

Local fishing operators may close with law changes

Peninsula residents wanting to buy local seafood from local retailers may soon not be able to do so, as changes to commercial fishing in NSW cut in, according to a Patonga fisherman from a family with more than 40 years in the industry.

Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast, Mr Scot MacDonald, has said the changes would support local fishers and ensure the supply of locally caught, high quality seafood continued into the future.

However, fisherman Mr Dane Van Der Neut said the opposite was true and he believed the changes could be the death knell for local operators.

He said at least four of six operators in Patonga were under threat.

Mr Van Der Neut said he had been fishing for a living for 10 years and his father had been working in the industry out of Patonga for over 40 years.

"He spent the past three decades fighting for his job through consecutive governments," he said.

Mr Van Der Neut said the latest NSW Government reform package was about corporatising the industry and targeting export markets.

Mr MacDonald said the key changes would see the NSW Government investing in fishing businesses and providing local fishers with the tools to better manage their business and ensure what is caught continues to be done so sustainably.

"The changes will provide more certainty and support for fishers to invest in their businesses, and cement the future of the commercial fishing industry for years to come," he said.

Mr Van Der Neut, who fishes Hawkesbury River squid and Broken Bay school prawns, said estuary prawn trawl fishers have been given until July 2017 to raise their minimum shareholding to 200 or they will not be able to access their fisheries.

"There is no guarantee that those shares will be available.

"We have been given no guarantee of any access at all because, in 2019, a committee will



Patonga commercial fisherman Mr Dane Van Der Neut on Broken Bay

be established to determine how many boats should be left fishing," he said.

"There are different issues with different governments," he said.

"Labor Governments are predominantly green, whereas the Liberal and National Governments are more about corporatising, removing the smaller operators who support the local communities and turning them into larger businesses, moving them into larger ports and starting to work on export deals."

According to Mr Van Der Neut, the latest NSW Government reforms "were asked for by a minority group in the industry who wanted to link their shares to the amount they could catch."

"Some of that minority group had good intentions, they wanted to buy more shares and run more traps or more nets."

"Ultimately what happened is the process got hijacked by a smaller minority group who had been buying up shares for years."

He said the industry was now split between active fishers and "latent endorsements" who may hold a certain class of shares (such as for crab pots) but are not actively fishing.

He said the NSW Government has used the catch history of active fishermen to come up with its caps on kilos allowed to be caught per

day.

"Then they've redistributed the efforts of those active fishers in a Communist way over all the shares in a share class so now the active fisher's shares have a lot less value," he said.

Mr Van Der Neut uses the example of a five-member family who operated as a combine.

Their combined catch in the last year was 25 tonne of mud crabs.

Under the new rules their quota has been capped at 1400kg per fisher or a combined quote of seven tonne which means their business is no longer sustainable.

If that family is forced to sell its shares and exit the industry, there's nothing stopping someone with a latent endorsement from buying up their shares and then profiting from the demise of the active fishers.

"At this point of time, we import 87 per cent of the fish products we eat but I will be shocked if in 10 years' time you will be able to purchase locally caught seafood."

"This sort of reform has already happened in the lobster industry in NSW where you already have catch shares linked to a quota."

"I have already read reports from places like Columbia and smaller fishers are forced out of the industry through increased prices and after that it gets consolidated."

"When governments start to talk about sustainability we are talking

about the amount of fish we take out of the ocean.

"That is the worst type of management we can do."

"The public does not understand that every time you have a shower, wash up, wash clothes that have micro plastics in them, that all goes in the drain and into fish habitat so while we are restricting what we can take out of the water we are still impacting on fish productivity."

"Commercial fishing is one of the only user groups of the marine environment that have a fishery management strategy underpinned by environmental impact studies."

"We've got all that."

"We also have the tick of sustainability."

"The only thing we don't have the tick for is export which is a good thing from my point of view because it keeps seafood in the local community."

According to Mr Van Der Neut around six commercial fishers are still operating out of Patonga and most are sole traders.

"My dad got shares a long time ago because he was in business pre-dating any reform."

"With most businesses you can make an educated gamble on the business, on what you are buying, there are no guarantees out of this."

"It is just a gamble that we will be buying more or less guaranteed access until 2019 and in 2019

we may have to do it all over again and the difference will be the Government in 2019 won't need new regulations to make the changes, they will already be in place."

"My belief is it is all about export and I feel what is happening is other countries overseas want our product to be on their tables and I don't blame them because we have the best seafood."

"But the consumer is going to lose if they don't wake up and do something about it."

"Commercial fishermen per electorate are in minute numbers so we don't stand a chance politically so we need to tell the consumers to tell their MPs to look after our seafood."

"In 2017 we won't know how many commercial fishers will be endorsed because we don't know how many shares are available."

"There are only two fishers in Patonga as we speak with enough shares."

"So if the shares are available we might see those existing fishers continue, that is of course if they can access the funds to buy those shares because what this will do is increase the share price beyond our range."

According to Mr MacDonald, the new program will give fishers the option to grow their business or choose to exit the industry "through a range of supportive measures including: low-rate loans; grants for retraining or for independent business advice; subsidies for buyers and sellers of shares; or fixed payments of \$20,000 for fishing business buyouts."

The NSW Government has also extended its cap on management fees.

Assistance is also available for fishing cooperatives.

The NSW Government will also invest \$400,000 as part of a campaign to promote NSW caught seafood as sustainable and fresh and work with industry to implement an origin- labelling scheme for cooked seafood across the state.

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Hannah Eves, office of

Scot MacDonald

Interview, 7 Jun 2016

Dane Van Der Neut, Woy Woy

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Storm brings 261mm of rain

A total of 261mm of rain fell in just two days as storms lashed the Peninsula on June 5 and 6.

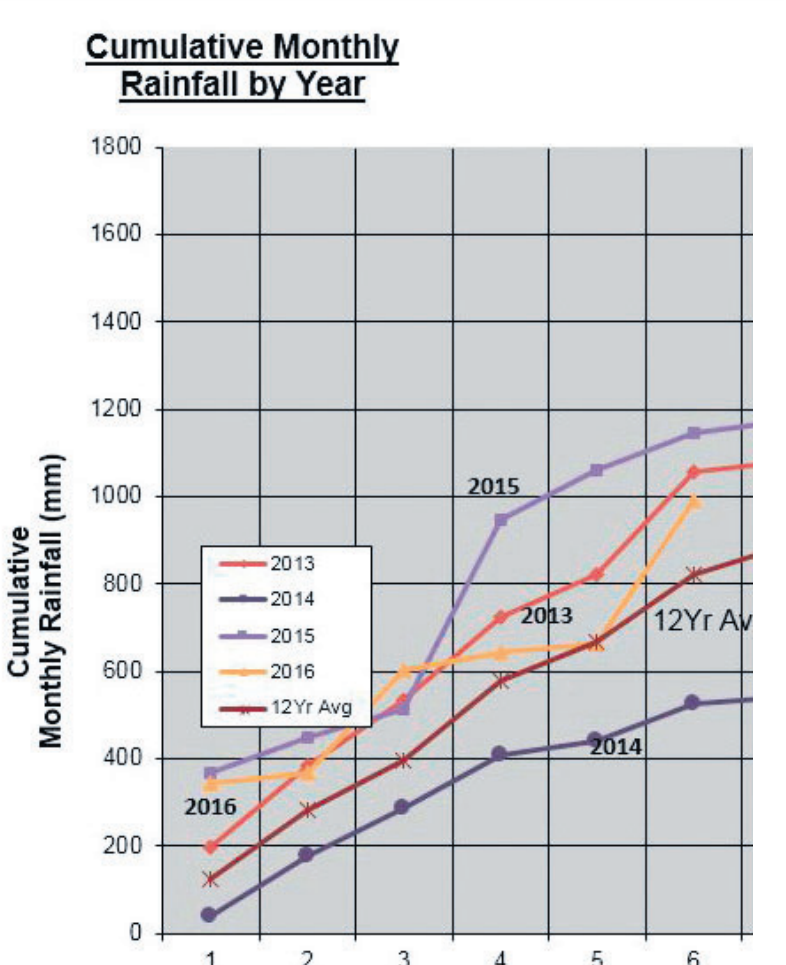
A total of 150.2mm was recorded in the 24 hours to 9am on June 5 by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy.

Another 110.7mm was recorded in the 24 hours to 9am on June 6.

This month's rainfall stands at 329.5mm, which is more than twice the average monthly rainfall of 155m.

It brings the year-to-date total to 992mm, which is 20.7 per cent more than the average cumulative total of 822mm at the end of June.

Spreadsheet, 10 Jun 2016
Jim Morrison, Woy Woy



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Peninsula News and the Hunter Valley Gardens would like to offer one lucky reader a family pass to Snow Time in the Garden.

Hunter Valley Gardens is renowned for hosting a range of family events and this year's Snow Time in the Garden is pulling out all the stops.

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The Snow Time Play Zone area is almost double the size it was last year, the Ice Toboggan almost double the length and the ice skating rink 20 per cent larger so this year Snow Time is even more fun for the school holidays.

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To be in the draw to win the family pass, write your name, address and a daytime phone number on the back of an envelope and mail it to Peninsula News Snow Time Competition, PO Box 1056, Gosford, NSW, 2250.

Entries close 5pm on Thursday, June 23.

The winners of the Peninsula News Eurogliders competition were: Julie Keys of Umina; Vicki Randle of Ettalong; Anne Poremskis of Ettalong; and Jennifer Symes of Woy Woy.

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Hearing date given for sale of Brisbane Ave reserve

The potential reclassification and sale of the public reserve on Brisbane Ave in Umina has been listed for public hearing on Wednesday, July 6.

The reclassification was proposed as part of the Land Sale Strategy by the former Gosford Council that is continuing under the new Central Coast Council.

Ms Amie Raz, whose home backs on to the reserve, said she would not have known about the public hearing if it had not been posted on facebook by Save Central Coast Reserves organiser, Ms Sue Chidgey.

She said it had been advertised on page 63 of the Central Coast Express Advocate in small and faint type.

Ms Raz said she, or her husband Dan, hoped to speak at the public hearing in favour of retaining the Brisbane Ave reserve as community land.

"Residents in this area are upset about the fact the reserve could be built on," Ms Raz said.

"A lot of people moved here because of that reserve," she said.

The reserve, according to Ms Raz, included established native trees and was home to a variety of birds, possums and lizards.

When the couple purchased their home in Bathurst St 12 years ago they were told by a representative of Gosford Council



The reserve provides the neighbourhood's children with a safe place to play

that the reserve would never be sold or built on because it had been bequeathed to the council by a previous owner to remain as green space.

"Other people have been told the same story but we didn't get anything in writing and can't trace any evidence for those statements," she said.

The three Raz children and their neighbourhood friends all use the reserve as a play area and neighbours walk their dogs through the two blocks that make up the reserve.

"It extends the back yards for the neighbourhood kids and gives them an old-fashioned childhood where they can explore and stay off their computers," she said.

"We would like to see it remain as it is," she said.

Save Central Coast Reserves

has been campaigning against the former Gosford Council's land sale strategy since September.

Organiser Ms Sue Chidgey said she discovered "by accident" that the Central Coast Council had set the date for the first public hearings.

According to Ms Chidgey, although many groups have been actively engaging with the former Gosford Council about their concerns on this matter, "there appears to have been no effort to advise those groups of the upcoming public hearings".

"Although we are sure that council has met their requirements in terms of notification about the public meetings, it is disappointing that there was no communication with those groups that have been actively trying to engage with council on this matter," she said.

"It took nearly nine months to get the council to list the sites on their website.

"In addition, council refused to provide the terms of reference for the independent consultant engaged to assess each parcel of land that was listed for reclassification and potential sale," she said.

The first public hearing will be held on July 6 with two time slots available: 12pm to 2pm and 4pm to 6pm, and will deal with 10 of the 25 sites being considered for reclassification.

Brisbane Ave Umina is the only Peninsula site included in the first batch of 10 reserves.

"We are calling on the council to schedule the public hearing to allow one daytime meeting and one meeting in the evening when more people are likely to be able to

participate," Ms Chidgey said.

Ms Jane Smith, from the Community Environment Network (CEN) said she was concerned that many communities still did not know that their urban reserve, park or green space was threatened with reclassification and sell-off.

"Many of these reserves and areas of open space are important for environmental and social reasons," Ms Smith said.

"It's important that local neighbourhoods know now what council is intending to do so that they can provide input into how these spaces are valued by local communities," she said.

"We are hopeful that the public hearings will at least fill in some of these gaps in information and put on the table what process the council has followed so far," Ms Smith said.

The reserve is at 83 Brisbane Ave, lot 195 DP 9894 and 85 Brisbane Ave, lot 196 DP 9894 Umina.

The public hearings will be held in the Erina Room, Erina Centre (adjacent to the Erina Library).

Written submissions will be accepted by coast Council for 14 days from the date of the hearing.

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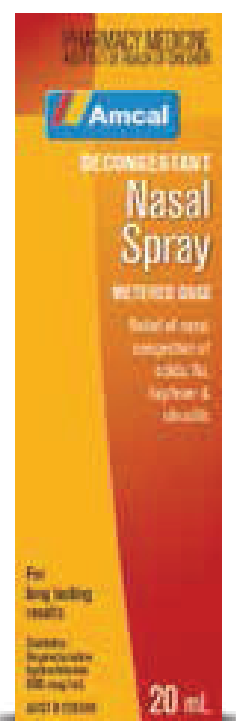
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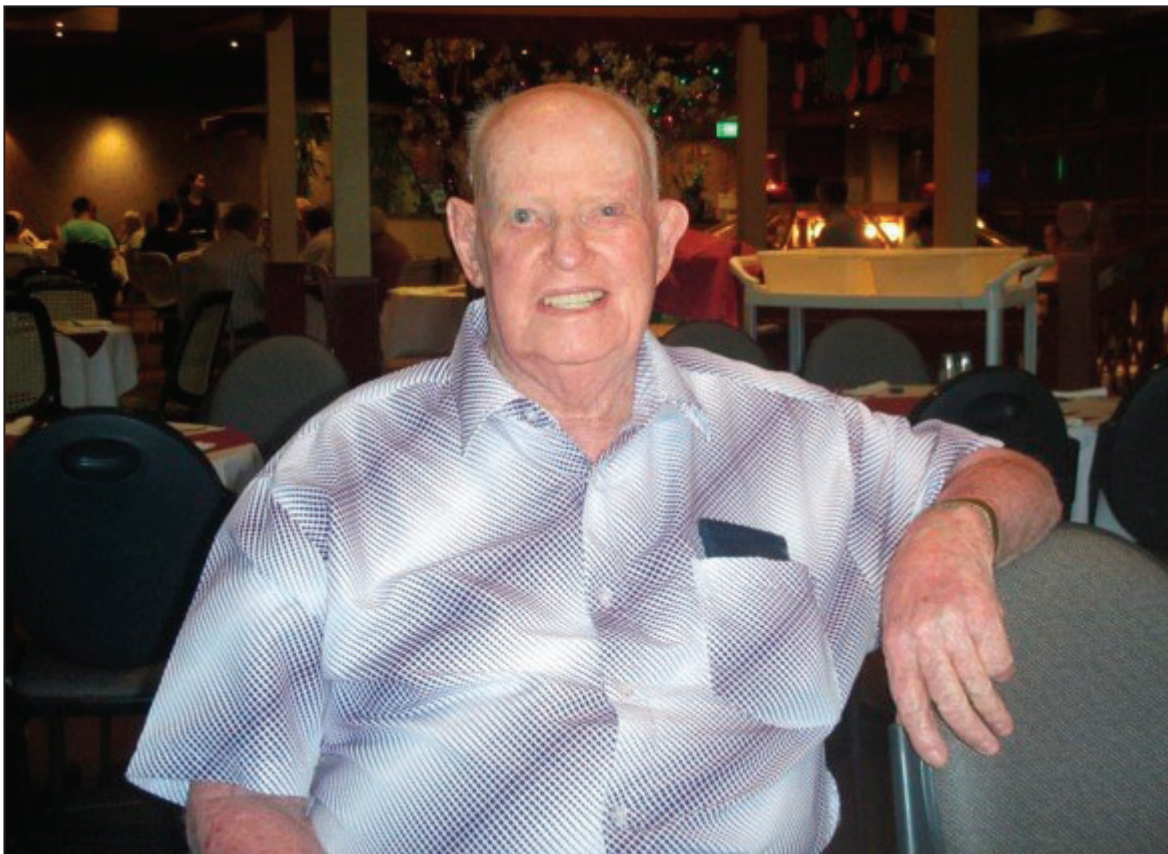
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Mr Charles Sproul, 90, of Patonga

Charles Sproul turns 90

Mr Charles Sproul BEM, one of Patonga's oldest residents, celebrated his 90th birthday on May 22 at the Central Coast Leagues Club.

Mr Sproul was born to Alf and Jane Sproul in 1926, in what was

then the isolated town of Patonga.

After leaving school Mr Sproul worked in a variety of professions including as a fisherman, ferry driver and cabinet maker.

Mr Sproul then served in the RAAF construction squadron for 25 years.

He returned to professional

fishing at the conclusion of his service up until his retirement.

In his free time, Mr Sproul now enjoys walking along Patonga Beach.

Email, 29 May 2016
Kathryn Sproul, Patonga

Strike delays rubbish collection

A strike by waste operators employed by the Central Coast Council's current waste services contractor, Remondis, has resulted in domestic bins going uncollected in some areas of the Peninsula since Friday, June 3.

The workers decided to strike from Thursday, June 2 following failed attempts to encourage Central Coast Council to include clauses in its next waste tender documents to protect the jobs and conditions of the existing contractor's employees.

The operators voted to return to work on June 7 but there were expected to be delays in collections for the remainder of the week as they caught up from the industrial action.

"The drivers are already back on the job and have started with bin collections from last Thursday (when the strike began) and will

work to catch up what has been missed since then," said Central Coast Council administrator, Mr Ian Reynolds.

Mr Reynolds said the end of industrial action would come as a relief to residents.

"I am pleased for residents this strike is finally over and they now have surety their bin will be picked up," Mr Reynolds said.

"Council's role here has always been to ensure we have a reliable and efficient waste and recycling service for our 331,000 residents and that will not change.

"My door is always open to those willing to deliver that for our community."

Residents should leave their bin out on the kerb until it is collected by Remondis drivers.

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Media release, 7 Jun 2016
Ian Reynolds, Central Coast Council

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Flood group reports extensive flooding

The storms on June 4 and 5 brought wind, rain and extensive flooding to the Peninsula, according to Mr Tony Maddern, founder of the Peninsula Flood Group.

Mr Maddern addressed the new Central Coast Council about the ongoing flooding of many Peninsula neighbourhoods.

"Many photos and films were taken which really highlight the problem and causes," Mr Maddern said.

"The usual streets, Lovell Rd, Veron Rd, Connex Ave and Shepherd St were flooded.

"Mackenzie Ave and Onslow Ave were flooded to the point where residents on the western side of Mackenzie/Onslow were unable to leave their homes and the SES had to help a family late on Sunday night.

"Motorists generally acted sensibly and avoided driving down flooded roads however, we did have problems with several four-wheel-drive drivers joyriding down our streets.

"Not only does this cause more damage to residents' homes, it is dangerous and reckless behaviour.

"Residents were pleased that there were few cars that became stranded over the weekend.

"A blue utility and a light truck became stranded after driving into culverts in Onslow Ave and Winifred Ave, which they were unable to see due to flooding.



Left: Flooding on Veron Rd, Woy Woy, on June 4



Right: Corner of Veron Rd and Sea St on June 5

"Residents would like to remind the community that if there is a water over road sign in a street, or if the road is flooded and you can't see the road, avoid travelling down the street unless you live in the street, or there is absolutely no other route to your destination.

"Several streets, such as Onslow Ave and Winifred Ave have culverts that are deep and can't be seen when flooded.

"Drivers are reminded to be aware of these, especially if unfamiliar with an area to avoid the fate of the truck driver pictured."

Mr Maddern called on the

council to immediately have the main drain at Everglades cleared of all weeds and debris.

He said this work had been scheduled by the former Gosford Council to commence in August but asked council to have the work completed by September.

"We need our drainage completely overhauled," he said.

"It was built over 40 years ago for houses with big back yards and now the drainage system cannot cope with the demands put on it and must be addressed," he said.

Mr Maddern said the Peninsula

Flood Group wanted to work with the Central Coast Council to lobby the NSW to get funding so the renewal of drainage on the Peninsula could be completed and ongoing flooding issues resolved.

The next meeting for the Peninsula Flood Group will be on Tuesday, June 14 at the Everglades Country Club from 7pm.

Member for Robertson, Ms Lucy Wicks has been invited to the meeting to discuss ideas and funding options.

A petition has been created asking for the drainage system on the Peninsula to be upgraded and

the group is urging all residents to show support.

The petition will be put in some local businesses and members of the group will be visiting residents at home with the petitions.

"It is important for people to sign this petition and be counted, even if their street is not affected by flooding, as the upgrading of our storm water drainage will also make the upgrading of our roads possible," he said.

Email, 9 Jun 2016
Tony Maddern, Peninsula Flood Group



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Truck in ditch on flooded Winifred Avenue, June 5

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Council should act on flooding, says Chamber

Council promises action on flooding

The Peninsula has a unique set of land constraints that exacerbate flash flooding, according to Central Coast Council's manager of sustainable corporate and city planning, Mr Matthew Prendergast.

"This flooding is caused by a combination of heavy rainfall and king tides," Mr Prendergast said.

"Our crews regularly clear stormwater drains on the Peninsula, with drains between

Veron Rd and the Everglades main drain cleared in the last 12 months.

"Further work to remove sediment, vegetation and any other blockages from the Everglades main drain is expected to start as soon as possible, and will include work between Ryans Rd and the local high school.

"A flood study for the Peninsula has been prepared and we are now looking to develop a Woy Woy Urban Water Management Plan as part of ongoing floodplain risk management planning for the

area.

"This plan will help identify short, medium and long term strategies to manage flooding and drainage infrastructure.

"Council is also investigating whether an Early Warning Network Alert and Flood Forecasting System could be used to help predict when major storms will occur so that it can better prepare in advance," Mr Prendergast said.

Media statement, 10 Jun 2016
Matthew Prendergast,
Central Coast Council

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has called on the Central Coast Council to take immediate action to alleviate flooding across Peninsula streets following wild weather on the weekend of June 4 and 5.

Peninsula Chamber of Commerce president, Mr Matthew Wales, said it was unacceptable for Peninsula residents and businesses to put up with the ongoing flooding that plagues the area.

"It's not just during severe weather that the flooding happens," Mr Wales said.

"It now occurs whenever we get rain," he said.

"The Chamber is calling on the new Central Coast Council to conduct an urgent review of available funding to ensure that more money is directed

to fixing the trunk drainage problems particularly in the West Umina and Everglades drainage catchments," Mr Wales said.

"I experienced first-hand the substandard conditions that residents had to put up with this weekend particularly in Lovell Rd, Shepherd St and from MacKenzie Ave to Dorothy Ave.

"It was absolutely appalling," he said.

As 80 per cent of Peninsula streets were documented as being unkerbed with limited drainage, Mr Wales said it was "about time that a serious effort was made to target state and federal funding to ensure that the fundamental drainage problems are fixed."

Mr Wales said he noted that while the Central Coast Council has a backlog of infrastructure works, Peninsula residents deserved "better than this."



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"Public meetings help residents vent their frustration and working committees are fine, but what we really need is more money and a commitment from all levels of government to resolve the backlog of infrastructure projects," he said.

"There's an old saying floating around the Peninsula nowadays which goes 'we used to drive on the left hand side of the road, now we drive on what's left of the road'," Mr Wales said.

Media release, 5 June 2016
Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

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ACF branch calls for flood model for a changing climate

Central Coast Council should reveal its flood modelling assumptions and discuss them with the public, following recent flooding on the Woy Woy Peninsula, according to the Central Coast branch of the Australian Conservation Foundation.

Branch president Mr John Wiggin said it was important that these assumptions were discussed, before decisions were made about solutions proposed to alleviate the situation.

"The history of council planning on the Peninsula is one of looking in the rear view mirror," said Mr Wiggin.

"Planning for life in a changing climate relies on the accuracy of our projections and the modelling of changed conditions.

"We have looked back at the past and expected the same for the future.

"Our projections have been based on more of the same, refined only by the accumulation of data as the years roll by, to be inserted in the same linear models."

Mr Wiggin said that the name "The Everglades" was instructive.

The Peninsula had been a wetlands since before white settlement and, with climate

change, was likely to be so.

He said that environmentalists had called for the restoration of Teatree Creek, which council engineers refer to as the Everglades main drain, at the time Kahibah Creek was restored several years ago.

The methods used were effective in providing drainage while maintaining the endangered bushland, through which it passed.

Teatree Creek needed similar treatment.

He said Teatree Creek was bordered by Umina Coastal Sandplain Woodland along its length, including in the secondary college grounds, on private land near the corner of Hillview St and Veron Rd, and at the Burrawang Reserve which fronts Railway and Hillview Sts.

Mr Wiggin said the council had given much lip-service to "water-sensitive urban design", but there was little evidence on the Peninsula that these words meant anything in practice or that the "infiltration devices" used by the council had any demonstrable effect.

He said that the council was ignoring the reality of climate change and was continuing to excuse its policies and performance on the basis of "exceptional" occurrences – usually labelled as "recent storm events".



June flooding

"The concept of 1-in-100 year flooding ('1% AEP') only makes sense in rear-view-mirror linear modelling," Mr Wiggin said.

"With climate change already showing its impact, we are having 1% AEP events at the frequency of 20% AEP events.

"When flooding rarely happens, it is easy to dismiss a local flood, such as at Lovell St, as just a 'local blackspot drainage problem'."

"When they become more common, it is clear that Lovell St is not an isolated example.

"They are now happening in residential streets all over the Peninsula and are disrupting traffic

on major thoroughfares such as Hillview St and Veron Rd, which will be even more heavily trafficked when the Bull's Hill rail underpass eventually comes on line.

Mr Wiggin said that the models needed to change.

"Static models that predict a 20mm flood level rise at Lovell St in a climate that results in a 900mm sea level rise do not make sense.

"By the council's own admission (in a letter from mayor McKinna to local residents), these floods are the result of circumstances not seen before or at least very infrequently.

"We are entering a new era and a new approach is needed, with the acknowledgement that areas that were not previously flood liable will soon fall within the historic definition."

Mr Wiggin said that the council needed to look again at the way it interpreted its data.

"Any action needs to be predicated on an admission of the predicament that we are in.

"A denial of this will only lead to solutions that will not address the problem, and will ultimately be a waste of our money and will cause more distress to our community than necessary.

He said the council should review its town planning approach: "Planning requirements cannot

sustain a backward-looking approach."

He said that secondary dwellings were a case in point.

"With onsite detention systems designed around historic flood frequencies, it will only exacerbate the problem.

"In any case, they create more runoff due to the associated paved ground for driveways and pedestrian access, irrespective of limits to floor area, and no measures are put in place to deal with this."

Mr Wiggin said that the council seemed to forget that drainage "assets" on the Peninsula actually belonged to the ratepayers.

"They do not belong to the council. The council, at best, holds them in trust for us.

"It is hard to believe that there is any genuine concern for the Peninsula when the council has a track record of milking the unsophisticated Peninsula community of millions of dollars earmarked for drainage ... and diverts it to influential and luxurious areas such as Terrigal.

"While the drainage backlog in the Gosford remains at \$175 million in annual budget of \$300 million, it is clear that the council has no serious intention of addressing this issue effectively."

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John Wiggin, ACF Central Coast

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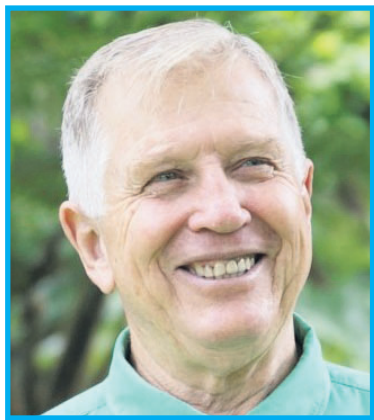


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.....because I strongly support Central Coast plans for: youth; homeless; ADF veterans; 10 year road plan; fast NBN jobs generation; community-wide plan for development of Gosford and the Centrak Coast

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Lucy Wicks

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(ii) Liberals support 15% GST, abolish penalty rates, cut schools & hospitals, cut Medicare, cut dental ... cut everything 'public'

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(iv) Have provided NOTHING locally worthwhile ... no new 10 year plan for Central Coast roads, no Youth Plan, no all-fibre NBN plan for jobs on the Central Coast. No attempt to unite the community in a community-generated plan for the development of the Central Coast.

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Hillary Morris

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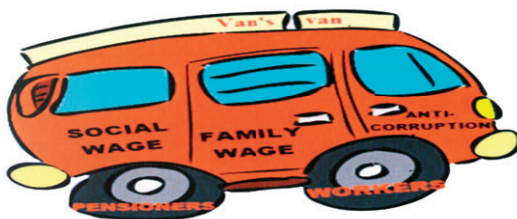
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News



Clean-up crew at pearl Beach after June 4 and 5 storms

Ettalong and Patonga most affected

Ettalong and Patonga were among the areas most affected by the East Coast Low that hit on the weekend of June 4 and 5, according to Central Coast Council.

The rainfall gave dam levels a significant boost capturing more than five weeks supply of water for the Central Coast region.

The council's team leader of beach lifeguards, Mr Craig Healy, said: "The wild weather washed plenty of sand and other debris into nearby car parks, public reserves and other areas along the coastline."

Mr Healy said local surf clubs, footpaths, seawalls and access ramps in the vicinity of a number of

beaches were also damaged.

Local roads closed due to flooding damages will also require repair.

The clean-up was expected to last for the whole week after the storms.

**Media release, 7 Jun 2016
Craig Healy, Central Coast Council
Photo: Noel Fisher**

Comment wanted for 'urban edge' review

Central Coast Council is seeking public comment as it proceeds with its Environmental and Urban Edge Zone Review.

It is calling on around 3000 landowners in the region's south to help it identify the most appropriate zoning for land that was deferred from the Gosford Local Environment Plan in 2014.

Manager of sustainable corporate and city planning, Mr Matthew Prendergast said the Review would strike the right balance between protecting important environmental areas and managing the future growth expected across the region.

"Our aim is to identify land with significant environmental value that needs to be safeguarded and ensure urban growth is managed and delivered in the right areas where vital services, facilities and other infrastructure can be accessed," Mr Prendergast said.

"By confirming the most appropriate zoning for these deferred lands, we will be able to update the Local Environment Plan, fulfil the NSW Government's planning requirements and give many landowners more certainty.

"Feedback from landowners and the wider community is a key

part of this review."

A dedicated site on Council's Have Your Say consultation hub has been created with plenty of detailed information and ways to get involved, as well as an interactive mapping tool for the review area.

Visit www.haveyoursaycentralcoast.com.au and click on the link to the Environmental and Urban Edge Zone Review.

"As part of this process we are considering the principles and recommendations that came out of the review of environmental zones on the far north coast of NSW," Mr Prendergast said.

"Plus, the community can be assured that Council's vast Coastal Open Space System, which currently includes over 2500 hectares of land across the former Gosford City, is protected and is not being reviewed as part of this process.

"We are working with the NSW Government, in particular the NSW Minister for Planning, to get the best outcome for the community and Council when it comes to safeguarding COSS land."

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Matthew Prendergast,
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Butchers closes after 28 years

Peter Hutton and Son Family Butchers is closing down after 28 years of servicing Ettalong.

The Hutton family purchased the business in 1988 and according to Ms Jenny Hutton it was her late husband Peter's pride and passion.

"He was a sociable character who loved serving the community and making lasting friendships through the business and his work," Ms Hutton said.

"Our son Robert came into the business from school and with his dad they provided Ettalong with

quality meat.

"Peter's sudden death in 2013 was a shock to us all.

"Since then we have continued in the tradition Peter expected, with Rob bringing innovation and new ideas to the business.

"But it's time for a new chapter," Ms Dutton said.

The Dutton family thanked their loyal customers for their patronage, friendship and laughter over the years.

Email, 1 Jun 2016
Jenny Hutton, Ettalong



McEvoy Oval at Umina

Council plan about jobs and growth, and quality of life

The Central Coast Council's first draft Operation Plan 2016-17 includes a plan to upgrade McEvoy Oval in Umina.

"Everything we are doing is designed to improve the quality of life for our residents, while helping to create jobs and opportunities for our growing community," said Council chief Mr Rob Noble.

The Operation Plan, which outlines the council's annual spend, including the management of over \$11 billion worth of assets, is now on public exhibition.

The plan combines the former local government area plans of Gosford and Wyong to set out the actions and projects a Central Coast Council will deliver to the community.

Mr Noble said the plan details

a commitment to continuing the services and service levels of the former councils for 2016-17.

"This draft plan outlines how we will deliver more than \$540 million on essential services and \$183 million on a quality infrastructure," Mr Noble said.

"There is a strong focus on key community priorities with more than \$150 million dedicated to improving our road and drainage networks," he said.

However, Mr Noble did not specifically mention any Peninsula road or drainage projects in the plan.

"We will also ensure attention remains on maintaining our unique environment, enhancing community facilities as well as developing our open space and recreation assets."

Key projects identified include the planned upgrade of McEvoy Oval Umina.

"I would encourage anyone interested in the future of the Central Coast to take a look at the Plan and have their say."

The draft plan can be viewed at both Gosford and Wyong Civic Centres, all library branches excluding Mooney Mooney or online at <http://haveyoursaycentralcoast.com.au>

Submissions can be made online at <http://haveyoursaycentralcoast.com.au>, via email to ask@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au or post to PO Box 20 Wyong NSW 2259 or PO Box 21 Gosford NSW 2250.

All submissions must be received in writing by 9am on Monday, June 27.

Media release, 8 Jun 2016
Rob Noble, Central Coast Council

Rescued from the storms

A man was rescued from the storms that battered the Peninsula on June 5.

Volunteers from the Marine Rescue Central Coast Unit were deployed to assist the man in a six metre punt whose engine had failed.

Skipper Mr Ken Sharp and his crew Mr Peter Alderton and Mr Mitch Giles on Central Coast 21

rescued the man and his boat near the mangroves 100m north of the Boatshed Restaurant on the waterfront at Koolewong.

The man phoned Marine Rescue when his motor failed.

At his request, he was taken to the safety of the wharf at the Boatshed Restaurant.

Media release, 6 Jun 2016
Ron Cole, Marine Rescue
Central Coast Unit

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News



NSW Planning Minister Mr Rob Stokes was welcomed by the local Aboriginal Darrawang Bingayja dancers at Ettalong Beach Wharf

Planning Minister launches Five Lands Walk expansion

NSW Minister for Planning Mr Rob Stokes caught the ferry from Pittwater to Ettalong on Friday, June 10, to launch an expansion of the Five Lands Walk to the Peninsula and Sydney's northern beaches.

For the first time, the Five

Lands Walk will invite visitors from the northern beaches will to travel by ferry to Ettalong on June 25 to then be transported by bus to MacMasters Beach to commence their walk.

"By expanding and promoting the Five Lands Walk to the Northern Beaches of Sydney

via the Peninsula, we have the opportunity to attract new day trippers and weekend stays on the beautiful Central Coast," said Member for Terrigal, Mr Adam Crouch.

"Over 15,000 people walked the Five Lands last year on its 10th anniversary with nearly 3000 of those visitors from outside the region.

"This is great news for our local economy and a major boost to visitation numbers," he said.

Mr Stokes said he was delighted to link the Northern Beaches with one of the most significant tourism events on the Central Coast.

"This Cinque Terre-like walk takes in the magnificent coastal views with its unique natural beauty and diverse culture which I've had the pleasure of experiencing first

hand early this year," Mr Stokes said.

"It is so important that we explore and enhance these linking tourism events so that we can broaden the offer to visitors who want to experience all natural charms of the Central Coast and my own backyard

"It was a great privilege to be welcomed by the local Aboriginal Darrawang Bingayja dancers at Ettalong Beach Wharf to the land of the Darkinjung," he said.

"With over 85 per cent of all businesses in our region being micro to small businesses, it is vitally important that we look at innovative ways to increase visitor numbers," Mr Crouch said.

Media release, 9 Jun 2016
Debra Wales, Office of
Adam Crouch MP
Photo: Noel Fisher

Disaster assistance available

Disaster assistance is available to eligible people on the Peninsula whose homes or belongings were damaged during the storms of June 4 and 5.

The Central Coast was one of 37 local government areas across NSW to receive assistance.

The assistance included help for people whose homes or belongings were damaged and who meet asset and income tests.

Councils were helped with costs associated with cleaning up and restoring damaged public assets.

Concessional interest rate loans were provided for small businesses and not-for-profit organisations; and grants to not-for-profits.

Assistance was provided through the jointly-funded Commonwealth-State Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements, designed to help ease the financial burden that communities bear as a result of natural disasters.

For more information, contact the Disaster Welfare Assistance Line on 1800 018 444.

To apply for a concessional loan, grant or subsidy, contact the NSW Rural Assistance Authority on 1800 678 593.

Media release, 7 Jun 2016
Debra Wales, Office of
Adam Crouch

Fun run and half marathon starts at Woy Woy

The annual Bay-to-Bay Fun Run and Half Marathon will be held from Woy Woy to Gosford on Sunday, June 19.

There will be some minor road closures and some major traffic diversions which will mainly effect Brisbane Water Dr from 7:45am to around 9am.

Access to the Woy Woy Boat ramp off North Burge Rd may be effected between 7am and 8am.

Website, 6 Jun 2016
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Sessions to provide independent information about NBN

Elderly residents will have the opportunity to learn about and share their experience of the NBN at meetings held by a computer support business in Ettalong this week and next.

Woy Woy Computer Support owner Ms Judy Holmes said she hoped the free sessions would help senior members of the community understand the impact of the NBN.

Ms Holmes said she had had enough after dealing for months with telecommunication companies, the NBN and the Telecommunications Ombudsman on behalf of elderly Peninsula residents.

"Since early February, I have been helping local residents with an array of problems with both telephone and internet services," Ms Holmes said.

"I have had customers call me in tears and now I just want to get some independent information out to our elderly residents," she said.

Ms Holmes said one consequence of switching to the NBN that very few consumers were aware of was that they were waiving their rights to customer service guarantees.

She said this could mean disruptions to vital medical services provided by phone communication.

Clients who had Telstra Priority Assist services were the only exception.

The customer service guarantees ensured that if there was a service fault, the consumer was entitled to compensation for any time they were without a service.

She said that, since the Peninsula became NBN-ready in February, there had been a dramatic push by telecommunications companies to encourage their clients to move across to the national broadband network.

Ms Holmes said she believed the Peninsula had one of the highest rates of technical problems with NBN

connections in Australia.

"Connecting the new infrastructure with the old copper is like trying to make a bullet train connect with a rickshaw," she said.

"One 87-year-old Umina woman had always had a home phone with Telstra and no other services.

"Now she is paying for the whole NBN setup and she doesn't need it.

"I want our elderly to know they don't need to be tricked by phone calls from their telecommunications providers.

"I have got case logs a mile long and I can tell you it is a complete and utter mess," she said.

"Seniors are so confused," she said.

Ms Holmes said her information sessions would be held on Friday, June 17, from 10am to 12pm at the Ettalong Scout Hall and on Monday, June 20, at the Ettalong Senior Citizens Centre.

She encouraged those attending to take their NBN letters with them and any other information about their services.

"The information that we will be providing is from first-hand experiences that we have encountered during this trial roll-out of the NBN along with extensive personal research and expertise," she said.

"We are providing this information free of charge to interested or concerned members of our community to try and better educate people about the NBN and how its service delivery is very different to that of the existing copper network.

"This may mean significant changes or costs for them.

"We feel that the current information available to people is confusing."

Media release, 9 Jun 2016
Interview, 9 Jun 2016
Judy Holmes, Woy Woy
Computer Support
Reporter: Jackie Pearson



From left: Lodge Morningstar members Scott Hinks, David Leabeater, Geoff Bown, David Walker, Lance Nelson with Scouts and their Group leader Kylieanne Scott.

Freemasons donate canoes to Scouts

The 1st Woy Woy Sea Scouts has become the beneficiary of a donation from Lodge Morning Star Freemasons.

The donation consisted of four

four-man canoes and appropriate safety equipment.

The equipment was welcomed by the 1st Woy Woy Sea Scouts, whose prior lack of access to canoes had posed a challenge for

Scout leaders in delivering safety instructions and boating practices to its members.

Media release, 27 May 2016
Scott Hinks, Lodge Morning
Star Freemasons

No polling booths in outlying areas, says Greens man

Residents of Patonga, Pearl Beach and Woy Woy Bay who will have no local polling booth this year should consider pre-polling for the Federal election, according to a Central Coast Greens campaigner.

Greens campaign member Mr Terry Jones said the previous polling booths of Patonga, Pearl Beach and Woy Woy Bay did not appear on the Australian Electoral Commission website.

Mr Jones also said that the booth for MacMasters Beach was also missing but that booth already

had an irregular history.

According to Mr Jones, the loss of these polling booths is not common knowledge and he advised that prepoll, starting on June 14, would be a viable alternative for residents now without a local polling booth.

Email, 4 Jun 2016
Terry Jones, Central Coast Greens

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What is NorthConnex?

NorthConnex is a nine kilometre tunnel that will link the M1 Pacific Motorway at Wahroonga to the Hills M2 Motorway at West Pennant Hills, removing around 5,000 trucks off Pennant Hills Road.

Lendlease Bouygues Joint Venture was awarded the contract to design and deliver the work on behalf of the NorthConnex project company. Early work started in February 2015, with major construction of NorthConnex starting in June 2015.

What is happening?

Roadheader tunnelling and controlled blasting

Excavation of the mainline tunnel with the first operational roadheader began at the Southern Interchange Compound, West Pennant Hills in mid May 2016. The second roadheader at the Southern Compound started tunnelling in late May 2016. In May controlled blasting started at the Northern Interchange Compound and will continue until September 2016. Controlled blasting will start at the other two sites in June/July. For more information, progress of blasting and when blasts are scheduled to occur please visit the website <http://shaftbuilding.northconnex.com.au/>

Update on M2 work

Noise walls on the motorway will need to be removed at a number of locations with temporary access gates put into place to enable site access. Temporary barriers will be built to reduce traffic noise impacts for residents.

Traffic changes have been introduced on the Barclay Road Bridge in preparation for lengthening the bridge over the Motorway.

Update on M1 Pacific Motorway work

New traffic signals will be installed and operating on the M1 Pacific Motorway from late June 2016 to allow for vehicles exiting the site directly from the M1.

What's coming up?

- New traffic signals on Pennant Hills Road to allow the majority of heavy vehicles to enter the Southern Compound
- New accesses into the Wilson Road Compound and Trelawney Street Compound
- Ongoing day and night work on the M1 Pacific Motorway in the median and on the southbound shoulder
- Introduction of 24-hour tunnelling.

Traffic changes

To allow for access and progress construction it will be necessary to put in place a number of traffic changes. With the majority of work happening near major arterial roads, night work requiring lane closures will be required to minimise impact on motorists.

In the next three months the following major traffic changes will be made to the project:

- Night work on M1 and M2
- Ongoing work during the day and night on the Hills M2 Motorway
- Changes to the off ramp from the Hills M2 Motorway to Pennant Hills Road with one lane only at the off-ramp
- Some nightwork on Barclay Road Bridge.

Further information and exact dates will be provided through electronic and fixed variable message signs, and traffic alerts.

More questions?

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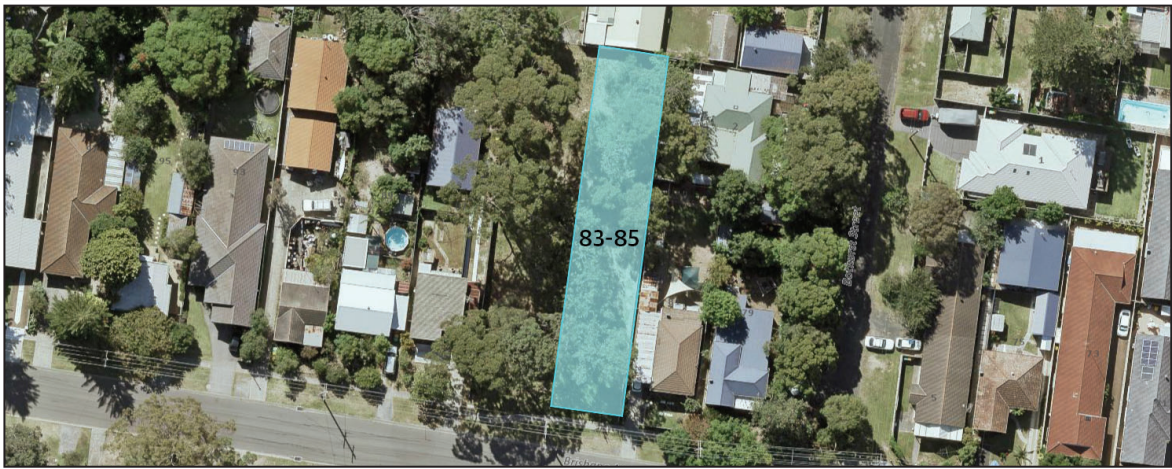


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News



The aerial view of the Brisbane Ave reserve that is available on the former Gosford Council's website

Land sale details 'hard to find', says organiser

Peninsula residents who want to find out if their local reserve, park or green space could be impacted by the Central Coast Council's Land Sale Strategy may have difficulty finding the relevant information on the council's website.

At one of the final meetings of the former Gosford Council, councillors agreed to publish information about the land sale strategy on its website.

Cr Hillary Morris called at the time for the information to be easily available with a link from the council's home page to ensure it was easy for residents to find.

However, Save Central Coast Reserves organiser Ms Sue Chidgey said the information was disappointingly difficult to find on the website.

It is currently on the former Gosford Council site under the "Community" category.

The promised link from the home page does not exist.

Although Gosford Council had been referring to the process as a "Land Sale Strategy" since September, the link to the relevant community information online is

called "Land Strategy".

Ms Chidgey said she believed this was evidence that the new Central Coast Council did not want to make it easy for community members to find information about the reserves being considered for reclassification and sale.

According to the Land Strategy page on the website: "In 2015 council endorsed the potential sale of around 30 parcels of land that could deliver much needed funding to reinvest back into vial services, facilities and infrastructure for the community.

"This decision followed a review of council's property portfolio which identified a number of sites that: are no longer required for their initial use, are residual portions from previous works, are of no foreseeable, or limited use to council and the community, or have been replaced by larger nearby facilities.

"In recent years council has continued to acquire an average of approximately 28 hectares of new land annually for community and recreational purposes.

"Reflecting these continued acquisitions, a review of council's existing portfolio was in the interest of the community as a whole.

"An external consultant has been engaged to consider all aspects relevant to each parcel that's been identified for potential sale.

"Legislation requires council to undertake a fully informed and transparent review of all identified community land parcels, which will include public meetings where the community will have the opportunity to speak for or against any land reclassification.

"The community will be provided with 28 days' notice before each public meeting."

The page also includes links to affected properties by suburb, including Umina and Woy Woy.

Those links go to aerial photographs highlighting the location of the affected reserve.

Three reserves are listed in Umina: 40 Albion St; 42 Albion St; and 83 to 85 Brisbane Avenue.

The Woy Woy link includes properties at: 10 to 12 Jumbuck Close; 9 to 11 MacKenzie Ave; and 40 to 46 Pozieres Avenue.

Website, 8 Jun 2016
Central Coast Council/Gosford Council/Community/Land Strategy
Interview, 7 Jun 2016
Sue Chidgey, Save Central Coast Reserves
Reporter: Jackie Pearson

Meeting about operational plan

An extraordinary meeting has been called to adopt the Central Coast Council's Operational Plan for 2016-17, which sets out the actions and projects to be delivered to the community in the coming financial year.

The plan is currently out on public exhibition and highlights a \$540 million spend on essential services and \$183 million on infrastructure including improving roads, water and sewerage networks, the environment, community facilities and open

space and recreation.

Community input is being sought and will be included in the final plan to be put to Council on June 29.

The plan will need to be adopted at the meeting so it can be rolled out on the new financial year starting on July 1.

Central Coast Council administrator Mr Ian Reynolds said the next meeting is too soon to adopt the plan as Council needed to include community feedback.

Media release, June 8, 2016
Ian Reynolds, Central Coast Council

Former councillors approached for committee

Central Coast Council will seek expressions of interest from former Gosford councillors to become members of a Local Representation Committee.

The Committee will not exercise any decision-making function nor will its recommendations bind council.

It will provide "local advice only".

The establishment of the committee was recommended by the NSW Government as a vehicle to provide advice to the administrator on local views and issues.

The NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet has issued model terms of reference for the committee which provide that these committees should primarily be comprised of former councillors who have demonstrated a commitment to the success of the

new amalgamated councils.

The outcome of the expression of interest process and membership of the Local Representation Committee will be reported to an "extraordinary meeting" of Council to be held on Wednesday, June 29.

Administrator Mr Ian Reynolds thanked the former councillors for their work and service to their local community.

"Their vast knowledge and understanding of the issues facing our community must not be lost and they do have an important role to play in ensuring this new Central Coast Council is a success," Mr Reynolds said.

"A number of former councillors have expressed a strong desire to be involved in council issues and this committee is the avenue for them to do exactly that," he said.

Media release, 8 Jun 2016
Ian Reynolds, Central Coast Council

Awards dinner on June 25

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce Gala Business Awards Dinner will be held at Ettalong Diggers on Saturday, June 25.

This is the Chamber's gala, black tie annual event and this year's entertainment will be provided by Belinda Adams and the Chris Gable Quartet.

The evening includes cocktails from 6:30pm and dinner and

dancing from 7pm to 11pm.

The theme for the 2016 Awards Night Dinner is black and white and bookings for the two-course dinner and champagne on arrival are essential.

"This is the event of the year for all local businesses to be seen at and take part in," according to event organiser Rachele O'Reilly from Impact Exhibitions.

Impact, 7 Jun 2016
Rachele O'Reilly, Impact Exhibitions

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News

Chamber pleased with transition to new council

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has welcomed the appointment of the new Central Coast administrator, Mr Ian Reynolds and the new chief executive officer, Mr Rob Noble.

"The Chamber is particularly pleased with the smooth transition from the old Gosford and Wyong Council's to the new Central Coast Council and the appointment of the new administration team," said Chamber president, Mr Matthew Wales.

"The Chamber is advised that it is business as usual for the processing of development applications and planning proposals and rezoning applications which provides certainty to the building and development industry.

"Whilst the proclamation and new appointments came earlier than most expected, the Chamber is glad that the transition period is underway so that the meshing of the two councils can occur as quickly as possible leading up to the Local Government Elections in September 2017.

"The business community has already flagged with Mr Noble a number of priorities including more funding for local roads and

drainage, the revitalisation of the Woy Woy town centre, review of local town centre planning controls, the Ettalong Wharf and the continuation of the foreshore upgrade through to Ocean Beach Surf Club and Umina Beach Surf Club.

"This is a highly critical period for the new council as it moves through this transition phase.

"We are pleased that the new CEO has opened the door for regular dialogue and the Peninsula Chamber will be actively campaigning for improved infrastructure and more services and maintenance.

"I think it's fair to say that most businesses are relieved that the merger is underway and that a firm timeline is now in place for the creation of the new Central Coast Council.

"We are also relieved to see that five new wards have been created and that more certainty will be in place for equal representation across the city.

"Both Mr Reynolds and Mr Noble come with a wealth of local government experience which we see as essential for the successful merger of the organisations.

Media release, 9 June 2016
Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

Wicks announces environment plan for Robertson

Ocean Beach and Umina Surf Life Saving Club's will share in \$100,000 of funding through the Solar Communities Program, if Ms Lucy Wicks is re-elected as the member for Robertson and the Turnbull Government returned to power on July 2.

The \$100,000 aims to help local surf life saving clubs reduce electricity bills and lower emissions.

The promise was part of a new \$2.2 million Local Environment Plan for the Robertson electorate

announced by Environment Minister Mr Greg Hunt and Member for Robertson Ms Lucy Wicks MP at Macmasters Beach on June 9.

The Plan includes a \$1.25 million investment towards the upgrade of the iconic Five Lands Walk track and three new Green Army projects to perform environmental works.

Ms Wicks has promised \$250,000 to ensure Clean4Shore can continue cleaning up local waterways for the next three years.

Media release, 9 Jun 2016
Tim Sowden, Office of Lucy Wicks MP

NEWSPAPERS

Central Coast

Other Regional News - In brief

Peninsula News focuses on news specifically relating to post code areas 2256 and 2257. Given the advent of the new Central Coast Council, following is a summary of the first 9 news articles published in the most recent edition of

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Public meeting called over Coast's major environmental and public health issue

A public meeting will be held at Gosford Leagues Club on June 16 to alert Gosford and Wyong residents to the risks associated with the Mangrove Mountain landfill.

Snap garbage collection strike called

No domestic garbage will be collected across the Central Coast on Thursday, June 2 and Friday, June 3 as a result of industrial action by local waste operators.

All former council committees dissolved

All committees associated with the former Gosford Council have been dissolved as part of the dismissal of the council and creation of the new Central Coast Council.

New council interim executive structure announced

The interim executive structure adopted by the Central Coast Council at its first public meeting on May 25 did not include the interim deputy general manager's role that was initially

Forming the biggest council in NSW is a real challenge

The administrator of the newly-formed Central Coast Council, Mr Ian Reynolds, said he was "really pleased" with the reception he was given at the council's first public meeting on Wednesday, May 25.

Proposed coastal reform legislation lacking critical information

The NSW Coastal Alliance, representing regional coastal communities, has called on the NSW Government to withdraw its proposed Coastal Reforms Legislation, which

I am not here to do the government's bidding - Reynolds

Gosford City may have to wait until September 2017 to take its place as the jewel in the crown of the new Central Coast Local Government Area.

Former council forecasts \$20 million surplus

A \$20 million surplus was forecast in a report to the first meeting of the Central Coast Council on the financial position of the former Gosford Council.

MMAD and scouts receive grants

Musicians Making A Difference and Kariong Scouts are to receive a federal Government Stronger Communities Programme grant.

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Wyong Regional Chronicle focuses on news specifically relating to post code areas 2258, 2259, 2261, 2262, & 2263.

Council's first property decision angers residents

The new Central Coast Council's administrator, Mr Ian Reynolds, has agreed, at the council's first public meeting on May 25, to sell land in Orchard Rd, Kangy Angy to the NSW Government to build a multi-

Residents' group threatens legal action over land sale

In his address to the Central Coast Council meeting on May 25, member of the Kangy Angy Residents' Action Group, Mr Neil Bolte said the residents' main objections to the land sale were that it was fl

Harris calls for a full EIS on Kangy Angy site

Shadow minister for the Central Coast, Mr David Harris, has called on the NSW Government to undertake a full Environmental Impact Study for their proposed Rail Maintenance Facility at Kangy

\$60 million waterfront residential apartment and retail project in Toukley

A development application was lodged for a \$60 million waterfront residential apartment and retail project in Toukley.

Public meeting over major threat to Wyong region's water supply

Threats to the health and safety of the Wyong region's water supply as a result of toxic chemicals escaping from a waste landfill at Mangrove Mountain will be the subject of a public meeting.

Garbage workers' dispute reaches a stalemate

Transport Workers Union NSW acting secretary, Mr Richard Olsen, said industrial action by Central Coast waste workers was a last resort forced on them by the refusal of the new Central Coast Council administrator to agree to safeguard

New council senior structure has less executive positions

The interim executive structure adopted by the Central Coast Council at its first public meeting on May 25 did not include the interim deputy general manager's role that was initially allocated to

Residents campaign to protect Glenning Valley bushland

A group of residents campaigning to protect Glenning Valley bushland from what they say is an unsustainable housing development, were meeting the administrator of the Central Coast Council on June 6.

Greens to target homelessness

Greens' Candidates for Robertson and Dobell said crisis housing solutions, long term funding and sustainability solutions for homelessness were at the top of the Central Coast Greens policy

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Forum

Transparency needed with NBN sales

A couple of months ago we received a standard "The NBN is now available in your area" brochure in the mail.

Contact your ISP, it said.

"Joy of joys", I thought, now was the opportunity to be at the forefront of digital connectivity once again.

First some history: It's the teacher in me.

I encountered my first computer in 1977 and was an early user of bulletin board services in the 1980s using an acoustic coupler and rotary dial phone.

The company I worked with in the mid-80s had email, via OTC and their Minerva system.

In 1996, I moved from local bulletin boards to Malcolm Turnbull's Ozemail and then a faster Telstra dial up connection.

The World Wide Web had arrived.

I even completed an undergraduate degree, followed by a post graduate degree, all from the comfy recesses of my couch.

In all aspects, these services met expectations of both promised speeds and availability.

Ditto when we had broadband, via ADSL, connected in 2000 and then switched to ADSL2+ as our local exchange was enabled a few years later.

Like many modern households we have now become reliant on connectivity and the internet of things.

At last count; four laptops, two desktops, six handheld devices

Forum

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and a connected television keep this addiction fuelled.

It would be an understatement to say that I was excited.

Finally no more waiting for the slow moving download bar.

All of this relates to the issue of bandwidth, simply put, how fast our devices can communicate with other devices.

The first call to our ISP, Telstra, indicated a two month wait.

The next week our neighbours were connected.

So I called back.

Suddenly it had really become available in our area.

Fast forward to today.

Over 22 phone calls and two missed appointments later, we have NBN service.

Well, I use the term service very loosely.

I was assured by a Telstra operator that the 100/40 plan would deliver me a download speed in the vicinity of 80Mbps to

90Mbps (80-90% of the advertised maximum).

The best I have seen is 39Mbps and the Telstra supplied Technicolor modem currently shows a maximum line rate of 41Mbps.

As my phone is now reliant on the NBN connection, it has been prone to drop outs, something that never happened before.

How can this happen?

It's like buying a V8 that only has three cylinders operating.

As I write, three weeks after installation, many websites now fail to load, usually timing out on a random basis.

My wife's VPN service to her employer in the health service sector will not run at all and our phone line regularly drops out.

A plethora of phone calls had not yielded any results.

It took an email to the senior management team at Telstra, including the new CEO, Andy Penn.

I did receive an email from the Head of Customer Service, Andy Ellis.

He apologised for the inconvenience.

But back to the problems with the NBN: Clearly the speeds being sold are theoretical maximums only.

No guarantees are ever given for minimum levels of service as they relate to download speeds, either by NBNCo or individual ISPs.

According to many technical sources, physical cable distance from the node to the house plays a part.

As does the number of connections and terminations, especially when these are buried in a concrete-and-steel PMG-labelled pit with weather protection consisting of a plastic bag and some electrical tape.

Significant speed reductions are indicated after about 100 metres, limiting the theoretical maximum to well below the 100Mbps being on-sold by the NBNCo retailers.

In addition to the issue of quality of the physical copper phone line, the NBNCo has to deal with the issue of vectoring. Simply put, vectoring allows the co-existence of ADSL and VDSL (the "new"

superfast broadband), and is itself problematic.

Vectoring is used to reduce crosstalk between the old and the new and appears to also drastically reduce speed as distance to the node increases.

Add vectoring to ancient copper with poor quality workmanship and the result is the NBN.

Ultimately, the issue comes down to the copper wire laid between the node (the new green box that marks the end of the fibre optic cable) and the household.

This technology dates back to 1875 and Alexander Graham Bell's ground-breaking use of telegraph wires to transmit voice.

Every network is only as strong as its weakest link.

So we have 21st century concepts and technology connected to 19th century infrastructure.

Put simply, it's a little like having a brand new Lamborghini, powered by a coal-fired Watts's steam engine.

It looks great, but sounds terrible and runs even worse.

After checking our line, the NBNCo has stated that it meets the minimum requirements.

Now we're getting somewhere.

Except, the acceptable minimum line speed is only 25Mbps, something I have been unable to find in the fine print.

I am getting 43Mbps line speed that is it.

I will never get more than that with fibre to the node, end of story.

Despite this, Telstra can still sell me up to 100Mbps.

No need to look far to see who is responsible; the blame solely rests with the Liberal Party and ironically, the guy who gave us the ground-breaking OzEmail service, Malcolm Turnbull.

As Minister for Communications, he announced in 2013 that the original plan of "fibre to the premises" would be replaced by "fibre to the node", using copper for the final mile.

So it would appear that we are stuck with this Frankenstein-ish, cobbled together approach.

Whilst designed to reduce cost and increase the speed of roll-out, it appears that the opposite may in fact have happened.

I don't think this will change in the near future.

What does need to happen is some transparency in how the NBN is being sold.

My contacts at the NBNCo are dismayed that ISPs have staff who state that an end user could expect speeds of 80Mbps and beyond on a 100Mbps plan, especially given the only guarantee is a 25Mbps minimum.

If you were to walk into a greengrocer and ask for a kilo of apples, you would expect to get exactly that, a kilo of apples.

They are priced by the kilo and you pay accordingly.

However, when you buy internet bandwidth from any internet service provider this price per delivered unit becomes very fuzzy.

How has this happened?

Email, 1 Jun 2016

David Sneddon, Pretty Beach

Prangs result from underpass closure

Forum

It is very strange to me that it will take some six months to repair the approach to the underpass at Woy Woy.

After all, it's a warning frame.

They put one up overnight in Melbourne only last week.

Could it reflect the way we voted in the last State election?

As the frame is the responsibility


of Sydney Trains, not the Central Coast Council, I might add; it is causing havoc on the roads around the Woy Woy area.

I have seen at least two prangs at the railway gates.

Email, 6 Jun 2016

Rod Munson, Ettalong

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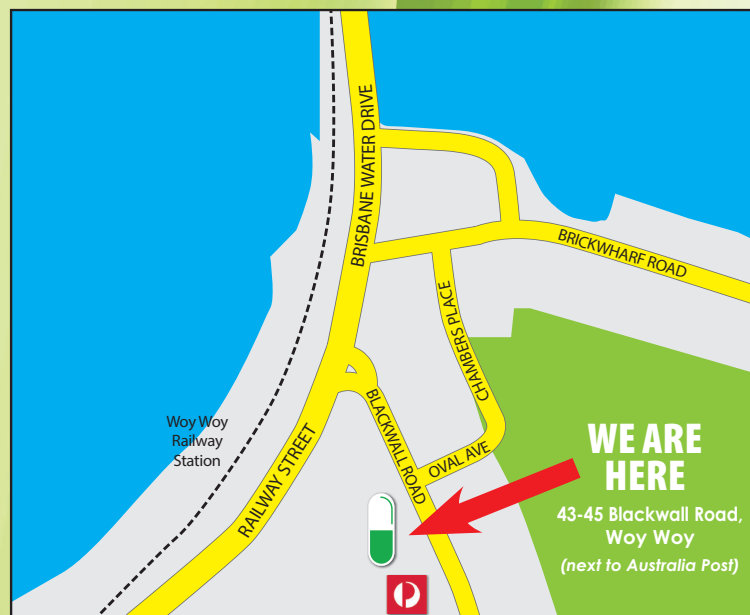
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Members of the Woy Woy Krait Club

Financial assistance for Krait club

Woy Woy Krait Day Club has received financial assistance from the Woy Woy Ettalong Hardys Bay RSL Sub Branch.

The Sub Branch has agreed to cover the cost of venue hire for the Krait Club.

Club organiser Ms Barbara McGuiggan said allowed outings to be arranged for members once a month.

These outings are popular amongst members but are especially valued by members who

are house bound and who rely on community transport, according to Ms McGuiggan.

Without the funding from the Sub Branch, the club would be incapable of providing these outings, she said.

Since February, when the assistance commenced, the club has taken its members to the Entrance Diggers Museum, the Woy Woy Hotel, Camp Breakaway in San Remo and the Mushroom Farm at Bulls Hill.

The club also got to celebrate

Mother's Day with a special performance from the Gosford Musical Society Minstrels Group.

Future outings on the club's agenda include a special birthday lunch for the club's ninth birthday at Gosford Leagues Club, a visit to the Japanese Gardens in Gosford and a trip to the Henry Kendall Museum.

Email, 6 Jun 2016
Barbara McGuiggan,
Woy Woy Krait Club

Dancing to support Gosford Hospital

Residents of the Peninsula will have the opportunity to support Gosford Hospital with the Dancing in July Fundraiser at the Patonga Community Hall on July 3.

The fundraiser is a special event will live music from many genres and featuring local talents.

The evening will also feature a raffle featuring prizes including

\$100, red wine, and gift vouchers.

On the night, there will also be an art auction for an oil painting valued at \$1500.

The fundraiser will also be filmed for a documentary.

Event kicks off from 2pm and ends at 7pm with light food provided.

Media release, 1 Jun 2016
Alfredo Zotti, Patonga

Family playtime at Mingaletta

Mingaletta Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation is running Family Playtime every Tuesday.

Playtime runs from 10am to 11.30am and activities include music, art, craft and laughter.

A baby massage and chat circle will also be held on Tuesdays, June 14 and 21, from 12:30pm to 2pm.

Mingaletta will be a polling booth for the July 2 federal election

so there will be a barbecue running throughout the day.

Their recent winter coat sale was a great success with much-needed funds raised.

A NAIDOC celebration will also be held at Umina Park on Monday, July 4, including a barbecue, face painting and games from 10am to 2pm.

Mingaletta is located at 6 Sydney Rd, Umina.

Email, 7 Jun 2016
Lisa Wilcock, Mingaletta

Road safety talk at seniors' centre

The Ettalong senior citizens' centre will host a free road safety presentation on Tuesday, June 21.

The presentation will be conducted by the NRMA and Central Coast Council.

The workshop will cover safe driving tips, an update on road rules, older driver licensing, pedestrian safety and health and

driving.

Light refreshments will be served.

The centre is located at the corner of Broken Bay Rd and Karingi St, Ettalong.

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Facebook, 25 May 2016
Rob Noble, Central Coast Council

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Bowlers join to raise money for cancer research

Bowlers on the Peninsula will come together to raise money for cancer research in memory of an Umina Beach bowler for Peninsula Bowls Day 2016 on June 23.

Bowlers from Umina Beach, Everglades and Ettalong men's bowling clubs combined forces in 2011 to hold the first Peninsula Bowls Day to raise funds for prostate, urological and other related cancer research.

Event organiser Mr Ian Jarratt from the Umina Beach men's club said the fundraising had always been held in memory of the late Mr Ron Pursehouse, a former member of the Umina Beach club who had prostate cancer.

"It has always been a cause very close to our hearts as we do it in honour of Ron every year and prostate cancer is something that can affect us all," Mr Jarratt said.

Since the three clubs combined to run the annual charity days, more than \$55,000 has been raised.

"Every year it gets bigger and better and with other clubs coming on board we can help purchase more vital equipment to benefit us and the rest of the community," Mr Jarratt added.

A uretero-renaloscope and Danflow 1000 wired thermal printer uroflow system, valued at over \$16,500 were the latest bits of equipment purchased by the

Central Coast Local Health District through funds raised through Peninsula Bowls Day.

Urologist Dr Rupert Ouyang said the renaloscope and Danflow would be invaluable additions in the fight against cancer, and explained how the equipment work.

Dr Ouyang said the renaloscope provided a visual inspection of the interior of the ureters and kidney for purposes such as biopsy and the removal of kidney stones.

Dr Ouyang also said the renaloscope would help diagnose and treat patients with uretic cancer and help identify obstructions that have occurred from prostate cancer.

According to Dr Ouyang, the Danflow would be crucial in gauging a patient's need for prostate surgery.

**Media release, 2 Jun 2016
Casey Virgin, Central Coast
Local Health District**

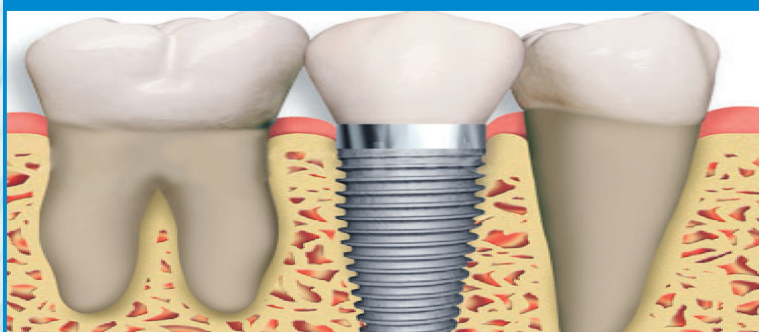


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Rumbalara field officers visited Woy Woy South Public School to teach Stage 1 students about “minibeasts”.
Stage 1 students got to become scientists and collected

samples of invertebrates and other “minibeasts” present in the school gardens.
After categorising them, students observed their samples under a microscope.
Students had a wonderful time

learning about the “minibeasts” in their own backyards.
Newsletter, 31 May 2016
Kim Whealey, Woy Woy South Public School

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Barista courses

Students of Brisbane Water Secondary College in Years 8 and 9 attended barista courses at the Ourimbah campus of TAFE.
Careers teacher Ms Nerrida Lewis said students were offered three opportunities each year to complete a barista course.
When an opportunity arose,

she also provided students with industry experience at school functions, enabling students to put their new skills to the test.
The students learnt to make some of the more popular cafe style beverages, from cappuccinos to iced chocolates.
Email, 6 Jun 2016
Nerrida Lewis, BWSC Umina

Art show at Ettalong

Ettalong Public School will present an art show as part of the 2016 Education Week.
The art show will run from August 1 to 4 and coincides with the open day scheduled for August 3.
Parents and carers will have the opportunity to tour the school and

its classrooms on August 3 as part of Education Week.
Also taking place on the day is the school's annual book fair, character parade, a cake stall and a sausage sizzle lunch.
Newsletter, 7 Jun 2016
Paul Farrugia, Umina Beach Public School

Students visit Sydney

Year 4 students from Umina Beach Public School visited Sydney as part of their study of historic sites.
The overnight excursion to Sydney included a visit to Hyde Park Barracks, Rocks Discovery

Museum, Sydney Observatory and the Sydney Harbour Bridge.
Students also got to enjoy a Captain Cook Educational Harbour Cruise.
Newsletter, 7 Jun 2016
Paul Farrugia, Umina Beach Public School

Healthy Harold visits

Healthy Harold has started visiting students from Ettalong Public School in June.
Students who attend Healthy Harold's lessons learn about the

various factors involved in leading a healthy lifestyle.
The lessons are particularly valuable to older students who learn about the impact of legal drugs, like alcohol and tobacco.

Students learn firsthand about the negative effects addiction to these legal substances can have on a person's life.
Newsletter, 31 May 2016
Lynn Balfour, Ettalong Public School

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Woy Woy to benefit from grant program

Woy Woy Public School will be one of the first to benefit from the \$20 million Out of School Hours Care grant program, according to Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast, Mr Scot MacDonald.

"This new service will no doubt be an invaluable asset for our local community," Mr MacDonald said.

"We understand working parents need flexibility and that is why we have now expanded the

grant program and opened it up to more schools," he said.

"This will enable our local school communities to meet unresolved demand," Mr MacDonald said.

Mr MacDonald said that applications were being accepted from schools to launch or expand on existing Out of School Hours Care services.

Grants of up to \$30,000 were available for schools to assist with the cost of these services.

Media release, 24 May 2016

Hannah Eves, Office of Scot MacDonald MP



Generous 5B students have been raising money for Kids with Cancer

New programs at Woy Woy South

Woy Woy South Public School has been invited to participate in a number of new programs during term two of 2016.

Principal Ms Kim Whealey said of the school's involvement: "These new initiatives do make our lives very busy but also do ensure that our students are receiving the best programs available."

The school has recently been approved to become involved in a new Improving Numeracy Outcomes project which provides additional teacher training.

The school has also joined the Year Two reading program and the Ngara Wumara Research

Project in conjunction with the Institute for Positive Psychology and Education and the Australian Catholic University.

The Gosford Office of the Department of Education has also asked the Woy Woy South Public School to participate in two projects, one of which sees students from the Ourimbah Campus of The University of Newcastle working with students

The school has also welcomed interns, practicum teaching and support officer students to its classrooms.

Newsletter, 7 Jun 2016

Kim Whealey, Woy Woy South Public School

Money for Camp Quality

Students from Umina Beach Public School have been raising money for Kids with Cancer.

The girls have created bracelets, necklaces and pet rocks to sell at school.

They managed to raise \$317

which will be donated to Camp Quality.

Newsletter, 31 May 2016
Lyn Davis, Umina Beach Public School

School partners with Men's Shed

Ettalong Public School has partnered with the Ettalong Men's Shed to offer a five-week woodworking program for students.

The trial program will see 10 boys in Year 6 learn the basics of woodworking from the men from the Men's Shed.

The initiative aims to foster more diverse connections between the school and the Ettalong community.

Throughout the five-week project, the boys will undertake their own woodwork project and work with members of the Men's Shed.

The school hopes to offer the program to more students in the future.

Newsletter, 31 May 2016
Lynn Balfour, Ettalong Public School



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Out & About

Auditions to be held for year's final production

Woy Woy Little Theatre's auditions for the final production for 2016 will be held from 7pm on Monday and Wednesday June 20 and 22 at the Peninsula Theatre, Woy Woy.

The play, Alan Ayckbourn's *Absurd Person Singular*, is divided into three acts and relates the changing fortunes of three married couples.

Each act takes place at a Christmas celebration at one of the couples' homes on successive Christmas Eves.

The cast includes three males and three females all fairly even time on stage, so a great ensemble cast opportunity.

Ages range from 40s to 50s.

The couples include Sidney and Jane, Geoffrey and Eva, Ronald and Marion.

Sidney is an up and coming businessman, keen to impress, but socially awkward who likes, and can't help, fixing things.

Jane is called Admiral by Sidney as she's an obsessive clean freak who likes to burst into song and is equally eager to please.

Geoffrey is an architect by trade, who suffers a bit of downward spiral over the course of the play due to a failed design.

Eva has a tough, and



Andrew Thompson is directing *Absurd Person Singular* for Woy Woy Little Theatre

humorous, time with anti-depressants but builds into a strong force by the end of the play.

Ronald is a banker who takes pride in his work and enjoys the finer things in life

Marion is Ronald's second wife, who is charming, a bit snobby, eccentric and likes a drink.

The play made its world premiere at the Library Theatre, Scarborough, in 1972 and its

London debut at the Criterion Theatre in July 1973.

The play's run on the West End totalled 973 performances.

Director for the Little Theatre production, scheduled for three weekends in October and November 2016, is Mr Andrew Thomson.

Media release, 8 Jun 2016
David Wicks, Woy Woy Little Theatre

Peninsula artists display their work

Peninsula artists will display their work in The Community Gallery exhibition from June 16-18.

Artists from the Ettalong Arts and Crafts Centre will display their work across a variety of mediums in the exhibition held in the Gosford Regional Gallery.

Painting, pottery, photography and even glass artwork will be on display, according to the Centre's

Ms Annette Heidrich.

Artists' featuring in The Community Gallery exhibition include: Fran Melrose, Thel Browne, Jenny Nibb and Megan McDonald, Judy Barrett, Aniss Seymour, Sue Sullivan, Annette Heidrich, Katherine Baker, Sandy Robinson, Megan McDonald, Robyn Lowe and Murray Lowe.

Email, 3 Jun 2016

Annette Heidrich, Ettalong Arts and Craft Centre

Fagan duo return to folk club

Folk duo Margaret and Bob Fagan will return to the Troubadour Folk Club at Woy Woy on June 25.

The Fagans began their musical journey together in the 60s and have since then performed across Australia, the UK and Ireland.

They shared their love of music with their children and are one of Australia's most prominent folk music families, with daughter Kate Fagan one of Australia's most prominent singer-songwriters and son James Fagan teaming up with

Nancy Kerr as one of the most successful folk duos in British folk music history.

Margaret and Bob Fagan blend lyrical ballads with powerful choruses that complement their unquestionable harmony.

The Fagan's repertoire is rooted firmly in the folk traditions but mixes politically-edged contemporary with traditional sounds.

The Fagan's kick-off from 7pm.

Entry costs vary from \$8 to \$12.

Media release, 1 Jun 2016

Leila Desborough, Troubadour Folk Club



The Fagans set to wow Woy Woy

Sixth exhibition opens at Killcare

Horizons at Killcare Gallery of Art has opened its sixth exhibition with new art and sculpture.

There are over 100 works on display by local artists, covering such genres as portrait, abstract, landscape, wildlife, sculpture and

photography.

The gallery is introducing the sculptures of Mr Collin Tapping.

There is also the opportunity to win a glass sculpture by Ms Karen McPhee whose acclaimed paintings are also on display.

Horizons is located overlooking

the ocean on the upper level of Killcare Surf Life Saving Club at the end of Killcare Beach.

The gallery is open from 10am to 3pm Thursday to Monday.

Email, 7 Jun 2016
Brendon Weston, Horizons at Killcare

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Pearl Beach artist wins award

Pearl Beach artist Ms Marijke Greenway has won the non-indigenous award at the Reconciliation Exhibition, showing at Gosford Regional Gallery until July 17.

Her entry in this year's exhibition was a painting based on a photograph of Ms Shay Evans, a young girl from Borroloola, Northern Territory.

The photograph was taken by Ms Kate Geraghty, who gave Ms Greenway permission to use it for her painting.

Shay Evans, the work's subject, was introduced to soccer by the John Moriarty Football program at the age of nine and was included in a group of Indigenous children who attended the FIFA World Cup in Brazil in 2014.

From her beginnings playing soccer barefoot for fun, Shay is now enrolled at Westfield Sports High as part of an elite soccer program with potential of breaking into the international game down the track.

As the first graduate of the program she has inspired other children in her community to follow in her footsteps.

Media release, June 8, 2016
John Greenway, Pearl Beach

PCYC Umina Beach and ShelterBox Australia were presented with donations from Rotary Woy Woy's Opera in the Arboretum at a gala dinner to thank sponsors for their generous support of the club's annual fundraiser.

Opera coordinator, Mr John Greenway said: "The \$30,000 from funds raised through the Opera went to two major recipients."

"We gave \$10,000 to PCYC to help them continue supporting our young people on the Peninsula."

"ShelterBox Australia received \$20,000 to assist them in delivering humanitarian aid to families adversely affected by disasters."

PCYC manager Mr Martin Eddy said the club will be using the proceeds of the donation towards gymnastics and archery equipment and towards the creation of a digital photographic studio at Umina.

"The money is a huge boost towards the Club's current activities and will benefit all members," Mr Eddy said.

"PCYC looks forward to continuing its strong partnership with Rotary Woy Woy and recognises the great work that Rotary does in the local community," he said.

Peter Pearse from ShelterBox said it was largely through the support received from Rotary clubs that the organisation could continue to provide shelter, warmth, light and dignity to families who have lost everything.

"In the last couple of years we have seen natural disasters close to Australia."

"Cyclone Pam in Vanuatu and

Rotary distributes arboretum opera proceeds



the earthquake in Nepal last year, and this year, Cyclone Winston in Fiji.

"In all cases, ShelterBox has been able to put a team on location in a matter of days."

Mr Greenway said: "The Opera relies heavily on sponsorship and the evening was an opportunity for our club and the recipients to say thanks."

"The sponsors appreciated

being there at the handover and hearing how the funds would be used."

Media release, 8 Jun 2016
Joan Redmond, Rotary Woy Woy

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Central Coast Art Society
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Tues 4369 5860.
Workshops 9.30am 1st & 3rd Wed Gosford City Art Centre 4363 1156.
Social Meetings
1.30pm 4th Wed for demonstrations
publicity@artcentralcoast.asn.au
4325 1420

Central Coast Handweavers, Spinners and Textile Arts Guild
Spinning and weaving, patchwork and quilting, felting and other fibre and fabric crafts, community quilting bees
Day and Night Groups
4325 4743
www.cottagecrafts.net.au

Central Coast Potters Society
Running classes, workshops, demonstrations, exhibitions and social events - Annual exhibitions in May and December
info@ccpotters.org
4324 5343

Ettalong Beach Art & Crafts Centre
Adult classes in Pottery Watercolours, Oils, Acrylics, Pastels, Silvercraft, Patchwork & Quilting Children's Art & Pottery
Mon - Sat 10am - 3pm
4341 8344
madogis@hotmail.com

Point Clare Art & Craft
Wed - Adult Art Class
Wed & Fri - Adult Crafts
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Point Clare Hall
10am - 12noon 4325 5007

Hospital Art Australia Inc.
Meet every Tue and Fri 9am-2pm - 109 Birdwood Ave, Umina - Painting and Canvas drawing.
Volunteers welcome
hospitalartaustalia.com.au
0431 363 347

Bushwalking

National Parks Association Central Coast
Twice weekly bush walks, varying distances and grades of difficulty. Explore, enjoy scenery, fauna, floral, history. Keep fit and make friends.
4389 4423 & 4332 7378

Community Centres

Peninsula Community Centre
Cnr Ocean Beach Rd & McMasters Rd Woy Woy
Activities, programs and support groups for children, teens, adults and seniors including occasional care, playgroups, dance classes, karate, fitness classes, youth services, gambling solutions, internet kiosk and social groups.
www.coastcommunityconnections.com.au
4341 9333

Ettalong 50+ Leisure & Learning Centre
Mon - Fri - Cards, Computer Lessons, Dancing, Indoor Bowls, Fitness, Handicrafts, Leatherwork, Line Dancing, Painting, Scrabble, Table Tennis, Tai Chi, Yoga, Darts
4341 3222

Community Groups

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Central Coast Social Group
Social contact, entertainment events, new friendships, for 30's-60's
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Monthly Meet & Chat
0422 243 101
email cco30s@live.com.au

Central Coast 50+ Singles Social Group
Ladies & gents dinner, dancing - BBQs & socialising each w/end.
Monthly programme for all areas
4396 3640 or 0437 699 366
50pssg@gmail.com

Mingaletta Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander
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Mon-Fri 9am - 4pm
6 Sydney Ave Umina
4342 7515
admin@mingaletta.com.au

Peninsula School for Seniors
Community Centre, McMasters Road, Woy Woy
Discussions, rumikin, craft, history, walks, & coach trips
Tues, Wed, Thur
4341 5984 or 4341 0800

Peninsula Village Playgroup
Carers, Grandparents, parents & children 'Intergenerational Playgroup'
Tues 10-11.30am
4344 9199

Probus Club of Woy Woy
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1st Wed - 10am
Everglades Country Club
4341 9195

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The Krait Club
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Darrell 4342 9606

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Woy Woy
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4367 9600
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4th Sat 7pm CWA Hall Woy Woy 4342 6716
mail.info@troubadour.org.au

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Umina Ettalong Branch
2nd Mon Umina Beach Bowling Club 7.30pm
4342 3676

Ourimbah/ Narara Branch
Niagara Park Primary School 7.30pm 1st Mon
0410 309 494
kyle.macgregor@hotmail.com
Woy Woy Branch
Everglades Country Club 7.30pm 2nd Mon
0412 517 520
belindaneal@bigpond.com
Peninsula Day Branch
1pm 2nd Mon
CWA Hall Woy Woy
4341 9946

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3rd Thur,
centralcoast.nsw.greens.org.au
centralcoastgreens@gmail.com

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Everglades Country Club
0409 245 861
curleys@ozemail.com.au
0409 245 861

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Tues 6pm Everglades Country Club.

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Thurs evening 6-10pm
10 Ourimbah Creek Rd Ourimbah
4362 2246

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Peninsula Environment Group
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buying group
www.peg.org.au

Woy Woy Judo Club
3 Classes every Tue & Fri 5.00pm to 8pm
Ettalong Leisure & Learning Centre
Min age 5 years old
0434 000 170
www.woywoyjudoclub.com

Veterans

National Malaya Borneo Veterans Association
1st Sat F(except Jan) 1pm
Ettalong Beach War Memorial Club, 51-52 The Esplanade.
4342 1107

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Australia Post is about to increase their postage rates by over 42% and we can no longer continue to absorb these increases.

Subscription rates have therefore needed to be increased from \$50 to \$75 for 25 editions.

Didge and dance group recognised

The MINGALETTA Didge and Dance group for aboriginal young people has been recognised by Interrelate Central Coast as a program that helps aboriginal people to close the gap by engaging in and sharing traditional culture.

Participation in cultural activities builds human and social capital, fosters cultural leadership and reduces isolation, according to Mr Mike Sheargold, Interrelate Central Coast area manager.

The group was started over five years ago by community elder Uncle Bob Williams, with the support of Interrelate, and is still going strong today.

"These activities are about building connections within communities and between families, so that they are supported in bringing about the changes that help aboriginal people to overcome the challenges they face," Mr Sheargold said.

He said the success of the Didge and Dance group was highlighted during National Reconciliation Week, as it served as a reminder that aboriginal peoples still face extra challenges in life.

"Many of these are the consequences of a complex combination of social, economic and environmental factors that have been compounded by the ongoing effect of colonialisation

and intergenerational trauma.

"Reconciliation is a process, and supporting reconciliation means working to overcome the gap that still exists between aboriginal and non-aboriginal people.

"We need to remember how important cultural identity is to the health and wellbeing of individuals, families and communities," said Mr Sheargold.

"Outward displays of culture allow the wider community to understand and appreciate the depth of wisdom and knowledge within aboriginal culture, which can help break-down prejudices and decrease racism," he said.

Media release, 30 May 2016
Mike Sheargold, Interrelate
Central Coast



Members of the MINGALETTA Didge and Dance Group



Author reads and signs books

Umina Beach author, Ms Caroline Cumming appeared at the Gnostic Forest Café Woy Woy, for a book reading and signing on June 8.

Ms Cumming read from her

memoir, The Love of One, the intimate story of her experience with dealing with husband Mr Gordon Cumming's sudden deterioration into a coma.

The memoir details Ms

Cummings raw emotional struggle with the sudden upheaval of her life and Mr Cumming's journey back to health.

Email, 1 Jun 2016

Caroline Cumming, Umina Beach

The Peninsula Diary of Events

For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

Tuesday, Jun 14

Family Playtime, MINGALETTA, 6 Sydney Ave. Umina, 10am to 11:30am followed by baby massage and chat circle, 12:30pm to 2:30pm

Horizon's at Killcare, sixth exhibition of local artists, Thursday to Monday, upstairs at Killcare SLSC, 10am to 3pm

Thursday, Jun 16

Five Ways Plus exhibition of work from members of the Ettalong Beach Arts and crafts Centre, The Community Gallery, 36 Webb St, East Gosford, 10am to 4pm until June 26

Friday, Jun 19

An Afternoon of Art Displays, Films, and Music, Wagstaffe Hall from 2pm

Saturday, Jun 18

Crochet for beginners with Sabine Parge, Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre

Sunday, Jun 19

Umina Beach Markets, 9am to 3pm, Peninsula Recreational Precinct, Umina

Monday, Jun 20

Auditions for Woy Woy Little Theatre's production of Alan Ayckbourn's Absurd Person Singular, Peninsula Theatre, 7pm and Wednesday, June 22

Primary Book Club at Umina Library, 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Tuesday, Jun 21

Family playtime at 6 Sydney Rd Umina Beach, from 10pm to 11:30pm

Baby massage and chat circle at MINGALETTA from 12:30pm to 2pm

Marlene Palagyi watercolour demonstration, Woy Woy Library, 2pm to 4pm

Saturday, Jun 25

Peninsula Chamber of Commerce Business Awards Dinner, Ettalong Diggers Club, cocktails from 6:30pm, then dinner, dancing and awards from 7pm to 11pm

Troubadour Folk Club featuring Margaret and Bob Fagan, CWA Hall, The Boulevard, Woy Woy, 7pm

Crawfish Stew featuring Todd Stewart, Bayview Hotel Woy Woy, 8:30pm

Thursday, Jun 30

Helping older children to read between and beyond the lines, Woy Woy Library, 10am to 11am

Friday, Jul 1

Woy Woy Little Theatre Company annual flash festival, Peninsula Theatre

A Coupla Numbers featuring Phil Hewett, The Old Pub, Woy Woy, 8pm

Saturday, Jul 2

Election Day BBQ at MINGALETTA, Sydney Rd Umina

Sunday, Jul 3

Rock Pool Ramble with OCCl, guided tour of rockpools at the south of Umina Beach, 12pm

Dancing in July Fundraiser for Gosford Hospital mental health services, Patonga Community Hall, 6 Brisk St, Patonga, 2pm to 7pm

Monday, Jul 4

NAIDOC Week celebration, Umina Park, free face painting, barbecue and games, 10am to 2pm

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Sport

Bowls umpire retires after 30 years

A Woy Woy bowls umpire is retiring after 30 years of service.

Ms Barbara Champion joined the Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club in 1984 and underwent special training to become an umpire in 1988.

Ms Champion has been successfully re-assessed every three years since.

However, Ms Champion has decided it has become a little difficult to get down to measure

and it was time for younger club members to take over.

Ms Champion has been an active member of the club and, along with umpiring, has coached, acted as both club president and vice-president and has been the club's historian for the past 20 years.

Ms Champion has been a life member of the club since 2006.

Email, 30 May 2016
Gaye Scarfe, Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club



The Pretty Beach girl's team

Students compete in soccer day

Students from Pretty Beach Public School competed in the country Soccer Gala Day on May 25, with mixed results.

The girls' team played well for their debut match on a full sized field, but were outmatched by the Copacabana team, the eventual winners of the girls' comp.

Girls from years 4, 5 and 6 competed in the Round One match but were knocked out of contention.

The Boys team were also hard-pressed in Round One to make ground in their match against Erina Heights.

Erina Heights held an early lead, but with a fantastic display of soccer and perseverance, the Pretty Beach boys were able to turn the match and knock Erina Heights out of the contest with 4-3 point victory.

Round Two pitted Pretty Beach and Copacabana against one another yet again, but Pretty Beach grabbed an early lead and

stretched it into a 4-1 point victory.

This moved the boy's team into Round Three, but the previous two games took their toll on the team who went down to Terrigal 3-0.

Team coaches Ms Metcalfe and Mr Podmore said the sportsmanship and effort of their students was commendable and it was moments like the Gala Day that made them proud to be teachers.

Newsletter, 2 Jun 2016
Deborah Callender, Pretty Beach Public School.



Barbara Champion in action



The Pretty Beach boy's team

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Six finalists compete

The Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club 2016 Championships was contested by the six finalists with Ms Dianne Elsom, the defending champion, securing the victory for the second year running.

The 2016 Championships

were played throughout April and finished Ms Elsom and Ms Jan Beston.

After a game which stretched to 25 ends, Dianne was successful in retaining the Championship with Jan being declared the runner-up.

Submission, 25 May 2016
Gaye Scarfe, Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club

Gala day competition

The Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club held its annual Gala Day Competition on May 31.

A total of 28 teams from across the district competed on the day and provided a highly contested competition for the 2016 event.

The winning team consisted

of Ms Lynne Gordon, Ms Hazel Lambert and Ms Merryl Reilly.

The Men's Club cooked a steak sandwich lunch for the gala, while the social team set up for the day and organised a tombola.

Email, 30 May 2016
Gaye Scarfe, Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club

Students prepare for dance festival

Students from Pretty Beach Public School have been preparing for the Central Coast Dance Festival.

The school's dance troupe have completed their first dress rehearsal at the Laycock St Theatre as part of their performance preparations.

The troupe were able to practice in full costume and make-up on the stage.

They will perform on during the Festival on June 20.

Newsletter, 2 Jun 2016
Deborah Callender, Pretty Beach Public School



Kristen O'Brien

World record set at masters' swim carnival

The Ettalong Pelicans Masters held their annual swim carnival at the Peninsula Leisure Centre on May 21.

The event was attended by Masters Swim Clubs from across NSW with a record of 232 entrants this year.

The day saw many achievements, with one world record, 18 state records and 13 national records among the many highlights.

Mr Clary Munns of the Blacktown Masters Club reached new heights with a world record in the 200-metre Butterfly.

Mr Cameron Horn of the

Ettalong Pelicans recorded four records in Butterfly on the day.

The Ettalong Pelican Masters Swimming Club is open to all ages and welcomes new additions of any experience level.

Training is held every Thursday at 6:45pm.

Email, 5 June 2016
Marion Dreyer, Ettalong Pelicans



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Sport

Jemma and Rachel selected for Australian team

Umina Surf Lifesaving Club members Jemma Smith and Rachel Wood have both been selected to be part of the Australian Youth Team for the International Surf Lifesaving Championships.

Garry Mensforth has been chosen as a team manager.

Jemma was asked to be the captain of the youth team and is looking forward to being an excellent role model.

The International Surf Lifesaving Championships encompass both pool and surf competition and will be held in various locations in The Netherlands in September.

Kerry Armstrong Smith and Bronte Smith will travel to the championships and compete as Umina representatives in the inter club competition.

"We wish them all the best and are proud that they are representatives for the Central Coast and Australia," said publicity officer Ms Christine Lavers.

The club recently held its end-of-season junior and senior presentations.

Kai Darwin won the junior club person of the year award.

Rookie of the year was awarded to Grace Talty and competitor of the year was Lachlan Braddish.

Senior club person of the year was Brett Harrod.

Under-19 club person of the year was Jemma Smith.

Patrol person of the year was

Duncan Way.

Patrol One was awarded patrol of the year.

The Phil Carr Memorial Stirrer's Paddle went to joint winners: Bob Langford and Grant Stringer.

The Megan Healey Tour De Force award was presented to Kirsten Miller.

Senior carnival competitor winner was Jemma Smith, masters' competitor was Shelley Smith.

The traditional lifesaving award was received by Bronte Smith.

The surf board riding award was received by Greg Coleman and the winning boat crew was the Umina Stringers.

Club members Kai Darwin, Grace Talty, Shelley Smith, Jemma Smith, Mollie Murphy, Mimi Henderson, Jazmyn Rodwell, Jasmine Darwin, Sydney Healey and Jess Thomas were nominated for various Central Coast Branch awards.

At the Australian Championship, Umina was awarded the inaugural Viking Cup, introduced by Currumbin Surf Club, for the winner of the championships.

The cup was based on a handicap score taking into account the number of competitors and their overall results.

Umina did not have the largest contingent of team members participating but they did have outstanding results in the top three placings.

Media release, 9 Jun 2016
Christine Lavers, Umina Surf Life Saving Club



Australian Championship female team with medals , front Jemma Smith and from left back Jazmyn Rodwell, Mimi Henderson, Sydney Healey, Rachel Wood, Mollie Murphy, Bronte Smith

Fundraiser held with State of Origin

Woy Woy Bowling Club has held a fundraiser to coincide with the first State of Origin game for 2016.

The Men of League fundraiser aimed to raise funds for members of the League community that have

fallen on hard times.

Members of the Woy Woy club donned the colours of their favourite football teams on June 1, and were treated to a hearty breakfast, and a raffle with various prizes.

All up, the club managed to raise \$800 for the Men of League.

Mr Ken Shepherd was the winner on the day and claimed The Spider Glass.

Email, 3 Jun 2016
Ken Dixon, Woy Woy Bowling Club

Tide Chart

FORT DENISON

LAT 33° 51' S - LONG 151° 14' E - TIME ZONE - 1000

Times and Heights(m) of high and low waters

Time - Height(m)

Add one hour to the times below when Daylight Saving is in force

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