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City keys for Liesl Tesch

Paralympic gold medallist Liesl Tesch of Woy Woy was presented with the Keys to Gosford City by mayor Lawrie McKinna on Wednesday, October 17, in a surprise ceremony at the **Erina Leagues Club**

LiesI had been invited to address the Erina Chamber of Commerce at their monthly luncheon and said she was totally unaware that she would be awarded the Keys to the

Mayor Cr McKinna said that the presentation of the Key to the City was kept secret.

"We wanted this award to be a surprise for Liesl.

"She has had a wonderful couple of years since beginning her sailing career and hopefully this can be the cherry on top of a very successful 2012.

"Following her retirement from wheelchair basketball, she took up sailing in January 2011 and had a rapid rise to success.

"Liesl placed third in the 2011 and 2012 World Championships and has taken out multiple international World Cup meets with her partner Daniel Fitzgibbon in the SKUD 18 Class.

"Her strive for Paralympic gold was achieved in London 2012, an effort that both Liesl and the entire Central Coast community should be proud of," said Cr McKinna.

"LiesI has had an international career across two sports, captaining the Australian Women's Wheelchair Basketball team, picking up silver medals in Sydney and Athens as well as bronze in

"Her recent success on the water demonstrates her versatility and wide ranging skills as an elite athlete.

"She is a fantastic representative of the Central Coast and role model within our community.

"Her success at the highest level is the result of hard work and dedication and I hope this award can go some way to show how proud we are of Liesl," he said.

Media Release, 17 Oct 2012 Lawrie McKinna. **Gosford Council**



Mayor McKinna and Key to the City recipient Liesl Tesch

existing underground development

The project would also remove

about 600 metres of overhead high

voltage 11kV mains in the vicinity

High voltage electricity to go underground

Gosford Council has agreed to allow the installation of underground electricity cables in an existing electricity easement

Australia Ave, Umina.

Under the proposal, the existing overhead 66kV transmission feeder main and a new high voltage 11kV cable would be placed

underground to improve reliability and switching in the network.

When installed, the 11kV feeder would be underground from the Umina Zone Substation to the

> of McEvoy Ave, Bapaume Ave and Priestman Ave. The site of the easement is a drainage reserve and Council has agreed that the terms of the easement be drafted to allow for any underground works on the eastern side of the existing easement to allow for maximum

in Australia Ave.

widening of the drain on the western side should the need According to Gosford Council's director corporate services Mr Nic

peak flows and would need

widening in the future to contain

additional flows and to allow for climate change impacts and possible rock lining.

"It is recommended that the underground cable be laid as close as possible to the outer boundaries of the drainage reserve, which is the eastern side under the access track to allow for maximum widening of the drain on the western side," Mr Pasternatsky stated in the report to Council.

Ausgrid has advised that the cable would be laid on the eastern side of Lot 3 within the existing eight metre wide overhead easement which would leave approximately 22 metres from the property on the western side of the Pasternatsky, the surface drain is drainage reserve to the edge of the currently at its limit in containing existing easement.

Gosford Council agenda COR.106, 23 Oct 2012



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Low rainfall sees average drop

Only 25.2mm of rain has fallen on the Peninsula this month, according to figures supplied by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy.

This is less than one third of the average monthly rainfall for October of 85.2mm.

The low rainfall for the month is expected to see the year-to-date rainfall drop below the cumulative average for the first time this year.

A total of 1079.5mm had fallen by Friday, October 26, compared to a cumulative average of 1128.7mm at the end of October.

Five of the last six months have seen rainfall well below average, following a wet start to the year.

Temperatures so far this month have ranged between 9.5 degrees on October 13 and 35.0 degrees on October 5, according

to local weather website www. peninsulaweather.info.

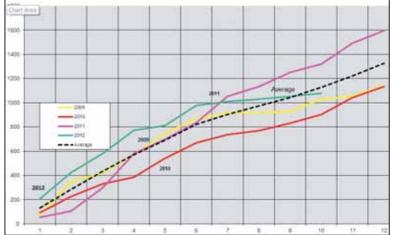
Lowest maximum was 15.0 on October 12 and highest minimum was 19.6 on October 17.

Average overnight minimum has been 14.1, while the average

daily maximum has been 23.7 degrees.

Highest wind gust was 38.2 km/h recorded on October 22.

> Spreadsheet, 26 Oct 2012 Jim Morrison, Woy Woy www.peninsulaweather.info



Peninsula News and Eddie Daniels are giving six readers the chance to win a double pass to the One Magic Night show at Woy Woy Leagues Club on Saturday, November 17, at 8pm.

The double pass, valued at \$30, will enable two adults to view Eddie Daniel's Aloha Elvis and Memories of Orbison shows.

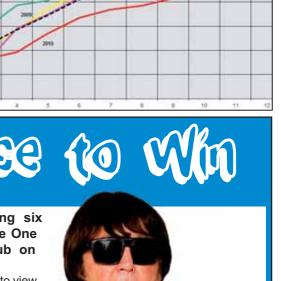
The Aloha Elvis show will feature over an hour of rock and roll tributes to the king by Eddie who will be decked out in his white rhinestone studded jumpsuit.

To win one of the six double passes, write your name, address and phone number on the back of an envelope and send to Peninsula News One Magic Night competition PO Box 1056, Gosford, NSW, 2250 by the close of business Thursday, November 8.

The winners of last edition's Peninsula News Ian McNamara competition were W Cocking of Umina and A Mangan of Woy Woy.

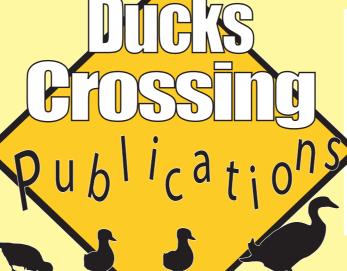
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Kaitlin Watts, 23 Oct 2012











Land and Environment Court overrules Council consent







Thomson has home and office raided by police







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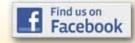
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Green Room talks at Woytopia

A series of Green Room clean Australia. Talks, run by Climate Future, were held at the Woytopia Festival on Sunday, October

The talks began with a presentation by Mr Richard Weller of the report on Climate Future's Sea Level Rise-Looking for Solutions forum that was held in August

The audience heard of the latest risks to the Coast and found out what the local community thought should be done about sea level rise, how Climate Future could best respond to rising sea levels and what sort of planning is needed.

Also discussed were facts about waterfront and flood insurance.

Mr Wolf Messthaler and Mr Nigel Hancock spoke at 11:15am on the Australian plan to reduce fossil fuel based electricity with 100 per cent renewable energy.

Participants were taught how they could ask politicians to build a

Joachim Muller then presented the newly formed Central Coast Community Energy Association Real Projects Real Energy.

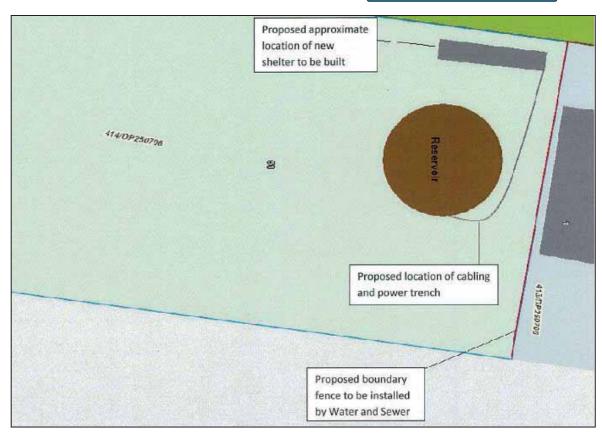
Mr Muller spoke of Central Coast Community Energy plans to build solar and wind power stations on the Central Coast and how participants could help to make it a reality.

Mr Ian Garrad then discussed energy bill reductions.

He discussed the methods people could use to save money. increase comfort and how to have a carbon neutral home.

The speakers provided the audience with things they could do in their own home and in the local community to prepare for climate change and avoid making it worse.

> Media Release, 21 Oct 2012 Charlotte Drury, Community **Environment Network**



A map of where the proposed cabling would be laid and where the shelter would be built

Council agrees to police communications licence

Sewer works end soon

Sewer system upgrade works currently being carried out in Railway St in Woy Woy are expected to be completed by the end of this month.

Gosford Council communication officer Mr Nathan Slade said Council began the works in Bowden Rd, Rawson Rd and Railway St earlier this month to improve the sewerage services it provides to the community.

The upgrade includes the replacement of ageing sewer

manhole covers that allow Council to inspect and access the system.

"Temporary traffic control measures and warning signs remain in place in the area to ensure the safety of workers, pedestrians and motorists.

"Every effort is being made to minimise any disruptions and we appreciate the community's co-operation while the works are completed," said Mr Slade.

Email, 16 Oct 2012 Nathan Slade, Gosford Council

Council Gosford has agreed to enter into a licence arrangement with NSW Police, providing no substantive objections received from the community, for the erection of a communications shelter on its reserve at 51 Castle Crescent. Umina.

NSW Police currently have equipment installed on the reserve and requested both a formal 20 year licence agreement and consent to construct a besser block shelter onsite to house communication equipment.

The equipment in question is

currently located within the access turret beneath the Umina Spheroid water reservoir, which is also located within Lot 414.

Council's Water and Sewerage Directorate utilise the site for their radio communication and telemetry equipment, which is also located within the access turret beneath the Umina Spheroid water reservoir.

Council's water and sewer officer Mr Rod Williams said this site was classified as a confined space and was not considered to be an appropriate location for this equipment.

The proposed shelter would permanently house NSW Police,

Government Radio Network and Council's electrical and radio equipment and would be 8.4 metres by 4.02 metres by 2.7 metres.

Public consultation will be undertaken as the land on which the reservoir and proposed shelter are situated is classified under the Local Government Act as community land.

NSW Police would fund the cost of the proposed shelter while Council would fund cable relocation and screening between the adjoining property and the proposed shelter.

Gosford Council agenda WAT.32, 23 Oct 2012

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Community buildings receive \$24,000

Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts, The Bays Community Group and the Peninsula Community Centre have received a total of \$24,000 in funding from Gosford Council's Community Facility Support Program.

The program aims to assist with contributions to the cost of maintenance, repairs or improvements to both Council owned and non-Council owned community buildings.

Ettalong Beach Arts and Craft Inc received \$4000 for the replacement of the corrugated iron roof on the pottery building workshop.

Council's Building Maintenance Unit recommended that a flue would be required to prevent the same issue arising.

The Bays Community Group was successful in receiving \$3000 for the construction of storage cupboards in the hall and new kitchen floor coverings.

The Peninsula Community Centre was successful in receiving \$4000 to replace room dividers with reverb sound panels and install acoustic barrier curtains and acoustic operable walls in its centre

It was also granted \$13,000 from the Accessible Building Fund for the supply and installation of hearing loops in two rooms, including cabling installed into the timber floor due to lack of roof space.

A total of 15 applications were received by Council for the funding, 10 of which were Council owned community buildings and five of which were non-Council owned community buildings.

Of the 15 applicants, 11 received full funding with only the Peninsula Community Centre receiving funds from Council's Accessible Building Fund due to limited funds in the Community Facility Support Program.

The applications were assessed by a panel of officers from Community and Cultural Development.

Gosford Council agenda COM.25, 23 Oct 2012 Photo: Naomi Bridges



The Peninsula Community Centre, one of the buildings that received funding

Weekend train sizes double

CityRail has doubled the size of 24 of its weekend trains.

The 7:50am, 8:50am, 1:50pm and 6:50pm Wyong to Central weekend services and 5:45am, 6:45am, 11:45am and 4:45pm Central to Gosford weekend services have increased from four to eight carriages and are now operating as air-conditioned Oscar trains.

The 11:21pm Newcastle to Gosford weekend service and the 10:15am, 11:15am and 12:15pm Central to Newcastle weekend services have also increased from four to eight carriages and will operate using V-set trains.

The changes were introduced on Sunday, October 21.

Member for Gosford Mr Chris Holstein said: "The increase in seats is made possible by new trains being introduced to the network."

Mr Holstein said Woy Woy train customers are already benefitting from the addition of around 33,000 extra seats a week on selected services earlier this year.

He said these timetable changes paved the way for a major overhaul of the train timetable which will be introduced by the NSW Government late next year.

"Work is now underway on a significant rewrite of the train timetable, which will see widespread improvements across the network, including more services and faster journey times for commuters."

Media Release, 15 Oct 2012 Chris Holstein, Member for Gosford

Camping area revamped

Work on Putty Beach Dr and the camping area in Bouddi National Park at the north end of Putty Beach is currently being undertaken.

The road is being realigned to travel behind the camping area with the aim of increasing safety

and reducing dust and noise for campers.

The revamping of the camping area involves returfing, the installation of an extra barbecue and two extra camping sites.

Newsletter, 25 Oct 2012 David Legge, Killcare Wagstaffe Trust

Superannuation – SMSF Update

We have had an increase in clients setting up their own Self Managed Super Fund of late.

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The scheme provides a tax free payment of approximately \$10,000 per year, for 10 years, if you provide rental property to persons registered with the scheme at 20% below market rent.

Strict rules apply on both the property and the tenants.

We are promoting this scheme to high income earners as a way of reducing their tax, building a property portfolio and at the same time pay off their home loan sooner.

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Heritage buildings receive funding

Three heritage buildings in the Peninsula area have received funding as part of this year's Heritage Small Grants Program.

Noonan Building in Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy, received \$1410 to repaint the exterior front facade as visible from Blackwall Rd.

The Old Killcare Store in Araluen Dr received \$5000 to replace roofing and repair rafters and battens to the main roof.

St Peters Church in Wagstaffe received \$2642.50 for restoration works to its brick piers.

Patonga Beach Progress Association also received \$4968.50 for a heritage engineering report to be produced for Patonga War Memorial which would provide advice and a management strategy for restoration works.

The completed works will be inspected by Council Officers to ensure that all grants have financed work of the highest integrity and that they conserve the heritage significance of the individual items.

The program aims to provide financial assistance to property owners and managers to conserve identified heritage items within the Gosford LGA.

It aims to encourage the retention and conservation of heritage items through the provision of funds for non-routine conservation works.

As part of the application assessment process, Council's Heritage Program coordinator and architect inspected the proposed conservation works to ensure the works would conserve the heritage significance of the



The Noonan Building in Woy Woy that received \$1410 in funding

individual items.

A heritage listed item in Booker Bay was not recommended for approval.

The grant application was for the repainting of the side of the Kings Store building but Council's assessment concluded that the works did not constitute "conservation or restoration of original heritage features" as prescribed in the grant guidelines.

Gosford Council agenda COM.28, 23 Oct 2012

Community group helps residents

The Bays Community Group has assisted local residents, as part of its Neighbour in Need program.

Two members of the executive committee gave assistance to residents in Olive Ave, Phegans Bay, by helping them clean up their yard and remove potential bush fire fuel from surrounding trees.

Following hospitalisation, one resident was unable to undertake the bush fire protection work needed in their yard.

A call for assistance followed the announcement of the Neighbour

in Need program which was introduced to assist local residents when they were unable to undertake physical work following sickness or other circumstance that prevented them from doing so.

If you are experiencing difficult times due to poor health or are recuperating following a stay in hospital and could use some assistance, phone either Bob on 4342 9171 or David on 4344 3038.

Newsletter, 16 Oct 2012 Greg McMullen, Bays Community Group

Man charged over robberies

Police have charged a man over a number of armed robberies on the Central Coast, including one in Woy Woy.

Investigations have been ongoing into the robberies of bottle shops within the Brisbane Water and Tuggerah Lakes Local Area Commands this month.

Since Tuesday, October 2, a total of seven armed robberies had been committed on shops in Woy Woy, Wyong, Long Jetty, Avoca, Point Clare and Kariong.

Inquiries by detectives determined that all seven robberies were linked.

Following investigations, detectives arrested a man in Kariong just before 7pm on Tuesday, October 23.

The 42-year-old was taken to Gosford Police Station where he

was subsequently charged with a total of nine offences relating to the alleged armed robberies.

Investigations into the armed robberies are continuing and anyone with information is urged to contact Gosford Police or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Media release, 24 Oct 2012 NSW Police Media





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An aerial view of the Empire Bay Tennis Courts

Potholes will be fixed

Potholes in the entrance to the Empire Bay Tennis Courts car park will be fixed as part of the Gosford Council's maintenance works schedule.

The tennis courts were inspected by council officers following a petition that the council received on July 24.

The petition had 22 signatures and stated that users of the Empire Bay Tennis Courts were unhappy with the conditions of the surrounding park.

They stated that the grass was

a foot high and, if mown, cut grass was left and not raked up and that the entrance to the car park had pot holes so deep members were forced to drive up on the grass to get to the tennis courts.

The petition also stated that users were concerned that the children's enclave never had the gate closed, it filled up with water 30cm deep and that the sand was discoloured and needed removing.

Council's maintenance services section inspected the facility and confirmed that repair works were required for the potholes but said

there were no plans to remove the playground in the near future.

Council officers said they would inspect both the drainage and soft fall sand area.

A report by council officers stated that should it be determined that the sand required cleaning, such maintenance works would be carried out this financial year.

The report said that the closure of the gate could not be monitored and was not required under Council policy.

> Gosford Council agenda COR.102, 23 Oct 2012

Charged over stabbing

A man has been charged over a stabbing at a hotel in Woy Woy early on Sunday, October 14, at about 12:20am.

A 36-year-old man and his 56-year-old mother were at the hotel on The Boulevarde when they were allegedly assaulted.

Police were told the man became involved in an argument with another man and was stabbed three times to the arm, hand and back.

His mother was then assaulted by a woman who allegedly punched her in the face causing a laceration to her eyebrow.

Police and paramedics were called to the hotel with the mother and son being taken to Gosford Hospital for treatment.

A 37-year-old man and 23-yearold woman were arrested at the scene and taken to Gosford Police Station where they were spoken to by detectives.

The man was charged with malicious wounding with intent to inflict grievous bodily harm and was refused bail.

His girlfriend was released pending further investigations.

Media release, 14 Oct 2012 **NSW Police Media**

Group installs signs

The Bays Community Group has installed two new signs to advise residents of the group's meetings and of special events.

Community Group Bays president Mr Bob Puffett said the signs also projected a sense of pride in the area.

"As well as the drive safely message the signs say who we

"Please assist by looking after them and perhaps they will impart a sense of respect for The Bays artwork around our streets," said Mr Puffett.

Newsletter, 16 Oct 2012 Greg McMullen, Bays **Community Group**

Restoration requested

Gosford Council has received a petition with 1037 signatures from residents of Ettalong which requested that Council restore the foreshores of Ettalong.

Petitioners requested specifically that the foreshores between Schnapper Rd and Ferry Rd be restored.

They asked that fallen trees be removed from the beachfront and the foreshore be restored with a stone retaining wall with access pathways to the beach.

Petitioners stated this would encourage the regeneration of the natural bush habitat.

It was also requested that Council preserve any heritage

> **Gosford Council agenda** P.38, 23 Oct 2012

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- 8. We'll immediately deliver strong, stable and accountable government focused on our plans to build a stronger future for all Australians.



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NSW Premier Barry O'Farrell, Leader of the opposition John Robertson, **Gosford City Councillors and** my readers who are familiar with the wording of my formal complaint to Gosford City Council dated September 6, one of several which identified election campaign activities that were conducted outside the law during the council election last September, should be wondering why Gosford Council chose not to acknowledge other complaints and ignore all information supplied them, with the exception of that dodgy email from Craig Doyle.

What was ignored is a bigger issue because the same shonky activity happens every time there is an election.

The complaint I made in

person at council on August 27, Ref 12267145, was supported with photos of Labor, Liberal and Independent politician's advertising core flutes fixed to power poles and other places where they are prohibited.

Good Councillors would know not to convert council property for their own personal use.

They certainly should not be party to the placement of anything on the road reserve without prior approval, because that brings them into conflict with the Local Government Act, and the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act 1912.

The enormous LJ Hooker Property For Sale sign, which was on the footpath outside 394 Terrigal Dr, Terrigal plastered with Craig Doyle core flutes, was ignored by council compliance officers for many weeks.

Ratepayers should understand that an obstruction like that on the road reserve raises my concerns that state mandated insurance, supposed to protect ratepayers, may have been needed to pay some form of compensation because the illegal signage was ignored by Gosford Council compliance officers.

Another complaint, Ref 12320477 dated September 6, (copied below) concerned the same issues of illegal campaigning.

It is no joke that these political eyesores spring up across NSW every election, even though their placement on our public property, power poles, footpaths and trees is accommodated by councils and police.

These are people who know damn well that those responsible for putting the political garbage out there are breaking the law.

The item about Craig Doyle in council's agenda of October 23, on pages 57 and 58, seems like an offensive joke.

The photos supplied are evidence of repeat offences being

accommodated, if not actually sanctioned, by local councils.

More importantly, those who would be party to campaigning outside the law while asking ratepayers to give them their votes in trust are the same people who regularly turn away and refuse to take political action on the often published allegations of systemic corruption and abuse of due process that I have brought to light in the past.

I have not forgotten that council, as a consent authority, accepted a development application 11923/2001, which was misleading in no small way.

When I complained, council lied when they told me it was not their problem

What is even sadder is that none of the fifty people who were ready to accept ratepayers votes on September 8 as local politicians have ever been brave enough to publicly question in "Letters to the Editor" or at council, the veracity of

my often published allegation that Gosford City Council misled the State Coroner during his inquiry into the deaths of five members of the Bragg and Holt families.

Council allowed the coroner to understand they (council) had no knowledge or experience in the use of application of concrete to protect the structural integrity of corrugated steel culvert pipes while evidence to the contrary has been supported by my instructive photos published in this very newspaper.

I just can't understand why so many taxpayers will ignore such a serious cover up!

Why has Gosford council ignored the formal complaints identifying obvious illegal campaign activity of all but the Greens during the last election?

Edward James POB 3024 Umina

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From: Edward James <espj@bigpond.net.au>

Date: 23 October 2012 12:27:10 PM To: goscity@gosford.nsw.gov.au

Subject: Formal complaint illegal use of road reserve for political re election campaign ignored by investigator.

For the attention of the Acting General Manager Gosford City Council. Agenda ref Com 24 (IR 11973738) page 57-58. 23 October 2012 Outcome of half an investigation. Censure for misbehaviour

I am concerned council has only addressed half of the complaints about Craig Doyles electioneering. Ignoring the photographs supplied to council of Councilor Doyles campaign material fixed to an LJ Hooker for sale sign. On the road reserve outside number 394 Terrigal Drive Terrigal identified in this below and other complaints.

I have difficulty understanding why each time there is an election. Gosford City Council accommodates the obvious illegal and non complying use of our public property by those campaigning for voter support.

Why were the complaints about the illegal use of the road reserve on Terrigal Drive at Terrigal supported with my photos, ignored? That complaint identifies a conflict with the Local Government Act "anything on the road reserve without prior approval is there illegally". The councils Code of Conduct converting property of the council to private use. The campaign activity also conflicts with the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act 1912

Edward James POB 3024 Umina 2257 0243419140

From: Edward James <espj@bigpond.net.au>

Date: 6 September 2012 11:53:28 AM To: levi.scott@abc.net.au

Subject: Fwd: This is a formal complaint att Acting General Manager improper use of council resource email for election activities. Road reserve for election material.

Begin forwarded message:

From: Edward James <espj@bigpond.net.au>

Date: 6 September 2012 4:55:54 AM To: goscity@gosford.nsw.gov.au

Subject: This is a formal complaint att Acting General Manager improper use of council resource email for election activities. Road reserve for election material.

For the attention of the Acting General Manager Stephen Glenn.

I have been supplied with this email circulating in our community which was sent by deputy Mayor Craig Doyle.

I believe Gosford City Council should be concerned the email below, which includes two council disclaimers and several attached photos. I am told it was sent to a group called the gourmet club. I believe its existence indicates our Deputy Mayor Craig Doyle used council resources to solicit donations from those listed, to assist him with his campiagn for re election.

That is an improper use of Council resources which if considered along with complaints relating to council inaction on complaints identifying illegally placed election material fixed to an LJ Hooker sign on the road reserve outside 394 Terrigal Drive. Terrigal will attract the interest of others.

Edward James POB 3024 Umina 2257 0243419140











Rotary club presents workmanship awards

Rotary Club of Umina Beach president Mr Robert Meyer presented six Pride of Workmanship awards at a function at Everglades Country Club on Wednesday, October 10.

The award recipients were Keith Eather, Diane Fortier, Angela Brown, Sonia Hasler, Ian (Jim) Evans and the staff at Ruby Cafe and Books.

Mr Eather was nominated by Mr Rod Radford, a member of the Rotary Club of Umina, for his "excellent attention to his position of delivering medicine" when he was employed by Mr Radford's son and again when he was employed by two subsequent owners of YouSave Chemist over several years.

"Now as a resident of Don Leggett house in Peninsula Village, I have become more aware of his values, not only to his employees, but more importantly to the nursing staff, in his delivery of medicine to the Village," said Mr Radford.

"I am impressed with his humour, his goodwill and efforts to satisfy our requirements," said Mr Radford.

Peninsula Village environmental services manager Ms Jackie Bennett nominated Ms Diane Fortier for always giving "100 per cent of herself at work".

"She often goes above and beyond what is required of her.

"Diane is a leader in our culture change as she always puts the residents' needs first," said Ms

Bennet

Angela Brown, a manager at Bakers Delight in Woy Woy, was nominated by franchisee Rosemarie Mondal who said Ms Brown "always treats the store as her own and is there from 7am each morning, delighting the customers with her exceptional customer service".

"She greets every customer with a smile and is a team player and a great motivator," said Ms Mondal.

Peninsula Village's facility manager Ms Marnie Hamilton nominated employee Ms Sonia Hasler and said she "consistently provides a high level of care to her residents".

"She is unfailingly cheerful In spite of many difficulties and is a deserving recipient of this award," said Ms Hamilton.

Mr Gary Beitsett nominated the staff at Rubys Cafe and Books in Umina as they "show a standard of service that is second to none".

"They always have a smile and willingness to go the extra mile.

"Many people comment that a visit to Rubys is just like visiting good friends," said Mr Beitsett.

lan (Jim) Evans, who works on the front desk at Everglades Country Club, was nominated by Rotarian Glen Scorer for always going "just that bit further in performing his duties, exemplifying the ideals of Pride of Workmanship".

Media release, 11 Oct 2012 Geoff Melville, Rotary Club of Umina Beach



Ian (Jim) Evans, Diane Fortier, Sonia Hasler, Robert Meyer, Angela Brown, Keith Eather and Lisa Close



The Shocking Truth About Roof Restoration

If you've ever been concerned about the condition of your roof, then this could be the most important article you read this year.

Unscrupulous roof restoration salespeople have been telling unsuspecting homeowners that they need a full roof restoration (clean, repair, re-point, seal, and paint) when in many cases all that they need is a simple repair.

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It is a good idea unless the roof inspector (usually a salesperson) does what unfortunately happens in many of these instances: he or she will grossly exaggerate the problems and insist that you really need a full roof restoration when perhaps you don't.

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Ken Durham

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Questions about train radio tower unanswered

RailCorp is about to construct a Digital Train Radio System Tower just south of Woy Woy station.

There are many others under construction in NSW throughout the electric railway network.

The first time we became aware of this was the receipt of a hand delivered letter telling us of the proposal.

It turns out that we received this letter because we live within 500 metres of the proposed structure.

Our initial concerns were aroused when we discovered the Digital Train Radio System was to transmit radio signals and data transmission over several frequency ranges.

Now at present our radio reception is subject to interference and we were concerned that the use of such a tower would produce radiation of a kind that could cause interference on our radio, TV and wireless internet reception.

The initial letter from RailCorp made no mention of this kind of interference.

On digging further we found a 113 page document on the RailCorp website which describes this development (called Woy Woy Four and there is a similar one for Koolewong but in them we could find no reference to the kind of possible interference that was our concern).

Discussions with others indicated to us that in some locations where the mobile phone towers were erected there was a need to replace or alter antennae.

So we are seeking from RailCorp a written guarantee in relation radio-TV-internet potential interference

We were initially concerned over the health aspects of continuous exposure of people to low levels of radiation such as that to be produced by the Woy Woy Four tower.

There have been a number of reports in the news over the past 10 years indicating potential links with cancer generation by electromagnetic energy of the same range of frequencies as that to be produced by the local tower.

There is a lot of material based on sound research on the internet but it would seem that at the moment there are no clear health risks associated with the radiation under concern.

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However, because of the lack of research in this area the following conclusion from Australian Radiation Protection Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) should be considered.

"There is no clear evidence in the existing scientific literature that the use of mobile telephones poses a long-term public health hazard (although the possibility of a small risk cannot be ruled out)."

This conclusion is for mobile phone towers and not for towers producing the kind of radiation the Woy Woy Four tower is likely to produce.

We now remain more than a little confused over whether the transmissions will be like those from mobile phone towers

Much of the reference work refers us to ARPANSA publications.

RailCorp says this in their

These points are from Appendix One of the Woy Woy Four report: "An EME Environmental Report shall be produced by the proponent of development to which the Mobile Phone Network Code applies in terms of design, siting of facilities and notifications.

"The report is to be in the format required by ARPANSA.

"It is to show the predicted levels of electromagnetic energy surrounding the development comply with the safety limits imposed by Australian Communications Media Authority and the Electromagnetic Radiation Standard, and demonstrate compliance with the MobilePhone Networks Code."

Then we see in the same section of the report the following:

"The proposal is not for a mobile phone network and is not subject to the Code for the Development of Mobile Phone Network Infrastructure commonly known as the ACIF Code."

"An EME report has been completed (we presume this was written by RailCorp) and is found at Appendix Four."

This Appendix says refer to "DTRS-R-172-EM-0001: Woy Woy Energy Four Electro-Magnetic Report (APRANSA Report)"

There is lots of verbiage in this report but in essence it says: "RF EME levels have been estimated from the proposed antennas at origin of Woy Woy Four site."

"The maximum cumulative EME level at 1.5 metres above ground level is estimated to be 0.0041 per cent of the ARPANSA public exposure limits.

This we found rather hard to understand.

We have written to RailCorp's director of the Digital Train Radio System project, posing a number of questions.

We requested a response.

The only response we received was an automated email saying we would have a response in two days.

The response is now more than two days overdue.

We need a response as the small number of people in our group need to consider RailCorp's response before we submit a considered response.

We see this as being an urgent matter as the closing date for any response is November 5.

Email, 20 Oct 2012 Bill Gates, Woy Woy

Supporting local business?

Debra Wales' column in the **Express Advocate on October** 19 appears innocuous until you read the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce's "supporting motto business".

There is no reference to local business other than Aldi, Coles, Woolworths. Bunnings McDonalds.

Back up information is missing from Debra's column.

There must be a follow-up report explaining how the chamber is "supporting local business" other than Aldi, Coles, Woolworths, Bunnings and McDonalds.

Have I missed something in the detail?

The major businesses mentioned would have tens of millions of dollars in their advertising and promotions budgets.

Why do they require support from the chamber?

Is this a local phenomenon or standard business practice?

Is there a conflict of interest? When the Bunnings DA was approved, specific conditions were

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imposed to direct truck movements to and from the site located in West St, Umina.

Additional traffic management conditions have been included in the McDonalds consent.

Traffic volume must increase.

There will be greater use of West St and Ocean Beach Rd; queuing is a sign of progress.

The main street program may not be ticking all the boxes.

It hasn't ticked many for me.

Letter, 24 Oct 2012 Norman Harris, Umina



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"The Life Education Van has worked with all classes Kindergarten to Year 6 and is still the largest non-government (and non-profit) provider of health education to children and young people, Australia wide," said Mr Lewis.

"The Kindergarten Gymnastics program is running over the next five weeks on each Monday and

Empire Bay Public School is it provides a specialised program motor skills.

> "I was able to sit in on one of the lessons held on Monday and was most impressed with the activities provided to our students and the specialised gymnastic skills being developed.

> "I recommend these important programs to all parents," he said. Newsletter, 17 Oct 2012 **Brad Lewis, Empire Bay Public School**



Bob Powell, Gordon Robertson, David Lilley, Ron Hughes, Tim Wharton, Ian Jarratt and Ross McIntyre at the cheque presentation

Maths results

Ettalong Public School has a distinction and was in the top 10 received the results from the **UNSW Global Educational Assessment in Mathematics** in which a small number of students participated.

Kiara Neal of Year 4-5 achieved

per cent.

Rian Hatfield and Thomas Tyrell, both of Year 3-4, achieved

> Newsletter, 16 Oct 2012 Colin Wallis, Ettalong **Public Schools**

Students clean-up

Students from Brisbane Water Secondary College's bushcraft group participated in a clean-up of the mangroves on the southern side of Patonga Creek on Thursday, October 18.

A total of 36 bags were filled weighing in at 288kg from a 200 metre by 40 metre area.

Coordinator Mr Graham Johnston said the site was visited last month with 20 full bags of beer bottles removed.

"It is obviously an old dumping site," said Mr Johnston.

Email, 20 Oct 2012 Graham Johnston, **MacMasters Beach**

Money donated for cancer equipment

A cheque for \$10,000 has been presented to Gosford Hospital by members of men's bowling clubs on the Peninsula who raised the money from the Peninsula **Charity Bowling Days held** in June.

Gosford Hospital will use the money to purchase a laparoscopic bulldog clamp used to treat people undergoing surgery to treat kidney cancer.

Everglades Men's Bowling Club, Umina Beach Men's Bowling Club and Ettalong Memorial Men's Bowling Club each hosted a charity bowling day to support people in the community with cancer.

Woy Woy Men's Bowling Club were also supporters of each of the charity days, although did not hold their own event.

event was originally started by Umina Beach Bowling Club in memory of Ron Pursehouse who died of prostate

Clinical nurse educator Mr Tim Wharton said the new equipment would enhance the treatment of people being treated for kidney cancer.

"These clamps are used during keyhole surgery on kidneys.

"They allow us to remove the diseased part of the kidney rather than having to remove the whole kidney.

"It is much less risky for the patient if we are able to save part of their affected kidney.

"The overall risk to their renal system is reduced by not having to totally remove one kidney.

"We are really grateful to all the members of the bowling clubs for their efforts in organising these events and for their generosity.

"It will really benefit a lot of people having cancer treatment," said Mr Wharton.

Umina Beach Bowling Club bowls coordinator Mr Ian Jarratt said club members from all clubs were dedicated to helping staff at Gosford Hospital to continue to provide the best possible treatment and care to the local community.

people "Many community are fighting cancer and we know what a difficult time this can be for them and their family and friends.

"We hope our donations make things easier for them," said Mr Jarratt.

Media Release, 23 Oct 2012 Jan Richens, Central Coast **Local Health District**



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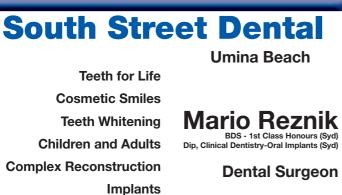
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Information about prostate cancer

An information session on prostate cancer will be held on Tuesday, November 20, from 7:30pm at Everglades **Country Club.**

The session will provide information about prostate cancer and how it can affect younger men, what men should be aware of and what they should look out for.

Urological surgeon Dr Finlay MacNeil will be the guest speaker for the event, while a prostate cancer survivor will be on hand to share his experiences.

"Prostate cancer is the most common cancer on the Central Coast with an average of 267 local men diagnosed with this illness each year," said Cancer Council NSW community network coordinator Ms Sandra Shorrock.

"Each year on the Central Coast approximately 62 men lose their battle with prostate cancer.

"Our aim is to raise awareness about prostate cancer," said Ms Shorrock.

For more information, phone Sandra on 4336 4500.

> Media release, 17 Oct 2012 Sandra Shorrock, Cancer **Council NSW**

Chiropractic Plus

by Peter Grieve of the Umina Chiropractic Centre

CAN CHIROPRACTIC CARE ASSIST THE ELDERLY?

These days what is elderly?

What used to be considered 'old' at 60 is now only 'senior' at 80!

How many people can you think of who look as though they're in their fifties and then you discover they are well over 65 or even 70?

To find that you're adding on the years can be a little daunting for some – but it doesn't mean that you have to put up with the discomfort of aching backs, shoulders or limbs.

What tends to happen though is that aching limbs and joints are often disregarded due to the "I'm just getting old" syndrome.

Well, just because you may be adding a few years is no reason to put up with pain or even discomfort.

Senior age groups often ask whether they can take advantage of chiropractic care and if it will help to alleviate problems with shoulder, hip and other joints without jeopardising them.

The answer is a definite 'yes'.

There are a number of treatable conditions of the body as age increases; we just have to know precisely where the condition is and what is causing it.



The first step is to ask the question of a chiropractor – if you don't ask the question, you will never know the answer.

"Can you do anything for me?" is probably the simplest approach to your chiropractor.

He or she will then be able to examine the facts of your individual circumstances, assess the pain and its causes and then tell you what, if anything, can be done for you.

More often than not, regardless of your age, a remedy of care can be found for your specific

The result will invariably be greater mobility and your body's ability to function better.

Many modern seniors are tending to shy away from over-medication for pain-relief, realising that through chiropractic care, they are becoming pain-free and mobile to do the things they want to do, but without the fear of side-effects.

The concern that some have is in connection with chiropractic care and osteoporosis or other ailments.

This doesn't have to be a concern because, with the necessary modifications applied to the individual's condition, chiropractic nurture is being used on a regular basis to alleviate such conditions with no after or side effects.

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Morning tea

A Pink Ribbon Morning Tea will be held on Wednesday, October 31, at a main street shop in Woy Woy.

The morning tea will raise money for the National Breast Cancer Foundation by selling coffee and \$1 cupcakes.

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Website, 23 Oct 2012 Stacey Miller, Pink Ribbon Breakfast

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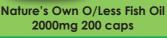
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Each class will prepare a class package for the capsule which will have a contribution from each

Examples of the school uniform

the school will also be placed in the capsule.

Community members are also invited to contribute, as are past students, staff, members of the P and C and special quests.

The capsule will be gas sealed and buried for the next 50 to 100 years, following the school's

commemorative event to be held on Friday, November 23.

A special stone marking the spot of the capsule will be laid above it in the School's commemorative

> Newsletter, 16 Oct 2012 Ona Buckley, Woy Woy Public School

Science lab upgrades

Brisbane Water Secondary College's Umina Campus will receive two upgraded science laboratories thanks to savings from a renegotiation of project management and design fees for school building projects.

Member for Gosford Mr Chris Holstein said that under the previous Labor government, project management and design fees ranged from 11.8 per cent to 14.3 per cent.

"The new rate for building projects announced in the 2012-13 budget will be 8.4 per cent, which means the government can deliver new facilities for schools by passing on those savings of \$8.6 million," said Mr Holstein.

"This investment will support the delivery of science curriculum at Brisbane Water Secondary College.

"This is an example of the government delivering additional new facilities out of the existing capital works program budget," Mr Holstein said.

> Media release, 25 Oct 2012 Chris Holstein, Member for Gosford

Strong results by **Woy Woy South**

A review of results from the National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy has indicated a strong performance by Woy Woy South Public School students in all areas tested.

Principal Mr Terry Greedy said trend data that plots school results over a five year period in each of the key areas of literacy and numeracy have shown a steady rise in overall school results, with Year 3 showing significant gains in

The tests assess student performance in five areas of the curriculum comprising reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation and numeracy.

"In all five areas the growth rates for students from Years 3 to 5 are all above state levels with the school's growth rates being so good that we are ranked in the top four schools in our designated school education group," said Mr

"A number of new programs

and approaches to teaching in literacy and numeracy that have been introduced over the past three years are starting to have a positive impact on the schools

"This is a clear indication of the effectiveness of the programs and reflects the quality of the education being provided for students," he

> Newsletter, 9 Oct 2012 **Terry Greedy, Woy Woy South Public School**

Fun day

A family fun day for Aboriginal children starting Kindergarten next year on the Peninsula will be held at Woy Woy South Primary School hall on Wednesday, November 14, from 9:30am

until 12:30pm

A free sausage sizzle will be held and health information on children starting school will be presented.

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Newsletter, 23 Oct 2012 Colin Wallis, Ettalong **Public School**

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Alex, a Challenge ambassador, also spoke to the students about the importance of physical activity

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Out and About

Little Theatre presents The 39 Steps

The longest running comedy in London's West End began its 10 performance season at **Woy Woy's Peninsula Theatre** on Friday, October 26.

The 39 Steps is based on the well-known Alfred Hitchcock thriller, but has been transformed into a hilarious and thrilling play that won the 2007 Olivier Award for Best New Comedy in London.

A cast of four actors play 139 characters in this production from Woy Woy Little Theatre.

Two Central Coast actors, Duncan Piney and Paul Russell, play a multitude of characters between them, while Martin-John Pemberton plays hero Richard Hannay and Caitlin Shaw dips in and out of disguises as Pamela, Margaret and Annabella Schmidt.

All four are regulars with the 50-year-old theatre group, with Piney last seen as the stalker in Boy Gets Girl.

He has also appeared in Sydney and Melbourne theatre productions, as well as a major part in The Winslow Boy at the Sydney Opera House.

Paul Russell has some 30 years of experience in professional and

community theatre in Brisbane, Perth, Sydney, Newcastle and the Central Coast, where he was seen in Woy Woy Little Theatre's stagings of David Williamson's Influence and

Both Pemberton and Shaw have many shows under their belts, and were last seen on stage in the soldout Woy Woy production of Arsenic and Old Lace earlier this year.

The 39 Steps will run until Sunday, November 11.

> Media Release, 22 Oct 2012 David Wicks.

Woy Woy Little Theatre

Ferries diverted

Due to high winds and tide conditions on Tuesday, October 23, ferry services between Palm Beach, Wagstaffe and Ettalong were diverted.

The ferries were diverted on a limited schedule to Patonga.

The ferry service returned to normal on Wednesday, October 24, when the conditions were deemed

> Email, 22 Oct 2012 Elisabeth Styler, Palm **Beach Ferries**



(Back) Paul Russell and Duncan Piney (Front) Martin Pemberton and Caitlin Shaw

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Cafe accepts rejected sculpture

Peninsula resident Roger Heighington has had his sculpture accepted exhibition at a local cafe after it was rejected for the Gosford Art Prize.

Mr Heighington said he spent two years creating the sculpture called Frill of the City and said he believed it was "a very good sculpture, one of the best I have done".

It will now be on show at the Hatters Tea House at Ettalong.

Frill of the City depicts a stone frilled-neck lizard straddling a symbolic city and was carved from a single piece of stone.

"It is a statement regarding the ultimate triumph of nature over the human built environment," said Mr Heighington.

"I think it is a very relevant piece. "It was created by a local artist and is made from sandstone, a local material.

"We are surrounded by this stone, the hills around us are made from it; it is at the very core of the identity of the Central Coast.

"Furthermore, it is the Year of the Dragon, and the frilled-neck lizard is a real-life Australian dragon.

"I saw the pieces that had been accepted into the art prize, and it was disappointing to see a lack of carved three-dimensional sculptures there.

"Sculpture, as far I'm concerned, is about taking a hunk of raw material and creating something else from it that can inspire other

"Sculpture is a tradition as old as the history of mankind.

"It's had a massive impact on our development as a species.

"If this tradition was lost, it would be nothing less than a tragedy.

"This whole situation makes

me wonder whether traditional sculpture is still valued as an art

"All I wanted was for the piece to be exhibited so that the general public could appreciate it, and think about what it means," said Mr Heighington.

Hatters Tea House ownermanager Ms Annette Backshall

said Hatters Tea House was a big supporter of all things local, "especially the rich pool of talented artists that reside on the Coast and we are very excited about showing this piece".

> Email, 22 Oct 2012 Roger Heighington, Ettalong Photo: Roger Heighington



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Out and About

Church has playgroup vacancies

Umina Uniting Church has a number of vacancies in its Friday morning playgroup for children aged up to five.

The supported playgroup has a team of helpers to assist with morning tea for mums and children, craft, reading of stories and singing.

It has new development and age appropriate equipment for inside and outside play.

The playgroup runs weekly during school term and enquiries should be made to Margaret on 43601890.

The Umina Uniting Church will not hold its annual Spring Fair this year and will instead host a Festival of Christmas on Saturday, December 1.

The Festival will feature the usual stalls along with a display of Christmas decorations.

Anyone wishing to have a table with items for sale, or who would like to display a Christmas decoration should phone Annette on 4341 0803.

Email, 24 Oct 2012 Annette Strong, Umina Uniting Church



Gosford Regional Gallery curator Mr Tim Braham, Gosford mayor Cr Lawrie McKinna, Keiko Matsui and Gosford Regional Gallery assistant curator Sarah Samild

Ceramics winner of Gosford prize

Keiko Matsui of Umina was the ceramics category winner at the Gosford Art Prize exhibition which is on display at the Gosford Regional Gallery until Sunday, November 25.

Ms Matsui's winning Chrysanthemum Vase was made from porcelain on her potter's wheel and hand painted with cobalt.

Japanese by birth, Keiko moved to Australia in 1999 and has been creating functional vessels since 2000.

She studied ceramics at the National Art School in East Sydney and graduated with Honours in 2006.

Gosford mayor Cr Lawrie McKinna congratulated Keiko and asked how long it took her to make a piece like the Chrysanthemum Vase.

"A little over 10 years," said Ms decision for the sake of her family

"I practice almost every day."
Keiko and her family recently
moved to the Central Coast from
Bondi.

Matsui.

"After giving birth last year to my son, Mor, it made me question the quality of life and space," she said.

Having only lived in big cities, Keiko said she was reluctant at first to move out of Sydney.

However, having made the

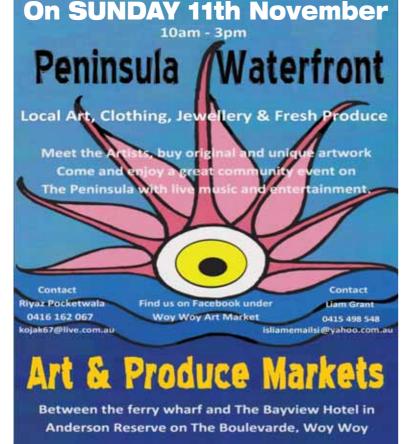
decision for the sake of her family she said she is now embracing her new life style.

Keiko is also in the middle of her first solo exhibition in the Southern Highlands.

The exhibition will run at the Sturt Gallery in Mittagong until Sunday, November 18.

Ms Matsui will also speak at the Gosford Regional Gallery on November 3, at 2pm.

Media Release, 17 Oct 2012 Keiki Matsui, Umina

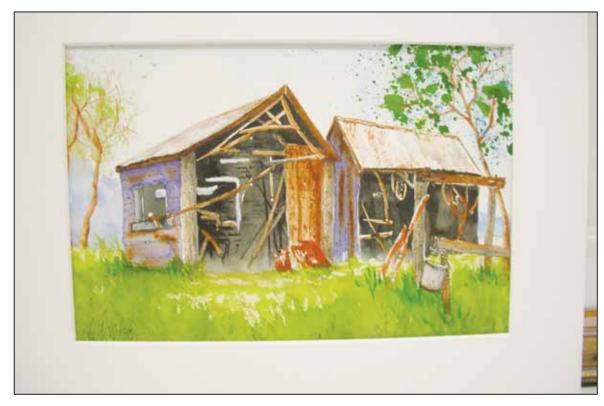








Artist's acrylic media artwork exhibited



Judith's painting, A Country Visit

Camping night for surf club

A night of camping will be held on Friday, November 16, at Ocean Beach Holiday Park to raise money for Umina Surf Life Saving Club.

The \$20 site fee will be donated to the surf club.

Park manager Ms Vanessa Fordyce said: "All you need is \$20, your camping gear and a sense of adventure, we provide the rest,"

"You can bounce around on one of our two jumping pillows, relax in the pool or take the pedal karts for a spin," said Ms Fordyce.

Big Four Holiday Parks marketing general manager Ms Rachel Pugh said the ninth annual camping event would appeal to all holiday makers wanting to try something new and make a difference.

"Camp and Care gives a night of camping at a flat fee of \$20 per site, with the added bonus of knowing the money is going to a local person, group or organisation

Online submission, 3 Oct 2012 Morgan Bailey, BIG4 Holiday Parks

Umina artist Ms Judith Hoste will have her acrylic media artwork exhibited, alongside the work of Bensville resident Ms Jan Butler, at Shorethyme restaurant in Norah Head from Tuesday, November 13, to Thursday, November

Ms Hoste is an award winning artist and teacher and holds classes in oils, watercolours, pastels, acrylics and drawing at

her studio gallery in Glenhaven Close, Umina.

Ms Butler paints in oils, watercolours, pastels and most recently turned her hand to coloured pencils.

Both artists have donated works to charities for fundraising events.

Central Coast Art Society vice-president Ms Fran Melrose will open the exhibition on the Tuesday from 5pm.

Email, 11 Oct 2012 Judith Hoste, Umina Beach







Dut and About





Central Coast Community Energy members at Woy Woy waterfront

Energy association calls for members

The Central Coast Community **Energy Association has been** formed following a number of meetings at the Peninsula **Environment Centre over the** last few months.

The group, which is now calling for members, aims to own and operate renewable energy generation projects on the Central

Coast Community Central Energy will run a series of public forums in conjunction with its ordinary meetings that would be open to the public.

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people with decades of working in the energy sector through to those who have no technical knowledge The first talk is scheduled for but a desire to increase renewable energy" said secretary Mr Jo Muller. "It's really exciting to see what

a broad range of the community is interested in this project."

"Our group is attracting members

from across the Coast, people

from all sorts of backgrounds, from

Mr Muller said that the Central Community Energy Association aims to have at least 1000 members by the end of next year which would allow it to establish a co-operative scheme as the business vehicle to own and operate solar, wind or other renewable energy generation on the Coast.

Executive member Ms Kate da Costa said the group would have a stall at Woytopia on October 28 where people could sign up as members on the spot.

"While it takes time to move to a full commercial community owned project. Central Coast Community Energy plans to start off as soon as possible with a pilot project focusing on a mid-scale, 100kW solar PV array," said Ms da Costa.

Central Coast Community Energy chair Mr Dennis Silvers said the group has begun discussions with councils on the Coast already.

"There is a real strategy for community engagement and moves to renewable energy in both councils, as a way of reducing greenhouse gases, avoiding the carbon price and cutting electricity bills" said Mr Silvers.

The Association will also investigate discounts for members on renewable energy or energy saving products and services, and has contacted TAFE to negotiate special courses for members.

Email, 15 Oct 2012 Jo Muller, Central Coast **Community Energy Association**

Oyster festival at **Ettalong** foreshore

The Brisbane Water Oyster Festival will be held on Sunday, November 11, from 9:30am at the Ettalong Beach foreshore.

The Oyster Festival will offer food, wine, oysters and entertainment to the Peninsula community with the main attraction being the oyster eating competition.

A local radio station will host the competition where 12 people will get to eat as many oysters as they can in 30 seconds.

Breakfast announcer Paddy Gerard will host the two sessions on the day.

The two winners will each receive a lunch for two on a Sydney Harbour cruise boat.

The Oyster Festival was first established to promote the local oyster industry and has grown to include a day full of live entertainment.

Entertainment will be provided by cover band On the Prowl, the Fabba show and DJ Dave.

Activities for children will include the Under the Sea Kidz Zone featuring a jumping castle, face painting, photo booth, amusement rides and show bags.

There will also be horse riding and bungee jumping.

A Wood Chopping Spectacular will be on display near the food court and festival goers can join in to test their skills.

An oyster opening demonstration will also be held by the Hawksbury Oyster Farmers in the food court area.

Media Release, 18 Oct 2012 Deborah Lowndes, goneDot.e group

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Author speaks about new novel

Author John Hughes will speak about his essays and new novel on Thursday, November 8, at Gospel Garden in Umina from 10:30am.

The author event is part of the celebrations for the National Year of Reading with a vote held earlier in the year to pick a book representative for each state.

More than 16,200 readers voted and John Hughes'

essays The Idea of Home was voted the winning title for NSW.

Hughes will speak about the writing process and the publishing process as well as his new novel The Remnants.

Hughes grew up in a migrant household and said he has had a lifelong fascination with Europe and Australia's relationship to it.

He is currently senior master in English and senior librarian at Sydney Grammar School.

The Woy Woy School of Music will hold a concert at Lizottes in Kincumber on Tuesday, October 30, and Wednesday, October 31. "Students have been working

Music school holds concert

hard to prepare pieces to share among fellow learners," said Woy Woy School of Music co-owner Ms Madeline VanDerMast.

"There is no better way to reach out to the community and share the gift of music than to host a night of musical fun and entertainment.

"We're proud to see musicians of all ages participating."

The Woy Woy School of Music will also host an Open Day session on Saturday, January 19.

During the Open Day the Woy Woy School of Music will be offering free lessons for those interested in learning to play, with a variety of musical instruments available.

Email, 22 Oct 2012 Madeline VanDerMast, Woy **Woy School of Music**



Restricted team winners Marcia Lewis,

The Killcare Wagstaffe Trust's banksia photo competition was judged and displayed at the Maitland Bay Centre over the October long weekend.

Robyn Workman was the winner in the digital category for her work Crackneck Craggy while Fiona Lambell won the print category

framed print of their entry.

of the winning entries.

Newsletter, 25 Oct 2012 David Legge, Killcare **Wagstaffe Trust**

Photos judged

with her image titled Banksia. The winners will both receive a

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Jody Swaine, Jack Carson and Anne Reilly

Bridge club holds three events The Brisbane Water Bridge The Restricted Teams Congress

Club held three highly contested events earlier this month. The Spring Pairs was won by

Phyllis Whyte and Louis Koolen followed by Christine Hadaway and Karen Ody in second and Judy Wulff and Marilyn Whigham in third.

The Brisbane Water Bridge Club Teams Championship was won by Norm Berger, John Redfearn, Angela Dougall and Kevin Dougall followed by Susan McCall, Pam Joseph. Rhonda Innes and Kerryn Murray in second place and Nancy Joss, Lorraine Lindsay, Di Coats and Wendy Mitchell in third.

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Public Ettalong School principal Mr Colin Wallis attended a workshop in Warners Bay on Tuesday, October 16, about the formulae for the Resource Allocation Model that will govern school finances from 2013.

"This certainly is a time of rapid change in the Department of Education and Communities but also one of much learning," said Mr Wallis.

Wallis also attended

the Brisbane Water Learning workshop on Community's Wednesday, October 10, about the new English K to 10 syllabus.

"It was a great success and certainly puts our learning community on the front foot with this innovation.

"Jes Zammit is taking a leading role and we are confident our local schools will be well prepared for the introduction in 2014 of the new syllabus," he said.

Newsletter, 16 Oct 2012 Colin Wallis, Ettalong **Public Schools**

Choir presents remembrance concert

The Central Coast Philharmonia Choir will present its Life, Peace and Remembrance concert on Saturday, November 3, at the St John the Baptist Church in Woy Woy from 7:30pm.

The focus of the concert will be the Faure' Requiem, a mass which ranked number three in the ABC Classic French 100.

Other works will include music

by Stephen Leek, Bach and Biebl with the organ played by Christopher Wagstaff.

Soloists will include Umina resident Kyle Williams on bass, who is a member of the University of Newcastle Chamber Choir and soprano Anna Sandstrom, a former Central Coast resident who is now based in London.

Media release, 23 Oct 2012 Monica Bray, Central Coast Philharmonia Choir



Anna Sandstrom

Literacy dav

Ettalong Public School has raised \$300 from its Indigenous Literacy Day held

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Monday October 29

Colour Me Clever, Beachside Family Centre, Umina, 10am-

Tips to Help You Use Your iPad class, Peninsula Community Centre. 9:15am-11:30am

Wednesday October 31

Pink Ribbon Morning Tea, Paper Pens and Printing, 9am-12pm

Friday November 2

Liz Frencham and Gregory Page performance, The Garden, Umina, 7pm

Saturday November 3

Salvation Army Annual Fair, Umina, 8am-2pm

Life, Peace and Rememberance Concert, St John the Baptist Church, Woy Woy, 7:30pm

Sunday November 4

Celebrate in Song workshop, Wadhayi Leisure and Learning Centre, Ettalong, 1-4:30pm

Central Coast Philharmonia Concert, St John the Baptist Church, Woy Woy, 7:30pm

Monday November 5

Colour Me Clever, Beachside Family Centre, Umina, 10am12pm

Wednesday November 7

Umina CWA branch meeting, 10am, Umina CWA Hall

Thursday November 8

Author talk with John Hughes, Gospel Garden Ministry, 11am

Sunday November 11

Bouddi Foundation of the Arts interview with David Williamson, Wagstaffe Hall

Ocean Beach Malibu Club contest, Umina Beach

Brisbane Water Oyster Festival, Ettalong Foreshore, 9:30am

Friday November 16

Camp and Care with BIG4, Umina Beach Holiday Park

Saturday November 17

One Magic Night featuring Eddie Daniels, Woy Woy Leagues

Tuesday November 20

Prostate Cancer information session, Everglades Country Club,

Friday November 23

Woy Woy Public School 100 year celebration day

Saturday November 24

Woy Woy Public School 100 year open day

Ettalong Beach Arts and Craft Centre Annual Christmas Exhibition and Sale, 9am-3pm, Peninsula Community Centre

Sunday November 25

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

Ettalong Beach Arts and Craft Centre Annual Christmas Exhibition and Sale, 9am-4pm, Peninsula Community Centre

Woy Woy Lions Club monthly car boot sale, Dunban RD, Woy Woy, 7am-1pm

Thursday November 29

Central Coast Community Energy Association public forum, Peninsula Environment Centre,

Wednesday December 5

Umina CWA branch meeting, 10am, Umina CWA Hall

Saturday December 8

Discobility, Peninsula Community Centre, 12pm-5pm Umina Boardriders end of year

If you've got something happening on the Peninsula over the next few weeks, let us know about it and we'll list it here for you, for free. Contact details are on page 2. See the Coast Community News for events in post code areas 2250, 2251 & 2260 and the Wyong Regional Chronicle for events in

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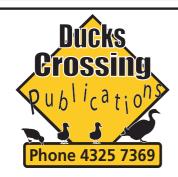
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Woy Woy achieves solid Naplan results

Woy Woy Public School Year 3 students have received the results from their Naplan tests which detail their progress reading, in spelling, writing, grammar and punctuation and numeracy.

Principal Ms Ona Buckley said the Year 3 students "an excellent achieved result" in reading with a mean score of 428.6 which was 2.3 above the state average.

"Our results were also above the region, our same school group and the schools in our learning community," said Ms Buckley.

"The school is very pleased with this result.

"A solid reading program throughout the Kindergarten to Year 2 section has contributed, as well as the introduction of the Reading Recovery program Year 1, Jolly Phonics, the Language Learning and Literacy and Best Start testing for Kindergarten.

"Our job now will be to challenge and support this group of students through to the Year 5 Naplan so they can show solid growth.

"The school target for reading this year was to increase the percentage of Year 3 students achieving at proficient bands (bands five and six) from 27 per cent to 30 per cent; we actually increased it to 49 per cent," said Ms Buckley.

In spelling, Year 3 students achieved a mean score of 400.1 which was 28 below the state average but showed growth from 396 since last year.

"This is positive for the school and shows that the consistent spelling program are implementing throughout the school (K-6) is achieving its purpose," said Ms Buckley.

Year 3 students achieved a 411 mean score in writing which was 14 score points below the state and one point below the region.

"The school will look at the Naplan writing data carefully to assess how we can better support our students to raise results," said Ms Buckley.

"In the grammar and punctuation section, our Year 3 students achieved a mean score of 419.4 points which. compared against all DEC students in NSW, was seven score points below average but from the 2011 results has increased from 390.

"A solid growth for the school.

"In our school plan for the next three years, we have targeted grammar and punctuation as a priority and the school is developing a consistent program of teaching and learning K-6 to target improving our results in this area of literacy," she said.

Year 3 students achieved 390 score points in numeracy which was 15 points below the state and 10 points below all NSW DEC students.

"We have shown a slight decrease on numeracy results for Year 3 for 2012 but have come above our same school group and have achieved just below the region score of 397," said Ms Buckley.

"The school has now put into place a comprehensive maths program (K-6) and we should see our results growing as the program becomes embedded in school practice.

"The school target for Numeracy for Year 3 students was to increase the students achieving at proficient bands (Bands 5 and 6) from 25 per cent to 28 per cent.

"We achieved 36 per cent which is again a good result,"

> Newsletter, 16 Oct 2012 Ona Buckley, Woy **Woy Public School**

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Media release, 24 Oct 2012 Peter McKeon, Bendigo **Bank Ettalong Beach Community Bank Branch**

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The official launch of the Navy Australian Surf Rowers League Series will be at Surfers Paradise on Saturday, November 3.

Media Release, 8 Oct 2012 Darren Saffin, Progressive PR



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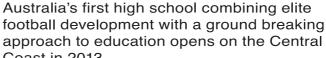
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A supermarket in Woy Woy has been rebranded after it

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franchise.

operating the night before which made for a swift overnight conversion.

Ritchies SUPA IGA supermarket offers a range of items across departments including dairy, frozen and dry groceries with a total of around 15,000 product lines.

The 1600 square metre store also includes a delicatessen which stocks a range of continental gourmet produce.

Around 1000 new product lines have been introduced to the store since the changeover, including an expanded range of cheeses, sauces, oils, biscuits and baked goods to give shoppers more variety.

Ritchies IGA acquisitions and projects manager Mr Paul Papson said he was "really pleased with the conversion, and believe the supermarket will better meet the needs of locals with our extensive range, competitive pricing and excellent customer service".

Supermarket is

rebranded

"Our Woy Woy supermarket is in the same catchment area as our sister stores located a few kilometres away in Erina and Erina Heights, so we will be able to work together to strengthen the support of our local community with both our Ritchies IGA Community Benefit Card and the IGA Community Chest Program," he said.

Ritchies has maintained its 30 staff from the former Franklins supermarket.

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Media release, 24 Oct 2012 Diana Baeuer, City Public Relations

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Junior Roosters' season ends

The Woy Woy Junior Roosters has held its end of season presentation night, with president Mr Tim McParlane summarising the year's activities.

He said the events which helped celebrate the club's 50 year anniversary were all well supported.

"The 50th reunion in June was a great night with a large crowd in attendance to see the Hall of Fame announced.

"Our Development Day held in July with assistance from ARL Development had over 130 participants not only from Woy Woy but also from neighbouring clubs and some boys and girls who don't play rugby league," said Mr McParlane.

"We held the Rite of Passage Night for both our Under-13 teams and our Under-14 team.

"The night included a presentation on social media and illicit drugs in society with the Under-13 boys also being presented with club bags on the night.

"Both Under-13 teams and their coaching staff attended a trip to the State of Origin game in Sydney and the Woy Woy Cup again had good representation from local schools, with a fantastic display of footy all day.

"Our building project of

the new barbecue area was also finally completed, our fundraising and social events were both successful and fun for all who attended and our Rooster Round-Ups continue to be enjoyed by all who attend them."

The club had 266 registered players and fielded 19 teams representing the club in every age group in the CCDJRL competition: one in the Under-7s, 14s and 16s and two in each of the Under-6s, 8s, 9s, 10s, 11s, 12s, 13s and 15s.

A ones team was also fielded in all age groups except for the Under-16s.

Of the 12 teams playing competitive football, five made the semi-finals 10-3s, 11-3s, 12-3s, 13-1s and 15's with the 12-1s narrowly missing out on semifinal berth, finishing in fifth spot on points.

The 10-3s were beaten in the minor semi-finals with the other four teams making the finals.

The 11-3s and 13-1s won their games and the 12-3s and 15-1s were beaten.

The 11-3s and 13-1s were both up against undefeated teams in the grand final and were both successful in winning the premiership.

The club had 16 players chosen in development squads for this year and of those, seven were chosen for representative teams: Max Bovis in the Under-13s; Ryan Donnelly in the Under-14s; Loughlin Kirwan, James Methven, Guy Pearson, Joe Williams and Liam Swan in the Under-15s.

"Two of our players received awards at the CCDJRL presentation night in September."

Max Bovis from the Under-13s was awarded the Best Forward for the Under-13s representative team and was also named Best Player on grand final day for all International Grand Finals.

Kurt Burrell was named Under-16-2s Best and Fairest.

Mr McParlane said: "For our club to function as well

and smoothly as it does the contribution of funds and time from a number of organisations and individuals is required and very much appreciated."

He thanked sponsors, committee members, ground managers, First Aid officers, coaches, managers, trainers, parents, guardians, carers, supporters and players.

Mr McParlane said: "The 2013 season ahead looks to be a promising one for the Roosters."

He said the club would be fielding competitive teams in all age groups.

There was the possibility of a larger number of players being chosen in representative squads and more teams reaching grand finals.

The year would also the start of a relationship with the Easts Group and in particular the Sydney Roosters "which is very exciting", said Mr McParlane.

Major award winners were: 6 Gold: Bailey Chislett, 6 Green: Eden Wolfe, 7 Green: Beau Phillips, 8 White: Brayden Purcell, 8 Green: Toby Pymble, 9 Gold: Cooper Staunton, 9-1s: Scott Mateer and Nathan Redhead, 10-1s: Mino Polaia, 10-3s: Joel Saley, 11-1s: Jack Young, 11-3s: Issac Zadravic, 12-3s: Mitchell Wright, 13-1s: Luke Moore, 13-2s: Cooper Lovell, 14-1s: Matt Purcell and Max Edwards, 15-1s: Joe Williams, 15-2s: Harry Newcombe

16-2s: Kurt Burrell.

Under-15s Players' Player awards were won by: Dean Sullivan 15-2s, Sam Bovis15-1s Under-16's Players' Player: Kurt Burrell

President's Award Most Improved International Player:

Matt Purcell 14-1s

President's Award Most Improved Under-16s: Jordan Wynberg

Mini Player with Mos Potential: Scott Mateer 9-1s

Mod Player with Most Potential: John Saley 12-1s

International Player with Most Potential: James Methven 15-1s Club Person of the Year: Rachael Harrington

Coach Of The Year: John Faulkner 11-3s

100 Games: CJ Ellis, Ethan Church, Issac Jones, Luke Besley, Kyle Mclean, Michael Kirwan, Loughlin Kirwan, Mitch Richardson, Lewis Laycock, Mitch Morgan, Jarrod Lynch, Sam Bovis, Nathan Bawden, Josh Sharma, Pat Thompson, Josh Richardson

150 Games: Ryan Jewiss.

Dedicated Player Award – 10 Years of Service: Aaron Redhead (2011), Dean Sullivan (2011), Ryan Jewiss, Braidon Little, Josh Richardson

Dedicated Club Service Award – Junior Life Membership: Aaron Redhead

2013 Club Captain: Sean Downey

Media release, 16 Oct 2012 Tim McParlane, Woy Woy Junior Roosters Rugby League Club





James Methven receiving International Player with the Most Potential trophy from Ken Fuller Woy Woy Juniors Hall of Fame Player





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Floorball played at Dural

Floorball Club Peninsula members played in the Beaches Open Northern Competition in Dural on Saturday, October 6.

The juniors had the opportunity to play against other clubs from Newcastle and Victoria.

"They had a fantastic, fun-

filled day with lots of experience

gained," said Peninsula Floorball

Club junior coordinator Ms Tanya

"The Peninsula Floorball club

"Floorball is a fast-paced fun

sport, a game that everyone loves and is often described as ice

hockey without the ice," said Ms

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competitions held on Tuesdays

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Email, 20 Oct 2012 Tanya Watson, Peninsula

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Women win bowls cup

For the first time in six years, the Everglades Country Club women's bowls have taken home the prestigious Challenge Cup, a District trophy contested by clubs throughout the Central Coast.

The winners were Jan Jones,

Sharyn Teasdale, Colleen Vrolyks and Ros Sinnott.

As the defending champions Everglades Country Club in Woy Woy will be hosting this event next

> Email, 12 Oct 2012 Simone Clarke, Everglades **Bowling Club**





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Glassy waves for Malibu contest

Glassy two to three foot waves were surfed at this month's Ocean Beach Malibu Club's contest at Umina on Sunday, October 14.

Hayden Emery turned in one of his best performances to outpoint Kai Ellice-Flint in the round two battle of the firsts.

Ben Scully-Hawkins took out third place ahead of Craig Coulton and Chris Irwin.

Bryce Williams, who would normally be in the mix in the firsts, arrived for his round one heat with about a minute and a half remaining which relegated him to surf the final round of the day which he won from Hayden Wellington and John Payne.

Garry "Hands" Halliday had a comfortable win in the seconds from Tom Payne and Pete Wellington while Daniel "Dickie" Summers had a close tussle with Mark Rylands and Dave Moulton in the thirds.

Craig Palmer was successful in the fourths from Billy Burke and Daryl "Ozzie" Anderson in what was a close contest.

Round one, heat one: Chris Irwin, Daniel Ambler, Dave Wirth, Mick Day, Liz Ambler

Heat two: Craig Coulton, Tom

Payne, Dave Moulton, Craig Palmer, Angus O'Malley.

Heat three: Kai Ellice-Flint, Darrell Young, Mark Rylands, Bill Burke, Hayden Wellington.

Heat four. Ben Scully-Hawkins, Peter Wellington, Daniel Summers, Cyndi Zoranovic, John Payne, Darren McIntosh.

Heat five. Hayden Emery, Garry Halliday, Lachlan Mackay, Daryl Anderson, Bryce Williams.

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The next Ocean Beach Malibu Contest is scheduled for Sunday, November 11, at Umina.

Media release, 23 Oct 2012 Craig Coulton, Ocean Beach Malibu Club **Photo: Tony Gilbert**



12 year old Lachlan Mackay

Woy Woy South Wipe-out

Woy Woy South Public be set up across the playground. School P and C is currently planning the school's Wipeout event which will take place on Friday, November

Students will have the opportunity to participate in a number of water activities that will

The event is the school's major fundraiser.

Principal Mr Terry Greedy said the success of the day would rely heavily on the number of parents who volunteered to help the P and C organise the activities and the effort the children are prepared to

All money raised as part of the event will go toward enhancing the learning environment for the students.

"In past years this has been a huge day for all involved," said Mr Greedy.

> Newsletter, 9 Oct 2012 Terry Greedy, Woy Woy South Public School



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