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Tender accepted for underpass design

Gosford Council accepted a tender to design the Rawson Rd Woy Woy Level Crossing replacement.

Tenders were called for the detailed design and environmental assessment for the removal of the existing Rawson Rd Woy Woy railway crossing, the provision of an alternate crossing for Woy Woy Rd at the Newcastle-Central Coast railway line and an upgrade, where necessary, to the associated regional and local road network.

Seven tenders were received with Gosford's Cardno Pty Ltd accepted.

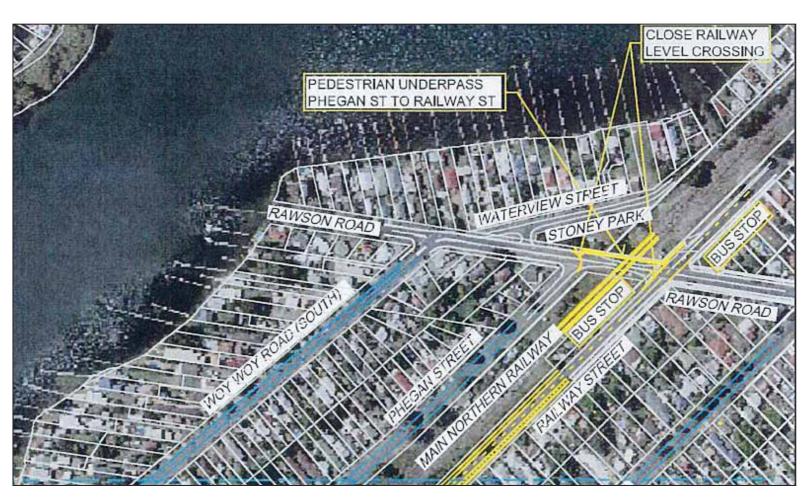
The tenderers were assessed based on the criteria of assessment included in the tender documents and involved consideration of the tendered price, financial details, insurances, previous experience, management and technical staff resources, quality assurance and contract program.

Council's staff report said that Council considered that the tender from Cardno Pty Ltd presented the best value to Council.

"The tender comparisonassessment indicated that Cardno Pty Ltd ranked highly against all stated criteria," the report said.

Cardno Pty Ltd had assisted Council staff in developing the current strategic design for the project.

It had also completed a variety of road and drainage design projects for Gosford Council



A map of the Rawson Rd level crossing

including the arch bridge design at Piles and Leask Creek crossings at the Pacific Highway, Somersby.

Cardno Pty Ltd had also undertaken similar design work for both the Roads and Maritime Service and RailCorp

assessed the company as being capable of undertaking the project.

In September last year, Gosford Council was awarded a \$1 million NSW Government grant for 2011-12 to commence the planning, investigation and design of the

Rawson Rd Level Crossing Replacement project.

A further \$1 million was allocated in the 2012-13 NSW Government Budget.

Additional funding for design construction

committed with an upper limit of \$30 million in the first term of the current State Government.

> **Gosford Council** CIT.26, 3 Jul 2012

No money for Woy Woy Rd upgrade

Funding for upgrades to Woy Woy Rd is unlikely to cover works "north of Bulls Hill", Gosford Council has revealed.

It has also ruled out the possibility of a bypass of The Bays through Brisbane Waters National Park.

"Funding for the Rd Woy Woy Level Crossing Replacement will not be sufficient to undertake anything other than

the level crossing replacement works, although the configuration of the current works at the bottom of Bulls Hill would allow the bypass to occur in the future," Gosford Council's manager of infrastructure planning Mr Ed Sukesh said.

"The extremely expensive works required through the National Park would need to be funded under National Park," he said.

Mr Sukesh has denied that Peninsula isolated.

traffic congestion and disruption will occur during the upgrade of Woy Woy Rd due to work on the West Gosford intersection.

He said concern over congestion and disruption issues with the possible works at Woy Woy and the Central Coast Highway was unfounded.

He was responding to claims a separate program should it be from the Peninsula Chamber of possible to obtain access to the Commerce that work on the two major upgrades could leave the

"Both RMS and Council are aware of the works and several parts of each project would be scheduled to ensure that this does not occur," he said.

"A considerable amount of the Woy Woy Rd Level Crossing Replacement works occur clear of the existing roadway and will not require major traffic diversion.

"Current funding is available for the level crossing and associated ancillary works.

"Preliminary indications are that

the current funding will most likely be insufficient for works in Woy Woy Rd north of Bulls Hill.

"Our view on the bypass proposal is similar to the Chamber with regard to the benefits this could provide but unfortunately that is not the project currently being developed.

> Media Statement, 6 Jul 2012 Ed Sukesh, Gosford Council

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One third above average

June finished with rainfall figures almost one third above its monthly average, according to Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy.

Falls totalling 167.5mm were recorded in June, 28.9 per cent above the monthly average of 129.9mm.

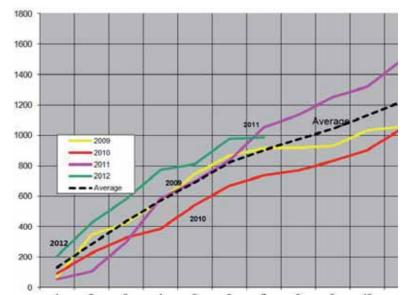
The falls brought the total for the year to date to 977.9mm, 19.1 per cent above the cumulative average at the end of June of 821mm.

So far this month, only 10mm of rain has fallen.

The monthly average for July is 80.7mm, one of the drier months of the year.

Temperatures for June ranged between 5.7 degrees on June 23 and 20.7 on June 30.

The average overnight minimum temperature was 10.4 and the average daily maximum was 17.5 degrees.



Highest minimum was 15.2 on June 2 and lowest maximum was 13.4 on June 10.

Highest wind gust was 42.8km/h

on June 5.

Spreadsheet, 6 Jul 2012
Jim Morrison, Woy Woy
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Peninsula News and Anjian are giving one reader the chance to win a set of three Jizo statues valued at \$70.

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The winner of last edition's Peninsula News SodaStream competition was Mrs Joan Kinkade of Koolewong.

Kaitlin Watts, 6 Jul 2012





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Conditions placed on Oyster Festival funding

Gosford Council has unanimously agreed to again sponsor this year's Brisbane Water Oyster Festival on the proviso that a minimum of 50 per cent of the profit for the event is kept as seed funding for the following year.

Council agreed to sponsor the Festival with \$10,000 due to the long history of the event and the recent loss of such events such as the Flora Festival which acted as significant economic drivers for the Central Coast.

The request for sponsorship was sought by Festival organisers due to the difficulties in attracting sponsorship from commercial organisations on the Central Coast.

Council's staff report of Tuesday, July 3, stated that the recent decision by the Flora Festival Committee to no longer hold such an event due to the difficulties in being able to attract sufficient sponsors to allow such an event to occur demonstrated the difficulties being faced by such event organisers.

"Such events as the Oyster Festival generate significant economic benefits to the Central



The winner of last year's oyster eating competition

Coast, and markets the Central Coast as a destination for weekend stays," stated Council's report.

"This has a multiplier effect within the community through the spending of money by the visitors and supports business on the Central Coast."

In previous sponsorships, Gosford Council has supported the Brisbane Water Oyster Festival with the provision of a \$10,000 per annum partnership arrangement, waiving Council fees and charges, logistical support from Parks and Recreation and City Services Directorate and promotional support and expertise.

"It is important to support local events and festivals to ensure continued attraction of locals and tourists to the Gosford LGA which provides an economic benefit to the Central Coast," according to a report from Council staff.

"The loss of such an event, particularly in light of the loss of the Australian Springtime Flora Festival for 2012 will have a significant financial impact for the Coast and hence Gosford

Council should continue to provide sponsorship for such an event in 2012."

Cr Craig Doyle said he was hesitant to again provide financial support as the festival simply "wasn't sustainable" and organisers continued to apply for sponsorship every year, despite the approach of the Festival's 12th anniversary.

He said his decision to not support the motion was changed when Cr Vicki Scott suggested an amendment that the festival organisers retain 50 per cent of the profit in order to make the festival more sustainable.

Council also resolved to receive an event report within one month of the completion of the festival detailing both the audited financial and community benefits as a condition of sponsorship.

Gosford Council MM.10, 3 Jul 2012 Kaitlin Watts, 3 Jul 2012 Photos: Naomi Bridges

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The crowd at last year's Brisbane Water Oyster Festival





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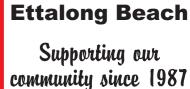
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Bull's Hill proposal is unrealistic

There are grave concerns of the proposed modification to Bull's Hill.

As an adjoining resident to the proposed planned works, I consider the proposal to be at least a very costly and unrealistic one.

The cost to pursue such a concept is purely a waste of money and time.

Such a plan would be impractical due to the logistics of construction and managing the disruptions.

Can you imagine the inconvenience of such an undertaking?

Firstly forcing all of the Bays residents to travel through West Gosford to get to Woy Woy and this would, I imagine, would happen throughout the whole construction phase.

Secondly forcing all the Peninsula traffic to access the F3 via West Gosford and add further

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congestion on Brisbane Water Dr.

Thirdly, the end result of the modification to the Hill would speed up traffic to a steep descent after they straighten the road that approaches this Hill.

I experienced, first hand, the inconvenience of the partial collapse of Bulls Hill a couple of years ago and that was only to reconstruct approximately 20 metres of one half of the Hill.

There were months of having to be rediverted through West Gosford to get to Woy Woy train station as parking at Gosford was non-existent.

Wouldn't it be logical to construct a roundabout at the speed camera on Woy Woy Rd, have a bypass travel through the national park down to the old abattoir site and, with what is excavated from the construction of this bypass, used to fill that site's depression to the level of the existing base of Bull's Hill, construct another roundabout at this point to give access to a rail underpass and traffic still using the hill and then redevelop the old abattoirs site to possibly accommodate a service station and food stop for all passing traffic and the Bay's residents?

This would be ideal and a long awaited development in the area.

Not disturbing the present Bull's Hill would provide an alternative access to the area and eliminate some traffic volume on the preferred bypass.

With this preferred bypass, it can be constructed with a very limited disruption to the road users if any at all.

Online submission, 13 Jun 2012 David Cullen, Horsfield Bay

Barkadia would be better

If, as the Peninsula News reports (25 June), a quest is underway ('Name change for The Bays (sic)'), could we have some more inspired suggestions?

How about Barkadia?

It's like the mythological Arkadia (a place of simplicity and contentment) but with dogs.

But seriously, in 1991 when the Geographical Names Board suggested a name change (to Woy Woy Bays), the community said

A meeting saw our hall overflow and attendees included several Phegans who had travelled to support the status quo.

It was a hot issue with, as I recall, little local support for

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homogenisation and loss of identity.

Not much has changed since.
Perhaps the potholes are a bit

But people still struggle with names, and we grow accustomed to "Phagans Bay", just as those further south must get used to an errant "e" in Horsfield.

Best wishes to those who seek change.

Once this pressing issue is resolved, and whatever the outcome, you'll find my family and I here in Phegans Bay.

Email, 5 Jul 2012 Garry Hopkins, Phegans Bay

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Problems with road realignment

It is obvious that the three options for the realignment of Woy Woy Rd featured on the front page of Peninsula News (June 25) pose serious engineering problems.

Even the most cursory examination of the contour lines shows the difficulties that would have to be overcome (including an extremely expensive tunnel required for option seven).

On the face of it, a better route would be one falling between options six and eight, where the alignment could make a fairly gradual ascent from the bottom of Bulls Hill up the slope adjoining the abattoir, before joining Woy Woy Rd at more or less the same point as the three Chamber options.

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An advantage of this proposal over options six and seven is that it can connect immediately to the existing Woy Woy Rd at the bottom of Bulls Hill and does not require a new railway crossing, thus improving the Woy Woy Rd access to the Peninsula at minimal cost.

Since the cost of the railway crossing seems to be the main stumbling block to replacing the dangerous Bulls Hill route under all the other options, this would be a significant arguing point.

The railway crossing could, of course, always be built at a later date when the traffic congestion at the level crossing really justifies it.

There remains the obstacle

of cutting through the National Park which is common to all realignment possibilities, but the approval process cannot take any longer than the funding and design process, so this does not seem an insuperable objection.

The idea of reconstructing the road on the present Bulls Hill alignment is totally absurd, unless enormously expensive engineering structures are going to be built to eliminate the existing grades and curves.

Even then, the rest of Woy Woy Rd would remain a relic of 19th century engineering, which is not what we need for the future of the Peninsula.

Email, 4 Jul 2012 Bruce Hyland, Daleys Point

Purpose is dialogue

In response to Warren Cross' letter "taxes funding PR for developers" (June 25), I point out that the purpose of the Central Coast Regional Development Corporation's column is to encourage dialogue with the community regarding plans for the redevelopment of the Gosford waterfront.

I note that the introduction to the column invites all readers to respond at info@ccrdc.nsw.gov.

Those who feature in the column are indeed "community leaders" who are enunciating their

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own views on the project and its importance to the future of the Central Coast.

Online submission, 28 Jun 2012 Bob Hawes, Kariong



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Council slashes fees on precinct building

Gosford Council has decided to slash its fees and charges for the Peninsula Recreation **Precinct Building.**

It will place the new fee schedule on public exhibition for 28 days and, if no objections are received, the fees and charges will be adopted.

The fees have been reduced with hourly weekday business rates for the hall reduced from \$66 to \$49 and half day rates reduced from \$550 to \$154.

A security deposit of \$300 would be retained to ensure that the facility remained in an appropriate condition and cleaning was undertaken as required.

A cleaning fee of \$200 would be charged in the event that the building was left in an unacceptable state by the hirer.

This would be determined by an inspecting Council officer following the event and deducted from the security deposit.

An increased rate of hire would be applied to trades or businesses wishing to hire the facility for corporate training and events and recreational and sporting based business activity.

A standard rate of hire would be charged to community members wishing to hire the building for private functions.

A reduced rate would be



The Peninsula Recreation Precinct Building

offered to community and sporting groups wishing to hire the building to undertake activities for a community purpose or benefit.

The building may be hired on an hourly basis throughout the day and-or evening with hire including bump in and bump out times.

According to Council's staff report of Tuesday, July 3, a number of changes had been proposed to the current fee structure to encourage increased utilisation of the hall, streamline standard charges such as the security deposit and cleaning fees and simplify timed rates of hire.

In addition, due to the

establishment of the kiosk servicing the Peninsula Recreation Precinct, the fees associated with the hire of the kitchen area would be removed.

"The reduction in fees and charges for the hire of the facility is anticipated to have a positive impact on the ongoing funding for the maintenance of the Peninsula Recreation Precinct building and adjacent reserve," stated the Council report.

"As the current ratio of enquiries to actual hall hire sits at only 28 per cent it is expected that the reduction in fees will improve income generation through an increased number of hirers thereby providing additional resources to assist with the ongoing maintenance of the Peninsula Recreation Precinct in its entirety.

The report said that the Peninsula Recreation Precinct Building had been maintained to a high standard since its inception.

It stated that a number of minor maintenance works had been undertaken due to lack of usage, however, these did not affect the structural integrity of the building itself.

Peninsula Recreation Precinct Building became available for hire in September last year.

Since this time Council had received 25 enquiries for the use of the main hall section within the building and had received only seven bookings, comprising four children's birthday parties and three Council community

The kitchen area was hired by two local volunteer organisations late last year to undertake fundraising activities with little SUCCESS

As a result, the kitchen area is now being utilised as a Council run kiosk to service the Peninsula Recreation Precinct.

Feedback from the majority of enquirers for the use of the main hall section suggested that the current rates being charged were unaffordable as hire of the building was often requested as a wet weather alternative or in addition to the use of the reserve for children's birthday parties.

Council's report said that it had also been considered that the hire of the building for recreation related business activities such as yoga, pilates and the like, was cost prohibitive due to the current fee and the numbers that the building could accommodate for such activities.

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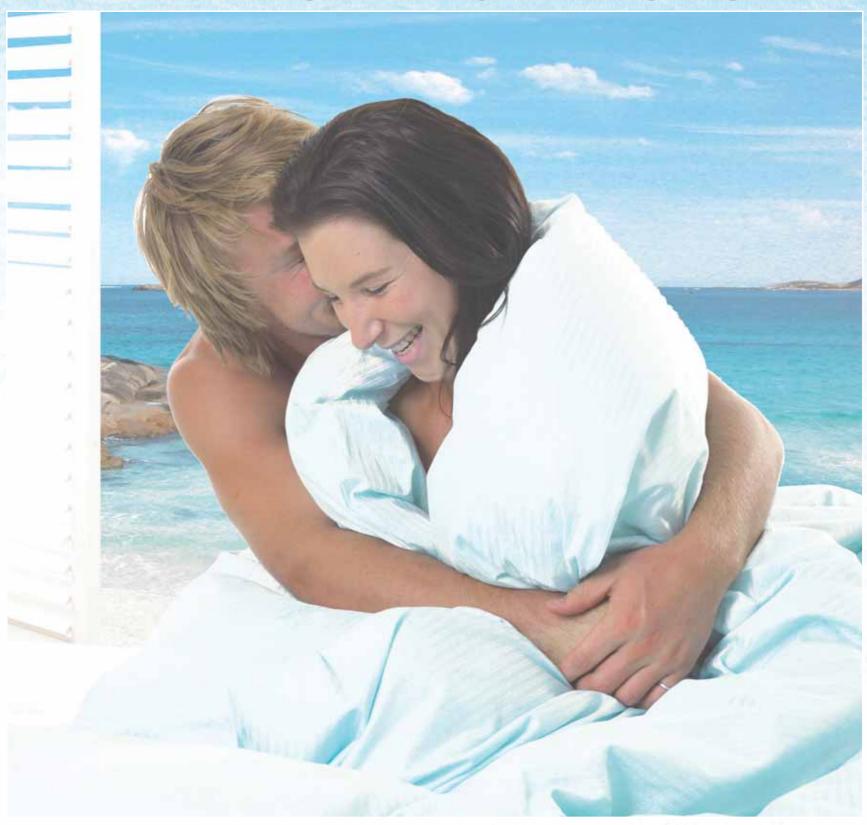
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Council removes sea level message

The s149(5) planning certificate message that relates to sea level rise will be removed following Gosford Council's meeting of Tuesday, July 3.

The decision was not unanimous with mayor Cr Laurie Maher and

deputy mayor Cr Craig Doyle voting against the decision to remove the message.

Mayor Cr Maher said he believed that sea level rise was a reality and for that reason the message should not be removed.

Cr Doyle moved an amendment to

defer the meeting to the reconvened ordinary meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 10.

As there were only six councillors present, he said the decision should be considered by a full council and the weight of the decision should not rest on the shoulders of those six councillors alone.

His amendment failed for lack of a seconder

Cr Jim Macfadyen, who moved the motion, said that "in respect we should have looked at what other Councils were doing because we set ourselves up for public criticism".

Greens Cr Peter Freewater, who seconded the motion, agreed with Cr Macfadyen and said there was no evidence that sea level rise in Brisbane Water was a reality.

"I think in this case we have publicly gone a bit too far, a bit too soon," he said.

In Council's staff report, director of environment and planning Ms Colleen Worthy-Jennings made it clear that the s.149 (5) planning certificate message relating to sea level rise was not to be confused with the s.149 (2) planning certificate messages that related to flood risk.

"Flooding is an immediate risk that needs to be managed as a floods can occur at any time while sea level rise is a future risk that needs to be considered when making decisions that have medium to long term implications," said Ms Worthy-Jennings in her report to Council.

In December 2009, Council resolved to adopt a sea level rise planning level which was consistent with the NSW State Government's Sea Level Rise Policy Statement.

Council developed sea level rise vulnerability mapping, which was publicly exhibited in 2009, and deemed it had a duty of care to share that information with current and future property owners.

In the report to Council in December 2009, it was stated that "the adoption of this planning level has the possibility of affecting the future use and potential of certain land in the vicinity of the coast and estuaries".

"It is currently difficult to determine with certainty which land that will be.

"Council, however, has a discretionary obligation to advise current and potential owners that these possibilities exist through a s.149 (5) Planning Certificate message."

A notation was then placed on planning certificates in April 2010 pursuant to s.149 (5) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 that the land was within the 0.9m sea level rise extent as identified on the most relevant map held by Council.

Council's staff report stated that if Council decided to retain the information on sea level rise on its planning certificate there was a risk that a person may instigate action if the person considered that the loss of value was directly attributed to the notation on the certificate.

It also stated that if Council decided to remove the information on sea level rise on its planning certificates there was a risk that a person may instigate action if that person considered that Council was aware of a matter and did not disclose that information to the person's detriment.

Council had received up to 500 written and phone enquiries in the two years since the encoding.

The majority of these expressed concerns regarding the lack of consultation, doubt regarding the credibility of the science that supported the sea level rise projections, the effect the encoding may have on property prices and, more recently, the effect on insurance premiums.

The report stated there was no record of Council consulting regarding any s.149 encoding.

"The purpose of a s.149 planning certificate is to provide information to both existing and future owners.

"There is no way of consulting with future owners to ensure equitable consideration," said Ms Worthy-Jennings in her report to Council.

Council also resolved to write to local state members and seek support that the State Government provide a clear direction on a consistent approach across the state regarding sea level rise and s.149(5) Planning Certificate messages or that they repeal the Legislation.

Gosford Council Agenda SF.14, 3 Jul 2012 Kaitlin Watts, 3 Jul 2012



Mr Ian Figtree congratulates incoming president Mr Robert Meyer

Rotary holds changeover

Umina Beach Rotary Club held its 36th Annual Changeover on Wednesday, June 20.

The Annual Changeover was celebrated at a special dinner at Everglades Country Club.

The outgoing president of the

club Mr Ian Figtree congratulated local businessman Mr Robert Meyer who took leadership of the club for the second time at the changeover.

Media Release, 23 Jun 2012 Geoff Melville, Rotary Club of Umina Beach Photo: Geoff Melville





Route decided for cycle link

Gosford Council has approved the route of the last section of cycleway, joining existing coastal cycleways at Woy Woy and Ettalong.

The route between McMasters Rd, Woy Woy, and The Esplanade, Ettalong was approved, after an environmental assessment was placed before Gosford Council's meeting of Tuesday, July 3.

The project, which is expected to cost around \$900,000, will be 2.5 metres wide and will be constructed from reinforced concrete.

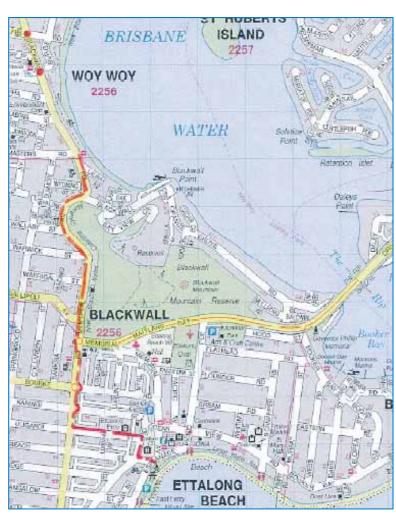
A shared footpath and cycleway has already been constructed from the Woy Woy Town Centre, along the foreshore reserve to the McMasters Rd reserve.

From there, the cycleway will now run south along Blackwall Rd, via Memorial Ave, Barrenjoey Rd, Uligandi St and then east to the existing shared pathway at The Esplanade, Ettalong.

The proposed route aims to also provide safe access for students enrolled at the Ettalong Beach Public School.

The pathway will run along the northern footway of Uligandi St, Ettalong, and will result in the removal of eight trees known as Brush Box (Lophostemon confertus).

The trees were listed on the Gosford Council Significant Tree Register.



The proposed route for the shared pathway

Gosford Council has received a grant from the Department of Planning under the NSW Coastline Cycleway Program to construct a

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shared footpath-cycleway between Woy Woy and Ettalong.

Gosford Council Agenda ENV.59, 3 Jul 2012

Liberals visit Empire Bay

Minister for Climate Action Mr Greg Hunt and NSW Senator Mr Arthur Sinodinos visited Empire Bay on Tuesday, July 3, to listen to concerns by local businesses regarding the carbon tax.

"Every Central Coast business and household will be paying the Carbon Tax through higher electricity and gas prices," said Liberal Candidate for Robertson Ms Lucy Wicks.

"Power price rises in NSW have increased by 18 per cent, with half of that rise being directly attributable to the carbon tax.

"For small businesses here on the Central Coast, that puts further pressure on their bottom line, as they receive no compensation," Ms Wicks said.

With Liberal Candidate for Dobell Ms Karen McNamara, the politicians met with the owner of the Liberty Petrol and Food outlet Mr Craig Glasby at Empire Bay.

"Mr Glasby has calculated that the cost of running his Peninsula business will rise by approximately \$13, 000," Ms Wicks said.

"From our meetings today we have seen the cost the carbon tax is having on Central Coast businesses," Mr Hunt said.

"It is having a significant financial impact on local businesses and they are feeling the pinch," Mr Hunt added.

Media release, 3 Jul 2012 Aaron Henry, Liberal Party of Australia

Tree branch cuts power

Power supply was interrupted to parts of Woy Woy, Phegans Bay and Daleys Point for about an hour and a half on Tuesday, June 26, after a tree branch came into contact with overhead powerlines along Woy Woy Rd.

The outage occurred at about 2.40pm and affected around 2400 homes and businesses around Daley Ave, Rickard Rd,

Rawson Rd and Woy Woy Bay

Emergency crews from Ausgrid checked that there was no damage to the powerline before safely restoring power to the majority of customers at about 3.45pm.

Power was restored to the remaining homes and businesses at approximately 4.10pm.

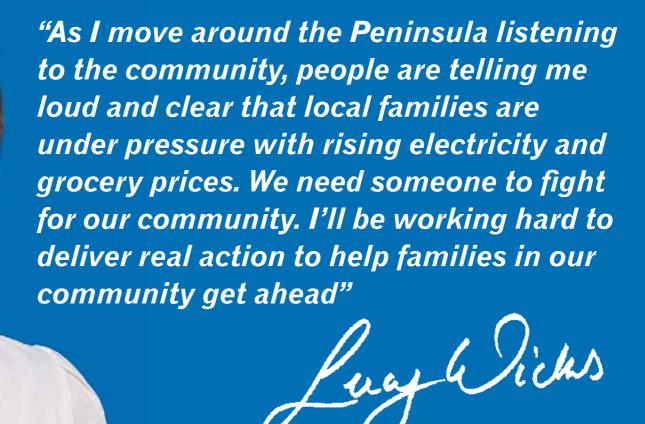
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Umina plan options will be presented

Gosford Council will present options for a Transport Management and Accessibility Plan and Civic Place Masterplan for Umina Beach Village to a public consultation meeting at a date to be announced.

It expected the plans will provide for increased residential density around the retail centre as well as a "civic space" centred around a relocated library.

A report to the council has justified the plan, say that the Central Coast Regional Strategy provided for existing commercial-retail centres to be "locations for increased residential development".

The report said the strategy aimed to "capitalise on the locational benefits" of the centres with their access to services and as public transport nodes.

It said the Woy Woy Peninsula centres would be the focus of future increased development activity and that it was necessary to develop plans to maximise the benefits from this new development for the centres.

Such plans would integrate buildina design, traffic management, public domain improvements, improved sustainability outcomes and community planning to achieve the goal of providing attractive development and importantly, the physical and commercial renewal of the centres, the report said.

Council was told that the planning for the centres started with the Peninsula Urban Directions Strategy (PUDS), which was being implemented through the Standard Instrument LEP (draft Gosford LEP 2009).

The PUDS recommendation of extending the Umina zoned business area north to Wellington St was adopted in 2006.

The report said that Council has been undertaking two studies to further implement the PUDS recommendations in relation to planning for the Umina Beach Village.

The provision and integration of accessible, safe and sufficient pedestrian, cycle-vehicle routes and parking is a major component in the operation of a successful commercial-retail centre, according to Council's director of environment and planning Ms Colleen Worthy-Jennings.

"For the Umina Beach Village Centre to fully benefit from the additional development opportunities provided by PUDS, it was necessary that the supporting movement systems enable the community to see the centre as a convenient and attractive place to visit.

"For example, proposed car parking locations need to be well connected by way of pedestrian linkages to the attractors of people to the centre such as supermarkets.

"Traffic flows in and around the centre need to be efficient so that access to attractors in the centre can be easily achieved.

"Cycle routes to and within the centre need to be encouraged to create a more sustainable living environment.

"Particular emphasis needs to be placed upon maintaining the existing supply of off street car parking. "The ribbon or strip development style of the Umina Beach Village Centre has meant that the centre has lacked the public focal point that characterises many successful traditional commercial centres," said Ms Worthy-Jennings in the report.

Council had previously considered the possibility of moving the existing Council Library in West St to the public car park located between Alfred and Bullion Sts, she said.

Such an action could create a civic focal point for the Umina Beach Village Centre, she said.

"The elements that could make up the development of a Civic place are the library, along with community area and meeting room, as well as a public open space area that forms a Civic space.

"The key element of the Civic Place would be the Civic open space.

"This public open space area needs to have a potential for use for civic functions, to be visible from streets and residential development to promote the feeling of safety, contain high amenity to promote use through sunlight access and protection from unpleasant winds, have good connection to the attractors of people to the centre through pedestrian linkages and be subject to a high level of finishes to promote attraction and reinforce the civic role," said Ms Worthy-Jennings.

The possible development of the Council car park to create a Civic Place would provide the opportunity to develop residential and commercial development on the remaining land.

Community consultation meetings took place on Tuesday, March 20, to identify the issues associated with pedestrian, cycle-vehicle routes and parking movement in Umina and to canvass the community's views on the idea of creating a Civic Place on the Bullion St car park.

Council has maintained a community forum on its website to gain further community opinion.

Gosford Council Agenda SF.16, 3 Jul 2012

Chamber welcomes festival support

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce president Mr Matthew Wales has welcomed Council's decision on the night of Tuesday, July 3, to back the Brisbane Water Oyster Festival in a \$10,000 partnership arrangement with the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce.

Chamber "This is great news for the Oyster **president** Festival Event," said Mr Wales.

"With the increasing difficulty in raising sponsorship dollars and in light of the recent decision by Central Coast Tourism to cancel the Flora Festival, the Council recognised the need to support the Brisbane Water Oyster Festival which attracts over 25,000 people annually to Ettalong Beach.

"The Chamber is grateful to the personal backing of mayor Laurie Maher who put the proposal to Council's meeting on Tuesday night.

"The event was touch and go this year but Council's partnership agreement with the Chamber and commitments from the Ettalong Beach Club as a major sponsor have now secured the event for another year.

"As a result of this decision, the Chamber will also be looking to lock in the support of its other traditional sponsors.

"This is one of the largest community events on the Central Coast and is one of very few festivals that directly showcase a local industry.

"The event is built around the local oyster industry and gives growers the opportunity to showcase and sell their products.

"It is also a very important event for promoting Ettalong Beach and the Woy Woy Peninsula.

"For the first time last year, Sydney TV stations were actively

encouraging their viewers to come to the event and enjoy the local

"Without the continuing support by our local Council and businesses in the area, these types of events will quickly be lost due to the high running and administrative costs.

"We will also be looking for promotional support from Central Coast Tourism to ensure that the event gains wide coverage in the Sydney metro area," said Mr Wales.

> Media Release, 5 Jul 2012 Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce



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Federal MP for Robertson

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No Stopping in Woy Woy Bay Rd

Gosford Council will create No Stopping zones in Woy Woy Bay Rd, after the road was blocked recently by parked cars.

The Bays Community Group requested that a No Stopping zone be provided on either side of Woy Woy Bay Rd between house number 35 and number 47 to allow through traffic.

Woy Woy Bay Rd runs eastwest and is relatively long and narrow, the council was told.

The existing No Standing restriction in Woy Woy Bay on the southern side of Woy Woy Bay Rd between Meena Rd and

house number 40 will be changed to a No Stopping zone, following a decision at Gosford Council's meeting of Tuesday, July 3.

The road width varies between four metres and 5.8 metres and widening cannot be achieved due to topography.

Bus services use the road between 6am and 6.30pm Monday to Friday, with a school bus service on school days and 9.00am to 5.30pm on Saturday.

The narrow carriageway and topography virtually eliminates any opportunity for on-street parking between Phegans Bay Rd and Meena Rd, according to Council's

Local Traffic Committee report.

In the case where inappropriate parking blocks the road to through traffic, the Community Group was advised to seek NSW Police assistance.

There is an existing No Standing restriction on the southern side of Woy Woy Bay Rd between Meena Rd and number 40 Woy Woy Bay Rd.

Council inspection showed that some of this signposting was in poor condition and that a No Stopping restriction would be more appropriate at this location.

Gosford Council Agenda TR.12.31, 3 Jul 2012

Glen acts as GM

Mr Stephen Glen has been appointed as Gosford Council's acting general manager following Mr Peter Wilson's retirement last month.

Mr Glen was officially appointed at Gosford Council's meeting of Tuesday, July 3, after previously performing the role when required in the period leading up to Mr Wilson's resignation.

At the meeting, mayor Cr Laure Maher said it would take around six months for the role of the general manager to be permanently filled with Mr Glen expected to fill the position until early next year.

Mr Peter Armour is performing the role of acting director of city services while Mr Glen is otherwise engaged.

Gosford Council MM.9, 3 Jul 2012



Chamber calls for policy changes

Peninsula Chamber of Commerce president Mr Matthew Wales has called on Gosford Council to review its medium density housing policies.

"The Chamber is urging the Council to review the planned medium density guidelines,

look at reducing developer contributions, cutting red tape and improving development application assessment times in an effort to kick start the sluggish housing sector," he said.

"We acknowledge that planning controls need to be updated from time to time, but the new rules being advanced by Gosford Council have the potential to reduce housing yields by up to 30 per cent at a time when we should be encouraging new construction and boosting supply," he said.

Mr Wales pointed to the Department of Housing's recent projections which show that the vast majority of new dwellings will be built in existing urban areas with

the amount equalling 70 per cent in 2012-13.

"Clearly the NSW State Government concedes that the majority of new housing will be located within our existing medium density areas", said Mr Wales.

"Conditions are the toughest I've seen in 25 years and it is imperative that all levels of Government work towards making new building starts as easy as possible.

"This includes easing the cost of doing business and the cost of providing housing," said Mr Wales.

Media Release, 26 Jun 2012 Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce





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Work underway at the Hardys Bay RSL

Rejuvenating Hardys Bay RSL

Hardys Bay RSL Club is currently undergoing a rejuvenation process, a move which is hoped to increase community support for the club.

Club board member Ms Margaret Berry said that the newly formed, five member club board was currently coordinating a campaign to bring a "new, fresher look" to the club, with emphasis on improving amenities and increasing community spirit.

"While the physical surrounds provide the initial attraction for visitors and residents to the area, it is the local groups and meeting places that provide the real sense of community.

"Some of these places include the local shops and cafes, Killcare Surf Club, Wagstaffe Hall and, of course, the Hardys Bay RSL," said Ms Berry.

Already, several improvements to the club have been made by volunteers from various local community groups.

Inside the club the bar area is undergoing renewal, with volunteers recovering bar stools and notice boards.

Volunteers have recently renewed the Rouges Gallery and have painted flooring and toilet walls.

The Garden Club cleaned the cenotaph prior to Anzac Day and attended to bush clearing in and around the club.

The Men's Shed at Kincumber is currently constructing a new bookcase for the club's Members Library

"The Club board would sincerely like to thank those people in the community who have also assisted with this rejuvenation," said Ms Berry.

"While patronage at the club has improved, the club is keen to extend an invitation to all in our community to come down and revisit our local.

"We would like them to gather and enjoy the facilities on offer at their club," said Ms Berry.

Hardys Bay RSL has joined with other local groups to organise a Back to Hardys Bay Weekend event, to be held on August 25 and 26.

The event will include activities across a number of locations.

Pretty Beach Public School will host a morning tea in several original classrooms on the Saturday, from 10am to 12pm.

The Hardys Bay RSL will host a Back to Hardys Bay Weekend dinner on the Saturday night.

The Hardys Bay Surf Club will open between 11am and 2pm on Sunday, with surf life saving demonstrations, a photographic memorabilia display and the christening of a new surfboat.

Email, 3 July 2012 Allan Wilson, Hardys Bay Residents Group Photo: Alan Wilson

Council moves on illegal parking

Gosford Council will create a No Stopping zone in Victoria Rd near Regina Close to help prevent illegal parking resulting from competing needs for parking from local residents, visitors to local businesses and long term parking for those businesses.

The Council will implement a 10-metre No Stopping restriction on the north side of Victoria Rd, Woy Woy, east of Regina Close and west of Robin Crescent, subject to the approval from Roads and Maritime Services and Transport for NSW.

According to Gosford Council's Local Traffic Committee report, a customer had reported concerns with parking in Regina Close, Woy Woy.

It was reported that occasionally cars illegally parked across driveways in Regina Close.

The customer requested Council consider changing the unrestricted parking to timed parking to reduce the incidence of the illegal parking.

Council resolved not to provide timed parking as the report from the Local Traffic Committee stated that the provision of timed parking at this location may not reduce the occurrence of illegal parking.

It was also reported that cars parked on the northern side of Victoria Rd, east of Regina Close, were too close to the intersection that the egress drivers' sight distance was reduced creating a safety hazard.

The site inspection identified that there was no existing parking restriction on the northern side of Victoria Rd between Regina Close and Robin Crescent.

Sight distance of vehicles exiting Regina Close onto Victoria Rd was reduced by parked cars within this section of road.

It was noted that the statutory 10 metres No Stopping adjacent to the intersection of Regina Close and Robin Crescent was not being complied with.

> Gosford Council Agenda TR.12.28, 3 Jul 2012

No parking in cul-de-sac

A No Parking restriction will be implemented around the cul-de-sac of Hood St, Ettalong, for 20 metres from the end of the street.

Council received a request from a customer to install a parking restriction in Hood St, Ettalong, to provide a turning area as difficulties were being experienced with manoeuvring.

It was also claimed that the waste collection trucks were experiencing the same issue.

Thiess, the waste service

contractor, indicated that the manoeuvring area for their trucks would be improved if parking restrictions were in place in the area.

It is noted that Hood St was a cul-de-sac that ran off Booker Bay Rd and was parallel to Empire Bay Dr.

It was recommended by Council's Local Traffic Committee that a No Parking restriction be provided.

Gosford Council Agenda TR.12.21, 3 Jul 2012



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Meeting for community power project

The first meeting for a community-owned renewable energy project on the Central Coast will take place at the Environment Centre in Woy Woy from 7pm on Thursday, July 12.

Woy Woy resident Mr Joachim Muller, who suggested the project, said the meeting would explain the project and start the formation of a community group which could build and own power plants that run on renewable energies, like solar and wind.

Mr Muller and his project are supported by Central Coast Greens candidate for Gosford Ms Kate Da Costa.

"Let's build our own power plant, if the electricity bills are becoming too expensive," Mr Muller said.

While electricity rates are rising, Mr Muller said the cost of renewable energy like solar and wind keeps dropping.

"With renewable energy you can lock in and freeze the electricity price for the next 20 years," Mr Muller said.

According to Mr Muller, the cost of electricity from wind turbines has come close, or even reached



Jo Muller and Kate Da Costa checking a wind map of Australia in front of the Woy Woy Environment Centre

the wholesale price of electricity, which comes from coal fired power plants.

Also, the drop in the cost of solar panels, has allowed solar electricity to reach grid parity in Australia.

This means that solar electricity can be produced at prices at or below the rates charged on our electricity bills, Mr Muller said.

"An investment in renewable

energy does not only reduce our carbon footprint but it can also create a positive return on investment.

"Solar power and wind power complement each other.

"Not only can the wind blow, when the sun is not shining, but also the project size and timescale for solar and wind projects are quite different.

"While wind power is most

economical with turbines of at least 2000 kW, solar plants can be built as individual stages of several 10 kW.

"Wind energy is cheaper than solar energy, but solar PV installations are much faster to install than wind turbines and they are usually located in close proximity to the point of use.

"The idea for this project is to take the production of renewable

energy into the hands of a large community by jointly owning facilities like large wind turbines or large scale solar power plants.

"This is usually done in close co-operation with local councils and industry.

"The group plans, develops and owns one or several installations that produce electricity sustainably.

"Such a community group offers community members the opportunity to invest in renewable energy, even if they cannot install solar panels at the place where they live," Mr Muller said.

Mr Muller and Ms da Costa said they hoped to have a large number of participants at the first meeting.

Media Release, 1 Jul 2012 Joachim Muller, Woy Woy Photo: Franz Reidel

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Mingaletta launches petition for recognition

Members of the Mingaletta Corporation in Umina have launched a petition calling for recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders in the Australian Constitution.

The launch took place at the NAIDOC Week celebrations on Tuesday, July 3, at Gosford Showground.

"Over 400 signatures were collected, starting a drive to collect thousands of signatures to the petition, which asks that indigenous Australians be recognised as the first peoples

of Australia," said organiser Ms Barbara Kelly.

Along with their languages, cultures and heritage, Ms Kelly said that racially discriminatory provisions that exist in the Constitution should be replaced, and racial discrimination should be prohibited.

The Mingaletta Corporation and Central Coast Citizens for Constitutional Change have been meeting each fortnight to discuss ways of raising more public awareness about the need for constitutional change to include indigenous people, prior to the government's planned

referendum on the issue at the next election.

Member of both groups Mr Ray McMinn said: "If today's response is any indication of how people are feeling, we will have the same success as with the 1967 Referendum."

"What we need to do now is keep the ball rolling and hopefully it will gain momentum as we send the petition to other aboriginal organisations and out to the general public."

Email, 4 Jul 2012 Barbara Kelly, Mingaletta Corporation Photo:Barbara Kelly

Careflight called to Umina oval

A CareFlight helicopter was called to a rugby league

match at Umina Beach Sports Oval late in the afternoon on Saturday, June

A 15 year-old boy from Woy Woy had suffered neck and back injuries in a tackle during the game.

"Ambulance and paramedics arrived at the scene and they decided to call CareFlight," said CareFlight director Mr Ian Badham.

"The CareFlight helicopter arrived at the oval just before

dark, people still at the match turned their car headlights on to assist in the helicopter's landing.

"CareFlight worked with paramedics to stabilise the boy.

"Because he had some degree of injury it was decided that he should be flown to Westmead Children's Hospital for observation.

"He was in a stable condition," Mr Badham said.

Katherine Ellis, 2 July 2012 Interviewee: Ian Badham,

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by Peter Grieve of the Umina Chiropractic Centre

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Woy Woy Juniors have Rites of Passage

Woy Woy Junior Rugby League Club continued its annual Rite of Passage program for its Under-13s players with two workshops held at Woy Woy Leagues Club on Wednesday, June 20.

The program, which is in its second year, acknowledged that 13 year-olds are exposed to complicated choices and aimed to inform them about decisions they may need to make as they grow up.

The Woy Woy club offers a few incentives to attend the program, like an annual trip to the State of

Origin

The program included two development workshops on topics such as social media and illicit drugs and alcohol.

The program also provided its attendees with a development bag and an invitation to a sit down meal on presentation night with other international teams.

In return, the club asked the boys to think about the choices they make, be aware of who they are and who they represent.

"This is a starting point to becoming a valued member of a sporting group and the community," said senior vice president Mr Scott

"The night was run in conjunction with Australian Rugby League and presented by Chris Woulters from Aware Education."

The Rite of Passage program is one of two programs that have been running at the club for the last four years, the other program is a development day for junior members aged five to 12, and took place on Tuesday, July 3.

Email, 25 Jun 2012 Scott Jones, Woy Woy Junior Rugby League Photo: Christine Jones



Woy Woy Junior Rugby League Club players at the Rite of Passage workshop

Better parking for hospital

Gosford Council has resolved to implement a 38-metre two hour parking restriction on the western side of Vidler Ave, Woy Woy, "to better provide for the parking needs of Brisbane Water Private Hospital".

A seven metre No Stopping restriction would extend north from the southern end of the street

Council also agreed to provide a 10 metre No Stopping restriction on the eastern side of Vidler St south from Dwyer Avenue, followed by a 25 metre two hour parking restriction to the entrance to the patient car park followed by a No Stopping restriction to the end of the street.

A patient of Brisbane Water Private Hospital requested Council consider altering the existing No Parking restriction between the Hospital's emergency entrance and the end of the road to timed parking restriction to provide more kerbside parking opportunities for patients and visitors.

An on-site meeting with the general manager of the hospital

identified that the hospital had recently been upgraded, with the frontage to Vidler St reconstructed to provide only access for the emergency entrance.

The current No Parking restriction outside the hospital on both sides of Vidler St was no longer required for pick up and set down and would be better utilised for kerbside parking for patients and visitors, according to Council's Local Traffic Committee report.

Gosford Council Agenda TR.12.29, 3 Jul 2012





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Radio hosts receive donation

Students at Woy Woy South **Public School were treated** to a visit from a radio show hosts on Thursday, June 28.

Sarah and Dwaynne from the 2GO Breakfast Show turned up to collect money donated by students who participated in the Give Me Five for Kids Mufti Day held at the school on Friday, June 15.

"Students had a great time dressing in their favourite clothes and donating to such a wonderful cause," said Woy Woy South principal Mr Terry Greedy.

A total of over \$600 was presented to the hosts.

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Event coordinator Ms Karen Larson said she was amazed at the response from the students.

"The students realised what a wonderful cause the Give Me Five for Kids Charity was and were more than happy to donate a gold coin to support all those children who need to access the medical facilities at Gosford Hospital.

"It was a most rewarding experience and no doubt we will be involved again next year," said Ms Larson.

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Email, 28 Jun 2012 Terry Greedy, Woy WoySouth **Public School Photo: Terry Greedy**



donated by students towards the Give Me Five for Kids charity

School plans 100th anniversary

Woy Woy Public School will celebrate its 100 years on site anniversary on Saturday, November 24, with an open day for past and present students, teachers families.

The school was officially moved to the current site and named Woy Woy Public School in 1912.

A 100-year committee is working on the celebration details and activities of the open day.

The school will also hold an

The final round of the

Challenge was held on

Friday, June 22, with Umina

Public School up against

The topic was "Contact sports

Empire Bay Public School.

Premier's

official celebration assembly on Friday, November 23, for current students and members of the community.

A cake cutting ceremony, historical display, student art display and a special student games activity session is also being planned.

The committee said it would like to have the students dress in olden day clothes and engage in the sorts of games children played a hundred years ago.

Umina in debate

should be banned in primary

arguments for the affirmative.

Umina put forward several

Empire Bay gave several

rebuttals to the Umina students'

arguments and ultimately won the

schools".

The 100 year committee will also be arranging for the sale of a hundred year booklet on the school site history as well as the opportunity for everyone connected with the school to purchase a signature paver.

These pavers will be used to make a special garden-sitting area in the school as a historical feature

The adjudicator praised both

The next debating event will be

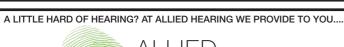
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Year 5 students at the Aussie Bush Camp

Canteen manager leaves

Ms Kerrie Bleakley will no longer manage the Empire Bay Public School canteen after six years of service.

Ms Bleakley resolved to move on to another business venture at the beginning of the next school term which will provide her with a new adventure.

"In my short time, I have found

Kerrie to be a very friendly, helpful and organised person and have really appreciated the assistance she has given me," said principal Mr Brad Lewis.

"I know that Kerrie has loved every moment working with the students, staff and parents of Empire Bay and leaves us carrying some very strong and happy

memories.

"I'm sure I speak on behalf of all when I wish Kerrie the very best for the future and thank her sincerely for what she has done for this school," said Mr Lewis.

> Newsletter, 28 Jun 2012 Brad Lewis, Empire **Bay Public School**

Bush camp

Year 5 students from Umina Public School attended an Aussie Bush Camp in the week of Monday, June 18.

The students travelled to Tea Gardens and participated in a range of activities including high ropes, giant swing, canoeing, archery, indoor rock climbing and a dolphin cruise.

"All children participated with great enthusiasm," said principal Ms Lyn Davis.

> Newsletter, 26 Jun 2012 Lyn Davis, Umina Public School

Excursion to art gallery

A group of eight Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students from Years 5 and 6 at Empire Bay Public School attended an excursion to the East Gosford Regional Art Gallery on Monday, June 18, to be part of the Indigenous

Mural Project

The group took part in a workshop run by Mr John Oates from the Aboriginal Education Team which consisted of a dreamtime story about animals and completing interactive worksheets.

The children were invited to complete a personal artwork depicting their beliefs and feelings about being aboriginal.

The last activity of the day involved the children painting a joint mural with two aboriginal artists Brett Parker and Marcia

> Newsletter, 28 Jun 2012 **Brad Lewis, Empire Bay Public School**



Year 5 students swimming at the Aussie Bush Camp

Aboriginal theme

Umina **Public School** students participated National Aboriginal Island **Day Observance Committee** (NAIDOC) activities Wednesday, June 27.

This year's Naidoc theme was Spirit of the Tent Embassy: years on, celebrating the champions who lived to renew the spirit of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples through the establishment of the Aboriginal Tent Embassy in 1972.

Umina Men's Shed made 100 boomerang shapes which were decorated by students.

residents from Peninsula Village in

The Men's Shed also involved

sanding them.

"So you see this is a real community effort," said principal Ms Lyn Davis.

As well as their craft activity children also participated in indigenous games and cultural learning activities.

Newsletter, 26 Jun 2012 Lyn Davis, Umina Public School

Soccer played

After three washed out attempts, the Umina Public School girls' soccer team was finally able to play its state knockout competition games on Friday, June 29.

The Umina girls were defeated in a close game 1-0 against a strong Woy Woy team.

In windy conditions, the girls were able to defeat Wamberal, coached by Mrs Cullen, a former Umina teacher.

Newsletter, 26 Jun 2012 Lyn Davis, Umina Public School

No stopping at school crossing

A 25 metre No Stopping zone will be introduced on the eastern side of Melbourne Ave. Umina, south from Hobart Ave to the southern side of the pedestrian ramp.

A 10 metre No Stopping restriction will also be implemented in Melbourne Ave north from Hobart Ave and on the northern side of Hobart Ave west of Melbourne Ave.

This decision was made at Gosford Council's Local Traffic Committee meeting held on June 4 following a safety concern raised by the Roads and Maritime Services about the school crossing in Hobart Ave at the Melbourne Ave intersection.

The Roads and Maritime Services stated that vehicles were being parked close to and on the corners of the intersection which was impeding vision to oncoming traffic.

It was requested that Council investigate the option of implementing a No Stopping restriction at all the approaches.

Gosford Council TR.12.20, 3 Jul 2012







More coastal expenditure needed

Council exhibition its coastal erosion emergency plan.

I recently visited Ocean Beach to observe the effects of coastal erosion on the beachfront and beach parking area as well as infrastructure, particularly the Trafalgar Ave stormwater pipelitter basket.

The large stormwater pipe that discharges onto Ocean Beach seaward of the dome has the potential to collect more than litter in the years ahead.

In April, May and June of 2001. records of the Project 12 committee disclosed that 500kgs of litter was removed from the Trafalgar Ave litter basket.

A significant amount of litter

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was removed from the beach and ocean in three months.

Is this vital infrastructure that should be maintained?

Obviously yes, but according to locals, Council's maintenance schedule does not meet the community's expectations.

The Project 12 committee's maintenance schedule required cleaning once a month.

What is the current cleaning schedule?

There are also outstanding maintenance issues required to be addressed relevant to the Ocean Beach SLSC clubhouse and amenities

These are external repairs, the responsibility of Gosford Council.

Instead of the council promoting horizon to horizon development on the Peninsula, it would be appropriate to have a 1:100 year meeting to discuss infrastructure and its ongoing maintenance.

In 1997 it was necessary for Gosford Council to increase rates to fund 13 major community projects outside of the council's normal works program.

With increased development, will it be necessary to constantly bank additional funds to implement basic infrastructure?

The upkeep of infrastructure is a separate issue.

Letter, 1 Jul 2012 Norman Harris, Umina

Fukushima disaster continues

am accessing international articles from outside Australia's media networks and they tell me the Fukushima disaster is continuing day-afterday but almost entirely unreported.

They also say that Fukushima is a catastrophe still unfolding replete with newsworthiness but almost entirely unreported.

They say that the policy issues associated with Fukushima are immense.

There are none bigger with the possible exception of Global Warming and species annihilation.

Fukushima has already flooded, and continues to flood, mass-mangling highly toxic poisons into our atmosphere and oceans.

It is already responsible for hundreds of thousands of future killings of humans and current mangled births, already more than 20 times the miseries caused by Chernobyl.

They also state that, unlike Chernobyl, the time window for concreting the monster into an awful concrete sarcophagus has passed.

There is no protection and hundreds of tonnes of "spent fuel" (meaning highly radioactive, including plutonium, old fuel rods and 'rubbish') is being held four storeys up on piers that are now buckling and will collapse, sending countless radioactive cancer-inducing "hot particles" into the oceans and atmospheric jet streams.

They say that the northern hemisphere is already well-andtruly polluted and getting worse by the day, that the southern hemisphere is now starting to see and measure the Fukushima fallout.

The nuclear industry and its knowing warriors, corrupted politicians and media, or unwitting fellow-travellers have connived to keep this knowledge from the world's people.

The handling of this disaster continues to be corrupt, antidemocratic, mass victimmed, and self-interested.

Some of our Australian media

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politicians have gullible to the soothing noises of the nuclear industry.

Some have been wilfully ignorant because they do not how to deal with the catastrophe.

Others are well-informed but supine and corrupted by their self-interested connections to the nuclear industry or their political stances and likely lossof-face.

Some are naively arrogant and play the "we cannot panic the masses by telling them" strategy.

I have written letters to the Sydney Morning Herald and the Telegraph before complaining about the Australian media's lack of coverage of this "story".

None have been published.

I have accused them of betraying us, the people, and choosing to be a lackey to the nuclear industry.

There's a lot of difference between a "free press" committed to providing facts for the public good, and a pressmedia "free" to report that which it feels it wants us to know and suppresses that which it finds politically uncomfortable or threatens their currently powerful positions.

The first is consistent with democracy.

The latter is consistent with manipulative regimes which are anti-democratic and corrupt and provide the basis for consequential totalitarians.

Online Submission. 4 Jul 2012 Vanlyn Davy, Pearl Beach

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I am writing in response to the article in Peninsula News (June 11) about a new horse riding school in the Empire Bay-Bensville area.

I totally agree with the new horse riding school going ahead.

I have enquired a few times at the existing riding school at Bensville for my daughter to have lessons but have been told that she is booked out.

I then travelled up to Glenworth

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Valley which is a 45-minute drive from Empire Bay.

Obviously there is a need for more than one riding school in the

> Letter, 2 Jul 2012 Sharon Nelson, Empire Bay

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Delivery access needed

Matthew Wales has advocated no off-street parking be provided for delivery vehicles at a commercial development site in Umina.

We need good access for deliveries at the rear of main street commercial sites.

Yet self interest of a few means growth of Umina has been retarded when the regulation of the EPAA was worded to direct otherwise.

Online submission, 5 Jun 2012 **Edward James, Umina**







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Singing workshop

community singing workshop, Sing Your Hearts Out, will be held at the Ettalong senior citizens centre on Sunday, July 29, from 1pm to 4.40 pm.

The workshop will be led by local choir directors Kerryn Cooper, Barbara Shearer-Jones and Jane

"Anyone who would like to sing is welcome.

"There is no pressure to sing incredibly well

"The common bond we have is that everyone loves to sing," said choir director Ms Jane Becktel.

Media Release, 29 Jun 2012 Jane Becktel, Empire Bay

Performance begins

Members of the Woy Woy Little Theatre will begin performing Arsenic and Old Lace on Friday, July 20, at 8pm at the Peninsula Theatre.

The play follows Mortimer Brewster, a drama critic, as he deals with numerous family troubles from one brother turned murderer who has had vast plastic

surgery to another brother who is convinced he is Teddy Roosevelt.

Further shows will be held at 8pm on July 21, 27 and 28 as well as August 3 and 4.

Sunday shows will be held on July 22 and 29 as well as August 18 at 2pm.

> Newsletter, 1 Jul 2012 Margaret Hardy, Multi **Arts Confederation**



Denise wins Axford award

Woy Woy resident Ms Denise Main was awarded the John Axford Memorial award at this year's Central Coast Theatrefest held by Wyong Drama Group.

The festival was held from June 22 to 24 and ended with an award presentation with Juliet Axford presenting the award honouring

her late husband.

The one-act play A Little Something for the Ducks, directed by Ms Main, was described by adjudicator Mr Terry Brady as beautifully balanced".

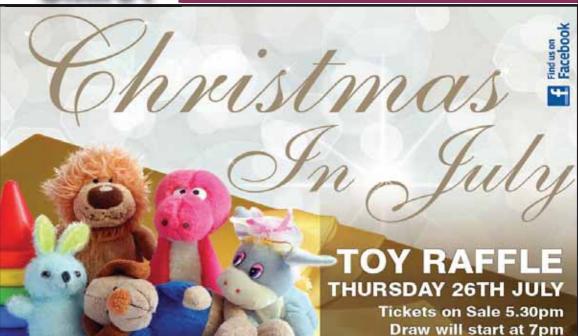
The award was given based on a number of criteria including direction, casting, set, props as well as use of music and lighting.

Ms Main has had extensive experience in theatre performance from directing and acting for productions in Sydney and more recently working with Woy Woy Little Theatre.

> Letter, 1 Jul 2012 Lex Tonnet, Central **Coast Theatrefest**



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Out and About





Mother and Blackbeard from Pirate Pie

Music-filled six months

The Frantastics Choir, based in Woy Woy, has enjoyed a music-filled six months with its current choral melodrama, Pirate Pie.

Pirate Pie includes well-known favourites such as Sweet Caroline and songs from the musicals Mamma Mia Medley and Wizards of Oz Medley.

The choir, directed by experienced musician Ms Fran Kendall, who is also a director and performer, rehearses on Monday afternoons at the Walter Baker Hall in Woy Woy.

The group, consisting of

approximately 60 members, carries out vocal training, learning new musical numbers and rehearses for performances at local organisations and events.

The choir performs a variety of songs, with the inclusion of a choral melodrama written by former Central Coast resident and prolific writer, Brenda Bryant.

"Choralography is part of the entertainment and makes a performance by this group quite different," said choir director Ms Fran Kendall.

Email, 26 Jun 2012 Fran Kendall, The Frantastics Choir Photo: Heather Austin

New officers for local Salvos

The Salvation Army Umina Beach Community Services Centre has installed two new corps officers and pastors at the Salvation Army Citadel on Sunday, July 8.

Lieutenants Dean and Rhonda Clutterbuck were appointed to the Umina district after two years of service with the Salvation Army in Mudgee.

"We're going to be the leaders of the local church and our area of care will be the Peninsula," said Lieutenant Dean Clutterbuck.

"Previously we taught scripture in schools and we hope to do the same in the primary schools around the Peninsula.

"We love working with kids particularly and seeing them learn.

"Rhonda and I enjoy developing relationships with people.

"We will be seeing folk with welfare issues and helping out where we can."

> Elyse Gunner, 5 Jul 2012 Interviewee: Dean Clutterbuck

Unmet need for craft days

A Umina Country Women's Association meeting was held in the Umina CWA Hall on Sunday, July 1, discussing the unmet need of working women to attend craft and friendship days outside of working hours.

The women resolved to hold monthly CWA craft and friendship days on the first Sunday of each month.

The next get-together will be on Sunday, August 5, from 12.30pm, in the Umina CWA hall.

Morning craft continues every Wednesday, excluding the first Wednesday of the month, in the hall at 9am.

The branch's general meeting is held on the first Wednesday at 9.30 for 10am.

Media Release, 2 Jul 2012 Jill Colwell, Umina CWA

Cash housie

A Charity Cash Housie will be held in Ettalong every Monday from 7.30pm to 9.30pm, starting from Monday, July 9.

Similar to Bingo, it is played for cash prizes and run by a registered charity.

All proceeds go to Fairhaven Services, a local charity providing employment and residential services to local people with disabilities.

The event will be held at the Ettalong Bowling Club and a courtesy bus is available.

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Environment group meets about Woytopia festival

The Peninsula Environment Group has scheduled a Woytopia meeting for Saturday, July 14, at 9:30am at the Woy Woy Environment Centre.

The meeting will provide information for volunteers in preparation for this year's Woytopia festival to be held on Sunday, October 28.

Woytopia is Woy Woy's largest sustainability event and provides a day out for the family with activities for kids, music, talks and demonstrations.

> Email, 5 Jul 2012 Mark Mann, Peninsula **Environment Group**



Sea Scouts celebrate 90 years

First Woy Woy Sea Scouts will celebrate its 90th birthday on Saturday, September 22, at the First Woy Woy Sea Scouts Hall from 10am.

The club will hold an open day for members past and present, their families, and the local community.

The open day will see members participating in activities for people to experience the club activities.

The day will also feature a display of memorabilia, such as photos and old uniforms, to show how the club has changed over its

"It's the sort of thing where parents can come and show their children what they did," said event coordinator Ms Tracey Seal.

First Woy Woy Sea Scouts is seeking any memorabilia from current or former members for the celebration.

Anyone with memorabilia is asked to contact Ms Seal on 0437 590 354.

Katherine Ellis, 2 July 2012 Interviewee: Tracey Seal,



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Dut and About

Grand opening for new store

A new store in Woy Woy held its grand opening on Friday, June 22.

Flowers Marianne by combines floristry and giftware with dining to "create something a little unique on the Peninsula".

"I did a floristry course last Clock Tower in the former Curves year and really loved working with silk flowers and putting together arrangements to suit a person's style of home or office," said proprietor Ms Marianne Shirley.

"I decided to set up shop at the

building, that way catching the passing commuter trade.

"Because the area is very large I invited Christine from Short Black to use some space for dinning as our doors meet and

it makes for a very relaxing lunch amongst the flowers.

"Later this year I will be offering silk flower arranging classes through the Community College," said Ms Shirley.

Flowers by Marianne is open

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Email, 2 Jul 2012 Marianne Shirley, Flowers by Marianne **Photo: Carmography**

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Mid-block closure to be advertised

Gosford Council will advertise а proposed mid-block closure of an unnamed laneway between Brisbane Ave and Adelaide Ave, Umina.

A letter box drop wil be carried out.

Council's Local Traffic Committee report stated that a customer had raised concerns that motorists were driving through the unnamed laneway at inappropriate speeds and have, on occasion, crashed into property fences.

It was requested that special consideration be given to the unnamed laneway be closed midblock to through traffic.

customer further expressed that residents in the vicinity also supported this request.

This laneway runs east west from Fitzroy St at the western end to a north south laneway east of Perth St.

There are no existing closures within the laneway and Council has not received any other requests for closures at other locations within the laneway.

Council's crash database has shown no reported crashes within the laneway between 1996 and 2010 inclusive.

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Concerts played to packed houses

All four concerts at the Pearl **Beach June Long Weekend** Music Festival held at the Pearl Beach Memorial Hall were performed to packed houses.

"The reputation of this annual event attracts musicians of the highest calibre which enables us to offer a selection of classical music," said festival manager Ms Lynne Lillico.

"This year, we had a twist of musical styles that the audiences appreciate and enjoyed."

The festival was opened with a performance by the dynamic String ensemble Enigma Quartet

evening, Saturday renowned pianist Simon Tedeschi and jazz violinist lan Cooper played a diverse range

of music including well known classical pieces and jazz.

Sunday's two concerts saw the return, for the third time, of Australia's "Flute Queen" Jane Rutter, said Ms Lillico.

Teaming with renowned singer Peter Cousens and accompanied on piano by Chris Cartner, they demonstrated the artistic relationship that has taken them around the world with a unique blend of flute and vocals, she said.

Among the audience was the winner of the 2012 Pearl Beach Music Scholarship flautist Alyse Faith who said she was delighted to be able to meet and chat with Ms Rutter.

Media Release, 2 July 2012 Lynne Lillico, Pearl Beach **Progress Association** Photo: Bev Lapacek



Flautist Jane Rutter speaks with scholarship winner Alyse Faith

Students offered pool qualification

School students between 16 and 18-years-old had the opportunity to gain a nationally accredited pool lifeguard qualification in a two-day course at Peninsula Leisure Centre on Thursday, July 5, and Friday, July 6.

The joint initiative, between the Peninsula Leisure Centre and the Royal Life Saving Society Australia, was developed to give young people the fundamental skills and knowledge needed to begin a career in the leisure and aquatic industry.

Participants in the program learned a range of skills including techniques, emergency procedures, rescue simulations, spinal rescues, oxygen equipment

usage and observation techniques.

Gosford Council's coordinator of leisure and lifestyle Mr Anthony Burling said: "We were excited to offer this qualification at a significantly reduced cost to participants, with Council and the Royal Life Saving Society Australia subsidising a percentage of the course fees.

this qualification, recipients have the ability to become a lifeguard at one of their local pools such as the Peninsula Leisure Centre or Gosford Olympic

"It is a great stepping stone for young people interested in a career in the aquatic or leisure industry or even for those looking to gain more skills," Mr Burling said.

Royal Life Saving Society Australia regional manager Mr Matt Sharman said learning these skills were essential for everyone living in a coastal community.

"Swimming and being safe in the water is an important part of Australian culture and that is especially true when you live in close proximity to beaches like we do on the Central Coast.

"The Royal Life Saving Society of NSW runs a variety of professional training courses in partnership with Gosford Council and we are delighted to now offer secondary school students the chance to train to become lifeguards," Mr Sharman said.

Media Release, 26 Jun 2012 **Gosford Council Media**

Pedestrian crossing to be removed

Gosford Council has resolved to remove a marked pedestrian crossing on Ocean Beach Rd, Woy Woy, on the northern approach to the Rawson Rd roundabout following the installation of the new pedestrian crossing on the southern side of the roundabout.

Council also agreed to retain the existing No Stopping restriction on the western side of Ocean Beach Rd northerly from Rawson Rd.

This item was considered previously by the Local Traffic Committee where it was recommended that the Committee consider the removal of the existing marked pedestrian crossing and subsequent signage on the northern approach to the Rawson Rd and Ocean Beach Rd roundabout.

The results of a pedestrian survey showed the pedestrian crossing was not warranted on the northern side of the roundabout.

> Gosford Council Agenda TR.12.25, 3 Jul 2012

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Harley McDonald, John Roberts and Steve Balsdon

Young clubmate beats Sherriff

Ettalong Beach Bowling Club member Harley McDonald, 18, beat fellow club member world number four Aron Sherriff at the Zone 15 Major Singles final at the Greens **Bowling Club, The Entrance,** on Sunday, July 1.

"Both bowlers showed superb drawing skills and positional play, mixed with deadly accurate onshots when required," said Bowls Central Coast publicity officer Mr Bob Bourke.

"Aron showed the way in the early stages but Harley kept his cool and pushed Aron hard with both executing brilliant conversion shots that drew applause from the spectators.

"Over the last 15 ends, Harley applied relentless pressure and scored 15 shots to Aron's five, which saw Harley come from seven shots down to take the title

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Sherriff said as he was packing up his bowls that "Harley played great bowls and went for the pressure shots and got them".

Harley said: "It was a pleasure to play Aron in the final."

"He's a good club mate."

Ettalong completed the clean sweep of the singles titles when Steve Balsdon took on Wyong's Greg Bartlett in the Presidents Reserve Singles Final and took the lead with a three on four end, which was the start of a barrage of shots that Greg just couldn't match and Steve powered away to claim the title 31-12.

At the Presentation Ceremony in The Greens' club house, the Marker for the Major Singles, Bowls Central Coast Zone 15 President Kevin Dring said: "It was an honour to mark a superb match played in the true spirit of the game."

Website, 5 Jul 2012 Bob Bourke, Ettalong **Beach Bowling Club**

Malibu juniors make their mark

Ocean Beach Malibu Club's junior surfers have continued to make their mark on the contest scene.

Kai Ellice-Flint continued on his winning way after a win in both the open 9ft and Under-18s events at the Magoo Charity Classic in May.

Kai travelled north a couple of weeks after the Magoo Charity Classic for the Crescent Head Classic, which was held from Thursday, May 24, to Saturday, May 26, again coming away with the open 9ft trophy.

Next on his agenda were the NSW Longboard State Titles.

Held at several beaches in the Port Macquarie region from June 18-23, Kai was again victorious, winning the Under-18s and placing sixth in the opens.

Kai qualified for the Australian Longboard Titles in both events.

The CJ Snowy McAlister was held at Manly over the long weekend from June 9 to 11, with two Ocean Beach members competing.

Hayden Emery, who surfed in the Opens event, was eliminated, but 14-year-old Tom Payne, in only his second invitational contest, excelled to reach the final of the Under-18s against some experienced surfers.

"Tom placed sixth in the final and has certainly done the club proud," said club president Mr Craig Coulton.

Meanwhile, at the Club's June contest, held at Umina on Sunday, June 10, cold and wet was the order of the day, with a solid swell again making conditions treacherous.

Garry "Hands" Halliday turned back the clock with a display of traditional surfing to win the day from Ben Scully-Hawkins, Mark Williams, Peter Wellington and Chris Irwin.

In round one, heat one of the contest, the competition left Mark Williams in first, followed by Grant Pride, Cyndi Zoranovic, Hayden Wellington and Liz Ambler.

In heat two Peter Wellington placed first, followed by Darrell Young, Dave Moulton, Rob McCaughan and Daryl Anderson.

In heat three, Garry Halliday came first, followed by Bryce Williams, Ben Scully-Hawkins, Richie McClelland and Craig Coulton.

Then, in heat four Chris Irwin got the top placing, followed by Craig Palmer, Maddie Cook, Brian Cook, Shane Muldowney, Kevin Dewar and Dave Wirth.

In round two, heat one Garry Halliday beat Ben Scully-Hawkins, Mark Williams, Peter Wellington and Chris Irwin.

In heat two, Bryce Williams beat Grant Pride, Darrell Young and Craig Palmer.

Heat three saw Maddie Cook come first, followed by Cyndi Zoranovic and Dave Moulton. In heat four Richie McClellan

placed first over Brian Cook, Rob McCaughan and Hayden Wellington. Finally, in heat five, Craig

Coulton beat Dave Wirth, Liz Ambler and Daryl Anderson.

Media Release, 27 Jun 2012 Craig Coulton, Ocean **Beach Malibu Club**

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Simmons misses judo podium

Woy Woy Judo Club's **Daniel Simmons narrowly** missed a podium finish at the 2012 National Judo Championships held on June 9 and 10 in Wollongong.

Simmons, 26, had four fights and went two for two in the Men's Under-73 kg categories.

"I was off to a flying preparation for this year's nationals," Simmons said.

"I was training hard and my fitness was strong.

"Then about eight weeks prior to the championships I tore the AC in my right shoulder during training.

"Side lined in a sling for about four weeks, I undertook constant physiotherapy that saw me back training earlier than expected," he

The draw at the Titles consisted of 14 players in his weight category, with three fights to the final.

In the preliminary rounds, Simmons won his first fight by Ippon (Full Point) in the first 30 seconds against the Northern Territory.

His second fight went to full time of five minutes which he won by Wazari (Half Point) and penalties against his Victorian opponent.

In the semi-final, Simmons ranked number three in Australia in his weight category and was up against the number two ranked

Rogers from judoka, Darren Western Australia

Simmons used dominating grips and moved well, attempting a Seoi Nage (shoulder throw) which saw him caught with an arm lock in ground work, causing him to submit.

This then put him into the Bronze Medal fight, against last year's National Champion and number one ranked Judoka in the division from Victoria

"This was going to the toughest match of the day for me.

"We had trained together a lot at National training camps, but never met in competition," Simmons said.

"I knew this was going to go all the way to full time, preparing myself mentally to concentrate on seeing it through to a podium

Having NSW State Coach and 2004 Athens Olympian Morgan Endicott-Davies in the chair and the support of his dad, Danny Simmons, who was also Woy Woy chief instructor, assistant NSW state coach and 1968 Oceania Silver Medallist, on the sidelines for this match, Simmons came out firing off grips and moving well.

In the second minute of the fight, the Victorian caught Simmons and threw him for a Wazari (Half Point) with a Tai Otoshi (Body Drop).

Simmons quickly switched back

on, listening closely to Morgan to keep attacking and put the pressure on.

For the next three minutes, that was what he did.

The Victorian ended up with three stalling penalties, which evened the score, but with 20 seconds to go in the fight, Simmons was given a stalling penalty near the edge of the mats giving the Victorian the match.

Danny Simmons said: "I felt for

"He was so close, but I'm very proud of him, to take the 2011 National Champion to almost full time and only to lose by a penalty is a great achievement."

This fifth place ranking slipped Daniel back to fifth on the National Table, but only two points separated him from the top four.

When asked about the year ahead Simmons said: "I have a few more comps this year and will be pushing hard to get better results in order to increase my ranking."

"My focus is selection to the OJU World Cup in Samoa and hopefully the Tokyo Grand Slam later this year.

"My ultimate goal is the 2013 World Judo Championships in Rio De Janeiro in Brazil.'

> Media Release, 25 Jun 2012 Lindy Simmons, Woy Woy Judo



Simmons (Blue) grip fighting in the Semi Final against Darren Rogers (White)

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Delegates descend on Umina

Delegates descended on **Umina Beach Bowling Club** for Central Coast District Women's District president Lesley's Day and Delegates Day on Monday, July 2.

The morning began with a guard of honor and morning tea as the chairperson of selection invited all to take to the greens for a friendly morning of bowls with participants playing out of position for fun.

President Lesley Swales, executive committee and invited guests were then welcomed for lunch by all the delegates before the Toastmistress secretary invited all to sing grace and to take their

Ms Swales' invited guests included her sister who came up from Sydney to represent the family and long time friend Pat Frost who started bowls with her from the Umina Beach club.

The club presented Ms Swales

with two gifts, a package filled with little necessities for her upcoming trip to Europe as well as a leather backpack

The winners and losers of the day were awarded prizes for their achievements

The day concluded with two skits performed by delegates from Halekulani and Munmorah United.

Email, 5 Jul 2012 Robyn Davis, Central Coast **District Women's Bowling Club**

The Peninsula Diary For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

Monday July 9

Housie, Charity Cash Ettalong Bowling Club, 7:30-9:30pm

Thursday July 12

A community clean-energy cooperative meeting, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 7pm

Saturday July 14

Bays Community Group Wine, Cheese and Art Night, Woy Woy Bay Community Hall, 7:30pm-10:30pm

Woytopia meeting, Woy Woy Environment Centre, 9:30am

Friday July 20

Arsenic and Old Lace, Peninsula Community Theatre,

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Sunday July 22

Hope on Sunday, Wagstaffe Hall, 2:30pm

Monday July 23

Ettalong Beach Art and Craft Centre's Term 3 begins

Tuesday July 24

Central Coast Art Society Paint Out, Brickwharf Rd, Woy Woy

Saturday July 28

Brisbane Water Bridge Club Super Congress, Peninsula Community Centre

Sunday July 29

Bays Community Group Breakfast in the Bays, Woy Woy Bay Community Hall, 8:30-10:30am

Sing Your Hearts Out workshop, Wadhayi Leisure and Learning Centre, Ettalong, 1pm-4:40pm

Wednesday August 1

Umina CWA branch meeting, 10am. Umina CWA Hall

Saturday August 4

Woy Woy High School 50th Anniversary open day

Friday August 10

Pearl Beach Glee Club Variety Concert, 7:30pm, Pearl Beach Memorial Hall

Saturday August 11

Pearl Beach Glee Club Variety Concert, 2:30pm, Pearl Beach Memorial Hall

Wednesday August 15

Bays Community Group general meeting, Woy Woy Bay Community Hall, 7:30pm

Sunday August 26

Bays Community Breakfast in the Bays, Woy Woy Bay Community Hall, 8:30-10:30am

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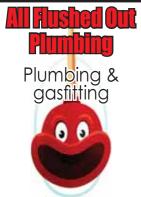
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A copy of the report to Council of 3 July 2012 detailing the proposed fees and charges is available on Council's website www.gosford.nsw.gov.au and may be viewed at Council's customer service centres at Erina Library, Kincumber Library and Woy Woy Library (9.30am - 5pm) and at Council's main building 49 Mann Street, Gosford (8.30am - 5pm).

Any submissions regarding the proposed fees and charges should be addressed to the General Manager and received by 5pm on Friday, 3 August 2012. All submissions should include "Submission on the Revised Peninsula Recreation Precinct Building Fees and Charges" as the letter subject.

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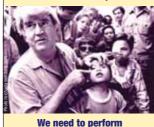
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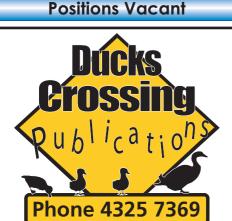
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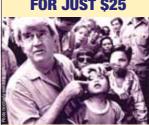
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Rotary Club of Umina (6/294) International service organisation of business leaders seeking to improve the lives of young people and those in need in our community and abroad. Weds. **Everglades Country Club**

curleys@ozemail.com.au 0409 245 861

Seniors Computer Club Central Coast Inc. (83/301)

Beginners' classes Mon or Tues. Also classes Mon -Fri as published on Club Website. 10am -12md or 1-3pm Kincumber & District Neighbourhood Centre. PC and Mac - Also at Avoca Beach Bowling Club 1st Mon with a Guest Speaker - 4369 2530

Umina Beach Men's

Shed Inc. (287-311) Men come and share, a variety of tools, pursue interests and hobbies, Spend time with other men and Learn new skills

Darrell 4341 2355

Umina Beach Scrabble Club (65/302)

For all levels and ages Every Wed, 9am - 12pm, relax, enjoy a cuppa while you play Scrabble 322 West St (Rubys) Umina

Volunteering Central Coast (57/295)

4344 2808

Refer potential volunteers to community orgs. Support both volunteers and community orgs. Offer training for volunteers and managers of volunteers. Regular general info sessions at Woy Woy. vrc@volunteeringcentralcoast.org.au 4329 7122

Wagstaffe to Killcare Community (285)

Work to protect and preserve the environment and low density residential nature of the Bouddi Peninsula and to strengthen community bonds 2nd Mon, 7.30pm Wagstaffe Hall - 4360 2945

info@wagstaffetokillcare.org.au

Disabled Services

Riding for the Disabled

Horse Riding as a therapy for those with intellectual or physical disabilities Volunteers always required No Previous experience necessary - School hours only Mon to Sat - 4340 0388 stateoffice@rdansw.org.au

Environment

Peninsula Environment Group (287)

Talks, films, social events, workshops, renewable energy and recycling projects, organic food buying group www.peg.org.au

Health Group Arthritis NSW (9/292)

Meet 3rd Tues Peninsula Community Centre, Cnr McMasters Rd and Ocean Beach Rd, Woy Woy - 4341 5881

Meals on Wheels (81/298)

Delivered meals and flexible food options for people with a functional disability 4382 9401

Mary Mac's Place (287)

Providing hot, freshly cooked meals - Mon to Fri 11am-1pm in a welcoming, friendly environment with support, information and referrals to appropriate community services - 4341 0584 marymacs@woywoycatholic.org.au

Overeaters Anonymous (OA) (64/278)

12-step fellowship helping those suffering from eating disorders i.e. compulsive overeating, bulimia, anorexia. No dues, fees, or weigh-ins. Peninsula Corn. Cntr, cnr. Mc Masters Rd & Ocean Beach Rd. Woy Woy, Every Fri 8 - 9pm www.oa.org - 0412 756 446

Pink Butterfly Breast Cancer Support Group -

First Sunday 10.00am -12.00 Shop 71 Schnapper Road **Ettalong Markets** 0428 712 251

Peninsula Women's Health Centre (285c)

Clinic sister; counselling; alternate therapists; groups and community education; drop-in; support for women in crisis: advocacy 4342 5905 Wed and Thur 9.30am-3pm 20a McMasters Rd. Woy Woy www.ccwhc.com.au

Woy Woy Public Hospital Alliance (308)

Formed to restore medical services previously available at this hospital - upgrade to a standard commensurate with the needs of the Peninsula and the Gosford City area 2pm 2nd Sat St Lukes Church Hall, Blackwall Rd Woy Woy 4344 4811

Woy Woy Stroke Recovery Club (67/278)

Peninsula Community Centre 2nd Tues 11.30am Company, up-to-date info, hydrotherapy, bus trips 4342 1316

Marine Rescue

Central Coast Unit (287)

Marine Education Courses. Radio Licences, Boat Safety & Boat Licence & PWC Licence Tests, Navigation, Seamanship and Meteorology. 4325 7929 www.vmrcc.org.au pr.centralcoast@

marinerescuensw.corn.au Music

Central Coast Concert Band(288)

Every Tues 7.15 - 9.30pm Community playouts with four concerts a year at Laycock St Theatre. 0407 894 560

Soundwaves(87/308

Men's acapella 4 part harmony chorus - all ages welcome 7.00pm Monday Nights Central Coast Leagues Club Ray 0405 030 945 randtbale@bigpond.com

Political Group

Australian Labor Party

Umina Ettalong Branch (293) Political Discussions National, State and local government issues 2nd Mon Umina Beach Bowling Club 7.30pm 4341 7323

Sport

Woy Woy Judo Club (287) Classes 6 14yrs- \$5 Fri 5.30 - 6.30pm Adult ClassesTue & Fri 6-8pm 15yrs+ - 1st Lesson Free 4 Week Trial Ettalong 50+ Leisure and Learning Centre

www.wwjc.org.au Veterans

0434 000 170

National Malaya Borneo Veterans Association Australia Inc (66/302)

1st Sat (except Jan) 2pm Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club, 51-52 The Esplanade. 4342 1107

Vietnam Veterans', Peacekeepers' and Peacemakers' (309)

Assist all Veterans and their families with pension & welfare matters. Mon & Wed 9am-1pm 4344 4760 Cnr Broken Bay Rd & Beach St Ettalong. vietvetsgosford@bigpond.com

Woy Woy Ettalong Hardy's Bay

RSL Sub Branch (79/297) Provide help with pensions and welfare etc.

Shop 5/382 Oceanview Rd Ettalong. Tues & Thurs 9am to 1pm 4341 2594

Women's Groups

Country Women's

Association Woy Woy (309) Friendship Mornings 1st and 2nd Wed 10am Meetings 4th Wed 10.30am 4324 2621

Country Women's

Association Umina Branch meeting 1st Wed 9.30am, Day craft and friendship all other Wed 9.00am and 1st Sun 12.30pm Evening craft and friendship. Enquire CWA Hall Umina 2 Sydney Ave Umina 4369 5353 or 4341 5404

The Endeavour View Club, Woy Woy (287)

Luncheon, 1st Mon Everglades Country Club, 10.30am. Friendship Social days, 3rd Wed Uniting Church Hall, Picnic Pde Ettalong, 10.30am. 4342 2283

Gosford RSL Sub-Branch

Women's Auxiliary (61/296) For women over 18 years. Raise money for welfare of veterans and their families RSL Club West Gosford 4th Mon 2pm 4323 7336

Inner Wheel club of Gosford North (92/309)

Women making a difference with friendship, personal service and international understanding. Many social activities combined with fund raising for local, national and international projects 2nd Wed 7pm Phillip House Kariong 4324 7176

gosfordnorthiw@live.com.au

Community Organisation listed here, call us on 4325 7369

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Six juniors at Blacktown judo

Six junior Woy Woy Judo Club students, aged between eight and 11 years, competed in an invitation only Judo Competition on Sunday, May 27, at Blacktown PCYC.

In a field of over 100 competitors split into three age divisions of Under-9, Under-12 and Under-15, six were in the Novice yellow belt section

Woy Woy's youngest competitor Oberon Burns, 8, won the silver in his first competition against Harrison Lamley from Samurai Judo Academy, Newcastle.

"Oberon tried very hard to throw Harrison many times only to be taken with a counter throw," said Woy Woy club administrator Ms Lindy Simmons.

Mark Mackay, Jasper Foti and Sean Keogh, all nine-years-old, had plenty of contenders in their weight divisions.

Jasper was in the lightest division of Under-29kg which was converted to a combined bout of male and female competitors to ensure all the lightweights had a roll around.

Jasper was the only male medal winner, taking the silver.

Mark Mackay and Sean Keogh were in a pool of five players in the Under-12-Under-34kg.

"Amid all the cheering, Mark showed outstanding concentration throughout all four matches, only to be taken out of medal contention in a hold down," said Ms Simmons.

Sean won all his bouts taking on team mate Mark as well as opponents from Budokan, Castle Hill and Tiger Do.

After three wins Sean was awarded gold when his fourth opponent forfeited.

In the Under-12-Under-42kg, Stirling Young and Steven Lill found themselves competing against each other in the match of the day.

Both players were confident of winning, which saw them use their favourite techniques with gusto.

Stirling was the successor with a precision ippon seo nage (shoulder throw) to seal gold.

Media Release, 25 Jun 2012 Lindy Simmons, Woy Woy Judo Club



Development day for juniors

The 2012 Woy Woy Junior
Rugby League Development
Day was held at Rogers Park
on Tuesday, July 3.

The Development Day was run by the Woy Woy Junior Rugby League Football Club and the Australian Rugby League, with 120 boys and girls participating and lunch, drinks and fruit provided.

The children were broken into groups of 10 which were then named after state of origin players.

Each team then worked its way around 12 skills stations with15

minutes at each station.

Every child received a show bag consisting of a football, drink bottle, posters and stickers.

Email, 4 Jul 2012 Brain Wright, Ettalong Beach Community Bank Branch Photo: Sheryle Taylor

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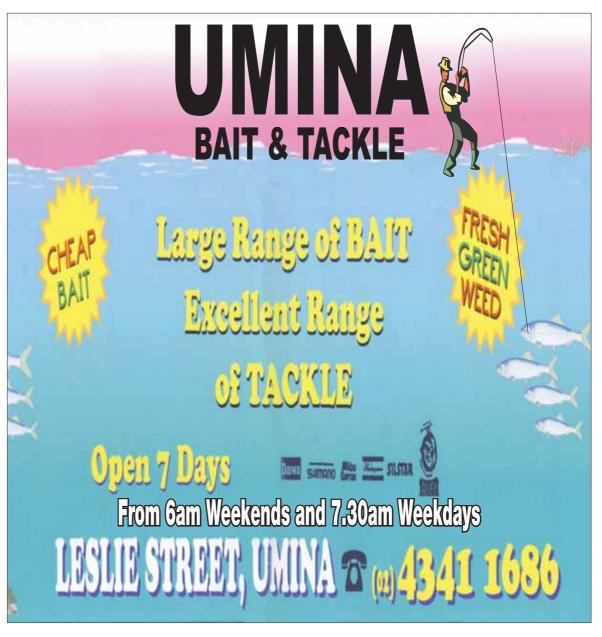
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Britt Tait is inspirational

Woy Woy Wombats water polo player Britt Tait has been selected as June's Inspirational Athlete at the Central Coast Academy.

Britt joined the Central Coast Academy of Sport in 2012 as a member of the Academy's Future Stars program.

Since her inception the squad, Tait has produced outstanding results in the pool, culminating in her selection as a member of the Australian Country Water Polo team, which will tour Hawaii in August.

Her selection in the Australian Country team came off the back of dominant performances at the Country Clubs and Country Districts tournaments earlier in the

This led to her selection in the NSW Country team which competed at the Australian Country Championships on the Gold Coast, where Tait earned selection for the green and gold.

Media Release, 28 Jun 2012 Warwick Whitmore, Central Coast Academy of Sport Photo: Kendell Marjanovic



Bridge pairs

The Brisbane Water Bridge Club Pairs Championship, held over three Mondays in June, was won by Virginia

Dressler and Carolyn Molloy.

Second place went to Christine Hadaway and Karen Ody and third place to Patricia Kull and Jackie Wilson.

In the consolation final, first place went to Felicity Fines and Heather Brown.

The Winter Pairs was held on Saturday, June 23, with only 0.7 per cent between the three top

First place went to Christine Hadaway and Karen Ody on 62.7 per cent with Judith Smyth and Helen Ferguson in third with 62.3 per cent and third place to Barbara Grant and Louis Koolen.

Media Release, 3 Jul 2012 Jenny Buckley, BWBC

Tennis player meets idol

Ningali Forrest-Freeman, the Under-10 tennis player from Woy Woy, had the opportunity last month to meet her tennis idol Evonne Goolagong at the Indigenous Come and Try Day in Sydney.

The event was run by Tennis Australia in conjunction with the Evonne Goolagong Foundation and the Australian Government's Learn Earn Legend! initiative.

Ningali said that meeting Ms Goolagong "was better than Christmas or going to Luna Park".

She is currently in second place in the girls Under-10 Northumberland Junior Development Series.

initiative aimed encourage and support young indigenous Australians to stay at school, get a job and be a legend for themselves, their family and their community.

Children, aged five to 12, were

personally greeted by Evonne Goolagong at the door.

Later children listened to a talk presented by Ms Goolagong and spent several hours on the court.

Ms Goolagong's story, of how an indigenous girl from the bush became a Wimbledon Champion has inspired millions of athletes around the world.

Ms Goolagong told children of how she started her career in her home town of Barellan, with little more than a bat, a ball and a water tower to practice against.

Every day she would write her result in the dirt and come back the next day and continue practicing.

"If you are determined enough, you can achieve great things and be a legend for yourself and your family," said Ms Goolagong.

Newsletter, 13 Jun 2012 Maurice Murphy, **Northumberland Tennis**

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Easy night at annual meeting

Umina Cricket Club returning officer Mr Paul Sharpe had an easy night at the annual meeting last month with all positions being speedily

David Frazer was again elected president for the 2012-2013 season with Bill Gregg moving from treasurer to club secretary while Warwick Egan relinquished the senior vice presidency to take over as treasurer.

To round out the senior positions Jamie O'Donnell was elected senior vice president and Jamie Doran club captain.

President Frazer then advised the large gathering of members that the club would focus heavily on getting as many younger players as it could into turf cricket thereby raising the overall standard.

Club captain Jamie Doran closed out the meeting by advising all players that training would commence at 1pm on Saturday, August 4, at the Kariong youth detention centre nets, before moving back to Umina Oval in September.

He also advised that the club's first function for the season would be a beer and football night to be conducted Friday, July 27, from 7pm at Ettalong Bowling club.

Email, 3 Jul 2012 Warwick Egan, Umina **District Cricket Club**



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Three players recognised in team of the past

The Central Coast Division Junior Rugby League Club celebrated its 50th anniversary on Saturday, May 19, with three Peninsula players recognised as part of the Central Coast Junior Team of the Past 50 Years award.

Woy Woy Roosters fullback Graham Eadie was placed on the team alongside Umina Bunnies centre Matt Seers and lock Chris Heighington.

"This was a very difficult team to select given the vast number of players who have progressed to NRL, State and International honours," said Central Coast Junior Rugby League president Mr Chris Warwick.

"A team of 13 was selected from a squad of over 60 players who have done the Central Coast Junior Rugby League proud for their achievements.

"The night was attended by a myriad of volunteers who have worked tirelessly over many years to foster the Central Coast Division and formerly Group 12 Schoolboys to the status we now enjoy,"

"Dave Proust got the evening rolling with his special brand of humour and poetry, while Star 104.5 FM's Glen Lauder did an excellent job as MC for the night,' said Mr Warwick.

The Woy Woy Junior Rugby League Club will celebrate Eadie's and the club's 50 years of Junior Rugby League by taking a club photo featuring all players, coaches, managers, trainers and committee members on Friday, July 13.

Email, 19 Jun 2012 Chris Warwick, Central Coast Junior Rugby League



Central Coast Junior Rugby League's 50th anniversary night

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Woy Woy has rugby victory

Woy Woy scored its first victory of the season in Round 11 of the Central Coast Rugby Union competition played on Saturday, June 30.

Woy Woy defeated Warnervale 24-23 at Woy Woy Oval in what Central Coast Rugby Union president Mr Larry Thomson described as a great game with plenty of action.

"Both teams were able to cross for three tries in what was a close one throughout.

"Warnervale led by 10 points to eight at the half time break, and also by 21 to 18 late in the game, but Woy Woy were able to score

Woy Woy scored its first their final try late in the game to victory of the season in seal the win.

"Woy Woy will take a lot of satisfaction from the win and Warnervale will rue the defeat despite the fact that they know they played well.

"Best for Woy Woy were prop Kevin Pike and hooker Nick Garnett who were both all over the paddock for the entire 80 minutes.

"Richard Aholelei and Ritchie Houston were outstanding for Warnervale and they simply never stopped trying," Thompson said.

Media Release, 1 July 2012 Larry Thomson, Central Coast Rugby Union



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