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Mosquito spray will not be trialled

Gosford Council has resolved not to proceed with a pilot trial of mosquito larvicide on the wetlands of Empire Bay due to concerns from the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS).

It has also resolved that due to the large parcels of land in the area under the responsibility of the State Government, the Government be asked to approve and fund a mosquito control program in the Empire Bay area.

Council considered a report by the Westmead Hospital Department of Medical Entomology on May 2, examining the findings of a "comprehensive mosquito risk assessment" of the estuarine wetlands and the surrounding residential areas of the southeastern end of Brisbane Water.

The study area included Bensville, Empire Bay, Daleys Point, Killcare Heights, Killcare, Hardys Bay, Pretty Beach and Wagstaffe.

After considering the report, council resolved to defer the matter and seek further advice from other sources, including the NPWS, regarding the implications of BTI pilot spraying on the surrounding national park area.

Council deferred the matter again at its September 5 meeting, until after the presentation of medical entomologist for Brisbane Council Mr Mike Muller, which was held on September 19.

Mr Muller provided studies

regarding the toxicity of bacillus thuringiiensis isralensis (BTI), one of the most "commonly used larvicide control agents in Australia", to non-target species.

The product has been used successfully to reduce mosquitoes in saltmarsh environments at Sydney Olympic Park and South East Queensland, according to the studies

All reports provided by Mr Muller advised that BTI was effective against mosquitoes without causing adverse effects on nontarget species.

A council report stated that all documents said that further research was necessary to fully evaluate the acute and chronic sub-lethal effects of insecticides on non-target fauna.

Council has also resolved to ask the Hunter Regional Coordination Management Group (Premiers Department) to allow council to be an active member of its mosquito working group to ensure a "consistent and regional approach to issues/management options for mosquitoes".

It also resolved to, as part of its environmental education program, develop an information package and website for residents and visitors encouraging the use of personal protection measures to minimise exposure to mosquitoes and modification of activities around their properties to reduce breeding opportunities.

Council agenda ENV.103, October 3



Mayor Cr Laurie Maher, Tompkins MDA Architects managing director Mr Michael Davies, Gosford Council's project manager Mr Peter Hickman (now with Ryde Council), and Cr Chris Holstein displaying the award

Holstein receives award for leisure centre

Gosford Cr Chris Holstein has received an award for the Peninsula Leisure Centre on behalf of Gosford Council for "Excellence in Local Government Property".

The award was made at the Australian Property Institute (API) NSW division Excellence in Property awards program in Sydney recently.

Council and Tompkins MDA Architects received the Local Government Award for "the contribution the Peninsula Leisure Centre (PLC) makes to the local community".

Mayor Cr Laurie Maher stated that "the award represents significant recognition for this fabulous community facility that caters for the health and recreational needs for everyone in the community".

"The PLC offers a wide range of classes through its various spaces including the gymnasium, indoor courts, and leisure pools, including a hydrotherapy pool with accessible access.

"The centre provides generous outdoor recreation space for the community to enjoy.

"An astounding 335,000 people

have enjoyed the facilities since the PLC opened its doors."

The award follows on council's receipt of the NSW Water Safety Award.

Council won the award due to its "extensive range of initiatives including the Water Aware, Sea Aware, Indigenous Surf Days, Lifesaving Courses, Baby Massage, Edogawa Sister City Surf, National Youth Week, and Billabong Girls Get Out There Day programs".

Press release, October 6 Tina Davies, Gosford Council

Liquor licence sought

Mr David John Osborne has made an application to the Licensing Court of NSW for a new grant on-license restaurant for Patonga Beach Seafoods at 10, Patonga Dr, Patonga.

The application was made on October 9.

The application noted that the restaurant would provide seating for 64 people and Dine-or-Drink Authority seating for 19 persons.

The application has now been deferred until November 6, according to the licensing court.

Lyle Stone, October 13 Licensing Court of NSW, October 9

Woy Woy-based Member for Peats Ms Marie Andrews has been pre-selected unopposed to contest the newly redistributed seat of Gosford as the Labor

The NSW Branch of the Australian Labor Party officially endorsed Ms Andrews on the morning of October 6.

candidate in the 2007 State

Elections.

"I feel honoured to have been preselected as the ALP's candidate," Ms Andrews said. "I was delighted to have the support of Premier Morris lemma and the Deputy Premier Mr John Watkins for my candidature and I look forward to facing the challenges ahead.

Marie Andrews is pre-selected

"Creating more jobs on the Central Coast has been one of the main focuses of the lemma Government and I am proud to be a member of a team which has its priorities right.

"Health services and schools in this area have benefited greatly from record funding allocations in the State's Budgets. "There is always more to be done and I will continue to ensure that the electorate I represent will receive its fair share of the State Budget."

The new Gosford electorate will cover most of the Peninsula including Blackwall, Booker Bay, Ettalong Beach, Horsfield Bay, Patonga, Pearl Beach, Phegans Bay, Umina Beach, Woy Woy, Woy Woy Bay and the Broken Bay Camp.

Press release, October 6
Marie Andrews, Member for Peats

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News



Creative Courtyards in George St, Woy Woy

Nursery opens in Woy Woy

A nursery has opened in Woy Woy offering garden design, a potting service, delivery, horticultural advice, water tanks, grey water solutions, plants, pots, pavers and gifts.

Janice Rutherford and Neil Morris have begun operating

Creative Courtyards adjacent to the Pavilion Shopping Complex in Woy Woy.

It also currently features artwork from five local artists which is for sale.

The nursery includes watersaving plants along with succulents and natives.

"We opened up here due to the

demand on the Peninsula and a larger space which means we can offer more products and services like flower arranging and soon indoor furniture," Ms Rutherford said.

Janice and Neil also run Courtyard Capers at Ettalong which has been trading for almost three years under their ownership.

Creative Courtyard is open seven days a week from nine to five.

Lyle Stone, October 13

First home buyers' nights

St George Bank will be hosting two First Home **Buyers Information Nights** on the Peninsula.

The information night will be held on October 17, from 6.40pm at the Wov Wov Branch and on October 31, from 6.30pm at the Umina Branch.

Participants will receive information on the 10 steps to buying a home, no deposit home loans, family pledge loans and the best home buys on the Peninsula.

Guest speakers will include solicitors, real estate agents, pest inspectors, building inspectors and removal specialists

"Our focus is to educate not sell product," said St George Bank Woy Woy Branch manager Ms Kate Myers.

"So on the night we present some various specialists to come along with some pointers for the first home buyer.

"We provide light refreshments, along with a wine or beer and conduct the evening in a relaxed and non-threatening environment.

"We also welcome children as we organise a colouring-in session in the lunch room at both locations.

"I am happy to see people who are only just starting to think along the lines of home ownership and maybe help them plan a savings program or a debt reduction strategy if that is what they need.

"We have very impressive displays in both branches with selected properties from nearly every real estate agent on the Peninsula that the agents have selected as their best First Home Buys so a lot of the work has been done for them.

"We have 25 properties on display in both branches so a total of 50 homes to choose from plus a surplus as handouts.

"We welcome anyone to come in and have a browse at what there is to offer on the peninsula real estate market."

Contact 43442311 or 43443211 to book a place or to arrange an individual consultation.

> Press release, October 11 Kate Myers, St George Bank

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Information session

Volunteering Central Coast Incorporated will be conducting a free volunteer information session at the **Peninsula Community Centre** on the corner of Ocean Beach Rd and McMasters Rd, Woy Woy, on Monday, November 20.

Volunteering Central Coast currently has over 180 positions listed for volunteer work. "from working outdoors to cooking, from

working with animals to receptionist

everyone," said acting recruitment

Coast on 4329 7122 for details on the information session."

Bookings for the information session are essential.

> **Eddie Kain, Volunteering Central Coast Incorporated**

work". "There something for is coordinator Eddie Kain. Contact Volunteering Central

Press release, October 11



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Pinhole water leaks increase

Pinhole leaks increasingly appearing in piping in Peninsula homes are not related to minerals in the water supply, according to Gosford Council Water and Sewerage Directorate Manager of Operations Mr Steve Martin.

Concern had been raised that a drop in dam levels and air scouring on the Peninsula had caused an increase in the occurrence of pin hole leaks.

Mr Martin attributed the cause of the leaks to the previous widespread use of low-grade copper pipes.

"Gosford Council can confirm there has been no change to the chemical make-up of its water supply for many years," Mr Martin said.

"The water treatment plant at Somersby has been producing consistently high quality water for many years.

"One of the challenges facing the Central Coast is the previous widespread use of low grade copper pipes in many of the homes in the area

"All copper pipes break down over time but the lower grade copper ones have been known to deteriorate in 20 years or less.

"As a result we're currently seeing an increase in problems in houses of a certain age on the Central Coast.

"This is further exacerbated by the fact that many homes on the Central Coast were originally built as holiday homes and therefore sometimes had lower budgets available to them compared to when people were building their family home.

"If the problem with copper pipes was due to the water supply system, then it would be logical to assume that these problems would be experienced by all water users and properties connected to the town water supply on the Central Coast.

"When called out to investigate problems such as you have described, we can confirm that virtually all of these instances are due to the use of low grade copper pipes which have deteriorated."

Press release, October 13 Janet Saunders, Gosford Council



Umina will be developed as a village centre under the draft Central Coast Regional Strategy

Limited population capacity

The Woy Woy Peninsula will have limited capacity to take higher populations than are provided for under current land use zones, according to the proposed draft Central Coast Regional Strategy.

The report stated that the Woy Woy Peninsula had a "considerable population capacity under existing zones, and also experiences local infrastructure challenges".

Under the strategy, Woy Woy would be made into a "town centre" for the Peninsula, while Umina and Ettalong would be developed as "village centres".

Woy Woy would be developed as only one of seven town centres for the entire Central Coast.

The strategy stated that town centres would generally have concentrations of retail, health and professional services mixed with medium density residential within the centre and would also serve surrounding residential areas.

It stated that "services present will generally include two to three supermarkets, a discount department store, more than 50 shops, child care, schools, community facilities, bank, branch library, professional services, medical centre and small civic square".

Centres that would develop as town centres over the next 25 years were Woy Woy, Bateau Bay, The Entrance, Erina, Lake Haven, Toukley and Warnervale (new), according to the report.

It stated that planning strategies

would be required to determine appropriate low to mid-rise living opportunities "up to six storeys, where appropriate" in and around the core of the centre (up to 800 metres from centre).

Lower-rise development would be provided surrounding the core.

The strategy stated that there would be some clusters of commercial use within the core with higher density residential around and on top as part of overall mixeduse development.

Transport would include frequent buses and/or rail with access by walking and cycling.

Town centres would also have a civic square and sporting facilities. Under the strategy, "village

centres" would generally be small-to medium-sized concentrations of retail, health and other services integrated with medium density (town house style) residential living.

Local public transport would provide connections to town centres.

Villages would have 11 to 50 shops, a small supermarket, child care, primary school, access to small parks, general practitioner plus ancillary (dentist, podiatrist) and local business services (accountant, lawyer).

The strategy stated that centres to be developed as villages over the next 25 years were Umina Beach, Ettalong, Avoca Beach, Budgewoi, Chittaway Bay, East Gosford, Killarney Vale, Kincumber, Lake Munmorah, Lisarow, Long Jetty, Niagara Park, Ourimbah, Terrigal,

Wadalba, West Gosford and Wyoming.

Village centres would be built of medium density and would focus on townhouse and villa development in close proximity to the town centre (up to either 400 or 600 metres from centre).

Employment would include less than 1000 jobs focusing on local retail and services.

Transport would be located on key transport routes with frequent buses or trains supported by walking and cycling.

Recreation would include "a local park".

The strategy stated that the planning regarding the scale, form, density and type of development for both types of centres would be undertaken by local councils.

In other sections, the report noted that coastal areas such as Umina and Ettalong were likely to continue to attract retirees, which brought with them "specific infrastructure needs".

It also noted that part of RailCorp's planned intiatives up to 2013 involved interchange and commuter car park improvements at Woy Woy and Tuggerah.

The strategy is available on the internet and was provided by Minister for Planning Mr Frank Sartor.

Draft Central Coast Regional Strategy, October 13 Frank Sartor, Minister for Planning

Residents to have a say

Bensville residents will have a second opportunity to provide input into the development of their area at a community meeting on October 19 at Ozanam Recreation Area, Kincumber South.

The meeting will run from 7pm to 8.30pm.

Sixty-five Bensville residents attended an earlier meeting in June to put forward their ideas on how best to develop open space and community facilities in their area, according to a council report.

During the second meeting, council will provide feedback on issues raised at the first meeting.

"The number of locals attending the first meeting showed just how closely linked they are to Bensville and its development," said Council's Coordinator of Parks and Waterways Ms Kylie Yeend.

"We're looking forward to another big turnout for the coming meeting and to receiving more valuable community input on how best to develop the area."

Press release, October 12 Marion Newall, Gosford Council

Trivia nights are back

Form teams of any number up to 8 and come along to play for the weekly cash prize. Will your team gain entry to the grand final, held every two months, with a \$1000 prize pool? Ettalong Beach Club's Trivia is the Peninsula's biggest! Entry fee of \$10* per team.

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How to flush \$9500 down the toilet

1. Process DA for house extension through Gosford Council (\$1540).

- 2. Buy 5000L rainwater tank in line with Gosford Council's DA requirements (\$5650).
- 3. Install and connect rainwater tank to mains water supply and to toilet in line with Gosford Council's DA requirements (\$810).

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- 4. Install backflow prevention device so that rainwater tank cannot pollute mains water in line with Gosford Council's qualification requirements for the rainwater tank rebate (\$500).
- 5. Discover that installing rainwater tank as part of a DA

disqualifies applicants from receiving the rainwater tank rebate (\$1000).

6. Discover that rainwater can only be used for flushing the toilet as water restrictions apply to rainwater tanks that are connected to mains water supply (\$9500).

Joanne and Grant McGill Umina

Projects ran over budget

I just had to write after reading Cr Holstein's latest (political bashing) "Peninsula Perspective" column and his comments on NSW Premier Morris lemma's spending.

I just shake my head at the hypocrisy of the man when he accuses the State Premier and Treasurer of wasting taxpayers' money.

What's Cr Holstein's excuse for 16 years of wasting ratepayers' money on the black hole at Niagara Park shopping centre, the overblown budgets on the Central Coast stadium and the Peninsula Leisure Centre, just to name a few

These council projects ran millions of dollars over budget, with

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running "losses" into the millions, and we're paying for it.

Cr Holstein is right on one thing! We don't need political spin while the roads and drainage on the Peninsula are more like a Third World country.

Nor do we need political spin while he sat on the Joint Water Supply Authority and did nothing about the water crisis.

Cr Holstein is way out of his league.

What we need to represent us in State Government are well educated and experienced representatives, not spin doctors who run mystic shops.

Jack Galway Woy Woy

True science can't be corrupted

Keith Whitfield of Woy Woy is wrong.

True science cannot be corrupted.

When a scientist makes a statement, the fact can be tested.

The explosion of the first atomic bomb in the Nevada desert was a classis example of such a test.

Professor Oppenheimer who

was watching made a profound statement on how that source of power can be corrupted. "Humans have become as gods

because they can now destroy the earth."

My good friend the late Hanbury Brown told me how humans may destroy the earth.

Hanbury, by the way, was one of the scientists who by the invention of the radar saved the English

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earth from a fascist invasion.

It is why most scientists oppose atomic energy to solve our power problem.

When you have an atomic power station, you can also build more atom bombs.

Hanbury told me the big nations

of the world have enough bombs

If World War Three comes when these might all be exploded; the earth would suffer an atomic winter when most life would die.

Also Stuart White in New Scientist wrote: "First nuclear power is not as suggested a great performer in terms of greenhouse reduction.

"This is mainly because of the significant energy requirements for mining and enrichment of the uranium for the fuel rods...also it would significantly increase the risk of nuclear terrorism...it is also one of the most expensive ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions."

Dr Vincent Serventy Pearl Beach

Too afraid

Your correspondent Juanita Hutchesson (Peninsula News, October 3) prompts me to write and express concern at the breakdown of safety and security in the Umina and Umina Beach area.

One only has to walk through what used to be a wonderful park between the oval and the beach each weekend morning to see the destruction and litter that drunken visitors bring to that location.

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We used to be able to walk at night through the park but are now too afraid.

A police presence and monitoring of that area and the town would be most welcome and make it a safe haven for both residents and holiday makers.

Marie Haastrup Umina

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Leading the way

Forum

I like leaving from and arriving at Woy Woy station.

Quite apart from the ever-friendly service by the staff, the passengers find real receptacles for rubbish there, and are well looked after.

No bombs at Woy Woy station, they must have thought.

Receptacles back in on all stations, and troops out of Iraq?

This is part of restoring national security in Australia, with Woy Woy showing the way all along.

Klaas Woldring Pearl Beach

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Levy sought for Summer Bus

Gosford Council will ask the Premiers Department to place a levy on licensed premises to subsidise the on-going operation costs of a proposed "Summer Bus", following its meeting of October 3.

Council has also resolved to commit \$5000 towards the marketing costs of the service. on the basis of Wyong Council matching the amount, should the Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) offer a grant for the summer bus proposal.

The project would differ from the previous Night Owl Bus Service in that it would offer a summer-only service for the coming summer period only.

Operating costs for the 13 week period were estimated by council to be \$80,255.

The amount would be funded by \$49,655 from the RTA, \$5000 each from Gosford and Wyong Councils, \$7600 from ticket sales for the Woy Woy Peninsula service and \$13,000 from the Gosford to The Entrance service.

The RTA recently announced that funding was available for Alternative Transport projects. with a combined Gosford-Wyong submission already lodged with the RTA.

The council report stated that

while high running costs and a lack of funding led to the closure of the Night Owl Bus Service, the patronage was sufficient to confirm that "there was community benefit".

It stated that, "on balance, it is recommended that the grant be pursued for the benefit of the community, even it proves to be of short-term benefit".

Council has also resolved that representations continue to be made to the Ministry of Transport for it to explore options for permanent late night alternative transport solutions for the Central Coast.

Cr Craig Doyle supported the service, stating that it deserved to be an election issue.

"This council fought for months and months to try and arrest the cessation of the Night Owl Service," Cr Doyle said.

"I am very hopeful we can take this one step further.

"I am prepared to give every last chance to try and bring this thing

"Maybe with all these things and an election coming up, maybe a candidate or Government Minister will step up to the plate.

"It deserves to be an election

"It is cheap, and absolutely vital

to safety on our roads." Council agenda CIT.51, October 3

Four kinds of orchids bloom at Burrawang

Four different kinds of orchids have been in flower at the same time at Burrawang Reserve, Woy Woy, over the past month.

They were a green hooded orchid, a sun orchid, a lady fingers orchid and a bearded orchid.

Burrawang Bushcare convenor Mr Mark Snell said that it was unusual to have so many different orchids in flower in the reserve at the same time.

"Three of the four orchids have been seen at the reserve before, but this is the first year our bushcare group has noticed the bearded orchid," he said.

Mr Snell said that the bearded orchid brought to seven the number of orchids identified at the reserve.

The other three were the hyacinth orchid, the pixie orchid and a different variety of sun orchid.

Seeing four of the orchids in bloom at once, in such a relatively small area, was one of the rewards the group gained from its bushcare work, he said.

"The orchids don't flower every year, and having four in bloom at once is quite special."

Mr Snell said that the reserve was also special because a large part of it had been recognised as Umina Coastal Sandplain Woodland, an endangered ecological community under the Threatened Species

On a recent tour of the reserve, senior staff from the biodiversity



Sun orchid

conservation unit of the Department of Environment and Conservation had commented on the diversity of species at the reserve, Mr Snell

He said that, after five years, the bushcare group had successfully removed most of the weeds within the reserve, with major weed infestations only remaining along the Hillview St boundary and the northern drainage channel.

He said that the group's activities were directed at removing weeds and other threats to the natural bush in the reserve.

While much of the group's activity was taken in removing weeds, it had also taken other action to reduce other threats, for example to reduce rubbish dumping and damage from heavy vehicles.

He said a current major threat was the illegal use of trail bikes in

"Trail bikes can do a great deal of damage very quickly," Mr Snell

He said the group was seeking the help of the public in reporting trail bike riding in the reserve to local police on 4379 7399 as it was happening.

The group, which met once a month, was also wanting more memhers

He said training, supervision and tools were all provided under Gosford Council's bushcare program.

For further information, contact 4342 5333 or 4341 9301.

Press release, October 12 Mark Snell, Burrawang Bushcare



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Health



The Sacred Heart Church at Umina is amongst those providing collection bags for clothes

Clothing appeal

St Vincent De Paul will be running its major clothing appeal during October, with collection depots at both **Umina and Woy Woy.**

The St Vincent De Paul Society will be holding its clothing appeal on Saturday, October 28.

"Clothing bags are now available at no cost from Vinnies Store and the Catholic Church in West St, Umina, the Catholic Church, Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, and the Vinnies Store, Brickwharf Rd, Woy Woy.

"Donations of suitable clothing may be left at our Woy Woy and Umina stores during October and at all parish masses at Umina and Woy Woy on Saturday, October 28, and Sunday, October 29," said clothing appeal coordinator Mr Ernie Mullins.

"All clothing including underwear, pyjamas, shoes and socks are more than welcome.

"Clothes should be packed in suitable plastic bags and extra bags are freely available from Vinnies stores in Umina and Woy

"They are also available in the foyers of both Catholic churches.

"All donated clothing is sent to Sydney for processing and is then redistributed to St Vincent's shops throughout NSW to make a difference to many needy people."

Mr Mullins said that if residents

were unable to return clothing to any of the drop off points they could phone the St Vincent's store at Woy Woy on 4344 3261 or Umina on 4341 7091 and advise a suitable time for one of its volunteers to call and collect the "much appreciated" donation.

Press release, October 9 Ernie Mullins, St Vincent De Paul

Car boot sale

Support for

disability carers

from

The Gosford City Sub-Branch of the Vietnam Veterans' Association will be holding a car boot sale and gala day in the Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club car park on

has organised an ongoing

Wednesday, October 25, for

people caring for children

The group will help connect

parents who are caring for a

disabled child and would like to know more about the support

The group will be held from 1pm

services that are available.

support

with a disability.

group

The event will run from 8am to

Entry for cars will be \$10 and all proceeds will go to the Ettalong War Widows' Guild.

The Veterans' Mobile Museum

Beachside Family Centre to 2.30pm on Wednesday, October 25, at the Beachside Family Centre in the grounds of Umina Public School, Sydney Ave, Umina. Free child minding and afternoon tea will be provided.

Participants need to book by phoning Michelle Sandri at Gosford Family Support Service on 4340

> Press release, October 10 Debbie Notara, Beachside **Family Centre**

Saturday, October 28.

"Nambus" will be on display, along with a display by the Gosford Police and the 'C' Coy., 2nd/17th Royal NSW Regiment.

A wine tasting, sausage sizzle and a jumping castle will also be available.

The Vietnam Veterans' Association is a registered charitable organisation.

Press release, September 25 Robyn Creswell, Gosford City Sub Branch Vietnam **Veterans' Association**

Helping parents

Gosford TAFE and Beachside Family Centre will be offering two free seven-week courses in Term 4 called "Helping Parents Help Kids".

A local course will be run on Wednesdays from 6.30pm to 8.30pm starting on October 25 at

Beachside Family Centre, in the grounds of Umina Public School, Sydney Ave, Umina.

The second course will run in Gosford with dates to be confirmed

"For many parents, the way their child is learning is different from when they went to school," said Beachside Family Centre facilitator Ms Debbie Notara.

"This course will help with understanding the current school curriculum, the content and ways of doing new Maths and English, give you strategies for assisting your child with their school work and homework and help in motivating your child.

"There will also be an opportunity to examine the current controversy about homework and look at children's different learning styles."

Ms Notara said different parenting practices would be recognised, with the specific needs of individual parents being a major

Any parents, grandparents or carers are welcome to attend.

For more information, contact Press release, October 10

> Debbie Notara, Beachside **Family Centre**

Housing outreach

A free Department of Housing outreach service has begun operating at Beachside Family Centre, Umina Beach.

The service was available fortnightly from Friday, September 1, at the centre.

The new service provides information about eligibility for Rentstart, Public Housing and advice for current tenants of the Department of Housing.

The centre is open on Fridays fortnightly between 2pm and 4pm at Beachside Family Centre, Umina Public School, Sydney Ave, Umina.

For more information, contact 4343 1929.

Press release, September 19 Debbie Notara, Beachside **Family Centre**



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Winning local gardeners

Peninsula residents have had success during the recent Gosford Council Garden Competition held recently.

Seven local residents received awards for best residential rear garden, best garden maintained by a person with a disability, best nursing home display by residents, best senior citizen's garden, best pot plant display of 15 or more and best annual display.

Alva Bell won the award for both best residential rear garden and best annual display.

"Nifty Nev" Heferen of Woy Woy won best garden maintained by a person with a disability.

The Hammond Care Group of Woy Woy won best nursing home display by residents.

Keith and Joan Whitfield, both of Woy Woy, won best senior citizen's garden.

Nick and Ada Van Vliet of Ettalong Beach won best pot plant display of 15 or more.

Winners of the garden competition were announced on September 21 at an awards presentation at Gosford Regional Gallery

> Press release, September 20 Marion Newall, Gosford Council

Golden Oldie Girls meet

Women who attended Ettalong and Woy Woy Primary Schools before1950 or worked locally have been invited to a "get-together" at the Woy Woy Leagues Club for the Woy Woy Peninsula Golden Oldie Girls.

The event will be held on Wednesday, November 15, at 11am.

"A well-priced lunch is always available," said publicity officer Ms

Marj Cleere.

"Please bring old photos or other memorabilia pertaining to the 'Good Old Bad Days' so that copies can be made.

"This get together evolved some years ago from just a few, and by word of mouth, each year, more and more have attended to the point it being such a grand day there are never less than 20.

"Still totally informal, you are assured many memories will be

revived and hopefully a lot of laughs will encourage you to come again next year."

To confirm attendance or to pass on a message, phone or fax 4344 7442.

Those interested may also email winta277@hotmail.com.

Attendance must be confirmed no later than November 9.

Press release, October 11 Marj Cleere, Woy Woy Peninsula Golden Oldie Girls

LETS has room for more

"John's account is now minus 20

Mollys and Mary's account is plus

Central Coast LETS (Local Exchange Trading System) has places for people on the Peninsula to join their group, according to group coordinator Ms Korina Ivatt.

"LETS is a simple non-profit system that allows you to trade services and goods with other local people, without money," Ms Ivatt said.

"You provide services to other members, anything from fixing a fence to a massage or walking their dog, in return for credits to your LETS account.

"Then you use these credits to 'buy' services from other members.

"We have a simple system to record these transactions."

"Today there are hundreds of

LETS groups around the world,"
Ms Ivatt said.
"Members can offer a skill or an
item for a certain amount of a local

LETS currency, called 'Mollys' in our system.

"These Mollys go into your LETS account and you can then spend

them on something you need from any other LETS member. "You get a directory of local LETS members and those in the Hunter and details of what they offer and

you simply contact members who have services or items you want.
"One difference between LETS and using money is with LETS you don't need any money or credits to get started - it does not matter if you go into debt to begin with, as

services when asked later."

Ms Ivatt said each LETS member holds an account, which begins at zero.

long as you are willing to provide

"Example: John gets some jams and pickles from Mary for 20 Mollys," Ms Ivatt said.

20 Mollys. "Mary then trades with Sally 50 Mollys for babysitting. "Mary's account is now minus 30

"Mary's account is now minus 30 Mollys and Sally's account is plus 50 Mollys."

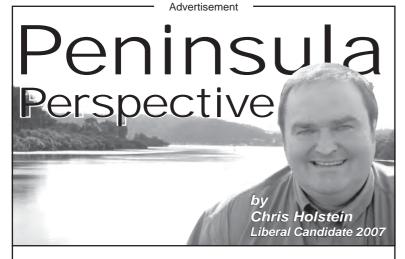
Ms Ivatt said participants needed to be community-minded and prepared to put in as much as they take out.

"LETS gives you the opportunity to think beyond the materialistic, monetary value of services and instead honours people for their energy and commitment to helping create a closer community," Ms lvatt said.

"There is an initial joining fee of \$10, to cover administration and co-ordination of your local LETS, and an annual renewal fee of \$5 plus five Mollys."

For more information visit www. centralcoastlets.org or contact 0431 534 813 (kivatt@optusnet. com.au)

Press release, October 7 Korina Ivatt, Local Exchange Trading System



Only a Strong Economy for **NSW will benefit the**

Peninsula

Each one of us on the Peninsula can list the improvements needed within our community, each and every one of us can see the need for more police, better hospital services, improved train services and upgraded roads. The only way any state government can provide these much needed improvements is by properly managing its own finances and staying out of recession.

Labor has had long enough to build a strong economy that supports communities like the Peninsula. But after 12 years the State is broke, sliding towards recession, facing a record deficit and worse, you're paying for it.

You're paying for Labor's mismanagement through more state taxes, fewer basic services and a collapse in economic growth.

There is much to do to maintain our quality of life, and more needed to improve it. Without a sound economy the Peninsula will not get its fair share of state government funding.

I believe only a Liberal state government can manage the economy and rescue NSW from recession. Only with a strong state economy will the Peninsula benefit.

My responsibility and commitment is to deliver the local

services economic prosperity can bring.

Labor has had 12 years to deliver and all we have is economic mismanagement, bureaucratic waste and duplication, and services that don't keep pace with our needs. NSW cannot afford 4 more years of Labor. The Peninsula cannot afford 4 more years of Labor. You and your family cannot afford 4 more years of Labor.

Regards Chris Holstein

Please feel free to contact me with your thoughts, your concerns, and your opinions PO Box 1420 Gosford NSW 2250 Email chris.holstein@nsw.liberal.org.au Ph 0414 310 108



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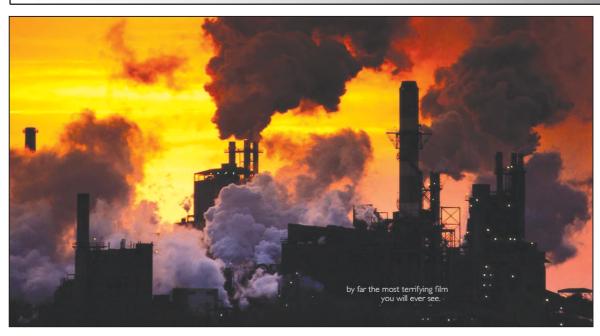
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A poster for "The Inconvenient Truth"

Climate change film fundraiser

Woy Woy Centre will hold a fundraising screening of Al Gore's

Environment climate change film "An Paradiso, Ettalong, on Tuesday, Inconvenient Truth".

The screening will be at Cinema

October 17, from 7.30pm.

Admission is \$15 and includes refreshments served afterwards plus free membership to the Woy Woy Environment Centre.

Contact Donna Allen on 4344 4823 to book.

Press release, October 5 Mark Mann, Woy Woy **Environment Centre**



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Brief radio history

Community Radio Five-O-Plus has written a brief history of its connection to the Peninsula.

"Community Radio Five-O-Plus is proud of its early links and ties to the Peninsula." said Radio Five-O-Plus publicity officer Mr Lou Metti.

"In March 1993, several dedicated radio buffs felt the need for a local community radio station in the Peninsula area.

"Broadcasting began in August 1993, two days per week, from a small room above Phil Patterson's Pharmacy in Umina.

"Phil Patterson was the station's first president, a position he held for six years.

"Due to the great response from listeners, it was decided to move to the Gosford area.

"Through the assistance of Gosford Council, in March 1994, Radio Five-O-Plus was able to set up a transmitter on Rumbalara, East Gosford, with increased power of 200 watts, giving the station a much wider coverage.

"At the same time, the studio was relocated to a building in Gosford, which housed an office area, two studios, library, technical area and production studio.

"By the end of 1999, Radio Five-O-Plus was able to extend its broadcast time to 24/7."

Mr Metti said a new transmitter with increased power was installed in February 2001, making the signal strength 1000 watts.

The transmitter was moved to Mt Penang this year, further improving the signal.

"In November 2002, Radio Five-O-Plus was granted a permanent licence (renewable every five years) by the Australian Broadcasting Association," Mr Metti said.

"On February 16, 2005, the station began broadcasting National Radio News, five times daily, and three times per day on weekends and public holidays.

"The station's format also caters for health news, community news, local news and community contact information.

"It broadcasts a variety of music, catering especially for the mature age listener.

"Former Gosford councillor Keith Whitfield is one of the many Peninsula residents who are members of the Community Radio Station."

Press release, October 3 Lou Metti, Radio Five-O-Plus

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Shops leased

Two shops have recently been leased in The Pavilion shopping plaza on George St, Woy Woy.

The two shops are Jamie's Café and The Craft Shop.

Jamie's Café has commenced trading on the corner directly facing the roundabout.

The cafe is open for a wide range of breakfast and lunches, and also serve juices as well as hot drinks.

the proprietors of the business. The cafe is open seven days a

Danni and John Sidiropoulos are

Craft Shop has also The

commenced trading on the ground

The shop sells patchwork and quilting products, art supplies, paper haberdashery, tole, jewellery making products, beads, soy candle making, pergamano, wedding stationery, card making and scrapbooking.

It will also be running various art classes.

The Craft Shop is open six days a week and Thursday night.

The RTA has also stated that it will be moving in to the second level of The Pavilion.

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What's On in and around the Peninsula

Listings in this section are free to notfor-profit community groups although a subscription to help support Peninsula News would be appreciated.

Many events listed take place at the following locations:

BFC, Beachside Family Centre, Umina Public School CU. Club Umina Umina Beach

CU, Club Umina, Umina Beach Bowling Club, Melbourne Ave, Umina Beach 4341 2618

CWAHWW, CWA Hall, Anderson Park, Brick Wharf Rd, Woy Woy

EBACC, Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Centre, Kitchener Park, Cnr Picnic Pde & Maitland Bay Drive, Ettalong 4341 3599

EBWMC, Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club, 211 Memorial Ave., Ettalong 4341 1166

ECC, Everglades Country Club, Dunban Rd, Woy Woy 4341 1866 **EMBC,** Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club, 103 Springwood St Ettalong 4341 0087

EPH, Ettalong Progress Hall, Memorial Ave, Ettalong

ESCC, Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre, Cnr. Karingi St & Broken Bay Rd Ettalong 4341 3222

MOW, Meals on Wheels Hall, Cnr Ocean Beach Rd and McMasters Rd. NPWS, National Parks & Wildlife Service, www.nationalparks.nsw.gov. au, 4320 4205

PBPH, Pearl Beach Progress Hall, Diamond Rd, Pearl Beach 4342 1459 **PCC,** Peninsula Community Centre, 93 McMasters Rd, Woy Woy 4341 9333

PCYC, Osborne Ave., Umina Beach 4344 7851

PWHC, Peninsula Women's Health Centre, 20a McMasters Rd Woy Woy 4342 4905

UCH, Umina Community Hall, 6 Sydney Ave., Umina Beach 4343 1664

WH, Wagstaffe Hall, Cnr Wagstaffe Hall & Mulhall St Wagstaffe

WWBC, Woy Woy Bowling Club WWEC, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 267 Blackwall Road Woy Woy 4341 7974

WWLC, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 82 Blackwall Rd Woy Woy: 4342 3366 WWPH, Woy Woy Progress Hall, 76 Woy Woy Rd

DAILY EVENTS

Woy Woy **Pelican Feeding**, 3pm Pelican Park, Fishermans Wharf. **Playtime** Mon-Fri 9am, Little Gym **PCYC**

TUESDAY

First Tuesday of every month

Buffalo Primo Lodge No 9, 7pm,
UCH.

<u>Second Tuesday of every month</u> Playgroup for Aboriginal & Torres

Strait Island families, BFC
Senior's Idol, 1pm; Toastmasters,

7.30pm, Seniors Day 12 noon, enq: 4341 6842, EBWMC
Get Together afternoon tea. ESCC.

Pearl Beach Craft group, PBPH, 1.30pm.
Stroke recovery group, 11.30am,

MOW.

Diabeties Support Group, 10an

Diabeties Support Group, 10am, ECC Third Tuesday of every month

Buffalo Lodge Knights Chp9, 7pm, UCH
Woy Woy Peninsula Arthritis Branch,

Woy Woy Peninsula Arthritis Branch 10am, enq: 4342 1790, MOW

Fourth Tuesday of every month

Playgroup for Aboriginal & Torres

Strait Island families. BFC

Toastmasters, 7pm enq: 4341 6842, EBWMC

Combined Pensioners association afternoon tea, enq: 4341 3222, **ESCC**

Every Tuesday

The Web, **Drop in** centre 12-18yrs 12pm - 5pm, **TWYS**

Butterfly Group for Women who have suffered domestic violence 12.30pm **PWHC**

Empire Bay Scrabble Club 9.15am-12.45pm, enq: 4369 2034 Judo 5pm, Playgroup 9am, Peninsula Dance and Theatre School 3.45pm, Dragon Kung Fu 6.30pm, Gambling Counselling by apointment, Latin Salsa Dance 8pm, School for Learning - over 55's 10am, Belly Dancing, 1pm, PCC.

Circuit Boxing (Women) 9am, Boxing/fitness training, 4pm (Junior) , 5pm (Senior), Breakdancing, 5pm; Gym Sessions 8am; Gym Circuit 9:15am & 6pm; PCYC

Rotary Club of Woy Woy, 6pm, ECC

Ladies Indoor Bowls-9am; Handicraft-9am; Cards-12.30pm; Computers, 9am, ESCC .

Alcoholics Anonymous 6pm John the Baptist Church Hall, enq: 4379 1132

Bowls; 10am, Card Club; 7.30pm, Chess Club, 1pm, EBWMC Tai-Chi classes, 9.30am (ex sch

hols), enq 4360 2705, WH Folk Art 9.30am, Silk Painting 1pm EBACC

Children's story time, Umina library, 10.30 am (Except Jan).

Sahaja yoga meditation,10:30am enq: 4328 1409, CWAHWW Playgroup 10am Kids 0-5yrs, WWPH, enq: Juhel 4342 4362

Butterfly Group Drop In (Domestic violence support), 12.30pm PWHC WEDNESDAY

First Wednesday of every month
Older women's network, 10.15am,

enq:4343 1079, **WWLC**CWA social day, 10am, handicrafts,
1pm, enq: 4344 5192, **CWAHWW**Ettalong Ratepayers & Citizens
Progress Association, 7.30pm, **EPH**Second Wednesday of every

Month
Woy Woy VIEW Club, Friendship
Day, MOW, 10.30am, enq: 4344
1440.

Red Cross, Umina branch meeting, Umina Uniting Church Hall, 1:30pm. Woy Woy Community Aged Care Auxiliary, 10am enq: 4344 2599. Umina Beach Probus Club, 9.30am,

Third Wednesday of every month
Woy Woy VIEW Club - Luncheon
at the Everglades Country Club,
10.30am, enq: 4344 1440, ECC

Every Wednesday
St John's Ambulance; Woy Woy
Aged Care, 7pm, enq:4341 3341.
Killcare - Wagstaffe Rural Fire
Brigade 7.30pm Stanley St, Killcare,

enq: 4360 2161.

Brisbane Water Bridge Club,.
9.30am & 7.30pm enq: 4341 6763,
Oil Painting, 9am, Scrapbooking
9am, Multi-craft needlework
10am, BJP School of Physical
Culture, 3.30pm, 4-13 yrs enq: 4344
4924 Playgroup 10am, Weight
Watchers 5.30pm, Belly Dancing
7.30pm; School for Learning 9am,
Gambling and general counselling
by appointment, Peninsula Dance

The Web, 12pm - 6pm; PCC.
Peninsula Choir rehearsal 7.30pm St
Andrews Hall Umina.

and Theatre School from 3.45pm

Brisbane Waters **Scrabble** Club, **MOW** 6pm, enq: 4341 9929.

Seniors fitness EPH 9am, enq: 4385 2080.

Indoor Bowls - 9am; Fitness - 1pm Leatherwork-9am; Table Tennis-9am. Scrabble 1pm; Computers, 1.30pm, ESCC

Gym Sessions 8am (Incl Self Defence for Young Women 1pm; Gym Circuit 6pm; Circuit Boxing (Women) 9am, Boxing/fitness training, 4pm (Junior) 5pm (Senior), PCYC

Oils & Acrylics 9am, Pastels 11.30am, Drawing 2pm EBACC Children's story time, Woy Woy library, 10.30- 11.30am (Except Jan). Alcoholics Anonymous 12.15 & 6.30 , St John the Baptist Hall, Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy.

Handicraft CWAHWW, 9am, enq:

4341 1073.

THURSDAY
Second Thursday of eye

<u>Second Thursday of every month</u>
Outsiders Club, 9am; Brisbane
Water **Seniors** 1pm Enq: 4344 5670 **EBWMC**

Women's Health Clinic Enq 4320 3741 PWHC

Australiana Bus Trips PCC Women's Health Clinic; PWHC 4320 3741

Fourth Thursday of every month

9am Free immunization clinic for
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island
children 0 – 5 years, BFC
Umina Probus, ECC, 10am.

Women's Health Clinic; PWHC 4320

Every Thursday

Creative Writing, CWAHWW, Enq 4369 1187

Gambling and general counselling by appointment, Music 2-5yrs 9am, Yoga 10am, Brophy Circus Academy 5pm, Brisbane Water Bridge Club 12.30pm, enq. 4341 6763, Judo, 5pm Enq: 43424121; The Web, 12pm - 6pm Young Men's Groups 12-18 yrs, 4342 3684; PCC Free entertainment 6.30 pm, Senior Snooker 8.30am Ballroom Dancing, 10am, Trivia, 7pm, Indoor Bowls, Fishing Club Raffle 5.15pm, EMBC. Bouddi Women's Drumming, 2pm, 73 Highview Rd Pretty Beach, enq: 0425 229 651.

Scrabble, 12.30pm.WWPH , Children's art classes 4.30pm, EBACC

Tai Chi-11.35am; Dancing 9am; Indoor Bowls-9am; Table Tennis-1.45pm; Cards 12 noon, ESCC

St John's Ambulance; Brisbane Water Cadets, 7pm, Enq:4341 3341. Children's story time, 3 - 5 yrs Umina library, 10.30am (Except Jan).

Gym Sessions 8am, Gym Circuit 9am & 6pm Circuit Boxing (Women) 9am, Boxing/fitness training, 4pm (Junior), 5pm (Senior) PCYC. Social Tennis 9am-12pm, Pearl

Beach Courts, enq: 4369 3195. **Adult tap dancing, EPH** 10am; enq: 4342 3925

Al-anon/Alateen family support group "The Cottage" Vidler Ave Woy Woy, 12:30pm, 7pm.

FRIDAY

Second Friday of every month
2pm Peninsula Twins Club Free.
BFC

RSL Sub branch **EBWMC**, 2.30pm. Third Friday of every month Legacy Ladies, **EBWM**C, 10am, enq: 4343 3492.

Fourth Friday of every month

South Bouddi Peninsula Community Assoc, **WH**, 1.30pm, enq: 4360 1002. Civilian widows, **ESSC**, 1pm.

Every Friday
Cash House Nights, Gosford
progress hall, 7.30pm, 4325 3608
Kids entertainment Yrs 7 -12,
7.30pm, Playgroup, 10am Umina
Uniting Church.

Bingo 11.30am, UCH Enq:4343 1664 Lollipop Music Playgroup BFC

9.15am. Enq: 43 431929.
Old Wags **Bridge** Club, **WH** (except

4th Fri) 1:30pm, enq: 4360 1820. **Aqua-fitness**, Woy Woy Hospital Hydro Pool, 1:30 & 2.30pm, enq: 4325 1869

Active Over 50's Exercise Class EPH 9.15am, enq: 4342 9252

Watercolour Painting 12.30pm EBACC

Painting 9am, Computers 1pm, Scrabble 1pm ESCC

Gym Sessions 8am, Gym Circuit 9am Circuit Boxing (Women) 9am, Boxing/fitness training 4pm (Junior) 5pm (Senior) PCYC

Peninsula Pastimes Ettalong Baptist Church, Barrenjoey Rd. 9.30am, (Ex sch hols), Primary Kids Club 4.30pm, Youth Group 7pm, enq: 4343 1237 Alcoholics Anonymous 6pm, St John the Baptist Hall, Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 4342 7303.
Hardys Bay Community Church, indoor bowls, canasta, scrabble, morning tea 10am, enq 4363 1968.
Kids Club (Primary) .4pm, Brisbane Water Bridge Club, 12.30pm, enq. 4341 6763, Weight Watchers 10am, Gambling Counselling by appointment, Peninsula Dance and Theatre School 3.45pm; The Web, 2pm-9.30pm Doctor & Nurse for 12-18 yrs old, Brophy Circus Academy

5yrs 10.20am PCC
Women's walking group, 8am
PWHC

5pm Kindygym 0 - 3yrs 9.15am, 3 -

Fishing Club. EBWM SATURDAY

First Saturday of every month

The National Malaya & Borneo **Veterans** Assoc Aust meet, **EBWMC**, 2.30pm Enq: 4340 4160

Second Saturday of every month
Melaleuca Wetland Regeneration
Group, Boronia Ave, Woy Woy, 8am.
Pretty Beach Bushcare group, Pretty
Beach end Araluen Track, 8am.
Save our Suburbs, 1pm, eng 4342

2251 WWPH
Ex-Navalmen's Assoc, Central Coast
Sub-Section, WWLC 10am.

Sub-Section, WWLC 10am.
Scrapbooking 12pm, PCC. enq 4342
3712

Umina Garden Club, 1pm, Woy Woy Meals on Wheels, enq 4369 2657 Third Saturday of every month Umina P & C Bushcare 9am, Umina Campus of BWSC, Veron Rd Umina. enq: 4341 9301

Market Day, 9am Sydney 2000 Park, UCH

Last Saturday every month
Wagstaffe Bushcare group, Half Tide

Rocks sign, 8am.

Melaleuca Wetland **Regeneration**Group, Boronia Ave, Woy Woy, 8am

<u>Every Saturday</u>

The Web, Activities for 12-18yrs old, 4.30-9.30pm; Weight Watchers 8am, PCC

Cash Housie St Mary's Hall, Ocean View Rd Ettalong 7.30pm.

Cabaret dance & floor show, 8pm free, Men's 18 hole golf; Men's triples

bowls 1pm; ECC
Dancing Club; 1pm, Enq: 4341 2156
Snooker 8.30am EBWMC

Childrens Pottery 9.30am Silvercraft 1pm, EBACC Gym Sessions 9am, Drama &

Discovery 9am PCYC.

Brisbane Water Bridge Club,
12.30pm, Enq: 4341 0721, WWLC

Al-anon/Alateen family support group
Community Health building, Woy Woy

Hospital 2pm Enq: 4344 6939.

Woy Woy Environment Centre
10am-. 267 Blackwall Road. Enq
4342 6589.

Car Boot Sale, Ettalong Markets. Community Dance, 1pm to 4pm, \$2, ESCC, Ph:4344 3131/4341 3222 Social Dance, New vogue, old time, \$2, refreshments, 1pm, ESCC. ph:4344 3131/4341 3222.

SUNDAY

First Sunday of every month
Blackwall Mountain Bushcare, 9am
cnr Blackwall Rd & Memorial Ave

Enq: 4342 6995

Second Sunday of every month

Umina P & C Bushcare 9am BWSC,

Enq: 4341 9301

Buffalo **Lodge**, Woy Woy, No 381, 11am, Buffalo **Lodge**, Gosford No 63, **UCH** 1pm.
Troubadour **Acoustic Music** Club,

Third Sunday of every month

Bushcare Group, Tennis Courts,
Empire Bay, 9am Enq: 43692486

Vietnam Vets, 11am. Bootscooters,
2.30pm EBWMC

1.30pm **CWAHWW** Enq: 4342 9099

Ettymalong **Creek Landcare**, Ettalong Rd, Umina, 8am, ph. 4342 2251. **EBWM Fishing Club** competition at Club House in Beach St, Ettalong.

Fourth Sunday of every month

Buffalo Lodge Woy Woy 381 11am;

Buffalo Lodge Gosford No 63 UCH

1pm.
Burrawang Bushland reserve
bushcare, Nambucca Dr playgrnd
9am 4341 9301.

Last Sunday of every month

Ladies Auxiliary of Vietnam Vets, 10 am, EBWMC
Lions Club Boot Sale & Mini Market

Enq: 4341 4151 Open Acoustic Mic Afternoon, 1pm to

5pm, **WWBC**

Every Sunday

Coast Community Church Services
9am & 5pm Enq 4360 1448
Al-anon/Alateen family support

group "The Cottage" Vidler Ave Woy Woy 7pm.

Patonga Bakehouse Gallery 11am Enq: 4379 1102 MONDAY

First Monday of every month

Endeavour View Club Luncheon ECC Contact 4342 1722

Pretty Beach P S **P&C**, Resource Centre 7:30pm, ph 4360 1587. **Grandparents Parenting Support**

Group, the Cottage, 91 McMasters Rd, Woy Woy, ph: 4342 9995 or 4341 2072.

Second Monday of every month
Save the Children St Andrews
Church Hall, Ocean Beach Rd Umina
1-30pm Eng 4324 4389

Women 50+ Group Chat, PWHC RSL Women's Auxiliary, EBWMC, 9am.

Pretty Beach/Wagstaffe **Progress Assoc WH** 7:30pm, Enq: 4360 1546
Killcare Heights **Garden Club,**10:30am, Enq: 4344 4520

Coastal Crones (over 50's), PWHC

Third Monday of every month
War widows Guild, EBWMC 1pm,

Enq: 4344 3486
Fourth Monday of every month
Labor Party Peninsula Day Branch,

CWAHWW, 1pm. **Carers support group**, Group room, Health Service Building, Woy Woy Hospital, Enq: 4344 8427.

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4.00pm (Junior) , 5pm (Senior)

PCYC
Fairhaven Cash Housie 7.30pm &
Bingo 11am EMBC

Arts and Crafts for people with a disability 11am, Eng. 4341 9333

Patchwork & Quilting, 9am & 12.30pm, Pottery 10am & 1pm EBACC Children's Story Time, Woy Woy

Library. 10.30 am

Gentle Exercise for over 50's,
9.30am, Yoga, 10am, Brisbane

Water Bridge Club. 12.30pm, BJP

School of Physical Culture 3.45pm,

Water Bridge Club. 12.30pm, BJP School of Physical Culture 3.45pm, Peninsula Dance and Theatre School 3.45pm, Gambling & general Counselling by appointment, Music 2-5 yrs 9am PCC Craft group, 1pm BFC

Current Events

October 17: Introduction to Tai Chi 10am, PWHC

October 21: Find out how healthy our local waterways are WWEC October 25: Learn how to relax, 6 week duration, 10.30am, PWHC October 26: Energy, Water and Waste Wisdom, 1pm, WWEC October 29: Natural Gardening Pt1,

10am, **WWEC November 2:** Make your own
Christmas cards, 10am, **PWHC**

Exhibition held at community centre

The Ettalong Beach Arts and Craft Christmas Sale and Exhibition will be held on Saturday, November 25, and Sunday November 26.

The event will run from 9am to 4pm on the Saturday and 10am to 3pm on the Sunday at the Peninsula Community Centre, at the corner of Ocean Beach Rd and

McMasters Rd, Woy Woy.

A raffle will also be held in conjunction with the sale and exhibition, with prizes this year including a monster hamper of Christmas goods, a single-size patchwork quilt, a piece of art, a "quillow" and patchwork bag.

Press release, October 9
Ettalong Beach
Arts and Craft Centre

Tense thriller at Little Theatre

Woy Woy Little Theatre will be presenting its new play "Pack of Lies" at the Peninsula Theatre during October and early November.

Pack of Lies is a tense thriller by Hugh Whitemore.

Written originally for television, it was inspired by events which occurred in England during the height of the Cold War in the early 60s.

Whitemore uses the world of spies and counter-spies, international espionage and stolen secrets, but concentrates on the effect this has on an ordinary suburban family in a London suburb.

"Their quiet life is totally shattered when their house is chosen by MI5 to be used as a surveillance post," publicity officer Ms Margaret McGowan said.

"Whitemore was intrigued by the rights of the individual citizen when faced with government intervention.

"What happens to individual freedom when it comes into conflict with matters of national defence?

"The play raises issues which are chillingly real in today's world of terrorism and counter-terrorism.

"Director Mary Middleton is very pleased with the way in which the play has developed during rehearsals.

"The cast is led by John Hickey, one of Woy Woy's leading actors, with newcomer Suzanne Ohrt in the demanding role of Barbara Jackson, the role played by Judi Dench at the play's first performance."

Bookings are open on 4344 4737 and the box office at the theatre is open Monday to Friday, 10am to 2pm.

The play will show on Friday, October 20, 27 and November 3, at 8pm, Sunday, October 21, 28 and November 4 at 8pm, Saturday, November 4 at 2pm and Sunday, October 22, 29 and November 5 at 2pm

Peninsula Theatre is located on McMasters Rd, Woy Woy.

Press release, October 12 Margaret McGowan, Woy Woy Little Theatre

Unique females in theatre feature

A concert entitled "That's That and Unique Females" will be held at Peninsula Theatre on November 25.

Artists featured will include Maureen O'Brien, Kez, Cheryl Harvey, Vee, That's That and Planetary Caretakers.

The duo That's That entertain with a mix of harmonic music, comical jazz and new age folk.

Album releases to date include "These Shoes Grow Wings" and a meditation CD "Crystal Priestess".

That's That will perform material from their upcoming "Divine Void" album.

ABC songwriting finalist Maureen O'Brien will sing songs that look at the humourous side of a women's life

"Her CD "Many Shades of Blue" combines blues and jazz," said one half of That's That duo Ms Karen Clarke.

"Inspired by wonderful black female songwriters who wrote the blues in difficult times Maureen writes and travels the country side entertaining and bringing their stories and her stories to her audience in song."

Ms Clarke said that Kez was a soulful singer-songwriter, and that her ballads and poetic lyrics speak with emotional depth and passion.

"Creative dynamite Vee is set to surprise us. She is an artist, musician, songwriter, director and writer of the stage production Rock Chicks, a serious musician but better known for her comical and sometimes outrageous statements.

"Before the F word was commonplace, Triple J was playing



her 'F-ing the way to the top".

"A strong outspoken feminist, wife and mother with a brand new electric guitar."

Ms Clarke said that Cheryl Harvey was a fiddle player who trained at Sydney's Conservatoire of Music.

"The Patsy Cline fan is a renowned country fiddler and member of Buckshot, a Tamworth golden award winner," Ms Clarke said

"Cheryl performs on the That's That CD due for release in 2007.

"Cheryl will be gracing us with violin pieces highlighting her talents as well as taking the fiddle on to another dimension with That's That."

Local resident Phil King is accompanying on congo and

djembe.

"Together with Den L Tyler displaying his skills on the electric drum kit the guys will be holding the beat while the unique women

play," Ms Clarke said.

The concert will be held at the Peninsula Theatre, Woy Woy, on November 25, from 7pm to 9.30pm.

Tickets cost \$25 and can be purchased at Peninsula Music, or by contacting 4342 9099 to pay by credit card.

Seats are allocated and numbers are strictly limited.

There are a limited number of tickets available at the door and prepaid tickets can also be collected at the door.

Press release, September 26 Karen Clarke, Peninsula Theatre

Spoken word group

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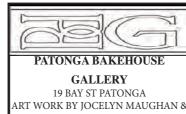
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Peninsula resident Richard Newby is looking for members of the community who would be interested in practising the spoken word.

The group would be held for two to three hours of a weekend afternoon, and would possibly meet at Woy Woy Library.

"It will be of interest to lovers and practitioners of poetry, short story tellers, songwriters, play actors, makers of political rhetoric, anyone sharing justified pride in a heritage or future concepts, past or pending pleasures such as practicing the wedding speech or awarding the



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trophy," Mr Newby said.

"All sexes, ages and ethnicities are welcome to speak in one tongue, but not necessarily be

agreed with."

For more information, contact 4344 1462.

Press release, October 9
Richard Newby



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Education



Claire McMurtrie won the School Based Trainee category for her traineeship in aged care



Information Technology category winner Nick Rauchenberger

Awards for VET students

Continued from cover page

"The majority of VET curriculum framework areas represent industries in which the Central Coast is currently experiencing a shortage of skilled workers", said Youth Connections Inc general manager Ms Maggie MacFie.

"Vocational education and training exposes young people to these industries and allows them to develop their skills through the Structured Workplace Learning

VET allows students to gain Certificate I, II and III qualifications while completing their HSC.

VET studies require students to complete 70 hours on-the-job mandatory work placement in the industry which they are studying during the course of Year 11 and

Employers benefit from this system as they are provided with low cost, purposeful labour and are

given access to a pool of potential future employees.

Anyone interested in hosting a student through the Structured Workplace Learning program or wanting to know more about Vocational Education and Training should contact Youth Connections Inc on 4322 8600 or alison@ youthconnections.com.au.

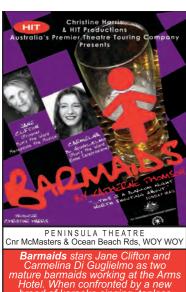
Press release, October 3 Alison Hood. Youth Connections Inc.



Brisbane Water Secondary College provided the entertainment at the event

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PENINSULA DANCE COMPETITION



Tuesday 31st October 2pm - 4pm Ettalong Beach Club One hour of free dance instruction is available to the public at the start of each heat - so why not come and have a friendly dance then enjoy the competition? Entries still open for October heat contact Club reception to register your interest - great prizes including a family holiday to be won! ETTALONG BROKE ESTATE 8-11 November For the information of members and their guests BOX OFFICE: 43 233 233

New building at Umina campus

Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina Campus has a new administration building.

"Our new building is ready at last and it will certainly enhance the appearance and administration of the school," said campus principal Mr Frank Gasper.

"There will be a separate entrance for parents, at the front of the school, with an interview room for parent interviews and a student entry at the back with two service counters.

"This should alleviate the congestion that occurred at all times in the confines of the old building.

"The next stage involves the conversion of the old building into a staffroom area and is anticipated to be completed in semester one next year.'

Newsletter, September 30 Frank Gasper, Brisbane Water **Secondary College Umina Campus**

Concert at Empire Bay

Empire Bay Public School's annual school concert was held from September 19 to

Its concert "S" Factor told the tale of a competition between seven super heroes including Batman, Superman, Cat Woman and The Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles.

All children from Kindergarten

to Year 2 were involved in the production.

The schools junior and senior choirs also performed four items each, including Locomotion, Walk Right In, I Can See Clearly Now, and Superman (It's Not Easy).

Newsletter, September 25 Sharon McEvoy, Empire **Bay Public School**

Education hierarchy hosted at college

Brisbane Water Secondary College hosted a full day meeting by the Regional Director Mr John Mather and all School Education Directors from the Hunter Central Coast Region on September 12.

"Jo Wright, our aboriginal education worker and Phil Williamson, our careers adviser, organised for our Bush Café team led by Drew Elliot (the Barista operator) and Brooke Egan to prepare and serve them morning tea on arrival," campus principal Mr Frank Gasper said.

"Ms May and the canteen ladies prepared a great lunch for them while our SRC students created an outstanding impression greeting

and escorting the visitors.

"This was followed later in the day by a visit by the Minister for Education, Carmel Tebbutt, and the Director General Andrew Cappie-Wood and 100 guests made up of the P&C reps and principals who had the opportunity to ask questions following the minister's

"Again our SRC excelled and I was inundated with people telling me a wonderful impression they had created of our wonderful

"It was another day that I was very proud to be the principal of

Newsletter, September 30 Frank Gasper, Brisbane Water **Secondary College Umina Campus**



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Education

Success in Buckley Plate

Brisbane Water Secondary College has had success in rugby league recently in the Buckley Plate, according to college principal Mr Guys Vrolyk.

"The Brisbane Water Secondary College Under-14 Rugby League squad travelled to Newcastle on Wednesday, September 20, to play the final of the Buckley Plate at Energy Australia Stadium," Mr Vrolyk said.

"The Buckley Plate is the playoff for third and fourth in the State wide Buckley Shield knockout competition.

"Going in as underdogs against a highly-fancied Farrer Agricultural College side, the team were upbeat and confident of causing an upset."

Team coach Mr Neil Hinton said: "Mark Cribb, Matt Marker and the Rugby League Academy squad from the senior campus were a great help in preparing the team by coming to the Umina campus for a couple of training sessions."

Mr Hinton said pre-match preparations were completed in the Newcastle Knights dressing rooms before the boys ran out onto the Stadium for the biggest League game the Umina Campus has been involved with.

"Following a nervous start, the team settled into their normal style of play, with some outstanding defensive work by Brayden Williame, Jason Hayward, Nathan McManus, Chris Norman and Zane Sparke," Mr Hinton said.

"Knocks to Sean Ellard and Nathan McManus meant that Shane Cooper and Daniel Bluff were used off the bench earlier than intended but both players really lifted and put in outstanding performances.

"Luke Murphy was making some good ground every time he joined in the attack.

"Callum McGillicuddy, Brayden Williame and Justin Canterbury tormented the Farrer defence following great work by the forwards.

"Unfortunately a lack of patience and poor ball security crept into the Brisbane Water game and Farrer took advantage and put on two tries for a 10-nil lead.

"Brisbane Water lifted and began to exert dominance in all facets of the game.

"In the last five minutes of the first half, this dominance paid off, firstly with a try to Chase Williams after a brilliant off-load by Jason Hayward."

Mr Hinton said James Coote's conversion from wide out in difficult, windy conditions gave the side a further boost in confidence and reduced the Farrer lead to four.

"Almost on half time, after great lead-up work that had Farrer on the back foot, Jason Hayward split the defence and planted the ball over the stripe," Mr Hinton said. "Luke Murphy added the extras to give Brisbane Water a half time lead of 12 to 10.

"The second half did not start according to plan with Farrer scoring in the opening minute to retake the lead at 16 to 12.

"This quick try shook the Brisbane Water side back into action and showing great patience and control they started to regain the ascendancy.

"A side in a game like this must have a strong bench and all of the players rotated off the bench played their part in the team.

"Backs Jamie Rushton, James Lovell, Tom Austine, James Coote, Justin Canterbury and Henry Lovell attacked and defended well while fullback Luke Murphy was dangerous every time he had the hall

"Brisbane Water retook the lead with a try to Justin McDermott.

"Justin came off the bench and did precisely what was intended.

"James Coote once again added the extras to give Brisbane Water a two-point advantage.

"The forwards led by captain Chris Norman controlled the game with great defence and forceful ball running.

"Daniel Bluff, Nathan McManus, Jason Hayward, Sean Ellard, Zane Sparke, Shane Cooper, Chace Williams all hammered the Farrer defence running off halves Callum McGillicuddy and Brayden Williame.

"Chase Williams put Brisbane further ahead with his second try and after the conversion by James Coote."

Mr Hinton said that, despite some intimidating tactics from the opposition, Brisbane Water held their composure and ran out very deserving victors.

"What makes this such a special team is that everyone puts in," Mr Hinton said.

"For example, Aeden Avery did not get much of an opportunity in this game, but like Daniel Taylor who volunteered to video the match and water boy Josh Spence, played a big role within the squad.

"All three were an integral part of the squad from first game to last.

"The season, which culminated in this win, was a real team effort with all 21 in the squad putting in great effort.

"To top off the win, after Chris Norman accepted the Buckley Plate, Jason Hayward was named Player of the Final and Nathan McManus was selected as the Knights Player of the Match."

Mr Hinton said all of the players received winners medals as a tribute for their efforts.

Mr Vrolyk said: "Both coach Neil Hinton and trainer Matt Marker were proud of the boys efforts and attitude throughout the season."

Press release, September 27 Gus Vrolyk, Brisbane Water Secondary College

Recognised

Bette and Claude Baxter, Jan Tochowicz and Chris Barber received Central Coast Public Education Awards of Appreciation at Narara Valley High School on Tuesday, September 19.

Claude and Bette were nominated by the Pretty Beach Public School P&C for their commitment to the Be Excited About Reading (BEAR) reading program.

Jan was recognised by the school for the kid's club program which she runs during lunchtime at the school and Chris for her teaching ability.

Newsletter, September 7 Vicki Redrup, Pretty Beach Public School

Mini-bus service

A new mini-bus service has begun for residents and visitors on the Peninsula.

Moving Scenes Charters offers transport for small groups (maximum 12) for occasions such as weddings, sporting fixtures, Central Coast and Hunter Valley tours, restaurants, Sydney and Newcastle airport transfers, collections from ferry wharves and hotels, and residences.

Operator Mr Jeremy Linton-Mann said: "The name is inspired by my lifetimes work as a documentary producer."

Press release, October 10 Jeremy Linton-Mann, Moving Scenes Charters

Mufti day

Ettalong Public School held a mufti day to raise funds for the Lifesaver Rescue helicopter service on Friday, September 22.

Students and staff were invited to wear red and yellow, the colours of the Surf Life Saving Association, and to donate a gold coin to show their support.

"The school raised \$605 which was presented to a representative of the rescue helicopter service when he visited the school to give a safety presentation," said publicity officer Ms Michelle Pathirana.

Press release, September 27 Michelle Pathirana, Ettalong Public School

Maintenance funds for ramp

Minister for the Central Coast Mr Grant McBride has announced that a local school would benefit from a blitz of maintenance and building works during term four.

Brisbane Water Secondary College, Woy Woy Campus, will have a ramp built as part of the maintenance schedule. Mr McBride said the projects were among 481 throughout the state worth more than \$27 million that would be underway before the end of the school year.

"This year the lemma Government is investing a record \$712 million in upgrading and maintaining NSW public school facilities," Mr McBride said.

Press release, October 9 Grant McBride, Minister for the Central Coast

Seating petition

Concerned residents in Woy Woy have petitioned Gosford Council to reinstate seating outside Blackwall St Presbyterian Church.

The petition, with eight signatures, stated that the seating

was removed during building works and had not been returned, asking that the seating now be returned.

Council has referred the petition to its Engineering Services department.

Council agenda P.58, September 26

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The Water Main Cleaning program is designed to reduce the frequency and severity of discoloured water in the Gosford City Council area, using air scouring and mains flushing techniques.

Over the last fortnight, the area bound by Rawson Road, Ocean Beach Road, West Street and Brisbane Waters in Woy Woy has been completed. This excludes however a section along Orange Grove Road

Until the end of October, there is more scheduled cleaning for the area generally bounded by Rawson Road, Ocean Beach Road, Brisbane Avenue and Woy Woy Road, including Umina Heights. As the water mains in each street needs to be interrupted in order to be cleaned, Council's contractor will deliver a notice of 'Interruption to Supply' to all affected properties at least 48 hours prior.

Gosford City Council would like to assure local residents that the majority of water used during the program is captured and re-treated before being returned to the system. With more than 95% of water used in the program so far being captured and re-used.

For a map of areas due to be cleaned over the next few weeks please visit Gosford City Council's website at www.gosford.nsw.gov.au, or visit one of Council's Customer Service Centres. Information is also available on the causes of discoloured water and what to do if you experience it within your home. Alternatively you can call the Council's Customer Service Centre on 4325 8222.

Gosford City Council appreciates the continued support of the local community during the program and is making every effort to minimise any impacts on residents while improving the water quality in the long term.

Pictures from top to bottom: a glass of discoloured water, street signage and a water tanker used during the program, a local water treatment plant, pipework

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Sport

Judo success at Blacktown

Ten competitors from the Woy Woy Judo Club have had success in the Blacktown City Centenary Games celebrations.

As part of the program, a judo tournament was held at the Seven Hills Sports High School.

In the under-10 division, four players competed.

"For Jared Adams, it was his first time," said Woy Woy Judo Club secretary Ms Lindy Simmons.

"Jared had two bouts and won them both.

"Brianna Bogue took the silver, Kyla Handley entered two divisions and won gold and bronze.

"Summer Potvin in the graded division also entered two divisions, winning gold and bronze.

"In the under-13's, Ben Adams entered for the first time and obtained a silver medal.

"Lachlan Paine entered two

divisions and obtained silver in both.

Alex Bogue who has just turned

10, entered in his first under-13 comp and got the silver medal.

"Brandon Stokes also entered the under-13's for the first time.

"Brandon won his first bout and then had to fight off for the gold against the current Junior National Bronze medalist.

"Brandon was in control from the start and performed a textbook throw to beat his opponent."

Ms Simmons said Brandon would now have his sights set on the Junior Nationals in Adelaide next year.

"Current Junior National Gold medal title holders, Kieren Handley and Jordan Smith, entered in the under-13's and under-16's divisions," Ms Simmons said.

"Kieren fought in two divisions in the under-13's taking gold in both, then in the under-16's a silver.

"Jordan Smith took the gold in the under-13's and a silver in the under-16's."

Ms Simmons said each player received a beautiful commemorative medal and a centenary certificate from Blacktown City Council.

Woy Woy Judo Club teaches children aged from seven years and adults all ages.

A "come and try judo" trial period

will be held at the club beginning on October 17. For further information, contact

Lindy Simmons on 4342 4121.

Press release, September 26

Press release, September 26 Lindy Simmons, Woy Woy Judo



The Coastbusters Dragon Boat racers

Champions in dragon boats

Umina resident Vicki White and part of her dragon boat team, The Coastbusters, have returned from Singapore as champions, after successfully competing in the first Breast Cancer Dragon Boat World Championships.

Twelve members of the local team formed part of the Dragons Abreast Australia team 'Inspiration"

and competed alongside 17 other teams, representing 11 countries including Singapore, USA, Canada, United Kingdom, Italy, South Africa, New Zealand, Malaysia, Hong Kong and the Philippines.

"Dragons Abreast Central Coast is about a lot more than paddling a dragon boat though," Ms White said.

"It's also about the strength that's required to get on with life after the

trauma of breast cancer.

"Our focus is on getting fit and having fun while participating in a challenging physical activity.

"We train weekly in the local area and welcome new members."

For more information, contact 4332 3010 or 4358 0367.

Press release, October 6 Vicki White, The Coastbusters

Birthday bash

Pearl Beach Tennis Club will be holding a 25th "Birthday Bash" on November 12.

"Starting at 10am on Sunday, November 12, members and casual players are invited to get together to celebrate the 25th Birthday which this year will be combined with the annual Christmas Social," said Pearl Beach Tennis and Recreation Club treasurer Mr Ron Bagely.

"There will be tennis and bowls tournaments with prizes and gifts and interesting items of club history on display."

Free drinks and nibbles will be provided but participants are asked to bring their own food, as a barbecue will be available.

For more information, contact 0413 040 537.

Press release, October 8 Ron Bagely, Pearl Beach Tennis and Recreation Club Inc

Best and fairest

Umina Beach Rugby League Football Club player Brett Sonter has won the Under-17 Central Coast Division Best and Fairest Player award.

Brett Sonter, a member of the team whic finished fourth in their competition, was a very close winner over Henry Vaotuua from Kincumber in this year's award.

As a Umina Junior, Brett played 14 games in the juniors, 15 games in the under-17s and seven games in the under-19s in the seniors.

He has also played numerous games with the Brisbane Water Secondary College Sports Academy.

This year Brett was selected, along with teammates Michael Paterson and Jeremy Williams, in the Central Coast Division Under-18s Country Championship team.

Brett also made his First Grade debut for the Bunnies in the qualifying semi-final against Ourimbah.

Brett, along with teammate Jeremy, has also been selected in the Newcastle SG Ball Training Squad for next year.

Press release, October 11 Rob Ryan, Umina Beach RLFC

Charity day

Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club held a charity day on Thursday, October 5.

Publicity officer Ms Miriam Cotton said the event was held in brilliant sunshine with members from Everglades, Umina, Ettalong, Avoca and Wamberal Clubs participating.

"President Ida Campbell had much pleasure in presenting a

cheque for \$2035 to Jennifer Eddy for the Woy Woy Community Aged Care," Ms Cotton said.

"Ms Eddy thanked the club for its generous donation and said this money would be used to build a fragrant garden in which the residents could relax and enjoy."

Press release, October 10

Miriam Cotton, Woy Woy

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Awards for VET students

Brisbane Water Secondary College Woy Woy Campus students Nick Rauchenberger and Claire McMurtrie have won awards for their Vocational Education and Training (VET) study.

Year 12 student Nick won the Information Technology category, while Claire won the School-based Trainee category for

her traineeship in aged care.

Brisbane Water Secondary College also provided all the entertainment at the event, held at the Central Coast Leagues Club on Wednesday, September 27.

Over 500 people turned out to celebrate the growing success of vocational education in the region.

Students and employers were awarded in 15 categories including Hospitality,

Construction, Electro Technology, Metals and Engineering, Retail and Information Technology.

The awards are coordinated by Youth Connections Inc. and aim to raise the profile of vocational education and create awareness of skills shortage areas within our local labour market.

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