

## New plans for commuter carpark

Construction of commuter carparking might be started in Woy Woy as soon as February next year by building extra levels on the Deepwater Plaza carpark, adjacent to the existing commuter carpark.

Plans to build on top of the existing commuter carpark approved by Gosford Council in September last year seem to have been shelved due to "time constraints and construction difficulties".

The new plan would see the existing single-deck carpark demolished and replaced with a four-deck structure.

The construction would take 13 months, during which time the bottom three levels of the commuter carpark would be devoted to shopper use, while a temporary commuter carpark would be provided adjacent to Woy Woy oval.

Gosford Council's manager of engineering services Mr John Cragg said that, following a meeting between Gosford councillors and the Transport Infrastructure Development Corporation (TIDC) on October 20, it was revealed that a new proposal was being considered due to "time restraints and construction difficulties".

Council originally endorsed a proposal that involved expanding the carpark by 292 spaces by adding additional decks to the existing structure.



The new plan proposed by TIDC involves the construction of a carpark by exercising airspace rights held by council above the adjacent Deepwater Plaza carpark.

Gosford councillors will meet on November 3, and are expected to support the recommendations put forward by Mr Cragg including council endorse the new plans by way of exercising airspace rights over Deepwater Plaza land providing the TIDC deliver a minimum net increase of 292 car parking spaces to Woy Woy.

Mr Cragg has also recommended to councillors that the general

manager be delegated to execute a Heads of Agreement document between council and TIDC for construction and operation of the multi-storey commuter carpark, and to ensure TIDC adequately complies with the provisions of the Infrastructure SEPP and Part Five of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979.

According to a report prepared by council staff, the TIDC does not propose to lodge a development application for the carpark expansion project "as it has powers under the provisions of the new Infrastructure SEPP to progress developments to construction

without development consent from the local council".

Based on investigations that found the original proposal was not feasible, the TIDC subsequently explored alternative locations within the Woy Woy CBD area as a site for a multi-deck commuter carpark, identifying Woy Woy Oval Carpark and Deepwater Plaza Carpark as potential locations.

"In negotiations with the TIDC, council officers strongly opposed the Woy Woy Oval proposal due to traffic flow concerns and adverse town planning impacts associated with the Peninsula Urban Development Strategy," a council

report stated.

"However, council officers encouraged further investigation of options utilising the council airspace rights above the existing single deck Deepwater Plaza Carpark.

"The TIDC subsequently prepared concept plans and entered into negotiations with council officers and the owners of Deepwater Plaza on a proposal to concurrently develop the Deepwater Plaza Carpark and the council airspace above.

"A key aspect to this proposal was demolishing the entire Deepwater Plaza single-deck carpark and replacing it with a multi-deck carpark structure of sufficient strength and standard to accommodate future commercial shops on the ground level.

"This proposal would have required Deepwater Plaza to contribute towards the additional strengthening works.

"Deepwater Plaza subsequently withdrew from these negotiations in October 2009 advising that they were not currently in a position to be involved in the TIDC carpark expansion proposal."

**Council agenda CIT.55,  
3 Nov 2009**

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## Mobile police station 'not used' - Hartcher

**Shadow Minister for the Central Coast Mr Chris Hartcher has called on the State Government to reveal why it failed to properly utilise a \$100,000 police van planned to be used on "crime hotspots" such as Umina and Woy Woy.**

"In November 2007, police minister David Campbell handed over a \$100,000 police van to Brisbane Water Local Area Command for use as a mobile police station," Mr Hartcher said.

"Two years later and another broken promise - the government admits there is no mobile police station."

Residents were told the mobile police station could carry up to six

police officers and would give them the ability to process offenders at the scene, according to Mr Hartcher,

In response to a question on notice by Mr Hartcher recently about the existence of the mobile police station, it was revealed the van was only being used for community promotion purposes.

"The residents of the Central Coast, particularly those from Kincumber and the Peninsula, are sick and tired of Labor's misleading announcements with no substance," Mr Hartcher said.

"It is clear that this van is not used as a mobile police station - which is what was promised when Labor closed and then sold Kincumber Police Station.

"The van, now labelled a

Command Unit, is just a community promotional unit.

"I challenge the Minister for Police to release the statistics on where the van has been used on the Central Coast, for what purpose and how many police use it.

"Why hasn't it been used in Umina as a station?

"Why hasn't it been used in Woy Woy as a mobile police station?

"The Minister for the Central Coast who is the Premier, needs to answer, when will he end his own Government's spin, and deliver legitimate services to the Central Coast?"

**Press release, 30 Oct 2009  
Chris Hartcher, Shadow  
Minister for the Central Coast**

## Council withdraws from lifesaving bid

**Gosford Council has withdrawn from a joint bid with Wyong Shire which could have seen the NSW Surf Life Saving Championships held again at Umina and Ocean beaches.**

A successful bid would have seen the championships held at different venues on the Coast for the three years 2011 to 2013.

Mayor Cr Chris Holstein said that NSW Surf Life Saving would only accept a bid from a single council area.

He said Gosford Council stood aside from the bidding process in the knowledge that Central Coast Surf Life Saving's preference was to hold the event in the Wyong Shire.

Gosford mayor Cr Chris Holstein has defended Gosford's decision not to provide financial support to Wyong Council if they win a bid to host the NSW Surf Life

Saving Championships from 2011 to 2013.

"Gosford Council hosted the 2004-2005 NSW Surf Life Saving Championships at Umina and Ocean beaches and at no point was a financial contribution sought from Wyong Council, as the event was staged within the Gosford City area.

Cr Holstein said that Gosford council's support of surf life saving on the Central Coast is unparalleled.

"It should be remembered that Gosford council's support of Central Coast Surf Life Saving has been highlighted with this year's completion of the 10-year surf club redevelopment project to upgrade eight surf clubs, at an overall investment in excess of \$15 million," Cr Holstein said.

**Press release, 15 Oct 2009  
Cr Chris Holstein,  
Gosford mayor**



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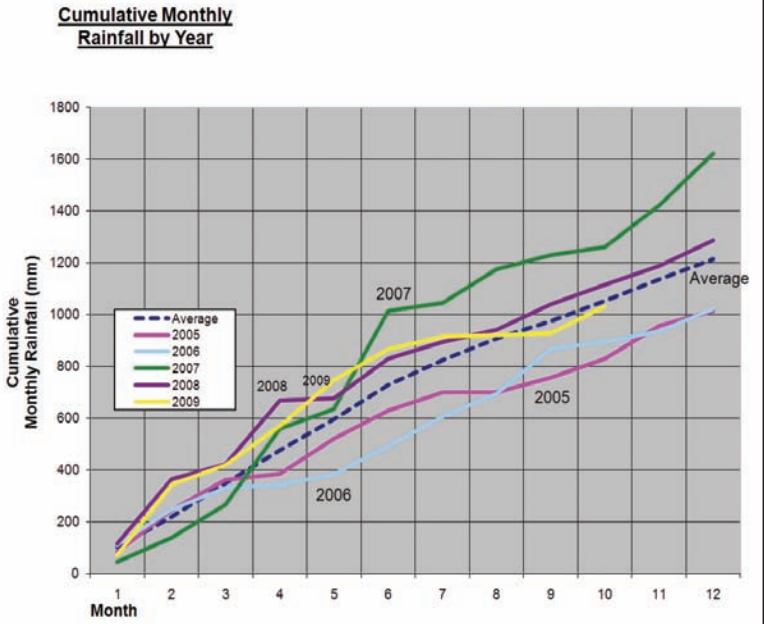
and, of course, the kitchen sink and make venues jump," event organiser Mr Brian Lizotte said.

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send to: Peninsula News, Live & Cookin @ Lizotte's Competition, PO Box 532, Woy Woy, 2256.

Entries close Thursday, November 12, at 5pm.

Clare Graham, 27 Oct 2009



## Wetter than usual

**A total of 48.5mm of rain fell over three days last week, bringing total rainfall for the month to more than a third above average.**

Figures provided by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy show a

total of 103.9mm for the month compared to a monthly average of 76.9mm

The rain did not, however, make up for the shortfall after three dry months.

Rainfall for the year to date of 1031mm compares to an average of 1053mm.

Rainfall of more than one millimetre was recorded on 12 days in October.

Spreadsheet, 30 Oct 2009  
Jim Morrison, Woy Woy

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**The winners of the Peninsula News VulgarGrad ticket giveaway have been drawn.**

Mr Mitchell Ryan of Kincumber, Ms Susanne Bethune of Killcare, Ms Marian Bowyer of Umina and Ms Maria Pérez Cabrera of Umina were the winners.

Each winner will be enjoy a performance by Russian group, VulgarGrad, at the Rhythm Hut in Gosford on Saturday, November 7.

Kevin Holloway, 31 Oct 2009

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## Commuter Carpark

# Carpark could have second stage

**Construction of commuter carparking in Woy Woy could have a second stage, according to Gosford Council staff.**

Stage one, which could start as soon as February, involves demolishing the section of single-deck Deepwater Plaza Carpark and constructing four new decks on the site generating at least 292 additional commuter parking spaces.

Ground level and first level parking decks would remain retail parking.

"The Transport Infrastructure Development Corporation proposes to construct columns strong enough to accommodate a future fifth deck," the council staff

report stated.

"Stage two would involve future horizontal expansion of the decks into Deepwater Plaza airspace (generating approximately 128 extra spaces per level), and the possible removal of the first level deck to accommodate commercial shops.

"These extensions would need to be developed and funded by Deepwater Plaza at the time they wish to expand, and would be subject to development consent by council.

"The possible addition of a fifth deck (providing an additional 244 spaces) would be subject to future negotiations between council and Deepwater Plaza."

**Council agenda CIT.55, 3 Nov 2009**

## Chamber welcomes expansion

**Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has welcomed plans to proceed with the commuter carpark expansion.**

President Mr Matthew Wales said: "The decision to expand the car park over the current Deepwater Plaza carpark will enable the project to proceed more quickly.

"We understand that council controls the airspace rights over the carpark which will enable the development to occur.

"Obviously the chamber is concerned about disruptions to current parking arrangements and the ongoing retail operations of both Deepwater Plaza and surrounding retail shops.

"While there will be some short term disruption in the immediate precinct, the chamber welcomes the extra car parking spaces as this will ease the pressure on street parking and provide better access

for commuters."

However, Mr Wales said the chamber was concerned about the impact of the plan on the future development of Woy Woy town centre.

"The car park development must also be tempered with the knowledge that it will have other impacts on the Woy Woy town centre," Mr Wales said.

"There will inevitably be increased traffic which will place pressure on the centre of town which is already under pressure.

"The business community doesn't want Woy Woy to be simply a car parking hub for the rail station.

"We also want the town centre to thrive as a retail and commercial hub.

"In the longer term, we want to see initiatives in place to revitalise the town centre and enhance business opportunities."

**Press release, 29 Oct 2009**

**Matthew Wales, Gosford Council**

**A deficit of around 140 commuter parking spaces is expected for the 13 months it will take to build the new Woy Woy commuter carpark.**

The Transport Infrastructure Development Corporation (TIDC) proposes to close the entire Deepwater Plaza carpark throughout the construction period, according to a report by Gosford Council staff.

Shoppers would be redirected to the ground, first and second levels of the existing multi-deck commuter parking station which will be turned over for shopper use.

"This will mean approximately 450 commuter parking spaces will have to be found within walking distance to the railway station to maintain the current parking compliment in the vicinity of Woy Woy Station," a council report stated.

"The TIDC has proposed the construction of approximately 310 temporary formal commuter parking spaces in the council land between Woy Woy Oval and Austin Butler Memorial Oval.

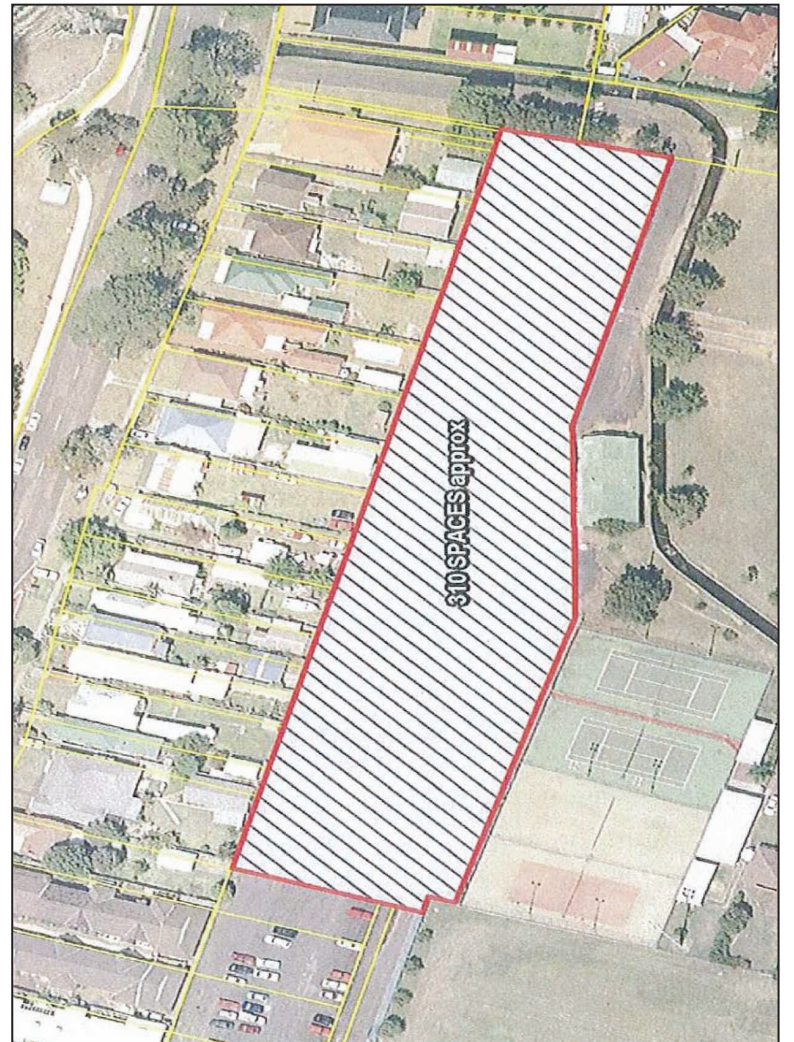
"It has been indicated that directly affected stakeholders such as residents backing onto the proposed temporary carpark and the Woy Woy Tennis Club would be consulted with by the TIDC and their particular needs accommodated by the TIDC.

"The TIDC would also be responsible for resolving any issues arising at the temporary carparks during the construction period, and for restoring all temporary parking areas at completion of construction to council's satisfaction.

"The remaining displaced commuters will need to either find on-street parking, use public transport to the railway station, or drive to another railway station during the construction period."

**Council agenda CIT.55, 3 Nov 2009**

## Parking deficit during construction



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## Solicitor talks on separation

**A local solicitor will be guest speaker at Beachside Family Centre's next separated parents' seminar to talk about post-separation parenting under Family Law.**

Ms Sacha Mastras from the Central Coast Community Legal Centre will cover information on family dispute resolution, parenting plans and consent orders, making an application to the court for parenting orders as well as

principles and objects of the Family Law Act 1975.

"Apart from finding out about the law and separation, the forum is also an opportunity for separated parents with young children on the Peninsula to meet and talk to others parents," centre facilitator Ms Debbie Notara said.

"The Separated Parents Forum is free and participants will receive tea, coffee and supper and a Separation Resource Pack."

The seminar will be held at Beachside Family Centre on the grounds of Umina Public School located in Sydney Ave, Umina, on Wednesday, November 11, from 10am to 12 pm.

Child care is available for a gold coin donation.

Bookings are essential and can be made by calling 4343 1929.

**Press release, 22 Oct 2009  
Debbie Notara, Beachside Family Centre**

## Quest could bring total to \$200,000

**Entrants in this year's Queen of the Oyster Festival are expected to take the total fundraising fund for breast cancer research to over \$200,000, according to festival organiser Ms Debra Wales.**

"With over \$170,000 raised in the past few years for breast cancer research the girls will most certainly take that total over the \$200,000 mark," Ms Wales said.

"Many of the girls have hosted trivia nights, celebrity auctions and barbecues all grateful for the community support they have received from across the Central Coast."

One such entrant Ms Teneille Reeson, sponsored by the staff at Centrelink Ettalong Beach and Woy Woy, said the support she had received from the Peninsula community had been exceptional.

"I am very passionate about raising money for breast cancer research as this is close to my heart," Ms Reeson said.

"I am so pleased to have this opportunity as this insidious disease is effecting more people every day and every little bit helps.

The queen entrants joined together to hold a fashion parade and high tea at the Ettalong Beach Club on October 25.

The Queen of the Oyster Festival and Miss Charity Queen will be crowned at the Brisbane Water Oyster Festival Ball at Ettalong Beach Club on Friday, November 6.

Tickets are available for the ball from the club or by contacting 4342 7510.

Meanwhile plans for the oyster festival at Ettalong Beach waterfront on November 8 are well in hand, according to Ms Wales.

A shuttle bus will operate from Woy Woy station every half hour from 9am.

"The day kicks off with the big sounds of Wayne Cornell and the Allstars orchestra on the main stage.

"The entertainment continues

throughout the day with country music band Bob Howe and the Hillbilly Heaven Band and on the waterfront reserve Strictly Dixie Jazz Band."

A Woodchopping Spectacular has a festival trophy for the winner.

Ms Wales said the How Many Oysters Can you Eat in 30 Seconds competition was fast becoming a popular event.

A variety of food stalls will be available, including a barbecue, Mediterranean cuisine, Indian, pancakes and a dim sum station.

Amusement rides will include horse riding, mini jeeps and tea cup rides.

**Press release, 29 Oct 2009  
Debra Wales, Brisbane Water Oyster Festival**

## Covered power cables installed

**Covered power cables will be installed throughout November to improve the power supply to more than 1000 Empire Bay and Killcare properties.**

The work is part of a \$2 million improvement program across the Central Coast targeting powerlines that pass through bushland, which are more susceptible to interruptions, according to Energy Australia's Central Coast region manager Mr Tom Wilcox.

"Large parts of the Central Coast's electricity network cross dense bushland, which can interfere with the electricity network," Mr Tom Wilcox said.

"Under the program we will replace uncovered power lines in key areas with covered cables, better able to protect the network from environmental factors such as trees."

Mr Wilcox said Energy Australia

crews would replace 16 poles and 14 spans of overhead lines along a heavily-treed section of Empire Bay Dr between Greenfield Rd and Yugari Cres.

"We will also replace the service wires connecting customers along this section of Empire Bay Rd to the network with bundled cabling designed for areas of heavy vegetation," Mr Wilcox said.

"Specialist power line devices will also be installed which can isolate a problem to one small section of the network, limiting the number of residents affected by interruptions."

He said work was scheduled to start on November 2, and continue until at least the end of the month.

"There will be some unavoidable impacts on local residents and traffic using Empire Bay Rd during the work to allow it to be carried out safely," Mr Wilcox said.

"The work will take place from 9.30am to 2.30pm Monday to Friday, and Energy Australia will avoid weekend work if possible due to the volume of traffic on this main road."

Similar improvement projects have been earmarked for Umina and Woy Woy.

The project is part of Energy Australia's \$650 million investment in the Central Coast electricity network over the next five years.

**Press release, 27 Oct 2009  
Allyn Hamonet, Energy Australia**

## Council works

**Gosford Council is expected to undertake a number of works on the Peninsula from November 2 to 8.**

In Blackwall, council will continue to pour concrete for the construction of cycleway along the foreshore area.

Work will commence in Umina to build a roundabout at the intersection of Melbourne and

Adelaide Ave while drainage works will be undertaken along Mt Ettalong Rd near the hairpin turn.

Drainage works will also take place in Woy Woy in Springwood and Gallipoli Sts.

**Press release, 29 Oct 2009  
Lisa Beeke, Gosford Council**

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## Masonic Hall sold again

## Welfare demand increases 25%

Umina Salvation Army community services have seen a 25 per cent increase in Peninsula residents accessing its services over the past 12 months, according to corps officer Major Nellie Moed.

Major Moed said the service was seeing new faces all the time to get help with food, clothing and furniture.

"We are seeing new people all the time, and more and more people in financial difficulty," Major Moed said.

"Since the increase in electricity accounts, we have been seeing a 20 per cent increase in clients needing assistance to pay their bills.

"We are having to ask Energy Australia for more vouchers and we have seen a small increase in

homelessness due to high rents and people not affording to pay them.

"We work one day a week and are totally full with around 17 clients per day.

"On October 28, we have given out \$900 in electricity vouchers, about \$400 in food vouchers, about \$200 in clothing vouchers and still we have to turn people away."

Major Moed said now was a more important time than ever to support the Salvation Army in the lead up to Christmas.

To make a donation, visit [www.salvos.org.au](http://www.salvos.org.au) or call 137 258.

The Umina Salvation Army community service centre is located at 9 Sydney Ave, Umina.

Email, 28 Oct 2009

Nellie Moed, The Salvation Army

Letter, 28 Oct 2009

Gary Masters, The Salvation Army

The Schwartz Family Company has sold the Woy Woy Masonic Hall for \$780,000, according to Savilles real estate agent Mr Frank Scarf.

The property was originally sold to the owners of Deep Water Plaza in April last year for around \$1million.

Mr Scarf said the sale of the property had attracted mostly local interest with a few bidders from Sydney.

The 942 square metre property was sold by public auction on October 13.

"Savilles was proud to offer this vacant commercial building for sale at a landmark location within the heart of Woy Woy's retail precinct," Mr Scarf said.

"The property comprises a two-storey heritage listed hall, a suitable retail commercial adaptive re-use subject to council approval such as a restaurant or professional office suite.

"Although heritage listed buildings do have restrictions to what can be done with them, this didn't seem to deter potential buyers."

Clare Graham, 28 Oct 2009

Interviewee: Frank Scarf, Savilles Real Estate



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# Meeting told of proposal’s ‘faults’

Two solicitors from Gosford Council’s legal firm have told a packed meeting of the Hardy’s Bay Residents’ Group what they will argue is wrong with a proposed development in Araluen Dr.

The proposal includes four commercial occupancies, nine apartments and parking for 34 vehicles.

Ms Pauline Wright and Mr Patrick Donnellan from PJ Donnellan and Co said the council would defend an appeal in the Land and Environment Court against the council’s refusal of the proposal.

Ms Wright said council’s reasons for the refusal of the application included that the proposed development was “out of character” for the locality and that the height, bulk and scale were inappropriate.

She said the development did not comply with State planning policies for the design of flats or for coastal protection and scenic impact.



The council would also argue the development would have a detrimental impact on the scenic quality of the locality by removal of most of the regionally significant vegetation on the site.

Mr Donnellan said since filing the appeal the developers had made some minor cosmetic changes.

“Council has the opportunity to

file an amended statement of facts and contentions at this stage and will consider raising fresh issues such as heritage impact and impact on the Endangered Ecological Community, if the experts consider it appropriate,” Mr Donnellan said.

More than 130 concerned local residents attended the meeting of the residents’ group on October

27.

Group publicity officer Mr Allan Wilson said the number of people attending the meeting confirmed the “enormous amount of community interest” the controversial plan had created.

“The initial proposal embraced a development which was planned to replace a fish and chip premises, the Yum Yum Eatery restaurant, and a residential building to the west.”

Mr Wilson said four new commercial properties were proposed and nine terraced apartments were to step up the slope behind the retail premises and included underground parking for 34 vehicles.

“After the council received over 600 objections to the original proposal, the developer made a number of amendments to the plan,” Mr Wilson said.

“Subsequently, the list of objections increased to over 700.

“Clearly, the minor changes made by the applicant were not adequate to convince the local community that the size and style of the development was in the best interests of the bay.

“A large expanse covering three blocks of land and requiring the removal of over 100 large trees is considered out of context with the

bay’s character and not in keeping with the minimalist approach to foreshore development that has been advocated by local community groups.”

According to Mr Wilson, three “expert witnesses” are expected to play a significant role at the court case.

These were planners Mr Brett Newbold, Mr George Wellington-Smith and environmental consultant Dr Anne-Marie Clements.

“The court will be provided with a copy of the 713 written submissions objecting to the proposal as well as the DA assessment report which contains a summary of the main issues raised by the objectors.

“The hearing will commence on site and then adjourned to either the Land and Environment Court in Sydney, Gosford or Woy Woy, depending on their availability.”

Mr Wilson said the hearing was “unlikely” to occur before February next year.

“In the meantime, ongoing consultation with the local community groups is proposed and, according to the solicitors, they will be agreeable to address a further meeting prior to the February hearing,” Mr Wilson said.

Press release, 28 Oct 2009  
Allan Wilson, Hardy’s Bay Resident’s Group

## Centre to lease dementia building

Gosford Council has accepted an offer from the Peninsula Community Centre to enter into a lease as the nominated management organisation of the Yaringaa Dementia Facility in Woy Woy.

According to a council staff report, funding of \$1.6 million was received from the Department

of Ageing, Disability and Home Care to upgrade the Woy Woy Community Aged Care Centre (Meals on Wheels) to become a dementia specific centre in October last year.

“The upgrade has been completed and an official opening was held on September 28, 2009,” the report stated.

“The lease agreement is for a period nominated by the Community Buildings Taskforce, subject to a number of special conditions.

“Peninsula Community Centre also currently occupies and manages facilities alongside the upgraded building.”

Council agenda SF.39, 10 Oct 2009



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# Greenhouse gas sign

More than 160 local residents gathered at Umina Beach to make a human sign in support of a greenhouse gas target of 350 parts per million on October 24.

Local groups including the Central Coast branch of the Australian Conservation Foundation, the Community Environment Network, Peninsula Environment Group and the Climate Action Group Central Coast were involved.

"The 350 stands for the level of carbon dioxide in the earth's atmosphere, measured in parts per million, that scientists tell us we need to get back to in order to halt dangerous climate change," event organiser Ms Rachel Lonie said.

"Current levels are now at around 390 parts per million, way above our pre industrial levels of 275ppm.

"Climate negotiators and politicians are urged to adopt 350 as their target in the climate negotiations in Copenhagen this December.

"The likely impacts of

climate change are dire and overwhelming.

"The message sent by participants at Umina Beach was that a solution is possible and that people expect their leaders to work very hard over the next two months to reach a global agreement to make this achievable.

"This part of Umina Beach and other coastal beaches won't be here for future generations unless we all act together and let our politicians know that something must be done now.

"This part of the beach won't be here for future generations unless we all act together and let our politicians know that something must be done now."

The event was part of an international day of action where more than 5200 groups of people in more than 180 countries joined together to send a message on the need for climate action.

More information about the 350.org movement visit [www.350.org](http://www.350.org)

Press release, 25 Oct 2009  
Rachel Lonie, 350.org

Gosford Council will replace stormwater pipes in The Bartizan at Umina Beach that have caused surface cracking in the road's cul-de-sac.

According to a council staff report, The Bartizan at Umina Beach and the associated stormwater drainage system were constructed as part of the development of a private subdivision of this land in the late 1970s.

"The cul-de-sac section of this road has required regular heavy patching due to the poor condition of the pavement, recently confirmed to be caused by failure of a stormwater pipeline under the road," the report stated.

"The replacement of this pipeline is not part of council's adopted four-year works program.

"However, in the circumstances, it is recommended that repair work proceeds immediately."

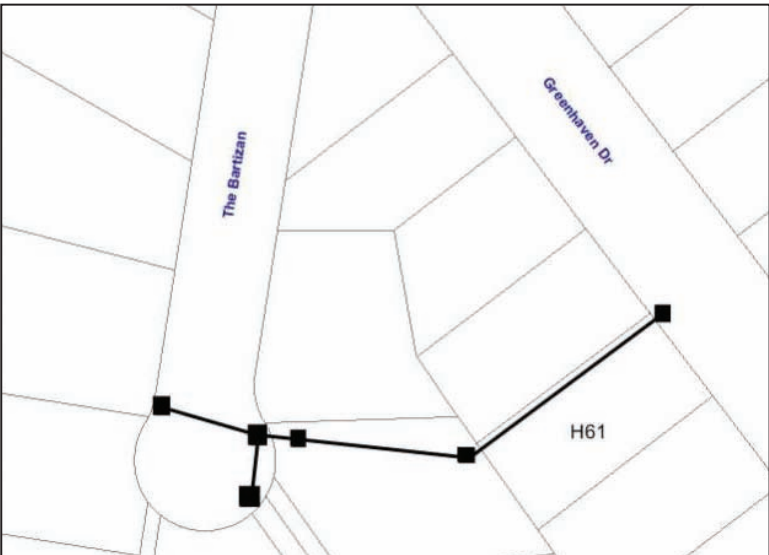
The report stated that local residents had raised concerns regarding the poor condition of the pavement at the cul-de-sac end of the street.

"Investigations have revealed that the distress in the road pavement is due to the failure of twin stormwater pipelines underneath the road.

"Video footage of the stormwater pipeline has confirmed separation and movement of the butt joints in the pipeline.

'Road base material is being washed through these open joints and as a result subsidence and cracking of the road pavement has occurred.'

"The most appropriate remediation strategy is considered to be the replacement of the existing



butt jointed pipelines with the more securely jointed spigot and socket pipelines used by council for over two decades.

"There is a risk of major subsidence of the cul-de-sac and it is considered essential that works be undertaken to rectify the

situation.

"The piped drainage system at The Bartizan, Umina Beach, will be replaced at an estimated cost of \$150,000 as soon as it is practical to schedule the work."

Council agenda CIT.52, 6 Oct 2009

# Oyster Queen Fashion Parade

The Oyster Queen Festival Fashion Parade was held on Sunday 25th October at the Ettalong Memorial Club.

The day was a huge success with cakes and champagne being served as the entrants modelled some beautiful outfits supplied by our local boutiques, many thanks to those business owners who were kind enough to fit out our beautiful girls for the event.

We would like to thank Maureen Dowdle the owner of Gone Blonde Boutique in Woy Woy who was responsible for providing and dressing Megan Sai-Louie our L.J.Hooker sponsored Queen for the event in two different Cooper Street dresses and matching accessories.

Donna Jackson Sales Executive from L.J.Hooker Woy Woy has been working

closely with Megan raising funds for Breast Cancer Council.

The final judging will take place over the next week with the crowning of the Oyster Queen to take place at the Ball to be held at the Ettalong Memorial Club on 6th November.

Tickets are \$75 each and can be purchased at L.J.Hooker Woy Woy 31 Blackwall Rd.

Betty Donovan, the Principal of L.J.Hooker Woy Woy was out and about on Friday night attending the Woy Woy Rugby League Football Club 2009 Presentation Night.

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## Response plans are adequate, say emergency planners

**Local emergency planners are confident that current flood emergency response plans for the Peninsula are adequate to cope with more intense storms and sea level rise caused by climate change.**

While admitting no plan exists for sea level rise, they have said that a flood would not leave Peninsula residents stranded.

They were responding to a Senate committee report predicting sea levels could rise more than 80cm by the end of this century.

The report recommended urgent action to improve evacuation routes for coastal communities during extreme storms and flooding.

Gosford Local Government Area SES controller Mr Rolf Garda, an SES volunteer for over 20 years, said: "If people were at risk, (we) would get there quite quickly."

"We have boats on the water; RFS, Police, Coastal Patrol and MSB, there's no shortage of players on the Central Coast for emergency response," Garda said.

However, Gosford mayor Cr Chris Holstein said combining flood with the impacts of rising sea levels required attention.

He said: "You'll have more impact to address the flood level ... than you will have with sea level."

Chair of Gosford Local Emergency Management Committee, Mr Robin Benson, said: "This is more on the horizon than any immediate threat ... so whilst the local SES have a local flood plan and we have a bush fire operations plan and a whole lot of other plans, there's certainly not been a plan developed for sea level rise."

Mr Benson said SES flood emergency response plans identify vulnerable members of the

community.

Institutions such as hospitals, nursing homes and schools were listed in what is called a "vulnerable group" and contingency planning was in place, where evacuation may be necessary, he said.

In addition, institutions such as Brisbane Waters Private Hospital would have contingency plans, separate to the Local Flood Plan.

The SES is responsible for emergency response to coastal hazards including storm surge, coastal inundation and coastal erosion, as outlined in the Gosford Local Flood Plan.

Acting Manager for Planning in NSW State Emergency Service, Ms Belinda Davies said:

"That plan is currently under review to include some more details."

SES reviews its plans every five years.

When preparing for flood, Ms

Davies said it was best to evacuate before flooding started.

"People need to evacuate well ahead of time ... listen to the warnings ... and be prepared to evacuate."

Mr Garda said boats were often used for emergency rescues and people could be rescued from the water if a severe flood required it.

In a flood, the SES advises people to move valuables off the floor, and move away from any flood hazards as safely as possible, by foot, not car, he said.

"It's the same thing with any sort of tsunami event, you've got a warning, logically you move your gear and retract to higher ground."

Mr Garda said the response was usually much less severe.

In a recent flood in Umina: "No one was at risk ... Council just opens the lagoon up and the water flows out ... any inundation on the road is only for a very short period of time."

Email, 30 Oct 2009  
Gabby Greyem, Umina

## Lagoon-side resident is concerned

**Umina resident Elia Green is concerned about what rising sea levels might mean for her family.**

Her property backs onto Iluka Lagoon and Council's sea level rise maps show it will flood if sea levels rise.

"I know it is in the future, but I think we all need to be doing something more about stopping sea level rise," She said.

Ms Green and her husband Marshall have recently invested in making their lifestyle as carbon neutral as possible.

They have installed grid-connect solar panels and water tanks. They

drive a hybrid car and are growing as much fruit and vegetables as possible to reduce their "carbon miles".

"We're probably doing a little bit more than some people, but ... I think a lot of other people on the Peninsula would like to do the same thing too."

Ms Green would like to see the Government doing more to curb carbon emissions, especially at Copenhagen in December.

"We as individuals need to do as much as we can to show (the Government) that's what we want." She said.

Email, 30 Oct 2009  
Gabby Greyem, Umina

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## Discoloured water

**Hundreds of homes on the Peninsula experienced discoloured water on October 14 and 15.**

Gosford Council sent out a discoloured water alert on October 16, apologising to Peninsula residents who may have experienced discolouration over the two-day period.

"Council has identified the cause of the incident and the issue has been rectified," according to a council statement.

"Crews are currently flushing water mains in the affected area to

clear remaining sediment from the system.

"Water quality is expected to return to normal overnight.

"Residents are reminded to check water quality from the tap nearest the water meter prior to use.

"If washing is affected, residents are advised to keep the clothing wet and contact Gosford City Council to obtain a cleaning solution.

"Residents are requested to report any drinking water quality issues to Council on 4325 8222."

Website, 16 Oct 2009  
Gosford Council

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# "Don't let the bastards get away with it."



**The Minister for Planning, Kristina Keneally, Premier Nathan Rees, Barry O'Farrell, Chris Holstein, Jim Macfadyen, in fact, an endless list of politicians on both sides of government, while sucking the life out of NSW taxpayers, have occupied themselves with party political business instead of the business of their constituents.**

The Ministry of *that good looking knockout in a red dress* Kristina Keneally and the Liberal Coalition Shadow Ministry, have both accommodated, among other things, the falsification of instruments, being a development application DA 11923/2001, which was misleading in no small way.

This was compounded by systemic abuse of due process and denial of natural justice over a period of eight years by Gosford City Council who, while acting under the oversight of our elected representatives, insisted on putting before the ratepayers for their consideration, a document which misled people into believing that a 1400 square foot residential house did not exist on a property adjacent to a proposed main street development in West Street Umina.

Our elected representatives at the time, conducted themselves as if it was a great joke, when my father asked what he needed to do to defend himself against an orchestrated attack flagged by development application DA 11923/2001, which misled those trusting it for guidance, in both the published plan overview and

the accompanying statement of environmental effect.

Reading the dodgy DA, all ten elected representatives (named below) failed to oversight the conduct of Gosford City Council's activities in so many ways, but most importantly, they appeared to ignore the guidance there for them in Section 232 of the Local Government Act.

The elected representatives were: Labor Party Members Tony Sansom, Judith Penton, and Daniel Cook; Independents Lyn Bockholt, Geoff Preece, Robert Bell, Craig Doyle and Chris Holstein; and Liberals Debra Wales and Malcolm Brooks.

They and subsequent elected representatives, have always been responsible for, yet have chosen to ignore, the way Gosford City Council conducted business on ratepayers' behalf.

Following is the relevant section of the Act which clearly sets out what we should expect of our elected council representatives:

Local Government Act 1993 – Section 232

What is the role of a councillor?

(1) The role of a councillor is, as a member of the governing body of the council:

- to provide a civic leadership role in guiding the development of the community strategic plan for the area and to be responsible for monitoring the implementation of the council's delivery program;
- to direct and control the affairs of the council in accordance with this Act;
- to participate in the optimum allocation of the council's resources for the benefit of the area;
- to play a key role in the creation and review of the council's policies

and objectives and criteria relating to the exercise of the council's regulatory functions; and

- to review the performance of the council and its delivery of services and the delivery program and revenue policies of the council.

(2) The role of a councillor is, as an elected person:

- to represent the interests of the residents and ratepayers;
- to provide leadership and guidance to the community; and
- to facilitate communication between the community and the council.

Councillors who have chosen to ignore the inconvenient truth, have in fact again voted two fellow councillors back in as Mayor and Deputy Mayor of Gosford City Council, despite their having been publicly identified by me, several times during the past few months, as liars.

For the record, I have never sent several hundred "letters" to anyone during the past eight years, that is a flat out lie and the rusted wreckage identified as the culvert pipes in Piles Creek where five innocent people died, was never, ever made of plastic, no matter how much the plastic self proclaimed road warrior, Craig Doyle insisted they were.

Premier Nathan Rees, our latest Minister for the Central Coast and Kristina Keneally, Planning Minister, are without a doubt intent on accommodating bad politics, while the wrongs done continue to fester and stink under the oversight of both sides of government in NSW.

Barry O'Farrell, I am saddened that the NSW Liberal Party has endorsed the Mayor of an often identified corrupt Gosford City Council, Chris Holstein, as their best chance to take the seat of

Gosford in 2011.

That decision, as I told you personally, will result in me publicly identifying the Liberal Party as being just like Labor, prepared to do whatever it takes to gain power.

In recent weeks, an odd Labor party branch president from a little branch up the valley from Gosford has been exposed writing about ways Labor party members may distance themselves from what is simply just bad politics when the Ministry for Planning dumped the documents for several planning decisions on a table and asked inquisitors to put up or shut up.

I thought it was time to ring this bell for the voting public.

I do not believe I am alone among the voters in NSW.

We are all unhappy with the way our political business is being conducted.

When those relationships between powerful developers and governments are identified as Public Private Partnerships, it usually means taxpayers losing, as politicians and developers leave taxpayers with the loss.

We have witnessed the legislation being regulated with the connivance of the Liberal Coalition.

Look what happened when Parramatta City Council found itself hamstrung by the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act 1901.

Politicians on both sides of NSW Parliament put far too much of their time and influence into diligently servicing their party machines, while we, the people at the grass roots of politics, the proletariat, know that those who currently inhabit the NSW Parliament, inhabit a house of ill repute.

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## Hospital meeting draws large crowd

The Woy Woy Public Hospital Alliance attracted more than 60 people to the group's meeting at St Luke's Anglican Church hall in Woy Woy on October 24.

Group liaison officer Mr Ivan Kinny said it was wonderful to see group meetings still attracting large numbers and public interest almost a year after the Woy Woy Hospital rehabilitation unit's closure.

"It was almost standing-room-only at our last meeting of the Woy Woy Public Hospital Alliance," Mr Kinny said.

"The large attendance reflects growing indignation as the community becomes more aware of the enormity of a situation where the huge area served by Gosford Hospital has no rehabilitation unit to assist patients to return to their homes after hospitalisation.

"The newly-appointed Minister for Health, Ms Carmel Tebbutt, has been made aware of the gravity of the situation, and we have high hopes that she will bring fresh insights into the matter and prompt action.

"The Premier, Mr Nathan Rees, has also been approached."

Alliance president Mr Bob Mudge and Mr Kinny recently represented the group at a meeting of the Community Health Group, a body set up by the Department of Health to promote community awareness of available health facilities.

"Our representatives stressed the seriousness of the absence of rehabilitation services in this large area," Mr Mudge said.

"Petitions containing some 7500 signatures will shortly be presented to the NSW Parliament by Mr Chris Hartcher, Member for Terrigal, and we expect that such a forceful expression of public outrage will have a significant effect on our elected government.

"Our next meeting will be held, as usual, in St Luke's Anglican Church hall, Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, on Saturday, November 21, from 2pm."

Press release, 27 Oct 2009  
Ivan Kinny, Woy Woy Public Hospital Alliance

## Cooking for young parents

Beachside Family Centre is offering a six-week healthy cooking program for young parents on the Peninsula.

The Healthy 4 Life program will teach parents to learn to quick, easy and healthy meals that the whole family can enjoy.

"Come along to this free hands-on program that will teach you how to prepare everything from snacks to main meals and includes topics like budget meals, entertaining and party foods, kid's snacks, baking, low fat meals and meals for those with allergies and food intolerances," centre facilitator Ms Debbie Notara said.

"This course will not only teach young parents how to cook but to do it in ways that children will be encouraged to eat.

"Each session will also end with enjoying the meal you have prepared so it should be great fun.

"The course will be held at The Peninsula Community Centre in McMahers Rd, Woy Woy, using their excellent catering facilities.

"Free Child Care is also available.

"The course is the last to be run with Area Assistance Funding via Tuggerah Lakes Community College which provides the trainer for the course."

The course will be held on Wednesdays from 10am to 12.30pm starting on November 4, for six weeks.

For more information, contact Debbie Notara on 4343 1929.

Press release, 23 October 2009  
Debbie Notara, Beachside Family Centre

## Volunteering information

Volunteering Central Coast will hold its next information session in Woy Woy on Monday, November 9.

"Community organisations on the Central Coast are always looking for volunteers," said recruitment coordinator Ms Sharan Page.

"Whether it's developing new skills or using your existing skills, working in the community, lending a helping hand – volunteering is for you.

"Our next session at Woy Woy will be in early November and bookings are essential.

"Also volunteer interviews are

held at Woy Woy by appointment only.

"This outreach service is to assist the people on the Peninsula to access services with ease, saving travel time and money.

"We refer our clients to organisations with available positions, close to home, where possible.

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Press release, 14 Oct 2009  
Sharan Page, Volunteering Central Coast



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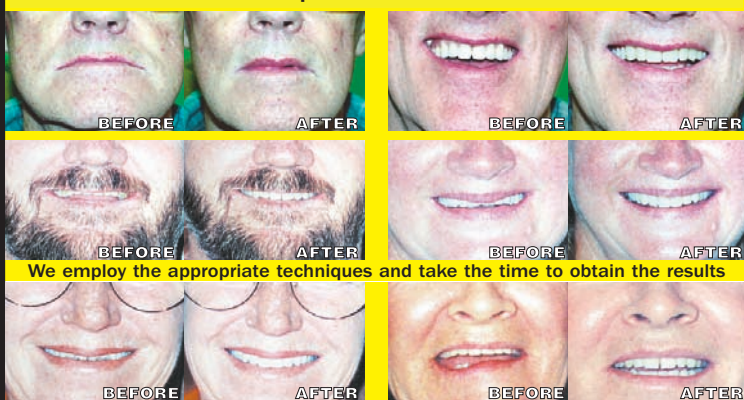
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## Yoga to aid multiple sclerosis

**More than 50 local residents are expected to take part in this year's Yoga Aid Challenge on the Peninsula on Sunday, November 15.**

Peninsula Yoga Centre instructor Mr John Wilson said the event would raise money for the MS Society Australia.

Local yoga participants will join more than 1500 people from across the country in raising money for various charities while promoting the benefits of yoga.

Mr Wilson said: "Yoga

enthusiasts from all over the Woy Woy area will unite to salute the sun on Sunday, November 15, by taking part in the 2009 Yoga Aid Challenge.

"Woy Woy is one of 17 locations across Australia where local communities will come together to raise money for charity and raise awareness of the benefits of yoga.

"This event will coincide with an open day at the Peninsula Yoga Centre where there will be demonstrations in yoga, qi gong and pilates.

"Numerous practitioners in

natural therapies will be attending and offering mini treatments in their particular modality.

"There will also be organic food and an interactive children's area."

Mr Wilson encouraged local residents to take part as team members, sponsors or spectators for the not-for-profit community charity event.

The charity event will start at the Peninsula Yoga Centre located on Level 1, 4/94 Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, from 9am.

**Press release, 9 Oct 2009**  
**John Wilson, Peninsula Yoga Centre**

## Cup Day blood donations wanted

**The Australian Red Cross Blood Service is looking to collect 33 donations at its Woy Woy donor centre on Melbourne Cup Day.**

Community relations officer Ms Jacqui Bell said the Woy Woy centre currently had only 14 appointments booked for November 3, and was looking to take 19 more donations.

"This coming Tuesday we need to collect at least 33 donations and we currently have only 14 appointments (42 per cent of target)," Ms Bell said.

"People can either come before

the race or afterwards.

"We open at 1pm and we're open until 7pm.

"The Melbourne Cup, like most national events and public holidays, has an effect on blood collections and our ability to provide blood and blood products for those in hospital.

To find out more or make an appointment call 131 495 or visit [www.donateblood.com.au](http://www.donateblood.com.au).

**Press release, 29 Oct 2009**  
**Jacqui Bell, Australian Red Cross Blood Service**

## Fashion parade for Guide Dogs

**More than 100 guests attended a fashion parade fundraising event at Everglades Country Club on October 26.**

The event raised \$1800 for Guide Dogs NSW-ACT.

"Over 100 guests enjoyed a cream tea while golf club members paraded an exciting collection of new summer fashions provided by Central Coast boutiques Sandalwood at East Gosford and Ettalong shops Bella Shoe Boutique and That Swimwear Place," Central Coast Support Group president Ms Barbara Craig said.

"Strutting the catwalk was vision impaired Angela Allen and her guide dog Hamish who recently moved to Australia from Ireland.

"Angela thanked everyone for coming and made a moving

comment on her arrival in Australia and how she was immediately contacted by Guide Dogs NSW-ACT.

"As a result a mobility program was put in place to assist Angela in familiarising herself with the Peninsula.

"A short presentation was made by Alex Green, the promotional manager from Guide Dogs head office, about a new initiative being implemented this year."

According to Mr Green, vision loss caused by eye diseases such as glaucoma and age-related macular degeneration can be prevented or at least minimised if diagnosed and treated early.

From November this year, Centre for Eye Health situated at the University of NSW will provide state-of-the-art eye imaging and

visual system diagnostic services to the general community in one location, at no charge, Mr Green said.

Further information is available at the University of NSW website under Centre for Eye Health.

**Press release, 29 Oct 2009**  
**Lynne Lillico, Guide Dogs NSW-ACT**

## Chiropractic Plus

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## Council promotes water quality

Peninsula residents will have the opportunity to find out more about Gosford Council's drinking water quality management program Water Quality 2010 through a community information day at Deepwater Plaza in Woy Woy on Thursday, November 5.

The information day will provide information about the program's achievements and council's plans for safeguarding the region's drinking water supply in the future, according to council's director of water and sewer Mr Rod Williams.

"This is an ideal opportunity for local residents to find out more about the extensive works undertaken since Water Quality 2010 began in December 2007," Mr Williams said.

"Council has made great progress in delivering long-term solutions to drinking water quality issues over the past two years, including water supply system upgrades, new treatment facilities and reservoir modifications.

"We have also identified additional solutions that will be implemented once Water Quality 2010 finishes in December this year as part of our ongoing drinking water quality management program.

"The community can hear more about our planned activities at the community information day."

Mr Williams acknowledged that discoloured water still occurs in some suburbs and reinforced the importance of community feedback.

"In addition to the vast amount of data gathered during Water

Quality 2010, council also relies on information from residents to help us prioritise our water supply maintenance programs," Mr Williams said.

"Our staff will be conducting a drinking water quality survey at the community information day to gather information about drinking water quality received at the consumer's tap.

"I encourage community members to come along and share their experiences."

Council's Water Quality 2010 information day stand will be open from 3pm to 6pm at Deepwater Plaza near Priceline.

Press release, 29 Oct 2009  
Meagan Morrison, Gosford Council



## Workshop about dune wildlife

The Community Environment Network will hold a community workshop at Ocean Beach to raise awareness of dune fauna and community participation in protecting local dune systems.

The Ocean Beach Wildlife Wonders workshop will be held on Saturday, November 7, from 9am to 12pm.

The event was made possible through funding from the Federal

Government's Caring For Our Country grants program to promote the importance of maintaining dune systems to safeguard the coastline against erosion.

"The focus of the morning is to have a bit of fun exploring what lives in the dunes," dunecare officer Ms Jen Dwarte said.

"There will be activities to keep the whole family entertained including identifying fauna, kids colouring-in competition and a

family sand modelling challenge.

"Your sand model must be an animal found within dunes and the best sand models will win prizes.

"Local primary schools will be able to participate in a colouring competition which will be judged and prizes given out on the day.

"We would also like to showcase the work of Peninsula Dunecare group who assist the regeneration of native vegetation on the dunes in the eastern part of Ocean Beach.

"The group ensures that there is still healthy habitat for the animals who rely on the dunes in the area and they are always happy to have an extra hand."

Bookings are essential for catering purposes and can be made by phoning Marilyn on 4349 4756 by November 3.

Press release, 20 Oct 2009  
Jen Dwarte, Community Environment Network

## Claim to world's hottest pie

Umina baker Mr Ron Brunns has begun making what he claims to be the "world's hottest chilli pie" from his West St bakery.

Owner of Bremen's Patisserie, Mr Brunns was first approached by Ettalong resident Mr Neil Smith who makes the chilli paste using what is known to be the world's hottest chilli, the naga jolokia.

Mr Brunns said the naga jolokia is rated at more than one million Scoville units, a scale used to measure the potency of chillies.

"I am always looking to create a new pie flavour so when Neil came to me with his idea I couldn't say no," Mr Brunns said.

"Word is quickly spreading in the community about the new pie and

we are getting in lots of customers ready to take on the chilli pie challenge.

"We have even put up a YouTube video online which has been received worldwide."

Mr Brunns said he adds one tablespoon of Mr Smith's naga jolokia chilli paste to his original meat pie recipe to make the "world's hottest chilli pie".

He said he was looking forward to celebrating the business's 20-year anniversary on the Peninsula by hosting a pie-eating competition that would now feature the world-famous chilli pie.

Clare Graham, 28 Oct 2009  
Interviewee: Ron Brunns, Bremen's Patisserie

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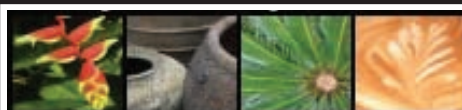
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## News



Woolworths redevelopment starts

# Change starts for Umina

The upgrade of a carpark in Umina marks the beginning of change to the Umina commercial area, according to Peninsula Chamber of Commerce president Mr Matthew Wales.

The work included the addition of shade sails and area extensions to the existing BiLo supermarket carpark in Oscar St.

"The business community is pleased to see that the major retailers are taking more care to provide better amenities for shoppers in the town centre," Mr Wales said.

"The construction of shade sails and extensions to the existing carpark has made a significant difference to the amenity of the

centre.

"It is an indication that the major supermarkets are prepared to improve the shopping experience for their customers and comes at a time when there is increased competition from other supermarkets such as Woolworths who have commenced construction on their West St site.

"We also understand that Coles Group will soon commence a major refurbishment of the BiLo store which will be rebadged to the Coles brand sometime next year.

"Coupled with the opening next door of the Woolworths Caltex service station, we believe that this will sharpen competition and mean cheaper prices for Peninsula residents."

Mr Wales said the chamber would "closely monitor" council's new planning controls which were due to be placed on exhibition early next year.

"The Peninsula Chamber will be watching carefully how the new planning controls will affect the Umina Beach shopping centre as we are all conscious of the need to provide incentives for business to grow and expand," Mr Wales said.

"Early indications are good and it would seem that council has listened to our concerns over better planning controls including increased heights and floor space ratios."

Press release, 29 Oct 2009  
Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

# Gardening workshops

The Peninsula Environment Group will run a series of native gardening workshops using native plant species grown naturally on the Woy Woy Peninsula.

The first of the six-series workshops will be held at the Woy Woy Environment Centre from Thursday, November 12.

The free workshops will give local residents the opportunity to learn about growing native and food plants in their home gardens.

Group president Mr Mark Mann said the series of workshops were part of a project to transform the grounds of the Blackwall Rd centre into a low-maintenance, drought-proof garden.

"We will explore a range of local native species that are perfect for local gardens," Mr Mann said.

"Local native species look beautiful, need little or no watering.

"Planting them in your garden helps preserve the natural ecology

of the Peninsula, and will attract native wildlife and birds such as rosellas and lorikeets."

The workshops will be led by Central Coast environmental organisation Equilibrium Eco-Services, who have created similar gardens in Woy Woy and Woy Woy South public schools.

Participants are invited to bring food to share for a picnic at the end of each session.

The first workshop will run from 9am to 12pm followed by two more morning sessions and three evening sessions organised on various dates across the next few months.

Participants, including children, can attend as many workshops as they like and no bookings are required.

For more information, contact Mia Hughes on 4342 9676 or visit [www.peg.org.au](http://www.peg.org.au)

Press release, 27 Oct 2009  
Zainem Ibrahim, Peninsula Environment Group

# Degree completed at 70

Indigenous Peninsula resident Ms Anita Selwyn has completed a Bachelor of Community Management at Macquarie University at the age of 70.

Ms Selwyn, who now lives in Woy Woy, grew up in a time when education for indigenous people was minimal and this strengthened her resolve later in life to learn.

"It was something that had always played on my mind," she said.

"I wanted to better myself," Ms Selwyn said

Ms Selwyn has been undertaking TAFE courses for the past 17 years and through gaining her Diploma of Aboriginal Studies she was accepted into Macquarie University.

During the course's four year duration, Ms Selwyn said there were challenging times because

of her background and she had considered giving up.

Ms Selwyn now undertakes volunteer work around the Peninsula and is involved in tutoring aboriginal children at Woy Woy Public School and in the Ganang Spirit Dancers.

The Ganang Spirit Dancers are a group of 15 aboriginal children aged between four and 13.

The group practices twice a week and Ms Selwyn said the aim was for the children to "learn about their culture through dance and song".

Ms Selwyn originally from Dubbo in the Wiradjuri area, moved to the Central Coast 10 years ago.

Her daughter also recently completed a Bachelor of Aboriginal Archaeology at Armidale University.

Kevin Holloway, 2 Oct 2009  
Interviewee: Anita Selwyn, Woy Woy

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## Blues festival banners taken

**Two banners advertising the upcoming Patonga Blues Across the Bay festival have been taken from Woy Woy and Koolewong train stations.**

And this time, it is not by Gosford Council officers.

According to event organiser Ms Jill Tweedie, this is not the first time the signs have been stolen.

"Once again we have had banners stolen advertising our annual Blues Across the Bay festival," Ms Tweedie said.

"We have had our signs removed in the past – once by persons unknown who later returned them and a couple of times by Gosford Council officers who claimed that our signs were displayed unlawfully.

"However, this year (and last year), we have permission from Railcorp to display our banners on rail property fences provided they are not placed in a potentially hazardous situation so we were confident that the banners would stay.

"No such luck!"

Ms Tweedie said the festival

committee would be forced to pay hundreds of dollars to have the signs remade.

"Ironically, this year for the first time ever, we have been able to book a couple of Gosford council's banner stands to display our banners," Ms Tweedie said.

"This requires applications being submitted 12 months in advance as demand is so great for this precious advertising space so we were very pleased to secure one at Gosford from October 26 to November 9, and one at Rogers Park in Woy Woy from October 19 to November 2.

"What a shame we have had to purchase more banners to display.

"Patonga Sports and Community Club Inc is a non-profit organisation and we work hard to bring this great event to the Peninsula each year.

"We appeal to whoever has stolen our banners to return them (no questions asked) by phoning our ticket number on 0417 671 261 and we will arrange to collect them."

**Press release, 28 Oct 2009  
Jill Tweedie, Patonga  
Blues Across the Bay**



## Student group makes music finals

**Woy Woy band Mind Priorities has been named as a finalist in the ABC Newcastle Music Awards.**

The local group have made it into the top six tracks for the alternative award category.

Winners will be announced at Lizottes restaurant Newcastle on November 12.

The musical group from Brisbane Water Secondary College has been described by event organisers as an "exciting and versatile band".

It consists of school captain Liam Scarratt 18, and students Daniel Thomson 18, Andy Clews 16, and Daniel Scarratt 15.

"One would normally identify the performance instrument of each

musician with their names however Mind Priorities interchange their instruments between tracks, although the mature and eclectic voice of Liam remains their constant thread," according to the ABC Newcastle website.

"Mind Priorities started out as a covers band performing songs by their favourite artists but soon realised they had their own creative talent to explore.

"The song writing chemistry between the boys soon emerged and they have gone from strength to strength.

"Their debut EP As Seen On TV was launched in May this year to a crowd of moshing fans at The Hub at Erina Fair.

"Mind Priorities won best Indie song in Kool Skools in 2007 and were Youth Rock finalists in 2008 and 2009 winning themselves recording time at Sonic Studios.

"This allowed the band to mix their latest single Outside View, which will be uploaded to their MySpace page in the near future.

"They were finalists in the 2008 Battle of the Bands at Erina where they won prizes including recording time at Caravan Records.

"Mind Priorities also played at the GOATS festival, the Central Coast's version of the Big Day Out."

**Website, 27 Oct 2009  
ABC Newcastle**

## Aboriginal children learn their culture

**A group of local aboriginal children have begun a dancing group to learn about their culture through dance and song.**

The group of 15 aboriginal children aged between four and 13 make up the Ganang Spirit Dancers and meet every Wednesday from 3.30pm at the Umina Anglican Church.

Group coordinator Ms Anita Selwyn said the word "ganang" comes from the Darkinjung language meaning rainbow.

Ms Selwyn said following the success of the group's "meet and greet" barbecue the group were able to recruit more interested dancers wanting to learn more about their aboriginal culture.

"Gabby has come on board

with his expertise in aboriginal knowledge to enhance our children's learning," Ms Selwyn said.

"The group recently performed for the Gosford Council's Aboriginal Conference in Ettalong Beach Club which was a delight to see.

"We will continue to learn the tradition of our culture through traditional aboriginal dance and song, bush excursions, collecting native bush ornaments, respecting and learning about our culture and performing for the Coast's elders and community."

For more information, contact Anita Selwyn on 4342 3297 or 0406 294 980."

**Press release, 14 Oct 2009  
Anita Selwyn, Ganang  
Spirit Dancers**

## Singer does local gig

**Horsfield Bay singer Ms Tracy Redhead performed at Lizotte's restaurant in Kincumber for a Live N Local gig on October 21.**

Ms Redhead performed alongside other musicians on the night including Random Ryde and the Sunpilots.

The singer-songwriter recently moved to Horsfield Bay from Newtown after releasing her debut album Walking Home A Different Way.

From her beginnings in suburban Perth as a self taught guitarist at the age of 15, to her

1998 Western Australian tour as a 19-year-old with John Butler, to a trans-continental crossing to set up camp in Sydney in her early 20s, Ms Redhead has covered some ground.

A labour of love that almost turned into a full time hobby, her new album was written, refined, and recorded over a period of about two years with drummer and producer Tim Powles of The Church.

Ms Redhead played as many of the instruments as she possibly could, and did the majority of lead and rhythm guitar parts.

Her new band was predominantly formed before these recordings, but now features electronic producer Sofie Loizou on synthesizers.

"Working with Tim gave me the biggest learning curve ever as a musician/songwriter," Ms Redhead said.

"He really waited until the moment was right to record and managed to always find the magical take or part.

"He is such a creative and supportive producer that makes sure you can create an album that you can be proud of."

**Website, 28 Oct 2009  
Tracy Redhead, Horsfield Bay**



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# What's On in and around the Peninsula

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Many events listed take place at the following locations:

**BFC**, Beachside Family Centre, Umina Public School

**CWA**, Country Women's Association Hall, Anderson Park, Brick Wharf Rd, Woy Woy

**EBACC**, Ettalong Beach Arts & Crafts Centre, Kitchener Park, Cnr Picnic Pde & Maitland Bay Dr, Ettalong, enq: 4341 8344

**EBWMC**, Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club, 211 Memorial Ave, Ettalong, enq: 4341 1166

**ECC**, Everglades Country Club, Dunbar Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 4341 1866

**EMBC**, Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club, 103 Springwood St, Ettalong, enq: 4341 0087

**EPH**, Ettalong Progress Hall, Memorial Ave, Ettalong

**ESCC**, Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre, Cnr Karingi St & Broken Bay Rd Ettalong, enq: 4341 3222  
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**MOW**, Meals on Wheels Hall, Cnr Ocean Beach Rd and McMasters Rd CLOSED TEMPORARILY

**PBPH**, Pearl Beach Progress Hall, Diamond Rd, Pearl Beach, enq: 4342 1459

**PCC**, Peninsula Community Centre, 93 McMasters Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 4341 9333

**PCYC**, Osborne Ave, Umina Beach, enq: 4344 7851

**PWHC**, Peninsula Women's Health Centre, 20a McMasters Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 4342 5905

**RBG**, 207 West Street Umina - 0409774467

**UCH**, Umina Community Hall, 6 Sydney Ave, Umina Beach, enq: 4343 1664

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

**WWAC**, Woy Woy Aged Care, Kathleen St, enq: 4353 4224

**WWEC**, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 267 Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 4342 5333

**WWLC**, Woy Woy Leagues Club, 82 Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 4342 3366

**WWPH**, Woy Woy Progress Hall, 76 Woy Woy Rd, Woy Woy

## DAILY EVENTS

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

**Better Hearing Class** Mon-Fri 1.45pm, **ESCC**

## TUESDAY

### First Tuesday of every month

**Buffalo Primo Lodge** No 9, 7pm, **UCH**.

**The Peninsula Environment Group (PEG)**, 6.30pm, more info @ www.peg.org.au **WWEC**

### Second Tuesday of every month

**True Blue Meeting**, 1.30pm; **Toastmasters**, 7pm, **EBWMC**  
**Get Together** afternoon tea, **ESCC**

**Pearl Beach Craft group**, 1.30pm, **PBPH**

**Stroke recovery** group, 11am,

**PCC**.

**Diabetics Support Group**, 10am, **ECC**

**Animal Welfare League**, Central Coast Branch monthly meetings from 10am at Spike Milligan Room, Woy Woy Library. enq. 4344 6650

### Third Tuesday of every month

**Burrawang Bushland reserve bushcare**, Nambucca Dr playgrnd, 9am, enq: 4341 9301

**Buffalo Lodge** Knights Chp9, 7pm, **UCH**

**Woy Woy Peninsula Arthritis Branch**, 10am, enq: 4342 1790, **PCC**

**ACF meeting**, 7.30pm, **WWEC**

### Fourth Tuesday of every month

**Toastmasters**, 7.15pm, **EBWMC**  
**Combined Pensioners** assoc afternoon tea, enq: 4341 3222, **ESCC**

### Every Tuesday

**Free herbal clinic**, enq: 0437 401 810 **PWHC**

**Woy Woy Blood BankA @ Hospital** Ocean Beach Rd, Woy Woy, 1-7pm

**Chess Club**, 1pm, enq: 4341 8748, **EBWMC**

**Silk craft** 10am

**Mums & bubs playgroup** 1pm

**Pastel classes for kids** 4pm **RBG**

**Scrabble** 9am, Empire Bay Progress Hall, enq: 4369 2034

**Free Tax Help** by appt; **School for Seniors** Have a Chat, 10am;

**U3ADiscussion Groups**, 11am;

**Cards**, 1pm-3pm; **Over 55s Learn to Play Bridge**, 1pm; **Playgroup**, 9am; **Occasional Care**, 9am-3pm; **The Web**, From 2pm;

**Dance & Theatre School**, 3.45pm; **Kids Belly Dancing**, 4.30pm; **Physical Culture Ladies**, 7.15pm-9pm; **Motivation & Empowerment classes**; **Craft**, 9am, **PCC**

**Rotary Club of Woy Woy**, 6pm, **ECC**

**Handicraft**, 9am; **Latin Dancing**, 9.15am; **Cards**, 12.30pm **ESCC**

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

**Carpet Bowls**; 10am; **Card Club** 7.15pm; **Chess Club**, 1pm, **EBWMC**

**Tai-Chi** classes, 9.30am (ex sch hols), enq: 4360 2705, **WH**

**Folk Art**, 9.30am; **Silk Dyeing**, 1pm, **EBACC**

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

**Sahaja yoga meditation**, 10:30am only, enq: 4368 2847, **CWA**

**Playgroup**, 10am, Kids 0-5yrs, enq: Juhel 4342 4362, **WWPH**

**Woy Woy Blood Bank**, 11.15am to 8.45pm, session time 1pm to 7pm, Ocean Beach Rd, Woy Woy

**Tap Dancing**, 6pm, enq: 0438 033 039, **EPH**

**Supported Playgroup** for first time and single parents, 12.30pm-2pm, enq: 4340 1111, **BFC**

**WEDNESDAY**

### First Wednesday of every month

**CWA** 10am, handicrafts, enq: 4372 2069

**Coffee Morning**, social get-together, 10am, **PWHC**

### Second Wednesday of every Month

**Red Cross**, Umina branch meeting, Umina Uniting Church Hall, 1:30pm.

**Woy Woy Auxiliary**, 10am, enq: 4344 2599

**Probus Club** Umina Beach, 9.30am, **ECC**

**CWA** 10am, handicrafts, enq: 4372 2069

### Third Wednesday of every Month

**Wrap With Love** knitting group 10am, **PWHC**

### Fourth Wednesday of every month

**Woy Woy CWA** 10am craft, 1pm business meeting, enq: 4372 2069 **CWA**

**Everglades Probus Club**, 10am, **ECC**, enq: 4341 0664

**Drumballa Drum Circle** 7.30 **RBG**

### Every Wednesday

**Women's Health Clinic**, three times a month, enq: 4320 3741; Counselling by Donation

**PWHC**

**Al-anon/Alateen** family support group, Uniting Church Hall, Picnic Pde, Ettalong, 7pm.

**St John's Ambulance**, Peninsula Division 7.30pm, enq: 0404 440 808 or 4353 4224 **PCC**

**Craft for love & Garden club** 10am **RBG**

**Free Tax Help** by appt; **Occasional Care**, 9am; **School for Seniors** Oil Painting, 9am-12;

**Multicraft Needlework**, 10am-12; **Playgroup**, 10am - 12;

**Bridge Club**, 9.30am & 7.30pm, **The Web**, 2pm;

**Physical Culture Club**, 3.30pm; **Coast Care Counselling**; **Weight Watchers**, 6pm; **Belly Dancing**, 7pm and 8pm;

**Dance & Theatre School**, 3.30pm; **Motivation & Empowerment** classes; **Brisbane Water**

**Scrabble Group**, 6pm; **St John Ambulance Service** Peninsula Division meeting 7.30pm

**PCC**

**Peninsula Choir rehearsal**, 7.30pm, St Andrews Hall, Umina.

**Seniors fitness**, 9am, enq: 4332 8550; **Woy Woy Judo Club**, 5.30pm, enq 0434000170 **EPH**

**Oils & Acrylics**, 9am; **Pastels & Drawing**, 11.30am, **EBACC**

**Children's story time**, Woy Woy library, 10.30 (Exc Jan)

**Alcoholics Anonymous**, 12.30pm & 70pm, St John the Baptist Hall, Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy

**Handicraft**, 9am, enq: 4341 1073, **CWA**

**CWA Umina Beach craft day**, 9am-12, CWA Hall, Sydney Ave, Umina, enq: 4341 5627

**Rotary Club of Umina**, 6pm, enq: 4369 2275 **ECC**

**Dance Club**, 1pm, **EBWMC**

**Empire Bay Tennis**, 9am-12am, Shelley Beach Rd, Empire Bay, enq: 4341 4125

**Leatherwork**, 9am; **Table Tennis**, 9am; **Bridge**, 12.15pm; **Scrabble**, 12.45pm; **Group Fitness**, 1pm;

**Yoga**, 2.30pm **ESCC**

## THURSDAY

### First Thursday of every month

**Brisbane Water Senior Citizens**, 1pm, **EBWMC**

### Second Thursday of every month

**Women's Health Clinic**, enq: 4320 3741, **PWHC**

**Australiana Bus Trips**, **PCC**

### Third Thursday of every month

**Brisbane Water Senior Citizens**, 1pm; **EBWMC**

### Fourth Thursday of every month

**Free immunization** clinic, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island children 0 – 5 years, 9am **BFC**

**Umina Peninsula Mixed Probus Club**, 10am, new members welcome, enq: 4343 1039 **ECC**

**Women's Friendship Group**, women with disabilities, 10am-12pm, St Lukes Church, Woy Woy

### Every Thursday

**Al-anon/Alateen** family support group, Uniting Church Hall, Picnic Pde, Ettalong, 12:30pm

**Creative Writing**, enq: 4369 1187, **CWA**

**Occasional Care**, 9am; **Yoga**, 10am; **School for Seniors**, 10.30am; **Bridge**, 12pm; **The Web**, 2pm; **Yoga**, 9.30am; **Coast Care Counselling**, 12pm; **Dance & Theatre School**, 3.30pm; **Motivation & Empowerment** Classes; **Drumbala Kids** Drumming 4.30pm; **Adore Music** Tuition 4.30pm; **Community** College courses inc. painting, drawing, beading, languages and meditation; **Ballroom Dancing**, 9am, **PCC**

**Free entertainment**, 6.30 pm; **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**

**Card Club**, 1pm; **Chess Club**, 7.30pm, **EBWMC**

**Tai Chi** 11.30am & 3.45pm; **Dancing** 9am; **Indoor Bowls**, 9am; **Table Tennis**, 1.45pm; **Cards** noon, **ESCC**

**Social Tennis**, 9am-12pm, Pearl Beach Courts, enq: 4369 3195

**Adult tap dancing**, 10am, enq: 4342 3925, **EPH**

**Fairhaven Services Cash Housie**, Ettalong Bowling Club 7.30pm

**Dance**, 9am; **Cards**, 12pm; **Tai Chi**, 1pm; **Table Tennis**, 1pm, **ESCC**

**Pilates**, 9:30am, enq: 4384 5005; **Mah-jong**, 2pm, enq: 4360 2178; **Yoga**, 5:30pm, enq: 4323 1859, **WH**

**St John the Baptist Craft Group**, 9am to 12pm, \$3 for morning tea, all welcome, enq: 4344 2064, meet at

Walter Baker Hall (opp church)

**FRIDAY**

### First Friday of every month

**Legacy Ladies**, 9am, **EBWMC**

### Second Friday of every month

**month**

**Book Bazaar**, book Club, 10:30am, enq.42422482

**RSL Sub Branch** meeting, 2.30pm, **EBWMC**

**Third Friday of every month**

**Legacy Ladies**, 9am, enq: 4343 3492, **EBWMC**

**Fourth Friday of every month**

**South Bouddi Peninsula Community Assoc**, 1.30pm, enq: 4360 1002, **WH**

**School for Seniors Bushwalking**; **Civilian widows**, 1pm, **ESCC**

**School for Seniors Bushwalking**, **PCC**

**Every Friday**

**Kids entertainment**, Yrs 7-12, 7.30pm; **Playgroup**, 10am, Umina Uniting Church

**Bingo**, 11.30am, enq: 4343 1664, **UCH**

**Lollipop Music Playgroup** (0-4 years), enq: 4343 1929, **BFC**

**Old Wags Bridge Club**, (except 4th Fri) 1:30pm, enq: 4360 1820, **WH**

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

**Watercolour Painting**, 10am, **EBACC**

**Painting**, 9am; **Line Dancing**, 9am; **Bridge**, 12.15pm; **Scrabble**, 12.45pm **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, enq: 4343 1237 **Alcoholics Anonymous**, 12.30pm, 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

**Occasional Care**, 9am; **Kindy Gym**, 0-3s, 9.15am, 3-5s, 10.20am; **Weight Watchers**, 9.30am; **Smart Recovery**, 10am; **Bridge Club**, 12pm; **The Web**, 2.30pm; **Kempo Karate**, 5.30pm; **Dance & Theatre School 4pm U3A Courses**; Free financial counselling, alcoholics anonymous, 6pm; Pilates, 8.15am; Overeaters Anonymous 7.30pm; Painting, 9.30am, **PCC**

**Women's walking** group, 9am-11am, **PWHC**

**Fishing Club**, **EBWM**

**Krait RSL Day Club**, 10:30am, Kooinda Village, enq: 4341 8151 Fairhaven Services

**Cash Housie**, East Gosford Progress Hall, 7.30pm

**Old Wags Bridge Club** (except 4th Friday of month), 1:30pm, enq: 4360 1820, **WH**

**Friendship for Seniors**, Hardys Bay Community Church, 10am-12pm, enq: 4360 1598

**Woy Woy Judo Club**, 5.30pm, enq 0434000170 **EPH**

**Tai Chi** for blind or vision impaired, 2pm, enq: 4324 064 **Umina Uniting Church**

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**School for Seniors Bushwalking**, **PCC**

**Every Friday**



## What's On in and around the Peninsula

### Second Saturday of every month

**Book Club**, 10:30am, enq: Mandy 4342 2482 **Alliance Française**, French conversation, 11am, enq: 0412 252 709

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

**Bushcare group**, Pretty Beach, end Araluen Track, 8am

**Ex-Navalmen's Assoc**, Central Coast Sub-Section, 10am, **WWLC Scrapbooking**, 12pm, enq: 4342 3712; **Chatterbox Group**, **PCC**

### Third Saturday of every month

**Umina P&C Bushcare**, 9am, Umina Campus of BWSC, Veron Rd, Umina, enq: 4341 9301 **Peninsula Residents Association (PRA)**, 3PM **WVEC Market Day**, 9am, Sydney 2000 Park, **UCH**

### Fourth Saturday of every month

**Troubadour Acoustic Music Club**, 7pm, enq: 4341 406, **CWA**

### Last Saturday every month

**Bushcare Wagstaffe group**, meet Half Tide Rocks sign, 8am

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

### Every Saturday

**Vision Impaired Woy Walkers** Fisherman's Wharf, Woy Woy, 7.15am, enq: 4325 3686

**Chess Club**, 1pm, enq: 4341 8748, **EBWMC**

**Children's Pottery**, 9am; **Silvercraft Class**, 1pm **EBACC**

**Weight Watchers**, 8.30am; **Dance & Theatre School**, 9.30am;

**Bridge Club**, 12pm; **Photography course (monthly)**; **The Web** 5pm-9.30pm; **School for Seniors**

social outings arranged throughout year, **PCC**

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

**Chess Club**, 1pm, **EBWMC**

**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

**Social Dance**, New vogue, old time, \$3 (inc. afternoon tea), 1pm, enq: 4344 3131, **ESCC**

### SUNDAY

#### First Sunday of every month

**Umina Boardriders** meet at Umina Beach at 7am. All ages, male and female. All experiences welcome

#### Second Sunday of every month

Umina P&C **Bushcare**, 9am, enq: 4341 9301, **BWSC**

#### Third Sunday of every month

**Bushcare Group**, Tennis Courts, Empire Bay, 9am, enq: 4369 2486 **Ettymalong Creek Landcare**, Ettalong Rd, Umina, 8am, enq: 4342 2251

**EBWM Fishing Club** competition, Club House in Beach St, Ettalong.

**Peninsula Environment Group**, Picnic in the Park, 11am-2.30pm,

Lions Park, Woy Woy, info @ www.peg.org.au

#### Fourth Sunday of every month

**Old Time/New Vogue Dancing**, 1pm-4pm **ESCC**

#### Last Sunday of every month

**Alliance Française** "La Petanque" (the game of boules), 11am-5pm, enq: 0415 309 074

**Lions Club** Boot Sale & Mini Market, Rogers Park Woy Woy, enq: 4341 4151

**The Bays Community Group** **Monthly Aussie Hot Breakfast** \$8.50 adults, \$4 kids Bays Community Hall, Woy Woy Bay

#### Every Sunday

**Fijian Cultural Group**, 11am-4pm; **Coast Community Church Services**, 9am & 5pm, enq: 4360 1448; **Full Life International Church**, 10am-3pm, **PCC**

**Al-anon/Alateen** family support group, Uniting Church Hall, Picnic Pde, Ettalong, 7pm

**Patonga Bakehouse Gallery**, 11am, enq: 4379 1102

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Centre, 7:30pm, enq: 4360 1587

**Grandparents Parenting Support Group**, Web Riley Room, Catholic Church, Woy Woy, enq: 4342 9995

**Country Women's Association meeting**, 10am, CWA Hall, Umina, enq: 4341 5627

#### Second Monday of every month

**Book Club**, 7pm, enq: Mandy 4342 2482

**Women 50+ Group Chat**, **PWHC RSL Women's Auxiliary**, 9am;

**RSL Sub Branch**, 2.30pm; **Card Club**, 1pm, **EBWMC**

**Kilcare Heights Garden Club**, 10:30am, enq: 43601595

**Coastal Crones (over 50's)**, Friendship group **PWHC**

**Labor Party** Umina/Ettalong Branch, 7.30pm, Umina Library

Tearooms, Bullion St, Umina, enq: 43417323

**Third Monday of every month**

**War Widows**, 1pm, 43410286, **EBWMC**

**Wagstaffe to Killcare Community Association**, 7:30pm, enq: 4360 2945, **WH**

#### Fourth Monday of every month

**Toastmasters Speechcraft Classes**, 6pm, **EBWMC**

**Labor Party** Peninsula Day Branch, 1pm, **CWA**

**Carers support group**, Group room, Health Service Building, Woy Woy Hospital, enq: 4344 8427

#### Last Monday of every Month

**WWLT Playreading**, Woy Woy PS, 7.30pm, enq: 4341 2931

#### Every Monday

**Umina Cash Housie**, 7:30pm, enq: 4323 3566, **EMBC**

**Walking with other Mums** enq: Liz Poole 4320 3741

**Early Childhood Clinic and Koori Cuppa for Aboriginal families**, (0-5 years) inc. immunisation, 9am-10.30am, enq: 4343 1929; **BFC**

**Yoga**, 9.30am, Ph.4360 1854, **WH**

**Mums Meditation** 10am, Drummimg classes 4pm **RBG**

**Dancing**, 9am; **Mahjong**, 12.30pm; **Fitness**, 1pm, **ESCC**

**Gym Sessions**, 8am; **Tiny Tots**, 9:15am; **Circuit Boxing (Women)**, 9am;

**Boxing/fitness training**, 4pm (Junior) & 5pm (Senior), **PCYC**

## Songwriters' evening held in Ettalong

**Song Feast, a new monthly acoustic songwriters' performance evening, will be held in Ettalong from Wednesday, November 4.**

It will be held on the first Wednesday of the month from 6.30pm at the Beef and Barramundi Bar and Grill located at Ettalong Beach Tourist Resort, organised by the Australian Songwriters Conference Songwriter Assist association.

Association president Ms Lisa Butler of Umina said the local restaurant provided a perfect setting for the monthly sessions.

"Our songwriters are so talented, and they need more opportunities to perform and also be nurtured and supported with their songwriting careers," Ms Butler said.

"That's what ASC Songwriter Assist is all about.

"The aim is to raise funds so the organisation can offer evening and weekend seminars and workshops covering all the aspects of song

craft, production, publishing, law, performance and so on.

"We are asking the songwriters to support the organisation so the organisation can support them, by paying \$5 to \$10 to perform on the night.

"We will also have a donation box so that the audience can support ASCSA and of course, they will also be encouraged to tip the songwriters who will be putting their hearts on their sleeves and sharing the songs they work so hard to create.

"All songwriters are welcome to perform their original material but with a limited number of time slots available."

Songwriters interested in performing at Song Feast can contact Lisa Butler at [info@ascsa.org.au](mailto:info@ascsa.org.au) or for restaurant bookings phone Beef and Barramundi Bar and Grill on 4344 6828.

Press release, 27 Oct 2009

Lisa Butler, Australian Songwriters Conference Songwriter Assist Inc

**Carpet Bowls**, 9am; **Card Club**, 1pm, **EBWMC**

**Fairhaven Cash Housie**, 7.30pm; **Bingo**, 11am, enq: 4323 3566, **EMBC**

**Arts and Crafts** for people with a disability, 11am, enq: 4341 9333

**Patchwork & Quilting**, 10am; **Pottery**, 10am & 1pm, **EBACC**

**Children's Story Time**, Woy Woy Library, 10.30am, **Occasional Childcare**, 9am; **Central Coast Volunteering**, 9am; **Over 55's Gentle Fitness**, 9am; **Supported Playgroup**, 9.30am & 12.30pm;

**Yoga**, 9.30am; **Mad Monday Craft & Cooking**, 11am; **Bridge Club**, 12pm; **Physical Culture Club**, 4pm; **Coast Care Counselling**, 3.45pm; **Dance & Theatre School**, 3.45pm; **U3A Courses**; **Ballroom Dancing**, 9am, **PCC**

**Craft group**, 1pm, **BFC**

**Fairhaven Services Cash Housie**, 7.30pm, **EMBC**

**Yoga**, 9:30am, enq: 4360 2705, **WH**

**Pilates**, (except 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of month) 6pm-7pm & 7pm-8pm, **WH**

**Sea scouts**, 6pm, Nth Burge Rd, Woy Woy, enq: 0437 590 354

**Girl Guides**, 4pm, Cnr of Lurline & Memorial Ave, Blackwall, enq: 4328 3247

**Indian Dancing for Kids**, 3.30pm, enq: 4342 4395, **WVEC**

**Woy Woy Judo Club**. 5.30pm, enq 0434000170 **EPH**

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## Work starts on classrooms

### A \$3 million project to build six new classrooms at Umina Public School has begun.

Member for Robertson Ms Belinda Neal and Member for Gosford Ms Marie Andrews were joined by school students and school principal Mr Chris Andrews for a sod-turning ceremony to mark the project's official start on October 30.

"This program is part of the Federal Government's Building the Education Revolution which has so far invested more than \$81 million in schools in the Robertson electorate alone," Ms Neal said.

"Six modern classrooms in a two-

story building are being constructed at Umina Public School, replacing old demountable buildings," Ms Neal said.

"The construction works at Umina Public School are being undertaken by West Gosford-based Plum Projects, which means jobs for local people."

The Primary Schools for the 21st Century project at Umina Public School will employ up to 20 local tradespeople on site at any one time for a period of approximately six months, including several young apprentices, according to Ms Neal.

Ms Andrews said she was delighted to see the teachers and students of Umina Beach provided with a modern learning environment.

"This is a historic opportunity for our local school communities," Ms Andrews said.

Umina Public School also received \$200,000 under the National School Pride component of the Building the Education Revolution program, which is being used to refurbish four more classrooms as well as the office and administration facilities.

These upgrade works are nearing completion.

The construction of the six new classrooms is scheduled for completion in the second half of next year.

Press release, 30 Oct 2009

Belinda Neal, Member for Robertson



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Grow them in the garden as nature intended with tall, medium, and low plants together. Also, try to encourage more animal life into your backyard with plantings and by going easy on those chemical sprays and dusts, then birds, insects and other pollinators will help to provide a better ecology for your garden. One other hint is to make the most of your space with plants that have several uses in the garden.

You can also companion plant herbs, flowers and vegies together and then utilise them later in compost, a necessity for any budding gardener. If you would like a free assessment and design on how you could transform your garden to be more sustainable and receive a free pack of organic seeds to get you on your way, be one of the first 5 callers who mention this article. Till next time Happy Gardening

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## More security at Umina campus

**EBrisbane Water Secondary College Umina Campus has installed security fencing around the perimeter of the school grounds during the October school holidays.**

The fences were installed after a review of the school's security measures was undertaken, according to school campus administration manager Ms Vivienne Corcoran.

"School is among the safest places for our students," Ms Corcoran said.

"Despite this, protecting our schools, staff and students is

a priority for us here at Umina Campus.

"Recently a review of our school's security measures was conducted and what improvements could be made to maximise the safety of students and staff.

"At the beginning of this term, arrangements were put in place whereby the driveway gates are locked during school time and the only access into the school is via the front pedestrian gate through to the front reception area.

"As well as providing a much better way of monitoring who comes in to the school grounds, this arrangement also minimises

the risk of truancy.

"Each person in our school community is committed to creating a climate within the school that values safety and all personnel continue to be alert to any issues that may reduce safety and security.

"With this continued commitment and support of our school community, Umina Campus will continue to offer a wonderful, safe and secure learning environment."

Press release, 30 Oct 2009

Vivienne Corcoran, BWSC  
Umina Campus

## Pre-schoolers visit college farm

**A small group of Peninsula preschoolers were invited to visit the Brisbane Water Secondary College farm at Umina campus on October 22.**

"Preschoolers from Peninsula and District Family Day Care were enthralled by the animals at Brisbane Water Secondary College when they made a visit to the farm," agricultural coordinator Mr Geoff Spence said.

"Students and staff from the college made sure that the wide eyes were feasted with new images and many fun animal contacts.

"The college students were once again fine representatives of the school and many carers commented on their professionalism and knowledge."

Umina campus P&C president Mr Bruce Graf also congratulated the students for their effort and enthusiasm on the day.

"This is one of the many great things the farm can do," Mr Graf said.

"How can you put a price on what that does for small kids?"

Press release, 27 Oct 2009

Geoff Spence, Brisbane  
Water Secondary College

## Maralinga author speaks at lunch

**Author Ms Judy Nunn will speak at a literary lunch on Sunday, November 15.**

Ms Nunn, who regularly visits her holiday home in Killcare, will speak about her latest novel Maralinga.

It is the story of five lost souls who find themselves in a "violent and unforgiving landscape; infected with the unique madness and excitement that only nuclear testing creates".

"It is also a story of love; a love so strong that it draws an adventurous young English journalist halfway around the world in search of the truth."

The lunch has been organised by Book Bazaar owner Ms Mandi McIntosh.

She said Ms Nunn's career had been long, illustrious and multifaceted.

"After combining her internationally successful acting career with scriptwriting for television and radio, Judy decided in the 1980s to turn her hand to prose," Ms McIntosh said.

"The result was two adventure novels for children, Eye in the Storm and its sequel Eye in the City which remain extremely popular, not only in Australia but also in Europe.

"Embarking on adult fiction in the early 1990s, Judy's three novels,

The Glitter Game, Centre Stage and Araluen, were set respectively in the worlds of television, theatre and film.

"Her subsequent books, Kal, Beneath the Southern Cross, Territory, Pacific, Heritage and Floodtide confirm her position as one of Australia's leading popular novelists."

Ms McIntosh said: "Maralinga is about heartbreak; brought to the innocent first Australians who had walked their land unhindered for 40,000 years.

"The power to love, the power to hate, and the power to destroy human existence ... Maralinga has them all."

The lunch will be held at the Boathouse restaurant in Koolewong from 12pm at a cost of \$40 per person including two-course meal.

Press release, 26 Oct 2009  
Mandi McIntosh, Book Bazaar

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## Leaders trained

**Year 5 students from Ettalong Public School attended a leadership training day at Umina PCYC on October 23.**

School principal Mr Colin Wallis said the day proved to be very successful for the group.

"The aim of the day was to help develop self-confidence, raise self-esteem and to build leadership skills in our students in preparation for their possible student leadership

roles in 2010," Mr Wallis said.

"This was a great opportunity for our students and a very worthwhile and valuable activity for all involved.

"The PCYC venue also introduced our children to another possible positive leisure activity and venue; their attendance has given them all access to the facilities in the future."

Newsletter, 28 Oct 2009

Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School

## Mufti day

**Ettalong Public School held a mufti day on October 30 to support victims from the Samoan tsunami and Sumatran earthquake.**

According to school principal Mr Colin Wallis, children were asked to wear mufti and make a gold coin donation on the day.

"All funds raised through this day will be sent to School Aid, a charity supported by schools and students across Australia in help those in need," Mr Wallis said.

Mr Wallis said a total figure was still being finalised.

School Aid's current project is the Asia Pacific Emergency Appeal in response to the tragic disasters in Samoa, Sumatra and India.

Newsletter, 20 Oct 2009

Colin Wallis, Ettalong Public School

## Invitation

**Woy Woy Public School's Student Representative Council has invited all grandparents of the school community to a special morning tea on Thursday, November 12.**

The morning tea will be a token to show the school's appreciation and the value of grandparents in its community.

The event will be held in the school hall from 11am.

Grandparents will then have the opportunity to visit classrooms to see their grandchildren's work.

Newsletter, 27 Oct 2009

Ona Buckley, Woy Woy  
Public School

## Woy Woy Peninsula Netball Association

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## Charity golf day

**The Vietnam Veterans' Peacekeepers' and Peacemakers' Association of Australia Gosford City Sub-Branch will hold its annual charity golf day at Everglades Country Club in Woy Woy on Monday, November 30.**

Office sub-branch manager Ms Denise Martin said the event was a great way for the local community to enjoy a game of golf while helping local veterans and their families.

"This annual day raises much-needed funds for welfare projects which help veterans and their families who live on the Central Coast," Ms Martin said.

"It will be a three-person Ambrose, with entry as teams or individuals.

"The \$60 entry fee includes a barbecue breakfast organised by the members and a light finger food luncheon organised by the country club.

"There will be over \$2000 worth of prizes plus a gift pack for each player.

"A raffle with excellent prizes will also be held on the day.

"Registration and breakfast is from 7am with an 8am shot start.

"Members of the public are more than welcome to attend and interested parties should contact the association office on 4344 4760 for entry forms and payment of fees.

"The office is open on Monday and Wednesdays between 9.30am and 1pm."

**Press release, 24 Oct 2009  
Denise Martin, VVPPAA Gosford**

## First female president in 77 years

**The Killcare Surf Life Saving Club has elected a female president for the first time in 77 years.**

New president Ms Karen Burke received life membership from the club earlier this year.

She takes over from the long-serving president Cr Jim Macfadyen.

According to Hardy's Bay Resident's Group member Mr Allan Wilson, Ms Burke joined the club in 1988.

She has been a patrolling member for 13 of the ensuing years and variously held the positions of vice president, house vice president, junior activities chairman, chairman of the building committee, rookie coordinator and age manager.

"Along with fellow member Ms Catherine McMaster, Ms Burke was largely instrumental in

promoting the development of the club's nippers program," Mr Wilson said.

"More recently, the popular Killcare architect closely collaborated with council officers throughout the lengthy reconstruction processes of the impressive surf club development in ensuring that the plan fulfilled the necessary requirements.

"Much of the credit for what has been described as an 'exciting concept in surf clubhouse design' has been attributed to her visionary outlook."

Predicting "exciting times ahead", Ms Burke is looking forward to a productive future for the club.

"We are most fortunate in having a committee comprising of hard working and dedicated people and we are enjoying a huge increase in new memberships," Ms Burke

said.

"Currently, we have 53 members training for their bronze medallion and surf rescue certificates, in addition to the existing eighty lifesavers regularly patrolling our beach.

"We will be hosting a masters carnival on Saturday, November 28, and that will be a significant occasion for the club."

According to Ms Burke, the new-look club's auditorium is already proving to be a popular venue for weddings and other functions, while other clubhouse features such as Randall's on the Beach Restaurant and Steve and Helena's Kiosk are enjoying excellent patronage.

Another recent innovation, the Bluetongue Bar, is open to the public from noon until 7pm on Sundays.

**Newsletter, 27 Oct 2009  
Alan Wilson, Hardy's Bay  
Resident's Group**

## Donations to charity

**Peninsula bowling clubs have contributed almost \$30,000 to charity over the past few months.**

The most recent contributions from Peninsula bowling clubs include Umina Beach Women's Bowling Club who donated \$3500 to prostate cancer research through its annual Ron Pursehouse Memorial Day.

The Sporties at Woy Woy contributed \$17,400 towards the child flight helicopter service, while

Ettalong Women's Bowling Club gave Woy Woy Women's Refuge \$4600.

Umina Beach Bowling Club donated \$4300 towards the Shirley Shuttle cancer treatment transport service.

The contributions were grants made under the Community Development and Support Expenditure scheme in lieu of poker machine tax.

**Publication, 27 Oct 2009  
Bowls News Central Coast**

## Umina cricket results

**Umina Cricket Club's first grade side finished 9/237 in round two of this season's competition against Toukley.**

The two-day competition saw the match take place at Harry Moore Oval in Toukley on October 17 and 24.

Results are as follows: Umina 237 (Mitchell Smith 56, Brad Jones 39, Kurt Pride 36, Ryan Clement 33) defeated Toukley's 216 runs (Craig Di Blasio 4/78 and Dan Fiddock 3/35).

Second grade Umina 287 (Nathan Carmody-Smith 100, Lachlan O'Donnell 73, Warren Gomez 29) defeated Toukley 197 (Lachlan O'Donnell 4/7 including hat trick, Cameron Dunn 2/19,

Nathan Carmody-Smith 2/53 and 1/93.

Third grade Warnervale 307 (Josh Wakem four for 60, David Ford 2/52, Dan Campbell 2/71) defeated Umina 150 (John Fogarty 26 and 7/124, Dan Bergan 50 and Dan Campbell 32).

Fourth grade Warnervale 50 (John Seymour 5/10, Jamie Yeo 4/7 and 8/122, Jamie Yeo 5/41, John Seymour 2/32) defeated Umina 91 (Lewis Black 37, James Archibald 26 and 77, Peter Jones 31).

Umina first innings win, Warnervale won outright

Seventh grade (one day) The Entrance 359 (Rick Jones 5/95) defeated Umina 260 (Craig Ferguson 66, Brent Dawes

63, Glenn Paull 52 and Dean Hutchinson 28).

Ninth grade (one day) Umina 5/237 (Adam Miller 114, Tom Frazer 70) defeated Wyong Green 110 (Ashley Gassman 3/8, Suriya Gurung 3/22 and James Evans 2/20).

Round three for seventh grade, Lisarow White 9/257 (Rick Jones 2/48, Glenn Paull 2/63) defeated Umina 86.

Round three for ninth grade Umina 6/233 (Tom Frazer 111, Ashley Gassman 33, James Smith 27 and Liam Clement 28) defeated Gosford 117 (Adam Miller 3/29, James Smith 3/18, Liam Clement 2/15 and Suriya Gurung 2/18).

**Website, 27 Oct 2009  
Umina Cricket Club**

## Fundraiser for Cancer Council

**A "Girls' Night In" fundraising event for the Cancer Council will be held in Woy Woy on Friday, November 13.**

A local fitness centre will offer free entry to the gym, raffles, lucky door prizes, giveaways and the opportunity to participate in a "beauty circuit" as well as back-to-back gym classes, as part of the night.

The event will be held at Priority One women's health and fitness studio from 6pm.

Studio manager Ms Julieanne Garland said she decided to host a "Girls' Night In" in memory of former local identity Ms Belinda

Emmett who died of cancer and to show support for women affected by cancer.

Cancer Council Central Coast community relations coordinator Ms Lesley Chart said this was the fifth year for Girls' Night In events.

She said the event encouraged women to invite their friends around for a fun night and donate what they would have spent on a night out towards Cancer Council's work into breast and gynaecological cancers.

To get involved or find out more, call 1300 65 65 85 or visit [www.girlsnightin.com.au](http://www.girlsnightin.com.au)

**Press release, 21 Oct 2009  
Lesley Chart, Cancer Council**

**Ettalong Memorial Women's Bowling Club has held its annual Rainbow Carnival.**

Entries came from as far away as St John's Park and Northmead to contest the carnival which ran over two days.

"Fortunately the greens were running well, as the players had to contend with strong gusty wind," publicity officer Ms Maureen Kerr

## Rainbow carnival

said.

Winners were: First T Ward, B.J Osborne, J Thomson, L Williams (Ettalong Memorial) with four wins + 82; runners-up L Gilmour, J Saggus, C Hawkesworth, D Moore Umina with four wins + 77; third J Hughes, J Jessup, L Chivas, B Angus (Ettalong Memorial) with

three-and-a-half wins + 76; fourth I Crocker, L Murphy, L Bourne, K Gregor (Terrigal) with three-and-a-half wins +70; and fifth G Edwards, W Tancred, L Morton, F Phillips (Everglades) with three wins +66.

**Publication, 27 Oct 2009  
Maureen Kerr, Bowls  
News Central Coast**

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## Farewelled as best and fairest

**In his farewell season, hooker Trent Murphy was named the Woy Woy Roosters first grade best and fairest player of the year.**

According to club secretary Mr Peter Read, the lightweight red head has overcome some serious injuries during his career and told the large gathering at the club's award ceremony on October 24 that he desperately wanted to have one decent season before hanging up the boots.

"I've had a few problems with injuries in the past, so I would like to thank the Woy Woy Club for giving me the opportunity to play football again," Murphy said.

Mr Read said Murphy outlasted captain-coach and four time player of the year Jade Mason who was named the first grade most consistent forward and Jared Smith who received the most consistent back award.

"Despite playing a handful of first grade games and having his season cut short by an overseas trip for his brother's wedding, five-eighth Toby Nissen was named reserve grade's best and fairest player with Joel Weeks and Adam Ransley winning the most consistent back and most consistent forward respectively,"

Mr Read said.

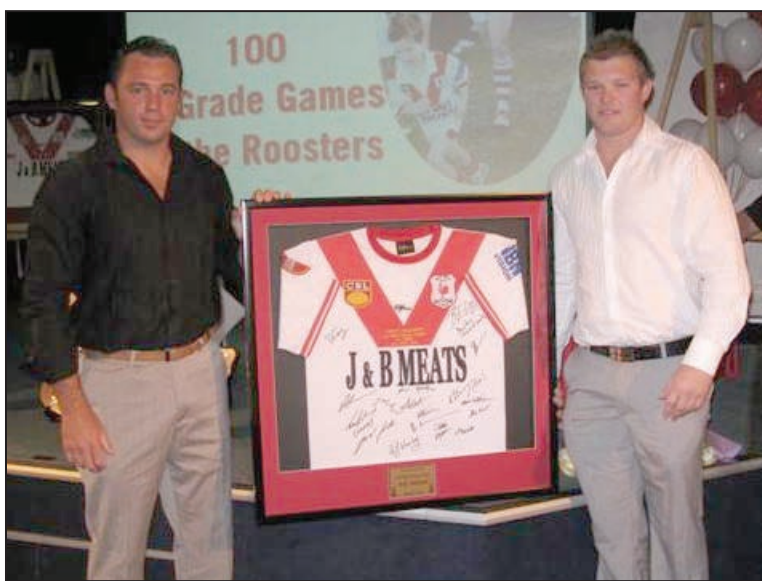
"Exciting back rower Brent Bovis was awarded the best and fairest player in the Under-20s, while Richard Walker was named most consistent forward and Josh McGlynn most consistent back.

"Outstanding fullback Drew Neist was awarded the Brad McKee Memorial Trophy as the Under-20s player with most potential.

"Under-18s skipper and first grade debutant in 2009, Alex Baxter, was a popular recipient of the best and fairest award with another first grade debutant Brendan Neal receiving the most consistent back while Jaryd Sainty was named most consistent forward.

"Daniel 'DJ' Markham was awarded the Jason Taylor Memorial Trophy for the Under-18s most improved player for 2009, a year in which he moved through the ranks from record breaking junior player to first grader for Woy Woy.

"Hardworking hooker Blake Harrington, who played two games on most weekends, received due recognition for his efforts with the Under-17s best and fairest award while creative halfback and captain Justin McDermott was named most consistent back with 'big' Steve



Billington most consistent forward.

"Goal kicking forward Aeden Avery received the LJ Hooker Woy Woy most improved player.

"Special presentations on the night were made to Scott Wilesmith, who played his 100th first grade game for the club in 2009 and Jade Mason, who played his record breaking 200th first grade game for the club against Ourimbah late in the season.

"Club president Geoff Staunton was acknowledged as the Roosters dedicated clubman for 2009 for his

outstanding efforts for the club during the season."

Pictures from the night can be found on the Roosters website at [www.woywoyroosters.com.au](http://www.woywoyroosters.com.au).

Presentation Results were:

First Grade: Best & Fairest - Trent Murphy; Most Consistent Forward - Jade Mason; Most Consistent Back - Jared Smith; Players Player - Jade Mason.

Reserve Grade: Best & Fairest - Toby Nissen; Most Consistent Forward - Adam Ransley; Most Consistent Back - Joel Weeks;

Players Player - Marc Phillips.

Under-20s: Best & Fairest - Brent Bovis; Most Consistent Forward - Richard Walker; Most Consistent Back - Josh McGlynn; Players Player - Brent Bovis.

Under-18s: Best & Fairest - Alex Baxter; Most Consistent Forward - Jaryd Sainty; Most Consistent Back - Brendan Neal; Players Player - Alex Baxter.

Under-17s: Best & Fairest - Blake Harrington; Most Consistent Forward - Steve Billington; Most Consistent Back - Justin McDermott; Players Player - Callum McGillicuddy.

Jason Taylor Memorial Trophy - Daniel Markham.

Brad McKee Memorial Trophy - Alex Baxter.

Dedicated Clubman - Geoff Staunton.

200 First Grade Games - Jade Mason.

100 First Grade Games - Scott Wilesmith.

100 Grade Games - Sean Stevenson and Shane Wilson

50 Grade Games - Martin Spencer, Marc Phillips and Peter Healey

**Press release, 26 Oct 2009**  
**Peter Read, Woy Woy Rugby**  
**League Football Club**

## Cycle paths to be joined

**Two cycle paths will be joined in a new project to be undertaken in Woy Woy.**

The project would see the construction of a path along The Boulevard between Brisbane Water Dr and the existing footpath/cycleway in Brickwharf Rd.

"The upgraded section will form part of the shared footpath/cycleway which will extend from Gosford through Woy Woy to Umina Beach and Ettalong Beach," Member for Robertson Ms Belinda Neal said.

The Federal Government has announced it will provide Gosford Council with \$110,000 towards a missing section of cycle path through Woy Woy.

"In total, this project is worth \$220,000 and we are delivering

it in partnership with the Gosford Council."

"The Woy Woy project is part of the Rudd Government's \$40 million National Bike Paths Projects fund and a key element of our Economic Stimulus Plan.

According to Ms Neal, four retained jobs are expected to be supported during construction and into the longer term, delivering an economic boost to the local area.

Ms Neal said that she was pleased to see this investment in local infrastructure which

would also support the Woy Woy economy.

"By building better cycling infrastructure, the government is also helping take cars off our local roads and reducing carbon emissions over the longer term," Ms Neal said.

"We are building community infrastructure that will encourage healthier lifestyles amongst residents and create more sustainable communities."

**Press release, 23 Oct 2009**  
**Member for Robertson, Belinda Neal**

## Club donates \$1200

**Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club has donated \$1200 towards the Shirley Shuttle transport service for cancer patients, despite its annual fundraising game being cancelled.**

The club's annual charity day was cancelled due to a shortage of teams, according to club publicity officer Ms Brenda Smith.

"It was decided to donate \$1000, plus more donations which were most generously given by individual members increasing the donation to \$1200," Ms Smith said.

"Cancer patients from the Central Coast have to travel to Royal North Shore Hospital for treatment which is a long trip for them."

**Letter, 24 Oct 2009**

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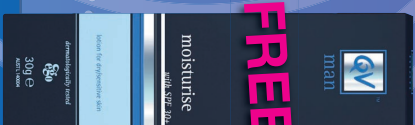






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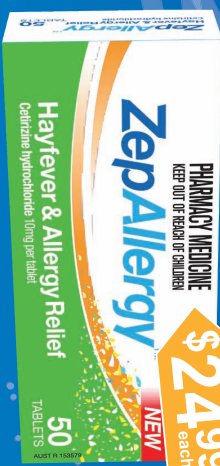
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