



Ms Chrissy Fitzgerald with her superstar Halley

## Peninsula exhibitors win at Royal Easter Show

**Ms Chrissy Fitzgerald of Umina has won the Best Baby Puppy of Breed title for her Finnish Lapphund Baby Puppy Bitch in the dogs section of the Sydney Royal Easter Show.**

Ms Fitzgerald is a seasoned exhibitor at the Show and said she was thrilled with the result for her puppy Halley.

"Dogs have been my passion for all my life," Ms Fitzgerald said.

"I've been showing dogs for

years and I'm a dog groomer by trade, but Halley represents almost 10 years of planning and effort and I'm delighted with the result at the Royal.

"She exceeded all my expectations.

"When she was placed in the Top 10 out of the 309 entrants for the category and then went on to win the title, I was amazed and so very humbled by the experience," Ms Fitzgerald said.

Since the Show, Ms Fitzgerald

and Halley have been competing at events across NSW, with the most recent being at the Deniliquin and District Kennel Club, which yielded three champion in show titles.

Their recent success sees Halley ranked third on Dogzonline's Rising Star list.

Brisbane Waters High School were also big winners at the Royal Easter Show, winning Champion Senior Boar of Show as well as the Grand Champion Purebred Heavyweight Steer.

Riverglen Herman, the 260kg boar, is currently under the joint-ownership of the school and his breeders, Mr and Ms Richard and Heather Cole.

Sheraton Skippy, the black limousin steer, 600kg, 14-month old Steer, fetched an impressive \$8000 at the Show's auction on April 6.

Skippy was handled at the Show by Year 10 student Kynesia Stapelton.

Mr Ron Unsworth and Mr

Richard McKay, the school's agricultural department assistants, have been helping the students prepare cattle and pigs for the Show for 23 years.

Mr Unsworth described Skippy's win as the pinnacle of the cattle events at the show.

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Media release, 16 Apr 2017

Sydney Royal Easter

Show Media Centre

Interview, 16 Apr 2017

Chrissy Fitzgerald, Umina

Reporter: Dillon Luke

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## Dry month after a wet start

**After a wet start, the Peninsula has finished April with the rainfall total one third below average.**

More than half of the month's rainfall of 114.7mm fell in the first week of the month, according to figures supplied as at 9am on April 28 by Mr Jim Morrison of Woy Woy.

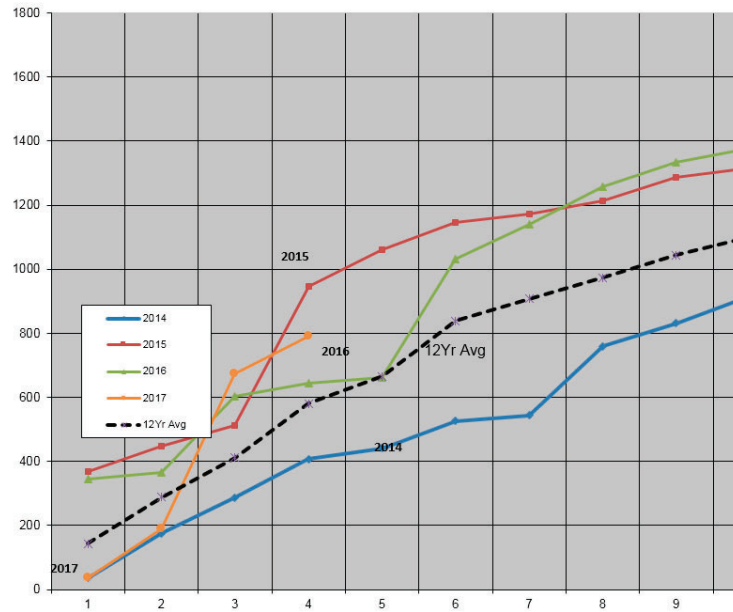
In the first six days of the month, a total of 59.5mm was recorded.

The April average is 170mm.

However, the cumulative total for the year which stands at 789.5mm remains more than one third above the average of 581mm.

Highest daily reading for the month was 46.5mm recorded at 9am on April 4, which included rain that fell in the previous 24 hours.

**Spreadsheet, 28 Apr 2017**  
**Jim Morrison, Woy Woy**



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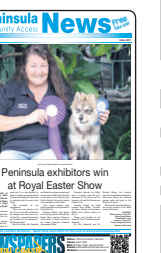
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# Flying fox colony at Everglades

A new grey-headed flying fox colony has been established near the Everglades Country Club, close to food sources in both the Bouddi and Brisbane Water National Parks.

Dr Kerry Parry-Jones, head flying fox carer with Wildlife Arc, said the new colony was an offshoot of an existing colony at Wyoming.

Dr Parry-Jones said it used to be quite rare for flying foxes to establish new colonies but it is becoming more common in response to habitat depletion across NSW and Queensland.

"We have removed so much of our forest ecosystem, which, by the way, Australia leads the world in; we only have four per cent of our original forest ecosystem left.

"That is changing the behaviour and the distribution of species including the grey-headed flying fox because they are very mobile and will relocate close to food sources," she said.

According to Wildlife Arc and WIRES, a bat colony or camp is not a community of bats but "a place where bats hang out".

A new colony can include anything from five to one hundred bats, Dr Parry-Jones said.

She is currently working with a "gigantic" colony near the Barrington Tops where, she said, the population was "uncountable" but around 100,000.



The key to the location of a new colony is the availability of food and since January both Swamp Mahogany and Melaleuca have been flowering in abundance in the national parks surrounding Woy Woy and Umina.

"At the moment, we have quite a lot of blossom on the Coast," she said.

"Bats depend on a good food supply and that is what the Coast has right now."

She said she wished to reassure the local community that the colony is not dangerous to human health.

Locals may notice a peak in activity about 30 minutes after dusk when the flying foxes "fly out" in a big mob and then scatter to forage for food, returning to the colony in the morning.

It appears the majority of flying foxes in the new Everglades colony head south each evening while others fly towards Bouddi to feed.

April is also the peak of the breed's mating season, Ms Parry-Jones said.

The grey-headed flying foxes are an endangered species so mating season is a critical time.

The species' current birth rate is on a par with its death rate.

"Flying foxes are very vocal during mating season," she said.

Dr Parry-Jones said Wildlife Arc and WIRES recently conducted a presentation at Everglades to reassure locals the colony was "safe".

She said it was attended by around 50 residents who were enthusiastic and asked many sensible questions.

"All animals tend to have diseases they pass between themselves.

"Bats get a lot of publicity but there is nothing you can catch from their wee or poo."

The Australian Bat Lyssavirus is a very nasty disease but it can only be passed from bat to human via a bite or a scratch involving the transmission of bodily fluids.

According to Dr Parry-Jones, the percentage of the bat population known to be positive for ABL is "a fraction of one per cent".

Humans who are bitten or scratched can get a free vaccination after the event.

Since 1996, there have been three known fatalities, two before the virus was known; the third was because the child did not inform his family that he had been bitten.

Dr Parry-Jones did advise people who found an injured bat or any bat on the ground not to touch it or attempt to pick it up.

Bats may also have Hendra virus which cannot be transmitted directly to humans but, if contracted by a horse, can then be passed on to humans.

There is now a vaccine for horses and Dr Parry-Jones said there was strong evidence that species found this far south do not carry Hendra at this stage.

**SOURCE:**

Interview, 26, 28 Apr 2017

Dr Kerry Parry-Jones, Wildlife

Animal Rescue and Care

Reporters: Madeline

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## Sandstone steps to be installed on coastal walk

### Striking sandstone steps will be part of an upgrade of the coastal walk at Bouddi National Park.

National Parks and Wildlife Service manager Ms Angela Lonergan said that, from April 18, a section of the track would be closed while the old wooden steps at the Maitland Bay Headland were replaced.

"Materials have to be flown in by helicopter to this remote site so we have to close this part of the track for public safety," Ms Lonergan said.

"There will be no through access at Maitland Bay headland.

"However, there will still be

pedestrian access on either side of the works towards Putty or MacMasters Beach.

"Visitors can still enjoy the pristine beaches and sweeping views from sections of the coastal walk but they'll need to plan ahead to avoid disappointment.

"In the southern section, people can walk from Putty Beach to Maitland Bay, exiting up to Maitland Bay carpark and in the northern section visitors can walk from MacMasters to the Mt Bouddi track intersection.

Source:

Media release, 13 Apr 2017  
Angela Lonergan, NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service

## Free morning activities

### The Peninsula Community Centre will host free morning activities from 10am on May 10 for Neighbourhood Centre Week and National Families Week.

Promoted as "Belong and Be Strong", the event combines the Neighbourhood Centre Week theme of belonging and the National Families Week theme of "stronger families, stronger communities".

"The aim of the event is to showcase the role that our centre and services play as the heart of our community, where everyone is welcome and they can gather, learn and are supported and connected," said Ms Jenni Allan, acting chief of Coast Community Connections, which operates the centre.

"Our teams have gathered the support from our community centre groups and are pleased to offer a

range of activities for this event that will be valuable for all residents to enjoy for free," Ms Allan said.

A free morning tea will be provided.

A community swap will be held where visitors can donate including books, clothing, toys and DVDs.

She said the community was welcome to attend this free public event.

SOURCE:

Media release, 26 Apr 2017  
Katey Small, Brilliant Logic

## Fox bait warning

### Pet owners have been warned that a fox baiting program will be undertaken in Bouddi National Park during May.

Pets are not permitted into national parks or reserves at any

time.

Nevertheless, the Wagstaffe-Killcare Community Association has urged residents to be vigilant with pets.

"The 1080 fox baiting program

gets under way on May 12 and continues until July 7," according to association president Ms Peta Colebatch.

SOURCE:

Media release, 20 Apr 2017  
Peta Colebatch, WTKCA

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However, there are a number of threats to our COSS lands

Key to these is the lack of action and commitment by the current Council. The previous Gosford Council called on the State government to create a new zoning to protect our COSS lands, the E5 zone - and the State government agreed!... However, after 5 years we are still waiting.

For much of the last 33 years, there has been a COSS Committee to oversee the process of working with landholders, promoting COSS and voluntary acquisition of lands. History has shown that without the committee there is very little action - and that appears true now. CEN is also seeing attempts to develop and clear COSS lands - we are waiting to see how this current Council responds to these attempts.

Help us to protect our COSS lands - go to our website to join the Friends of COSS.

Jane Smith, CEO



### Habitat for Wildlife - Native Bees Workshop

CEN is pleased to be holding a Native Bees workshop on **Saturday 13 May, 2017** from 2-4pm, as part of its Habitat for Wildlife Program.

The workshop will be presented by Ben MacAndrew, an Environmental Scientist and Native Solitary Bee expert. It will include general information about how native bees support biodiversity; why they need our help; how to attract them to your garden and; identify which bees are in your neighbourhood.

The workshop is free for CEN, HFW & LFW members and for non-members will cost \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children. Numbers are limited and bookings are essential. Go to: [www.cen.org.au/events](http://www.cen.org.au/events)

Habitat For Wildlife is a program that encourages residents to improve their backyards as habitat for native bird life, frogs and other native animals. Joining HfW is free. New members receive two free plants, an information pack, a membership card providing discounts at participating nurseries and special invitations to workshops. HFW members can also purchase a sign for their front yard for just \$10. To join HFW email [habitatforwildlife@cen.org.au](mailto:habitatforwildlife@cen.org.au).

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**Sat, 13 May**  
**Native Bees Workshop**  
2-4pm  
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**Fri, 26 May**  
**Opening Night: Flora, Fauna and Foam**  
6:30-8pm  
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# Rotary presents Opera proceeds

**The Rotary Club of Woy Woy has presented funds to beneficiaries of its 12th Opera in the Arboretum.**

Club president Mr Vic Deeble presented close to \$40,000 at a dinner to thank sponsors for their support of the event.

Mr John Mazaroli accepted a donation for Regional Youth Support Services, which provides services for youth aged 12 to 25 years to address the relief of poverty, distress, misfortune and destitution.

Donations were also made to Coast Community Connections and Peninsula Village, accepted by Ms Jeanette Martin and Mr Shane Neaves respectively.

Another major beneficiary was Australian Rotary Health, one of the largest independent funders of

mental health research in Australia.

It will use these funds to conduct a university research project the club has commissioned into dementia, over the next three years.

The Rotary Foundation also received funds to support their humanitarian projects.

"Our club raises funds to support others who do good in the world," Mr Deeble said.

"The Opera is our major annual fundraiser and relies heavily on sponsorship," he said.

"The Sponsors' Night dinner was a way for both our club and those who received funding to say thanks to the sponsors for their generous support."

**SOURCE:**

Media release, 27 Apr 2017  
Joan Redmond, Rotary  
Club of Woy Woy



From left back President Vic Deeble, Graeme Davies (ARH), John Mazaroli (RYSS), John Greenway (project director) and front David Rands (TRF) and District Governor Bruce Lakin

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# Council website lists 60 Peninsula projects

More than 60 council roads and drains projects have been or will be undertaken on the Peninsula this financial year, according to a new Central Coast Council website.

The website shows 30 projects already completed in the 2016-17 financial year on the Woy Woy Peninsula.

Another 22 were earmarked as having commenced and a further 10 were scheduled to take place in the current financial year.

Projects listed as completed included the installation of closed circuit television, including camera upgrades within the Woy Woy CBD.

Completed projects included the parking bay at the Bays Community Hall on Woy Woy Bay Rd; drainage improvements in Raymond Rd and Phegans Bay Rd, Phegans Bay; and road reconstruction including realignment, kerb and gutter and a pedestrian refuge at the intersection of Woy Woy Rd and Banyo Cl at Horsfield Bay.

A median strip was constructed in July at the rail underpass in Shoalhaven Dr.

Another Woy Woy project listed as completed was footpath construction on Victoria Rd between Blackwall Rd and Park Rd which was commenced in August 2016 and completed within



The new interactive mapping system shows all current road and drainage projects on the Peninsula

three weeks.

A school access project for the entry of Woy Woy Public School had also been completed in the current financial year.

It consisted of footpath construction on Park Rd from Burge Rd to the access into Woy

Woy Public School.

Bus stop improvements were completed in Burge Rd, having commenced in September 2016.

Traffic "improvements" at Woy Woy South Public School included the upgrade of a children's crossing in Waterloo Ave outside the school

in February.

During December 2016, the council carried out minor patching on Cogra Rd, Woy Woy, between Dunban and Walford St and then between Walford St and Rawson Rd.

The patching was followed by

the resurfacing of the road, which was completed in two weeks.

The website listed reconstruction and resurfacing of Ocean Beach Rd from number 227 towards Kathleen St, Woy Woy, during January and February.

Footpath construction was completed along McMasters Rd between Welcome St and Blackwall Rd over 12 weeks from October.

A 35 metre section of Shoalhaven Dr was reconstructed and resurfaced, north of Veron Rd during October.

Orange Grove Rd was also reconstructed and resurfaced from Blackwall Rd to Koonora Ave in December and February.

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Media Release, Senator Deborah O'Neill  
7 March 2017



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Other roads that were patched, reconstructed or resurfaced were Carpenter St and Springwood St, Umina;

Tactile markers were installed along Ocean View Rd at Ettalong over nine weeks from September.

A pedestrian refuge was installed in Wellington St at the intersection of Ocean Beach Rd, Umina, in December.

In January, roadworks were completed on Patonga Dr, south of the Warrah Trig track, including non-skid pavement and signage.

Drain maintenance information is also provided.

Drainage work was completed at the eastern end of Bowden Rd in Woy Woy, having commenced in March.

Drainage works, including provision of infiltration pits, were also finalised in November at Pacific Ave, Uligandi St and Ridge St, Ettalong, and at The Esplanade, Umina.

Projects currently underway on the Woy Woy Peninsula but not yet completed included: minor patching followed by resurfacing of Sonter Ave in Woy Woy from Brick Wharf Rd to the cul-de-sac; Daffodil Dr, Woy Woy; Melba Road from Edward St to Victoria Rd; Green St from Rawson Rd to Melba Rd; Everglades Crescent from house 44 to Hillview St; Watkin Ave west from Onslow Ave, Woy Woy.

Road pavement works commenced in Umina but not yet completed included Winifred Ave from Springwood St to Trafalgar Ave and then on to Ocean Beach Rd; and Lone Pine Avenue between Haynes Ave and Ocean Beach Rd.

Due to wet weather the resurfacing of the roads had to be rescheduled to April but is on track for completion by July.

A section of West St, Umina,

from shop 252 to Springwood St, has been reconstructed.

Failed kerb and gutter was replaced in March.

Minor patching as a precursor to resurfacing also commenced in January along South St, Umina, from The Esplanade to West St, but the resurfacing was delayed due to wet weather.

In February, Council started a new footpath on Ocean Beach Rd, south of West St, Umina.

Street drainage, kerb and gutter, and footpath work was completed in Murray St, Booker Bay in February.

Telopea St in Booker Bay has received minor patching to be followed by resurfacing which has been delayed due to wet weather.

Resurfacing is also listed for Wilks Ave, Bena Rd, Stella Rd and Onthonna Tce, Umina.

Road reconstruction including drainage, kerb and gutter, footpath and road pavement was also commenced in February for Mt Ettalong Rd.

Road work is expected to start in George St, Blackwall Rd and Kathleen St, Woy Woy, before the end of the financial year.

In Umina, scheduled road works include Ryans Rd at the intersection of Ocean Beach Rd and Lone Pine Ave.

Two projects that had not yet commenced in Ettalong were safety improvements including a new deck and floating pontoon at Ferry Rd Wharf; and road safety improvements including street drainage, kerb, gutter, pavement and footpath at Davis St in Booker Bay.

A flood levee wall was also listed to be constructed in Emerald Ave, Pearl Beach, over nine weeks from May.

**SOURCE:**

Website, 26 Apr 2017  
Yourvoiceourcoast.com,  
Central Coast Council



Rotary Woy Woy members Charles Brock and Vic Brown at the Woy Woy Dawn Service

## Rotary provides early morning tea and biscuits

**The Rotary Club of Woy Woy provided early morning cups of tea and Anzac biscuits at the Woy Woy Anzac Day dawn service.**

"We were at Memorial Park in Brickwharf Rd before dawn to set up a kitchen to provide early morning cuppas and Anzac biscuits for those who came to pay their

respects," said club spokesperson Ms Joan Redmond.

"We also provided a shopping trolley full of candles to light the dawn," Ms Redmond said.

"Numbers seem to have increased from last year and we ran out of battery candles by 5am, but the late arrivals didn't miss out, receiving our remaining supply of

wax candles," she said.

"Some of our members wore the medals for their service in the armed forces and the medals of family members who have passed away."

**SOURCE:**

Media release, 27 Apr 2017  
Joan Redmond, Rotary  
Club of Woy Woy

## New president for community group

**Ms Cathy Gleeson is the new president of the Bays Community Group.**

She has been a long-term resident of the Bays community and a passionate supporter of an inclusive and caring community group, according to outgoing

president Mr Bob Puffett.

Ms Gleeson said she would like the new committee to build on the work of the past committee and deliver enhanced services to provide support for residents in Horsfield Bay, Phegans Bay and Woy Woy Bay.

"I am pleased that Cathy has agreed to be president and look forward to seeing The Bays develop further under her guidance and leadership," Ms Puffett said.

**SOURCE:**

Newsletter, 13 Apr 2017  
Bob Puffett, Bays  
Community Group

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# Medals reunited with family

When Umina local, Mr Ian Wilkes, opened a box of war memorabilia belonging to his late father, little would he know he would set up an emotional reunion in central western NSW.

In amongst his father's medals and mementos, he found a mysterious set of honours under another veteran's name, Private Vivian Huckel, who served in Darwin during World War II.

Mr Wilkes happened to mention the find during a chance meeting with Senator Deborah O'Neill, which set off a search in her office that wound up in the former goldmining town of Grenfell.

It was there that Vivian's brother, Ron, was found.

Senator O'Neill reunited the medals and the Huckel family on April 21.

Apart from the reunion, the story leaves more questions than answers.

How did Ian's dad Mr Noel Wilkes, who served at Fort Scratchley in Newcastle, come to be in possession of the medals awarded to Vivian, who hailed from Pullabooka near Forbes and was stationed in Darwin.

"It is a mystery that endures," Senator O'Neill said.

"But it was, for me, wonderful to play a part in returning the medals to Ron and the family."

Source:  
Media release, 13 Apr 2017  
Scott Coomber, Office  
of Deborah O'Neill



Mr Ian Wilkie with Senator Deborah O'Neill

## Volunteer lifesavers carry out double rescue

Volunteer lifesavers from Killcare Surf Life Saving Club carried out a double rescue on Easter Monday after three friends decided to jump into a rip north of the patrolled area away from the flags.

Although there didn't appear to be a large swell, there was no shortage of rogue waves and lots of tricky currents that left the beach closed for most of the Easter long weekend, according to patrol captain Mr Grey Judd.

"It was a very serious situation followed with the help of Jennifer

Webb and Kynan Hughes and being supported by the outstanding performance of those on patrol," Mr Judd said.

"Ultimately it was the coolness under pressure of the two 16-year-olds that did us all so proud," he said.

"Jennifer Webb's 80 metres out rescue ... and Leah Judd's first aid delivery in tricky circumstances were a credit to the club.

"It was a very serious rescue we are all still processing," he said.

SOURCES:  
Newsletter, 21 Apr 2017  
Grey Judd, Killcare SLSC

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# Council waits for details while Woy Woy channel silts up

**Central Coast Council is waiting for details of the State Government's \$8 million dredging strategy before it commits to any dredging work.**

"My understanding is that Councils will be able to apply for funding but I haven't seen the exact details as yet, but of course if that is the case we would be keen to see how that could work for the Central Coast," said administrator Mr Ian Reynolds.

"Council is of course willing to work with RMS and Crown Lands to help deliver improved navigation in State waters and we will certainly

be looking closely at what this new strategy means to be able to actual fund some works," Mr Reynolds said.

He said Council had already raised the issues of dredging Box Head and the Ettalong Channel with the State Government in the February Community Cabinet and that Council was in the process of securing costings and advice for different dredging and maintenance options for Central Coast waterways.

It was not clear whether the program could be used to dredge the Woy Woy channel.

Neither Woy Woy nor the

Brisbane Water channel have been listed as priority waterways in the 2017 Dredging Strategy.

However, Brisbane Water Ferries ferryman Mr Tim Conway said the Woy Woy Channel was even more dangerous than the main channel at the mouth of Brisbane Water.

He said Woy Woy channel was at serious risk of becoming unnavigable if something was not done to ease siltation and sand build up.

The sandbank that has built up in the channel has become so large that the channel has become unusable by outside boats and if left unchecked would eventually impact Central Coast Ferries viability he said.

"The sandbank stretches right across the channel and has made it really inaccessible to boaters coming up from Sydney," Mr Conway said.

"If we misjudge the deeper part of the channel it could mean thousands of dollars in damage to our vessels and poses a real threat to the safety of our passengers

and the ferry service as a whole," Mr Conway said.

According to Mr Conway, accessibility was becoming a significant issue across the Peninsula with waterways becoming increasingly harder to enter, navigate and exit thanks to poor conditions.

Mr Conway said there were many avenues Council could explore to secure funding for channel remediation.

"Dredging is an obvious choice for the Woy Woy channel.

"There are plenty of beaches around the Peninsula that are suffering from erosion.

"Doesn't it make sense to get the sand building up in the channel out and onto a beach that needs renourishment?"

He said Council also had the option to apply for funding through the Rescuing Our Waterways Program, which supplies \$2 million to priority regional locations over four years or \$6 million over four years to local waterways.

He said the Council could use a government program to address

the dilapidated state of Woy Woy Wharf, which was impacting on Central Coast Ferries' ability to service its customers.

"Our ferry service caters to people with disabilities and it is incredibly difficult to fulfil this duty when three quarters of Woy Woy Wharf goes underwater with the king tide," Mr Conway said.

"How can we board a person in a wheelchair if the wharf is unusable?" he asked.

He also said that posts along the wharf were rotted and that Council had removed sections of rot and replaced them just before summer last year with cement.

"The cement won't last," he said.

"When it degrades the wharf will be even worse off than it is now and it really needs a whole overhaul to get it back to speed," Mr Conway said.

**SOURCES:**

Interview, 12 Apr 2017

Tim Conway, Central Coast Ferries

Media statement, 20 Apr 2017

Ian Reynolds, Central Coast Council

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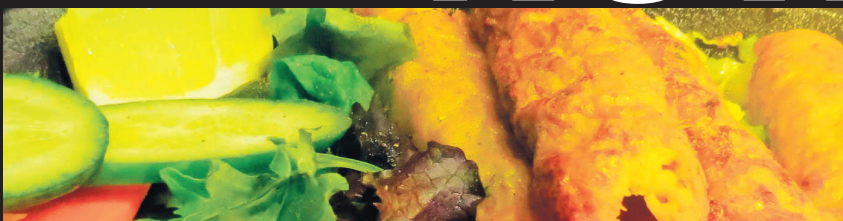
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# Coastal management plan sent to Minister

A plan to manage the coastline of the former Gosford City local government area has been adopted by Central Coast Council.

It will now be sent for Ministerial approval.

Gosford Beaches Coastal Zone Management Plan includes the beaches, coastal lagoons and estuaries of the Peninsula.

The plan was originally prepared by the former Gosford Council and was submitted for approval.

The Minister returned it, requesting revision of the management of land at Patonga and Pearl Beach.

The primary purpose of the plan was to describe proposed actions to be implemented by Council, other public authorities and by the private sector for the management of the coastal zone between 2015 and 2025.

"The issues include managing risks to public safety and built assets, pressures on coastal ecosystems and community uses of the coastal zone," according to the plan.

"The primary objective of this plan is to protect and preserve the beach environments, beach amenity, public access and social fabric of the open coast and Broken Bay beaches while managing coastal hazard risks to people and the environment."

Administrator Mr Ian Reynolds said the plan provided the foundation for the development of appropriate planning controls that would protect the coastline now



Storm damage at Umina

and into the future.

"This will be welcome news for those who live along the coast as it will provide firm guidelines on what can and cannot be built on privately owned or public land," Mr Reynolds said.

"The Plan sets out clear roles and responsibilities for private landowners, Council and other public authorities.

"Our beaches are one of our greatest natural assets and we need to ensure there is a proper framework in place that balances the need for sustainable development where it can happen while ensuring our coastal environment is protected and enhanced."

The draft plan, which was prepared by Worley Parsons,

described the coastline as "diverse and spectacular" and including "amongst the most dynamic beaches on the east coast".

It aimed to complement the development of plans for the Lower Hawkesbury River Estuary (2009), Brisbane Water (2012), Pearl Beach Lagoon (2014) and Gosford's Coastal Lagoons (2015). The draft plan was put together following a coastal zone study and community and stakeholder consultation during 2015.

A coastal sub-committee of the former Gosford Council was also instrumental in the formulation of the draft plan.

The plan lists management measures over a 10 to 15 year timeframe.

Some measures could be

implemented quickly "such as development and building controls, hazard education, public awareness and dune management programs".

The plan acknowledged that "availability of funding will determine when certain options can be implemented such as structural measures".

Action for each beach was based on coastal hazards, existing management measures, recommendations of previous studies and issues raised by the local community.

It stated that "the major challenges across the beaches relate to land use and development".

Options were developed for each beach for managing future

coastal risk: defend, accommodate, retreat, or maintain the status quo.

The plan stated that some measures would be applied to all beaches, including water quality improvement in the first year.

Pollutant sources would be identified and consequent action would include catchment controls, compliance and education.

A Coastal Erosion and Inundation Emergency Response Plan would also be developed.

A centralised record would be kept of geotechnical information relevant to frontage development.

An ongoing beach and infrastructure monitoring program was also to be developed by council with a one-year timeframe.

Within two-to-five years, Council would implement an ongoing public education program on coastal management issues at a cost of \$20,000 per year.

A \$50,000 beach nourishment strategy would be another two-to-five-year action.

A \$210,000 dune management and beach scraping strategy is also included in the plan with a two-to-five year timeframe.

This would include dune vegetation mapping, weed mapping and vegetation profiling; developing a works program for individual beaches, preparation of environmental assessment and obtaining relevant licenses.

**SOURCES:**

Media release, 26 Apr 2017

Ian Reynolds, Central Coast Council

Management Plan, 3 Apr 2017

Gosford Beaches Coastal Zone, WorleyParsons

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# Application for adult shop in Woy Woy

Central Coast Council has received an application for an adult shop to operate in a high profile section of Woy Woy town centre.

The site at 18 Blackwall Rd, which was a butcher's shop for many years, has been vacant for some time.

The applicant, Eastern Investments Group Pty Ltd, stated that it operated similar retail outlets in Bathurst, Orange, Port Macquarie, Coffs Harbour and Dubbo.

The communities had not suffered any adverse affects, nor had they been advised of any police or Council complaints, according to the application.

"We have operated our businesses in accordance with local council policies and continue to be sensitive to community expectations in relation to this type of business," it stated.

The land is zoned B2 Local Centre.

According to the application, the proposal aligns with the zone objectives and is permissible with

consent from Council and that the development would provide employment opportunities.

If approved, a permanent partition would be built covering the front doors ensuring the inside of the store was not visible from the outside, in accordance with legislation.

No sexually explicit or lewd signage would be displayed.

A restricted premises sign would be fixed inside on the entry facing the front door.

Closed circuit security TV cameras would be installed in the adult's product area.

The application also stated: "The proposed development location is not near any business or activity that would likely be regularly frequented by children and the design and streetscape of the development and the restriction of access to 18 plus would further mitigate any fanciful effects this development is perceived to have on children."

It also stated that the proposed location was not in proximity to any place of worship.

The applicant acknowledged

in the DA that businesses of this nature often drew scrutiny from community members and religious groups.

"There is an anticipated opposition and objections to this development by moral campaigners and religious groups which will be based on the moral issues.

"Generally these points have little to no validity within the legal and planning requirements and are generally not considered when assessing the validity of the development.

"Most of the arguments against adult stores are very emotive and have little or no proven bases, which the NSW Land and Environment Court has acknowledged on numerous occasions through their judgments.

"NSW Police have publicly acknowledged there is no evidence that sexually related crimes increase as a result of an adult store opening in a community."

SOURCE: Website, 24 Apr 2017 DA51912/2017, Central Coast Council

# Identified for temporary protection

Four Peninsula locations have been identified for temporary coastal protection works, in a plan adopted by Central Coast Council

Coast Council to be sent to the NSW Minister for the Environment for certification.

Brisk St in Patonga, and Coral Cres, Pearl Pde and Gem Rd in Pearl Beach have all been named in the Coastal Zone Protection Management Plan as authorised locations.

According to the plan, the

locations were identified in the Guide to the Statutory Requirements for Temporary Coastal Protection Works (2013) and the Code of Practice under the Coastal Protection Act 1979.

Temporary coastal protection works has a specific meaning in relation to the Coastal Protection Act 1979 being sand or sandbags temporarily placed on a beach to reduce beach erosion impacts.

SOURCE: Document, 3 Apr 2017 Draft Coastal Zone Management Plan, WorleyParsons

# Ridge walk is featured

Koolewong Ridge Walk is featured in the latest edition of the Bays Bulletin, the newsletter of the Bays Community Group.

"This walk can be accomplished in half a day, but to fully appreciate the scenic spots, anyone participating should take longer and have lunch on the creek that flows into Woy Woy Bay," according to group president Ms Cathy Gleeson.

"The trail is ideal for bushwalkers as it follows the narrow Koolewong ridge, providing views of the green waters of Woy Woy Bay, with a backdrop of Spion Kop headland.

"The ideal lunch spot is located at the lowest point of the trail, which comes to an open rocky section with clear pools and deep potholes, perfect for relaxing and taking in the scenery.

"Towards the end of the walk, there is a steep valley which encompasses an eroded sandstone cave.

"The erosion has created a honeycomb effect on the cave ceiling, carved by wind and sand."

SOURCE: Newsletter, 13 Apr 2017 Cathy Gleeson, Bays Community Group



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# Life member dies

Life member of the Wagstaffe-Killcare Community Association, Ms Colleen Smith, died peacefully on Monday, April 24.

Ms Smith had been a resident of the St Josephs Nursing home at Sandgate near Maitland.

She was described as a "life force in the Wagstaffe-Killcare community" who attended every association meeting and function.

Ms Smith's funeral will be held on Tuesday, May 2, at St Josephs Retirement Community Chapel, 240 Maitland Rd, Sandgate.

SOURCE: Media statement, 27 Apr 2017 Peta Colebatch, WTKCA





An aerial view of the subject land (shaded red)

# Townhouses proposed for Ettalong

**Four two-storey townhouses with basement carpark, swimming pool and associated works costing a total of \$2.6 million have been proposed for Ocean View Rd, Ettalong.**

According to the development application: "The proposed town house development is of contemporary design and is consistent with the strategic directions of the Central Coast Regional Strategy, supporting the development of a compact urban form; the efficient use of zoned residential land and existing infrastructure services; and the provision of a diversity of housing types."

The development would be on land with an area of 1025.2 square metres; a frontage to Ocean View Rd of 15.75 metres; and east and west side boundaries of 67.565 metres and 66.995 metres respectively.

The rear boundary to the adjoining public reserve of 15.165 metres.

The submitted site calculations

list the building's maximum height as eight metres with a floor space ratio of 0.67:1 and a proposed gross floor area of 691.4 square metres.

The basement carpark would include nine residential parking spaces and one visitor space.

Unit 1 would have floor area of 124 square metres with three bedrooms, terrace and private open space.

Units 2 and 3 would have areas of 127 square metres, each with three bedrooms, terraces and private open spaces.

Unit 4 would have an area of 288 square metres, with four bedrooms, a terrace and private open space.

Adjacent to the eastern side boundary are single storey dwelling houses.

Adjacent to the western side boundary is a two-level apartment building under construction.

On the opposite side of the road, there is a four-storey mixed use building.

**SOURCE:**  
Website, 19 Apr 2017  
DA51904/2017 Central Coast Council

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#### Kibbleplex Plan waiting for Council action

The Lederer Group's master plan for the empty Kibbleplex building on Gosford's Henry Parry Drive cannot progress until Central Coast Council gets NSW Planning approval for its proposed new Gosford CBD planning controls.

#### Council still investigating Wamberal rubble

Professor Bruce Thom, Chair of the NSW Coastal Panel, wrote to the Central Coast Council twice during February to raise concerns over the "clear danger" posed by building materials on Wamberal Beach.

#### Parliament hears about three million litres of leachate annually going into Coast water catchment

NSW Shadow Minister for Environment, Ms Penny Sharpe, has called on State Parliament to act on the Mangrove Mountain landfill.

#### Lies Tesch expected to honour her promises

Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast, Mr Scot MacDonald, said that the new Member-elect for the Gosford state electorate, Ms Liesl Tesch, should consider herself 'on notice' to deliver her election campaign promises.

#### Additional 110 parking spaces announced for Terrigal

Central Coast Council has announced the construction of an additional level to the Wilson Rd Carpark in Terrigal, creating more than 100 extra parking spaces for the CBD.

#### Foley delighted with Labor victory in seat of Gosford

NSW Opposition Leader, Mr Luke Foley, joined with Gosford by-election winner, Ms Liesl Tesch, on April 9, to celebrate Labor's victory and to emphasise the party's commitment to regional NSW.

#### 86 long term dwellings proposed

A Development Application (51538/2017) for Lake View Village Caravan Park, Avoca Beach, has been submitted to Central Coast Council.

#### Council welcomes Co-ordinator General as a key role for the future

Central Coast Council has welcomed the appointment of Ms Lee Shearer to the role of Coordinator General for the Central Coast.

#### Public asked to comment on Empire Bay Drive design

The community and stakeholders are being urged to have their say on the strategic design for the proposed upgrade of Empire Bay Drive, The Scenic Road and Cochrane St at Kincumber.

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#### Strategic Plan is your chance to have your say about the Coast's future

Residents young and old from every one of the Central Coast's diverse and interconnected communities, are being asked to contribute to the first ever combined Central Coast Council 10-year strategic plan.

#### Rezoning request by quarry owner likely to be rejected

A request by the owner of Crangan Bay Quarry to rezone 79 hectares of land, was expected to be declined by Central Coast Council at its ordinary meeting on April 26.

#### Residents' meeting calls for more EPA air pollution monitoring

A heated community meeting of residents who live near the Eraring and Vales Point power stations has called for the NSW Government to get serious about monitoring air pollution from coal-fired power stations.

#### Uniting Church launches winter charity drive May-B-Baby

We Care Uniting will launch their winter charity drive, May-B-Baby, this May.

#### Menindee Ridge residential housing development celebrates three years of growth

Darkinjung Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) has celebrated three years since the first concrete slab was laid at its Menindee Ridge residential housing development.

#### Changes proposed

The process of harmonising the development controls of the former Wyong and Gosford Councils continues, with a review of how development applications are publicly notified being the latest proposal to be considered by Central Coast Council.

#### Submissions sought

The community has until May 15 to make submissions in response to an amended planning proposal for the proposed Education and Business Precinct at 30 Jack Grant Ave, Warnervale.

#### Attempt made to entice Google HQ to Warnervale

Google Australia should consider moving its Head Quarters to Warnervale, according to State Member for Wyong, Mr David Harris.

#### Old Mardi Farm retail tourist village proposal not to proceed

A planning proposal to enable the development of a retail tourist village on the Old Mardi Farm site was expected to be discontinued by Central Coast Council Administrator, Mr Ian Reynolds, at Council's ordinary meeting on April 26.

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## Forum

# NBN so poor telephone connections are lost

Thinking we would soon have no choice, we recently signed up and moved from our ADSL phone-internet service to NBN.

The result for us is an internet service so poor we actually lose our telephone connection quite regularly.

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Downloading web pages is extremely slow and even emails take their time.

We have a lift in our house for a handicapped person and the telephone service had to be replaced at some cost.

I understand there is a significant proportion of Peninsula residents who do not know the telephone service is coming to an end and are clueless about NBN.

Information about the conversion to NBN would be a very useful aid to local residents.

Email, 19 Apr 2017  
John Taylor, Woy Woy

# Where is the evidence for sustainability?

Council's recent media reports regarding developer forums are intended to instil confidence in the council's administration but the lack of detail in the council's development plans undermines this.

Administrator Mr Ian Reynolds has referred to sustainability, without providing details about how 41,500 houses and associated development will follow sustainability principles.

Without details, it cannot be assumed these houses will be sustainable.

There is no credible evidence to suggest that this development will be at all environmentally friendly.

Even energy-efficient houses designed and constructed to meet the challenges of climate change are not necessarily environmentally-sustainable.

If nothing else, their construction and use will add new materials to the waste stream.

The history of the Mangrove Mountain waste dump, for example, reinforces the message that there is a major problem with waste management.

This is highlighted in Gosford Council's waste strategy from 2013.

A recommendation by Council staff to use Bulls Hill quarry as

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# Dawn service special at Patonga

This year's Anzac Day dawn service in Patonga was rather special.

It is a special place in a picturesque setting, and the service began with the bright morning star and a sliver of a reclining new moon hovering above.

In contrast to the pomp and circumstance of larger commemorations, Patonga has an informal but touching way of presenting its tributes.

During the ceremony, Mr Charlie Sproule brought the meaning close

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to home when he acknowledged one by one the names of locals listed on the war memorial who served their country.

Together with Mr John Twiner, these two gentlemen, both veterans of the second World War and recently celebrating their 90th birthdays, have organised the ceremony for many, many years.

Reluctantly, Mr Sproule is stepping down from this role.

Towards the end of the

ceremony, after the kookaburras as if on cue, displayed a chorus of raucous laughter, Mr Twiner asked if any present would like to say something.

There was a poignant pause before a young girl stepped forward and gave thanks to those who had given their lives for us.

I would like to add to that pause with this letter of acknowledgement to these two gentlemen on behalf of the people of Patonga.

Email, 27 Apr 2017  
Diana Perlowski, Patonga

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# Sewerage and water is overpriced

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A recent ABC radio program highlighted the council's illegal hiking of water rates to get them set at a higher level and the way they managed that approval was by adding items other than water related such as recreational and so on.

I have recently shared my bill with friends in seven different council zones from the North Shore to the Inner West, all well to do and the highest cost per kilolitre is \$2.

Central Coast water is, at minimum, 15 per cent higher than middle class areas of Sydney.

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Email, 14 Apr 2017  
Juan Iocco, Umina

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## Another tree goes with a developer-friendly decision

Another beautiful angophora tree has been culled from the area adjacent to the railway crossing, opposite Stoney Park, adjacent to the Rawson Rd railway crossing.

This was a landmark tree that stood for many years providing shade and beauty to the neighbourhood.

The tree started dying last year at the time the house was sold to a developer.

It appeared to have been poisoned.

Several people reported this to the Council.

Fortunately, most of the tree was unaffected and in recent months seemed to be thriving.

We believed the damaged branches could have been removed without harming the tree.

A few months later Council sought approval from the neighbours for the building of five villas.

We and other neighbours endorsed the general plan but pointed out our concern for the tree.

Today the tree was removed by a private contractor acting with Council approval.

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The workman told us the tree was damaged by lightning, although the tree did not show any signs of this and there had never been a lightning strike reported, nor any action by the SES or Council to protect us.

This time there was no attempt by the Council to notify neighbours.

The loss of the tree adds to the destruction of two other beautiful angophoras that were removed from Stoney Park to build the now infamous (and very costly) Woy Woy pedestrian underpass.

This seems to be yet another case of environmental abuse as a developer-friendly decision being pushed through while the Central Coast lacks a democratically elected Council.

No wonder residents feel they are being done in by the NSW Government.

When will we get our democratic voice on local planning and environment back?

Without local councillors to act for us, we seem to count for nothing.

Email, 18 Apr 2017  
Ina Fine, Woy Woy

## Wrong colour

The new building in Woy Woy opposite the football field is a blot on the landscape.

What an unfortunate choice of colour.

The building stands out already due to its height, but the choice of

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orange and yellow just hits you in the eye.

Email, 24 Apr 2017  
Joan Hilton, Woy Woy Bay

If only the great John Clarke were still with us.

What a time he would have had with the appointment of an ex-policewoman to the prestigious post of Coordinator General for the Central Coast.

No doubt, in matters animal and vegetable and mineral, Ms Shearer is the very model of a modern Coordinator-General, but is there any indication that her knowledge of waste collection, drains and kerb and guttering has been brought up to the beginning of the century, which would, at least, put her ahead of most of the local councillors we have had.

After all the grandiose talk, this is the Government's contribution to the development of the Central Coast region: it would be laughable, if it were not so pathetic.

Whatever Ms Shearer's personal virtues (and I'm sure they are many), this decision is what psychologists call "displacement

The Woy Woy Peninsula is home to over a third of the population of Gosford City.

Since the formation of the Central Coast Council by the current Liberal State Government there has been a noticeable increase of neglect on the local beaches, roads, drainage and other infrastructure.

Two examples of neglect can be seen at Woy Woy Baths which are becoming dilapidated from lack of repair, and Ocean Beach which has suffered extreme erosion affecting beach access.

It seems the Woy Woy Peninsula has become The Forgotten Land for this administrator, and the

## Is letterhead next in displacement operetta?

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ineffectiveness.

However, we can all take heart that the Council will have an important role to play on the Consultative Committee, pushing forward priority projects, such as harmonizing our housing development controls, a clerical task that has been hanging fire for a year and has now emerged in all its incompetent glory for public comment.

Add to that such vital matters as the Warnervale town centre, the Central Coast airport, the new university precinct, the China Theme Park, the regional library thought-bubble, the Performing Arts Centre shambles, and it can be seen that the Consultative Committee will have its work cut out.

I suspect that the Consultative Committee will probably be bogged down for the first six months of its operation designing its letterhead.

Email, 18 Apr 2017

Bruce Hyland, Woy Woy

## We deserve our fair share

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only way to rectify this is in the upcoming local council election in September 2017.

Yet, now I read there is a Save Tuggerah Lakes candidate standing in the west ward which covers the Woy Woy Peninsula.

We not only need someone elected to represent us who actually lives in the ward, but we need someone who is going to

fight for the services and needs of this area not a party affiliated with Wyong.

If you see a neglected road, service, or infrastructure on the Woy Woy Peninsula, write into this newspaper to alert any candidate who asks for your vote that we will not become the dumping ground of the Coast and deserve our fair share of funding.

Email, 23 Apr 2017  
Mark Ellis, Woy Woy

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# Rotary club backs palliative care campaign

**A dedicated palliative care facility is needed on the Central Coast, the Rotary Club of Umina Beach has been told.**

Ms Anne Charlton from Elsie's Retreat told the Rotarians of the need in a talk at a recent Rotary meeting.

Following the talk, the Rotary Club of Umina offered its support for the fund raising and awareness raising efforts of Elsie's Retreat.

"Elsie was a registered nurse who died in a nursing home inappropriately in pain and her neighbour and good friend realised that it was not OK," Ms Charlton said.

"As a result of Elsie's death, the Lions Club of Tuggerah Shores took on fund raising for a stand-alone palliative care facility for the Central Coast," Ms Charlton said.

"Elsie's Retreat members have come together to support quality palliative care services for local residents regardless of their age or circumstances.

"We have a terrific community based service at the moment but it is stretched to its limits.

"We are the largest region in NSW that does not have its own stand-alone palliative care unit."

Ms Charlton told the Umina Rotary meeting that the needs of the patient, family and carer during their end of life period vary over time and care setting and so services need to be responsive, coordinated and flexible in meeting those changing needs.

"We propose to establish a specialty sub-acute stand-alone palliative care unit on the Central Coast to provide a group of services in the continuum of care required for patients experiencing a life-limiting illness within the Central Coast Local Health District.

"A stand-alone unit is a cost-effective solution to house a dedicated palliative care



*Umina Rotarians show their support for a local dedicated palliative care facility*

multidisciplinary team to meet patients' end-of-life preferences and needs," she said.

"Similar Australian models to our suggested approach have demonstrated consistent improvement in patient outcomes and experiences in palliative care outcome collaboration data, reduced need for transfer of patients at end-of-life, staff and patient survey data and individual patient stories collected.

"Conversely, the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care undertook scoping and preliminary consultation work to identify the key factors affecting the quality of end of life care when patients are admitted into acute hospital beds.

"The study found that acute care focusses on diagnosis, treatment, cure and discharge rather than end-of-life care.

"Deaths are evaluated in terms of unexpectedness and potential preventability, rather than on

quality of end of life care.

"Care is frequently provided by strangers and in urgent circumstances with a lack of holistic approaches.

"This approach does not provide the necessary, impeccable care to the dying patient that the patient,

families and our community expect and deserve.

"The service as described could potentially either be run as part of the Local Health District such as the stand-alone specialty sub-acute palliative care unit at Wauchope District Memorial Hospital or by an

affiliated health organisation such as the Mater in Newcastle."

According to Ms Charlton, the cost of keeping a patient in an acute hospital bed was \$1800 per day compared to \$1000 per day for a palliative care hospice staffed by palliative care doctors and nursing specialists.

The investment by the State Government would be in the region of \$4.5 million per year but would be offset by the reduced requirement for acute beds, ambulance and would free up the existing burden on the region emergency departments.

"Members of our committee are speaking to service clubs and organisations across the community every week at the moment.

"There is nobody who has told us it is a bad idea."

Ms Charlton said the Elsie's Retreat committee would shortly be organising a charity ball.

**SOURCES:**

Presentation notes, 24 Apr 2017  
Anne Charlton, Elsie's Retreat  
Newsletter, 24 Apr 2017  
Rod Radford, Rotary Club  
of Umina Beach

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## Coast Shelter starts awareness campaign

Coast Shelter, which runs refuges for women and children, has started a domestic violence campaign to "let people, who might be suffering in silence, know that there is help available".

Chief executive officer Mr Laurie Maher said: "So far this year, 69 per cent of clients accommodated in Coast Shelter's Women and Children's Programs sought our assistance because of domestic violence and just over half of these clients were children."

Mr Maher said Woy Woy was one of four hot spots for homelessness on the Central Coast and that homeless numbers were higher than he had ever seen.

"Forty to 50 per cent of those



Sponsor Ron Mussalli, Raylee McCloud, Mr Laurie Maher and Gavin Shepherd at the launch of the coffee cup campaign.

who are homeless are women and children and domestic

violence is the major cause," he said.

In addition to Coast Shelter's own three refuges for women and children, one for domestic violence victims, one for men and five youth refuges, Mr Maher said Mary Mac's Place at Woy Woy was currently serving over 100 hot meals per day.

Mr Maher said women who were victims of domestic violence often relied on New Start allowance as their only income.

"Average private rentals on

the Peninsula are now around \$300 a week and New Start doesn't come near covering that so women have to decide whether to pay for the roof over their head or for the essentials like food and clothing.

"They know they can't cover both," he said.

Coast Shelter's Marie Lowndes Charitable Foundation provides domestic violence prevention, education and response programs.

It has supported the awareness campaign.

Mr Maher said that the campaign would take the form of a "coffee cup campaign".

The concept of a coffee cup campaign came out of discussions within Coast Shelter about the best ways to bring the problem of domestic violence to the community's attention.

The idea was to put wrap-arounds on takeaway coffee cups, displaying the 1800RESPECT (1800 737 732) helpline.

The helpline provides counselling, information and support to those experiencing domestic and family violence.

Mr Maher said a request was made to Mr and Mrs Ron and Sandra Mussalli, who owned 14 McDonald's stores across the Central Coast, selling more than 100,000 coffees a month.

They agreed to deliver the message on coffee cups distributed throughout May, through their outlets, including at Woy Woy and Umina.

"This is a very exciting opportunity for Coast Shelter and it is wonderful to have a number of local McCafes take part," said of Coast Shelter.

#### SOURCES:

Media release, 27 Apr 2017

Interview, 26 Apr 2017

Laurie Maher, Coast Shelter

Reporter: Jackie Pearson

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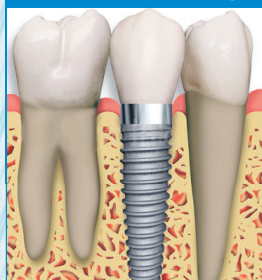
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# Retirement village commemorates Anzac Day



**Peninsula Village commemorated the lives and sacrifices of Australians with a special Anzac Day service on Tuesday, April 25.**

Residents of Peninsula Villages commemorated the day from 10am with morning tea, followed by a service in the main hall organised and led by resident Reverend Peter Swain.

"Anzac Day is a day when the community comes together to honour and pay tribute to our fallen soldiers and honour those who continue to battle for our country," said Peninsula Villages chief executive officer Mr Shane Neaves.

"It is such a privilege to have the service conducted by such a professional and organised gentleman."

The service was topped off with a heartfelt performance by the Peninsula Village choir who performed two songs: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" and "God Bless Australia".

"Our singing group deso a wonderful job."

"I have heard them rehearsing and it was a fitting addition to our Anzac Day service," Mr Neaves said.

"We printed the lyrics for each song in our service program so all our residents could join in the chorale."

"As a way of commemorating this year's Anzac Day and to ensure that the sacrifices of our Anzac soldiers were remembered, attendees were encouraged to wear any medals that had been awarded to them, or their spouse, relatives or family members," Mr Neaves concluded.

Source:

Media release, 13 Apr 2017  
Alison Orren, Brilliant Logic

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Part of his experience includes working at the Dore Achievement Centre, mostly with children who had ADHD, Autistic Spectrum Disorders and Dyslexia.



Jason has taught neuroscience and neurodevelopment in the school of Occupational Therapy and Social Science at Curtin University in W.A.

Jason is inspired by the book: 'The Brain That Changes Itself' by Dr. Norman Doidge, which clearly reveals the potential to help people.

This ideology is in line with Jason's mindset, as he believes: "The more I can learn, the more people that I hope that I can help."

As a result of the book, Jason travelled to Birmingham, Alabama, USA, to be trained in the use of Constraint Induced Therapy with Dr. Edward Taub and his team.

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Education



Woy Woy South Public School students in the Woy Woy Anzac Day march 2017

## School to celebrate Star Wars Day

**Students at Woy Woy South Public School have decided to commemorate Star Wars Day to support the work of Stewart House.**

A Year 4 student at the school came up with the idea of using May 4, also known as Star Wars Day, as a themed day to raise money for charity.

Relieving principal Mr Matt Barr said the student's idea showed great school and community spirit and awareness.

The school will celebrate the 40th anniversary of the release of the original Star Wars movie by

having a Star Wars theme dress up and costume day with a gold coin donation to contribute to Stewart House.

Prizes will be awarded for the best dressed boy and girl in each year including best character costume, best hair, and best face paint.

There will be other prizes for the best Star Wars joke, best drawing and the best group to act out a scene from any of the movies.

**SOURCE:**  
Newsletter, 27 Apr 2017  
Matt Barr, Woy Woy South Public School

## New teacher at Woy Woy South

**Woy Woy South Public School has welcomed a new permanent teacher to its staff in Term 2.**

Mr Michael Gilshenan has been permanently appointed and will be taking class 4A.

"Mr Gilshenan comes to our school as an experienced classroom teacher from

Queanbeyan East Public School," said relieving principal Mr Matt Barr.

Mr Barr welcomed Mr Gilshenan to Woy Woy South and thanked Ms Beaton for "the outstanding work she has done with 4A to date".

**SOURCE:**  
Newsletter, 27 Apr 2017  
Matt Barr, Woy Woy South Public School

## Suiting up for science at Empire Bay

**Students and staff from Empire Bay Public School will be Suiting Up For Science on May 5.**

Students and staff will be donning their best lab coats, bowties and glasses to come dressed as a scientist.

Each stage will be conducting science experiments throughout

the day to get in the spirit.

Suit Up For Science is a gold coin donation fundraiser which supports life-saving medical research.

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**Source:**  
Website, Apr 26, 2017  
Empire Bay Public School

## Students in Anzac ceremony

**Woy Woy South Public School students have participated in the Woy Woy Anzac Day ceremony and march.**

Relieving principal Mr Matt Barr

said 26 students attended.

Ms Lappan for represented the school's staff on the occasion.

**SOURCE:**  
Newsletter, 27 Apr 2017  
Matt Barr, Woy Woy South Public School

## Students join veterans

**Ettalong Public School participated in the Ettalong Anzac Day parade and ceremony.**

Students marched with the school banner with veterans and servicemen alike before student leaders laid a wreath at the cenotaph in honour of the fallen.

The school's own Anzac Day ceremony was held on April 27.

**Source:**  
Newsletter, 26 Apr 2017  
Lynn Balfour, Ettalong Public School

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# Naplan advice at Ettalong

**National Assessment Program Numeracy and Literacy tests will be conducted on May 3, 4 and 5 for all students in Years 3 and 5 across Australia.**

Children perform best when they feel confident and have had a good night's sleep, according to Ettalong Public School relieving principal Ms Lynn Balfour.

"Reading every day and playing games that encourage counting

are fun ways for children to learn at home," she said.

"Someone once told me 'education is no burden to carry' and it is absolutely true."

Ettalong Public School will be holding a Naplan information session for parents on Thursday, May 4, just after 9am, when you have dropped your children at school.

**Source:**  
**Newsletter, 26 Apr 2017**  
**Lynn Balfour, Ettalong Public School**



# Dance group selected

**Ettalong Public School's Stage 3 Dance Group have been selected to perform at the Central Coast Dance Festival.**

"This is a fabulous achievement after a determined effort by the

students and teachers involved," relieving principal Ms Lynn Balfour said.

The festival is held in June.

**SOURCE:**  
**Newsletter, 26 Apr 2017**  
**Lynn Balfour, Ettalong Public School**

# Students and staff attend Anzac march

**Students and staff from Umina Beach Public School attended the Woy Woy Anzac Day march on Tuesday, April 25.**

The school also had students take roles at the Pearl Beach Anzac Day service.

"I would like to thank all of the parents who made it possible for their children to be a part of these important cultural events," said principal Ms Lyn Davis.

"Our students looked fantastic in their uniforms.

"Their behaviour was excellent and we are very proud of them,"

she said.

Parents and family members also attended the school's own Anzac ceremony, held at the school on Thursday, April 27.

**SOURCE:**  
**Newsletter, 26 Apr 2017**  
**Lyn Davis, Umina Beach Public School**



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Anzac Day



Gosford MP, Ms Liesl Tesch marching with servicemen at Woy Woy



The First Woy Woy Sea Scouts at the Woy Woy Dawn Service



Woy Woy Main Street

Anzac Day on the Peninsula



Ettalong Public School students participated in the march



Adam Crouch MP at the Empire Bay Ceremony



Woy Woy Main Street

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# Anzac Day



Servicemen during the Ettalong Ceremony

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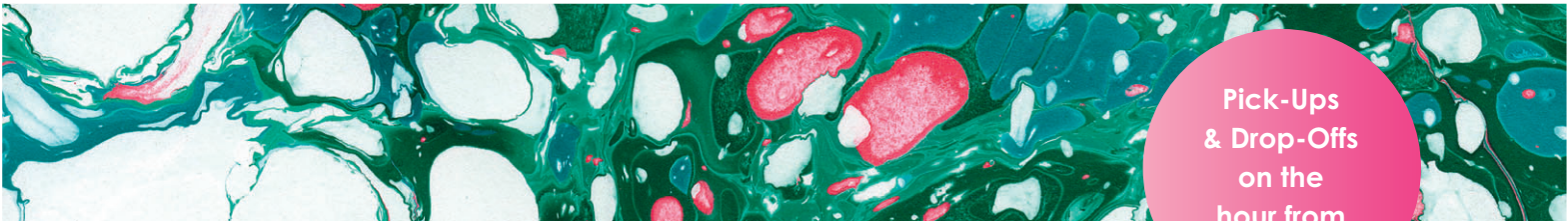


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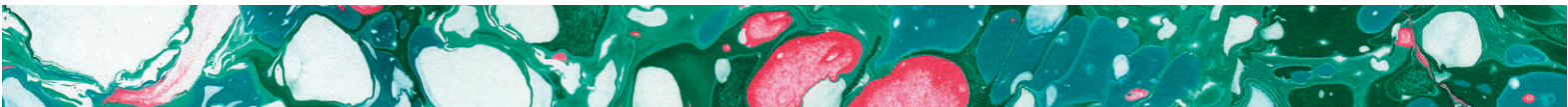
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# Directory - Not for profit Community Organisations

## Art & Culture

**Central Coast Art Society**  
Weekly paint-outs  
Tues 4369 5860.  
Workshops 9.30am 1st & 3rd  
Wed Gosford City Art Centre  
4363 1156.  
Social Meetings 1.30pm 4th  
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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  
Bunka Embroid, Cards, Crotchet, Cross Stitch \$3  
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

**Central Coast Community Legal Centre**  
Not for profit service providing free legal advice.  
Monday to Friday  
9am to 5pm  
4353 4988  
centralcoast@clc.net.au

## Community Groups

**ABC "The Friends" Support group for Public Broadcaster.**  
Aims: Safeguard ABC's independence, adequate funding, high standards. Meetings through the year + social afternoons  
Well-known guest speakers  
www.fabcnsw.org.au  
4341 5170

## Central Coast Social Group

Social contact, entertainment events, new friendships, for 30's-60's  
Live music, house parties, dinners, BBQs, picnics, trips away etc.  
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  
0412 200 571  
0437 699 366  
50psng@gmail.com

**Mingaletta Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander**  
Provides members and other groups a meeting place and referral hub for education, health, well-being and cultural programs.  
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**  
Friendship, Fellowship, and social functions for active retirees.  
1st Wed - 10am  
Everglades Country Club  
4344 7070

**Seniors Computer Club Central Coast**  
Classes held Monday to Friday for everyone over 50  
Basics: Mon, Tues and Thurs 10am to 12noon  
Different programs every day, 10am to 12noon or 1pm to 3pm  
Apple-Mac: Mon, Tues, Wed All at our club rooms, Kincumber  
Neighbourhood Centre  
Bookings or inquiries  
02 4307 9421

**The Krait Club**  
Community Centre - Cooina Village, Neptune St, Umina  
10.30am For seniors. Gentle exercises, quizzes, games, social activities, guest speakers, entertainment and bus trips - 4344 3277

**Umina Beach Men's Shed**  
Men share a variety of tools, pursue interests and hobbies, spend time with other men and learn new skills  
Darrell 4342 9606

**Volunteering Central Coast**  
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recruit@volcc.org.au

**Wagstaffe to Killcare Community**  
Protect and preserve the environment & residential nature of the Bouddi Peninsula and to strengthen community bonds  
2nd Mon, 7.30pm  
Wagstaffe Hall 4360 2945  
info@wagstaffetokillcare.org.au

## Health Groups

**Al-Anon**  
If someone's drinking is causing you problems...  
Al-Anon can help  
4344 6939  
1300 252 666  
Meetings Sat 2pm  
Woy Woy Hospital  
Ocean Beach Road

**Arthritis NSW**  
Woy Woy support group  
Woy Woy Bowling Club

North Burge Road Woy Woy  
3rd Tues 10.30am  
1800 011 041

**Better Hearing Australia - Central Coast**  
Hearing loss management support and education.  
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4321 0275  
www.centralcoast.betterhearingaustralia.org.au

**BlueWave Living**  
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Information 2nd and 4th Tues - 11am  
4344 2599  
reception@bluewaveliving.org.au

**Central Coast Parkinson's Support Group**  
We aim to help individuals and their families better manage living with Parkinson's Disease  
Guest speakers are a regular feature of our meetings.  
2nd Tue - 1.30pm  
1800 644 189

**Gambling Solutions**  
Gambling help counsellors providing free confidential professional service to gamblers, family and friends.  
Woy Woy, Kincumber, Gosford and The Entrance  
4344 7992

**GROW Support Groups**  
Small friendly groups formed to learn how to overcome anxiety, depression and loneliness and to improve mental health and well-being. Anonymous, free and open to all. Bring a support person if you like. Weekly meetings at  
Woy Woy, Bateau Bay and Wyong  
1800 558 268  
www.grow.org.au

**Meals on Wheels**  
Delicious meals delivered free  
Join us for a midday meal  
Help with shopping and cooking classes  
4341 6699

**Mary Mac's Place**  
Providing hot, freshly cooked meals - Mon to Fri 11am-1pm with support, info & referrals  
4341 0584  
marymacs@woywoycatholic.org.au

**Overeaters Anonymous (OA)**  
12-step fellowship for those with eating disorders. No dues, fees, or weigh-ins.  
Peninsula Com. Cntr, cnr. Mc Masters Rd & Ocean Beach Rd. Woy Woy, Fri 8pm  
www.oa.org  
0412 756 446

**Peninsula Village Wellness Centre**  
Offering holistic and complementary therapies including aromatherapy, massage and music therapy  
4344 9199

**Peninsula Village Meals**  
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**Peninsula Village Carer's Support Group**  
For carers of loved ones with dementia - 1st Wed - 10 to 11.30am  
Paula 4344 9199

**Prostate Cancer Support Group (Gosford)**  
Last Fri, Terrigal Uniting Church, 380 Terrigal Drive, Terrigal  
9.30am to 12 noon 4367 9600  
www.pcfa.org.au

**Riding for the Disabled**  
Horse Riding as a therapy for those with intellectual or physical disabilities. Volunteers required. No previous exp. necessary - School hours only. Mon to Sat  
4340 0388  
stateoffice@rdansw.org.au

**Schizophrenia and Bipolar Fellowship**  
For Schizophrenia/Bipolar/ Mental Health sufferers, family, carers and friends. .

1st Thur - 1pm Room 3  
Uniting Church Donnison St  
Gosford  
4344 7989 or 4368 2214

**Woy Woy Public Hospital Alliance**  
To restore medical services previously available & upgrade to a standard that meets with local needs.  
2pm 2nd Sat St Lukes Church Hall, Blackwall Rd Woy Woy  
4344 4811

**Woy Woy Stroke Recovery Club**  
Everglades Country Club  
2nd Tues 11am  
Company, up-to-date info, hydrotherapy, bus trips  
4341 7177

## Music

**Brisbane Water Brass**  
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coastalacappella@gmail.com

**Gosford Musical Society Minstrels**  
Entertain at various venues on the Coast seeking new members  
Thur Night Laycock St North Gosford 4341 4210

**Soundwaves**  
Men's a-cappella 4 part harmony chorus - all ages 7pm Mon.  
Central Coast Leagues Club  
John 0413 276 698  
jbthomson51@gmail.com

**Troubadour Central Coast Folk, Traditional & Acoustic**  
Music and Spoken Word  
Concerts, Ukulele meets, and Sessions  
4th Sat 7pm CWA Hall  
Woy Woy 4342 6716  
mail.info@troubadour.org.au

## Political Groups

**Australian Labor Party**  
Political discussions, national, state and local government issues

**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

**Central Coast Greens**  
Active regarding ecological sustainability, social & economic justice, peace & non-violence, grassroots democracy & getting Greens elected  
3rd Thur,  
centralcoast.nsw.greens.org.au  
centralcoastgreens@gmail.com

**Politics in the Pub Central Coast**  
Discussion of important political, social, economic, education, land philosophy issues in a non partisan manner - The Grange Hotel 4th Thur every month besides Dec

## Service Groups

**Lions Club of Woy Woy**  
1st and 3rd Mon. Woy Woy Leagues Club  
0478 959 895

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**Rotary Club of Kariong**  
Phillip House, 21 Old Mount Penang Rd, Fri 7.15am 4340 4529  
kersuebay@philliphouse.com.au

**Rotary Club of Umina Beach**  
Wednesdays 6.30pm  
Everglades Country Club  
0409 245 861  
curleys@ozemail.com.au  
0409 245 861

**Rotary Club of Woy Woy**  
Tues 6pm Everglades Country Club.  
Don Tee 0428 438 535

## Special Interest

**Brisbane Water Caravan Club**  
located on the Central Coast and looking for new members  
www.bwccaravanclub.wix.com/bwcc  
4344 4363

**Biz Plus Networking Association**  
Business owners networking group.  
Biz Networking breakfast every Thur 7:15am - 9am  
Erina Leagues Club  
Geoff Neilson  
network@bizplus.com.au

**Bridge**  
Duplicate Bridge Mon Tue Thur Fri Sat-12.15pm & Wed 9.15am  
Brisbane Water Bridge Club, Peninsula Community Centre  
93 McMasters Rd.  
Woy Woy  
www.brisbane-water.bridge-club.org

**Cash Housie**  
50 Games every Sat night  
Peninsula Community Centre, McMasters Rd, Woy Woy, 7.30pm. Proceeds to Woy Woy Catholic Parish.  
wvcphousie@hotmail.com

**Central Coast Family History Society Inc.**  
Resources, information & advice to study your family's history.  
1st Sat 1pm Lions Community Hall, 8 Russell Drysdale St, E. Gosford.  
www.centralcoastfhs.org.au  
4324 5164

**Central Coast Tenants' Advice and Advocacy Service**  
Help with issues with landlords & real estate agents? Free telephone advice and advocacy for all tenants and residents in residential parks.  
4353 5515  
cctaas@hotmail.com

**Central Coast Lapidary Club, Minerals & Gems**  
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Tues and Thurs 8.30am-2.30pm  
Thurs evening 6-10pm  
10 Ourimbah Creek Rd Ourimbah  
4362 2246

**Central Coast Rescue Unit**  
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4325 7929  
www.vmrcc.org.au

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0412 164 082  
0414 635 047  
www.cccoaring.com.au

**Peninsula Environment Group**  
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www.peg.org.au

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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

**Vietnam Veterans', Peacekeepers' and Peacemakers'**  
Assist all veterans & families with pension & welfare issues.  
Mon & Wed 9am-1pm 4344 4760 Cnr Broken Bay Rd & Beach St Ettalong.  
centralcoastveterans@bigpond.com.

**Woy Woy Ettalong Hardy's Bay RSL**  
Provide help with pensions and welfare etc.  
Shop 5/382 Oceanview Rd Ettalong. Tues & Thurs 9am to 1pm 4341 2594

## Women's Groups

**BPW Central Coast**  
Empowering women of all ages in the areas of work, education, well-being and friendship. All women welcome to attend monthly dinner meetings. Be enlightened. \$40 covers two course meal and speaker.  
0438 989 199  
bpwcentralcoast@hotmail.com  
www.bpw.com.au/central-coast

**Country Women's Association Umina**  
2 Sydney Ave  
**Branch Meetings**  
2nd Wednesday 10am  
**Craft & Friends**  
Wednesdays 9.30am  
2nd and 4th Sundays 12.15pm  
0416 193 070 - 4340 1746

**Country Women's Association Woy Woy**  
Opposite Fisherman's Wharf  
Craft & Friendship  
1st and 2nd Wed 10am  
Meetings 4th Wed 10.30am  
4324 2621

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

**Peninsula Women's Health Centre**  
Counselling, therapeutic and social groups, workshops, domestic violence and abuse issues. All services by women for women  
4342 5905  
www.cccwhc.com.au

**WOWGIRLS Wave of Wisdom**  
WOWGIRLS Wave of Wisdom connects women and local businesses around a common theme of wellbeing to share wisdom and explore life's potential.  
Regular PowWows, WOW Wisdom gatherings, WOW days and WOW courses.  
www.wowgirls.com.au  
info@wowgirls.com.au



If you would like your Community Organisation listed here, see [www.duckscrossing.org](http://www.duckscrossing.org) or [www.centralcoastnewspapers.com](http://www.centralcoastnewspapers.com) for the forms or contact Central Coast Newspapers on - 4325 7369





## Easter hat parade

**Woy Woy South Public School ended their first term on a high with the colourful creations of students in the Easter Hat Parade.**

Staff and students alike came together to show off their creativity

and style.

The parade was ended with a family picnic that ushered in the start of the holidays.

**SOURCE:**  
Website, 10 Apr 2017  
Woy Woy South Public School Facebook page



*The Woy Woy South Pacific Island group performed at the Filipino Festival*

## Pacific Island group performs

**Students in the Pacific Island group from Woy Woy South Public School have recently had an excursion to Tumby Umbi.**

"They performed at the recent Filipino Festival held at Mingara Leisure Centre," said relieving principal Mr Matt Barr.

"This group continues to represent our school and the Peninsula with great distinction," he said.

**SOURCE:**  
Newsletter, 27 Apr 2017  
Matt Barr, Woy Woy South Public School

## The Peninsula Diary of Events

For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

### Wednesday, May 3

Exhibitions by Karen McPhee, Dale Montgomery, Colin Tapping, Meg Lewer and Bren and Jude Weston, Hardys Bay Art Space, 5pm to 7pm Weds, Thurs and Friday, 12pm to 7pm Sat and Sun

### Saturday, May 6

The Rewbies, Patonga Beach Hotel, 8pm  
Toby Wells, hardys Bay Club, 7:30pm

### Sunday, May 7

Blues Jam, Hardys Bay Club, 2pm

### Wednesday, May 10

Belong and Be Strong, free family-friendly event at the Peninsula Community Centre, 93 McMasters Road, Woy Woy, 10am to 12pm

### Saturday, May 13

Love and Lies starring Catherine Britt and Amber Lawrence, Ettalong Diggers Memorial Club  
Mary Mac's Place mothers' day stall, 100 Blackwall Rd Driftwood, Hardys Bay Club,

### Sunday, May 14

Bassman and the Guru, special Mother's Day Deck Show, Hardys Bay Club, 2pm to 5pm

### Friday, May 19

Jeff Lang album launch tour, Hardys Bay Club, 8pm  
Hardys Bay Community Church Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea, 10am

### Sunday, May 21

Umina Beach markets, Peninsula Recreational Precinct, 9am to 2pm  
Jam Session with Pat and Vanessa, Hardys Bay Club, 2pm

### Friday, May 26

Rumours by Neil Simon by Woy Woy Little Theatre, Peninsula Theatre until June 11  
Tim Rogers, Hardys Bay Club, 8pm, bookings essential

### Saturday, May 27

Lime and Steel at the Troubadour Folk and Acoustic Music Club, Woy Woy CWA Hall from 7pm

### Sunday, May 28

The Deck Sessions featuring

Broads, Hardys Bay Club, 2pm

### Sunday, Jun 11

Pretty Beach Markets, Pretty Beach Public School, 9am to 2pm  
Killcare Surf Life Saving Club 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary reunion, at Killcare SLSC from 2pm followed by a reunion dinner at 6pm

### Sunday, Jun 18

Umina Beach markets, Peninsula Recreational Precinct, 9am to 2pm

### Sunday, Jul 16

Umina Beach markets, Peninsula Recreational Precinct, 9am to 2pm

### Friday, Aug 11

Agatha Christie's A Murder is Announced by Woy Woy Little Theatre company, Peninsula Theatre until August 27

### Sunday, Aug 20

Umina Beach markets, Peninsula Recreational Precinct, 9am to 2pm

### Sunday, Sep 10

Pretty Beach Markets

## The Peninsula Diary of Events

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## Peninsula directory of services, contacts and support groups

### Ambulance, Police, Fire 000

#### Emergency

Ambulance, Police, Fire 000  
Police Assistance Line 131 444  
Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000  
Woy Woy Police Station 4379 7399  
Energy Australia 13 13 88  
Gas Emergency 131 909  
Gosford City Council 4325 8222  
Marine Rescue NSW - Central Coast 4325 7929  
SES - Storm and Flood Emergency 132 500

#### Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Organisations

Mingaletta 4342 7515  
Aboriginal Home Care 4321 7215  
Drug & Alcohol rehab 4388 6360

#### Accommodation

Dept. of Housing Gosford 4323 5211  
Cassie4Youth 4322 3197  
Coast Shelter 4325 3540  
Pacific Link Com Housing 4324 7617  
Rumbalara Youth Refuge 4325 7555  
Samaritans Youth Services 4351 1922  
Youth Angle • Woy Woy 4341 8830  
Woy Woy Youth Cottage 4341 9027

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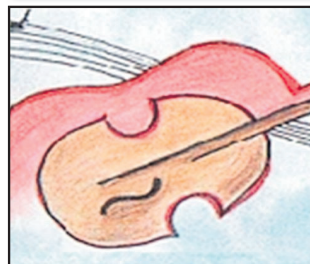
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Central Coast Newspapers' advertising rates are relatively much lower than in other newspapers and at the same time much larger than in other newspapers, with the minimum size being 50mm X 42mm. Approximately 16,000 copies of each newspaper are printed and distributed every fortnight.

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Having an advertisement run for 3 months only costs \$215 + GST, for 6 months it is \$385 + GST, and for 12 months advertising, the total cost is only \$700 + GST - Approximately \$14 per week.

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## Roads to be included in council condition assessment

Peninsula roads will be included in a road condition assessment by Central Coast Council.

Comprising more than 2200km of sealed road pavement, the \$200,000 project will provide a road condition assessment that will underpin the future allocation of funds and resources.

Council Administrator Mr Ian Reynolds said the data collected would be used to develop future road renewal programs and determine the most effective way to treat and manage Council's road assets.

"The condition assessment is an extensive undertaking, but once completed we will have data on every road, to assist in programming future works effectively and efficiently.

"In the meantime, we will continue our works to maintain and improve our road assets, with more than 500 road renewal or upgrade works this financial year, and an even greater number expected to be carried out in the year ahead."

Council group leader Mr Mike Dowling said the project would result in high definition video imagery for all Council roads and ensure accurate measurement of road defects using advanced laser technology.

"Council has engaged data collection specialists

to undertake this comprehensive assessment by using the latest technologies to provide an accurate overview of our entire road network," said Mr Dowling.

"This information will enable us to effectively allocate funds and resources to support our future capital works programs.

"This approach is considered industry best practice and it's the first time work of this detail has been undertaken on the Central Coast.

"We will be taking the opportunity to catalogue, map and assess all regulatory signage, line marking and raised pavement markers to provide a comprehensive picture of all road-related assets."

The project will be undertaken Newcastle company Australian Surface Testing, which was awarded the contract following extensive evaluation, according to council administrator Mr Ian Reynolds.

"The project is designed to help ensure a consistent approach to road renewal investment is applied across the Central Coast Council area, and so address inconsistent and inadequate approaches inherited from the two former Councils," he said.

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"The data collected will enable Council to apply the most cost-effective road treatment, in the right location, at the right time, saving money over the life of the network and lifting the overall general standard of the region's roads over time.

"The data collection project is scheduled for completion in September.

"The information will be used to develop Council's Delivery Program for 2018-19.

"Once adopted, regular project updates will be available via the Roads and Drainage interactive maps available at centralcoast.nsw.gov.au," he said.

Mr Dowling said he encouraged residents to support the maintenance and development of the local road network by reporting any potholes.

To report a pothole contact Council on 4325 8222 or 4350 5555.

**SOURCES:**  
Media release, 26 Apr 2017  
Mike Dowling, Central Coast Council  
Media statement, 27 Apr 2017  
Ian Reynolds, Central Coast Council

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## Ettalong cafe hosts local artist

**An Ettalong cafe will  
host the works of a  
Horsfield Bay artist in  
May.**

Re:Publik Cafe will exhibit Naomi Veitch's artworks from Monday, May 1.

The works reflect strong local scenery and wildlife with pieces including "In the Blue" and "Paula".

The first features the sprawling tentacles of a jellyfish along with a turtle emerging from the deep blue, while the second captures the essence of a gang gang cockatoo.

Ms Veitch learnt to "swing a brush" doing signwriting and she believes it gave her a sound base for artistic work to come.

After moving to Horsfield Bay and being inspired by new surrounds, Veitch

started to create and her style transformed to a uniquely coastal one.

Her work is predominantly acrylic on canvas but she also enjoys creating with wire, foam, wood and watercolours.

"We are delighted to have Naomi as our third artist," said cafe owner, Ms Catherine McDonald.

"We do not take a commission on any sales and purely support the artists and their works.

"The cafe walls become their space to show the art they choose.

"With seven more artists signed up, our art schedule reaches now well into 2018," she said.

**SOURCE:**  
Media release, 8 Apr 2017  
Catherine McDonald

## THE SHAME FILE

**Central Coast Newspapers** has a very liberal credit policy for advertisers and realises that from time to time, people, businesses and organisations get into financial difficulty and may need assistance and time to get things back on track.

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From time to time, as necessary, we will name these people, businesses or organisations as a warning to our readers so that they will be wary when dealing with them.

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Ryan Brown and Leisel Collins

# Woy Woy players selected for Barcelona tour

Two Woy Woy players have been selected to represent the Australian Futsal Association under-13 side in a tour to Barcelona in November. Leisel Collins was selected in

the under-13 girls and Ryan Brown was selected in the under-13 boys to compete in Spain against representative teams from Catalonia. On the tour, the Australian team will also receive training from

Spanish coaches and Australian coaches to help improve their skills, game play, team work and futsal knowledge. Both Leisel and Ryan play with the local Southern Ettalong United Football Club and are currently playing representative levels on the big field. Ryan has been a representative player with the under-13 Central Coast Football side while Leisel has played girls' under-15s with Central Coast Mariners. Both Leisel and Ryan have previously completed the Central Coast Mariners Skills Acquisition Program. Leisel has represented Australia in Futsal on two other occasions with tours against New Zealand and Malaysia. Leisel received the tournament most-valued player award in Malaysia last year playing against open women's teams. The Woy Woy Bowling Club has been fundraising to help with the costs associated with their trip.

**SOURCE:**  
Media release, 24 Apr 2017  
Ken Dixon, Woy Woy Bowling Club

# Silver medals for aquatic rescue

Four members of the Killcare Surf Life Saving Club have recently earned their silver medals in aquatic rescue. Greg Linnert, Jennifer Webb, Scott Vernon and Steve Biddulph were congratulated after attaining the elite qualification. "It's at the core of what we do,

and is an advanced qualification covering search and rescue, complex patient recovery, advanced water entry, submerged objects and night searches", said Killcare surf club president Mr Peter Bagnell.

**SOURCE:**  
Newsletter, 13 Apr 2017  
Peter Bagnell, Killcare SLSC

## Community newspaper advertising vs online only advertising

It seems like it's almost every month that we hear about the death of an advertising medium. Over the years, we've all heard about the death of print, the death of radio, the death of traditional advertising in general. Of course it's not true, but it can make it harder for businesses who might be thinking of turning to online advertising instead, to know what's the most effective. Figures suggest that the most effective advertising campaigns are multi-channel, mixing social, paid search and traditional advertising to build awareness and generate leads and sales. The challenge comes when an advertiser has a limited budget and has to choose where to focus. Following are some facts and figures that can help advertisers understand the benefits of community newspaper advertising and what it could do for their business.

- Research by Future Foundation for FEPE International found that 22% find press advertising 'most trustworthy' and just 3% find online advertising 'most trustworthy', so if advertisers want to build trust, then newspaper advertising is likely to be the best approach.
- Research by Nielsen showed that consumers ranked print newspapers as an effective advertising source, and figures from Newsworks showed that 70% of people who read press ads said they would like to find out more.
- Newspaper advertising was seen as being old-fashioned, but that's changing. With the rise of online and tablet versions of newspapers running stories in print and online, newspaper advertising is embracing technology. It seems these new formats keep the same high level of engagement too. Research by GfK showed that tablet versions of ads had the same level of recall as print adverts.
- We all know that there's more and more content available online as time goes by. The rise of social media, content marketing and online advertising mean that there's now more noise to cut through to get your message across. The situation doesn't look set to improve either. Research from the eMarketer shows that digital ad spend was up 15% last year. That translates as more ads and more competition, or more expensive advertising. Either way, small businesses can cut through this by looking to newspaper advertising instead.
- Figures from eConsultancy show that clickthrough rates from online ads is falling – from 9% in 2000 to just 0.2% in 2012. That means that online ads are becoming less effective for those businesses to generate leads or sales. The situation is unlikely to improve. The launch of iOS 9 came with a flurry of attention, as it now supports content blockers. That means users can choose to block online adverts, which includes paid search ads. That's likely to have a big impact on the effectiveness of online ads. So if businesses want to ensure they reach their audience in a targeted area, community newspaper advertising is a good approach.
- Central Coast Newspapers has been publishing community newspapers on the Central Coast for over 17 years, having started with Peninsula News in March, 1999. During that period, the focus on specific areas covered by each newspaper, the independent, balanced reporting style and the standard of journalism has built a huge loyal readership throughout the Coast. The 100,000 copies distributed each month are eagerly sought after. Advertisers have also seen the importance of this loyal readership and the high penetration to their target market and have chosen to associate themselves with it. Many advertise nowhere else and rely on the papers for their ongoing business.

If you have a business on the Coast and want to reach more customers, call 4325 7369 to see how inexpensive it is.

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# Coach is confident of successful season

**Woy Woy Rugby Union coach John Stokie is confident the club is in for a successful season even though the First XV lost its two opening games.**

"We are in something of a transitional period having lost a few players who have been mainstays over the last three seasons," he said.

"But we have shown enough in our games so far to know we will be very competitive as the season progresses.

"We could have won both games against two quite strong sides, Kariong and Warnervale.

"A little bit of inexperience and a couple of poor options cost us dearly.

"On the credit side is that seven players from last year's reserve grade premiers have experienced first grade already.

"These blokes are just realising they are genuine first graders.

"Matty Graham at prop and Jack Dewar in the second row have been outstanding.

"In the backs, Blake Arahill, Corey Fleming and Zack Doake-Stride are ex-juniors who have the potential to be mainstays of the future.

"We also have some exciting new outside backs who have joined the club and they will give us plenty of scoring potential."

Much of the coach's confidence

came from the fact that training the top two teams as a squad has brought a very close feeling within the group.

"We've got young blokes learning every training session from the old hard-heads.

"Rivalry for spots is keen," Mr Stokie said.

"We are all pulling in the same direction.

"The newer boys are thriving on the experience."

Early success in the minor grades has also pleased the coaching staff.

Reserve grade won its first two games,

Third grade has won three from three and the under 19s have won two from three.

Under-19s coach Nick Nikora said the Under 19s also train regularly with the first grade squad.

"As these youngsters get their chances through the season they will find it easy to fit in to the pattern of play," Mr Stokie said.

Woy Woy resumes with an away game against North Lakes on Saturday, May 6, and then play their first home game at Woy Woy Oval on Saturday, May 13, against Gosford, a game which would give a real indication of how well their season was unfolding.

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Woy Woy's 1st Grade Captain, Kane Burns, leading the team out in the Round 2 Match against Warnervale

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