



Italian weekend Crowds thronged to the Galleria Ettalong Beach at the weekend to experience “the sights, sounds and flavours of Italy”.

Chamber is ‘partner’ in waterfront project

Central Coast Council has given the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce the status of “partner” in its \$1.2 million ratepayer-funded Woy Woy waterfront project.

It also has this status for the Peninsula District Place Plan project, a strategic planning exercise for the Peninsula which is expected to “co-ordinate all Central Coast Council planning tasks” for the district.

The arrangement is revealed in an attachment to a progress report presented to the March 28 council meeting on the council’s tourism plan, the Central Coast Destination Management Plan 2022-25.

The Woy Woy waterfront project extends the length of the Woy Woy channel from Woy Woy wharf to Lions Park, and includes the Pelican Park playground which the council proposes to remove.

The removal of the playground was put on hold in June 2021 after Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch supported a petition with 6000 signatures calling for its retention.

It was reported at the time that the decision to remove the playground came after an onsite meeting between council staff and representatives of the Chamber of Commerce.

Both projects are listed under a

heading of Central Coast Township Revitalisation as actions to “identify towns that need amenity improvements that will strengthen their appeal to the visitor economy” and to “undertake a Central Coast Tourism Township Streetscape and Foreshore Masterplan for identified towns”.

Partners under the heading are listed as “industry, Chambers of Commerce”.

Neither the waterfront project nor the Place Plan project is listed in the Destination Management Plan itself, nor is Woy Woy listed as an “identified town”.

The Plan gives a cost estimate of \$200,000 in total for “township revitalisation” with a medium priority.

It indicates grant funding would be available to support this.

However, the council’s draft capital works budget currently on exhibition shows spending on the Woy Woy waterfront project over the next two years to be funded from general rates revenue.

The update described progress as: “Woy Woy Waterfront Masterplan community consultation, July 2022, with refinements and completed plan to allow funding to be allocated to projects in future year budgets”.

Among the achievements noted for the Peninsula were the

application for “eco-certification” by Bombora Ettalong Beach SUP.

Ettalong Town Centre was noted as winner of “Most Compelling Itinerary” in the NSW Top Tourism Town Awards 2021.

Woy Woy was named as-a finalist in the NSW Top Tourism Town Awards 2022.

The NRMA Ocean Beach Holiday Resort received a Silver award at the NSW Tourism Awards 2022 and was Holiday Park of the Year at the Caravan and Camping Industry of Australia Awards.

Woy Woy Fisherman’s Wharf won a Chef’s Hat for in Sydney Morning Herald’s The Good Food Guide 2023.

Two tourism round-tables were held to align strategic priorities and included the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce.

The report recommended that “the focused approach to tourism development and destination management be maintained to ensure long-term viability and sustainability of this vital sector”.

The council resolved to receive the report and attachment on the progress of actions of the Central Coast Destination Management Plan 2022-2025 and receive a further report in 12 months.

SOURCE: Central Coast Council agenda 2.8, 28 Mar 2023

New breakfast offering at Lions car boot sale

The Woy Woy Peninsula Lions Club has extended its breakfast barbecue offering at its car boot sale on Sunday, April 30.

The club is offering bacon and eggs rolls as well as sausages on rolls at the sale, held from 7am to 1pm at the Dunban Rd carpark at the corner of Ocean Beach Rd, Woy Woy.

“We also have cold drinks and there is a coffee truck available,” said club president Mr Greg Head.

Mr Head said the club was expecting an increase in the demand for stalls and attendance by the general public over the next couple of autumn months.

Those attending would find a variety of stallholders offering many varied items for sale, he said.

Mr Head said the club had run

the car boot sale for more than 20 years, the last 10 years at the current location.

He said that, while the council now charged for the use of the area, it had “now delivered first class amenities which has made a big difference to the members and public”.

“We raise about \$1200 per sale depending on numbers and weather

“All these funds are disbursed locally to various organisations and the public as needed to help their worthy causes,” said Mr Head.

“Vendors are welcome, at a cost of \$25 per car.

Stall sites are not open until 6:30am, said Mr Head.

For further information, call 0478 959 895.

SOURCE: Media release, 15 Apr 2023 Greg Head, WWPLC

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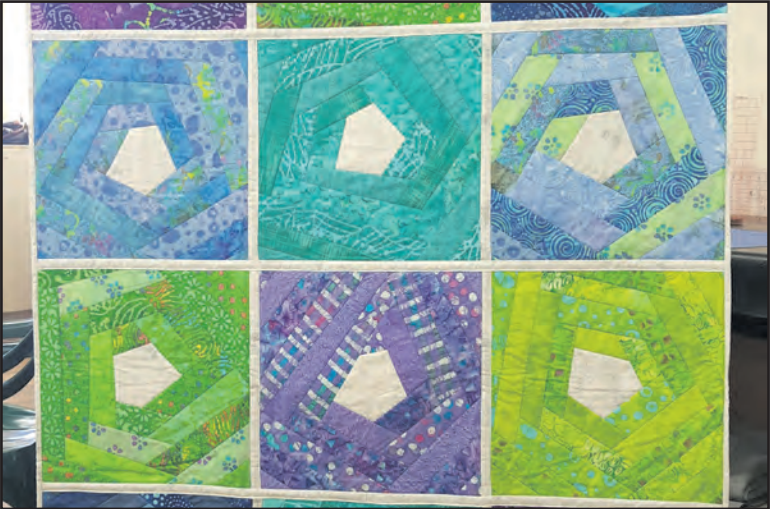
Grow Urban Shade Trees group member Ms Lesley Harvey has succeeded in having a tree on the Woy Woy waterfront recognised as a "significant tree".
The tree was planted under the Federally-funded Queen's Jubilee Tree program last year.
The planting had been coordinated by Ms Harvey.
She requested that the council

give consideration for the Sydney red gum be listed on the council's Significant Tree Register.
"Council has now approved the application which will ensure that the tree's place on the Woy Woy Foreshore Reserve is officially recognised into the future," said Ms Harvey.
SOURCE:
Social media, 13 Mar 2023
Lesley Harvey, Grow Urban Shade Trees



Little athletics presentation night

Woy Woy Peninsula Little Athletics Centre will hold its presentation night from 6pm to 8:30pm on Friday, May 26.
The night will include the presentation of age group awards, the awarding of perpetual trophies and recognition of achievements made at inter-club competitions.
The night will be held at Ettalong Diggers and all athletes will receive a light meal.
Parents and carers have been encouraged to attend.
SOURCE:
Social media, 13 Apr 2023
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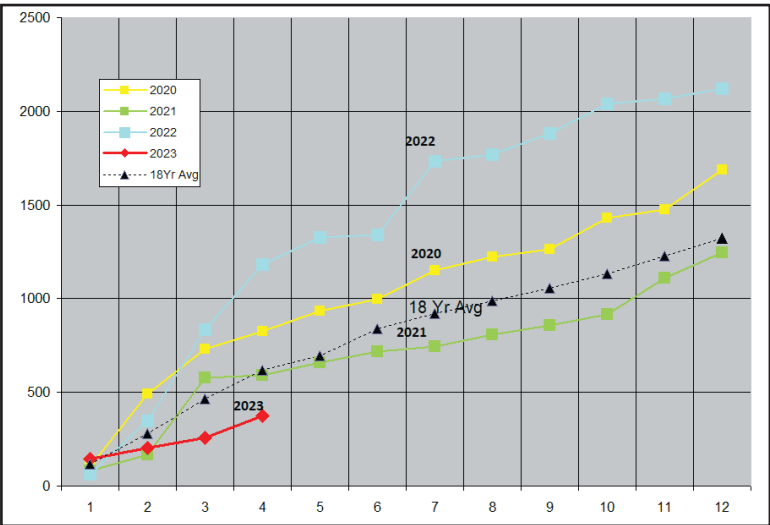
Quilt completed

Ettalong Beach Arts and Craft Centre's Monday patchwork group has seen the completion of another quilt.
"One of our group, Sarah Vaughan, completed this vibrant

'quilt-as-you-go' quilt at a recent weekend retreat," said tutor Ms Penny Howard.
"Love the colours. Great work."
SOURCE:
Social media, 5 Apr 2023
Penny Howard, EBACC

Highest 14-day rainfall this year

April rainfall on the Peninsula totalled 115.8mm by 9am on Friday, April 14, according to figures supplied by Mr Jim Morrison of Umina.
This is more than three-quarters of the average April rainfall of 149mm and the highest 14-day rainfall total this year.
Most of the rain came on just three days which each had more than 30mm.
A total of 38.5mm fell on Sunday, April 2, and 37.6mm on Monday, April 3.
On Friday, April 14, 33.3mm was recorded.
Year-to-date rainfall remains almost 40 per cent below average.
The current total of 374.7mm is



39.2 per cent less than the end-of-April average of 616mm.
SOURCE:
Spreadsheet, 14 Apr 2023
Jim Morrison, Umina

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Tesch supports disability lanyard program

Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch has welcomed the availability of “hidden disability” sunflower lanyards at Woy Woy station.

The lanyard allows people with hidden disabilities such as autism, dementia, chronic pain or anxiety to discreetly show that they have a disability and may require assistance.

“This is a great initiative that will increase awareness, educate more broadly and help make the travels of vulnerable members in our community more comfortable,” said Ms Tesch.

“Making public transport services and infrastructure more accessible and inclusive is something I will continue to advocate for in my community.”

She said Transport for NSW

had been working with Autism Spectrum Australia to develop training for their staff to be able to support them to help people with hidden disabilities use trains with greater comfort.

“Around 90 per cent of Sydney Trains and NSW TrainLink customer service staff have already undertaken the training.

“You can identify staff who have completed the training as they will be wearing a sunflower pin.”

The Hidden Disabilities Sunflower program is a global initiative across 39 countries.

Sunflower lanyards are also available online at www.transportnsw.info/news/2022/extra-support-for-hidden-disabilities.

SOURCE:

Media release, 14 Apr 2023

Liesl Tesch, Member for Gosford



Book fair raises more than \$11,000

The Easter Book Fair at Pearl Beach has raised \$11,584.50.

The book fair was held at the Pearl Beach hall on Easter

Saturday, April 8, by the Pearl Beach Progress Association.

Proceeds from the fair will go toward the upkeep and

maintenance of the hall and to other Pearl Beach initiatives.

SOURCE:

Social media, 8 Apr 2023
Friends of Pearl Beach

Bowls club unification discussions to continue

Discussions about the unification of Umina Beach men’s and women’s bowling club will continue following special meetings held by each club.

The members of each club last week passed a motion to do so.

The women’s club had a special general meeting on April 11 and the men’s club held a special general meeting on April 12.

Both club’s agreed in favour of “the Unification Working Group continuing to review and identify any advantages or disadvantages associated with the potential future

unification” of the clubs.

The women’s club voted 44-3 in favour, while the men’s club voted 44-11 in favour, according to men’s club secretary Mr Peter Springett.

“The motion was passed by a high majority, so the joint Working Group will continue with their review,” he said.

“Thanks to all the members who attended their respective special general meetings.

“Thanks also to Club Umina management for being scrutineers for the voting.”

SOURCE:

Social media, 12 Apr 2023

Peter Springett, UBMBC



Rotary club holds quiz night

The Rotary Club of Woy Woy held its Quiz Night recently.

Club president Ms Julie Jones said club member Mr Don Tee composed the quiz questions.

“The room was silent, as thinking caps were on and a concentrated effort was made to think the same way Don does,” said Ms Jones.

“There were plenty of chocolates to go round, as an energy boost, to encourage the participants.

“I often think I know a lot of trivia but then I come up against these puzzlers and I get stumped.

“A big thank you to Don Tee for his somewhat cryptic quiz questions.”

SOURCE:

Newsletter, 11 Apr 2023
Julie Jones, Rotary Woy Woy

Little Theatre holds volunteers’ get-together

Woy Woy Little Theatre is holding a volunteers’ get-together at Peninsula Theatre at 7pm tonight, Monday, April 17.

The get-together is an opportunity for volunteers to meet other volunteers and members, and to go on a tour backstage and through the bio-box.

It is also to thank volunteers for

their support of the Little Theatre.

“It’s all meant to be a bit of fun,” said theatre president Ms Christine Vale.

“The get together is for people who have already volunteered or who are just thinking about it.”

SOURCE:

Social media, 13 Apr 2023

Christine Vale, Woy

Woy Little Theatre

CWA Easter raffle drawn

The Easter raffle run by the Umina Beach branch of the Country Women’s Association has been drawn.

Branch president Ms Lin Griffith is pictured drawing the raffle.

“Thank you everyone who bought raffle tickets to support us,”

she said.

Prizes included a giant Easter hamper, an original painting, an Easter bunny and a children’s Easter bundle.

SOURCE:

Social media, 5 Apr 2023

Margy Logan, CWA Umina Beach

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New information on Brickwharf Rd flat open for comment

Updated information about a proposed six-unit three-storey residential flat building at 75 Brickwharf Rd is currently available for public comment.

The information includes amended plans and other documents including a “cover letter response” from planning consultants, Clarke Dowdle and Associates.

However, the updated documents do not include the main application document, the Statement of Environmental Effects.

The information has been submitted in response to the council planners’ comments and public submissions received after the application was first exhibited in July 2021.

The original application contained only five sheets of drawings.

Now the drawings include shadow diagrams and a total 31 in number.

The letter lists a number of changes that have been made to the plans.

The gross floor area is now stated as 608.64 square metres, which includes a reduction in units sizes, with replanned storage and wet areas, and inclusion of the common landing area at the top floor.

It states the top floor has been modified to improve potential overlooking and privacy, and also has “amenity adjustments” to



improve the floor plan.

The design now “integrates curved corners and balanced composition”.

Planters on the first floor have been increased in size from 71.52 square metres to 83.93 square metres “to improve amenity and soften the built appearance”.

The letter claims that neighbours will have a minimum of three hours of sunlight daily for living rooms

and the principal area of private open space;

It claims an increase in the deep soil zone and argues that front planters adjacent to that zone should be considered to be deep soil.

It is unclear whether the increase meets the minimum requirement of 25 per cent of site area.

A comparison of the old and new ground floor plans reveal

minor changes to some of the main building setbacks at the side boundaries of less than 100mm.

Two garages which adjoin the main building have also been pushed back from the side boundaries to 600 mm.

Non-compliance with planning provisions for setbacks, which were noted in the original application, has not changed with the updated information.

The provisions require side setbacks of six metres, but are currently planned to be a maximum of three metres and, for large portions of the main structure, only two metres.

The six metre rear requirement and the three metre side dimensions for deep soil zones are not achieved.

The requirement in the Apartment Design Guide for a communal common area is satisfied, according to the applicant, by leisure facilities across the road at the foreshore reserve.

A revised Section 4.6 variation requests for exceptions to planning provisions limits to floor space ratio and building height have been expanded and reworded.

Height would exceed the 11 metre maximum by 320mm, and the floor space ratio of 0.65:1 would exceed the maximum permitted of 0.6:1.

The letter also contains a section about the uniqueness of public submissions, claiming that there were only six unique submissions and that the council was therefore entitled to determine the application, without submitting it to the Local Planning Panel which would require 10 unique submissions.

Written submissions will now be accepted May 8.

SOURCE:
DA Tracker, 15 Mar 2023
DA61806/2021, Central Coast Council

Dual occupancy proposed for Adelaide Ave

An attached dual occupancy has been proposed for 57 Adelaide Ave, Umina Beach, according to the Central Coast Council planning portal.

The site is 620.4 square metres with rear lane access, according to the application prepared by Clarke Dowdle and Associates on behalf of the owner.

The application is for “the construction of a part single and two-storey attached dual occupancy development as illustrated in the plans prepared by Knight Mapleton Partners”.

“The dwellings are attached via roofing and are integrated in terms of style, roof design and use of external materials.

“Unit 1 fronts the Adelaide Ave and includes a single garage living areas and kitchen downstairs with two bedrooms and bathroom on the upper floor.”

“Unit 2 is a three-bedroom single story dwelling with a single garage fronting the lane.

“The unit includes a home office to the rear and kitchen and living areas facing northern private open space.

“The dwelling construction would utilise reinforced concrete slab footings, timber roof rafters with colorbond roof sheeting, aluminum framed windows, mixture of external cladding.

“The external finish includes weatherboard cladding, powder-coated windows and colorbond roofing.

“The proposal includes water tanks and landscaping.”

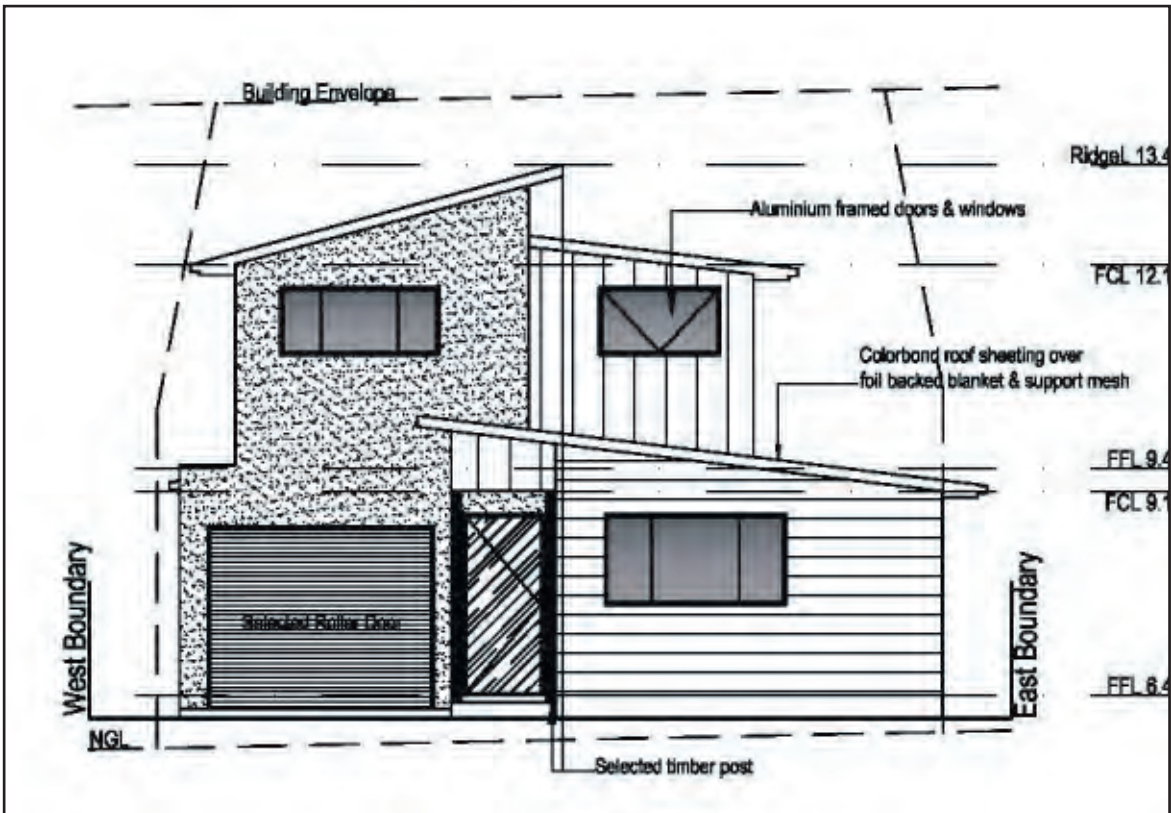
The landscaping plan indicates that an existing tree is to be retained at the rear of the property opposite the lane. The species is not specified.

The application also proposes the removal of a street tree “from the nature strip to allow the construction of a new driveway for lot 1”.

“Notwithstanding the removal of the tree, the character of the leafy area would be retained.”

The application claims compliance with all planning provisions apart from the rear setback which should be 4.5 metres but is only 900mm.

The application claims to “meet objectives”, arguing that: “The siting of the single garage



adjacent to the rear lane would be consistent with secondary dwelling and ancillary structures that have been sited within close proximity of the rear lane within the area and

within the entire Woy Woy-Umina Beach Peninsula Area.”

The application is currently open for written submissions from the public.

The Council’s planning portal does not specify a closing date.

SOURCE:
DA Tracker, 16 Apr 2023
DA601/2023, Central Coast Council

Reid welcomes medals for Vietnam veterans

Member for Robertson Dr Gordon Reid has welcomed the production of a 50th anniversary Commemorative Medallion and Certificate of Commemoration for our Vietnam veterans and their families.

"I welcome the announcement", Dr Reid said.

"We owe our serving and former defence personnel a high level of gratitude and respect for the sacrifices they made for our nation's peace and security," Dr Reid said.

"Australia can never repay the debt we owe to the 60,000 Australians who served in Vietnam, this medallion and certificate are a small but meaningful way to honour their service and to recognise the sacrifice of those who never returned home."

Dr Reid has encouraged Vietnam veterans or their families to visit the Department of Veterans' Affairs' website to complete an application for a medallion and certificate.

SOURCE:
Media release, 14 Apr 2023
Gordon Reid, Member for Robertson



David Jesaveluk



Paul Broad



Mark Luland

Marine Rescue presents certificates

A number of members of the Marine Rescue Central Coast unit have received ratings certificates and long-service awards.

They were presented by deputy unit commander Mr Andrew McKellar.



Dave Mead



Rolf Reinhardt



Mitch Giles

Mr David Jesaveluk and Mr Paul Broad both received Marine Radio Operator ratings, with Mr Broad also receiving a Marine Rescue Crew rating.

Mr Mark Luland and Mr Dave Mead both received Marine Radio Watch Officer ratings.

Mr Rolf Reinhardt received a five-year service award, while Mr Mitch Giles received a 10-year long service medal.

SOURCE:
Social media, 2 Apr 2023
Andrew McKellar, Marine Rescue Central Coast

Arboretum founding member dies

The Pearl Beach Arboretum committee has announced the death of a founding member of the arboretum at the age of 99.

"William Stuart 'Bill' Hawthorne passed away on March 25, aged 99 years, after a short illness," said arboretum secretary Ms Mary Knaggs.

"Bill was a founding member and life member of the Croomlin Native Arboretum at Pearl Beach.

"He was one of the original 'Arbo boys' who met every Thursday

to work in the Arboretum, always followed by a cuppa and a chat.

"Bill and his wife Mary were long time residents of Pearl Beach."

"He was devoted husband of Mary (deceased), father of Dianne, Evan, Neil and Louise, grandfather of Beccy and great-grandfather of Milan.

"He was generous, charming, kind and devoted."

SOURCE:
Website, 29 Mar 2023
Mary Knaggs, Pearl Beach Arboretum

Extra working bee at community garden

Woy Woy Peninsula Community Garden has started an additional weekly working bee.

Working bees started at the garden at 85-87 Moana St, Woy Woy, on Tuesdays and Thursdays

last week.

The new working bee will be run on a trial basis.

SOURCE:
Social media, 9 Apr 2023
Woy Woy Peninsula Community Garden

Patonga car fire false alarm

The Pearl Beach Rural Fire Service brigade has attended a reported car fire at Patonga at 8:45am on Wednesday, April 5.

The brigade was called in support of Patonga Volunteer

Rural Bush Fire Brigade.

Crews investigated the reported area.

They found a vehicle which, according to the owner, had produced some smoke when it was used earlier in the day, but

there was no sign of fire.

After confirming that the vehicle posed no further risk, the volunteer firefighters returned to the station and stood down.

SOURCE:
Social media, 5 Apr 2023
Pearl Beach brigade, NSW RFS



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First winner of new competition

Peninsula Village staff member Ms Sandra Fletcher is the first winner of a new staff competition at the aged care facility.

"We launched this raffle-style competition last month to reward our permanent staff for going above and beyond, as they so often do," said chief executive Mr Colin Osborne.

"There are a number of monthly prizes to be won, along with the final draw after six months."

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 1 Apr 2023
Colin Osborne, Peninsula Villages



Aged care home at career expo

Woy Woy aged care home Blue Wave Living attended Central Coast Career Pathways Expo at Avondale University on Tuesday, April 4.

"We saw hundreds of students visiting from schools all over the Central Coast looking to explore the range of options available to them after high school," said chief executive Mr Colin Downie.

"We met some lovely students and hopefully showed them a future in aged care where they too could love what they do."

SOURCE:
Social media, 5 Apr 2023
Matt Downie, BlueWave Living

Reid tours Pozieres House

Member for Robertson Dr Gordon Reid has had a tour of Pozieres House at Peninsula Village last week.

Dr Reid described the wing as "a fantastic new addition to aged care accommodation and services in the region".

He met with Peninsula Village chief executive Mr Colin Osborne.

Mr Osborne has previously called for the skills shortage in aged care to be addressed.

He said skilled staff needed to be attracted back to the industry, augmented with opportunities for skilled migration overseas.

"The longer-term solution must be the development of more aged care specific training and qualification opportunities for registered nurses and care workers," he said last November.

"It is only with the availability of these additional people with



appropriate skills that many of the recommendations from the royal commission into aged care can be genuinely and effectively implemented."

Dr Reid said: "The Albanese Labor Government is committed to strengthening and improving aged care across the Central Coast."

SOURCE:
Social media, 14 Apr 2023
Gordon Reid, Member for Robertson

Forum

Council's private partnerships threaten democracy

Many years ago governments were responsible for the delivery of essential services.

Over time, this has changed with private enterprise becoming an essential partner in the delivery of services.

This is based on financial gain to industries involved, which does not necessarily protect the purposes of government.

An example is the Central Coast Regional Plan's development of residential properties.

The council relies on industry to complete this action.

This creates a strong partnership between government and private enterprise, which excludes the public and treats it as an inconvenience.

The interests of these private stakeholders are the focus ahead of decisions on important developments.

Consideration of the public interest is left until the issues have been sorted to the satisfaction of the key players, and they cannot be changed.

How many essential services and infrastructure have been sold, out-sourced, traded-off and sacrificed since this model was adopted?

The relationship between government and private enterprise has political ramifications due to the obvious fact the government puts itself in a position of not being able to supply services without the assistance of private enterprise.

This results in the situation where now some political parties do not support democracy because it conflicts with the relationship between government and private enterprise.

This can be seen at Central Coast Council meetings where

comment in the public forum is all but ignored.

This enables the council to proceed with grandiose plans without public support.

The public voice should have precedence but is downplayed in council's desire for stardom and awards.

The council's asset sales highlight the reliance on these commercial partnerships at the expense of a return to democracy.

Residents should consider what actions are appropriate to regain their voice.

Some Peninsula residents have established community organisations for the purpose of regaining a democratic voice.

Well done to those organisations.

SOURCE:
Email, 21 Mar 2023
Norm Harris, Umina

Auditions now for October production

Woy Woy Little Theatre will hold auditions for the play Don't Dress for Dinner from 7pm on Wednesday, April 19.

The rehearsals will be held at The Peninsula Theatre, for the play which will be staged from October 27 to November 12.

The play by Marc Camoletti, adapted by Robin Hawdon, will be directed by Penny Dilworth.

The play is described as "a funny French farce complete with five doors".

"It will be a knee-slapping end to the year after two mystery whodunits," said Ms Dilworth.

Auditions are being held for five characters.

Bernard is aged 30-55 and a bit

of a schemer.

Jacqueline, also 30-55, is his wife.

Robert is the same age and is Bernard's best friend and Jacqueline's lover.

"He tries to please all but is caught in the middle," said Ms Dilworth.

Suzanne is aged 20-45, is Bernard's girlfriend and is described as a model.

Suzette is the hired cook, aged 25-50.

George is Suzette's husband, aged 25-55, who doesn't appear until Act Two.

SOURCE:

Social media, 13 Apr 2023

Penny Dilworth, Woy Woy Little Theatre



Two new classes offered at arts and crafts centre

Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre will offer two new classes for the coming term which starts on May 1.

Following the success of a recent half-day floristry workshop, the centre will offer an eight-week floristry class starting on Tuesday, May 2.

"The class will explore all aspects of creating stunning flower arrangements and bouquets," said committee member Mr Keith Weir.

"The class will be for two hours a week, from 10am to noon, and will cost \$116, plus a weekly charge for the flowers and other materials which will be supplied by the tutor.

"Tutor Amy Harrison is a local

florist who has many years of floristry experience and is also currently a tutor at Tafe."

The centre will also offer a second painting class this term, which will run on Thursdays, starting on May 4.

Mr Weir said tutor Ms Naomi Veitch would offer a second class "due to popular demand".

This class will run for nine weeks from 4pm to 7pm and will cost \$195.

Enquiries can be made through the Centre's website www.ebacc.com.au or by calling 0412 155 391.

SOURCE:

Media release, 13 Apr 2023

Keith Weir, EBACC

Donation for non-profit community band

A non-profit community band that plays regularly on the Peninsula has received a donation of \$2480 to support its work.

The Tempo Terrific band plays regular at Ettalong Baptist Church, Blue Wave Living in Woy Woy and at Peninsula Village in Umina, as well as at the Everglades Country Club.

Ettalong Diggers made the donation to fund its musical director's fees "so that they can continue to grow their musical skills and improve their performances for the local community".

Announcing the donation, Ettalong Diggers marketing manager Ms Kim Cole said: "Over the past years Tempo Terrific Band has provided musical services and

entertainment across the Central Coast, at community events, festivals and charity fund raisers.

"The 30-member band has players ranging in age from an 11-year-old trombone player to a 94-year-old clarinet player.

"Members enjoy friendship in music as well as the opportunity to give back to their local community by supporting events and playing music to lift the spirits of both their own musicians and members of the audience alike.

"Popular favourites include the Lion King, West Side Story and the marches of John Williams."

More information about the band is available on their website at www.tempoterrific.com.

SOURCE:

Social media, 13 Apr 2023

Kim Cole, Ettalong Diggers

Local movie preview held at Ettalong

The upstairs bar at Cinema Paradiso in Ettalong was packed to the gunwales last Tuesday night for a preview of the locally-made movie Get Free.

The invitees were predominantly cast and crew, who crowded into Cinema Two where every opening credit was cheered loudly before settling down to watch the film.

Produced by local company

AAGilesberg Pty Ltd, the movie contains segments filmed in locations easily recognisable to Peninsula residents such as Bullion St carpark in Umina.

Screenwriter Mr Craig Giles said the story was about women's empowerment.

"Each year, 1.2 million women and children will be taken.

"There are over 20 ways these victims become enslaved.

"This fictional dramatic film is about young women and children who fight back.

"They fight for the basic human right of freedom for all."

The film will have its world premiere at the Julien Dubuque Film Festival in the United States at the end of April 2023.

SOURCE:

Media release, 11 Apr 2023

Craig Giles, AAGilesberg



Tickets on sale for music scholarship concert

Tickets are on sale for the Pearl Beach Music Scholarship Concert to be held on Saturday, May 20.

The concert is presented by the Pearl Beach Progress Association and performed by students from the Central Coast Conservatorium.

Sessions are held from 11am-12:30pm for the Junior Showcase and Scholarship Concert and from 2:30-5pm for the Irvine Family

Piano and Pearl Beach Senior Music Scholarships, with tickets costing \$15.

The concerts are an opportunity for Conservatorium students to perform for the community, and deliver their best performances.

The junior students will perform on solo instrument and vocals and is not competitive.

For senior students, winners receive the Irvine Family Piano Scholarship, and the Pearl Beach

Music Scholarship valued at \$1000 each.

There is also a People's Choice award and a runner-up prize.

The day will end with a performance by past Scholarship winner Aaron Carey.

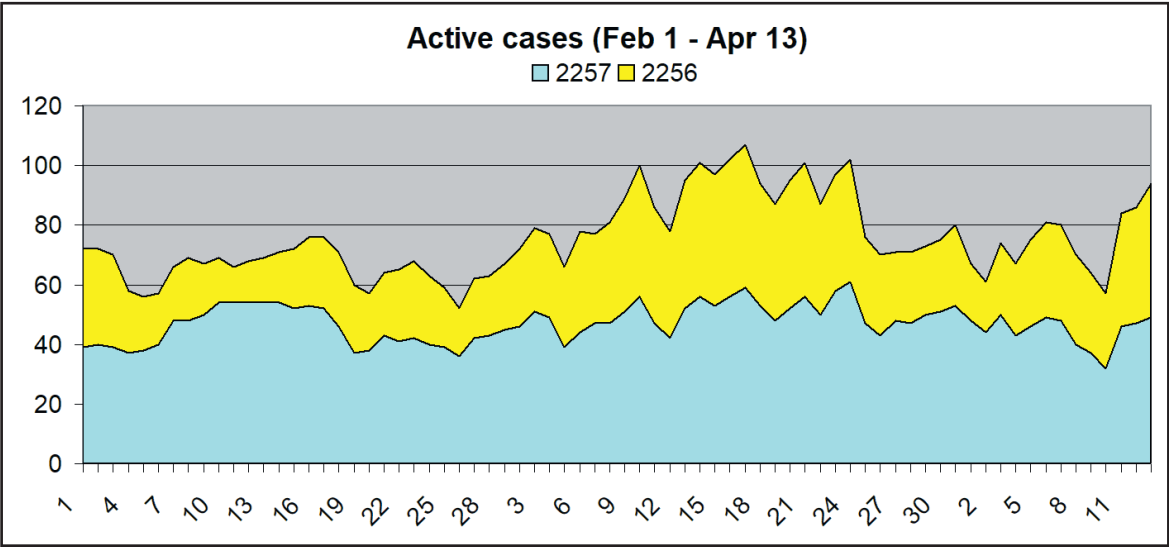
For further information and bookings, phone 4344 2319 or visit www.pearlbeachprogress.org.au.

SOURCE:

Social media, 13 Apr 2023

What's on in Pearl Beach?

Health



Virus numbers steady in 2257 area

Coronavirus numbers have remained steady for the 2257 postcode area over the past two weeks, according to figures provided on the government Data NSW website.

The fortnight started with 53

active cases in the postcode area and ended with 49 cases, and an average over the fortnight of 45 cases. However, cases in the 2256 postcode area increased from 27 cases to 45 cases in the same period.

The average for the postcode

for the fortnight was 29 cases.

At the end of the fortnight, on Thursday, April 13, there were 94 active cases in the two postcode areas, about 0.2 per cent of the population.

SOURCE:
Website, 13 Apr 2023
Covid-19 cases, Data NSW

Women’s health centre releases program

Peninsula Women’s Health Centre has released its Term 2 program.

Activities are run on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, as well as a Friday walking group.

A creative care group and a “Mums and Bubs return to Exercise” class are run on Tuesday.

Both start on May 23, with the exercise class starting at 9:30am and the care group starting at 11am.

Four activities will be run on Wednesdays.

Gentle yoga will run at 9am for six weeks from May 10.

Lomi Lomi massage 45-minute appointments will be offered from May 24.

Baby massage will be offered in a four-week group from 10:30am on Wednesdays from June 7.

A Positive Parenting Program

will be offered from 12:30pm to 2:30pm over five weeks from May 24.

A four-week course about managing anxiety will be offered on Thursdays at 10am from June 8.

Most activities come at a small cost or for a donation.

For further information, call 4342 5905.

A women’s health clinic operates on the first Wednesday of each month at the women’s health centre.

It is run by a registered nurse and is free to all women who are eligible for Medicare benefits.

Appointments are necessary and should be made with the Wyoming GP centre on 4324 2533.

SOURCE:
Social media, 12 Apr 2023
Peninsula Women’s Health Centre



Kathy Murphy retires

Ms Kathy Murphy has retired as executive care manager of Woy Woy’s Blue Wave Living aged care home and a replacement has been appointed.

“Ms Julie Heaney has been appointed as the new executive care manager,” said chief executive Mr Matt Downie.

“Thank you Kathy for all your hard work and dedication over the

years,” he said.

Mr Downie said Ms Heaney has demonstrated her commitment to BlueWave Living over the past few years.

“Coupled with her clinical expertise and leadership skills, we look forward to her on-going commitment to BlueWave Living in her new position.”

SOURCE:
Social media, 11 Apr 2023
Matt Downie, BlueWave Living

Barmah Forest virus at Empire Bay

The mosquito-borne Barmah Forest virus has been detected at Empire Bay.

Central Coast Health is encouraging residents to protect themselves against mosquitoes.

“While not all infected people experience symptoms, those who do could experience fever, chills, headache, muscle pain, joint

swelling, stiffness and pain, rash usually on torso or arms, tiredness or weakness.

“The best way to avoid infection is to cover up, use insect repellent and reapply regularly, ensure windows and doors have screens, avoid spending time outdoors at dawn and dusk when mosquitoes are most active and remove any

water-holding containers outside the house where mosquitoes could breed.”

For more information visit the NSW Health website at http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/infectious/factsheets/Pages/barmah_forest_virus_infection.aspx

SOURCE:
Social media, 3 Apr 2023
Central Coast Health

Four employees celebrate milestones

Four employees of Peninsula Villages have celebrated five and 15 years of service.

They were presented with certificates and bouquets.

Ms Karen Mitchell and Ms Debbie Hope celebrated 15 years, while Ms Elissa Bourke and Ms Emma Cook celebrated five years.

“All four ladies are well known and appreciated amongst our residents,” said chief executive Mr Colin Osborne.

“It was wonderful to recognise their hard work and devotion with a little party.”

SOURCE:
Social media, 6 Apr 2023
Colin Osborne, Peninsula Villages



Call to maintain covid and flu vigilance

The chief executive of a Umina aged care facility is urging to maintain vigilance with covid and influenza.

“As we approach the cooler months, it is a good time to start thinking about flu shots and covid-19 boosters,” said Peninsula Villages chief executive Mr Colin Osborne.

“For residents, this means

notifying staff if you develop any or cold or flu symptoms, staying up-to-date with vaccinations and wearing masks outside of the facility, when and where possible and appropriate.

“We recognise that receiving visitors is essential for our residents’ wellbeing, but to maintain their safety, visits should be conducted in a manner that minimises the risk of introducing

and spreading covid-19.

“We ask all visitors to take a RAT test prior to entrance and to wear a face mask.

“For staff, we conduct regular RAT tests, mandate mask wearing and vaccinations, and encourage meal breaks to be taken in ventilated or outdoor areas.”

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 1 Apr 2023
Colin Osborne, Peninsula Villages

Goalkeepers wanted

Southern and Ettalong United Football Club is seeking goalkeepers to join its Men’s Premier League squad for this season.

Anyone interested in trialling should contact Glen Balneaves on 0407 454 963 for more details.

SOURCE:
Social media, 9 Apr 2023
Glen Balneaves, SEUFC



Soccer competition culminates in staff-students match

A soccer competition held in the last few weeks of term one. The competition culminated with a staff versus students soccer match. Referee was parent Mr Ricky Gallagher from East Coast Soccer School. "Not only did the participants have a great time, there were bundles of excitement and fun had on the side-lines too," said school principal Ms Nicole Davies.

SOURCE:
Social media, 13 Apr 2023
Nicole Davies, SJB Catholic Primary School

Umina school raises \$30,000 through splashathon

The splashathon at Umina Beach Public School has raised more than \$30,000 for the school. School principal Ms Karen Wardlaw said: "Splashathon 2023 was all about teamwork and community spirit. "It highlighted the best of everything about our students, teachers, parents and community all working together, sharing experiences and making wonderful memories.

"Enormous thanks goes to Umina Beach Public School P/C and our parent helpers for all their hard work and effort. "I trust that all our families enjoy the next few weeks together before we come back, and do it all over again."

Parents and Citizens' Association president Kristy said: "All Splashathon winners will be announced in the first few weeks of next term as we are still tallying up the final numbers. "It's a very tight race for those top classes and prizes! "The sponsorship link will still be open over the holidays, if anyone wants to collect some last-minute online payments. "For now though, enjoy the break Umina Beach Public School! "The P/C is so grateful for your support and enthusiasm and hope you all have a healthy and happy school holiday.

SOURCE:
Social media, 6 Apr 2023
Karen Wardlaw, Umina Beach Public School

Kids on the Move program

A "Kids on the Move" for three to five year olds will be held at Woy Woy Public School on Wednesdays at 9:30am during Term 2. The free sports and movement program aims to get children moving, learning new skills, making friends and having fun. It will be run as part of the Department of Education's Woy Woy Schools as Community Centres project. Other programs to be run at Woy Woy include Baby and Me Time for those aged from birth to 10 months held at 11am to 12pm on Wednesdays, with sensory activities, music, stories and parent chat time. Little Learners, a one-hour phonics pre-literacy program for four to five year olds is held from 9:30am to 10:30am on Thursdays. Also on Thursdays, from 11am to 12pm, is a Baby Playgroup for crawlers and beginner walkers, with sensory activities, playtime, music and stories. For further information, phone facilitator Ms Philippa Skipper on 0477 317 862 or email philippa.skipper@det.nsw.edu.au.

SOURCE:
Social media, 3 Apr 2023
Ona Buckley, Woy Woy Public School



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Education



School holds colour run

Woy Woy South Public School held its Colour Run before the Easter holidays.
“Our Parents and Citizens Association worked so hard to

put on this fantastic event,” said principal Mr Matt Barr.
“It was definitely a day to remember.”
The colour run was held by

age group, ending with a run by teachers and parents, pictured.
SOURCE:
Social media, 8 Apr 2023
Matt Barr, Woy Woy South Public School

New canteen supervisor appointed at Woy Woy

Woy Woy Public School has announced the appointment of Ms Fiona Fry as its new canteen supervisor, following the “sad resignation of our wonderful canteen supervisor Ms Ann Wilson”.
Ms Fry will start duties at the canteen on April 26.
“Fiona is familiar with our canteen having worked there as a volunteer and fill in for Ann on many occasions,” said school principal Ms Ona Buckley.
“Fiona was also part of our P/C in previous years serving in positions of president and treasurer.
“Fiona’s children attended our school and currently so are her nieces.
“Fiona also has the reputation of being a fabulous cook.
“Recently Fiona has been working at a local hospital, overseeing, and preparing meals and dietary needs for patients.
“She is extremely well suited to this position.
“As a result of this exciting changeover, we are taking the opportunity to look at our canteen service.
“We want to simplify the menu and make sure we are supplying

healthy but popular snacks, food items and drink choices.
“This will mean adjusting some prices in line with food item increases.
“We will send out a survey early next term to see what your children like most at the canteen and take suggestions on what you may think is a better healthy food item that is popular with children.
“We will ask our students too for their favourite healthy choices.
“Flexischools will continue to operate as your online ordering platform and a menu change will be loaded up when we complete our survey and simplify the food choices.
“There will be summer and winter items that may differ.
“The canteen will continue until mid-next term when all information is gathered, and a new menu completed.
“Fiona will be part of our school staff and we warmly welcome her.
“Our canteen is a service for our students and parent community but still needs to be viable. “Let’s work together to ensure it can continue to be just that.”
SOURCE:
Social media, 13 Apr 2023
Ona Buckley, WWPS



Teacher shows baby

Umina Beach Public School teacher Ms Heidi Young has called in to the school with her newborn baby.
Principal Ms Karen Wardlaw said Ms Young “popped into our staff meeting with the beautiful Kiani Taylor, just six days old”.

“We’ve already put her on our enrolment list.
“Congratulations to the Young family on their newest addition,” she said.
SOURCE:
Social media, 4 Apr 2023
Karen Wardlaw, UBPS

Students in Anzac ceremony

Ettalong Public School students will take part in Woy Woy’s Anzac Day ceremony on Tuesday, April 25.
“Our school leaders will be marching from Deepwater Plaza to the Memorial Park for the 10.30am service,” said relieving principal Ms Jodie Campbell.
“We will be gathering outside Gloria Jean’s from 9.45am.
“If your children would like to participate, please ensure that you are present throughout the service and that they are in full school uniform.”
SOURCE:
Newsletter, 4 Apr 2023
Jodie Campbell, Ettalong Public School



College farm wins ribbons at Royal Easter Show

Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina campus has been awarded Supreme Berkshire Exhibit at the Sydney Royal Easter Show.
Its junior boar was awarded Junior Champion Berkshire Boar. It also received a “highly-commended” ribbon for its heifer in the Trade Steer and Heifer section.
The heifer was led by student

Corey Flight who is pictured with breeder Mr Mark McCreadie.
“We are extremely proud of the results achieved as they reflect the immense skill, dedication and passion of our staff and students,” said Umina campus principal Ms Kerrie O’Heir.
SOURCE:
Social media, 12 Apr 2023
Kerrie O’Heir, BWSC Umina

Help for teacher diagnosed with cancer

Woy Woy South Public School has started a crowd-funding page to help one of its teachers who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.
“Ms Niamh Minogue, Woy Woy South’s much loved French and Release from Face to Face teacher, has experienced the devastating diagnosis of breast cancer recently,” said principal Mr Matt Barr.

“She has undergone rapid and extensive surgery along with intensive treatment.
“There will be a long period of treatment and recovery ahead.
“This has not only impacted her physical and emotional health but has also had massive financial repercussions.
“Niamh does not have access to sick pay.
“We, as her community, are trying to help alleviate some of

this burden and have created a Gofundme page.
“Please read, share and if you are willing and able, donate to help this amazing human during this painful time.”
Donations can be made at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/helping-mrs-minogue-woy-woy-south-public-school>
SOURCE:
Social media, 13 Apr 2023
Matt Barr, Woy Woy South Public School

Netball open day

The Woy Woy Peninsula Netball Association will have an open day on April 29.
The day will start with an assembly of all teams at 11:30am.

With any questions, contact the association at wwpna@bigpond.com.
SOURCE:
Social media, 13 Apr 2023
WWPNA



Harper Cassell



Jaxon Markham



Eli Zadravic

Junior cricket presentation night

Southern Spirit Cricket Club held its Junior Presentation at Ettalong Bowling Club on Friday, April 14.

The night had the biggest turn out the club has had.

Among the award winners were Harper Cassell who took home the Lauren Smith Junior Female

Cricketer of the Year Award.

Jaxon Markham took home the Ryan Sainty Rising Star Award.

Eli Zadravic was the Steve Cattley Intermediate Player of the Year.

Dayne Jennings took home the Mike Driscoll Junior Cricketer of the Year Award.

Jaylen Johnston was named the John Foggarty Youth League Player of the Year

Trevor Sibley was awarded the Lee White Memorial Trophy for the Junior Clubman of the Year.

SOURCE:
Social media, 14 Apr 2023
Southern Spirit Cricket Club.



Dayne Jennings



Jaylen Johnston



Trevor Sibley



Netball teams in finals

Woy Woy Peninsula Netball Association's senior representative teams have finished third and fourth in their respective divisions in the Hunter-Central Coast Netball NSW Regional League at Niagara Park Stadium on April 1 and 2.

Woy Woy's Opens and 17s both played for a grand final opportunity.

Woy Woy 17s tried hard, played well and finished fourth overall in

Division 4.

Woy Woy Opens played a fantastic game and won, finishing third overall in Division 1.

The teams were supported by Woy Woy coaches and managers and Woy Woy umpires Ellyce Crabb, Noah Stephenson and Griffin Styant.

A number of Woy Woy spectators also came along to support the teams.

SOURCE:
Social media, 2 Apr 2023
WWPNA



Ettalong Pelicans wins State points score trophy

Ettalong Pelicans Masters Swimming has won the average points score trophy at the 2023 Long Course State Championships.

The team of seven swimmers competed against more than 300 Masters swimmers at the championships at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre over the

weekend of April 1-2.

The team won a total of 10 gold, 16 silver and four bronze medals.

Paul Lemmon broke the national record in the 200m Individual Medley in a time of 2.28.66.

SOURCE:
Social media, 13 Apr 2023
Ettalong Pelicans
Masters Swimming

Cycle group to go on nature walk

Central Coast Bicycle User Group will hold a Nature Walk from Umina Beach into the Brisbane Water National Park to the Hawkesbury River lookout.

The walk will be held from 9am to 12pm next Saturday, April 22, starting at Berrima Cr carpark, Umina Beach.

"It will be a nice little walk around through the bush, pointing out some of the interesting wildlife and native species," said group president Mr Alan Corven.

"It will be a leisurely 2.5 to 3.5 hour walk around the headland of Mt Ettalong through sleepy Pearl Beach into Brisbane Water National Park to a lookout with stunning views across the Hawkesbury River.

"The walk in the park follows a well-graded fire trail, steadily climbing to the lookout.

"This should take no more than 40 minutes including stopping for photos, sniffing the wattles and listening to the birds and possibly frogs.

"We'll return the same way to Pearl Beach where coffee or lunch can be had."

From there, the leader will return to the starting point with those of the group who wish to join him.

Children are welcome, but dogs are not allowed in the National Park.

The walk may be postponed due to bad weather.

For further information, phone Alan on 0414 538 977.

SOURCE:
Social media, 13 Apr 2023
Alan Corven, CCBUG

Record numbers at Woy Woy Parkrun

Woy Woy Parkrun attracted 338 people on Saturday, April 8, a record number.

Of these, 84 were first timers and 44 recorded new personal best times.

The event, the 184th at Woy Woy, was made possible by 13 volunteers: Mark Davis, Steve Caldwell, Graham Kinross, Steve Hodges, Vicki Hodges, Karen Duncan, Nicholas Wadwell, Geoffrey Blenman, Jacqui Knight, Jody Weir, Maureen Lynch, Daniel Drury and Lauren Byrnes.

SOURCE:
Social media, 8 Apr 2023
Woy Woy Parkrun



Swim club to hold open day

Woy Woy Swim Club will hold an open day from noon to 3pm on Sunday, April 30.

The open day will be held at the Peninsula Leisure Centre.

Anyone interested is invited to attend and "find out more".

There will be novelty races, inflatables and a free barbecue.

The day will provide the opportunity to meet Woy Woy Swim

Club representative swimmers, and the club committee will be available to answer questions.

Normal pool charges will apply and children must be supervised by an adult.

For further information, wwscsecretary@outlook.com.

SOURCE:
Social media, 13 Apr 2023
Woy Woy Swim Club

Sport

Good day for Umina men's pennant teams

Umina Beach Men's Bowling Club had "another good day" in Open Pennant team competition for Round 8 played on Saturday, April 15, according to club secretary Mr Peter Springett.

The Grade 3 team defeated Bateau Bay Stingrays 59-50 at Bateau Bay, winning nine points to one.

"The great news is that second-placed Terrigal went down 8-2 to Ourimbah and third-placed Wyong went down 8-2 to Ettalong," said Mr Springett.

The Grade 5 team defeated Mooney Mooney Mud Crabs 68-38, winning all 10 points.

The Grade 6 team defeated Mingara 65-45 shots at home, winning nine points to one.

The Grade 7 was defeated by Everglades 44-65 at home, winning one point to nine.

The washed-out Round 7 was played yesterday, Sunday, April 16.

The Grade 3 team was defeated by Ettalong 52-64 shots at home, winning one point to nine.

"This was our first loss of the 2023 Open Pennants Season," said Mr Springett.

The Grade 5 team lost to The Entrance 52-58 at home, taking half a point to The Entrance 9.5.

SOURCE: Social media, 15 Apr 2023 Peter Springett, UBMBC



Lions beaten by Razorbacks in first round rugby match

The Woy Woy Lions have been beaten by the Razorbacks at Woy Woy Oval, 27-7, in Central Coast Rugby Union's first round match.

The Razorbacks got away to a quick start and it was not long before they had jumped to a handy 12 points to nil lead.

However, things then evened

out and it developed into a real struggle.

The scoreline of 12-nil remained until the half time break.

Woy Woy was certainly causing the visitors problems.

The match continued to be a battle in the second half but it was the Razorbacks who crossed for a further two tries in the second half and were able to go on and outlast

the home team by a total of four tries to one.

Both teams will take a lot from the match and will have high hopes of a successful 2023 season.

Best players for Woy Woy were flanker Casey Woodford and prop Sione Lakalaka.

SOURCE: Media release, 16 Apr 2023 Larry Thomson, CCRU Photo: Peter McMahon



Women's Triples final

The Umina Beach Women's Bowling Club's 2023-24 Triples finals were completed on Thursday, April 6.

Nine teams contested the event which commenced on March 10, and delayed due to wet weather.

In the semi-finals, Judy Brown, Gwen Jarratt and Joan Murphy defeated Denise Arnold, Sandra O'Malley and Pam Fishenden.

In the other semi-final, Gay Foulkes, Aileen Robertson and Debra Moore defeated Beverley Collins, Cheryl Catchpool and Lynne Gordon.

The final between Joan's team and Debbie's team was played on Thursday, April 6.

The game was played in two halves with Joan's team on fire in first half then Debra's team firing home in second half to win the game.

Pictured above is the winning team of Debbie Moore, Aileen Robertson and Gay. Foulkes.

Below are runners-up Judy Brown, Gwen Jarratt and Joan Murphy.

SOURCE: Social media, 7 Apr 2023 Peter Springett, UBMBC

Easter pairs bridge pairs competition

Brisbane Water Bridge Club played its Easter Monday Pairs competition on April 11.

The Autumn Pairs red point event drew a good number of competitors vying for the ultimate prize.

In keeping with the new policy, separate sections were played for Under 50 Master Points and Unrestricted.

In the open section, 12 pairs were greeted with some very tricky boards which were difficult, in most cases, to bid to the highest level.

Due to the size of the field three boards were played each round, which required maximum concentration.

In the restricted section, the competition was conducted in a friendly, but exciting atmosphere.

Due to the small field, six boards were played in each round.

This reduced the number of movements and gave the players plenty of time to settle down.

Results of Monday Easter Pairs Open for Over 50 Masterpoints were:

1 Chris Williams, Janet Clarke 168.0 (62.22 per cent), 0.75 red points.

2 David Bowerman, Dasha Brandt 153.0 (56.67), 0.53.

3 Jaan Oitmaa, Sylvia Foster 152.0 (56.30), 0.38.

4 David Howells, Sue Eastman 148.0 (54.81), 0.25.

5 Jenny Buckley, Jacqueline Wilson 147.0 (54.44), 0.19.



6 Karen Ody, Jurate Laisve 139.0 (51.48), 0.15.

7 Judy Wulff, Susan McCall 136.0 (50.37).

8 Lorraine Lindsay, Chris Hannan 135.0 (50.00).

9 Frankie Craven, Deborah Guthrie 124.0 (45.93).

10 Pamela Lumby, Carol Long 119.0 (44.07).

11 Julie Teague, Laurie Powell 100.0 (37.04).

12 Marcelle Goslin, John Aldersley 99.0 (36.67).

Results of Monday Easter Pairs for Under 50 Masterpoints were:

1 Rohan Creasey, Carolyn Girdwood 73.0 (60.83 per cent), 0.16 red points.

2 Graham Woof, Chris Spikesman 63.5 (52.92), 0.11.

3 Kerry-Anne Durrant, Carolyn Harper 61.5 (51.25), 0.08.

4 Blair Glass, Carolynne Mucharsky 60.5 (50.42).

5 John Sandra, Bernadette Sandra 57.0 (47.50).

6 Bob Lowry, Dieter Mucharsky 44.5 (37.08).

SOURCE: Social media, 11 Apr 2023 Brisbane Water Bridge Club



Noah gains netball umpiring badge

Noah Stephenson has gained his National B Badge in netball umpiring.

He gained it at the Hunter Central Coast Regional League for the Woy Woy Peninsula Netball Association.

SOURCE: Social media, 2 Apr 2023 WWPNA

