at risk of harm from abuse or neglect, contact the Child Protection Helpline

Domestic Violence 1800RESPECT – 1800 737 732 24-hour national sexual assault, family and domestic violence counselling line

Kids Helpline – 1800 55 1800 Free, private and confidential, service specifically for young people aged between 5 and 25.

YOUR COUNCIL

Council administration buildings and major facilities are closed for public access until 30 June 2020. However, we continue to provide essential services and have been able to adapt many other services for online or remote delivery.

The 11 May Council Meeting will be available for viewing via broadcast on YouTube. Visit **centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/COVID-19** for more information.

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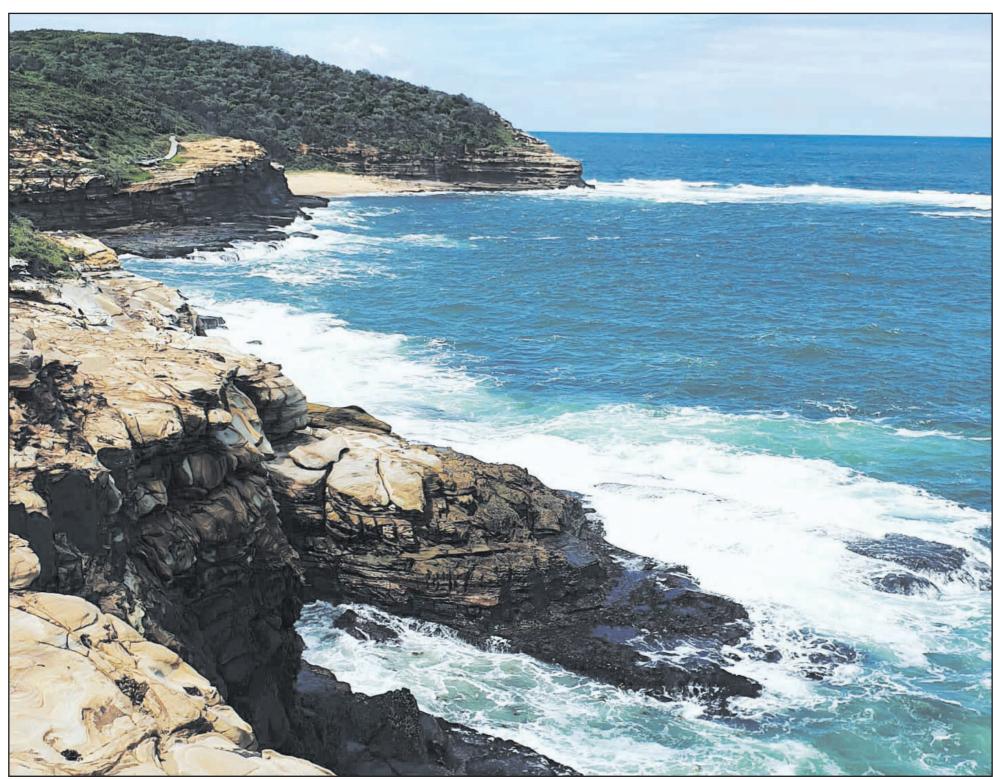


Photo: Justin Stanley

Repairs made to walking track in national park

A section of the coastal walking track in Bouddi National Park was closed on Wednesday and Thursday last week to enable the National Parks and Wildlife Service to upgrade the track.

Regional director Ms Kylie

Yeend said the project would significantly improve safety and reduce erosion.

"Helicopters brought in building materials for the upgrade on a section of the track between Putty Beach and Maitland Bay," she said.

"The track is subject to erosion from the coastal environment,

weather impacts and pedestrian usage, and these works will improve its longevity and assist with future maintenance.

"Bouddi coastal walking track, in its entirety, stretches from Putty Beach to MacMasters Beach and is one of the most popular on the Central Coast.

"There are about 200,000 visitors each year and the track showcases a stunning array of bushland, rock formations and ocean vistas."

Ms Yeend said anyone planning to visit a national park should check www.nationalparks.nsw.

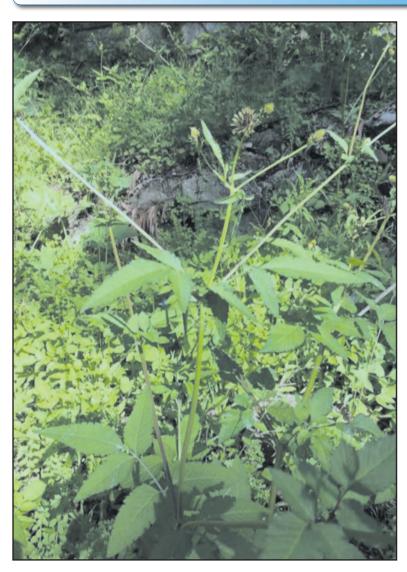
gov.au for updates and alerts on park closures before leaving home.

Visitors are reminded of Covid-19 guidelines and ensure social distancing rules are followed.

SOURCE:

Media release, 28 Apr 2020 Kylie Yeend, NSW NPWS





Farmer's Friend or Cobblers Peg

Travel card eligibility widened

Member for Terrigal Mr Adam Crouch has said eligibility criteria for the Regional Seniors Travel Card has now been widened.

"The \$250 pre-loaded card can be used to purchase fuel, use taxi services or travel on NSW TrainLink trains and coaches," Mr Crouch said.

The travel cards are now

available to seniors who have reached the Age Pension age and receive a Department of Veterans' Affairs Service Pension, Disability Pension or Widow's Pension.

Eligible seniors have until November 30 to apply for a card in 2020, and 12 months to use their card from activation.

SOURCE: Media release, 24 Apr 2020 Adam Crouch, Member for Terrigal



Group asks residents to remain vigilant against weed

The Bays Community Group has called on residents to remain vigilant against the weed known as Farmer's Friend or Cobblers Peg.

Group president Ms Cathy Gleeson said the weed was often seen in gardens and on road sides, and was recognisable by the seed heads of fine black pegs that stick to fabrics, shoes and furs, as

produces.

"As a young plant, the leaf structure is easily identifiable and easily pulled out," she said.

"This weed is easily removed at any stage but the whole weed needs to be bagged, binned or buried deeply as quickly as possible to stop it spreading.

"This means taking care to pull out the whole plant including

well as the small yellow flowers it roots and any of the seeds or pegs attached to clothing," she said.

> "Farmer's Friend will continue to reseed so it requires vigilance, early detection and removal to prevent it from reaching the flowering and seed stage and spreading."

SOURCE: Newsletter, 30 Apr 2020 Cathy Gleeson, Bays Community Group.



Cafe closes after suffering break-in

A Woy Woy cafe has closed its doors having suffered a break-in after it suffered a downturn with coronavirus.

Nevertheless, cafe and cakeshop owners Mr Ganesh Crumlin and Ms Angie O'Sullivan are determined to continue with their Fudge Monkey brand and reputation.

"When the bushfires happened, things started to go on a downward spiral," Mr Crumlin said.

"We started to kick back up again – reinvent ourselves with the new renovations, trying to make the place look more funky – until Covid hit."

However, a break and enter incident on the night of April 19 was "the straw that broke the Monkey's back", he said.

Facing an unpredictable future, they decided that carrying on with the store would be too hard.

Mr Crumlin said their small operation did not qualify for government help schemes.

"Not the JobKeeper Scheme – we had seven employees but they

were all casual.

"The tax relief would be great if we earnt enough to pay tax, but we don't."

The business had started when the couple escaped the corporate rat-race in the city.

"We decided it was time to do something for ourselves," Mr Crumlin said.

"We wanted to do something that made people happy so we decided to make sweets."

The couple sold fudge at local markets and slowly gained popularity within the Woy Woy and on the Central Coast.

"We made the decision to go completely gluten-free and then it really snowballed."

As demand grew, the two soon outgrew their own kitchen, and three years ago they moved into their Woy Woy store.

Mr Crumlin said they were doing very well before the recent downturn.

SOURCE Interview (Dave Abrahams), 24 Apr 2020 Ganesh Crumlin, Fudge Monkey



Ganesh Crumlin, Fudge Monkey

No new coronavirus cases reported

No new coronavirus cases have been reported in the last two within our circulation area, the 2256 and 2257 postcodes.

The most recent case was

notified over a month ago on March 31 in the 2257 postcode area, according to NSW Government figures.

The figures have been reduced by one over the last two weeks, so that Woy Woy (2256) now shows two cases rather than three.

The total number of notified cases for the Peninsula now stands at 11, with the number for the 2257 postcode area staying at nine.

The change was explained

on the data.nsw.gov.au website: "Case counts reported by NSW Health for a particular notification date may vary over time due to ongoing investigations and the outcome of cases under review thus this dataset and any historical

data contained within is subject to change on a daily basis."

SOURCE: Website, 1 May 2020 https://data.nsw.gov.au/ nsw-covid-19-data

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Ratepayers are becoming desperate

The toilet block near the library in Umina is a disgrace.

When I made a comment to another user recently, he said that Woolworths asked Central Coast Council if it could demolish it and rebuild a modern facility.

Years later, this facility continues to degrade and many people refuse to use it.

Come on, Council, your

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ratepayers are getting desperate, literally!

Email 20 Apr 2020 Ric Baxter, Umina Beach

EDITOR'S NOTE: Council has allocated \$360,000 to replace toilets in Umina town centre in the coming financial year.

Confidence wanted in council management of funds

Thanks for publishing your article (Town centres, wharf and drainage get budget allocation, Peninsula News, April 20).

I draw attention to this excerpt from Central Coast Council's operational plan: "If the economy moves into recession there will be impacts on the Central Coast economy which will likely impact the revenue base and also place cost pressures on operations".

When Gosford and Wyong councils merged, how many staff were made redundant?

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What's the total number of staff at the new council?

What's the annual wage and salary cost?

What is this cost as a percentage of revenue?

Nothing is published but my intel is its 1500 full time staff and 900 contractors, (ie. the second largest council in NSW).

I'm certainly not opposed to a strong council employing locals, but as a ratepayer I would like some confidence that my funds are not a very generous "work for the dole" arrangement for back office staff to shuffle papers around while enjoying picturesque views from a skyscraper overlooking Brisbane Water.

Our council has huge revenues and I certainly hope they manage funds to ensure these very important capital works are delivered.

Email, 21 Apr 2020 Luke Chell, Woy Woy

EDITOR'S NOTE: Staffing costs are published in the Council's annual report, available on its website.

Work from home after lockdown ends

Working from Home is the new phrase we have become familiar with but what does it mean and could it help our local economy?

For this commuter it means, I have set up a dedicated workspace and most of my work is done online and I participate in more Zoom or Skype meetings than normal.

Our team is navigating the

new work arrangements and we are trying to be cohesive in an environment of anxiety and uncertainty with no tech support.

I am maintaining the routine of getting out of bed at 5.30am but I have gained all this extra time, so I am enjoying dawn and sunset walks when I am usually on the train – ordinarily a weekend activity.

I fit in a bit of gardening mid-

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week – something that usually can only be done during daylight savings time or weekends.

However, one thing I am doing now, is spending more money locally.

Those two coffees a day and the odd muffin or lunch are now purchased locally instead of in Sydney.

How many of us could work from home when this situation ends?

Can all tiers of government make it easier for us to work from home or establish office spaces we can go to, that have tech support and other resources?

Imagine how great it could be if even only 30 percent of us were able to continue to work from home, great for the local economy, less pressure on the trains and maybe less accidents on the M1 freeway and more time for us to enjoy living here.

Surely government at all levels can facilitate businesses and staff to work from home as a best practice as opposed to a pandemic reaction.

Email, 16 Apr 2020 Sue Fletcher, Woy Woy



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Esplanade footpath needs access for scooters and bikes

An afternoon of sunshine and perfect weather is a time for walking, jogging or just getting out with the aid of a mobility walk frame, scooter, pushbike plus those that just want their pets to exercise.

Esplanade running along the beachfront from Ettalong to Umina is the perfect spot to soak up these wonderful elements, except for a couple of items which destroy the entire experience:

Sunshine, blue skies, many million-dollar homes, views to satisfy the most ardent critic with some of the worst pieces of roadway and footpaths in the area.

From the intersection of Kourung St, Ettalong, to the surf club at the intersection of Trafalgar

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Ave, Umina, there is not one kerbside access ramp for scooters, bikes or any other mobility aid.

On the northern side of the road, there are a few broken sections of footpath and on the beach side, the footpath is so broken up that it is a wonder Central Coast Council is not overwhelmed with complaints and claims for injury compensation.

Combine this with the fact that the beachside reserve, which runs up to the adjoining footpath, is so neglected that councillors should hold their heads in shame and the owners of those million-dollar homes left embarrassed.

A small contribution of funds plus some council workers could transform this road and footpaths into something of which we could be really proud.

The access ramps for disabled are a necessity which require immediate attention and should have been made available many years ago.

> Email, 27 Apr 2020 Rod Fountain, Booker Bay

Extended library services should be expanded

The extended online services being provided by Central Coast libraries (Libraries extend free online resources, Peninsula News, April 20) are to be heartily welcomed but they should not be seen as merely a temporary measure to tide us over the current difficulties.

These extra services not only should remain permanently in place but should set the pattern for further expansion into these userfriendly areas that will encourage

This is the correct direction for library development in the region.

It should be generously funded by using the resources set aside

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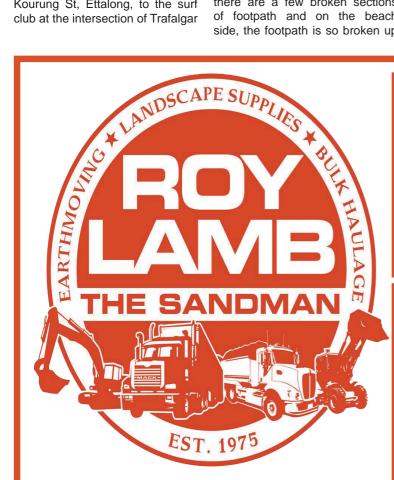
for the unnecessary monumental central library that council is proposing to build in Gosford.

Incidentally, that is the worst location, as well as a waste of money.

What the Central Coast needs is a widely decentralised system of small libraries for direct local access, supported by powerful online programs which provide strengthened capacity to reach out to global information sources.

That is what a 21st-century regional library should look like.

Email, 24 Apr 2020 Bruce Hyland, Woy Woy.



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Other Regional News - In brief

Peninsula News focuses on news specifically more, as well as all previously published relating to post code areas 2256 and 2257. editions, can be seen on line on our Given the advent of the new Central Coast website and on www.centralcoastnews.net Council, following is a summary of the Copies of these other publications may be first 9 news articles published in the most obtained from our offices in Gosford, by recent edition of each of our sister Central subscription, or from a myriad of locations in Coast publications. The full articles and the areas covered by each publication.



Work on The Entrance Channel continues

NSW Roads and Maritime Services Federal Member for Dobell, Emma One of the driving forces for the May, to replace power cables.

emissions blamed on filter

Increase in fine particle

replacement timing Environmental Justice Australia A 56 lot residential subdivision Camp Breakaway at San Remo, (EJA) has reported a "shockingly at 6 Sinclair Cres, Wyong, is being specialising in services for people high" increase in fine particle assessed by Central Coast Council. with disabilities and their carers, is emissions from Vales Point Power Station at Mannering Park.

Call Centre closed after employee tested positive for coronavirus

are working on a barge under The McBride, has called on the Minister rights of people with a disability, Entrance bridge until the end of for Government Services, Stuart mobility or ageing issues, the Robert, to assure her constituents Northern Lakes Disability Tourism about the welfare of employees of Precinct Committee Incorporated, the Services Australia Centrelink is disbanding.

56 lot residential subdivision to be assessed

to struggling tenants

Camp Breakaway has temporarily closed

Disability Tourism Precinct

Committee is disbanding

under financial pressure and has temporarily closed.

Businesses encouraged to

produce medical equipment

Draft operational plan on public Land tax relief to be passed on exhibition

Central Coast Council has forecast Commercial tenants across Business owners on the Central a deficit of \$32.5M next financial the Central Coast significantly Coast are being encouraged to join year in its operational plan for impacted by COVID-19 will have the fight against COVID-19 and 2020-21, but has recognised that greater protection from evictions start producing medical equipment significant adjustments may need with the State Government set to for NSW. to be made in the wake of the enact the National Cabinet Code of

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Council to pitch for a slice of

\$395M stimulus

Telecommunications tower

proposal rejected

Residents encouraged to

download coronavirus tracing

it hopes will be a key measure

New intercity trains arrive

the New Intercity Fleet.

Thousands of commuters in the Central Coast Council looks set to Wyoming Football Club has

region are looking forward to a receive a share of a \$395M State applauded a decision by Central more comfortable train ride to Government local government Coast Council not to grant Sydney with testing ramping up on stimulus package announced on a lease to Optus to erect a April 26, aimed at reducing the telecommunications tower at Alan impact of COVID-19.

Seniors Travel Card eligibility Norfolk Pine's missing limbs extended

The mystery of the severe lopping Hundreds of veterans and other Member for Robertson, Lucy solved.

depots open

of branches from a State Significant pension recipients on the Central Wicks, is encouraging all Central Norfolk Pine at the southern end of Coast can now benefit from the Coast residents to download The Esplanade at Terrigal has been NSW Government's \$250 Regional the Federal Government's new Seniors Travel Card. coronavirus tracing app, which

affidavit for Laurie Maher

Woy Woy and Buttonderry waste Director resigns over personal Major upgrade for Bouddi cliff

Davidson Oval.

The good news for Central Coast Shelter Director, Gavin A section of Bouddi National Park's Coast residents that are taking Shepherd, has resigned from the popular coastal walking track advantage of social isolation to organisation's Board following was closed for on April 28 and 29 clean up around their homes, is revelations that he provided a to allow for some 30 helicopter that the Woy Woy and Buttonderry personal affidavit in support of deliveries of building materials waste management facilities are former Coast Shelter CEO, Laurie for a major upgrade underway to

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Courts use technology to continue during Coronavirus pandemic

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On 24 March, NSW Criminal Courts made the unprecedented call to ban most personal appearances. Barring cases carrying exceptional circumstances that require a faceto-face hearing, technology is being used to carry-on proceedings remotely through video conferencing, telephone and email. While all current jury trials were scheduled for completion at the time of print, new jury trials were suspended on 15 March.

The move has also been made for all documents to be lodged online, a policy that has been duly embraced by the Family and Federal Courts.

Family Courtrooms have been limited to a total of eight persons, and wherever possible, proceedings are taking place remotely.

Due to these compromised conditions, the pandemic will undoubtedly inflict more delays on an already overloaded Family Court system.

Much discretion has been left to judges to determine which matters should remain listed and attract the Court's attention, with urgent cases touching upon family violence and risk to children taking priority.

Only time will tell how the entire justice system manages. Our Courts have been incrementally introducing the use of digital technology for many years to more efficiently address the business of the Court.

This sudden and almost total reliance on remote measures will be a substantial test of the widespread adoption of these procedures and of Australia's network and telecommunications capacity, particularly with millions of individuals relying on the same resources to carryon work from home.

Should the system manage under such extraordinary circumstances, our Courts might well receive an unexpected blueprint to streamline services and proceedings in the future. And it could be a blueprint that works to reduce unacceptable wait times and delays. Only time will tell.

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Thursday 7 May	11:00 Grand Designs [s] 12:00 ABC News At Noon [s] 1:00 Catalyst [s] 2:00 Poldark (PG) [s] 3:00 ABC News Afternoons [s] 4:00 The Cook And The Chef [s] 4:25 Gruen (PG) [s] 5:10 Grand Designs [s] 6:00 The Drum [s] 6:55 Sammy J [s] 7:00 ABC News [s] 7:30 7.30 [s] 8:00 The Heights (PG) [s] 8:00 The Heights (PG) [s] 8:00 The Heights (PG) [s] 8:00 Grand Designs Australia [s] 9:20 Barrie Cassidy's One Plus One [s] 9:50 The Cult Of The Family: In Search Of Justice (M d) [s] 10:50 ABC Late News [s] 11:20 DCI Banks (M v) [s] 12:10 Top Of The Lake (M I,s) [s] 1:05 rage (MA15+) [s] 3:30 Compass [s]	6:00 Sunrise [s] 9:00 The Morning Show (PG) [s] 11:30 Seven Morning News [s] 12:00 Movie: "Fugitive At 17" (M) ('12) Stars: Marie Avgeropoulos 2:00 The Daily Edition (PG) [s] 3:00 The Chase UK [s] 4:00 Seven News At 4 [s] 5:00 The Chase Australia [s] 6:00 Seven News [s] 7:00 Home And Away (PG) [s] 7:30 Little Big Shots US (PG) [s] — Amazing kids featured include an incredible fiddler, a math genius, a martial arts master, impressive dancers and a gifted Motown performer. 8:30 Movie: "The Intern" (M I) ('15) Stars: Robert De Niro, Anne Hathaway, Rene Russo 11:00 The Latest Seven News [s] 11:30 Hooked On The Look (M) [s] 12:00 Movie: "House Of Darkness" (M h,v,s) ('15) Stars: Sara Fletcher, Gunner Wright 2:00 Home Shopping	1:00 9Honey - He Said, She Said: Mental (PG) [s] 1:10 Movie: "Wedding Daze" (M s,l) ('07) Stars: Jason Biggs 3:00 Tipping Point (PG) [s] 4:00 NINE's Afternoon News [s] 5:00 Millionaire Hot Seat [s] 6:00 NINE News [s] 7:00 A Current Affair (PG) [s] 7:30 RBT: Last Glass Of Wine/ Unlucky 13 (PG) [s] 8:30 Movie: "The Bourne Supremacy" (M v,l) ('04) Stars: Brian Cox, Franka Potente 10:40 NINE News Late [s] 1:10 Taken: Verum Nocet (M v,d) [s] 12:00 Law & Order: Criminal Intent: The Faithful (M v) [s] 12:50 A Current Affair (PG) [s] 1:20 9Honey, He Said, She Said: Emotional [s] 1:30 Home Shopping	against her. 9:40 Law & Order: SVU: Brothel (M) 10:30 Blue Bloods: Reckless (M) [s] 11:30 The Project (PG) [s] 12:30 The Late Show (PG) [s] 1:30 Home Shopping	Britain: The Railway Revolution (PG) 9:25 Building Britain's Canals: Kennet And Avon 10:20 SBS World News Late 10:50 The New Pope (M I) (In English/ Italian) 11:50 The Name Of The Rose (M s,v) 1:55 Tin Star (MA15+) 2:50 1095: A Transgender Story (MA15+)
	11:00 Grand Designs [s] 12:00 ABC News At Noon [s] 1:00 Foreign Correspondent [s] 1:30 Australian Story (PG) [s] 2:00 Death In Paradise (M) [s] 3:00 ABC News Afternoons [s] 4:00 Poh's Kitchen [s] 4:25 Gruen (PG) [s] 5:10 Grand Designs [s] 6:00 The Drum [s] 7:30 ABC News [s] 7:30 Gardening Australia [s] – Costa Georgiadis visits a garden bringing a community together and Jane Edmanson showcases plants with bold colours. 8:30 Top Of The Lake: China Girl-The Loved One (M I,n,s) [s] 9:30 Silent Witness: Death Maker (Part 2) (M v) [s] 10:30 ABC Late News [s] 10:50 The Weekly [s]	the newest additions at the zoo. 8:30 Movie: "Hidden Figures" (PG) ('16) Stars: Taraji P Henson, Octavia Spencer, Janelle Monáe, Kevin Costner 11:00 Program To Be Advised 12:30 Home Shopping	Tautou, Paul Bettany, Ian McKellen, Alfred Molina 11:20 Law & Order: Criminal Intent: The Jones (M v) [s] 12:10 Counter Play (M) [s] 1:00 Best Of Postcards (PG) [s] 1:30 Home Shopping 4:30 The Avengers: Mission Highly Improbable (PG) [s] 5:30 A Current Affair (PG) [s]	And Carry On [s] 8:00 The Graham Norton Show (PG) [s] 9:10 Program To Be Advised 10:10 Program To Be Advised 10:40 The Project (PG) [s] 11:40 WIN's All Australian News [s] 12:40 The Project (PG) [s] 1:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (PG) [s] 2:00 Home Shopping	10:55 Movie: "The Broken Circle Breakdown" (MA15+) ('12) Stars: Johan Heldenbergh (In Flemish/ Danish/ English)
Saturday o May	4:30 Landline [s] 5:00 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery: Germaine Greer [s] 5:30 Midsomer Murders: Murder By Magic (PG) [s] 7:00 ABC News [s] 7:30 Death In Paradise: Beyond The Shining Sea (Part 2) (M v) [s] – In the second episode of this two-part special, the Honoré police team are left stunned by another murder. 8:30 Call The Midwife (PG) [s] 9:30 Mystery Road (M l,d,v) [s] 10:25 Unforgotten (M l) [s]	6:00 Home Shopping 7:00 Weekend Sunrise [s] 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend (PG) [s] 12:00 Program To Be Advised 1:30 Coastwatch Oz: Dive Homicide (PG) [s] 2:00 Movie: "Grumpier Old Men" (PG) ('95) Stars: Walter Matthau, Jack Lemmon 4:00 Better Homes And Gardens 5:00 Seven News At 5 [s] 5:30 Border Security - Australia's Front Line (PG) [s] 6:00 Seven News [s] 7:00 Movie: "Men In Black" (PG) ('97) Stars: Tommy Lee Jones, Will Smith, Linda Fiorentino, Vincent D'Onofrio, Rip Tom 8:50 Movie: "John Wick: Chapter 2" (MA15+) ('17) Stars: Keanu Reeves, Riccardo Scamarcio 11:10 Program To Be Advised 12:10 Movie: "Payback" (MA15+) ('99) Stars: Mel Gibson 2:00 Home Shopping	12:00 Surfing Australia TV [s] 12:30 Award Winning Tasmania: King Island (Part 1) (PG) [s] 1:00 Movie: "The Indian In The Cupboard" (PG) ('95) Stars: Hal Scardino, Lindsay Crouse 3:00 The Garden Gurus [s] 3:30 The Greatest Australian Open Matches [s] 5:00 NINE News: First At Five [s] 5:30 Getaway (PG) [s] 6:00 NINE News Saturday [s] 7:00 A Current Affair (PG) [s] 7:30 A Current Affair (PG) [s] 7:30 Movie: "Mother's Day" (M I) ('16) Stars: Jennifer Aniston 9:50 Doctor Doctor (M s) [s] 10:50 Movie: "In Good Company" (PG) ('04) Stars: Dennis Quaid 1:00 Surfing Australia TV [s] 1:30 The Garden Gurus [s]	2:00 Good Chef Bad Chef [s] 2:30 Seafood Escape [s] 3:00 What's Up Down Under? [s] 3:30 Farm To Fork [s] 4:00 Three Veg And Meat [s] 4:30 My Market Kitchen [s] 5:00 10 News First [s] 6:00 Bondi Rescue (PG) [s] 7:30 Ambulance Australia (PG) [s]	5:00 CGTN English News 5:15 NHK World English News 5:30 Worldwatch 1:00 PBS Newshour 2:00 Gadget Man (PG) 2:30 Running Wild (PG) 3:20 Travel Man: Naples (PG) 3:50 Travel Man: Valencia (PG) 4:20 Great British Food Revival 5:30 Great Continental Railway Journeys (PG) 6:30 SBS World News 7:30 Marie Antoinette's Secret Versailles (M v,s) (In English/ French) 8:35 Movie: "Les Miserables" (M s,v) ('12) Stars: Hugh Jackman, Russell Crowe, Anne Hathaway, Amanda Seyfried, Sacha Baron Cohen 11:30 Robert Redford's The West: Outlaw Rising/ Big Killing/ Frontier Justice/ The Last Vendetta (MA15+) 3:05 World's Most Dangerous Border (PG)
VeW Of VeDail	2:30 War On Waste (PG) [s] 3:30 Barrie Cassidy's One Plus One [s] 4:00 Everyone's A Critic (PG) [s] 4:30 The Mix [s] 5:00 Antiques Roadshow [s] 6:00 Hard Quiz (PG) [s]	6:00 Home Shopping 7:00 Weekend Sunrise [s] 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend 12:00 House Of Wellness [s] 1:00 Program To Be Advised 2:30 Program To Be Advised 4:00 Better Homes And Gardens 5:00 Seven News At 5 [s] 5:30 Sydney Weekender [s] 6:00 Seven News [s] 7:00 House Rules - High Stakes (PG) [s] 9:30 Special: ABBA Forever [s] - A celebration of the lifetime of joy the group has brought to fans, ABBA Forever tells the story of what is surely the most surprising popular music story of our age. 10:30 The Resident: Best Laid Plans (M v) [s] - Nic and Mina treat a patient battling a failing heart VAD. 11:30 The Blacklist: Orion Relocation Services (MA15+) [s] 12:30 Home Shopping	10:00 Sports Sunday (PG) [s] 11:00 Sunday Footy Show (PG) [s] 12:00 Unstoppable [s] 12:30 Paris Or The Bush: The Story Of The Cods (PG) [s] 1:30 Movie: "One Chance" (PG) (*13) Stars: James Corden 3:30 The Greatest - Moments, Milestones And Memories [s] 5:00 NINE News: First At Five (PG) 5:30 Customs (PG) [s] 6:00 NINE News Sunday [s] 7:00 Lego Masters (PG) [s] 8:10 60 Minutes (PG) [s] 9:10 NINE News Late [s] 9:40 Inside Crime (M) [s] 10:40 See No Evil: Life After Midnight (M) [s] 11:35 The Brokenwood Mysteries: As If Nothing Had Happened	8:00 Three Veg And Meat [s] 8:30 Good Chef Bad Chef [s] 9:00 My Market Kitchen [s] 9:30 Studio 10 Sunday (PG) [s] 12:30 Pooches At Play [s] 1:00 Farm To Fork [s] 1:30 Good Chef Bad Chef [s] 2:00 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield [s] 2:20 My Market Kitchen [s] 2:50 Masterchef Australia (PG) [s]	5:00 CGTN English News 5:15 NHK World English News 5:30 Worldwatch 12:30 Speedweek 1:30 Gymnastics: Trampoline World Cup 2020 5:00 Cycling: Incycle 5:30 Hunting Nazi Treasure: Missing Masterpiece (PG) 6:30 SBS World News 7:30 Egypt's Top Ten Treasures (PG) 9:20 Movie: "Whitney" (M) ('18) Stars: Ellen White 11:30 Movie: "Alias Ruby Blade" (M) ('12) Stars: Xanana Gusmão (In English/ Portuguese/ Tetum) 1:00 Railways That Built Britain 1:50 Great Continental Railway Journeys: Tangier To Marrakech (PG) 2:50 Ride Upon The Storm (M s,v) (In Danish) 4:00 World's Most Dangerous Border (M v) (In English/ Urdu/ Hindi)
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Health





New aged care wing to be named Pozieres House

An aged care provider has announced it will name its new 114-bed wing Pozieres House, in honour of the Battle of Pozieres in 1916.

new \$30 million development for Peninsula Village is located in Pozieres Ave. Umina.

The announcement came after competition was held to name the three-storey building.

Chief executive Mr Shane Neaves said the competition to name the building canvassed the views of residents, staff and the local community.

"The name Pozieres House was submitted multiple times - and it's easy to understand why," he said.

"Our residents and this community have an extremely deep respect for history.

"They are always enthusiastic about paying tribute to Australia's past heroes.

development in honour of the. Mr Neaves said The Battle of Pozieres, waged in 1916, was the battle that defined the bravery of Australia's World War I diggers.

He said that it was perhaps the Australian Army's most sombre triumph, claiming 23,000 casualties including 6800 deaths in just six weeks of fighting.

"As a result of this incredible sacrifice, the name of the tiny French village has become part of Australian folklore, replicated on many street signs around the country.

"Among them is Pozieres

Ave, Umina, home of Peninsula Villages' soon to be opened 114bed ageing-in-place development."

Mr Neaves said: "Pozieres House will set a standard for aged care not seen before on the Central Coast.

"Specialist aged, palliative and dementia care units will all be housed within separate hubs and accommodated on separate floors to ensure continuity of care between staff and the residents.

"The new building will replace

the existing amenities at Jack Aldous House, with all rooms to include a private bathroom."

He said both the Pozieres House project and the affordable housing project in Springwood St site were self-funded by Peninsula Villages.

The Pozieres House development is scheduled for completion in late 2020.

SOURCE Media release, 20 Apr 2020 Shane Neaves, Peninsula Villages

Pearl Beach resident starts online support group

An online emotional support more than 150 members. group has been launched by Pearl Beach resident Ms Melanie Raimundo.

The relationship coach has created the Central Coast Emotional Support Group with her father Dr Carlos Raimundo and marketing consultant Mr Patrick Zuluaga.

The aim is to provide an opportunity for locals to connect during the Covid-19 pandemic.

The group was launched on social media on March 31 and has

Melanie said the idea to launch the group came when she noticed the lack of support options in the

The goal is to bring people who are feeling disconnected together by sharing their experiences of living through the pandemic with the aim of generating a communitydriven discussion.

She said the goal was to make people feel less alone.

"Generally, people are feeling a lot of stress and anxiety right now, but this is the time to come

"We may have to be physically distant but that doesn't mean we have to be lonely.

"If you're looking for somewhere to share your views and make connections then this is the group for you," Melanie said.

Through swapping stories about juggling working from home with the kids' new online schooling regime or sharing tips on how to help neighbours who are vulnerable to Covid-19, she said connections between group members were beginning take

shape as more and more members start to contribute.

As well as this, there had been more serious conversations about the struggle to isolate, job insecurity, unemployment and the strains of being away from the family for those in front line jobs.

Melanie said it was her hope the group would continue to grow to become a valuable forum for Central Coast residents, even after the pandemic.

Melanie is also producing a weekly webinar series for members to further boost engagement, running every Wednesday from

While the group is an excellent place to make connections, Melanie cautioned that it was not a substitute for professional help.

Members are free to talk about topics that matter to them, but for serious emotional or mental health support Melanie recommended people seek professional advice and services.

SOURCE

Interview (Dilon Luke), 02 Apr 2020 Melanie Raimundo, Central Coast **NSW Emotional Support Group.**

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* OPENING SOON IN MAITLAND *



Umina campus starts staged returns next Monday

Umina campus of Brisbane Water Secondary College will start its staged return to school from next Monday, May 11. All students will be able to attend school for one day per week.

Principal Ms Kerrie O'Heir said parents and carers should have heard from the school by the end of last week with information about the plan for the staged return to school starting Monday.

Students would continue with online and remote learning until then.

During this time, parents would

be encouraged to keep their children at home.

Packages of work would be available from the school front office for those students who did not have internet access to the work through Google Classroom.

These packages would contain each students' whole curriculum for Term 2, all of which would be able to be completed online and by remote learning.

Ms O'Heir said: "We are currently working on a model for this staged return of students and appreciate your understanding as we create a process that is the safest for all.

"Students coming to school during the staged return will be

supervised by staff but not their timetabled teachers.

Students will have to bring their own lunch to school as the canteen will not be open.

Ms O'Heir said the three College principals were working together to provide continuity for families which had students on both campuses.

"However, there will be differences in the plan given the differing learning contexts of a junior and a senior campus," she said

> SOURCE: Media Release, 27 Apr 2020 Kerrie O'Heir, BWSC Umina

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School canteen to re-open on Monday

Umina Beach Public School's canteen will re-open on the Monday, May 11.

Parents have been asked to put money and written orders on a piece of paper inside a zip-locked bag.

"Breakfast items will be served as usual," said principal Ms Lyn Davis

"Children will be able to purchase snack items during lunchtime on the day they are at school."

On-campus tuition days are scheduled to be Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, organised by house group.

Staff members will attend school every day, but the regular class teachers from Term 1 are likely to change.

Children of emergency service workers will continue to be welcome all five days of the week,

Ms Davis said.

On-campus tuition will begin again for students one day per week from May 11.

In most cases, classes will be held within the school's double-classrooms that will hold no more than 30 students.

Staff will continue to plan work for students to do under supervision of parents.

Parents will be able to pick up work plans using the Club Umina drive through each Monday between 10am and noon.

Teachers expect to call parents at least once a week.

The school will distribute information to parents through social media and the school's E-News app.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 28 Apr 2020 Lyn Davis, Umina Beach Public School

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Students to continue to study online

Empire Bay Public School students' curriculum will continue to be entirely online so that students are completing the same units of study wherever they are, according to principal Ms Simone Champion.

Students will be expected to attend school one day per week from Monday, and children of essential workers will continue to be welcome five days a week.

Information on the scheduling this term is expected to be provided early this week.

Ms Champion said parents had been reminded that children feeling unwell and with cold or flu-like symptoms should not be sent to school, even if it is their scheduled day to attend.

The drop off and pick up gate will be closed during school hours.

SOURCE:

Social media, 28 Apr 2020 Simone Champion, Empire Bay Public School.

Work packs prepared for five weeks

Ettalong Public School has work packs for the first five weeks of Term 2 available for collection.

Starting on Monday, May 11, the school will be providing one day per week on-campus tuition for students, but students are required to take their work packs with them to school.

"Students will need to bring their Learning from Home Work Pack on their designated school day and they will take them home again at the end of their day, to be used on their Learning from Home days," said principal Ms Lyn Balfour.

The school has added numerous lessons and activities to their Google classrooms, where tuition will continue, she said.

Year 6 work packs were available

at the Year Six classrooms.

Years 3-5 and Support classes work packs were available from the school hall where they were organised to maintain social distancing.

Kindergarten to Year 2 work packs were available under the new Kindergarten-Year Two covered area.

The school has organised separate areas to drop off K-2 children and to drop off children in Years 3-6.

"We ask parents of K-2 children to use the designated Kiss and Drop zone in Uligandi St," Ms Balfour said.

"We will open the basketball court gate for parents to drive through the laneway from Uligandi St to Karingi St – in one direction

to keep our children safe, to drop children in Years 3-6.

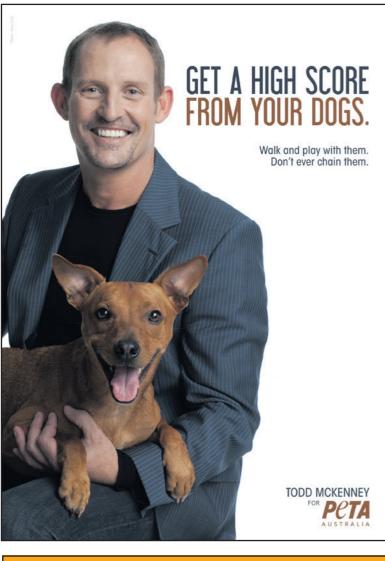
"With such a large playground and two street frontages, there is no reason why social distancing for parents cannot be managed," she

The Karingi St pedestrian gate and the Karingi St bus gate will be open for students who walk to school or catch the bus.

At 8:55am, Years K-2 will meet in their grade groups underneath the new covered area and Years 3-6 will meet beneath the Cola in four seperate sections.

Before and After School Care will continue to be run by the YMCA.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 28 Apr 2020, Lynn Balfour, Ettalong Public School



Preschool will meet in groups of 10

Woy Woy Public School's Preschool will meet in groups of 10 students attending according to their given days as either a Seahorse or Pelican group member.

Principals Ms Ona Buckley and Mr Dan Betts said preschool parents and carers would be required to sign their children in and out.

A table would be set up near the Preschool gate entry to help support this.

"If parents or carers need to come to the school grounds throughout the day, they are asked to enter through the office gate only.

"A quick pick up-drop off by parents at the gate entries with limited time on school grounds is recommended to maintain everyone's safety and wellbeing."

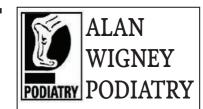
Sanitiser had been made available in areas around each gate entry along with markings and signage to remind everyone of the high standards of hygiene expected from all.

"All school playground equipment is off limits.

"Extra cleaning time has been allocated to the school to ensure all surfaces and areas in classrooms are regularly sanitised."

The disability programs would remain operational, with students attending at the discretion of their parents and carers.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 28 Apr 2020, Ona Buckley and Dan Betts, Woy Woy Public School.



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No	Date	Address	Suburb	Proposed Development
54302/2018	15-04-2020	1 / 245 The Round Dr	AVOCA BEACH	Dwelling House (New) (Amended Application)
57976/2020	15-04-2020	18 Ridgway Rd	AVOCA BEACH	Manufactured Dwelling Extension & Garage
230/2020	21-04-2020	18 Bias Ave	BATEAU BAY	Garage Additions & Internal Alterations
114/2020	23-04-2020	72 Bateau Bay Rd	BATEAU BAY	Shed
58113/2020	20-04-2020	406 Orange Grove Rd	BLACKWALL	Deck
359/2020	23-04-2020	8 Karooah Ave	BLUE BAY	Alterations, Additions & Carport
145/2020	20-04-2020	18 Nelmes Rd	BLUE HAVEN	Dwelling
45143/2014	23-04-2020	356 & 358 Booker Bay Rd	BOOKER BAY	Residential Flat Building (5 Units) & Demolition of Existing Dwellings (Amended Application)
252/2020	23-04-2020	11 Diamond Head Dr	BUDGEWOI	Dwelling
279/2020	23-04-2020	11 Wallis Ave	CANTON BEACH	Detached Secondary Dwelling
316/2020	23-04-2020	37 Thomas Walker Dr	CHITTAWAY BAY	Alterations & Additions
57805/2020	16-04-2020	28 Sorrento Rd	EMPIRE BAY	Dwelling Alterations / Additions & Secondary Dwelling
22122/2003	23-04-2020	49 Serpentine Rd	ERINA HEIGHTS	Proposed Child Care Centre - 39 Places Maximum (Amended Application)
57820/2020	23-04-2020	2 / 24 Palm St	ETTALONG BEACH	Carport
57994/2020	23-04-2020	17 Picnic Pde	ETTALONG BEACH	Dwelling Alterations & Additions
266/2020	20-04-2020	76 Berkeley Rd	FOUNTAINDALE	Dwelling
202/2020	20-04-2020	41 Wall Rd	GOROKAN	Alterations & Additions
57934/2020	22-04-2020	6 Henzel Rd	GREEN POINT	New Garage
287/2020	21-04-2020	87 Loretto Way	HAMLYN TERRACE	Dwelling
203/2020	23-04-2020	129 Loretto Way	HAMLYN TERRACE	Dwelling
205/2020	23-04-2020	39 Coventry Ln	HAMLYN TERRACE	Dwelling
43461/2013	20-04-2020	5 / 73 Wattle Tree Rd	HOLGATE	Dwelling Alterations / Additions, Garage, Swimming Pool & Attached Dual Occupancy (Second Dwelling). Works to be Undertaken over 3 Stages (Amended Application)
189/2020	21-04-2020	13 Candlewood Cl	KANWAL	Shed
50632/2016	17-04-2020	4 Milyerra Rd	KARIONG	7 Lot Residential Subdivision Conducted in 2 Stages (Amended Application)
57289/2019	17-04-2020	52 Manly View Rd	KILLCARE HEIGHTS	Dwelling Alterations & Additions
54742/2018	21-04-2020	15 Nimbin Rd	KOOLEWONG	Dwelling Alterations, Garage, Deck & Swimming Pool (Amended Application)
57888/2020	24-04-2020	15 Orchard Rd	LISAROW	Steel Framed Shed
58085/2020	16-04-2020	13 Karen Cl	LISAROW	Extend Existing Rear Deck & New Skillion Roof Pergola
109/2020	21-04-2020	57 Koorinda Ave	LONG JETTY	Carport
48002/2015	24-04-2020	16 Tungarra Pde	MACMASTERS BEACH	Dwelling Additions, Carport & Driveway (Amended Application)
57574/2019	23-04-2020	27 Beachview Esp	MACMASTERS BEACH	Dwelling House (New)
57678/2019	16-04-2020	1 - 2 Pacific Hwy	MOONEY MOONEY	Dwelling Alterations & Additions
58097/2020	21-04-2020	36 Gugandi Rd	NARARA	Dwelling House (New)
57640/2019	20-04-2020	30 Siletta Rd	NIAGARA PARK	Garage
284/2020	21-04-2020	8 Fern Rd	OURIMBAH	Shed
57986/2020	21-04-2020	46 Cornelian Rd	PEARL BEACH	Demolition of Existing Dwelling & Garage, New Manufactured Dwelling, Verandah, Garage, Carport & Associated Works
58139/2020	21-04-2020	113 Heath Rd	PRETTY BEACH	Roof over Deck
223/2020	22-04-2020	91 Emu Dr	SAN REMO	Detached Secondary Dwelling
	20-04-2020	9 Shaw St	SARATOGA	Dwelling Alterations & Additions
	17-04-2020	56 The Corso	SARATOGA	Dwelling House (New)
	22-04-2020	8 Brighton Rd	SARATOGA	Dwelling House (New) & Shed & Demolition of Existing Dwelling
	24-04-2020	196 Steyne Rd	SARATOGA	2 Bedroom Manufactured Secondary Dwelling onto Concrete Foundations
57886/2020	22-04-2020	120 Wisemans Ferry Rd	SOMERSBY	31 Additional Car Parking Spaces, Stormwater Improvements & Associated Earthworks

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57985/2020	20-04-2020	27 Alison Rd	SPRINGFIELD	Carport to Existing Parking Platform
57984/2020	17-04-2020	121 Helmsman Bvd	ST HUBERTS ISLAND	Carport & Awning
320/2020	21-04-2020	31 Kullaroo Rd	SUMMERLAND POINT	Demolition of Existing Structures
261/2020	24-04-2020	10 Nirringa Rd	SUMMERLAND POINT	Garage
56223/2019	21-04-2020	258 Glenrock Pde	TASCOTT	New Multi Level Residence & 3 Car Garage (Amended Application)
43488/2013	23-04-2020	74A & 74B Terrigal Esp	TERRIGAL	Restaurant & Bar Fitout (Amended Application)
56707/2019	17-04-2020	24 Ogilvie St	TERRIGAL	Dwelling House (New) (Amended Application)
58129/2020	20-04-2020	1 Marlborough Cl	TERRIGAL	New Concrete Swimming Pool
137/2020	22-04-2020	12 The Entrance Rd	THE ENTRANCE	Temporary Marquees to Roof Terrace & Level 1 Balcony
323/2020	20-04-2020	113 Toowoon Bay Rd	TOOWOON BAY	Inground Pool
243/2020	23-04-2020	33 Seventh Ave	TOUKLEY	Convert Existing Garage to Living Area
58094/2020	20-04-2020	8 Clairvoux Rd	WAMBERAL	New Balcony
58095/2020	20-04-2020	696 The Entrance Rd	WAMBERAL	Timber Deck with Roof Partly Over

Complying Development Certificates

No	Date	Address	Suburb	Proposed Development
165/2020	23-04-2020	17 Bataan Cct	BATEAU BAY	Carport
55864/2019	21-04-2020	38 Segura St	COPACABANA	Dwelling Addition (Amended Application)
138/2020	22-04-2020	16 Coventry Ln	HAMLYN TERRACE	Dwelling & Retaining Wall
137/2020	20-04-2020	18 Coventry Ln	HAMLYN TERRACE	Dwelling

Development Applications

The following Development Applications are notified for public comment and can be viewed online at **centralcoast.nsw.gov.au**

Written submissions close: 29 May 2020

No	Address	Suburb	Description
378/2020	157 Budgewoi Rd	BUDGEWOI	Proposed Attached Dual Occupancy & Subdivision Applicant - Acrow Investments Group Pty Ltd
58271/2020	9 Milpera Rd	GREEN POINT	Entry Works, Fencing, Car Parking & Signage Applicant - BHL Lifestyle Living (Green Point) Pty Ltd
322/2020	100 Alison Rd	WYONG	LED Sign to the Existing School Applicant - Devine Drafting

Integrated Development

Written submissions close: 5 June 2020

No	Address	Suburb	Description
58270/2020	29 Albany St	POINT FREDERICK	Sea Wall Applicant - MJ Cassidy & Assoc Pty Ltd The application has been made for the development consent under the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979. Approval is also sought from Fisheries NSW.

Nominated Integrated Development

Written submissions close: 12 June 2020

No	Address	Suburb	Description
58279/2020	9 Koolkuna Cl	KINCUMBER	Subdivision 1 lot into 2 Applicant - Intrax The application has been made for the development consent under the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979. Approval is also sought from Office of Environment & Heritage & NSW Rural Fire Service.

Central Coast Council is required to comply with the requirements of the Government Information (Public Access) Act 20019 which requires submissions on Development Applications to be published on Council's website. In order to maintain privacy, all submissions lodged using Council's DA Submission Form or online portal will have personal contact details and signature redacted. Submissions received not using Council's DA Submission Form or via the online portal will be published in full. Your submission may also be reproduced in full in Council reports or in Court proceedings.

Pick-up process changed at **Woy Woy South**

Woy Woy South Public School has changed its pickup and drop-off process to comply within the Health Department's guidelines and to fit in with the construction taking place at the school.

"This will ensure that our classroooms and the areas immediately in their vicinity are visited only by staff and students," said principal Mr Matt Barr.

Students can be dropped off and picked up at entrances at the Balaclava Rd-Wentworth Rd corner and on Waterloo Rd. The School Mall entry will not be open for access.

Mr Barr said parents were welcome to enter the school grounds, but were asked meet students at specific places.

At Balaclava-Wentworth Rds gates, parents were asked "strictly" to use from Tiger Turf (synthetic grass) or the Blue playing surface.

At the Waterloo gates, pick up and drop off would be "strictly" from the 3-6 Cola and concrete are near the hall.

"We understand that this is a change from normal procedure and hope that it will be short term only," Mr Barr said.

SOURCE: Social media, 26-30 Apr 2020, Matt Barr, Woy Woy South PS

house groups Students at Woy Woy campus of Brisbane Water Secondary College will return to school

house groups. Students will be allocated a day to attend between Tuesday and Friday.

one day a week based on

All students will remain home on Mondays and teachers will teach their classes via Zoom.

On the day at school, home rooms will be assigned for up to 10 students each from the same year

"Each room will be supervised by an allocated teacher who will check on the students' wellbeing, educational progress and any other concerns," said principal Ms Rebecca Cooper.

Students'

return based on

All work, for both students and teachers, would be available online, as would be a Wellbeing team and Learning support team for all students.

Year 11 and 12 students scheduled at school on Tuesdays would be expected to attend school for the full school day.

For student involved in practical subjects, course teachers would provide specific strategies through Zoom meetings.

"Generally speaking, Term 2 will see incursions to support practical lessons," Ms Cooper said.

"Some courses have adjusted practical units until term 3 and 4.

"Some teachers are also offering tuition time outside school hours for IT, timber and textiles."

Ms Cooper said: "We believe this model aims to eliminate disadvantage with a measured and supported return that can be responsive to weekly policy and data analysis at a state and federal

SOURCE: Social media, 28 Apr 2020 Rebecca Cooper, BWSC Woy Woy





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End this Peninsula fuel rip-off. Email, 27 Apr 2020 Brian Lewis, Umina Beach

Queensland Council installs toilet soap dispensers

comparator council, the Sunshine Coast Council in Queensland, announced on March 23 that it would install and maintain soap dispensers in all public toilet facilities across the region to help combat the novel coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic.

In just one week, soap dispensers were installed to enable the community to comply with the hygiene and handwashing recommendations of the

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Department of Health.

The response from the community has been very positive.

Central Coast Council should follow this lead, as hand hygiene measures will be in place for the foreseeable future.

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Minister threatens Council with performance review

Planning Minister Mr Rob Stokes has threatened Central Coast Council with a performance review.

He has accused the council of not demonstrating "a clear commitment to delivering their Local Strategic Planning Statement on time", after the council asked for a 12-month extension to write the statement

The council's request was refused.

A representative of the Planning Minister wrote to the council on April 21 stating: "Where councils do not demonstrate a clear commitment to delivering their Local Strategic Planning Statement on time, the Minister for Planning and Public Space may, as a first step, formally consult with the Minister for Local Government to determine whether a Performance Improvement Order under s.438A of the Local Government Act 1993 is warranted."

Deputy mayor Cr Jane Smith said it was disappointing that the Minister had not allowed an extension of time for consultation due to the impacts of Covid-19.

"This would have allowed Council to use a range of strategies to consult with our community on this 20-year vision for future land use on the Central Coast," she

"We will now need to undertake this consultation through online strategies – which may limit the ability of many people in our community to engage." Cr Smith said council had resolved to take a Ward approach and this had not changed.

"This approach helps to ensure the priorities and local character of our diverse Central Coast are considered in the development of the new statement," she said.

"It should not be a one-size-fitsall approach.

"It is important for our community and our Councillors to now engage in this process."

The Local Strategic Planning Statement is meant to be the centrepiece of land use planning for the future "to 2036 and beyond" and ratified by July 1.

It would look at how the existing and draft controls in the Local Environmental Plans and the existing and draft Development Control Plans may need to change to meet the community's needs.

Council's planning director Mr Scott Cox said that the Council could consider the draft Statement an interim document to meet the deadline.

"Future community and councillor workshops could be conducted once Covid-19 restrictions cease and a further review completed by July 1, 2021," he said.

Public exhibition of the draft Local Strategic Planning Statement is proposed to start on May 8 for 28 days.

SOURCE: Central Coast Council agenda 4.9, 27 Apr 2020 Media statement, 28 Apr 2020 Jane Smith, Central Coast Council

Carol's quilting selected for Australasian finals

Ettalong patchwork tutor Ms Carol Leitch has reached the finals of the Australasian Quilt Convention's quiltmaking competition.

Her wall-hanging, entitled And then the Fires Came, was entered for this year's theme of Going Green.

Carol began her "experimental" textile piece as a response to the devastation caused by bushfires around the world over the past 12 months.

It has taken a total of four and a half months to complete.

She said the initial inspiration for the piece was the fires that burned through the Amazon rainforest last year, but with the breakout of bushfires across Australia, the work took on an Australian focus.

For this, she used a the collage of fiery tones, such as black, burnt orange and crimson red; colours that also invoked the scenery of the Australian bush.

She said the hanging began with a pieced background in half-



square triangles, with a top layer of interweaving felt leaves overlayed with hand-died fabric and strips of organiza

Carol used a heat gun to produce a dried-out and scorched presentation.

"I don't think I was ever done with it," she said.

"But I reached a point where I had to put down my tools and say enough."

The Convention is run annually

and accepts entries from quilters all around the world.

Up to 30 finalists are selected. Their work will be displayed in Melbourne's Royal Exhibition Hall from August 20 to 24.

First prize is \$3500.

Carol is a tutor for the Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre.

SOURCE Interview (Haakon Barry), 21 Apr 2020. Carol Leitch, EBACC.

Little Theatre turns to video conferencing

Woy Woy Little Theatre has turned to video conferencing to produce a suite of Flash virtual play readings.

The first performance was held on Monday, April 27, with a reading Rinse the Blood Off My Toga, a 1954 radio comedy sketch written by Canadian comedy duo Wayne and Shuster.

The sketch reinvents Shakespeare's

Julius Caesar as a parodic noirdetective story, where private eye Flavius Maximus is hired to find the murderer of the Roman ruler.

A total of 40 people, including actors, directors and audience members, joined the video conference.

The Little Theatre is now planning to run further performances every second Wednesday night at 7:30 pm, starting this Wednesday, May 6.

The theatre company is open to involving more actors and directors, as well as audience members.

It is also looking for more plays and sketches to perform.

More information is available at woywoylt.com.

SOURCE: Website, 27 Apr 2020 Woy Woy Little Theatre



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Hoop pines planted to represent Woy Woy's fallen

Woy Woy Memorial Park, the usual site for Anzac ceremonies, is dominated by hoop pines planted more than 90 years ago.

Fourteen hoop pines were planted in 1927 at Woy Woy memorial park to represent fallen soldiers - the "Sons of Woy Woy" long before there was a tarred and sealed road

Some trees were lost with the realignment of the road.

Only 11 trees remain now and they are a significant landmark which can be seen from Gosford across Brisbane Water.

Originally, there was a tree for each of the names on the cenotaph for the war dead of World War I.

war memorial was not entirely dedicated to the commemoration of local men who went to war.

In many instances, the memorial was for the parents of the soldiers.

Many of the men who enlisted were not living in the Woy Woy district at the time of enlistment. Often it was the parents who lived in the Woy Woy area.

As the war dead of that era were not repatriated to Australia, it was important that the parents had somewhere to grieve.

Woy Woy war memorial was a public place for the acknowledgment of the family's loss in the absence of a grave to visit.

There are three sets of brothers named on the memorial - the Roberts, the Tonkins and the Coxes.



memorial war was consecrated by NSW Governor Sir Phillip Game in 1932, although Anzac Day had been commemorated at the site since

The stone obelisk dates to 1925. The land was donated by the trustees of the Cox Estate and the Cox family had four sons go to war and had lost two sons.

Fred Cox was an auctioneer and real estate agent and died suddenly

The following names are on the memorial for World War I. Some of the families names are still in the

Some of the enlistment numbers are inside the first 1000 men who put up their hands.

Miles Standish Cox, station hand, enlisted 17 Aug 1914 aged 23, service number 165, whose next of kin was Mr F Cox of "Sabrina" Wagstaff Point, died 16 Dec 1914 at 23 years four months of pneumonia and buried in Mena Camp, Cairo, Egypt.

His brother Edward King (Standish) Cox, also a station hand, enlisted on the same day aged 29, service number 164. He died 13 Dec 1914 at 29 years four months of pneumonia and buried in Mena Camp, Cairo, Egypt

C. Robert Fountain, carpenter, enlisted 2 Mar 1915 aged 21 years four months, service number 54, whose next of kin was George Henry Fountain, Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, was killed in action in Belgium on 13 Oct 1917 aged 23 years seven months.

William Joseph Geraghtv. clerk. enlisted 4 Aug 1914 aged 21 years five months, service number 3056, died of wounds 28/8/1918 aged 25 years five months, and was buried at Moncourt Church Cemetery,

Andrew Arthur Murphy, boatman,

enlisted 20 Mar 1915 aged 24 years three months, service number 931, whose next of kin was Andrew Murphy of "Grandview" Wov Woy, sailed from Suez and died accidentally from a head injury as he fell off a gang plank leaving a ship in Colombo, Sri Lanka on 20 Jan 1916 aged 24 years 11 months, and was buried in Commonwealth War Cemetery Colombo, Sri Lanka.

John Horace Ormiston, clerk, enlisted 6 Mar 1916 aged 42, service number 2372, whose next of kin was Richard Henry Ormiston of Woy Woy, died on 6 May 1918 aged 44 from a wound while on active service and was buried in Querrien British Cemetery, France.

Frederick Stuart, driver, enlisted 8 Sep 1915 aged 27 years nine months, service number 3990, whose next of kin was Mr W Stuart of Brick Wharf Rd, Woy Woy, was missing in action presumed dead then confirmed dead by his ID tags on 7 Jun 1917, and was buried Mesaines Ridge British Cemetery.

Robert Richard Roberts, boatman, enlisted 27 Nov 1915 aged 30 years 10 months, service number 5101, whose next of kin was Mr Charles Roberts of Woy Woy, died aged 31 years 9 months on 4 Mar 1917 of wounds sustained in active service from gunshot wounds to head and leg, and was buried St Sever Cemetery Rouen,

His brother John Henry Roberts, fettler, enlisted 25 Aug 1915 aged 27 years three months, service number 4870, died of wounds received in action on 15 Feb 1918 aged 29 years 10 months and was buried in Wytschaet, Ypres.

Harry Peel, mechanic, enlisted 3 Aug 1915 aged 21 years six months, service number 3433, whose next of kin was Harry Peel of Woy Woy, died of wounds in active service on 4 Aug 1916 aged 22 years 6 months, and was buried at Military Cemetery Puchvillers,

Richard Caleb Tonkin, carpenter, enlisted 28 Sep 1914 aged 21 years two months, service number 445, whose next of kin was Mrs Margaret Jane Tonkin of "Kundle" Woy Woy, was killed in action at Gallipoli 19 Aug 1915 aged 22 years one month and was buried in Lone Pine Cemetery.

His brother Leslie George Tonkin, carpenter, enlisted 8 Feb 1915 aged 20 years seven months, service number 1646, was killed in action Flanders, France, on 14 Nov 1916 aged 22 years four months with injuries from a shell, and was buried where he lay.

Gordon Weaver, travelling salesman, enlisted 14 Sep 1914 aged 36, service number 478, whose next of kin was Emily Weaver, of Sydney, died 22 Apr 1923 aged 44, was medically discharged as he developed diabetes and died of same at home in Booker Bay, and was buried at Kincumber.

> SOURCE: Media release, 29 Apr 2020 Karen Askew, Point Clare Cemetery History Tours.



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Council calls for more State Government support

Central Coast Council mayor Cr Lisa Matthews has called on the **NSW** Government to deliver more financial support to enable Council to continue to operate effectively and to provide essential services during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Cr Matthews said she acknowledged the local government stimulus package announced by the NSW Government on April 27 but said it did not not go far enough to help regional

DEATH NOTICE

Mr. Edward Creswell

Aged 88 years, died on the 22/04/2020. Late of Woy Woy formerly of Narrabeen Sydney communities such as the Central Coast.

"Central Coast Council, along with our other regional counterparts, continue to struggle with the financial impacts of the coronavirus.

"For our Central Coast community, this has compounded by the recent bushfires and floods experienced," Mayor Matthews said.

"We are grateful that the State Government has listened to local Councils' campaigning and provided a number of financial relief measures including access to a Council Job Retention Allowance, freezing increases in the Emergency Services Levy and potential to apply for low-cost loans to fund infrastructure projects."

"But there is much more that they can do to let Council get on with it and help their communities," said Cr Matthews.

The Council sent to the State Government on April 14 with a list of suggestions for helping the council which faced increased costs and at

the same was experiencing declining revenue as more more ratepayers are forced into financial hardship.

The letter sought additional assistance from the State Government including retaining significant developer development contributions and support for the cost of conducting Local Planning Panels; increasing financial assistance grants payments; allowing Council to retain the waste levy; pensioner rebates to be paid back to Council, and a change in current policy with regard to restricted fund and infrastructure spending.

"The situation of Covid-19 is evolving daily and we are unfortunately seeing impacts on our community escalating," Cr Matthews said.

"Local government works at the grassroots level and sees firsthand the massive impacts on families, young people, small businesses and our local economy as they navigate this new world.

"It is critical that Central

Coast Council receives funding adequate and coordinate resources to deliver services as and navigate through, and recover from, natural disasters and the new challenges presented by Covid-19."

The letter asked that the council be allowed to keep the waste levy it has to pay the State, a saving of \$28 million per year.

This included \$9.5m yet to be paid for the period March 1 to June 30, 2020.

Council asked the State Government to pick up the entire cost of the discount council gives pensioners on their rates.

At present, the State Government reimburses about 55 per cent of that cost.

Council also asked for a bigger slice of the Significant Development developer contributions.

The councillors discussed the letter at their April 27 meeting which was held after the State Government had announced a \$395M support package.

The councillors voted unanimously to endorse the

Cr Matthews said NSW was the only state in which pensioner rebates were not fully funded by the State Government and it cost Central Coast about \$4.4 million per year.

She said that hundreds of thousands of dollars in fees were being paid to the State Government for large developments despite council staff still doing at least 50 per cent of the development assessment.

She said council was seeking a fair share - 50 per cent of the fees - paid to date and payable into the future.

The letter also asked for support for the cost of conducting the new Statemandated local planning panels.

Cr Matthews estimated these panels would cost about \$400,000 per year and this was an additional cost to the council.

> She called on the

government to recognise this as cost shifting and to provide support.

She warned that the longer the impact of the coronavirus the more likely there would be an impact on staff, including redeployments, forced leave and potentially leave without

At the moment council was providing about 70 percent of services without disruption.

"We have already had to stand down many of our casual staff, albeit with four weeks' pay based upon the standard roster," Cr Matthews said.

"Soon we could start to see impacts upon the mental health of our staff.

"In some areas such as childcare, there are some understandable concerns among our staff about their own safety and the safety of their families."

SOURCE: **Central Coast Council** agenda 2.1, 27 Apr 2020 Media release, 27 Apr 2020 Lisa Matthews, Central **Coast Council**



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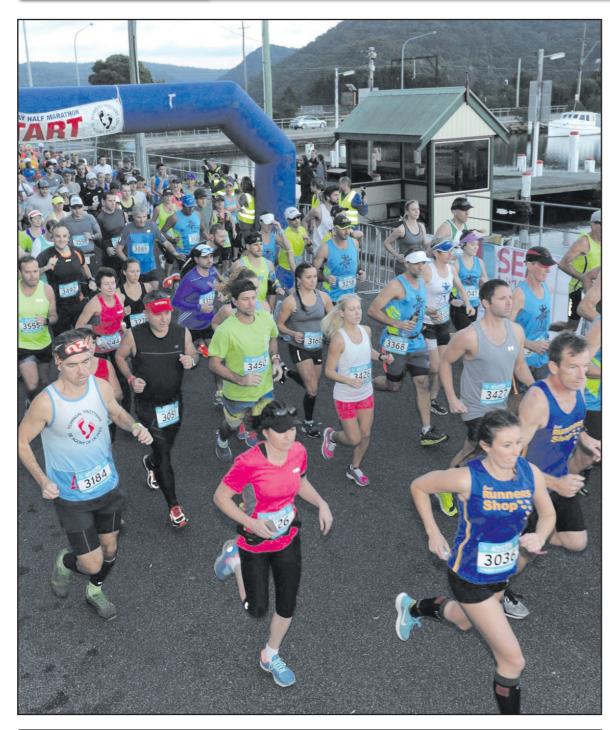
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Bay-to-Bay run cancelled

The 2020 Bay-to-Bay Run has been cancelled.

The event, due to be run for the 17th time on June 14, had been expected to attract around 3000

Last year's event raised more than \$130,000 for local charities and community groups.

Festival director Ms Jenny Barker said: "Planning for the festival is a monumental task and one that the committee does not take lightly."

It took nine months to gather the necessary approvals, sponsors and volunteers to make the festival a success.

"With the current situation, we just could not see how it could proceed as planned," she said.

If the festival had been

postponed, aside from having to reapply for approvals from Central Coast Council and NSW Police, the event would then be competing with events traditionally held in the October-November period like the Central Coast Half Marathon and Relay for Life, as well as any other postponed events looking to return around that time.

"Cancelling was the right decision."

The run would return on June 20 next year.

Both major beneficiaries of this year's festival, Camp Breakaway and Aspire, will be main beneficiaries next year.

SOURCE: Interview (Dilon Luke), 23 APR 2020 Jenny Barker, Bay to Bay Running Festival.

Cricket awards held by social media live stream

Southern Spirit Cricket Club has achieved recognition in the Central Coast Cricket Awards.

The Central Coast Cricket Association's Alan Davidson Medal night went ahead on Friday, April 22.

The annual event was held by social media live stream to announce the winners.

The night had up to 200 people watching at times.

In the Under-14As, Jaylen Johnson won the Batting award with 320 runs and was selected for the Central Coast Representative team in the Under-13 NSW Youth Championship.

Both Aiden Dickson and Jordan Sibley were selected for the Under-15 Central Coast Representative team in the Youth Championship, where they played in carnivals at Grafton and Maitland.

Leisl Collins of the Under-15 girls was selected to play in the Central Coast Country Championship team in the carnival played at Raymond Terrace.

Southern Spirit won gold in the Under-16s, with Toby Pymble winning the annual Fielding award with 12 dismissals, and Thomas Fry being awarded Player of the Grand Final after taking 4/11 off six overs, including a hattrick to win the game.

SOURCE: Social media, 21 Apr 2020 Alan Davidson Medal Night, CCCA



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Killcare Surf Life Saving Club reports active season

The Killicare Surf Life Saving Club season officially ended at 5pm on Sunday, April 26.

Despite having a quiet end, club president Mr Craig Sheppard reported an active season, with 4151 volunteer patrol hours, one inflatable boat rescue, one body board rescue and five tube rescues.

"Everyone who came to Killcare Beach went home again," he said.

Mr Sheppard said there were 19 new bronze medallion recipients, including nippers, parents and newbies; 13 nippers who achieved their Surf Rescue Certificate to become fully qualified surf lifesavers; 10 new members of the Inflatable Boat Rescue Crew; two new patrol captains; and 148 Sunday nippers who all achieved their age group awards.

Four Killcare Club members competed at the Interbranch Championship for the Central Coast Branch Team: CC Bradley, Lily Hofer, Tash Marteene and Luke Hayter.

Lily Hofer also qualified for the NSW Squad and competed in the

Interstate Championships, earning bronze in the flag race, silver in the sprint and gold in the relay.

On top of this, the Club picked up 70 medals in branch competitions throughout the season.

This year, Killcare Surf Club was also involved in a formal teaming up with the Killcare-Wagstaffe Rural Fire Brigade, Killy Cares and the Wagstaffe-Killcare Community Association to launch the Community Resilience Plan.

The plan aimed at providing support to those in the Bouddi community who were sick, disadvantaged, elderly or otherwise in need of assistance that is not available from existing community or government services.

Mr Sheppard said he was confident the club would be able to weather the storm that was coronavirus.

He said it was "not too much more than a disappointing inconvenience that's going to hurt, but is well and truly manageable". SOURCE:

Newsletter, 26 Apr 2020. Craig Sheppard, Killcare Surf Life Saving Club





At Oak Tree, connectivity is at the heart of everything we do, both within and beyond our village gates.

While social interaction helps keep our bodies active, equally important is the role it plays in keeping our brains active.
Engaging with our peers provides a sense of purpose and can help reduce the risk of heart disease, dementia and Alzheimer's to name a few.

There's also the sense of security it provides, particularly in your senior years, knowing that help is always on hand. It is through this shared focus on connectivity that the Oak Tree Group has aligned with mental health advocates RUOK?.

According to the non-profit organisation, two of the biggest risk factors impacting mental health – feeling like a burden and lacking connection with others – happen to be particularly poignant among seniors.

To help address these issues, RUOK? encourages us to start meaningful conversations with people about life's ups and downs, to strengthen our sense of belonging, and to make it ok for people to admit when they are struggling.

Having a strong focus on regional areas for our villages, at Oak Tree we know these regions have been doing it particularly tough of late. Drought, fires and floods have placed even greater stress on mental health.

That's why it's more important than ever for all of us to be asking our family, friends and neighbours: "RUOK?".

The new Oak Tree Retirement
Village on Wahroonga Road, Kanwal
will officially open in December and
play host to various fundraising
events in the new year, we're not
only helping bring the community

together, but also supporting RUOK? to help others in need.

Along with the Big Morning Tea, and other initiatives across the Group, it's just one of many ways Oak Tree enjoys giving back to the communities we live in and love.

To learn more about Oak Tree Retirement Village Kanwal call 1300 367 155 or visit www.oaktreegroup.com.au

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