



Reid retains Robertson with 7.6 per cent swing

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to him of 7.58 per cent.

Dr Reid acknowledged the election win yesterday in a social media post, simply saying "Thank you, Robertson."

SOURCE:
Social media, 4 May 2025
Gordon Reid, Member for Robertson

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Council to spend \$13.8M in capital works next year

Central Coast Council plans to spend \$13.8 million in capital works on the Peninsula over the next financial year, according to its \$1.09 billion draft 2025-26 budget.

The draft budget foreshadows spending \$81.7 million on the Peninsula over four years, with four projects taking more than \$68.2 million, more than 80 per cent, of this.

The four projects are the \$42.7 million Ocean Beach Rd intersection upgrade at Rawson Rd, \$20.1 million to be spent on Woy Woy tip, \$3.84 million to upgrade Patonga Camping Ground and \$2.58 million on the Peninsula Leisure Centre.

Unlike previous years, the budget does not show whether the projects are funded from government grants, from council rates, from developer contributions or from other sources.

This year, more than half of the identified \$13.8 million for Peninsula capital works goes to just two projects, with \$5.38 million to be spent on the Rawson Rd intersection and \$1.73 million to be spent on the Peninsula Leisure Centre.

Other large allocations will see \$870,000 spent to upgrade the James Browne oval carpark, \$800,000 on the Rip Rd Reserve seawall renewal and \$730,000 on the Woy Woy tip.

Renewal of The Esplanade at Ettalong has been allocated \$685,000, Woy Woy waterfront park redevelopment \$589,879 and Woy Woy public baths upgrade \$500,000 with another \$513,000 the following year.

The Patonga camping ground has been allocated \$530,000, which includes a start on a roads and drainage upgrade.

Other expenditure includes awning replacement at Umina Surf Life Saving Club, and \$240,000 on lighting and office renewal at Peninsula Theatre, while the Umina childcare centre is allocated \$113,000 and another \$300,000 the following year.

The playground at Peninsula Recreation Precinct will receive \$50,000 for renewal, with another \$550,000 foreshadowed for the following year.

Footpath lighting at Woy Woy oval has been allocated \$15,000, with another \$335,000 for the following year.

No footpaths are listed for construction.

Sewer pump station renewal on The Esplanade at Umina and in Horsfield Bay have each been allocated \$300,000, with a further \$1.3 million each the following year.

Aerator replacement at the sewage treatment plant in Woy Woy has been allocated \$685,000.

Foreshadowed expenditure includes one million dollars in 2028-29 allocated for "remediation" of the closed landfill tips beneath Rogers Park, James Browne oval and Austin Butler oval.

An allocation of \$1.74 million over three years starting 2026 has been made for the Mt Ettalong Lookout upgrade.

The identified \$13.8 million of Peninsula projects represent less than 4.5 per cent of total capital works program of more than \$315 million for a population is about 11 per cent of the region's population.

The capital works expenditure itself represents less than 31.5 per cent of the total budget, with the other \$774 million being "operational" expenditure, which is only described in the broadest general terms.

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Website, 2 May 2025
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Sticky date pudding 'a hit'

The Umina Beach branch of the Country Women's Association held a cookery session recently.

It was led by branch cookery officer Ms Celia O'Meara.

The topic was sticky date pudding which was reported to be "a hit" and "thoroughly enjoyed by all".

SOURCE:
 Social media, 26 Apr 2025
 CWA Umina Beach

Grant application rejected

Central Coast Council staff have recommended against subsidising lane hire at the Peninsula Leisure Centre for The Scuba Gym Australia Ltd.

The organisation applied for a community support grant from the council.

The application was "not recommended for funding as the project is ineligible as per clause 7.20 of the Community Support Grant Program Guidelines."

The clause excludes "Existing projects or programs that require additional funding."

SOURCE:
 Central Coast Council agenda 2.13, 29 Apr 2025

Work progresses at Everglades

Work is progressing on renovations at the Everglades Country Club.

"Walls are going up, and the space is really starting to take shape," said general manager Mr Ross Seabrook.

"Due to ongoing renovations, our main club entry (reception) has temporarily changed.

"Please enter via the Everglades

car park, located to the left of the existing entrance.

"We appreciate your patience and look forward to welcoming you.

"It's all happening, and we couldn't be more excited.

"Stay tuned for more progress."

SOURCE:
 Social media, 24 Apr 2025
 Ross Seabrook, Everglades Country Club



April's rainfall total was close to average

April's rainfall of 167.8mm was slightly over the average of 156mm.

After a mostly dry month, more than 80 per cent of the total, 136.4mm, fell in the last week of the month, according to figures supplied by Mr Jim Morrison of Umina.

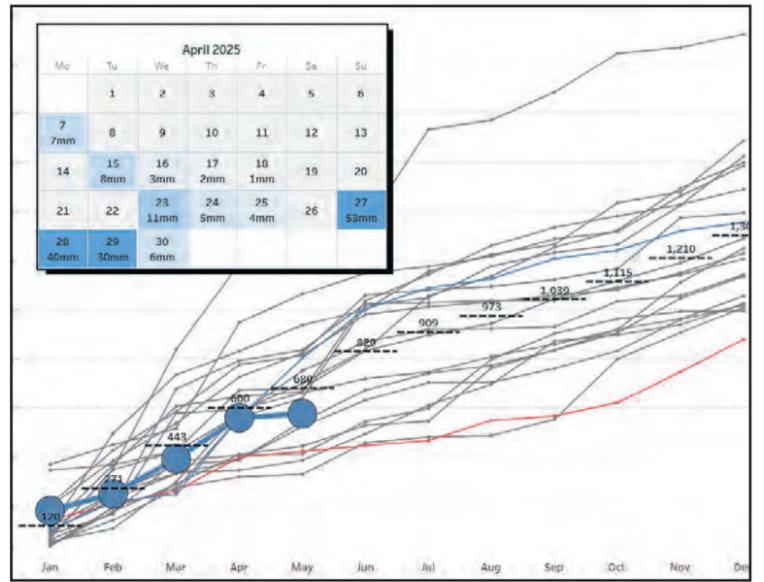
The April figure was just 7.6 per cent above average, bringing the year's total to 557.3mm.

This was just 7.9 per cent below the average total at the end of April of 605mm.

The cumulative total for the year has remained close to average for the first four months of the year.

In the first two days of May, 16.5mm was recorded, already 20 per cent of the May monthly average of 83mm.

More details, including daily



rainfall figures, are available online at <http://penne.ws/Rain>.

SOURCE:
 Spreadsheet, 2 May 2025
 Jim Morrison, Umina

TIDE TIMES and Heights	Mon, May 5	Thu, May 8	Sun, May 11	Wed, May 14	Sat, May 17
	0246 1.04	0538 0.92	0200 0.26	0400 0.23	0615 0.24
	1007 0.20	1207 0.21	0740 0.89	0936 0.81	1148 0.71
	1611 0.78	1828 0.97	1338 0.21	1515 0.25	1706 0.31
	2140 0.38		2003 1.15	2140 1.19	2344 1.11
ATTALONG	Tue, May 6	Fri, May 9	Mon, May 12	Thu, May 15	Sun, May 18
	0352 0.98	0035 0.30	0241 0.24	0443 0.23	0706 0.24
	1054 0.21	0621 0.91	0818 0.87	1017 0.77	1242 0.70
	1704 0.84	1237 0.21	1410 0.22	1548 0.27	1758 0.34
	2248 0.36	1901 1.04	2033 1.18	2216 1.17	
ETTALONG	Wed, May 7	Sat, May 10	Tue, May 13	Fri, May 16	Mon, May 19
	0449 0.94	0118 0.28	0320 0.23	0527 0.24	0038 1.08
	1133 0.21	0701 0.91	0857 0.84	1100 0.73	0801 0.24
	1749 0.90	1307 0.21	1443 0.23	1625 0.29	1342 0.72
	2345 0.33	1932 1.10	2106 1.20	2257 1.14	1900 0.36

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Wrong polling station list goes unexplained

The Australian Electoral Commission has not explained how a wrong list of polling stations for Saturday's election was published on its website.

Peninsula News used the list in good faith and published it in the last edition of Peninsula News.

Contrary to information published on the Commission's website, there were no polling stations in Pearl Beach, Patonga or The Bays.

Also listed were Umina library and Umina campus of Brisbane Water Secondary College which were also not polling stations.

The list on the Commission's website was corrected after the Peninsula News deadline.

The Commission issued a media release to Peninsula News, after the published article was brought to its attention by resident groups, who suffered inconvenience and anticipated confusion among residents as a result.

The Commission's media release was too late to be included in an issue of Peninsula News before the election.

The Bays Community Group vice-president Mr Vic Tysoe said the Commission had not contacted his group requesting to use the

hall.

He said he checked the Commission's website after Peninsula News was published and the community group's hall was not listed as a venue.

"We wish for our community to be accurately informed of where to vote and if the hall is to be used for voting or not.

"If it is not, we will leave it open for local residents or groups to book and use the hall on that day."

Pearl Beach Progress Association secretary Mr Gary Phillips also contacted Peninsula News: "Pearl Beach Memorial Hall will not be a polling station."

Patonga Beach Progress Associate vice-president Mr Stephen King confirmed the Patonga Hall had not been booked.

Central Coast Council's senior media advisor Ms Sue Davies also wrote to say the Umina Beach library had been incorrectly identified as a polling station.

In a social media post, Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina campus principal Ms Kerrie Thomas said the campus was unavailable as a polling station due to construction work that was in progress on the site.

SOURCE:
Media release, 23 Apr 2025
Vic Tysoe, The Bays
Community Group



Poppy project historian visits poppy wall

Poppy project historian Ms Merrill Jackson visited the new Poppy Wall at Ettalong Diggers for the Club's Anzac Day breakfast.

She has provided Woy Woy, Ettalong, Hardys Bay RSL sub-branch and auxiliary president Ms Dode Simpson, with an abundance of facts, through her Poppy Project: Never Forgetting the Sacrifices.

She is pictured at the Poppy Wall, with Ms Simpson and Club chief executive Mr Col Murphy.

SOURCE:
Social media, 25 Apr 2025
Ettalong Diggers

One hour limit in Ettalong

The Local Traffic Committee has agreed unanimously to introduce a one-hour parking restriction in front of the commercial development at 237-251 Ocean View Rd, Ettalong.

The street frontage was previously described as having "unrestricted parking".

The committee was told that Central Coast Council had received a request from business owners on Ocean View Rd for timed parking restrictions "to assist with parking turnover for customers accessing their businesses".

Council staff proposed to install one-hour parking from 8:30am to 6pm Monday to Friday and from 8:30am to 12:30pm on Saturdays, "consistent with the majority of

adjacent parking restrictions".

The meeting was told: "Consultation was carried out with adjacent residents, business owners and Chamber of Commerce with no objections received.

"The cost for the installation of the sign posting will be accommodated within the existing traffic facilities budget and be undertaken as soon as work priorities permit."

The minutes reported the committee member representing Transport for NSW querying the length of the parking restriction.

Council officers confirmed the restriction would extend 21 metres "which equates to approximately three car parking spaces".

SOURCE:
Local Traffic Committee
agenda 1.10, 17 Apr 2025

The Peninsula has about half the backlog in development assessments per capita compared to the rest of the Central Coast.

This is based on a staff report to be presented to the council's planning and environment committee tomorrow night, Tuesday, May 6.

The report states that the council had 776 development applications "under assessment" at the end of March.

As the Peninsula has 11 per cent of the population of the region, it could be expected to have 85 applications under assessment pro rata.

However, according to figures compiled by Peninsula News, the number under assessment for the Peninsula is just 48, or 6.2 per cent of the total.

Of these, 18 are applications for multi-dwellings or dual occupancies.

The council staff report states that 139 development applications have been "in the system" for longer than 12 months at end of March.

It is not clear what is meant by "in the system".

Of those under assessment for the Peninsula, 12 applications (8.6 per cent) were lodged more than 12 months ago.

The oldest was lodged in May 2023.

Nine applications under assessment were lodged in 2023, 21 in 2024 and 18 this year.

A total of 103 development applications are currently in process for the Peninsula.

Four are in "pre-lodgement review", four are "submitted" and 19 are currently on "notification-advertising".

A further 28 are awaiting payment or information from the applicant.

Five of these were lodged more

than 12 months ago.

However, it is unclear whether this delay can be attributed to council processing or to delays on the part of the applicant.

Other figures compiled by Peninsula News show 26 development applications for the Peninsula were lodged in March and 24 applications in April.

In March, 19 "complying development certificates" were separately issued allowing building work on the Peninsula.

In April, 14 certificates were issued.

In March, it appears that 18 development applications were approved.

More detail of the Peninsula's development applications can be found on the Peninsula News planning portal at <http://peninsula.news/portal.aspx>.

SOURCE:
Agenda item 1.4, 6 May 2025
Environment-Planning Committee,
Central Coast Council

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Planning



Proposal in rare bush removes 43 trees

An application has been made to build a two-storey dwelling at 10 Peta Close, Umina, which would remove 43 trees from endangered bushland on the property.

The bush is classified as part of the Wagstaffe Spotted Gum-Ironbark Forest Endangered Ecological Community.

Trees proposed for removal include species such as Forest Oak, Spotted Gum, Grey Ironbark, Cheese Tree, and Sweet Pittosporum.

The application prepared by Ward Architecture describes the 664.5 square metre site as "vacant" land and states that, for the development to proceed on the site which is identified as a bushfire risk area, the trees need to be removed to reduce the site's tree canopy to 20 per cent.

Only 11 trees are in positions that allow them to be retained while meeting the bushfire management requirements.

The application claims compensatory tree planting was not possible on the site as it would compromise the bushfire management plan.

The application proposes to use the Biodiversity Offset Scheme with "one ecosystem credit" to compensate for the tree removal.

Part of the land is also identified



as a high landslip hazard area.

The proposed two-bedroom dwelling has an open-plan living-dining-kitchen area on the upper level.

Ground level has an artist's studio, a shower and a garage.

The application states the proposed development is located on the gently sloping western portion of the site, which is described as a limited level, narrow and long section of land that dictates the building's footprint and mass.

Excavation is needed to create a level building pad, it says.

It is claimed that privacy for neighbouring properties was considered with the main living

and bedroom windows and deck oriented towards the native bushland to the south-west.

A geotechnical report states that the proposed construction was considered an acceptable risk, provided recommendations for foundations and slope treatment were followed.

Piles extending into bedrock were recommended for stability.

The design is claimed to comply with relevant development controls regarding building height, site coverage, and setbacks.

The application is currently on exhibition for public submissions until June 4.

SOURCE:
DA Tracker, 4 May 2025
DA/514/2025, Central Coast Council

Street tree concern to go to Planning Panel

The Local Planning Panel will consider an application for a dual occupancy development and two-lot strata subdivision at 42 Hobart Ave, Umina, at its meeting on Thursday, May 15.

Council planning staff have recommended the application for approval, subject to conditions.

This application was referred to the Local Planning Panel after 22 submissions were received during the notification period.

A key concern raised in the submissions relates to the proposed removal of a street tree, identified as T1, located on the council verge.

Residents expressed objections arguing the removal was unnecessary.

The council's assessment acknowledges the community's concern regarding the angophora floribunda (rough barked apple tree).

The arborist report, included in the assessment, indicates that the development has been designed to consider the location of trees on

the site.

However, the report also states that tree T1 will require removal.

The Arborist notes that this tree has a medium retention value and can be removed if adversely affecting the build.

The council's assessment highlights that there is no vegetation to be removed from the development site itself, with the tree in question being on the council verge.

The removal of the tree would be subject to a condition of consent requiring replacement at a 2:1 ratio, meaning two new trees be planted.

The council report also notes that the existing verge area already has remnant vegetation, and additional trees are proposed for planting in the private open space of each new dwelling.

The council assessment concludes that the proposed development is satisfactory, consistent with planning objectives, and that the site is suitable for the development subject to conditions.

SOURCE:
DA/1627/2023, 15 May 2025
Local Planning Panel,
Central Coast Council

Non-compliance argued to be 'minor' and 'justifiable'

An application to build a dual occupancy at 15 Telopea St, Booker Bay, and subdivide it into two lots has been lodged with Central Coast Council.

The development will consist of a front and a rear unit.

The front dwelling would be two storeys with four or more bedrooms and an attached double garage.

The rear dwelling is part single-storey, with a two-storey section.

It would contain three bedrooms and a single garage.

Both units include outdoor covered entertaining areas intended as private open space.

The subject site is zoned R1 General Residential and has a site area of 627.1 square metres.

The proposal does not comply with rear setback requirements or open space requirements specified in the planning provisions.

The rear unit has a setback of three metres, where a minimum of 4.5 metres is required.

For front unit includes its private open space within the front setback which is not permitted, and its minimum width of four metres is less than the required 4.5 metres minimum.

The applicant states that the total private open space areas for both units exceed the minimum area required and argues that variations to the planning



provisions are necessary given the narrowness of lots in the area.

The variations are also claimed to be consistent with urban renewal objectives and recent nearby approvals.

The application proposes a finished habitable floor level of 3.00 metres AHD to meet flooding requirements, and proposes a building height of 7.22 metres, below the maximum allowed height of 8.5 metres.

The application states the site is within the Booker Bay character area, which is described as a leafy mixed-density residential neighbourhood.

It states that the design incorporates varied building materials and articulation to relate to the desired character, although narrow lots present challenges to achieving the ideal "pavilioned"

form suggested in controls.

The proposal includes the removal of a frangipani tree on site and a palm tree in the road reserve, with a replacement street tree proposed.

A submission from a member of the public requested consideration for planting two street trees for replacement, suggesting specific tree types, and inquiring about shade landscaping for the rear unit.

The application asserts that the proposal is of a desirable form of development in an area undergoing urban renewal, consistent with the zone objectives and most planning controls, with "justifiable minor variations".

The proposal is on exhibition for written submissions until May 23.

SOURCE:
DA Tracker, 4 May 2025
DA/455/2025, Central Coast Council



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Phegans Bay waterfront plan to be exhibited

Central Coast Council intends to place the Draft Phegans Bay Waterfront Masterplan on public exhibition.

A report will be prepared following public exhibition for 28 days to consider submissions.

The masterplan extends from the northern end of Monastir Rd along Phegans Bay foreshore to approximately Raymond Rd, encompassing the Phegans Bay Rd reserve and the foreshore.

It is intended to provide a vision for the Phegans Bay waterfront guiding future works to improve reserve amenity, safety, environmental integrity, and protection of important heritage.

The masterplan will be incorporated into the Hawkesbury-Nepean River System Coastal Management Program, the primary strategic plan guiding the overall management of Brisbane Water Estuary.

This will ensure that actions identified in the masterplan relating to the management of the coastal zone, such as foreshore stabilisation, will be eligible for funding via the NSW Coastal and Estuary Grants Program.

The plan was prepared after the Council was approached by representatives of The Bays Community Association who were concerned about erosion along the Phegans Bay foreshore and specifically the possible impacts on road infrastructure, a report to last week's council meeting stated.

In December 2023 and January 2024, the Council sought feedback from the community via an interactive map and a survey to "capture local issues".

"Throughout the consultation period the website was visited 713 times, 63 pins were dropped on the interactive map with 152 'up votes' and 152 'down votes' on community suggestions and proposed elements.

A total of 34 surveys were completed.

The feedback covered a range of issues.

It stated that the masterplan should be sensitive to the unique charm of the bay and its natural setting.

Over development was discouraged.

The community would like foreshore erosion addressed with a preference for environmentally sensitive design.

The community would like improved access to the waterfront.

The condition of the road, safety and drainage need improvement.

The community would like safe pedestrian walkways and seating along the waterfront.

The community would like local Aboriginal and European heritage interpretation.

The community would like to see additional space provided for bus turning movements at the southern end of the site.

The community would like to keep the existing bus stop which is much loved.

The community would like the informal boat ramp at the northern end of the site to be upgraded however there are different views on which kind of watercraft should be launching here.

The community advised that views are important to many residents, and that council should avoid planting trees, rehabilitating mangroves, or building new infrastructure that would impact outlook.

The community acknowledge that mangrove restoration is important for bank stabilisation and encouraged in areas that won't block views.

The community would like the jetty upgraded to allow wheelchair access.

The staff report to council stated: "Should the masterplan be adopted by Council following exhibition then there will be a requirement for each element to be assessed in detail for feasibility as individual projects in accordance with Council's Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework and asset management plan for capital works.

"This would also include assessing the items for prioritisation and considerations of delivery timeframe.

"Foreshore stabilisation was identified as the highest priority item by Council staff and the community in the masterplan.

"There is a risk that the masterplan will increase the community expectations on Council for service and asset delivery in the area.

"It is important to clarify that no additional budget or resources have been allocated to deliver the elements in the draft masterplan and allocation of funds to deliver would need to compete with Council's other priorities."

SOURCE:
Central Coast Council agenda 2.7, 29 Apr 2025



Reid gets election swing of 7.58 per cent

Labor's Dr Gordon Reid has been returned as Member for Robertson in the Federal election on Saturday with a "two-candidate preferred" swing to him of 7.58 per cent.

Dr Reid acknowledged the win yesterday, Sunday morning, in a social media post, simply saying "Thank you, Robertson."

State Labor Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch commented: "Congratulations, Gordon. A win that is incredibly well deserved."

Dr Reid held 59.81 per cent of

the two-candidate vote, compared to 40.19 per cent for Liberal Ms Lucy Wicks, a swing against her of 9.74 per cent, with 91,647 of the votes counted at 1:54am yesterday.

The electorate had 114,983 eligible voters.

Dr Reid received 45.45 per cent of the primary vote counted (39,700 votes), while Ms Wicks received 30.23 per cent (26,402 votes).

The Greens' Ms Cheryl Wallace received 8.78 per cent (7666

votes), a decline of 1.24 per cent.

One Nation's Mr Matt Lloyd received 6.77 per cent (5915 votes), an increase of 2.93 per cent.

The Legalise Cannabis Party's Mr Tom Lillcrap received 3.35 per cent (2930 votes), while independent Ms Lisa Bellamy received 3.29 per cent (2872 votes) and Trumpet of Patriots' Mr David Borg received 2.13 per cent (1864 votes).

SOURCE:
Website, 4 May 2025
Australian Electoral Commission

Reid gains 49 per cent of Peninsula vote

Labor's Dr Gordon Reid gained 49.0 per cent of the primary vote counted on the Peninsula (12,722 votes), in Saturday's Federal election.

This compares with 45.45 per cent across the Robertson electorate as a whole.

Liberal Ms Lucy Wicks received 26.75 per cent (6944 votes), compared to 30.28 per cent across the electorate as a whole.

The Greens' Ms Cheryl Wallace received 8.30 per cent (2156 votes) of the Peninsula votes, One Nation's Mr Matt Lloyd 7.06 per cent (1833 votes), Legalise Marijuana's Mr Tom Lillcrap 3.76

per cent (977 votes), independent Ms Lisa Bellamy 3.00 per cent (779 votes) and Trumpet of Patriots' Mr David Borg 2.13 per cent (552 votes).

More than 60 per cent (15,892) of the 25,963 Peninsula votes were cast pre-poll.

Best results for Dr Reid were the majority votes of 51.08 per cent at BWSC (545 votes) and of 50.56 per cent at pre-polling at the Woy Woy Community Centre (6748 votes).

Worst were 39.31 per cent at Booker Bay (215 votes) and the South Woy Woy (Coastlink) hall 42.94 per cent (307 votes).

All his results at other Peninsula booths were greater than 45 per cent.

Best for Ms Wicks was 38 per cent at Booker Bay (208) and 29.42 per cent in pre-polling at Broken Bay Scout Hall (749) and 29.28 per cent at pre-polling at the Peninsula Community Centre (3908).

Lowest primary vote for Ms Wicks was 18.28 per cent at Woy Woy South Public School (191 votes) and 18.46 per cent at Brisbane Water Secondary College (197 votes).

SOURCE:
Website, 4 May 2025
Australian Electoral Commission

Ferry diverted due to swells

The Palm Beach Ferry was diverted to Patonga on Wednesday and Thursday, April 30 and May 1.

The diversion of the Ettalong and Wagstaffe service to Patonga was due to the forecast of a large

swell. Normal services were to resume on Friday, May 2.

SOURCE:
Social media, 29 Apr 2025
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Council can do better than waste time

Today I contacted Council in response to a public consultation regarding a roads matter.

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On making the call, instead of the contact person, I was connected to the general enquiry line.

After going through the numeric selection options, I was connected

to an operator and I asked for the contact person by name and position.

I was then asked quite a list of questions before they checked whether the person was available.

They weren't.

Then followed another long set of questions to enable me to leave a message for a call back.

All this took 12 minutes (according to my mobile phone).

It is unclear to me why it was not possible to leave a message

for the contact person directly.

This would have taken approximately 30 seconds.

If all unanswered calls to direct lines take this long and waste so much time, it is no surprise it is hard to get in contact with our Council and that wait times are often so long.

A better system is urgently needed.

SOURCE:
Email, 1 May 2025
Sue Ellis, Umina



Fallen sign could have been sad accident

You'd have to question the logic of whoever put this sign up at the Ettalong Ferry Wharf.

It has fallen backwards in the last week or so, if it had of fallen on someone it could have killed them.

There would have been numerous small children around in the last few weeks too.

The concrete attached to the sign seems very small compared

to the size and weight of the sign.

We live in a time of dramatic climate changes which would include heavy swells breaking on our beaches.

Why didn't they put it further back? Attach it to something? The ferry wharf for obvious reasons always has a lot of people around it, I'm not an engineer but even I can see this could have been a very sad accident.

SOURCE:
Email, 29 Apr 2025
Jeff Higgins, Ettalong Beach

We need a Peninsula Council

Reading the Coast Connect Quarterly April 2025 which accompanies our fourth rate installment, I noticed just one small piece of copy that mentioned anything to do

with the Peninsula.

E-Waste can be recycled for free at Woy Woy.

Council has moved almost all of its operations to Wyong and it's very clear Council is hugely

focussed on Wyong shire.

We need a Peninsula Council that will truly promote our collective interest here on the Central Coast.

SOURCE:
Email, 3 May 2025
Luke Chell, Woy Woy

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Scanners for lifeguards?

One day last week an unidentified stray dog was running along Ocean Beach.

It was almost at the end of the lifeguard's shift so he was unable to organise an identity scan by a vet or other authorised person.

The Council lifeguard at this beach is conscientious, caring, and very good at his job, which involves being responsible not just for humans but also any animal that needs assistance.

However, he is hampered in his work by not having any means of identifying the owners of lost dogs.

Would it be possible for Council to provide microchip scanners for the use of lifeguards on Central Coast beaches?

The loss of a dog involves distress not just for the animal of course, but also for its human family, not to mention the danger posed to the public by a frightened dog running loose.

SOURCE:
Email, 9 Apr 2025
Jane Hendy, Blackwall

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Deadline today for Flash Festival scripts

The deadline for short play scripts for Woy Woy Little Theatre's Flash Festival is today, Monday, May 5.

Flash is a themed competitive short play Festival, open to residents of the Central Coast and Hunter regions.

This year's theme is Home.

The festival aims to encourage increased participation and opportunities for live theatre for writers and creators.

"We welcome a mix of new and experienced writers, actors and directors," said Little Theatre box office manager Mr Graham Vale.

"This year we are unable to present writing workshops.

"However, we will be presenting an acting- directing workshop on Saturday, June 28."

Directors are now being sought for the festival.

Expressions of interest in the workshop are also being sought from actors and for auditions on Sunday, July 27.

Rehearsals start on Monday, August 18.

Flash Festival performances will be held over the weekend of September 19-21.

Further information is available online at <https://www.woywoylt.com>.

SOURCE:
Social media, 25 Apr 2025
Woy Woy Little Theatre

People's choice award

Two artists have been announced as joint winners of the Pearl Beach Environmental Art Trail People's Choice Award.

They are Ms Kristen Erling for her work for "Goddess Worships, Sun and Moon" (pictured) and Mr Andrew Alter of Pearl Beach for "A Stretch of the Imagination".

Mr Alter was "highly commended" in the formal judging of Art Trail by Ms Anne Flanagan at its opening on Sunday, March 23.

Voting for the People's Choice Award closed at 5pm on Saturday, April 26, and the winners were announced at a community morning tea at Pearl Beach Hall on Sunday morning, April 27.

The prize money will be split between the two with each artist receiving \$500.

SOURCE:
Media release, 27 Apr 2025
Mary Knaggs, Pearl Beach Arboretum



Author talks about history of tourism on the Coast

Local author and historian Mr Peter Fisher will talk about the history of tourism on the Central Coast at an author talk at Umina library between 10:30am and 11:30am on Thursday, May 8..

He will bring along some souvenirs of the past for viewing and discussion.

He will also bring copies of his latest release 'Wish You Were Here: A History of Tourism on the NSW Central Coast' for purchase.

Bookings are essential, and may be made at the library or by phone on 4304 7333.



SOURCE:
Website, 29 Apr 2025
Library Services, Central Coast Council

Writers' festival seeks student stories

The Words on the Waves Writers Festival is seeking entries in its short story competition for the budding young writers.

The competition is part of the festival's Ripples Schools Program, "a program geared towards fostering literacy for the next generation of readers and writers", said organiser Ms Angela Bennetts.

This year's competition theme is centred around wood.

"Into the Woods represents stepping into the unknown, perhaps

the dangerous or the exciting.

"What experience will send young imaginations soaring?"

Entries go into the running for prizes for both themselves and their "submitting adult".

Entry is free and closes on Friday, May 9.

More information about submitting a story and the prizes on offer are available on the festival website <https://wordsonthewaves.com.au/>.

SOURCE:
Medial release, 28 Apr 2025
Angela Bennetts, Words on the Waves

Book club for 'tweens

The book *Hedgewitch* by Skye McKenna is the topic for the Book Club for Tweens to be held at Umina Beach Library on Wednesday, May 7, from 3:30pm to 4:15pm.

The club is for students in school Years 5 and 6. All are welcome.

The book is a fantasy novel that

features a talking cat, flying broom, and an enchanted village.

It may be borrowed from the library.

Bookings are essential, and may be made at the library or by phone on 4304 7333.

SOURCE:
Website, 29 Apr 2025
Library Services, Central Coast Council

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Mayor rejects calls for transparency

Questions are being asked about what Central Coast Mayor, Lawrie McKinna, is trying to hide.

At the Council meeting held on 29 April 2025, I moved a motion calling for greater transparency from the Mayor and CEO's office.

The motion asked the Mayor and CEO to provide a monthly diary disclosure – similar that that of State Ministers - in order to ensure transparency and accountability. Mayor McKinna rejected this outright.

The Mayor has a privileged position within the Council that comes with additional resources (office, staff, car) and a significant allowance above that of other Councillors.

However, the Mayor is regarded as the first amongst equals – not a law unto himself. Although the Mayor has an additional leadership role, he is one of fifteen Councillors that make up the governing body of Council.

During my term as Mayor, I would regularly circulate to Councillors and Senior Staff a record of meetings and events that I attended in representing our Council. NSW Ministers publish regular diary disclosures to ensure transparency and accountability.

There is no reason why the Mayor's diary should be a secret from our community.

The motion was voted down by the Liberal, Team Central Coast Councillors with Cllr Belinda Neal also voting against the motion. No reason was given.

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Anzac Day



Anzac Day on the Peninsula



School community to voice concerns about preschool

The Umina Beach Public School community will make a “collective submission” voicing concerns about the siting of the new public preschool in the school grounds, following a meeting at Club Umina on Wednesday, April 30.

The school’s Parents’ and Citizens’ Association announced it would send survey results and collected e-mail responses to local Members of Parliament and relevant government bodies, accompanied by a letter from the reflecting sentiment of the school community.

The association said it would follow up its request for broader consultation and a planning

timeline, on behalf of the school community.

It would continue to provide updates as responses were received.

The association would begin early conversations with the school regarding impacts on day-to-day operations during the construction period, including changes to playground use, drop-off and pick-up logistics, and Years K–2 greenspace reallocation.

“We remain committed to open dialogue with government stakeholders, school leadership, and the broader community as we work through this process together.”

SOURCE:
Social media, 30 Apr 2025
Umina Beach Public School P/C



Development days ready staff for Term 2

Woy Woy South Public School has held staff development days to get ready for Term 2 learning.

Staff updated their resuscitation and anaphylaxis training.

One day was dedicated to professional learning about High

Potential and Gifted Education - HPGE.

SOURCE:
Social media, 29 Apr 2025
Woy Woy South Public School

Regular helpers needed

The Woy Woy South Public School’s parents’ and citizens’ association is seeking volunteers for its Term 2 Canteen Crew.

Regular helpers are needed, whether it be once a week, fortnight or month.

They may come for the Recess

shift from 9am to 11:30am or the Lunch shift from 11:30am to 1:30pm or both.

No experience is needed.

Email the canteen manager at canteen@wwspandc.org for more information.

SOURCE:
Social media, 28 Apr 2025
Woy Woy South Public School P/C

Mother’s Day celebration at St John’s

A Mother’s Day celebration will be held from 8am to 10am on Friday, May 9, at St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School.

All mothers of the school are invited to attend.

At 8am, there will be muffins or pastries and tea or coffee or juice.

From 8:20am to 8:45am, Open Classrooms will be held.

From 9am, mass will be held in the school hall.

All families have been invited to send in a photo for the special Mother’s Day Mass presentation.

SOURCE:
Social media, 30 Apr 2025
SJB Catholic Primary School

Targeted

An information evening about Targeted Programs at Umina campus of Brisbane Water Secondary College will be held for parents and carers of next year’s Year 7 students.

The evening will be run on Tuesday, May 13, at 5pm in the Umina campus gym.

SOURCE:
Social media, 30 Apr 2025
Woy Woy Public School

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College Anzac Day activities

Brisbane Water Secondary College students and staff represented the college across the Peninsula at various Anzac Day services.

Umina campus principal Ms Kerrie Thomas and college principal Ms Marisha Blanco attended the Ettalong Dawn Service.

Two students were guest speakers.

Woy Woy campus school captain Talen Higginson and vice-captain Lucy Marshall also spoke.

Later in the day at the Woy Woy 10:30am March, Woy Woy campus vice-captain Keira Soames spoke, while campus captain Samantha Gatt laid the commemorative wreath.



SOURCE:
Social media, 25 Apr 2025
BWSC Woy Woy



Vietnam veterans hold Ettalong ceremony

The Vietnam Veterans, Peacekeepers and Peacemaker Association of Australia Central Coast sub-branch held its Anzac Day ceremony at the Ettalong Beach Vietnam memorial.

With rain imminent, around 400 people attended, a considerably larger crowd than normal.

The ceremony commenced with

prayers from the Reverend Arthur Pearce.

The 25th Cadet Unit Erina provided the Catafalque Party.

The Brisbane Water Secondary College provided the guest speakers.

The Last Post was played by Gosford town crier Mr Stephen Clarke.

SOURCE:
Media release, 25 Apr 2025
Larry Searle, VVPPAACCC



Anzac breakfast at Diggers club

About 380 people had a complimentary Anzac Day breakfast at Ettalong Diggers club, after they had attended the Woy Woy Memorial Park dawn service.

The service was hosted by Woy Woy Ettalong Hardys Bay RSL sub-branch and auxiliary.

"It was a special moment for

us to capture pictures of proud visitors, adorned in medals, in front of our recently installed Poppy Wall, which will be a permanent fixture, paying homage to our RSL heritage," said club manager Mr Col Murphy.

SOURCE:
Social media, 25 Apr 2025
Col Murphy, Ettalong Diggers

Woy Woy Park Run holds 290th event

Woy Woy Park Run celebrated its 290th run on Saturday, April 26, with 287 runners taking part.

They were roughly evenly divided between male and female runners, with 57 first-timers attending and 45 personal best times being recorded.

Andy Long was the first man to finish in a time of 18:42 minutes, while Lylah Glynn in the 11-14 years category was the first female to finish.

She scored the highest age grade percentage at 83.31 per cent.

Runners with the most park runs were Barry Crossley with 443 runs and Caro Vos with 431 runs.

Eleven first timers at the park run were Robbert De Lange, Amanda Kimpton, Joshua Scott, Oliver Anderson, Edwina Martin, Jane Ridley, Bridie Kean, Danielle Scott, Tanya Gernetzky, Christine Van Der Kolf and Saskia Steinhauer.

Personal best times were run by Luke Ridley, Lylah Glynn, Stuart Rae, Scott Smith, Ashley Pernecker, Connor Ridley, Jacob Price, Stephen Smyth, Matt

Shields, Brenda Castro, Rob Truscott, Tracey McHugh, Luke Phillips, Anoton Rehrl, Kerry Hong, Kai Pedley-Smith, Isaac Foster, Zoe Richmond, Michael Beardsell, Rachael Calverley, Erica Berchtold, Dale Hall, Isabella Noy, Scott Morgan, Shane Oliver, Anders Stromhall, Gavin Bollard, Michelle Hillier, Heath Noy, Jack Bacon, Katina Alahouzos, Rachael Vant, Xavier Xuereb, Sarah Xuereb, Catrina Crossley, Helen Mower, Paul Ridley, Ninette Keller, Emma Gordon, Madeleine Price, Elizabeth Stevens, Rosanna Delvecchio, Catherine Ryan and Mark Hofman.

Volunteers on the day were Dale Bachelor, Angela Chudleigh, Neil Dufty, Mark Ferris, Pippi-Lotte Maessen, Melissa Porter, Tom Porter, Jennifer Small, Scott Wedesweiler, Jssmine Wols and Roslind Wols.

Since Woy Woy Park Run started in July 2018, 9498 participants have completed 48,494 park runs, covering a total distance of 242,270km.

SOURCE:
Social media, 1 May 2025
Woy Woy Park Run

Bowling Club holds Digger's Day indoors

Despite the torrential rain, the Umina Bowling Club's Digger's Day event held on Sunday, April 27, was "very special", according to club secretary Mr Peter Springett.

With 80 people originally registered for the event and despite the 50mm of rain overnight, 75 members and guests attended.

The day consisted of a Digger's Day service, which had been planned to be held on green two.

Members and guests were lined up ready for the service and wreath laying, pictured, when the rain came down once more.

"We were all forced inside again," said Mr Springett.

"Colin Mew and Terry Forbes set up the sound system again, this time in the Club house.

"Members lined either side of the auditorium and Colin conducted the service.

"Wreaths were laid by Brian Butterworth on behalf of the Air



Force, Kel Clarke on behalf of the Navy, Ray Ransome on behalf of the Army and women's bowling club president Pat Neal, on behalf of all women who served during the conflicts.

"Once we had reflected on the importance of this very special occasion and those that made the ultimate sacrifice so that our families could enjoy such a

sensational country, we all had an enjoyable ham and salad roll and some drinks to commemorate the occasion.

"Unfortunately, as we had so much rain overnight and again during the day, bowls was called off and the greens were closed."

SOURCE:
Social media, 27 Apr 2025
Peter Springett, UBMB

Savannah returns as swim finalist

Woy Woy Swim Club's multi-class competitor Savannah Mayner has returned from the 2025 Open Nationals as a finalist in eight events.

She competed over four days as the club's only representative in the championships.

She was a finalist in the 50m butterfly, 200m freestyle, 50m breaststroke, 200m individual

medley, 50m freestyle, 100m breaststroke, 50m butterfly and 50m breaststroke.

SOURCE:
Social media, 27 Apr 2025
Woy Woy Swim Club



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SEU play one-all draw against Kanwal

Southern and Ettalong United has played a one-all draw against Kanwal in Men's Premier League soccer on Saturday, April 26.

The contest between only two teams with a perfect win record after two rounds did not disappoint.

It was a high-stakes, high-quality match with plenty of moments but both teams would have to settle for a point after an intense 90 minutes.

Kanwal had an opportunity to open the scoring early with some nice build-up play seeing Zac Moore run into the box, round the keeper and square the ball to Logan Moore, whose shot into an empty net was blocked by some desperate defence.

A few minutes later a Callum Dunkerley free kick was well saved by the Southern keeper Alex Wardle.

Kanwal were starting to get on top, but it would be a Southern who would strike first, when 28 minutes into the contest the game received the opening goal.

A dangerous free kick from Jacob Lepre led to a good parry by the Kanwal keeper which resulted in a corner.

A well-placed corner was swung in by Sam Webb, but Callum Dunkerley was able to head clear over the sideline again for a second straight corner.

Webb looked for a different approach this time, playing a long, flat ball to the top of Kanwal's box where Jacob Lepre was lurking and was able to produce a quality first-time finish past multiple defenders to give Southern the lead.

Southern was now getting an equal share of possession, but it would be Zac Moore who

should have levelled the scores after running onto a through ball and being one-on-one with the Southern keeper only to put his shot high and wide of the goal.

Kanwal found their reply 10 minutes after conceding when Jason Cozens pounced on a defensive error.

Cozens worked the ball to Dunkerley who had a strike on goal that was blocked well by Alex Wardle.

Cozens, who was waiting on top of the box, saw the blocked shot fall nicely into his path as he also shot on goal, this time blocked by defender Jack Jenkins who could only clear the ball as far as the lurking Logan Moore who finished calmly into an open net.

Both teams had chances to take the lead before half-time, including a Jason Cozens free kick that was saved by the Southern keeper.

Both teams going into the half-time break locked at 1-1.

The second half was another tight contest with both defences playing well and limiting the opportunities of both teams.

Kanwal's best chance fell to Joey Liddle who ran onto a lovely through ball and found himself on goal with the Southern keeper, only to hit his shot straight at the keeper.

Southern's best chance occurred in the last few minutes with the ball falling to the Southern substitute Jack Ellwood but his shot from close range was straight at the Kanwal keeper and both teams would settle for a point.

Match official was Anthony Kabbout.

SOURCE:
Website, 30 Apr 2025
Central Coast Football



Futsal players make use of tennis courts

Woy Woy Futsal players made good use of the Woy Woy tennis courts in the recent wet weather.

The players were not able to use the oval because it was "drenched", said tennis club

president Mr Walter Pearson.

He said the courts were "too wet to play tennis ... but not too wet for our local Futsal lads".

SOURCE:
Social media, 1 May 2025
Walter Pearson, Woy Woy Tennis Club



Major Triples Final played at Everglades

The women's Major Triples Final was held at Everglades Bowling Club on Friday, April 25.

Elaine Vincent, Sharyn Teasdale and Valerie Davey played Maureen Carlyle, Josie Goodwin and Brenda Rae.

Maureen's team took an early

lead and were up 11-5.

Elaine's team put their heads down and fought back to have the score 11 each on the eighth end.

From there the lead see-sawed from end to end.

At the 16th end, the score was 16-16.

On the 17th end, Elaine's team

scored a three which put pressure on the opposition.

Elaine's team went on to win the game, 20-16.

Pictured are Val Davey, Sharyn Teasdale and Elaine Vincent.

SOURCE:
Media release, 25 Apr 2025
Vicki Redrup, Everglades Bowling Club

Search and rescue exercise at Umina

Surf Life Saving Central Coast held a Search and Rescue Exercise at Umina Beach recently

Umina Surf Life Saving Club was represented by 16 members across the Call Out Team, Uncrewed Aerial Vehicle operators, Rescue Water Craft operators, Silver Medallion Aquatic Rescue Swimmers and the leadership team.

The day focused on coordinated searches and complex rescues, an opportunity to sharpen the club's search patterns, work alongside other rescue services, and test skills in challenging scenarios.

SOURCE:
Social media, 22 Apr 2025
Umina Surf Life Saving Club



Cycling the Peninsula

Central Coast Bicycle User Group will hold a Peninsula Loop ride from 8am to 10:30am on Thursday, May 8, from Fishermans Wharf.

The ride is described as "a relaxed paced ride around the Peninsula of about 25km, with a possible extension".

A coffee break will be held during or after the ride.

For further information, phone ride leader Reg on 0411 705 410.

SOURCE:
Social media, 25 Apr 2025
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Rugby club seeks physiotherapist

Woy Woy Lions Rugby Club is seeking a physiotherapist "passionate about community, sport and making a real impact".

"Woy Woy Rugby Club is seeking a physio to support our players through injury rehab and recovery," said president Mr Phil Burgess.

"This is your chance to be part of a club built on respect, teamwork, discipline, excellence and fun."

The physio would "work alongside a team focused on

transformation and growth" and "help shape the next generation of community leaders".

"We're a proud, family-oriented club committed to fostering life-long bonds and a positive rugby culture."

To express interest and for further information, email president@woywoyrugby.com.au or phone Phil Burgess on 0435 814 412.

SOURCE:
Social media, 30 Apr 2025
Phil Burgess, Woy Woy Rugby Club