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A large crowd attended the Anzac Day ceremony in Woy Woy

## Council announces staging of Umina oval upgrades

The staging of construction work around Umina oval has been released by Central Coast Council.

In doing so, the Council has renamed the area the Peninsula Recreation and Active Lifestyle Precinct, perhaps the longest name of any community facility on the Peninsula ... and one that won't fit in any newspaper heading.

It rivals the Ettalong 50+ Leisure and Learning Centre, once known as the "Senior Cits" and the Woy Woy Waste Management Facility, once known by a three-letter word, the "tip", but now abbreviated to a three-letter acronym, the WMF.

The project will be delivered in five stages over the next three years.

Stage 1 will be upgrades to the Umina tennis facilities, including the building's roof replacement, and installation of a new synthetic surface for court five to create a dedicated futsal court. Ave to Ocean Beach Caravan park. The car parking area on the

road will be increased with 50 more spaces.

A concrete footpath will connect the caravan park to the playground. It will also include lit pedestrian

crossings and kerb, guttering and drainage.

"Council has completed geotechnical investigations along with a pavement design and concept design plans.

"However, it is looking to extend the scope of planned works to include below ground stormwater drainage infrastructure, and kerb and guttering so there is better outcomes for the community and visitors and less risk of flooding and damage to the road," said Mr Farmer

"In addition, the updated scope of works is to include the construction of street lighting at new pedestrian crossings."

changing rooms, one canteen and store, two storage rooms and a clubroom.

The new building at Etta Rd will have toilets, four changing rooms, one referee room, canteen and store, storage room, and a clubroom.

Stage 4 will see the construction of the skate park and BMX pump track and include a new outdoor obstacle course.

The installation will include park furniture, shelters, water refill station, footpaths and landscaping.

The final stage will be the reconstruction of the three cricket practice nets.

"This milestone follows a shared journey between Council, local community sporting groups, Umina Community Group, the hundreds of engaged residents that participated in previous community consultation, and the Federal Government," said Mr Farmer. For the Peninsula community

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Work started in March but has been interrupted by the wet weather and will continue as weather allows.

"These works were originally scheduled to commence February.

"However asbestos was found in the building and required updated scope of works to be planned and undertaken to safely remove and dispose of the hazardous material," said general manager Mr David Farmer.

Stage 2 will include an upgrade to the access road from Sydney

The extra work is expected to be funded from Council rate revenue. Work on the western side of Sydney Ave adjacent to the skatepark was originally scheduled for February but is now expected to start in May or June 2022, with the rest of this stage being completed over the following 12 months.

Stage 3 will be new clubrooms for the local rugby league, cricket and soccer clubs.

New Melbourne Ave amenities will incorporate unisex, ambulant and accessible toilets, two

"Council is passionate about providing safe and engaging outdoor spaces for our community to promote healthy and active lifestyles and to help create connected communities.

"These upgrades will enhance and complement the existing regional playspace and quality sports fields - which are already popular with locals and visitors to our region," he said.

SOURCE:

Website, 13 Apr 2022 David Farmer, Central Coast Council Volunteer opportunities are available in all aspects of the newspaper's production, from news gathering and photography, through to seeking advertising and administration.

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SOURCE: Mark Snell, 1 Nov 2021

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## Peninsula News

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

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## Fire brigades remove tree from road

The Patonga Volunteer Rural to remove a tree from the **Bush Fire Brigade and Pearl** Beach Rural Fire Service brigade recently co-operated

road.

It took the brigades "a long time" using chainsaws to remove the tree.

SOURCE: Social media, 17 Apr 2022 Patonga Volunteer Rural **Bush Fire Brigade** 

## Rotary to hear about online project management tool

The Rotary Club of Brisbane Water will hear about an online project management tool at its next meeting on Thursday, May 5.

Guest speaker will be Rotarian Ms Marion Cornish, a lecturer at the School of Business at Western Sydney University.

"Marion will be speaking on Trello, an online project management tool," said club public image officer Ms Di Bartok

"Trello is a way of working together.

"Start with a Trello board, lists, and cards.

"Customise and expand with more features as your teamwork grows."

Ms Bartok said: "Western Sydney University, where Marion works, has just been ranked first in the world in the Higher Education Impact Rankings 2022 for addressing sustainability, climate action, inclusivity and social justice. "Western Sydney was placed first out of 1400 institutions, scoring an incredible 99.1 out of 100.

"Many projects and initiatives have led to this result including their work on the Waterkeeper Alliance, Living Labs, Cumberland Plains observatory and climate action research, to name a few."

SOURCE: Newsletter, 1 May 2022 Di Bartok, Brisbane Water Rotary

### Second highest March rainfall recorded

Peninsula recorded The 349.4mm of rain during March, the second highest March rainfall in 18 years.

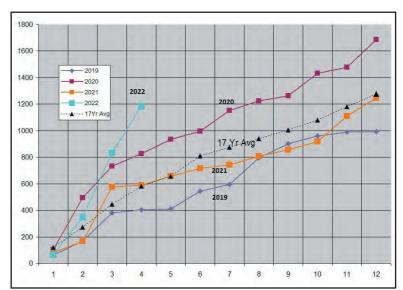
The highest March rainfall was 431.9mm in 2015

The March rainfall brings the year-to-date total to 1183.7mm, just 7.2 per cent below the yearly average of 1275mm.

The total is more than the average cumulative total at the end of November of 1180mm.

Of the total, 1118.9mm was recorded over February, March and April.





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Contributors are asked to keep their

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## Kerbside bulk waste collection resumes

Central Coast Council has resumed its bulk waste kerbside collections after new bookings were temporarily paused on April 14 due to significant staff shortages caused by Covid-19.

Council's infrastructure director Mr Boris Bolgoff said changes to isolation rules and hard work from crews and drivers helped shorten the pause period.

Residents are able to book a bulk waste kerbside collection from today, Monday, May 2.

"Bookings are being reinstated through a phased process, with collections capped at a daily limit and residents can book the next available date.

Government's "The NSW change to close contact isolation requirements allowed staff to get out of isolation and back to work sooner than expected, which has helped the service to be reinstated

ahead of schedule," Mr Bolgoff said.

"Over the last two weeks, Council crews and Cleanaway allocated additional trucks and drivers to address a backlog of almost 6000 outstanding bulk collections.

"Drivers were tasked to work additional hours including long weekends, to ensure the service could be reinstated for the community as soon as possible."

Mr Bolgoff said a phased approach to reopening bookings will help to align and manage resource availability while some staff shortages are still being experienced.

"Staff shortages due to COVID are a nation-wide issue affecting the entire service industry, and the nature of this pandemic indicates this remains a constantly evolving situation."

SOURCE: Media release, 30 Apr 2022 Boris Bolgoff, Central Coast Council



## Big day for school photographers

It was a big day for the photographers at Woy Woy South Public School on

Thursday, April 28. Principal Mr Matt Barr described it as "a fantastic day". "So many big smiles."

SOURCE: Social media, 28 Apr 2022 Matt Barr, Woy Woy South Public School



## Ferry engine replaced after 35,000 hours

Central Coast Ferries has of work. replaced the engine of its Saratoga ferry.

The Cummins 6BTA engine was replaced after 35,000 hours

SOURCE: Social media, 21 Apr 2022 **Central Coast Ferries** 

## Applications wanted for National Parks committee

The NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service is looking for people to join its Hunter Central Coast Regional Advisory Committee.

The committee provides input into how the region's national parks are managed.

National Parks executive director Mr Rob Smith said the opportunity to become a committee member came around every four years and was a unique opportunity for those passionate about our environment and heritage.

"We are looking for people with experience in a broad range of areas, including conservation, heritage, agriculture, ecotourism, education environmental and science," said Mr Smith.

"We are particularly keen to receive applications from a wide range of people with different backgrounds and life experiences.

"Applications from women, persons with a disability, young people, people from different cultural backgrounds and even first-time park visitors are encouraged.

"While there are no essential criteria for those wishing to nominate, it is expected that applicants have a strong connection to the national parks in their region."

Successful applicants will be appointed by the NSW Minister for Environment and Heritage for up to four years, commencing July 1.

For more information and to submit your application, go to https://www.environment.nsw.gov. au/regional-advisory-committees

Media release, 27 Apr 2022

### History cruise

A Hawkesbury River history cruise will depart from Patonga at 9am on Sunday, May 29.

The cruise will be run jointly by Central Coast Ferries and Area History Tours.

The ferry Sorrento will cruise up the Hawkesbury River.

It will include live commentary while visiting historic sites such as the wrecks of World War I warships HMAS Swan and HMAS Parramatta, as well as the defensive sites for World War II river mine fields.

The cruise will feature an on-board TV with graphics, photographs and videos of working models.

Morning tea will be provided.

The ferry returns at around 12:45pm.

Tickets may be booked by phone on 0418 631 313.

SOURCE: Social media. 23 Apr 2022 **Central Coast Ferries** 

SOURCE:

Sarah Scroope, NPWS



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### Planning



## Exceptional multi-unit proposal complies with setbacks

Central Coast Council has received an application for a multi-dwelling development in Ettalong which complies with boundary setback planning requirements.

The application for six "detached" three-bedroom townhouses over two lots at 114-116 Barrenjoey Rd, Ettalong Beach, is exceptional in not requesting variations for non-compliant setbacks.

It also retains two existing trees on the site.

Four units will have garages accessible from a central driveway, while the other two will have garages accessible from the rear lane.

The proposal provides for eight car spaces, which does not comply with planning provision requirements for 10 car spaces, including one visitor space.

It also exceeds the maximum floor space ratio of 0.5:1 defined in the planning provisions, having a ratio of 0.54:1.

"The proposed dwellings provide ground floor private open space areas with plunge pools, internal storage and a space to locate waste collection bins away from the street and clothes drying areas that would be screened from other dwellings and the public domain," according to the application prepared by Clarke Dowdle and Associates.

"The appearance of the building incorporates lightweight appearance with a mixture of weatherboard cladding rather than the more extensive masonry is a prominent feature of the design, all elements identified within the Council's desired character elements for the Ettalong Beach – Medium Density precinct."

The application comments on a "character statement" requirement that multi-unit development be surrounded with "leafy gardens that conserve existing visually-prominent trees, particularly along back fences and street frontages or verges, as well as providing space for new shady trees and shrubs planted as backdrops to new buildings".

It states: "Courtyards are located around the perimeter of the town houses that would provide sufficient deep soil planting to incorporate small to medium street trees, allowing the appropriate landscaping transition from the built form when viewed from the street and neighbouring lots."

More generally, it claims: "The proposal utilises various materials and building articulation to achieve a light weight appearance, and is generally consistent with the desired future character of the locality, being a similar scale and bulk to other multi dwelling housing in the area.

"The proposed development includes a well-considered multiunit development that will entail the upgrading of older housing stock and would be commensurate with the evolving style and density of multi-unit development within the medium density zone within the Peninsula.

"The proposal maintains reasonable levels of visual amenity for neighbouring properties, and the built form divides up the units to break up bulk and provide visual relief.

"Careful design and material choice provides sufficient boundary setbacks to provide building separation and landscaping opportunities to alleviate the bulk and scale of the built form from the neighbouring properties and public domain."

Commenting on the car space non-compliance, the application states: "The initial design considered prior to submission did include a parking spaces to be located within the rear setback.

"However after further consideration, it was agreed that, given the small scale of the unit development, parking could be covered by the prevalence of unlimited off-street parking along Barrenjoey Rd."

## GUST highlights benefits of trees in tight spaces

The Grow Urban Shade Trees group is calling for greater education about the benefits of trees "especially in tight spaces" and for the council to "take a pro-active role".

The call follows their attendance at a meeting between representatives of the University of Technology Sydney and local government on the topic of "research into urban greening for a changing climate".

"A recent public survey indicated that generally people are aware of the benefits of trees but are frightened about impacts on infrastructure and property," said group member Ms Jen Wilder.

"More community education is needed.

"It is more important than ever to educate the community about the benefits of trees, even and especially in tight spaces."

MsWildersaid:"Itwasheartening to, yet again, be reminded that the provision of shade trees in urban environments is a highlyvaluable science-backed practice worthy of significant investment by government.

"One thing is for certain - the right tree, strategically planted, has enormous long term benefits for a community.

"For the biggest bang for buck, plant a large tree, preferably on the northern or western side of a hot sealed surface.

"A medium to tall tree is eight times more beneficial than a small tree.

"The benefits include that larger canopy trees preserve

roads by protecting them from sun exposure.

"It pays to invest in larger, high quality stock, ensuring it is planted into enough deep soil for the roots to spread over time, stabilising the tree for years to come.

"Formative pruning is also very helpful to create the most effective shape for shading, and a gentle tease and prune of the root ball when planting will encourage strong outward root growth.

"The first three to five years are vitally important for a new tree.

"Regular watering is paramount."

Ms Wilder said: "Recent studies show that leaf litter, including as mulch, is a great thing for biodiversity.

"In a nut shell, it encourages invertebrates which increase the health of all higher order organisms.

"Frustratingly, our state government has recently scrapped a planning policy which could have introduced rules for the provision of trees in our decreasing gardens.

"It is therefore more important than ever to get trees into streets and public spaces and to remind council they need to be proactive.

"Get writing to Planning Minister Mr Anthony Roberts about responsible planning for health and liveability.

"We are literally cooking ourselves here on the Peninsula and we all have the heat maps to prove it."

> SOURCE: Social media, 26 Apr 2022 Jen Wilder, GUST

## Leisure centre upgrade

### Work on a \$3.85 million upgrade of the Peninsula Leisure Centre's heating, ventilation and air conditioning has started.

The system keeps the centre's 2.5million litres of swimming water heated and its 22.5million cubic metres of air cool for each of the 450,000 visits in a year, according to Central Coast Council administrator Mr Rik Hart.

"The Centre is now 17 years old and while it looks in amazing shape, major components of the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system need to be replaced to ensure the pool, creche, courts, gym and other spaces are running at the perfect temperature, and can have new energy efficiencies incorporated to do our bit for the environment," he said. of the pool hall will be fenced off for the duration of works.

"The carparks along the western edge of the pool hall will be reserved for use to place construction equipment and handle deliveries.

"The driveway will be closed at times throughout the works for crane access.

"Temporary systems for pool hall space heating, pool water heating, and shower hot water heating will be in place, so there will be small fluctuations in air and water temperatures while the work

SOURCE:

DA Tracker, 29 Apr 2022 DA 638/2022, Central Coast Council



The project is funded from Council general rates revenue.

Work started on April 26 with completion due in October.

"During this period there will be some disruptions to the gym and multi-purpose rooms, and the number of showers available for use will be reduced.

"The outdoor area to the north

is carried out."

Council Administrator, Rik Hart said the facility was well used by both locals and visitors to the area. "This high-quality facility provides an abundance of fun and engaging spaces for the community to play, keep active, rehabilitate and connect socially," Mr Hart said.

"Not only is this a popular sport and recreational facility for residents, but it's also an extra tourist attraction for visitors to enjoy when holidaying on the Peninsula." SOURCE:

> Media release, 19 Apr 2022 Rik Hart, Central Coast Council

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## Seniors presented with local achievement awards

### Nine local residents have been presented with 2022 NSW Seniors Local Achievements Awards.

They were Mr Peter Springett, Ms Judith Hoste, Ms Madeline Stephenson, Mr Ian Johnson, Ms Kerrie Eddy and Mr Darrel Eddy, Ms Annette Johnstone, Mr Dennis O'Rourke, and Ms Sonnie Hopkins.

The recipients were invited to a morning tea where Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch presented the awards.

"It was an honour to present the awards and host the morning tea," she said.

"These recipients each in their own right are so deserving of these awards.

"Each individual has invested their heart and soul into our community, making it a better place for all of us and spreading joy to many.

"Our seniors are under appreciated and under recognised.

"It is often their hard work and unyielding passion which sets up worthwhile programs and support structures for all of us, from children, to students, to parents, to those living with a disability and seniors themselves.

"A morning tea and an award is the very least they deserve," she said.

Ms Tesch said: "Peter Springett was recognised for his can-do attitude and always reaching out



a helping hand wherever and whenever it is needed.

"He looks out for others and is a dedicated member of the Umina Community Group, volunteering for many projects including the dunecare program to ensure our community and our beaches are looked after."

"Judith Hoste was recognised for her unyielding advocacy for the arts on the Central Coast, her talent as an award-winning watercolour artist, teaching the next generation of artists for the last 17 years and her role as the President of the Central Coast Art Society for six years. "Judith is a vital member of the artistic community in the Coast and continues to encourage community members to express themselves through art.

"Madeline Stephenson was recognised as a successful

business woman from Stephenson Real Estate, as well as a community champion, teaching dancing lessons to seniors, brining joy to residents in nursing homes and teaching those living with a disability as well.

"She looks out for the elderly, helping senior tenants access government departments.

"And between all of this, Madeline is also a valued member of Country Women's Association Umina.

"Ian Johnson was awarded for his role at the Gosford Men's Shed, going above and beyond to help anyone and everyone, all the while pushing through battles of his own.

"Ian dedicates his time to several organisations including Rotary Umina and Probus and is always putting up his hand to help out and looking out for the less fortunate.

"He is the very emblem of our community spirit.

"Kerrie and Darrel Eddy are the masterminds behind and operators of Scenic Horizon Tours which has been a coach touring company at Ettalong for 23 years.

"Mr and Ms Eddy have tapped into a market which is often left out. That is a coach tour that aims to assist the elderly or those with a disability and provide an enjoyable tour for all abilities.

"Their client-centric approach and hard-working, honest and ethical business has led them to be a successful business.

"Annette Johnstone was awarded for her role as regional president of the Broken Bay Central Coast St Vincent de Paul Society, where she has used her role to advocate for social and affordable housing and to look out for the wellbeing of vulnerable people.

"She has also been a key voice for seniors who are concerned about Central Coast Council's attempt to change the responsibility and management structures of the Gosford Over 55s Leisure and Learning Centre.

"Dennis O'Rourke who was recognised for his role as St Vincent de Paul Society Central Coast Social Justice Representative, in particular for his push for policy change for social and affordable housing.

"Denis is a key voice for those who do not have a voice in our community, and it is his undeniable passion to invoke change that shines through in all of his work.

"Sonnie Hopkins was awarded for her initiation, establishment and commitment to the Central Coast Campus Friends Inc, a not-for-profit organisation that has facilitated and awarded scholarships to local students at the University of Newcastle, TAFE and Community College.

"She has encouraged Central Coast learning and success and has made a tangible difference in many lives."

SOURCE: Media release, 22 Apr 2022 Liesl Tesch, Member for Gosford



Liesl Tesch MP Member for Gosford

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Health



## Anzac ceremony held at hospital

An Anzac ceremony is held each year for current and former patients of Brisbane Waters Private Hospital.

"It's an opportunity to pause and remember fallen mates and relatives."

Those attending included maintenance manager Mr Brian Green, chief executive Ms Deb Ritter, and former mental health nurse unit manager Ms Georgina Moore who provided a "welcome to country".

#### SOURCE:

Social media, 25 Apr 2022 Debbra Ritter, Brisbane Waters Private Hospital



Chief executive Ms Deb Ritter, maintenance manager Mr Brian Green and Mr Maxine Simpson, wife of veteran Douglas Simpson who died last year.

## Missing a much-loved face

### A face was missing from the Anzac Day commemorations at a local hospital this year.

"We were missing a muchloved face and presence this year, Mr Douglas Simpson, who sadly passed away last year," said Brisbane Waters Private Hospital chief executive Ms Debbra Ritter.

"Douglas and his family would regularly attend our Anzac Day services and he would share stories of how he joined the Australian Navy when he was 17 and fought in World War II alongside his three brothers.

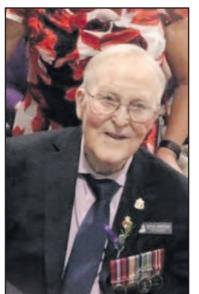
"Thank you for your service, Douglas, and we would also like to thank and acknowledge every service man and woman who paid the ultimate price for our continued freedom.

"We also recognise the many health and care workers that continue to play a significant role in support of our defence forces."

Mr Simpson's daughter, Ms Heather Wilson said: "My darling dad loved attending Anzac services with the amazing staff at the hospital.

"The services are always so beautifully done and he was thrilled to have been able to cut the Anzac cake last year."

SOURCE: Social media, 25 Apr 2022 Debbra Ritter, Brisbane Waters Private Hospital



## Couple tell of journey with Alzheimer's

"When Alzheimer's Came Knocking" was the subject of a talk at last week's meeting of the Rotary Club of Umina.

Guest speakers on Wednesday, April 27, were Wayne and Christine Cayley.

"Wayne and Christine are local Woy Woy Lions Club members, Wayne having been a Lion of 40 years standing," said Rotary club publicity officer Mr Mike Curley.

"They have lived on the Coast for over 40 years and have raised two children and two grandchildren.

"Wayne retired from his job at Gosford Hospital after a series of health issues.

"Around the same time Christine reduced her hours as a nurse.

"It was then that she noticed some worrying things were happening to Wayne, things that could not be explained by normal ageing.

"Yes, Alzheimer's had come knocking."

Mr Curley said the couple shared their story with the club, "a journey through a world that nobody would wish to take". SOURCE:

Media release, 21 Apr 2022 Mike Curley, Rotary Umina Beach



## Mary Mac's Place holds autumn fair

Mary Mac's Place held its Autumn Fair on Sunday, May 1.

The fair sold Mother's Day gifts, toys, clothes, books and bric-abrac.

There was a sausage sizzle, popcorn and a lolly stall, and

children's face painting. Money raised went towards providing meals and services for those experiencing homelessness. SOURCE: Social media, 29 Apr 2022 Mary Mac's Place

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Sport



## Swans play at Killarney Vale

Woy Woy Peninsula Swans AFL Club did not get a win in either under-11s or under-9s at Adelaide St Oval, Killarney Vale, on April 24.

Players of the match were Finn and Max Heighington in under11s and Sam Tietz in under-9s, pictured.

The club's committee has decided that a barbecue at the end of training each week "is a fantastic way to celebrate our great little club"

"We will provide sausage sandwiches for players, siblings and carers at 5:30pm each Wednesday.

> SOURCE: Social media, 25 Apr 2022 Woy Woy Peninsula Swans AFL



Brisbane Water Bridge Club held its Mixed Pairs Club yesterdav Championship (Wednesday), May 4.

Single session event, pre-entry not required. Table fee \$10 per player

The club will sponsor the winning pairs to the finals of the NSW Mixed Pairs Championship in Sydney on May 28 and 29.

An interclub teams event will be held at Brisbane Water from 9:30am on Monday, May 9.

The all-day event will be open to members of Brisbane Water Bridge Club, Central Coast Leagues Club Bridge Club (Gosford), Central Coast Bridge Club (Long Jetty) and Community Bridge Clug (Bateau Bay)

Cash prizes will be awarded for placegetters.

Pre-entry is essential, with a table fee of \$35 per player which includes lunch.

SOURCE: Website, 29 Apr 2022 **Brisbane Water Bridge Club** 

## Work in progress

Central Coast Council has reported on its works in progress on the Peninsula.

The Rogers Park sports amenities building is "nearing completion".

The Lemon Grove Netball amenities building Courts

"underway". Listed under "upcoming works"

are playground improvements at Runway Park, Woy Woy.

Additional rubber softfall will be installed.

Website, 28 Apr 2022 **Central Coast Council** 



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## A great day at the office

The Woy Woy Peninsula Netball Association's 14s representative team played at the Eastwood Ryde carnival on Sunday, April 24. It was described as "a tough day at the office, but a great day nonetheless".

## Officials wanted for State Singles championships

Southern and Ettalong United Football Club is seeking players to "top-up" vacancies in different age aroups.

Two places are available in each

9s mixed and two in Under-8s mixed.

There are three places in each of Under-6s and Under-5s mixed. For further information, phone 0407 454 963.

Social media, 27 Apr 2022

### Social media, 25 Apr 2022 Woy Woy Peninsula **Netball Association**

## Vacancies in SEU teams

The State Singles Bowls Championships will be held at Ettalong Bowling Club on May 25. 26 and 27. Markers and umpires are

## SOURCE:

of Under-15Cs mixed, Under-14Ds mixed and Under-12Cs mixed.

Three positions are available in W14 Girls, four positions in Under-

## Ettalong Major Pairs

Results of games for the **Major Pairs Championships** played at the Ettalong Eagles Bowling Club on the weekend of April 23 and 24 were:

A Joss defeated J Hannan 18-

14 (played Saturday).

S Starkey defeated C Roberts

29-12.

L Patterson defeated D Bjedov 29-16.

A Joss won on forfeit against L Edwards.

SOURCE: Social media, 24 Apr 2022 Ettalong Eagles

#### Southern and Ettalong wanted. United Football Club

"This is a great opportunity to watch and mark the best singles players in NSW," said Bowls Central Coast publicity officer Mr Peter Springett.

"Umpires are also required for the period May 20 to 29.

"Any days would be appreciated."

For further information, phone 0414 665 604.

SOURCE:

Social media, 27 Apr 2022 Peter Springett, Bowls **Central Coast** 

### quarter imais

**Brisbane Water Secondary** College played in round three of the Combined High Schools Opens Girls Volleyball at the Peninsula Leisure Centre on April 29.

"They looked fierce throughout the duration of the games and came away with a 3-0 win over Gorokan High School," said teacher Ms Sarah Hogg.

The team now progresses to the quarter finals.

"All players from both schools

are congratulated on their sportsmanship and enthusiasm throughout the day.

"I am so proud of the girls and the way they played," said Ms Hogg.

"Their sportsmanship to each other and the opposition was to be commended.

"Also a huge thanks to Umina Campus for cheering us on."

#### SOURCE:

Social media, 29 Apr 2022 Sarah Hogg, BWSC Woy Woy

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## Veteran Pairs played after weeks of rain

The Umina Beach Men's Bowling Club's 2021 Veteran Pairs Final was played "after weeks of rain and player unavailability" on April 23.

The final was by Roger Twells and Jim Phillips against Ross McIntyre and Stewart Duncan.

Ross and Stewart got out to a handy 7 - 0 lead and were drawing very well, according to club secretary Mr Peter Springett.

"Roger and Jim steadied their nerves and gradually got into the game.

"This was a sensational, high quality final, which came down to the last end, with Roger and Jim eventually winning 17-15."

SOURCE: Social media, 23 Apr 2022 Peter Springett, UBMBC

## Bailey Meti 'pipped at the post'

Ettalong's Bailey Meti was "pipped at the post" in the Bowls NSW 2021 Junior Singles Championship played on April 20, according **Bowls Central Coast publicity** officer Mr Peter Springett.

"Bailey won through to the semi finals of the 2021 State Junior Singles, narrowly topping his section on margins.

It was "a great first round game" between Bailey Meti and Park Beach's Joseph Clarke.

However, "Bailey was pipped at the post to lose 21-19 in the semi final".

SOURCE: Social media, 20 Apr 2022 Peter Springett, Bowls **Central Coast** 

## Bridge club plays Easter Pairs and Anzac Pairs

### Brisbane Water Bridge Club saw eight tables play in its Easter Pairs.

It was a close finish in both north-south and east-west with no certainty of the winners till the final board.

Winners were Jim Routledge and Marcelle Goslin (north-south), and Lorraine Lindsay and Chris Hannan (east-west), pictured right.

Fifteen duos contested the club's Anzac Pairs red point event held on Monday, April 25.

Jacqueline Wilson and Chris Hasemore, pictured below, took the honours scoring a 62 per cent win, four per cent clear of the nearest challengers.

Club stalwarts Ed and Robin Vaughan picked up second spot with Lorraine Lindsay and Richard Carter taking third edging out Sylvia Foster and Jaan Oitmaa.

Results of the Anzac Pairs were: 1 Chris Hasemore, Jacqueline Wilson 210.4 (62.61 per cent),

0.80 red points. 2 Ed Vaughan, Robin Vaughan 197.3 (58.71), 0.56.

3 Lorraine Lindsay, Richard



Teague 153.6 (45.73) 12 Susan McCall, Pamela Joseph 152.2 (45.29).

13 Meg McGregor, Hilary Owen 140.9 (41.93).

14 Marcelle Goslin, Jim Routledge 136.8 (40.71).

North-South results of Easter Pairs played on April 19 were:

Goslin. Marcelle Jim 1 Routledge 265.0 (59.15 per cent), 0.40 red points.

2 Christine Hadaway, Chris Hasemore 262.0 (58.48), 0.28. 3 Jorgen Boettiger, Deborah

Guthrie 261.0 (58.26), 0.20.

4 Robyn Serra, Meg McGregor 217.0 (48.44), 0.13.

Martin Johnson, Hope 5 Tomlinson 212.0 (47.32).

Marshall 185.0 (41.29). 8 Felicity Fane, Tracey Dillon 179.0 (39.96).

East-West results were:

Chris 1 Lorraine Lindsay, Hannan 261.0 (58.26), 0.40.

2 Jaan Oitmaa, Sylvia Foster 253.0 (56.47), 0.28

Noel Crockett, Shirley 3 Crockett 232.0 (51.79), 0.20. 4 Ed Vaughan, Robin Vaughan

229.0 (51.12), 0.13.

5 Susan McCall, Pamela Joseph 220.0 (49.11).

Mucharsky, 6 Carolynne Kathleen Bromley 206.0 (45.98). Dasha Brandt, David 7

Bowerman 197.0 (43.97).

8 Elaine Hume, Heather Brown 194.0 (43.30).



## Two-bowl mixed triples event played at Umina

**Two-Bowl Mixed Triples was** held at Umina Beach Bowling Club on Easter Saturday.

The event comprised of twobowl mixed triples with three games of 10 ends.

There were 20 mixed triples teams who took part.

The eventual winners were

### Boardriders' mums treated

Aileen and Ken Robertson, with Roger Twells.

Pictured is Bendigo Bank Ettalong director Mr Bruce Croft presenting the winner's cheque to Roger Twells, Aileen and Ken Robertson.

SOURCE: Social media, 19 Apr 2022 Peter Springett, UBMBC

Carter 193.9 (57.69), 0.40.

4 Jaan Oitmaa, Sylvia Foster 192.6 (57.32), 0.27.

5 Noel Crockett, Shirley Crockett 183.3 (54.54), 0.20.

6 Janet Clarke, Sally Clarke 181.6 (54.06), 0.16.

7 Chris Hannan, Karen Ody 181.3 (53.95), 0.13.

8 Tom Tomlinson, Linda Brown 168.9 (50.27).

9 Barry Foster, Hope Tomlinson 168.2 (50.05).

10 David Bowerman. Dasha Brandt 158.0 (47.01).

11 Jorgen Boettiger, Julie

6 Graham Woof, Peter Hume 211.0 (47.10)

Geoffrey Maltby, Edith 7

SOURCE: Website, 29 Apr 2022 **Brisbane Water Bridge Club** 



### to champagne breakfast

Umina competition date is Sunday, May 8.

Surfers must be there by 7am with an 8am cut off time to compete in the Mother's Day competition.

Mums will all be treated to a champagne breakfast and private tent to enjoy their morning.

Groms will be cooking, serving and taking care of their mothers for the entire morning.

The club will compete at Kings

Boardriders' next and Queens of the Coast on Saturday, May 7, at Macmasters Beach.

Groms For Glory will be held on Sunday, May 15, at Umina Beach hosted by club members.

Raffle tickets for a custom Box Head surfboard will be sold on May 8 and 15, and the winner drawn at the Groms For Glory presentation after the event.

> SOURCE: Social media, 27 Apr 2022 Umina Boardriders

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