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Comment sought on Umina intersection upgrade plans

Central Coast Council is seeking comment on a planned upgrade of the intersection of Hobart and Melbourne Aves, Umina Beach.

It will include the reconstruction of Melbourne, Hobart and Adelaide Aves.

The proposed upgrade will consist of the installation of traffic lights, turn lanes, bike lanes, kerb and gutter, parking, pathways, lighting, storm water drainage, driveway reconstruction and replacement tree planting.

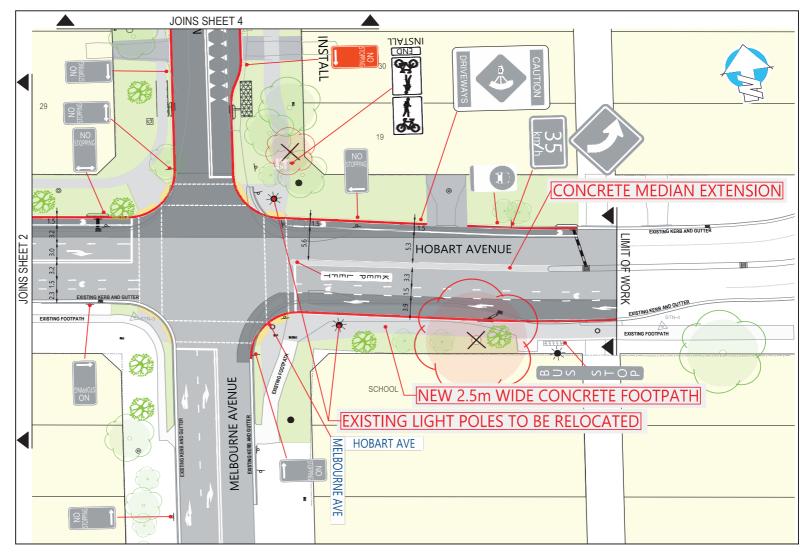
The existing pedestrian crossing on Hobart Ave would be removed as part of the works.

The project aims to make the existing road environment safer for all road users including motorists, cyclists and pedestrians.

Funding for construction has not yet been secured.

Community members can view the draft designs for the proposed upgrade and give feedback until Thursday, August 20, on the yourvoiceourcoast.com website.

SOURCE: Website, 6 Aug 2020 Yourvoiceourcoast, Central Coast Council More plans - Page 12



Ground water treatment starts again

Central Coast Council has "recommissioned" the ground water treatment plant sited at its Woy Woy depot in Gallipoli Ave.

In a report to the July 27 Council meeting, water services section manager Mr Luke Drury provided an update "on the status of major infrastructure projects currently underway that contribute to water security".

"Operation of the Woy Woy Ground Water Treatment Plant was suspended due to a relatively secure water supply position in 2010," he reported. "Works to reinstate the supply of water from the Woy Woy Borefield and treatment of the water at the Woy Woy Ground Water Treatment Plant commenced in 2019.

"Operation of the Woy Woy Bore Water Treatment Plant has recommenced.

"Production volumes are approximately 1.8 million litres per day, which is enough water to keep the plant operating well and available for increase in supply volumes up to 2-3 million litres per day (based on yield from the available groundwater bores) as required.

"Treated groundwater is being supplied into the distribution network from June."

He said the "next milestone" would be to "review operating strategies to enable efficient and ongoing periodic operation of the plant to maintain availability of assets over the longer term".

The project is expected to be completed before the end of the year.

In another report, the Council's Catchments and Coast committee had heard that a case study was being conducted in the "Everglades Catchment" to help understand and

develop a model of the interaction between groundwater and surface

The aim was to explore how effective the "integrated water management" approach was in improviing surface water run-off.

The report said the study would "complement floodplain risk management studies and plans", presumably including the one for the Woy Woy Peninsula which would have a consultation "with relevant stakeholders" to be completed by August next year.

Central Coast Council agenda 2.4 and 3.1, 27 Jul 2020

Our 500th issue

This is the 500th issue of Peninsula News.

It started 21 years ago in April

Peninsula News has been the result of a unique arrangement between a voluntary community group and a private business.

To celebrate, this issue contains a four-page feature about the origins and purpose of the newspaper, its evolution and the people who have been with it from the start.

It includes a reproduction of the front page of the first edition of the newspaper.

See feature, pages 18-21

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Peninsula News aims to be inclusive of as much of the Peninsula community as possible.

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To ensure that the newspaper serves its purpose, it must be readable and represent the interests and activities of the community in its content.

Contributions to the paper are edited to consistent standards of readability. Guidelines are available for intending contributors.

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Wet week pushes total well above average

A total of 113.6mm of rain fell on the Peninsula in the last week of July.

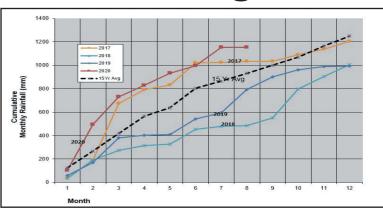
This brought the total for the month to 156.2mm, which was more than two and a half times the July average of 60mm, according to figures supplied by Mr Jim Morrison of Umina.

The heaviest fall was 80.6mm recorded on July 27, with a further 21.9mm recorded the following day.

The only other substantial fall for the month was 16.5mm on July 15.

All other falls were of less than 10mm.

In contrast, no rain has fallen in



the first week of August, although rain is forecast for the second week.

August is also a historically dry

month, with a monthly average of 67mm.

Spreadsheet, 7 Aug 2020 Jim Morrison, Umina

YOUR CHANCE TO WIN

Peninsula News would like to offer one lucky reader the chance to win a family pass (two adults, two children) to The Australian Reptile Park.

The Australian Reptile Park and Wildlife Sanctuary is regarded as one of the country's premier attractions and is the only zoo in Australia committed to saving lives with a spider and snake Venom-Milking Program in place.

Staff worked hard throughout lockdown to care for the animals and are unbelievably excited to be welcoming visitors back in a safe and responsible way, with updated COVID health and safety measures in place to protect guests, animals and staff.

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Robert Meyer, Don Tee, Tom O'Connor and Michael Curley

Annette Karton, Jan Steele, Susan Tee (Baldock) and Julie Jones

Rotary club celebrates 70 years in Woy Woy

The Rotary Club of Woy Woy celebrated its 70th birthday on Friday, July 31, with more than 50 guests attending the Everglades Country Club in Woy Woy.

The club was started on Saturday, July 29, 1950.

Master of ceremonies for the celebrations was past president Mr Don Tee who has been a member of Woy Woy Rotary since 1983.

Mr Tee spoke of the club's 70 years of activities and initiatives on the Peninsula, in Australia and abroad.

He spoke of the charter night, where 300 people gathered at Anderson Memorial Park, which became a club project.

He listed the various community facilities and public resources the club helped build.

These included the Girls Guides Hall in Ettalong, Staples and Mt Ettymalong Lookouts, the surf clubs, the Woy Woy Olympic swimming pool and a rock pool at Umina, Koolewong Park, the Scouts and Sea Scouts Halls, a kitchen for Woy Woy Meals on Wheels and a walking track at

Blackwall Mountain.

Mr Tee said the club also supported destitute families, schools, disabled children, cancer patients and victims of floods and bushfires from their first years.

He said that, over the decades, the club reflected on the changes in society and adjusted its activities and fundraising to meet the needs of the community.

The club had active youth programs and hosted many overseas exchange students.

One significant change was the introduction of women into the

club when Susan Tee (Baldock) became the first female member in 1993.

Don recalled many creative projects that raised money for club projects and local organisations.

One highlight was the Woy Woy Rotary Romp in 1990, modelled on the Variety Bash, where 73 people set off with 25 cars to the Gulf of Carpentaria, raising \$28,000 for Central Coast Lifeline.

Later, another Romp raised \$50,000 for Life Education.

In the last 14 years, the club's major fundraiser has been Opera

in the Arboretum at Pearl Beach.

Mr Tee said there had been support trips to many regional towns over the years and overseas missions, schools and medical outreaches

Rotary volunteers had travelled for medical outreaches to Russia, Papua New Guinea and Cambodia, and most recently to Uganda to establish the current Pure Joy Women Empowerment project.

SOURCE: Social media, 2 Aug 2020 Media release, 4 Aug 2020 Susan Tee, Rotary Club of Woy Woy



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Aged care home stays in a state of isolation

A Umina aged care facility remains in a state of isolation and highly restricted access "due to the ongoing coronavirus developments across NSW".

Peninsula Village introduced a state of isolation and closed its doors to visitors on July 16 and decided to continue the measures on July 30.

"We are deeply sorry that we have had to take these measures," said chief executive Mr Shane Neaves.

"Due to the increased virility of Covid-19 and lessons already learnt regarding aged care facilities in Victoria, we feel that now is the right time to put these controls in place to do our best to keep the facility Covid-free.

"Our decision of course was made with our residents and staff front of mind.

"As soon as this period of high risk decreases, we will once again open our doors to visitors." Peninsula Village will permit only essential services and visitation to residents in a state of palliation.

Those who fit the exemption criteria will be allowed entry only after discussion with the facility manager.

"We are strongly advising residents both in care and in independent living units to cease excursions outside the facility except for urgent reasons such as medical appointments or food

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shopping," Mr Neaves said.

He said that, if a resident needed to leave the service, they would be asked to wear a mask, available from reception, while out in the community.

"We will provide a Visiting Window Space where you can see your loved one and talk via mobile phone communication.

"You will need to book a visiting time via the facility administration.

"Peninsula Villages will continue its family Zoom calls and you can

book accordingly by contacting reception.

"We are asking that independent living residents and care residents exercise social responsibility and limit their access to communal areas and self-isolate if unwell or if you have visited any of 11 Sydney hotspots"

He said visitors who had been to these hotspots in the previous 14 days would be excluded from the facility.

Website, 30 Jul 2020 Shane Neaves, Peninsula Villages

Community Environment Network

The Three CCC's



Whenever I go into the CEN office at Ourimbah campus to attend meetings or catch up on tasks as the volunteer in chief I am always greeted by the wonderful energy of community members in our centre

It is great to catch up with staff and the inspirational work that they do but I also

love speaking with our other volunteers, who like me spend numerous hours of their week working to make our Community Environment Network the success story that it is. Volunteers care for the plants and get them ready for our monthly plant sales; work in the nursery developing the plants from seed; design flyers and brochures for our programs and events and enter data for our community nature programs.

Our front-line volunteers answer our phone calls and respond to our emails. They are all members of our Central Coast Community who realise that Connecting with people who have the same vision for their community and our local environment is key for our well-being. Once we make this Connection we can Collaborate, bringing our thinking together to Create models of how our community should look and function. So it makes sense the energy I feel when I speak with volunteers like myself who share their skills and passions volunteering for CEN. We connect to something bigger than our individual selves in which everyone has a role to play.

The current Climate the way it is and the inevitable Change that will take place, whether its forced on us or we prepare our human communities to face these Challenges, all we will have are these relationships that Connect us with one another and our natural environment. An essential first step is to ensure the Collaboration and Creation of community models follow. The stakes are high but the rewards will be world changing.

Community is Everything Hale Adasal CEN Chair

SUNDAY THE 2ND AUGUST WAS NATIONAL TREE DAY



Even with the restrictions - 40 members of our community joined us over 2 sessions (20 person limit per session) to help plant over 900 trees and plants at Terrigal Lagoon.

Thanks to everyone involved: Central Coast Marine Discovery Centre, CEN, CEN Youth and of course Central Coast Council and staff for supporting the event. Community is Everything

WILDPLANT COMMUNITY NURSERY

Our plant sales are held on the first Saturday of each month - Saturday 5th September 9am-12pm

CEN Office, off Brush Road, Ourimbah

Come along to our plant sale at the CEN Office, Ourimbah, buy a few local native plants and chat about local environment issues.

We have a range of local native plants available including ground covers and herbs, shrubs and trees, bush food, bird attracting, native bee attracting, frog friendly and screen plants. Cash and EFTPOS.



PLANT A NECTAR FOOD FOREST - BATEAU BAY



Saturday, 8th August – bookings essential - 10am-12pm

Help create a nectar food forest to help save our Swift Parrots and other threatened native animals. Trees and planting tools provided. Bring gloves and drinking water. Other activities include Guided bird walk and Waterwatch demonstration.

We will have 3 separate activities running

at 9am, 10am and 11am. Each activity will last approx. 45min.

Numbers are limited due to Covid restrictions so bookings essential www.cen.org.au/events
Contact: Nicole Heta 4349 4756

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CENTRAL COAST WATERWATCH

Central Coast Waterwatch will be running a series of events in the Tuggerah Lakes catchment over the coming 12 months. We were recently successful in receiving a Community Development grant from Central Coast Council. The project will focus on community and school water quality monitoring activities through the Waterwatch program, including community education and awareness raising activities. Some of the activities include a Wyong River catchment crawl, Frog spotlight walk

Waterwatch
NEW SOUTH WALES

Communities Coring for Cotchments and talk, Clean Up Australia day event at Budgewoi, Foreshore walk and Talk at Berkeley Vale, Bird Walk and Talk at Lake Munmorah and our annual World Wetlands Day Breakfast with the birds at Central

Coast Wetlands.

CEN will be running Waterwatch water quality training workshops to enable volunteers to participate in regular water quality monitoring of the Tuggerah lakes system.

If you are interested in attending any of the events, or becoming a Waterwatch Volunteer please contact waterwatch@cen.org.au to sign up to our e-newsletter for updates on event dates and how to register information.

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

Councillor explains his absence from three meetings

A councillor for the Gosford West ward, which includes the Peninsula, has explained his absence from the July 27 council meeting after missing two previous meetings council meetings.

Cr Troy Marquart said he had expected to be at the meeting, but business commitments meant he had to send his apologies at the last minute.

He said he had caught up with all recent Council briefings after being on annual leave for two weeks and missing the ordinary meeting on July 13.

Cr Marquart said he returned in time for the extraordinary meeting on July 20 but a work-related emergency issue saw him miss that as he had to work through the night in order to satisfy new work-plan requirements because of Covid-19.



Cr Marquart said his business designed and installed sprung timber floor systems across NSW, the ACT and Queensland.

"I simply had to revise our Covid safe work continuation plan

for projects in the ACT, which is a large and involved document," he

"If it was not completed by 6.30 the following morning, we could not continue works on site.

"We would have lost a huge amount of money in coating material that had to go down today and all our employees would have been turned away from site and without work."

Cr Marquart said a time-poor small business owner would always miss briefings but the council systems ensured all relevant information was supplied so councillors had the opportunity to represent like-minded residents.

He said he always caught up at length on any briefings or meeting information through the Councillor Hub and conversations with colleagues.

He said he had spent time on location at Wamberal on the

Sunday before the emergency meeting and had held lengthy conversations with colleagues about the issue.

Had Cr Marquart attended the July 27 meeting, his vote may have defeated the council's Operational Plan for the coming year.

In the event, mayor Cr Lisa Matthews used her casting vote to pass the plan.

Cr Marquart said in a media statement that he would have voted against it.

"While it may be a hypothetical statement (now), I am happy to confirm that I would have voted against the budget," Cr Marquart said.

"The Central Coast Council operational costs are extreme and flabby around the mid-drift in my opinion.

"the operation has become addicted to spending ratepayers' money and sensible cost savings or productivity advancements are as rare as hens' teeth," he added.

"My opinion is that we should have tightened the fiscal belt, as normal businesses and households have been forced to do during Covid lock downs.

"I also do not agree with the small savings list that was provided in the report.

"After the worst bushfires in decades, the accepted budget has slashed investment in bushfire reduction works while tripling the ratepaying dollar spend in solar panels, during a pandemic.

"Madness in my opinion and God help us next fire season," he

> SOURCE: Media statements, 21 and 30 Jul 2020 Cr Troy Marquart, Central Coast Council

Pedestrian crossing petition attracts 500 signatures

An online petition to be presented to Central Coast Council calling for a pedestrian crossing on Mt Ettalong Rd at Etta Rd has attracted 527 signatures.

"We want the crossing to be safer so there are not multiple people with dogs, prams, bikes and kids waiting on the island with cars driving past on either side at 60km/h," said petition organiser Ms Jo Iskandar of Umina.

"This crossing is the main pedestrian access point to Umina Beach, the Recreation Precinct and Umina Beach Public School for Umina South residents.

"We love the Precinct and beach

area and want to use it regularly, but the crossing is scary.

"Our preference is to walk where we can, but we need footpaths and road crossings that allow us to do that safely.

"We want to encourage our children to be independent.

"To do this we need to feel confident that they can walk or

ride safely to school and access the Precinct and beach by themselves.

"We want the crossing to be more visible, particularly on the west side of Mt Ettalong Rd, so cars can see there are pedestrians waiting to cross the road.

"We want the footpath extended on the west side of Etta Rd so that we are not forced to walk on the road.

"We want to be an active and connected community."

The petition can be found on the change.org website.

SOURCE: Website, 4 aug 2020 Jo Iskandar Umina

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Tree Day sees 100 plantings at The Runway Park

been planted at The Runway Park in Trafalgar Ave, Woy Woy, for National Tree Day on Sunday, August 2.

The Grow Urban Shade Trees group organised 22 volunteers

More than 100 plants have over two sessions to plant these and also 10 trees, including two advanced trees donated by the Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch.

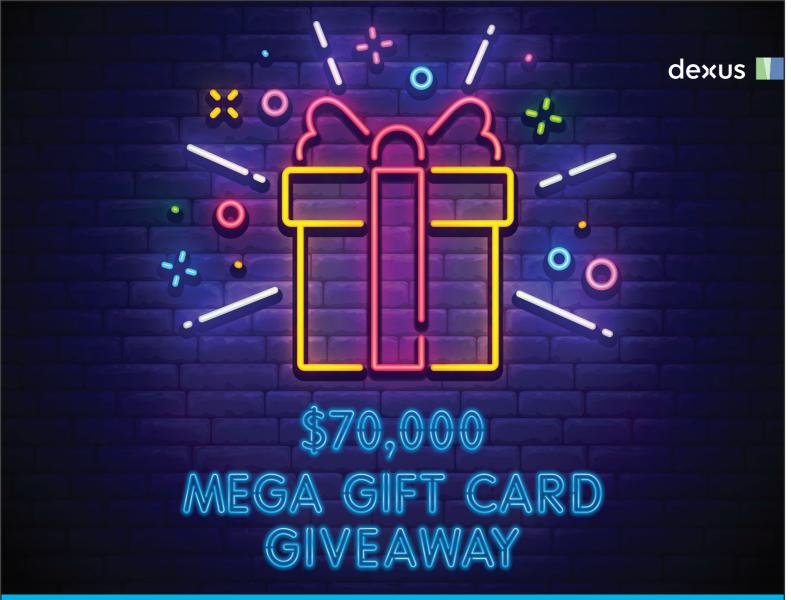
> The other plants were supplied by Central Coast Council.

> Group member Ms Jenn Rochford said it was inspiring to see the community caring for the

> "Many people remember the early days of the park with one set of swings on a flat, bare piece of land," she said.

> "As well as increasing habitat and adding to the beauty of the area, National Tree Day this year was a great chance to remind ourselves just how far the park has come thanks to the ongoing community effort."

SOURCE: Media release, 4 Aug 2020 Melissa Chandler, Umina **Community Group**



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Scott Uzelac

Nails in a timber board hidden under leaf litter on a National Park trail

Police investigate tyre spikes on national park trail

Water **Police** Brisbane are investigating what are thought to be tyre spikes aimed at mountain bikes in **Bouddi National Park.**

A piece of wood holding a row of upright nails was found hidden beneath leaves on a trail in the park, after the tyres of two riders were punctured.

Mr Scott Uzelac of Kincumber was riding on the cliff track with two friends on Saturday.

"It was around 2pm on Saturday and two friends and I decided to ride an easier trail while waiting for another friend," he said.

"We were half way into the trail when one of my friends got a flat

"We didn't think much of it at first, and I headed back to the car to get some parts to help repair his

"And as I was riding, I got a flat as well.

"We thought there might be a hidden tree root or something, so I started kicking the leaves around to see what it was and my shoe hit what ended up being a nail.

"So I got down on my knees and found a whole row of nails sticking up out of the ground, attached to a piece of wood.

"It was a pretty scary find.

"I assume it was put there to stop mountain bikes.

"If a runner had trodden on that it would have gone through their foot," he said.

Mr Uzelac took photos of the trap before pulling it out of the ground and reporting it to Terrigal police. station and now they are looking into it," he said.

"All I got was a flat tyre, but I would have been really angry if anyone had been hurt."

Shadow Minister for the Central Coast Mr David Harris has called for a Mountain Bike Plan of Management.

He said the incident had highlighted growing tensions between various groups in the region.

"I have been working with mountain bike groups some time on developing a comprehensive Mountain Bike Plan of Management to capture the great opportunities this sport presents both economically and health wise," he said.

"The Coast must have a strategy that designates and highlights trails and tracks, allocates funding for infrastructure and identifies ways to attract riders to our area."

SOURCE: Media release, 6 Aug 2020 David Harris, Shadow **Minister for Central Coast** Interview (Terry Collins), 6 Aug 2020 Mr Scott Uzelac, Kincumber

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Parking plan re-opened for public comment

Woy Woy is a focus area cope with all-day parking demands. of Central Coast Council's draft Parking Study and Implementation Plan which is being re-opened for public until Sunday, comment August 16.

Council's Woy Woy Master Plan aims to develop the town centre as a major growth area and with increased commercial comes development further demand for car parking.

The report states that the train station and commercial centre are already parking hot spots which are close to reaching capacity and there is limited spare spaces to

The draft parking studv proposes short-term action, between 2020-25, including line marking and signage to reinforce existing two-hour parking at Woy Wov Oval.

It recommends expansion of an on-demand bus service for Woy

It also suggests a park and ride scheme which will provide parking on the fringe of the centre and a shuttle bus loop service around the

If implemented, the feasibility of all-day commuter car parking in Deepwater Plaza parking station would be investigated.

A long-term action plan, to be completed by 2040, was to construct a 400-space car parking station on the fringe of the Woy Woy at an estimated cost of \$10 million.

The study also suggested improved public and other transport options.

Improvements to parking at Umina Beach and Ettalong are also included in the plan.

This draft parking study and implementation plan is being reexhibited for further feedback until 5pm August 16.

SOURCE: Website, 6 Aug 2020 Yourvoiceourcoast. **Central Coast Council**

Cycling group welcomes increase in people cycling

A social cycling group which often organises rides from Woy Woy has commented on an apparent increase in the numbers of people cycling.

Central Coast Bicycle Users Group president Mr Alan Corven said he was pleased to see the

"I've noticed a lot more individuals and families getting out and about on their bikes, especially on the shared pathways along our waterways."

"It's great to see the surge given it's not only better for the environment, our health, and our pockets - it also has the added benefit of keeping us socially

The group's next ride will be from Woy Woy station to Cowan and return, a distance of 95 kilometres, on August 16.

The ride is graded as mediumhard, with an estimated duration of six hours and an average speed of 22-24kph.

Mr Corven said this is "a

moderate-paced ride from Woy Woy to Pie in the Sky cafe Cowan and back, through the picturesque Brisbane Water National Park and over the Hawkesbury River.

"Designed for more experienced riders, we mostly utilise the old Pacific Hwy and include five longish climbs - nothing too steep, but you'll certainly know you've been up a few hills by the time you get home."

Liesl Tesch MP, Member for Gosford says she's thrilled to see our community cycling their way out of COVID.

"It's easy to get consumed by fear and ironically neglect your health rather than keep fit."

"I'm really happy to see people from all walks of life in our community out and about enjoying the sunshine, the beauty of the Central Coast and using our shared pathways."

SOURCE: Social media, 1 Aug 2020 Alan Corven, CCBUG Media release, 31 Jul 2020 Liesl Tesch, Member for Gosford





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Peter Mote welcomes new member Heather Martin to the Rotary Club of Brisbane Water

Rotary club accepts two new members

The Rotary Club of Brisbane Water has accepted two new members.

"Since forming last July 2019, the club has grown to 28 members, a growth of 21.7 per cent," said club president Mr Peter Mote.

Aged care health worker Ms Heather Martin and events manager Mr Troy Dove are both night shift workers and were drawn to the club's option of morning and evening meetings.

"When I was asked to join, I was able to think about it because the club had morning meetings, which suits me better than the evening when I often work," Ms Martin said.

Ms Martin said she was passionate about the club's

mission in helping people with dementia and their carers.

Mr Dove said he loved to help charitable causes, having held trivia nights and other events in the nast

Mr Mote said Mr Dove was younger than the average Rotarian" which he believed would attract younger members to the club.

He said the flexibility of the club meetings helped parents of young children or night shift workers who wished to contribute to their community but could not.

SOURCE: Media release, 6 Aug 2020 Peter Mote, Rotary Club of Brisbane Water

Planning decisions now allowed without public scrutiny

Development applications that have not attracted a minimum number of public submissions will not be discussed publicly under new rules for Local Planning Panels that took effect from August 1.

The local planning panel will deal with "sensitive, complex and high-value" development applications while Central Coast Council staff will determine the more straight forward applications.

The new rules now require planning panels to hold a public

meeting only where the application has attracted 10 or more unique submissions by way of objection.

Panels have to make determinations within two weeks of being provided an assessment report, which is written by the council staff.

The panel chair can allow applicants to attend a briefing, along with council staff, to explain complex matters or present confidential or commercially sensitive material

The chair is obliged to work with council to ensure key issues are addressed during assessment in

order to minimise deferrals by the panels at the determination stage.

The new rules now require the panels to provide reasons for deferring a decision and set timeframes in which any additional information must be provided in order to finalise the determination.

The chair now has the ability to require the council to report an application to the panel within four weeks for determination if the application has experienced unreasonable delays in excess of 180 calendar days from lodgment.

There is also the Joint Regional Planning Panel for regional

significant proposals and the new rules also apply to that panel."

Cr Jane Smith has said the new rules have the potential to damage community input.

She wants the council to write to the NSW Minister for Planning Mr Rob Stokes and Premier Ms Gladys Berejiklian to express its concern about the changes.

The matter is on the agenda for discussion at the August 10 meeting of council.

SOURCE: Central Coast Council agenda 5.4, 10 Aug 2020

Councillors keep pay rise

Central Coast councillors have voted to keep the pay rise they allowed themselves at their July 13 meeting.

They rejected an attempt by Crs Greg Best, Rebecca Gale and Bruce McLachlan on July 27 to reverse the decision.

Councillors will retain their \$1630 per annum rise, from \$30,410 to \$32,040.

The increase means an adjustment to the Council budget of an additional \$35,650.

SOURCE: Central Coast Council agenda 6.1, 27 Jul 2020

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Energy bill advice offered by phone

A free energy bill support service has started by phone on the last Tuesday of the month at the Peninsula Community Centre.

The service, provided by the Energy and Water Ombudsman, will be available between 9am and 3nm

It provides information and expert advice to local residents about their energy and gas bills.

Coast Community Connections chief executive Mr Bruce Davis said the Peninsula Community Centre had been hosting the Energy Bill Support Service since 2016 and would continue offering the service in a slightly different format

Due to Covid-19, instead of attending the Peninsula Community Centre in person, residents were now invited to book an individual phone consultation with Energy and Water Ombudsman NSW staff.

They would provide expert assistance on topics such as

reviewing and explaining bills, checking rebate eligibility, resolving outstanding issues, complaint resolution, establishing payment plans and linking to special support programs.

"The Energy Bill Support Service has been incredibly popular with local residents over the past few years, so we are pleased to be able to continue to offer this service, albeit in a slightly different format this year," Mr Davis said

"It is a great opportunity for those experiencing financial hardship to obtain information about how to receive any energy rebates and government payments they are entitled to.

"Many people are unaware of the benefits they could be receiving each year.

Bookings for the phone consultations are essential on 4341 9333.

SOURCE: Media release, 28 Jul 2020 Bruce Davis, Coast Community Connections

Ettalong Red Carpet Day is postponed

Peninsula Tourism Partners group has announced this year's fifth annual Red Carpet Day in Ettalong scheduled for Sunday, September 13, has been postponed.

President Kim Cole said she was disappointed that coronavirus restrictions had forced postponement but believed an event held at such an uncertain time would be inappropriate.

"The Partners have devoted the past year planning the event," she said.

"However, these are unprecedented happenings, and we are not able to proceed with the event under safe conditions.

"We consider the safety and wellbeing of the public as a crucial factor and have already started exploring alternative dates for the event, perhaps in November or early next year," she said.

Ms Cole said the event received funding from the council and had planned a marketing budget aimed to bring more people into town and support local businesses, which was challenging with limited seating and social distancing requirements.



"We have this celebration once a year, and we don't charge anybody to be a part of it," Ms Cole said.

"If we went ahead with the event, we would just be putting the community at risk."

Peninsula Tourism Partners are still accepting applications of participation from businesses, stall holders and organisations.

"The event is only on hold, not cancelled," Ms Cole said.

Dates in November and early next year have been under consideration.

SOURCE: Media release, 24 Jul 2020 Interview (Hayley McMahon) 30 Jul 2020 Kim Cole, Peninsula Tourism Partners

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Our natural areas and biodiversity are under threat at all levels of government - your voice is needed

Nature is critical to the wellbeing, health and prosperity of our community and region. On the Central Coast, we are fortunate to have natural areas that have been retained through community efforts and previous government support. However, the environment is under threat at all levels of government.

At the Federal level, a key piece of legislation to protect the environment is the EPBC (Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation) Act. This year, a 10-year review of the EPBC Act has been undertaken with an interim report released on 20 July. The opening statement in the Executive Summary is: "Australia's natural environment and iconic places are in an overall state of decline and are under increasing threat. The current environmental trajectory is unsustainable". The Interim Report includes a number of recommendations including:

- new, legally enforceable National Environmental Standards
- an increased focus on restoring environments
- the establishment of a strong, independent "cop on the beat" an independent compliance and enforcement regulator that is not subject to actual or implied political direction from the Commonwealth Minister

The Federal Environment Minister has already indicated that the government will not support the establishment of an independent regulator. This refusal has drawn broad criticism.

At the state level, the NSW Government introduced a new Biodiversity Conservation Act in 2016. A report from the Natural Resources Commission was released in March this year that reviewed land clearing in NSW. The report found that

- more than 37,000 hectares of clearing was approved in the 2018-19 year, almost 13 times the annual average rate of approvals in the decade prior to the law changes (that's almost a quarter of the area of the Central Coast).
- there was 7100 hectares of "unexplained" clearing between August 2017 and January 2018.
- the government had failed to act on a pledge to set aside between 2-4 times

the areas of land approved for clearing.

Locally, as a Council, we struggle to implement strong biodiversity protection. There is development pressure and competing interests. It appears that an approach of continual compromise is viewed as the way to protect the environment.

One of the tools established by governments to allow developments to proceed is "biodiversity offsetting", allowing the loss of biodiversity values at one site on the condition that biodiversity values at other sites are protected and enhanced. The NSW Government has used offsetting for more than a decade, however, biodiversity continues to decline.

At a Federal level, the Review of the EPBC Act highlighted that "environmental offsets are often poorly designed and implemented, delivering an overall net loss for the environment....It is generally not clear if the area set aside for the offset is at risk from future development".

Although offsets are intended to be a "last resort", in practice, they have become the default negotiating position, and a standard condition of approval. They are often not in place before a development proceeds. Trading biodiversity has now also become a money making venture.

Of course, there will be population growth and development that needs to happen however, biodiversity protection needs to be an expectation and equal priority, not a trade-off.

As a Council and community we should celebrate the significant achievements of the former Gosford Council in establishing COSS (Coastal Open Space System) and use it as a model for environmental protection without a reliance on offsetting.

A key part of strengthening biodiversity protection is our community. We know through much of Council's consultation that the environment is important to our residents - it's part of the local character of the Central Coast. We need to continually hear that voice as a reminder to make wise decisions now and for the future.

In our Community - Tree Planting Day



It was National Tree Planting Day on 2 August. Unfortunately, due to COVID19 restrictions Council's public events were cancelled - however, the planting at The Runway Park Woy Woy went ahead with volunteers from Council's existing Environmental Volunteer Program. It was lovely to call in to see volunteers from Umina Community Group and GUST (Grow Urban Shade Trees) - both groups that work so hard to bring benefits to the communities on the Peninsula. Well done to all involved!



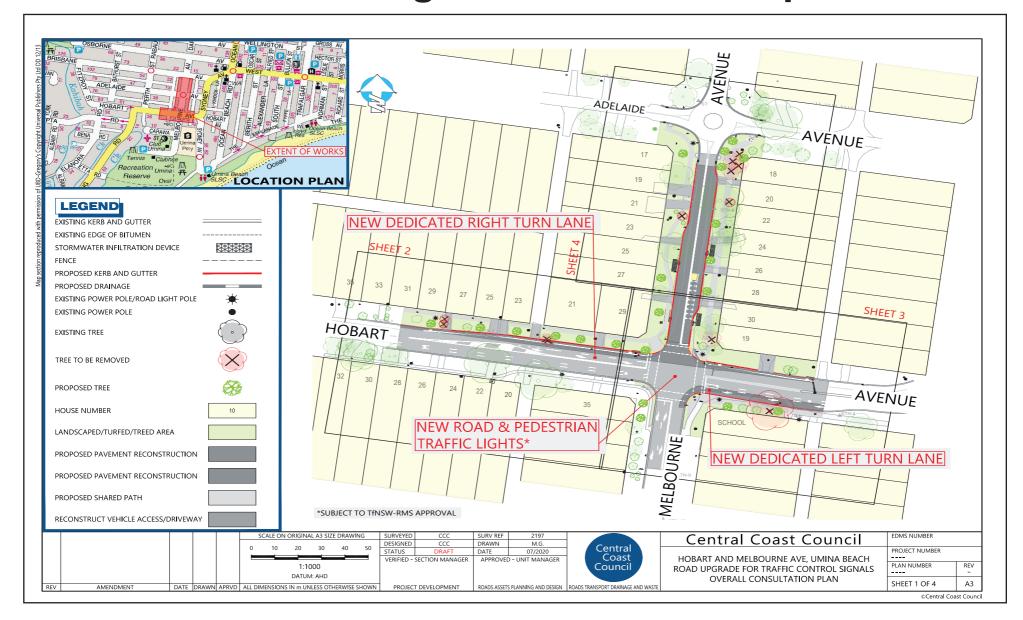
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Comment sought on intersection plans









Members of Southern Ettalong United Football Club with Federal Member for Robertson, Lucy Wicks (right), at James Browne Oval

Work starts on James Browne Oval improvements

Work has started on improvements to facilities and the women's change rooms at James Browne Oval in Woy Woy.

The work will be undertaken by Central Coast Council with

\$488,000 in Federal funding.

Federal Member for Robertson Ms Lucy Wicks said she was happy to see the precinct receive upgrades to its rundown facilities.

She said upgrades would provide an even playing surface to the ovals, which included two

full-sized senior pitches and noncompetition football fields.

The funding came from the Community Sport Infrastructure program, she said.

It would see upgrades to other areas in the precinct, with additional contributions received

from Ettalong Diggers, Southern Ettalong Football Club and Raybal Constructions.

Mrs Wicks said that, along with \$120,000 Federal funds to improve irrigation and drainage, the project upgrades would also contribute to improved canteen facilities.

Mrs Wicks said the improved facilities benefited cricket and softball, as well as football, and local schools would be able to host gala days and meetings there.

SOURCE: Media Release, 27 July 2020 Lucy Wicks, Member for Robertson

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Empire Bay playground officially opened

A new Empire Bay district playground has been officially opened after 12 months of design and

construction.

Member for Terrigal Mr Adam Crouch said the \$360,000 project was funded by the NSW Government and Central Coast

Council, with \$150,000 provided from the Stronger Communities

"The playspace includes play equipment, a pump track, outdoor

gym equipment, a water fountain and barbecue area," he said.

"I'm really pleased that this brand new space was designed in collaboration with local students and local residents – the key beneficiaries of this infrastructure." **SOURCE:**

Media release, 6 Aug 2020 Adam Crouch, Member for Terrigal

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Liesl Tesch MP | Member for Gosford

Tesch thanks church food pantry

Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch has thanked the Woy Woy Seventh-Day Adventist Church food pantry for its service.

The food pantry provides affordable groceries and resources to struggling families and members of the community, with food supplied by Foodbank in Sydney.

Ms Tesch said services like the Woy Woy Seventh-Day Adventist food pantry were essential in helping support those people affected by coronavirus.

"Given the global pandemic

we are living through, many more members of our community are turning to support services for help, many for the first time," Ms Tesch said.

Pastor Fred Chileshe said the service supported a variety of different people within the community.

He said that 30 to 40 families used the service every fortnight, with single mums and age pensioners using the service the

SOURCE: Media Release, 30 Jul 2020 Liesl Tesch, Member for Gosford



New cafe

The owner of a Umina Beach restaurant has opened a new cafe in the neighbourhood.

Jasmine Greens restaurant owner Ms Gabby Greyem opened the Beach Kiosk within the Ocean Beach Caravan Park.

The new 40-seat cafe next to the caravan park's reception area is open to the public without requiring park registration.

> SOURCE: Interview (Haakon Barry), 1 Aug 2020 Gabby Greyem, Jasmine Greens







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Friday 14 August	10:30 Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One 11:00 The Repair Shop [s] 12:00 ABC News At Noon [s] 12:55 Rendezvous (PG) [s] 1:55 Fight For Planet A: Our Climate Challenge [s] 3:00 ABC News Afternoons [s] 4:15 Think Tank [s] 5:10 The Repair Shop [s] 6:00 The Drum [s] 7:00 ABC News [s] 7:30 Gardening Australia [s] – Costa Georgiadis meets an inspiring gardener and Tino Carnevale sows spring crops indoors. 8:30 MotherFatherSon (MA15+) [s] 9:30 Marcella (M v) [s] 10:20 ABC Late News [s] 11:20 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL (M) [s] 11:20 rage (MA15+) [s]	12:00 Movie: "Talhotblond" (M s,v) ('12) Stars: Garret Dillahunt, Brando Eaton 2:00 Program To Be Advised 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 Better Homes And Gardens 8:30 Movie: "The Guernsey Literary And Potato Peel Pie Society" (M) ('18) – In the aftermath of World War II, a writer forms an unexpected bond with the residents of Guernsey Island when she decides to write a book about their experiences during the war. Stars: Jessica Brown Findlay, Tom Courtenay, Michiel Huisman, Katherine Parkinson, Marek Oravec 11:00 Program To Be Advised 12:30 Home Shopping	Happened On The Way To The Station (PG) [s] 5:30 A Current Affair (PG) [s]	8:30 Have You Been Paying Attention? (M) [s] 9:30 Just For Laughs Uncut (MA15+) [s] 10:00 Celebrity Gogglebox USA (M) 11:00 WIN's All Australian News [s] 12:00 The Project (PG) [s] 1:00 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (PG) [s] 2:00 Home Shopping	5:00 CGTN English News 5:15 NHK World English News 5:30 Worldwatch 1:00 PBS Newshour 2:00 The Point 3:00 NITV News: Nula 3:30 The Truth About Racism (PG) 4:30 The Death Of Hitler: Hitler's Last Mystery (PG) 5:30 Letters And Numbers 6:00 Mastermind Australia 6:30 SBS World News 7:30 Greek Island Odyssey With Bettany Hughes (PG) 8:30 Secrets Of The Railway: Hitler's Transpirenean Railway (PG) 9:25 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown (M I,s) 10:20 SBS World News Late 10:50 The Late Session: Identity (PG) 11:50 First Australians (PG) 3:50 Myanmar's Killing Fields (MA15+) (In English/ Burmese) 4:50 Shane's Moorish Spice Journey Bitesize
Saturday 15 August	6:00 rage (PG) [s] 7:00 Weekend Breakfast [s] 9:30 ABC News: 75th Anniversary Of The End Of WWII [s] 12:00 ABC News At Noon [s] 12:30 The Sound [s] 1:30 Father Brown: The Celestial Choir (PG) [s] 2:30 Back In Time For Dinner: The 1970s [s] 3:30 Escape From The City [s] 4:30 Landline [s] 5:00 Football: A-League: Sydney FC v Western United *Live* From Bankwest Stadium [s] – Sydney FC have secured the Premiers Plate and top spot heading into the finals. 7:00 ABC News [s] 7:30 Father Brown: The Queen Bee (PG) [s] 8:20 Last Tango In Halifax (M I) [s] 9:20 Thirteen (M I) [s] 10:20 The Good Karma Hospital (M) 11:05 rage Guest Programmer (MA15+) [s]	6:00 Home Shopping 7:00 Weekend Sunrise [s] 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend (PG) [s] 12:00 Beach Cops (PG) [s] 12:30 Surf Patrol [s] 1:00 RSPCA Animal Rescue [s] 1:30 Program To Be Advised 3:00 Program To Be Advised 4:00 Better Homes And Gardens (PG) [s] 5:00 Seven News At 5 [s] 5:30 Border Security - Australia's Front Line (PG) [s] 6:00 Seven News [s] 7:00 Border Patrol: Biblical Visa (PG) [s] 7:30 Movie: "Independence Day: Resurgence" (PG) ('16) Stars: Jeff Goldblum, Bill Pullman 9:45 Movie: "The Predator" (MA15+) ('18) Stars: Olivia Munn, Boyd Holbrook, Trevante Rhodes 12:00 Criminal Minds: Suspect Behaviour: Devotion (M v) [s] 1:00 Home Shopping	12:00 Rivals (PG) [s] 12:30 The Garden Gurus [s] 1:00 Netball: Suncorp Super Netball: Firebirds v Giants *Live* From Nissan Arena, Brisbane [s] 3:00 Netball: Suncorp Super Netball: Vixens v Thunderbirds *Live* From Nissan Arena [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 Movie: "Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom" (M v) ('18) – When the island's dormant volcano begins roaring to life, Owen and Claire mount a campaign to rescue the remaining dinosaurs from this extinction-level event.	6:00 Reel Action [s] 6:30 Entertainment Tonight [s] 7:00 What's Up Down Under? [s] 7:30 4X4 Adventures [s] 8:30 Which Car (PG) [s] 9:00 Jamie: Keep Cooking And Carry On [s] 9:30 Studio 10 Saturday (PG) [s] 12:00 Jamie & Jimmy's Food Fight Club [s] 1:00 Good Chef Bad Chef [s] 1:30 Healthy Homes Australia [s] 2:00 Pooches At Play [s] 2:30 The Living Room [s] 3:30 Everyday Gourmet [s] 4:30 Taste Of Australia [s] 4:30 Taste Of Australia [s] 5:00 10 News First [s] 6:00 Program To Be Advised 7:10 Program To Be Advised 8:20 Ambulance UK (PG) [s] 10:40 Beecham House (M) [s] 11:40 Supercars: Darwin Highlights 12:40 NCIS: Los Angeles: (M) [s] 2:30 Home Shopping 5:00 Religious Programs	5:00 CGTN English News 5:15 NHK World English News 5:30 Worldwatch 1:00 PBS Newshour 2:00 Destination Flavour China Bitesize 2:10 Chris Tarrant's Extreme Railway Journeys: A Railway Too Far?/ The Reunification Express - Vietnam (PG) 3:55 Australia With Julia Bradbury: Blue Mountains 4:25 Ballooning Over Mount Everest (PG) 5:30 Fall Of Japan In Colour (PG) 6:30 SBS World News 7:35 The Flying Scotsman: The Unstoppable Scotsman (PG) 8:30 Movie: "Florence Foster Jenkins" (PG) ('16) Stars: Meryl Streep, Hugh Grant 10:30 The Vietnam War (M I,v) 3:55 Borderlands: Life On The Line (M I) 4:50 Shane's Moorish Spice Journey Bitesize
Sunday 16 August	6:00 rage (PG) [s] 7:00 Weekend Breakfast [s] 9:00 Insiders [s] 10:00 Offsiders [s] 10:30 The World This Week [s] 11:30 Compass: Jez (PG) [s] 11:30 Songs Of Praise [s] 12:30 Landline [s] 1:30 Gardening Australia [s] 2:30 The Human Body: Secrets Of Your Life Revealed: Survive [s] 3:30 Brian Cox: Life Of A Universe: End Of Days [s] 4:00 Todd Sampson's Life On The Line: Air Pressure (PG) [s] 4:30 The Mix [s] 5:00 Hard Quiz (PG) [s] 5:30 The Sound [s] 6:30 Compass (PG) [s] 7:00 ABC News Sunday [s] 7:40 Shetland (M I,v) [s] 8:40 Vera: Parent Not Expected (M) 10:10 Vanity Fair (PG) [s] 11:00 The Bletchley Circle: San Francisco: Iron In War (M v) [s]	1:00 Program To Be Advised 3:00 Beach Cops (PG) [s] 3:30 Border Security - Australia's Front Line (PG) [s] 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 Farmer Wants A Wife (PG) [s] - One farmer receives heartbreaking news, which puts his road to love in jeopardy. And it's the final date decision night	11:00 Sunday Footy Show (PG) s 1:00 Netball: Suncorp Super Netball: Lightning v Swifts *Live* From USC Stadium, Sunshine Coast 3:00 NRL: Wests Tigers v Canterbury Bulldogs *Live* From TBA [s] 6:00 NINE News Sunday [s] 7:00 Australian Ninja Warrior: State Of Origin - (Part 1) (PG) 8:50 60 Minutes (PG) [s] 9:50 NINE News Late [s] 10:50 Cold Case - New Leads Wanted: Tuitania Barclay (M) 11:50 Mysteries And Scandals: Young, Famous And Criminal (M v,s) [s] 12:40 Rivals (PG) [s] 1:05 The Baron: Epitaph For A Hero (PG) [s] 2:05 Home Shopping	6:00 Religious Programs [s] 7:30 Fishing Australia [s] 8:00 Good Chef Bad Chef [s] 8:30 The Living Room (PG) [s] 9:30 Studio 10 Sunday (PG) [s] 12:00 Taste Of Australia With Hayden Quinn 12:30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield [s] 1:00 Farm To Fork [s] 1:15 Program To Be Advised 2:30 Australia By Design [s] 3:30 Which Car [s] 4:00 Supercars: Darwin Highlights 5:00 10 News First [s] 6:00 WIN News [s] 6:30 The Sunday Project (PG) [s] 7:30 The Masked Singer Australia (PG) [s] 8:30 FBI: Crossroads (M v) [s] 9:30 FBI: Apex (M v) [s] 10:30 NCIS: Double Down (M) [s] 11:30 The Sunday Project (PG) [s] 12:30 Home Shopping 4:30 CBS This Morning [s]	5:00 CGTN English News 5:15 NHK World English News 5:30 Worldwatch – Deutsche Welle English News 6:00 France 24 News 6:30 Al Jazeera News 7:30 Worldwatch Continues 1:00 Speedweek 3:00 George Clarke's Shed Of The Year 3:55 Great Irish Railway Journeys: Haworth To Huddersfield (PG) 4:25 Cycling: Incycle 5:25 Inside The SS Intoxication (PG) (In English/ German) 6:30 SBS World News 7:30 Egypt's Lost Pyramid (PG) 8:30 Princess Anne At 70 (PG) 9:45 Albert: The Power Behind Victoria (PG) 11:30 How To Lose Weight Well (PG) 4:00 Full Frontal With Samantha Bee (M I,s) 4:30 Great British Railway Journeys: Chester To Conwy (PG)
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Celebrating 21 years and 500 issues

This is the 500th issue of Peninsula News.

It started 21 years ago in April 1999. The front page of the first issue is reproduced on this

The longevity and success of Peninsula News has been made possible, due to a unique arrangement between a voluntary community group and a private business.

The non-profit association has owned the newspaper and been responsible for the news content, and the business has been responsible for its production and commercial operation in return for the right to retain income raised by selling advertisements.

The business employed a journalist dedicated to writing news about the local council meetings from a Peninsula perspective. and to provide an office through which news contributions could be received.

Having the commercial operation undertaken by a separate organisation has had

Peninsula COMMUNITY News

benefits for Peninsula News and its readers.

It has enabled the association to focus entirely on providing a news service, and not have to concern itself with the production or commercial operation.

It minimises the conflict of interest arising from operating an advertising service.

It has enabled the newspaper

to remain independent and to remain true to many of its original objectives, which serve the interests of local readers.

This four-page feature explores the origins and purpose of the newspaper, its evolution and the people who have been with it from the start.

Mark Snell, 6 Aug 2020

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Phone 4344 6543 Fax 4344 6487 An artist's impression of the type of development that will be encouraged under the proposed Woy Woy DCP.

Plans for

Woy Woy

Plans which would allow high density development of the Woy Woy commercial area are being prepared for **Gosford Council.**

Planning consultants Keys Young have almost completed a draft Development Control Plan, following two public workshops held last month.

The plan will be presented to a special meeting of the Woy Woy Town Building Committee next Monday, March 29.

The plan extends concepts developed for the northern "village renewal" precinct of the town.

It includes street frontages of up three storeys, with a fourth storey set back, in some areas and the development of multiple use huildings, which may contain com-

binations of retail frontage, office space and residential accommo-

The plan encourages pedestrian links across the town and the development of frontages to the laneway from the post office to

A submission from the panin-sula Chamber of Commerce to the consultants said the plan should emphasize development of the town as the Peninsula's main commercial centre and as an efficient rail head

However, it suggeste that building heights be restricted to two or three storeys in certain areas of the town, rather than four.

Public comment on the plan is expected to be sought before it is

Fast ferry announcement sees home prices rise, resort units sell

With the approval of the fast ferry proposal, almost a quarter of the available apartments at the new \$92 million Grand Mercure Ettalong Beach Club Resort have been sold.

In is what a good sign for the viability of Ettalong as a major tourist area, interest from prospective customers is continuing

Mr Ric King, marketing director for the serviced apartments, said their was initial disappointment when many in an original rush left small deposits but did not follow up to exchange contracts.

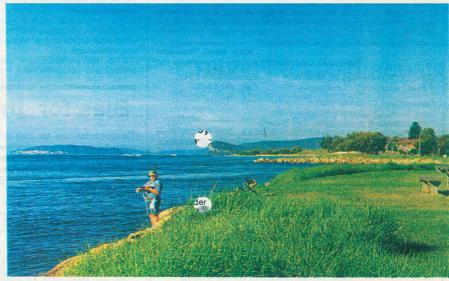
However, about 40 of the 228 apartments have now been sold The average price for an apartment is \$260,000.

A \$22,000 furniture package

must be bought if you wish to lease your apartment.

One buyer has bought an apartment outright and about half the buyers are locals, the rest from

Real Estate agents contacted by Peninsula News say the average price of existing residential homes in the nearby area has increased by between 10 and 20 percent since Christmas, with very few being available for less than available for less than



Broken Bay, from the site of the proposed fast ferry wharf at Ettalong Beach

Gosford Council is to seek \$100,000 "pre-construction funding" to further investigate three railway crossing op-

tions at South Woy Woy.
The options would see a bridge or tunnel across the railway line at the bottom of Bull's Hill, with a possible deviation of Woy Woy Rd to provide a more direct route from the quarry to the bottom of Bull's

These options were those most favoured by the South Woy Woy Progress Association, the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce and the Ettalong Ratepayers and Citizens Progress Association, as well as the bulk of the public response to the exhibited plans.

Of 105 submissions, 81 favoured a tunnel and six supported the Woy

Council seeks rail crossing funding

Woy Rd deviation through the National Park.

Most respondents living in the vicinity of the council's previous "overbridge" proposals objected on grounds of scenic degradation, loss of property value, noise, overthe bridge and alteration of traffic

Chamber of Commerce stressed that the crossing should be considered in the context of traffic management across the Peninsula, traffic destination and purpose, population growth, redevelopment of the Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club, the fast ferry and

the upgraded status of Woy Woy

The submission of the South Woy Woy Progress Association expressed concerns with "concepts incorporating flyovers of elevated roadways that are so

the South Woy Woy community" The association suggested that Shoalhaven Drive be re-opened and upgraded at the existing un-derpass "for free traffic flow". Council officers did not favour the

The Umina High School Council was opposed to any option that 'would re-route extremely heavy traffic past Umina High School

and create a major safety problem before and after school hours in

The Ettalong Ratepayers and Citizens Progress Association unanimously supported an underpass of the railway line at the foot , joining way way Ra to Nagari Rd

Council officers said that to "do nothing" about the crossing was "unacceptable as a long term strategy" and suggested further assessment of favoured options.

The railway crossing is esti mated to cost from \$5.3 million for a tunnel alone, up to about \$20 million if the Woy Woy Rd deviation is included.

It is understood that because the project was a combination of level crossing replacement and work on classified regional roads, the council may only be responsible for one sixth the total cost.

Pre-construction funding is re-quired to further develop the options and would cover an environ-mental impact assessment, threedimensional modelling and detailed surveys

It is understood the Roads and Traffic Authority may consider pro-viding pre-construction funds, on the basis that the proposal is primarily a safety improvement initia-

The council also decided to ask both Liberal and Labor candidates for Peats to support a request for a \$100,000 grant from the State Government for the work.



What is news on the Peninsula?

Peninsula News focuses on reporting the decisions being made that will affect the lives of our readers on the Peninsula, and the local activities they can be part of.

We report what is happening locally and what is planned to happen.

proceedings Plans and of council, as they affect the Peninsula, feature strongly in the newspaper for this reason.

Peninsula News attempts to remain neutral but relevant. It aims to reflect the diversity and commonality of the interests and issues of the readers who form the Peninsula community, allowing readers to draw their own conclusions.

Peninsula News aims to provide information and news that is comprehensive, readable and accurate, and is likely to encourage informed and reasoned discussion and local decision-making.

As far as possible, we aim to give local groups the opportunity to tell the news in their own words, with many articles being predominantly direct quotes from material supplied.

This is moderated by the need to keep items readable and relevant. In editing an article, we may re-order the content so that it starts with what seems most interesting, or cut parts to avoid repetition or irrelevance, or simplify sentences to convey the meaning more effectively.

Part of our role is to provide the opportunity for the community to hold its democratic representatives to account.

As far as possible, we try to serve the interests of the readers and remain independent of pressures from those interests, such as advertisers and authorities, who would prefer us to endorse their activities and decisions.

To keep faith with our readers. we attempt to be as transparent as possible about where and who our news items come from.

A community is ultimately defined by the relationships between its members. We believe that, for a healthy community, it is important to identify who is making the statements published in the newspaper, and that they do not hide behind anonymity.

In producing Peninsula News, we like to apply a version of the Rotary organisation's four-way

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better relationships?

Will it be beneficial to the community?

Mark Snell, 6 Aug 2020 **LEAVE** NO ONE Please donate now



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Started as a voluntary non-profit community service

Peninsula News was started as a voluntary non-profit community service to the residents of the Peninsula in

It has continued to operate in that spirit over the past 21 years.

Its success has relied heavily on the voluntary efforts and unpaid support not only of its own members, but also of residents and members of local voluntary groups who have submitted items for publication and contributed in other ways.

The newspaper is owned by

an incorporated association which has received no income nor paid any staff but has contributed tens of thousands of hours of voluntary time in providing the news service.

An article in Peninsula News stated in August 2000, and it remains the case: "The paper actively encourages all groups and individuals on the Peninsula to contribute their news, opinions and items of interest for publication.

"It also encourages voluntary involvement in all aspects of its production.

"The paper continues to

attract volunteers with a range of experience: school students seeking work experience, journalism graduates wanting to break into the industry have all worked with Peninsula News.

"Even the editing and proofreading of the newspaper are undertaken on a voluntary basis.

"But volunteers have not been limited to literary fields. Work undertaken by community members has ranged from typing to computer configuration and programming.

Mark Snell, 6 Aug 2020

The idea for Peninsula News

The idea of starting a newspaper just for the Peninsula arose from a meeting of the Peninsula Community Forum in 1998.

The meeting was a unique gathering of a broad crosssection of groups from across the Peninsula, convened by the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce.

It included representatives of residents associations, sporting groups, churches, schools, welfare services and other community

The genesis of Peninsula News was described in an article in the August 2000 issue of the paper: "The community forum was formed of representatives of all significant organisations active on the Peninsula to discuss issues facing the community.

"During discussions, it soon became apparent that many individuals and groups were active but were unaware of each other.

"They also had difficulty letting

the community know about their

"One participant noted that he was new to the area but, where he came from, the role was served by the local paper.

"It became evident that the existing suburban papers were regional, rather than local, in nature and did not provide the possibility of a comprehensive local coverage.

"In addition to communication needs within the community, a number of important developments were planned for the Peninsula by Gosford Council as well as the private sector.

"These represented investments of many millions of dollars and had long-term implications for our lifestyle on the Peninsula.

"A major deficiency in our social infrastructure was identified and the forum encouraged Mark Snell to pursue his idea of establishing a community-based newspaper.

"He believed that a newspaper

was needed that was a rich information source and provided the community with the opportunity to discuss topical issues.

"He felt the area was already well served with advertising media and material with an emphasis on entertainment.

"It was with this background that a newspaper association was formed with an aim to provide a newspaper that was conscious of its community development role."

The aims of the association include supporting encouraging active interest and participation in the community; strengthening the social fabric, the sense of belonging and health of the community; and encouraging pride in the strengths and opportunities available of the community.

"Providing a comprehensive news coverage of community life" is described as pursuing a purpose of advancing social and public welfare.

Mark Snell, 6 Aug 2020

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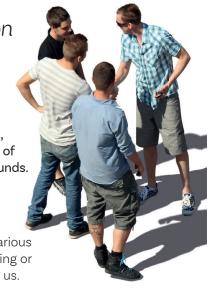
Freemasonry is a worldwide fraternal organisation that promotes moral and personal development amongst its members.

Its core values include always acting with honesty and integrity, appreciating and caring for others and assisting those in need.

Freemasonry puts its principles into practice through extensive charitable activities, working closely with our local communities to identify and assist both individuals and the wider community.

In a world too often divided by difference, conflict and alienation, Freemasonry strives to unite men of ALL origins, religions and backgrounds.

The Central Coast is home to a number of lodges meeting at the Gosford or Wyong Masonic Centres on various days and at various times, if you are interested in joining or would like to know more, contact us.









Who would have thought ...?

Who would have thought that 21 years ago, a 12-page newsletter produced once a month would become the Peninsula's only newspaper, outlasting many other local publications from major local, national and international organisations?

Right from the start in early 1999, there was much love for a newspaper that would focus on just the Peninsula and report in a fair, balanced and non-sensationalist manner on all things Peninsula.

The regional paper was continually painting the area in a bad light, denigrating both the area and the people. Another paper was just a catalogue with very little news at all, and certainly with very rarely any local community news from the Peninsula.

Local politicians, business and community leaders on the Peninsula were calling for a paper that they could call their own,

that they could contribute to and support, knowing that it would use the information in a proper journalistic manner for the good of the community.

A paper that would report in detail what was happening in the community, include school news, hold Council and other major bodies to account, and be a voice and a forum for the community, this is what was wanted.

In response to this, along came the then Peninsula Chamber of Commerce secretary, Mark Snell, who offered his previous experience as a suburban newspaper journalist, to volunteer to start something that the area could be proud of. And 21 years later he is still volunteering.

Initially just once a month and more recently up to 40 pages every a fortnight, at least 10 hours of voluntary painstaking work goes into each issue ,ensuring that the best possible product is published and distributed, with the benefit of the Peninsula always at the foremost of his thoughts.

Local businesses supported the paper with their advertising and all schools undertook to distribute copies to all students with their school newsletter.

Council and government were both extremely slow to come on board, but local politicians did so, realising that their voices would be heard in such a communityfocused publication.

In the early days, there was no internet and the paper was printed on A3 sheets and physically hand delivered to a printer in Sydney.

There were no PDF, JPG, Photo shop or Indesign programmes, just a very basic Microsoft Publisher program or a very expensive Quark design program.

Photographs were printed, marked up and hand delivered, emails were new, and mobile phones were only used to make phone calls, with no cameras.

The advances in technology

over the period have been astronomical. There were no websites as we know them today and website creation programmes didn't exist.

Peninsula News' website was written and created by Mark Snell and was state of the art at that time

Journalists were trained to do everything from day one, dealing with issues at all levels, as well as designing advertisements and creating pages.

Community volunteers took on typing and other office duties as there were very few emails and faxes were not much use for creating copy.

Community organisations were, and still are, encouraged to send in their material so that the wider community could know what they were doing and perhaps assist where possible

The Forum pages, with letters to the editor, were popular from the start, giving people a voice for their

opinions and for others to respond.

Schools were seeing their students' achievements made public, not just in sport but also academically, much to the parents' delight.

Local health issues were canvassed and organisations were able to promote community events that otherwise were likely to have failed

But it was the news that people liked the most, learning about what others were doing or not doing on their behalf.

In a departure from all other main newspaper, source lines were added to each article, enabling readers to seek further detail if they wished, as well as helping them decide on the veracity or otherwise of the information being presented.

Combined, these inclusions are what made the Peninsula News so successful, so loved and supported and so well read.

There was and still is nothing else like it in the area.

Cec Bucello, 5 Aug 2020

Justin has worked with Peninsula News for 16 years



Justin Stanley has been involved with Peninsula News as graphic designer for 16 years.

He joined Ducks Crossing Publications in 2004 at the age of 22, initially as a volunteer in the Work for the Dole program.

"Being a rev-head with a chequered history, Justin showed a surprising level of artistic creativity and aptitude for graphic design," according to Central Coast Newspapers chief executive Mr Cec Bucello.

This led to him being offered part-time work.

For the first few years, Peninsula News was produced using Microsoft Publisher.

As the business grew, so Justin

was offered more work, until he became a permanent full-time employee.

It was Justin who introduced the more capable Adobe Creative Suite software, which is now industry standard.

"He took it upon himself to access the state of the art design programs, InDesign, Photoshop and Illustrator.

"He worked through the tutorials to become one of the leading and quickest graphic designers on the Coast."

Peninsula News has been printed by different printers and each required the pages to be produced with different settings, which the Adobe software facilitated.

Justin has also taken on a broader technology role.

Justin said that when he started there were just two computers.

He built his own from discarded computers, replacing parts until ultimately he had the substantial power needed to drive the graphics programs and files shared by other staff.

Soon he was producing up to four newspapers and two magazines a month on his shared computer.

In 16 years, Justin has seen out a succession of journalists.

Mr Bucello said: "Until recently, the journalists' position was always part time, so that after they were trained, they were able to easily find full time positions at News Corp, Fairfax, the Financial Times, working with politicians, and in many public relations areas.

"Their job at the paper had them working on a much greater variety of tasks than they would have been able to in a larger organisation. They also needed to deal with people of all levels without fear."

Justin has often provided training to journalists and others in graphic design and newspaper production as part of their work experience with Central Coast Newspapers.

"Those who have worked with him will know how helpful and obliging he is," Mr Bucello said.

> Media statement, 6 Aug 2020 Cec Bucello, Central Coast Newspapers



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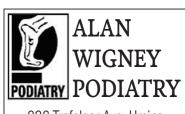
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The editor shares some thoughts

Honorary editor and founder of Peninsula News, Mark Snell, shares some of his thoughts about life on the Woy Woy Peninsula and the first 21 years of the community newspaper.

Here he answers a selection of questions that have been put to him.

1. Why did you decide to live on the Woy Woy Peninsula?

I was attracted to the natural environment of the area and the friendliness of the people I met when I first came here.

Perhaps most important was the temperate weather compared to the hills outside Melbourne where I previously lived.

The Peninsula doesn't know real winters and, at least when I first came, it had half the number of hot days that Melbourne had. I found it was much easier to stay healthy and productive here.

2. How has the Peninsula changed over the 21 years you've been editing the Peninsula News?

The Peninsula had very few

buildings of more than two storeys 21 years ago. There were no traffic lights, only a couple of roundabouts and no multi-level carparks.

The council's "Financial Strategy" together with other public and private redevelopment saw the face of the Peninsula change.

There were active progress associations representing resident interests, and greater volunteer involvement in community activities. It was common for public meetings to attract more than 100 people.

More of the services of council and other service-providers were based and delivered locally by people we knew and knew us.

The council did not seem very responsive at the time, but it was certainly more responsive and open than it is now. It did not have a media unit nor the requirement to submit questions in writing.

3. 21 years is a very long time to be the honorary editor of a community newspaper. What keeps you going?

It is a skill I have and an effective way for me to contribute to the

community. I believe in the value of the work and the way we do it.

It is important that the Peninsula has a newspaper that provides comprehensive coverage of local community life and supports and encourages active community participation in activities and issues.

The community needs information published through the newspaper that enables our residents to be part of a democratic process where they can discuss and determine the quality and shape of our lives on the Peninsula.

4. What is your favourite Peninsula location and why?

Brisbane Water National Park at Warrah Trig has more than 120 different species of flowering native plants. Within one kilometre, you are likely to see 30 of these at any time of year – and that is without leaving the track or even needing to get out of your car. I enjoy spending time there alone or showing visitors its beauty.

5. Locals love our beaches and our bush. What do you think

are the greatest threats to the natural beauty of this area?

Climate change is likely to bring increasingly severe and damaging weather, which can be expected to have a lasting effect on the beaches and the bush. Over-crowding will also make the area less appealing to residents and visitors alike, more so if planning is insensitive to those aspects of the area that make it special and people find the most attractive.

6. What do you believe to be the strengths of the Woy Woy Peninsula community?

The Peninsula has natural boundaries – the Spike Milligan Bridge, the Rip Bridge and the national park – which define the community and enable us to have a strong local identity.

Few other places on the Coast would have this strong sense of identity. Peninsula residents generally consider themselves as being "from the Peninsula" and not "Coasties".

Until recently at least, we have had a good mix of long-time



residents and new arrivals, which has enabled continuity and building on our assets with the healthy injection of new ideas.

With around 40,000 residents, the Peninsula is still small enough for residents to know each other, but large enough to have the resources – both financial and human – to be a viable community.

I am often surprised by the depth of hidden talent within our community.

Mark Snell, 6 Aug 2020

Peninsula News may not have started without Cec

Peninsula News may never have started had it not been for Cec Bucello

Soon after the Peninsula Newspaper association formed, it was looking for a commercial operator for the paper.

This would be a business that would produce and distribute the paper in return for the right to retain the advertising revenue.

Association president Mark Snell met Cec through a shared interest in bush dancing and Australian folk music.

Cec said he had previously worked for the Australian Government Publishing Service, where he had gained some publishing experience.

Then, after several years at the Australian Soccer Federation, Cec had started the soccer newspaper Inside Soccer and operated what may well have been the first soccer merchandise website, trading as Mail Order Mall.

Cec said he had moved to the Central Coast with the expectation of a "seachange".

After a discussion with Mark, Cec offered to take the commercial operator role, a similar role to that he had at Inside Soccer.

Cec said that he started without any capital and that, for many years, the business was an edition-toedition shoestring affair.

Despite growing to employ several paid staff members, it was not until three years ago that he was able to draw a regular wage of his own, he said.

Peninsula News started in the Woy Woy office of Open Windows Computer Consultancy, Mark Snell's business.

The office came with desks, computers and room dividers, which went with Cec's business as it moved from office to office. Cec still works at one of the original desks.

The first advertisement for the

paper was in colour for Bruce Kerr's real estate business.

"It paid for the printing," Cec said. For many years, the newspaper barely covered costs, with any drawings mainly being business-related.

His domestic costs were mainly covered by the work of his wife, Fran, as a book-keeper.

As well as being the main breadwinner, Fran also undertook the valuable and often invisible job of doing the business bookwork and managing its accounts.

As Peninsula News grew, Cec's business moved to its own office near the corner of Blackwall and Victoria Rds, but soon outgrew it.

As the cost of renting an office rose, it cost less to service a loan to buy a shop in Tascott, where he stayed until the Global Financial Crisis in 2008.

Cec launched his own publications, the Greater Gosford News and the folk music magazine Trad and Now, from the Tascott office

He also changed the trading name to Ducks Crossing Publications.

With the sale of the Tascott office, Cec moved his business to Erina St, Gosford.

As the Greater Gosford News struggled, Cec replaced it with a sports newspaper, Grandstand, which also did not survive.

In 2010, this was replaced with Coast Community News and, two years later, the Wyong Chronicle was launched. Both publications continue to be published.

With the advent of Coast Community News, the trading name for the newspapers changed again to Central Coast Newspapers.

The business remained in Erina

St, Gosford, until March last year when it moved to bigger premises in Mann St.

In July last year, Cec sold the business and it became incorporated as Central Coast Newspapers Pty Ltd, with Ross Barry as the commercial operator.

Cec was appointed as CEO for a three-year transition to the new ownership.

Cec retains his Ducks Crossing Publications business, which continues to publish Trad and Now, and to sell related books and music by mail order.

He said he was not sure what he would do beyond his time with Central Coast Newspapers.

He would be too old to plan, he said.

"I won't even be buying green

"I won't even be buying green bananas then."

However, it is likely that Cec, who



was one of the founders of Woy Woy's Troubadour Folk Club, will "do a lot of travelling", particularly on the folk festival circuit.

Interview (Mark Snell), 6 Aug 2020 Cec Bucello, Central Coast Newspapers



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Payrise for \$20 million debt per year

I was astonished to read the front page article (Peninsula 27 July 2020), regarding our wonderful Central Coast councillors awarding themselves a pay

This council, when elected, had a budget surplus of around \$70 million I think, and now it is going to leave us with a 2019/20 budget deficit of around \$40 million.

This council will have lost the central coast community over \$100

If this was not bad enough, they have now awarded themselves a pay rise costing the ratepayers an additional \$35,650 per year.

If you add all their salaries together, it will cost us now around

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\$600,000 per year for councillors' salaries, just for them to put this council into debt on average \$20 million per year.

They can't blame the Covid-19

pandemic for the council's financial crisis as it's only been around for eight months, but to then put their snouts into the trough for more money doesn't pass the pub test.

The thing that really gets me annoyed is that they could have reversed their decision for the pay rise at the meeting on July 27 but

And our local Gosford West Ward councillors all voted for the pay rise with Cr Holstein being the original mover of the motion to award themselves this out of touch

People are hurting out there. Shame on all councillors who

voted for this pay rise.

Watch out at the next election. Email, 6 Aug 2020 Carl Veugen, Umina

Time that council demonstrated their vision

When I heard on the news that our councillors had themselves given maximum possible pay rise. I was disappointed, and said so in the last edition (No. 499) of Peninsula News.

I was really brassed off when I read Cr Holstein's justification for the decision.

Forgetting all that, many years ago I was a candidate for Parramatta Council (unfortunately unelected).

I don't ever recall asking about the monies I would receive, but only thought of the good I wanted to do for the people of Dundas-Telopea, where I lived.

Now it seems that money is the first consideration for some of our representatives.

Cr Holstein et al, the Covid-19 pandemic has given you a unique opportunity to really show us that you are there for the good of the whole Council area and the people of your ward in particular.

This is a time for demonstrating the vision you have to grow our wonderful village.

Both the State and Federal

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Governments importance of creating much needed jobs, building infrastructure for the future and leaving a legacy to be proud of.

Our Council should be taking every opportunity to ensure our fair share in these one-off programs.

In September next year, you will be delivering fliers to our letterboxes.

Will they show pictures of you proudly standing before completed projects?

Will they show you in front of works in progress?

Will they include details of programs and works in the pipeline or will they include the same vapid promises we have been reading for years?

The ball is in your court.

Are you going to pick it up and run with it or are you going to sit back, thinking of ways to spend your extra \$30 a week, while it is washed down the gurgler.

I will now stow my soap box next to my high horse.

Email, 6 Aug 2020 Laurie Powell, Woy Woy

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What we always wanted - graphics, colours, words

On top of everything else, we now have to cope with a **Place Activation Framework** for the Peninsula ("Activation framework and identity package for Peninsula", PN

Since there seems to be no mention of this phenomenon on Central Coast Council's website, it is impossible to have a definitive opinion on it, but to read that its purpose for the Peninsula is to "facilitate creative patterns of activity, exchange and connection that support its ongoing social, recreational, cultural and economic role and celebrate its unique character" must strike fear into all

One wonders who participated in the secret consultations that led up to the formulation of this document - clearly not the general population of the Peninsula who might have very different priorities to the ones mentioned.

For instance, it would be revealing to know how many residents of Woy Woy see, as a high priority, "an activation team

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(whatever that means), large-scale event (whatever that means), interactive boardwalk (whatever that means), streetscape beautification (well, at least, that's intelligible if vague), artistic mural (don't we already have one of those at the oval), greenery (what?) and colour (of what?) and a business hashtag (I don't have the faintest idea what that is intended to achieve)".

There will also be an Identity Package, consisting of assembly of graphics, colours, words and phrases designed to express the town centre's unique image and essence".

This is undoubtedly what we have always wanted, and the very thought of it is enough to make one fully appreciative of the herculean efforts the Council is making on our behalf.

If only someone would fix the potholes and the drainage and the parking and the traffic jams, our joy would be complete.

Email, 29 Jul 2020 **Bruce Hyland, Woy Woy**

Breakfast Club resumes at **Ettalong school**

Ettalong Public School has resumed its Breakfast Club on Thursdays and Fridays.

"These are the mornings when a number of our Year Six students contribute," said principal Ms Lynn Balfour.

"Healthy breakfast food is available to any students who wish to pop into the hall from 8.30am on Thursdays and Fridays.

"Also disrupted to due Covid-19 restrictions is our school's Athletics Carnival.

"We will do our best to provide opportunities for our athletic students to demonstrate their prowess and possibly progress to the Zone Carnival which will be held under strict conditions at Mingara.

"Our school will hold qualifying events for participating students only and those who achieve zone level nominations will be invited to attend the Zone Carnival later this

"All events will be strictly for participating students and school staff only

"This week we were also due to hold our Open Day for prospective Kindergarten students.

"This also cannot go ahead but our community liaison officer is happy to liaise with new parents and provide any information required.

"If you know of anyone planning to enrol at our school next year, please ask them to do so as soon as they are able so we can make the best plans possible to assist

"We have added a new tab to our school's website for our new parents to view."

Newsletter, 4 Aug 2020 Lvnn Balfour, Ettalong **Public School**

Will Council buy some paint, or prosecute me?

For many months, I have noticed the deterioration of the painted timber privacy screens outside the front of Gosford Council Chambers.

It is estimated the refurbishment of the building to accommodate Council meetings was at least \$1

Yet the budget did not seem to stretch to purchase a small can of paint to maintain the screens.

The refurbished office is now sitting collecting dust unused.

With the neglect of this public facade by Council staff, alternative action was required.

Applying my best citizenship hat, I demonstrated to the Council's CEO the technique to improve the building entrance, appropriate for a building situated in the main street of Gosford.

Using a small can of sealer undercoat, I started the job, writing "CEO Dulux please".

Police have questioned my actions and I await further developments.

Will the council spend its money to buy a can of paint, or will it spend its money to prosecute me?

Letter, 4 Aug 2020 Norm Harris, Umina

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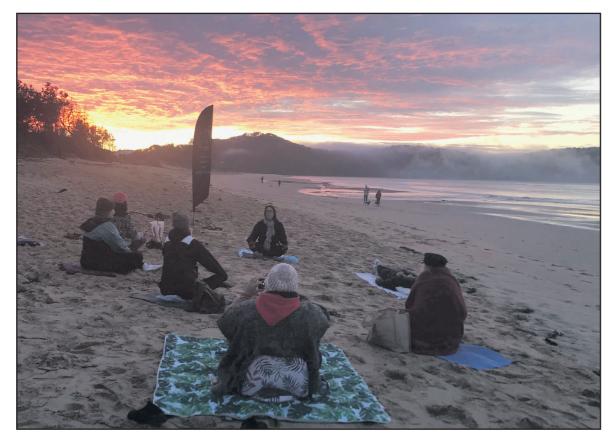


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Group meditation sessions return to Ocean Beach

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The weekly program was moved from the beach to online live streams, at the onset of coronavirus restrictions.

With the easing of restrictions, they have now returned to face-toface sessions.

Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch said she endorsed the group sessions which were started in response to the growing challenges in maintaining mental health, as well as an increased suicide rate.

"During this pandemic we've all had to face unprecedented changes to our everyday lives and I know many locals are also fighting their own personal battles at the moment whether they be financial, social or health-related.

"This program gives us all an opportunity to release our stresses and work on our mental health as well as socialise in a supportive environment with like-minded people.

"It's always important to pay attention to your mental health.

"I encourage everyone to participate in mindful exercise and take some time out for your own wellbeing."

SOURCE: Media release, 31 Jul 2020 Liesl Tesch, Member for Gosford

Provider pays bonus to all aged care staff

A Woy Woy aged care provider has decided to pay all its staff on the same basis, irrespective of their eligibility for the Aged Care Workforce Retention Bonus.

BlueWave Living will pay laundry, cleaners, maintenance, reception and administration staff the bonus despite them not being eligible for the Federal Government grant

Chief executive Mr Matt Downie said the Federal Government formula was "a very prescriptive model, which excluded a significant portion of our workforce".

He said Bluewave had a

"wonderful team of staff continuing to work through these challenging times".

"We work together as a team to achieve wonderful outcomes, and this should be rightly recognized. "BlueWave will ensure all staff

who are employed by BlueWave will receive this bonus, at our cost." He told staff: "Hopefully this

He told staff: "Hopefully this bonus will go some small way to helping all who work for us and your families.

"We very much appreciate all your efforts in keeping our elders

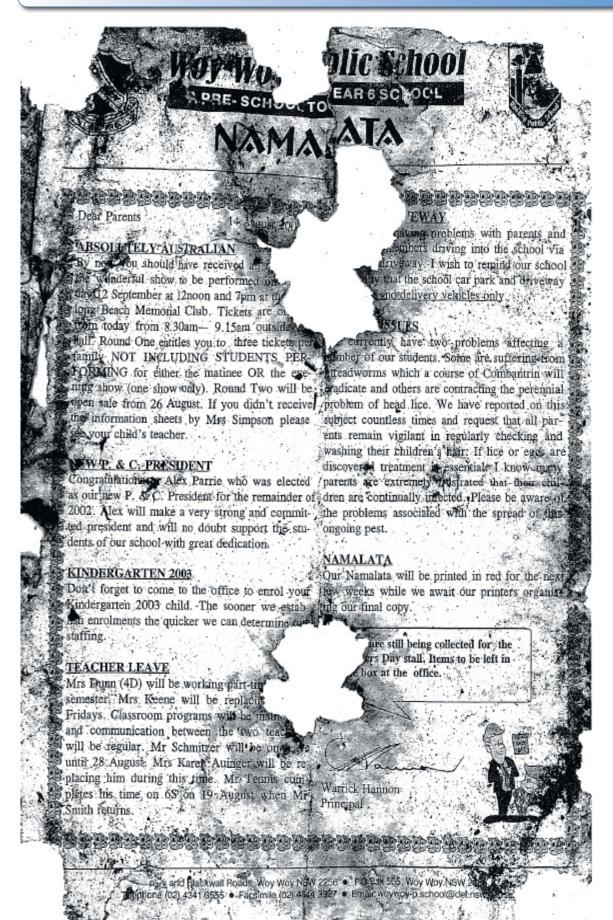
SOURCE: Media release, 24 Jul 2020 Kylie Scott, BlueWave Living

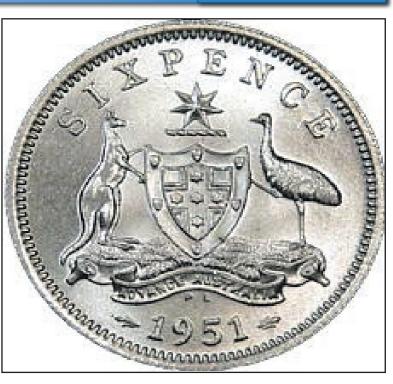


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Rare artefacts found at Woy Woy Public School

A 1951 sixpence and a school newsletter from 2002 were among the items discovered by students in an "archaeological dig" at Woy Woy Public School.

The dig was conducted by Year 2 and 3 students on the site of a removed demountable classroom.

One of the students, Anji Magee, wrote a report headed "Rare artefacts found at Woy Woy Public School".

"Recently Woy Woy Public School did a search they called the Big Dig," she wrote.

"They found amazing things like a juice box from six years ago.

"They also found an old newspaper and an old lunch order from 11 years ago.

"We had a talk to some students and they all loved it.

"They found way more things but they were my favourite."

Classroom teacher Mr Andrew

Brady said: "The students were exposed to the experiences of a real archaeological dig, following all procedural and safety protocols.

"All the students enjoyed the experience, both digging and researching the origins of their finds.

"We uncovered a 1951 sixpence, a1967 10c piece, and a lot of rubbish, which dated back to 1999

"Probably the most important finds were Mrs Taylor's son Daniel's lunch order from 2009 (still completely intact) and a copy of the Namalata newsletter dating back to 2002."

Mr Brady said the dig was a fun and educational experience for the children, but they had no luck in finding the 55-year old time capsule buried somewhere on the school grounds.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 31 Jul 2020 Andrew Brady, Woy Woy Public School



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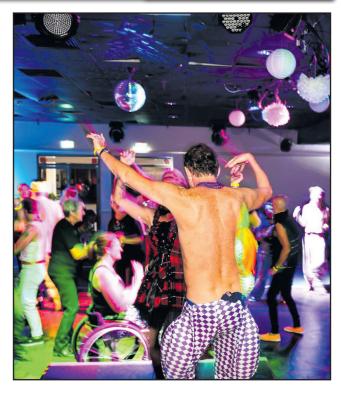
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Out&About







Coastal Twist festival is cancelled for this year

This year's Coastal Twist arts and culture festival has been cancelled.

"It is with deep regret that we at Coastal Twist have had to make the difficult decision to cancel the planned 2020 Coastal Twist Festival," said organiser Mr Juan locco of the Naughty Noodle Fun Haus.

"In recent days, our operating environment has been further negatively impacted by increased Covid-19 uncertainty.

"The NSW Government has

tightened its restrictions once again and this healthcare and economic crisis continues to unfold.

"This is not the future that any of us hoped to confront, but our main focus remains the well-being of our participants, volunteers, artists, partners and everyone involved in

the festival."

The inaugural Coastal Twist festival was held in 2019 with organisers estimating 7000 people attending three days of events, "over four times what was originally predicted".

Planning for a 2021 festival

to be held on October 1-4 is now underway.

Source: News Release, 4 August 2020, Juan locco, Naughty **Noodle Fun Haus**

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"It is open to all young creative people, aged 15 to 25," said Bouddi Society president Mr Phil Donnellv.

"Your video can be as innovative as you like and show off your talents in any discipline not just your chosen arts career path.

"Think outside the box.

"Poets, painters, script writers let us hear from all of you.

"The video must be in MP4 format.

"Short is better- make it entertaining and engaging.

"You can remake something that has been earlier published on the web as long as it is different from

the earlier version and made between April 1 and August

"Your video must be shot and edited at home, with no commercial production allowed

"Creativity and artistic talent, not production standards, will be the main criteria for judging."

Entries will be posted to the Foundation's social media websites

"Views, Likes and Shares

all count in the People's Choice Prize."

Running since April1 the competition deadline is August 31.

The winner will be by announced Bouddi Foundation for the Arts chairman Mr John Bell at the Annual Awards at Wagstaffe Hall, November 15.

SOURCE: Website, 6 Aug 2020 Phil Donnelly, Bouddi Society

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Netball results

Netball results from Round Three of the Woy Woy Peninsula Netball Association were:

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Stingrays v PL Lynx 38-21. Senior 4: TKT Diamonds v UB Redbacks 22-27, BW

Wobbygongs v TKT Topaz 22-39. IJ1: TKT Pearls v UB Goannas 24-40, PL Jaguars v EE

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EE Osprey 14-38. Junior Blue: BW Blue Bottles v PL Tigers 10-32, PL Pride

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SOURCE: Website,1 Aug 2020 Lisa Coakley, WWPNA

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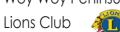
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Patrol flags are expected to be put up on the first day of school holidays in September.

With a large enough beach and a relatively small group, club organisers will zone the beach

from the clubhouse up to Putty Beach to run all groups through all activities.

Surf Life Saving NSW has allocated its operating surplus back to the clubs for member retention. which means that the membership fees for active members are \$30 for the season.

Nipper membership fees remain unchanged, but the NSW Government's Active Kids program is still redeemable for the second half of 2020, which the club believes should cover the cost for all Nippers.

> SOURCE Media Release, 2 August 2020 Craig Sheppard, Killcare **Surf Life Saving Club**

Umina Eagles soccer results

Soccer results for Umina United Football Club in games played on Saturday, August 1, were:

U12/U12BS, East Gosford 1 v Umina, 1-0. U14/U14C, Avoca 1 v Umina, 3-0. U12/U12CS, Woy Woy v Umina, 5-1.

M45/M45DS, Woy Woy 2 v Umina, 1-6 M16/M16C, Umina v Kanwal, 0-5

U13/U13CS, Umina v Southern Ettalong 1, 2-4

M45/M45B, Ourimbah v Umina, 4-0 U14/U14A, Wyoming v Umina, 4-0 M16/M16B, Umina v Wyoming, 1-2

M35/M35A, Umina v Ourimbah, 2-1

M45/M45C, Avoca v Umina, 2-2

Results for games played on Sunday, August 2, were:

MAA/MAA4, Killarney v Umina, 1-2 W12/W12A, Terrigal 1 v Umina, 2-1

MAA/MAA3, Killarney v Umina, 4-3

BPL/U21, Wyoming v Umina, 2-2

M18/M18C, Umina v Kanwal, 4-3 WAA/WAA4, The Entrance v Umina, 0-5

BPL/Reserve, Wyoming v Umina, 2-1 WPL/Reserve, Umina v Terrigal, 2-2

BPL/First, Wyoming v Umina, 3-2 WPL/First, Umina v Terrigal, 4-1

> Website, 3 Aug 2020 Results, Umina Eagles

Southern and **Ettalong** soccer results

Soccer results for Southern and Ettalong United Football Club in games played on Sunday, August 2, were:

Premier League games played against Berkeley Vale, Firsts 1-2, Seconds 2-2, Under-21s 2-0.

W14A v Terrigal, 3-4.

M18A v Mountains, 4-1.

W18A v Kincumber, 2-2.

MAA4 v Wyong, 2-0.

MAA5 v Kanwal, 2-0.

MAA6 v Woy Woy, 0-5. WAA6 v Wyoming, 1-7.

Results from Saturday, August 1, were:

12C v Wyoming, 2-1.

13A v Woongarrah, 1-1.

13C1 v Umina, 4-2.

13C2 v East Gosford, 1-1.

14C v Kincumber, 3-1.

15A v Wyoming, 2-1. 15B v East Gosford, 2-7.

15C v Avoca, 2-5.

16A v Killarney, 3-1.

35A v Wyoming, 1-3.

35C v Killarney, 2-3. 45B v Killarney2, 3-0.

45C v Killarney, 2-2.

Social media, 2 Aug 2020 Results, SEUFC

Everglades major pairs

The final of the Everglades **Bowling Club's major pairs** lawn bowls championship took place on Saturday, August 1.

Singles champion Ken Young paired with Mark Fenton to defeat

Tom Cain and Col Nichols, 21-20, in a play-off.

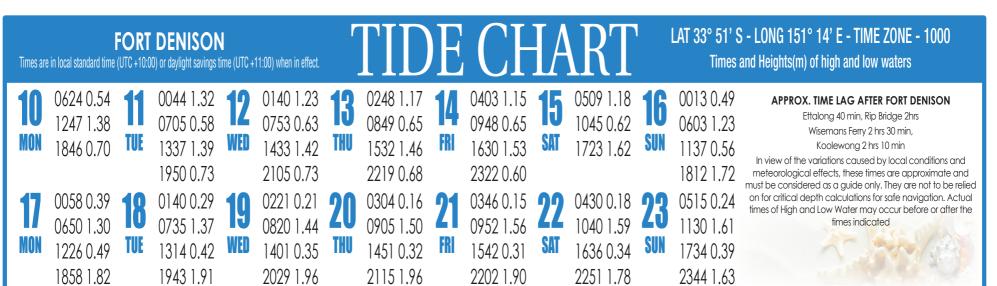
Organiser Mr John Orme said t game went down to the last end, where Ken and Mark were ahead 17-20.

A late fight back saw Tom and

Col pick up a three to draw the game and send it into a play off, which Ken and Mark won.

Source: Media release, 2 Aug 2020 John Orme, Everglades **Country Club**





Lions come from behind to beat Kariong

Woy Woy came from behind to defeat Kariong at Woy Woy Oval by 20 points to 15 in round three of Central Coast Rugby Union on Saturday, August 1.

"There was nothing in this clash throughout, both on the paddock and on the scoreboard," said Central Coast Rugby Union president Mr Larry Thomson.

"Woy Woy opened the scoring with an early penalty goal before Kariong took the lead with a try.

"The first half was an intense affair with neither team giving an inch. Kariong went to the halftime break by the narrow lead of 12 points to 10.

"There was absolutely nothing in the match at that stage.

"There was a long injury break in the second half but with play continuing, the same intensity continued.

"The lead continued to change regularly in the final 20 minutes.

"Woy Woy took the lead 13-12, then Kariong 15-13, before Woy Woy scored a try near fulltime to secure the victory.

"Best players for Woy Woy were Lapana Vitale, flanker Joel Frazer and centre Junior Stowers, while for Kariong flanker Mitchell Parker, in his initial top grade match, lock Nic Outram and five-eight Mitch Clay gave it their all for the entire 80 minutes."

In other grades, results were: Premier 2: Kariong v Woy Woy, 29-10.

President's Cup: Woy Woy v Kariong, 20-0

Colts: The Lakes Gold v Woy Wov. 31-0.

Women: Woy Woy v Kariong, 46-5.

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