

Liberal ad 'inflated', say teachers

Liberal Party has advertised that Woy Woy's secondary college campus will receive twice as much it will actually receive, according to Teachers Federation members at the campus.

The advertisement in the June 13 edition of Peninsula News claimed that Brisbane Water Secondary College Woy Woy campus would receive an extra \$14.9 million, implying a similar amount would be received by Umina campus.

Ettalong Woy Woy Teachers Federation president Mr Christopher Wright said: "Because it is one college with two campuses, Brisbane Water Secondary College receives its funding in one sum."

"This means that the Liberal Party has advertised a hugely inflated figure of \$14.9 million of additional funding for Woy Woy Campus alone."

He said it could be "deliberately misleading information in the Liberal Party advertisement to make the funding sound more impressive".

Alternatively, local Liberal Party representatives did not know "the school names and student numbers of the schools in their local learning community".

Mr Wright said that the advertisement stated that the

Liberals would deliver "fully-funded, needs-based funding".

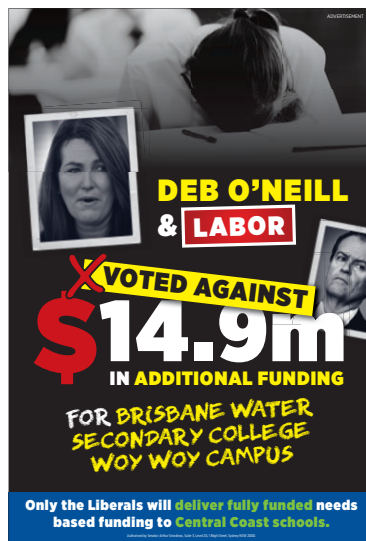
"Whatever the phrase 'fully funded needs based funding', as used in the Liberal Party advertisements, means to the Liberal Party, it is certainly not equivalent in meaning to fully funded needs based funding according to the National Education Reform Agreement.

Over 2018 and 2019, the college would receive a total increase in funding of \$499,302.

"If the National Education Reform Agreement (the previously agreed Gonski funding model) were to be honoured by the Federal Government, then over the same two years Brisbane Water Secondary College would have received an increase in funding of \$2.3 million."

Mr Wright said the figures quoted of \$14.9 million "in additional funding" for Brisbane Water Secondary College Woy Woy Campus and \$5.8 million for Umina Beach Public School were based upon the Australian Government's School Funding Estimator.

Both NSW Minister of Education Mr Rob Stokes and NSW Departmental Secretary Mr Mark Scott had stated it should not be relied upon because the basis of the estimate was unknown, he



said.

"That there are some inaccuracies on the school funding estimator website is certain."

"For example, the Umina Campus of Brisbane Water Secondary College is not mentioned at all."

"Umina Beach Public School is inaccurately named."

"What other inaccuracies there may be in the school funding estimator is unknown."

Mr Wright also questioned the assumptions behind the estimate.

"The time period for this 'additional funding' for the two schools mentioned is not specified in the Liberal Party advertisements."

"On the estimator website an increase of only \$243,800 is listed for Woy Woy Campus and \$95,800 for Umina Beach Public School in 2018."

"This certainly looks less impressive than the 10-year increase figures cited of \$14.9 million and \$5.8 million respectively."

"These 10-year figures are simply determined by assuming that funding per school would otherwise remain completely static at the 2017 amount for the entire following decade."

"Furthermore, given that a 10-year period is much longer than the Federal political cycle, it is also conceivable that, like the final years of the National Education Reform Agreement funding, some years of this iteration of school funding may never see the light of day."

"These considerations make the cited figures of \$14.9 million and \$5.8 million not especially meaningful."

Mr Wright said: "As teachers, we care about the education of our students."

"We are concerned about the Federal Government's new policy on schools funding and in particular how our public schools will be disadvantaged by this policy."

"We support the full implementation of the National Education Reform Agreement's

model of needs based school funding."

Teachers Federation members of the Woy Woy campus have unanimously passed a motion condemning the use of the College's name for party-political purposes.

"We condemn the association of Brisbane Water Secondary College Woy Woy Campus with misleading information about school funding, as occurred in the Liberal Party advertisement published in the Peninsula News on June 13," the motion said.

"We reject any implication by political parties that our College supports or should support a funding model that will deliver significant funding cuts to the students of the Peninsula."

The motion was passed unanimously on June 15.

Mr Wright said he had written to the Prime Minister, Mr Malcolm Turnbull, Senator Arthur Sinodinos and the Member for Robertson, Ms Lucy Wicks, about the advertisements published in the Peninsula News.

The advertisements were booked and paid for by the office of Senator Sinodinos.

SOURCES:

Motion and letter, 20 Jun 2017
Christopher Wright, NSW Teachers Federation
Sinodinos response - page 4

Community plan from Pearl Beach

A grass-roots, community-driven plan for the new Central Coast Council has been generated out of Pearl Beach.

One of the chief instigators of the plan, Ettalong resident Ms Marcelle Hoff said it was timely that the group behind the plan held a public meeting in Pearl Beach on Saturday, June 24, to take the initiative into the "action" stage.

"The period for public consultation concerning the contents of our Community Plan is rapidly being replaced by the need for action and decisions," Ms Hoff said.

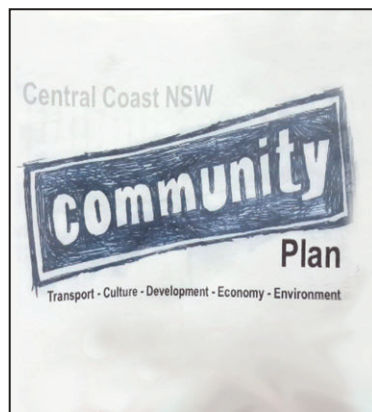
She said the meeting that was held on June 24 was held to digest feedback received, discuss recent



Marcelle Hoff

activities and research, understand the landscape and determine strategies.

Declared or potential candidates for the September 9 Central Coast



Council election were invited to attend the meeting, along with supporters or potential supporters of the Community Plan.

"The meeting was important



Van Davy

for those who wanted the Central Coast Council to be truly representative of the wishes of ratepayers to forge a sustainable and equitable future for them," Ms

Hoff said.

Community members have been meeting at Pearl Beach regularly since March to put together a comprehensive, community-driven plan for the future of the Central Coast.

Ms Hoff, who had spent two years as an independent councillor on the City of Sydney Council, said she believed the Community Plan should give people a "sense of awareness of what they can do if they are passionate and put their mind to it."

She said she worked with Dr Van Davy of Pearl Beach to put the first draft of the Community Plan together based on her experience as a City of Sydney councillor and Deputy Mayor.

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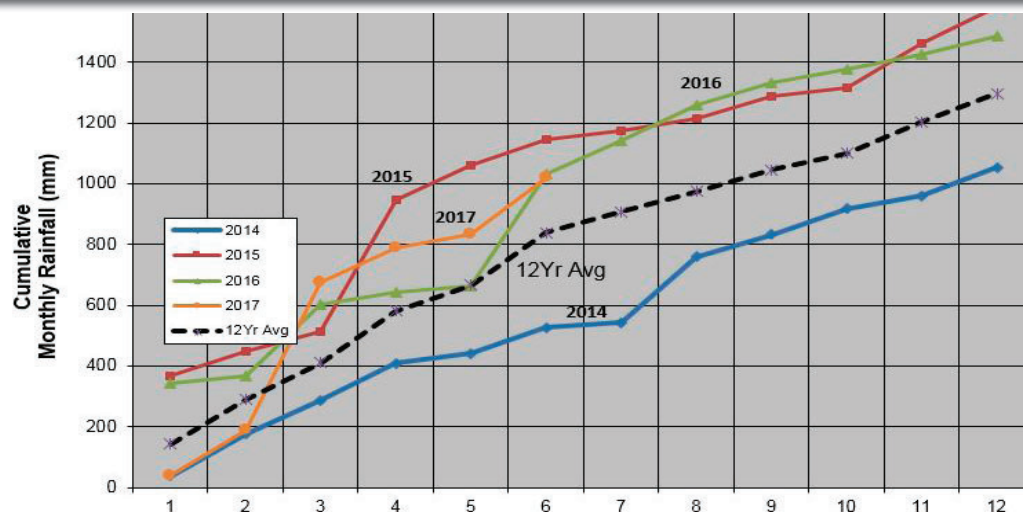
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Rainfall higher than average

The Peninsula had received **187.4mm of rain for the month to June 22, according to data gathered by Mr Jim Morrison of Umina.**

Rainfall recorded for June is already 14 per cent higher than the monthly average of 173mm.

More than 5mm has fallen on six out of the first 22 days of June but there have been 10 days without a

drop.

The highest fall for the month remains the 86.9mm recorded on June 8.

Other days when more than 10mm had been recorded were June 7, 9, 10, 11 and June 20 when 11.7mm were recorded.

According to Mr Morrison's rainfall data, the Peninsula is on track for an above average annual

rainfall for 2017.

The cumulative total rainfall thus far for 2017 has been 1019.6mm compared to a cumulative annual average of 838mm so the Peninsula is already 21.7 per cent above average for the year.

SOURCE:
Rainfall data, 22 Jun 2017
Jim Morrison, Umina

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Bob Puffett to stand for council

Woy Woy Bay resident Mr Bob Puffett has announced he will stand as an independent candidate for the Gosford West ward in the September 9 Central Coast Council election.

Mr Puffett was the president of the Bays Community Group for 16 years before retiring from the position recently.

"I absolutely enjoyed my time as president of The Bays Community Group and believe that I made a difference for our area," Mr Puffett said.

"I have had extensive experience working with governments and the private sector and believe that this knowledge and experience equips me well for a role as councillor," he said.

Mr Puffett was made a life member of Worldskills Australia after having been its national chairman and international delegate promoting skills excellence for young Australians.

He was the assistant director-general of TAFE after a successful career as principal and director of Sydney Technical College.

"My career in TAFE from teacher of plumbing to principal and director was such a rewarding part of my life.

"I met so many people of all ages helping them to gain skills and knowledge to be proud and better equipped for their future," he said.

Mr Puffett said he believed that this experience and his current role as a board member of HVTC Training Company, that employs some 600 young people in their group apprenticeship scheme, gave him an insight into the needs of the greater Central Coast community's future.

Mr Puffett was made a Member of the Order of Australia for his contribution to technical education and as director of Sydney Institute of Technology and said he continued his work assisting various organisations and groups

promoting post-secondary education and training.

He said he was concerned about many issues impacting on the people of the Central Coast in particular those in Gosford West ward and wants to ensure that the wards have a collective contribution of betterment to the greater Central Coast Region.

He said he would advocate for safer, pothole-free roads that were both pedestrian and vehicle friendly as many roads are shared by walkers and drivers alike.

He said he was alarmed at the increase in youth unemployment and would advocate for the establishment of council strategies that addressed local youth unemployment and welfare.

Mr Puffett said he would bring experience and common sense to the position of councillor and work towards a more efficient and responsive council serving the residents of Gosford West ward.

SOURCE:

Media release, 13 Jun 2017
Bob Puffett, Woy Woy Bay



Mr Bob Puffett

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Community plan from Pearl Beach

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"I knew I had the knowledge to help put the plan together and, even though I had only lived here for a short time, I had perceived a high level of chaos in the local government, culminating in the amalgamation of the two former councils," she said.

"We then held a series of meetings to work on all 18 categories covered in the Community Plan to present a preferred future for the Central Coast as determined by its residents.

"The process is about the local government making a commitment to the community, a community that seems not to be recognised, to be alienated.

"It has been difficult for people to be heard.

"People have questioned why the Community Plan includes State and Federal Government issues but I wanted people to understand that local government has a place in negotiating with state and federal governments on issues of importance to the community."

Ms Hoff said one individual who had declared herself as an independent candidate in the

September 9 election had already committed to supporting the Community Plan.

"We want more candidates to commit to the plan between now and the election," she said.

According to Ms Hoff the Community Plan can be integrated with the NSW Government's Central Coast Regional Plan 2036 and the Central Coast Council's Community Strategic Plan, which is currently under development.

"They can be integrated but that doesn't mean they will have a lot in common."

She said it was the view of members of the group who'd put together the Community Plan, that both the Regional Plan and the current process for putting together the combined Council's first strategic plan were both "paying lip service to the real concerns of the community".

Ms Hoff and Mr Davy have both declared that they will not be running as candidates in the September 9 local election.

"The grass roots, face-to-face nature of local government is what drew me to it in the first place and we are hopeful that other individuals will place enough value on real community representation

to commit to the Community Plan in their campaigns," she said.

The plan can be accessed at <http://centralcoast.communityplan.com.au> and comment from the community is invited until mid-July.

The 18 policy categories included are: good governance, ethical behaviour and anti-corruption; commitment to consult; environment; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander futures; workers and families, youth; arts, culture and the performing arts; health and hospitals; roads and transport; education; small business; pensioners; housing; economy; social cohesion and democracy; caring; emergency services; and public amenity.

Each of the 18 policies includes a purpose for the Council holding each policy or a reason why the Council should be active in the policy area, and a series of actions that Council must take to achieve each of the 18 purposes.

SOURCES:
Interview, 21 Jun 2017
Marcelle Hoff, Ettalong
Website, 21 Jun 2017
<http://centralcoast.communityplan.com.au>
Reporter: Jackie Pearson

'Stop playing games,' Sinodinos tells teachers

Senator Arthur Sinodinos has responded to statements from Umina and Brisbane Water Secondary College Teachers' Federation by stating that "the Teachers' Federation should stop playing games."

"The Turnbull Liberal Government is committed to delivering fully-funded, needs-based funding for all Australian students," Senator Sinodinos said.

"The Quality Schools package will deliver fairer, simpler and more sustainable funding for local schools.

"The truth is that there are no cuts to school funding.

"The Government's record investment means schools will be able to continue and expand successful programs such as specialist teachers or targeted interventions for children falling behind.

"In Robertson, Federal Government funding will increase by \$311,419,500 between 2018 and 2027.

"There is absolutely no way that this can be portrayed as a reduction in funding.

"The Teachers Federation are

playing political games, providing false information to parents and the community about school funding.

"As part of the funding plan outlined Labor and the Teachers Federation are opposing and have voted against an increase of \$14.9 million for Brisbane Water Secondary College Woy Woy Campus between 2018-2027 and \$5.8 million for Umina Public School between 2018-2027.

"This funding is part of the Turnbull Liberal Government's Quality Schools package.

"The Teachers Federations' claims that these figures are somehow inaccurate is wrong.

"This is what is before the Parliament and what Labor have decided to vote against, with the support of the Teachers Federation."

"Rather than spread lies, the Teachers Federation should address the facts and answer how public school funding growth of 59.7% in Robertson between 2017 to 2027 can be represented as a 'cut' in funding."

SOURCE:
Media release, 22 Jun 2017
Nat Openshaw, Office of
Senator Arthur Sinodinos

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Council refuses caravan park expansion

An application to expand the Bayside Gardens caravan park at Empire Bay has been refused by council.

It was refused under delegation by the development manager in council's environment and planning section.

Despite more than 50 objections, the proposal did not go to a public meeting to be determined by administrator Mr Ian Reynolds.

The Development Application was advertised from September 18 until October 19 in 2015.

Mr Reynolds said 67 public submissions were received comprising 42 individual submissions and two petitions with a total of 25 signatories.

"The use of delegation to determine this application was in accordance with council's policy for determining development applications subject to significant public objection, which provides that development applications subject of more than 50 objections

will be referred to an ordinary meeting of Council unless the application is recommended for refusal," he said.

"In this case, as the matter was recommended for refusal, the application was able to be determined under delegation," it said.

The reasons for refusal, outlined in the Notice of Determination included that the long-term caravan park accommodation use proposed in the DA was not permissible within the 7(c2) Scenic Protection - Rural Small Holdings zone under Gosford Interim Development Order 122.

The use was also not consistent with the existing use rights applicable to the land.

The caravan park is subject to the Local Government (Manufactured Home Estates, Caravan Parks, Camping Grounds and Moveable Dwellings) Regulation 2005 but the requirement for inspections and licensing under the Local Government Act was still required.

The application was not for a

change of use to a "Manufactured Home Estate", according to Mr Reynolds.

Most objections to the proposal were lodged to an earlier application during 2015 and in 2016 the applicant lodged amended plans in an attempt to address some of the concerns expressed in submissions from community members.

In February 2016, Mr Tony Tuxworth from Coastplan Consulting outlined the proponent's attention to the provision of community facilities and open spaces, improvements to site setbacks from Pomona Rd and a landscape plan providing for replacement of swamp mahogany to replace removed trees.

Community objections included arguments that the DA sought the "mass intensification of land use... in a predominantly rural residential area with very poor access to services for future residents.

"The proposal does not promote the social and economic welfare of the community.

"The only services and facilities located within walking distance are a tavern and bottleshop, a service station incorporating fast food outlet and small supermarket, a preschool and a plant nursery and cafe.

"There are very few employment opportunities in the immediate area, and the local bus services are infrequent.

"Empire Bay Public School is a 20-minute walk away along a road with no footpath.

"The local shops in Empire Bay village are 3km away and are very limited, comprising a newsagency, post office, cafe, hairdresser and dental clinic.

"Council has mapped the site as prone to both bushfires and floods and inadequate information has been provided to indicate that risk to future residents has been minimised.

"No consideration of the vegetation type or category has been provided.

"Given its proximity to a number of nature reserves and

National Parks, the site is part of a significant wildlife corridor.

"The extensive clearing proposed will have a negative impact on the flora and fauna of the area."

The Statement of Environmental Effect for the proposed development states that 'the land is bushfire prone and flood prone however these matters do not prevent the site being developed for caravan park sites'.

"This is an oversimplification of matters.

"No real analysis of potential flooding or bushfire risk is presented in the SEE or supporting documentation, nor is there any real discussion on how the risks are to be minimised, for both park residents and surrounding residents.

"These risks to public safety are underplayed."

SOURCES:

Media statement, 9 Jun 2017
Ian Reynolds, Central Coast Council
NDetermination, 12 May 2017
DA48304/2015, Central Coast
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Learning about a sustainable lifestyle

Parents joined with children, teachers and suppliers to learn how to participate in a sustainable lifestyle at Ettalong Public School's environment day on June 9.

Worm farming and composting workshops conducted by Central Coast Council for parents were packed to capacity as practical tips for success were well received by all those participating.

The children enjoyed some practical lessons of their own, fishing and gardening for sustainability were just a few of the practical classes offered throughout the day.

There was also an opportunity to pat an echidna and some lizards with Karen from Walkabout Wildlife Park.

Environmental awareness and how it affects the entire community is an important part of the learning

process at the school, according to organisers.

One of the main drivers of the environmental education program and environmental initiatives at the school was Year 4 teacher Ms Marika Selwood.

This year's program was the biggest yet.

Interview, 9 Jun 2017
Rachel Dowling, Ettalong Public School
Reporter: Noel Fisher



Photos: Noel Fisher

National parks suffer from Budget, says association

National Parks Association of NSW head Mr Kevin Evans has claimed Brisbane Water and Bouddi National Parks will deteriorate due to lack of funding in the State Budget.

He said the NSW Government's budget had provided no new funding for the environment, despite a glut of asset sales and stamp duty revenue.

"Nature in NSW, in areas like the Peninsula, is a driver for regional tourism, both domestic and international, and we have under-invested in those national parks even though they are the main reason tourists visit."

Mr Evans described the Peninsula as a "hot spot" for urbanisation and said that put increasing pressure on areas such as Patonga that were once viable habitats for seriously endangered species, including koala.

"Koalas are doing it tough right across the state."

"There are very few stable populations so increased urbanisation and habitat fragmentation mean any plans to reintroduce a koala population to areas like Patonga would be compromised from the start."

He said the NSW Government's repeal of the Native Vegetation

Act and the introduction of the Biodiversity Act would both make it easier for private landowners to clear vegetation, further jeopardising habitat.

"We will need to reflect in 2055 when we say goodbye to the last koala outside a zoo in NSW whether the decisions being made now contributed to the fact my children will not be able to see a koala anywhere in the wild in NSW," he said.

Mr Evans said there were aboriginal sites and artefacts in need of protection in both the Brisbane Water and Bouddi parks.

"We strongly believe local Aboriginal communities need to be involved in such conservation."

"These dark days of Coalition governments abandoning the environment must give way to bipartisan recognition that we cannot have a successful economy without a healthy environment."

"NSW has fallen well behind in achieving its international commitments to biodiversity protection."

SOURCES:
Media release, 20 Jun 2017
Kiran Charles, National Parks Association NSW
Interview, 21 Jun 2017
Kevin Evans, National Parks Association NSW
Reporter: Jackie Pearson

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Terrigal High School	-\$588,242
Kincumber High School	-\$598,433
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Proposal to build childcare centre in Booker Bay

A development application has been lodged to build a 67-space childcare centre at a cost of \$690,562 at 97-99 Booker Bay Rd, Booker Bay.

The application was made on June 19 by Barker Ryan Stewart Pty Ltd and related to Lots 39 and 40 DP7061.

According to documents submitted by the applicant to support their DA, the site is located in a general residential area and currently contains two dwellings and outbuildings.

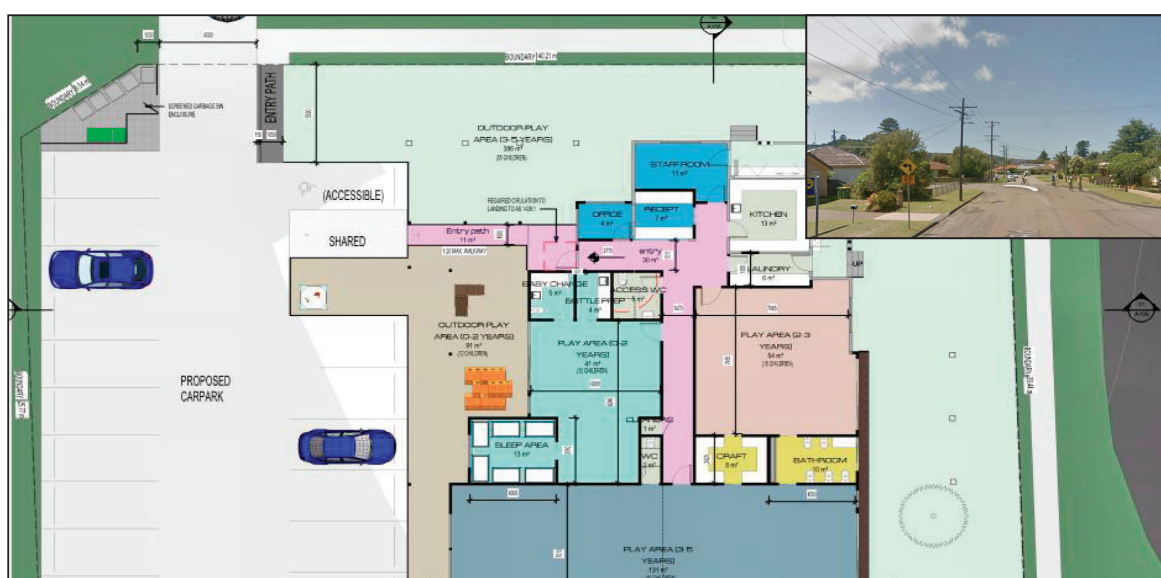
It is generally level with a minor downhill grade from the rear boundaries and has frontage to both Booker Bay Rd and Davis St.

It is proposed to demolish the existing dwelling at 99 Booker Bay Rd entirely, and partially demolish the dwelling at 97 Booker Bay Rd.

Most existing vegetation will be removed with the exception of a few large trees.

The proposed child care centre will have facilities to accommodate 67 children and a maximum of 11 staff at any one time.

The new single story building and child care centre plans included: office; reception; kitchen; laundry; staff room; baby change area; bottle preparation area; bathroom;



Floorplan of proposed child care centre and [inset] view down Bogan Rd

accessible toilet; craft room; sleep area; play areas for various age groups (3-5, 2-3 and 0-2) and outdoor play areas for the three age groups; and parking for 16 cars one accessible car space.

Proposed operating hours were 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday.

The primary access point would be along the entry path off the car park at the northwest corner of the building and access to the car park would be off Davis Rd.

Eleven care spaces were

allocated to staff, while six spaces were set aside for parents to drop off and pick up of children.

Allocated car parking for the development falls short of council's minimum requirements according to documents submitted by the applicant.

The applicant referred to the NSW Government's planning framework to argue the Booker Bay land was "identified as an Urban Area".

"The proposal is therefore consistent with the Strategy.

"Under the provisions of the Gosford Local Environment Plan 2014 the site is zoned R1- General Residential and, according to the applicant, "the proposed development can be defined as a **child care centre** and is permissible subject to development consent".

The DA met council requirements for height and floor space ratio but had a maximum site coverage of 58 per cent when the maximum for the location was 40 per cent.

According to a statement of environmental effects

submitted by the applicant: "Council staff indicated in the pre-DA meeting that a variation to the site coverage could be considered as the council preference is to provide as much on site car parking as possible.

"As a result, it is not possible to comply with both car parking and site coverage requirements.

"The variation to the site coverage requirement is also justifiable given that the FSR in the locality is 0.7:1.

"An alternate development for a residential flat building would result in substantially more site coverage than the child care centre.

"The proposed child care centre strikes a balance between adequate car parking, substantial boundary setbacks and expansive outdoor play areas," the DA argued.

The proposed childcare building would be setback between 7.2m and 7.8m from the Booker Bay frontage, exceeding the standard 6m setback.

SOURCE:

Website, 22 Jun 2017

Central Coast Council Gosford
DA Tracker, DA52280/2017

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State Budget shows little care for the Peninsula, says Tesch

The 2017 NSW Budget has shown how little the Berijiklian Government cared about the Peninsula or the electorate of Gosford, according to Member for Gosford, Ms Liesl Tesch.

"The Gosford electorate needed vital investment but there was just no major new money coming into the region from the budget," she said.

"The Liberals were happy to have a cash splash during the by-election, but now that the real work has to be done to invest in the Central Coast they are nowhere to be seen."

Ms Tesch said none of the schools on the Peninsula were funded for upgrades despite their maintenance backlog.

"There is still no money in this budget for ending the chaos at the Rawson Rd level crossing at Woy Woy."

"Deaths and accidents at this intersection will continue for as long as this government just sits by and ignores the problem and the people of Woy Woy crying out for this vital project."

"The Brisbane Water Channel needs a long term dredging



Member for Gosford, Ms Liesl Tesch and Shadow Minister for the Central Coast, Mr David Harris, at the level crossing

Photo: Noel Fisher

solution, and what the Liberals have offered up is a pittance, and this budget does nothing to make our waterways safer or more usable.

"The North Coast got an additional \$2.5 million this year for

dredging 'priority waterways', but the Peninsula got nothing.

"Despite \$20 million being set aside to transition 24 additional RMS Motor Registries around the state into Service NSW, Woy Woy missed out.

"The government took away the vital RMS office at Woy Woy and refused to listen to the community crying out for a Service NSW on the Peninsula.

"The government has set

aside another \$253 million for the new intercity fleet of trains for the Central Coast which we already know will seat fewer passengers on each carriage, have immovable backwards facing seats, and which the Government wants to make less safe by running services without guards."

Ms Tesch said the budget failed to deliver despite a promise from the Treasurer to "focus on local communities".

Ms Tesch said she was disappointed and frustrated that he failed to mention the Central Coast once in his half hour budget speech.

The Central Coast regional overview in the Budget consisted almost exclusively of ongoing projects from budgets past including long delayed commitments from when the government first came to power in 2011, according to Shadow Minister for the Central Coast, Mr David Harris.

SOURCE:

Media release, 20 Jun 2017
Zachary Harrison, Office of David Harris
Media release, 21 Jun 2017
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Action against former Gosford Council staff not ruled out

Central Coast Council has not ruled out the possibility that its current or former staff may be investigated by "external agencies" over Gosford Council's finances.

A flyer labelled "fact sheet" has been distributed to employees listing "frequently asked questions" to explain the status of investigations into Gosford Council's finances.

However, beyond commenting that the Council had referred "certain matters to external agencies", it stated that "it is not appropriate for Council to make further comment".

It stated Council "cannot comment" on whether ICAC had investigated the matters relating to Gosford's record keeping.

It also avoided stating whether any former or current staff were expected to be investigated: "The matter was referred to external agencies and any actions are a matter for those agencies."

"No staff are under any Central Coast Council action with respect to this matter."

The flyer claimed "various statutes impose obligations to refer certain matters to external agencies".

"Council has met its obligations under those statutes."

According to the flyer, "the independent auditors have each given disclaimer of opinion in regard to the accounts of the former Gosford Council for the period July 1, 2015, to May 12, 2016, as there is insufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an

opinion".

"During preparation for the audit, Central Coast Council identified significant control issues where additions, deletions and changes to transactions could be made without leaving an audit trail.

"For this reason, Central Coast Council was not able to provide either of the auditors with an unqualified statement on completeness and accuracy of transactions as required under the relevant Acts and auditing standards.

"Assurance testing over this period was not possible and so the auditing standard prescribes a *disclaimer of opinion*," the flyer to Council employees said.

Employees were told the main issues identified included the accurate identification and valuation of infrastructure assets, and weaknesses in internal controls.

"It is rare for a Council to get a disclaimed audit report," the flyer said.

"However the internal control issues have been rectified and all prior year errors corrected.

"There is a plan in place to validate all transactions of the merged Central Coast Council for this financial year.

"Council is working to ensure it is able to provide assurance to secure a 'clean' audit report from the independent auditors for the current financial year."

In response to the question "Did I pay more water rates because of the over counting of Council assets?", the flyer answered:

"No, when the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) determines water supply authority sewerage and drainage prices for water supply authorities (which include the former Gosford Council) it uses a theoretical asset value (known as the regulated asset base) and did not use the former Gosford Council's assets values in their calculations.

"So, the inaccuracies in the former Gosford Council's asset count did not affect water pricing for residents.

"Currently, water, sewerage and drainage prices are frozen at 2016 levels and will remain at these levels until the next IPART pricing determination.

"The asset valuation issues do not impact Council's capacity to deliver services to the community.

"It has the money in the bank to deliver the services our community need, want and value."

The flyer also posed the question "Why do we have an operating surplus?"

"These accounts related to the former Gosford Council.

"In simple terms there was more revenue than costs.

"It means the Central Coast Council inherited an operating surplus from both former Councils.

"This surplus will be used to fund a record \$207.5 million capital works program next financial year and we will continue to deliver \$551 million in essential services to the community."

Source:

Flyer, 8 Jun 2017

Rob Noble, Central Coast Council

Community Group makes submission to Council

The Bays Community Group made a submission to Central Coast Council's Draft Operational Plan for 2017-2020 based on matters raised by Bays residents.

The Bays Community Group submission called for additions to be made to the plan.

These included: transfer of Woy Woy Rd from a regional road to a state road, in the hope this would see greater funding to improve the road's reliability and safety, especially given growing use of the road and its importance to the Peninsula and the Bays.

The submission also called for better pedestrian access between the Bays and Woy Woy, and improvements to a number of roads throughout the Bays.

"Our submission also asked Council to remove rates on our Community Hall because of our contribution back to the community

at no cost to council," Bays Community Group president, Ms Cathy Gleeson, said.

"Other matters included our wish to work with Council on cultural and environmental activities," Ms Gleeson said.

"We will keep all our residents updated when we receive a response from Council on our submission.

"Finally, I would like to mention that whilst The Bays Community Group sees its role as raising matters of significance on behalf of the Bays' Community, we urge residents also to write or contact Council, State and Federal members and Ministers on matters of concern.

"If we all voice our concerns, the stronger the chances of our success," Ms Gleeson said.

SOURCE:

Email, 16 Jun 2017

Cathy Gleeson, The Bays Community Group

Missing children found

Four children who went missing in bushland between Pearl Beach and Patonga on the morning of June 12 were located by Pol Air and winched to safety in the afternoon.

The alarm was raised when the group, aged between 11 and 15 years, failed to return from a bushwalk.

Brisbane Water Police were contacted and a search

commenced.

Pol Air located the group around 3:30pm that afternoon.

SOURCE:

Website, 12 Jun 2017

Danny Sullivan, Brisbane Water Local Area Command



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Council candidate signals dredging campaign

The former Save Tuggerah Lakes party, STL, has a policy for the coming council elections which calls for an ongoing dredging campaign for the Brisbane Water system, according to its Umina candidate, Mr Carl Veugen.

He said his party's policies include ongoing dredging of the Ettalong channel.

"Over the last three months we have listened to council, with the State Government's hand up its back, crying over the terrible state of the entrance to Brisbane Water," Mr Veugen said.

"The State Government's response was to spend \$150,000 on a temporary solution," he said.

"But surprise surprise, council now estimates we need to spend \$5 million up front and another \$1.5 million yearly to maintain Brisbane Water and council claims it is entirely the State Government's problem so we get the same old response and no answers offered.

"It is most likely that the purchase or lease of a sea-going dredge will be needed to support this policy and allow the dredged

sand to replenish our beaches.

"We also have a dredge that could be put to work inside Brisbane Water today.

"Wyong Council has operated its own dredge for years but now it's lying idle.

"That's good management from Central Coast Council: no operating cost at all.

"The NSW Government and Gosford Council collaborated for many years to develop plans for our beaches and waterways.

"Since 2008 Gosford Council received over \$6 million dollars from the NSW Government for its share of management studies and plans.

"They all recommended immediate action.

"What a comedy; what a set up.

"The NSW Government and the Central Coast Council are playing us for suckers.

"The NSW Government has also announced it will give the Central Coast the pathetic amount of \$188.3 million for local roads but the forgotten south again misses out on any funding."

SOURCE:

Media release, 22 Jun 2017
Carl Veugen, STL

Grant to Mingaletta

Mingaletta Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation has received a grant from the NSW Government to help fund Naidoc Week activities.

"NAIDOC Week is an important opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the tremendous achievements of aboriginal people here in the Central Coast and right across the country," said

Central Coast Secretary Mr Scot MacDonald, announcing the \$2711 funding received by Mingaletta.

The grant will be used to support a Naidoc Dinner for those who have undertaken language studies in schools and award those who have reached their goals and achievement for the year.

SOURCE:

Media release, 9 Jun 2017
Kit Hale, office of Scot MacDonald



Melissa Abu-Gazaleh

Young Australian of the Year addresses Rotary clubs

The 2016 Young Australian of the Year Ms Melissa Abu-Gazaleh addressed the recent joint meeting of the Umina and Woy Woy Rotary Clubs on the topic of men's health.

Ms Abu-Gazaleh spoke about her work helping disadvantaged young men reach their full potential.

Ms Abu-Gazaleh is the founder of the Top Blokes Foundation, an education organisation that combats anti-social behaviour in young men.

As well as being named Young Australian of the year, she was named Young Entrepreneur of the Year (Illawarra) and was listed on the Australian Financial Review

top 100 Women of Influence.

At the meeting, Ms Abu-Gazaleh spoke of the need to give young males the opportunity to talk about their problems.

She said men were less likely to acknowledge their insecurities than women, which led to social

problems, she said.

Funding has been requested to bring her important work to the Central Coast.

SOURCE:

Newsletter, 14 Jun 2017
Rod Radford, Umina Beach Rotary Club

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Independent members appointed

Three independent members have been officially appointed to Central Coast Council's Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee to oversee the Council's operations, including compliance financial management and governance.

Mr Colin Gellatly, Mr John Gordon and Mr Carl Millington have been appointed after responding to an expression of interest process to join the committee.

Council administrator Mr Ian Reynolds said the committee would help provide a foundation for sound decision making in Council and a vehicle to help deliver improvements in how Council delivers services to the community.

"We had over 50 applications for membership of this committee and the quality of the applicants was very good," Mr Reynolds said.

"These three people really stood out," he said.

"I am pleased to have the opportunity to appoint such highly skilled and widely respected community members to this committee."

Dr Colin Gellatly has had a long and distinguished career in the public service including as

Director General of the Premiers Department, he said.

"He has extensive experience in local government too, most recently as the Chair of Newcastle City Council's Audit and Risk Committee."

Dr Gellatly has also been appointed chair of the committee.

Mr John Gordon has spent the last 40 years practising as a chartered accountant, certified practising accountant and chartered secretary specialising in audit, risk management and corporate governance.

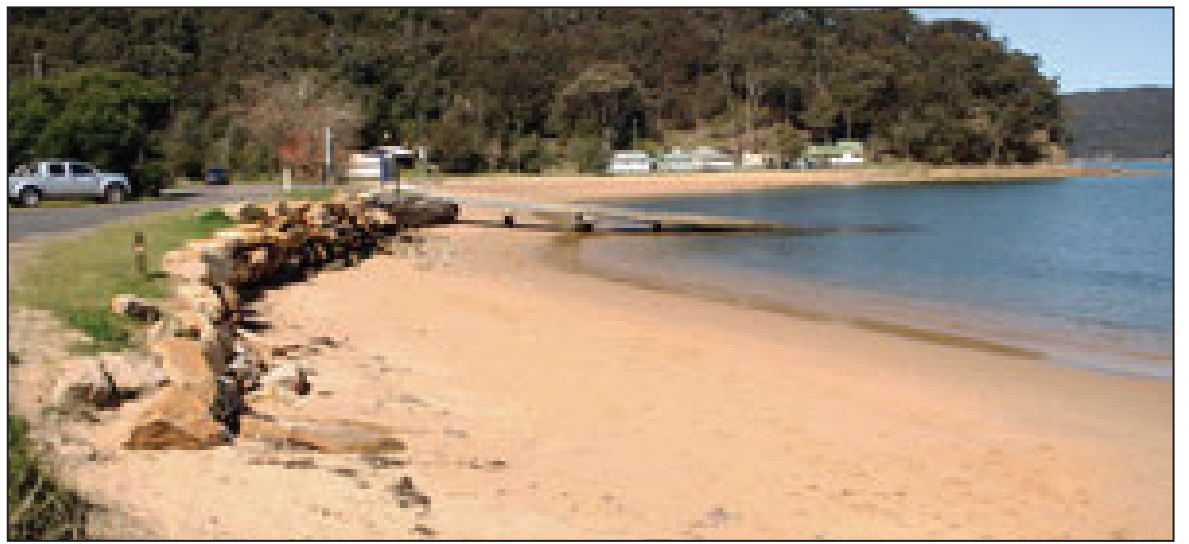
Mr Carl Milligan is a senior audit and assurance partner in a chartered accounting firm in Sydney and has held a number of senior roles on the Local Government Auditors Association of NSW.

"Their extensive experience in local government and financial matters will hold the new committee in good stead and I look forward to working with them to deliver positive results for Council and the community," Mr Reynolds added.

Mr Reynolds and Council chief Mr Rob Noble will make up the two other positions on the committee until the election of the new Council in September.

SOURCE:

Media release, 26 Apr 2017
Ian Reynolds, Central Coast Council



An erosion study was conducted in Patonga in 2011

Beach erosion and shoaling addressed at Patonga

Beach erosion in front of cottages at Patonga's Dark Corner and shoaling at the entrance to Patonga Creek will be addressed under the Gosford Beaches Coastal Zone Management Plan which has been adopted by Central Coast Council.

Short-term actions to address the erosion in front of the cottages at Dark Corner would include monitoring and assessment of existing erosion protection works.

In the medium term, the Department of Industry Lands would be required to implement erosion control in front of the cottages, in accordance with the Patonga Draft Plan of Management Crown Reserves and Dark Corner Cottages 2013.

It was noted that an initial upgrade was undertaken by the Department following the April 2015 storms and minor repair works were currently proposed following the June 2016 storms.

The estimated costs of the major works to be completed five-to-ten years into the implementation of the Coastal Zone Management Plan were \$30,000 for design and between \$400,000 and \$600,000 for construction to be paid for by

the NSW Government.

The NSW Office of Environment and Heritage was named as the responsible entity for investigating the use of periodic maintenance dredging of sand from the entrance of Patonga Creek to keep the channel free from shoaling.

Council and the Office were also to investigate lengthening the existing entrance breakwater to improve sand trapping efficiency and reduce shoaling.

This was listed as a medium-to-long-term measure and no specific costings were included.

Central Coast Council has also been given responsibility to investigate installation of stormwater energy dissipation to reduce scour from stormwater at creek flows at the eastern end of Patonga Beach.

This would be achieved by installing energy dissipating blocks, a rock apron or by another method to reduce the velocity of outflows from the stormwater outlet

The works were estimated to cost \$50,000 plus maintenance to come out of Council funds.

Post-storm beach scouring at a cost of between \$10,000 and \$20,000 annually was also listed as a way to repair the scour hole caused by stormwater discharge

after storm events.

The Coastal Zone Management Plan also made way for the completion of a vegetation profile for the whole of Patonga Beach to ensure planting of dune vegetation was consistent with the natural vegetation profile.

The Draft Plan noted that some properties in the Coastal Zone at Patonga already had erosion protection installed but it made provision for works that were of similar design to existing adjacent works.

"Works could be considered to be emergency works if they were in line with the requirements of the Code of Practice under the Coastal Protection Act," according to the plan.

It stated that no funding was allocated from any level of government, indicating that land owners would be expected to bear the costs.

The plan also suggested a swimming enclosure at Patonga in the short-to-medium term, within Council's existing budget allocations.

"This may comprise timber piles with netting," the plan stated.

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



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Planning notice changes being considered

Public comment on changes to the way the public is notified of development applications on the Peninsula is being considered by council staff.

The latest proposals to amend Chapter 7.3 of the Gosford Development Control Plan 2013 are part of the Council's ongoing process to harmonise the development controls of the former Gosford Council with those of the former Wyong Council.

Council's administrator Mr Ian Reynolds endorsed the exhibition of a draft amended Chapter 7.3 at the ordinary meeting held in Wyong on Wednesday, April 26.

The public exhibition period was for 28 days.

Key changes include a proposal to allow a development that achieves compliance with key planning controls to be "streamlined and allowed to progress to determination without the need for public exhibition on the basis that the application has satisfied the objectives of the DCP", according to a report to Mr Reynolds from Council's Environment and Planning Department.

The amendment also "recognises that for significant and sensitive development proposals the public should be given additional time to provide submissions".

"The proposals would be notified for 21 days where previously in most cases they were placed on notification for 14 days.

"For minor, small scale development types like single storey dwelling houses (including ancillary developments such as granny flats) which comply with building height and setback requirements, adjoining owners will not need to be notified and the DA won't need to be advertised in a newspaper.

"For larger and more sensitive development proposals such as boarding houses or significant mixed-use developments the exhibition period will be for 21 days," the report to Mr Reynolds said.

According to a table that compared the former Wyong

and Gosford DCPs in relation to public notification of DAs, the new provisions strengthen those of the former Gosford Council in some areas.

For example, the notification period for a DA to build a boarding house was not specified in the existing Gosford DCP but the proposed amendments will specify that such a DA would require a newspaper notice, notice to adjoining owners and a 21-day submission period.

The Gosford DCP also did not specify notification requirements for group home DAs but the proposed amendments would require a newspaper notice, notification of adjoining owners and a 14-day submission period.

In the instance of the change of use for a property in industrial or business zones the proposed changes would require adjoining owners to be given notice which was not the case under the existing Gosford DCP.

The submission period for a child care centre DA would increase from 14 to 21 days under the proposed amendments, likewise crematoriums and cemeteries, drug rehabilitation facilities, educational establishments outside business, industrial or special use zones; land subdivisions for 10 or more lots; places of public worship outside business, industrial or special use zones; private waterfront developments; shop top housing; and pubs.

Setback variations for single-storey developments would, under the proposed amendments, need to be notified to neighbours with a 14-day submission period which was not previously required by Gosford Council.

Any other variations would be notified at the discretion of Council, according to the document.

In other areas, the existing Gosford DCP would be lessened by the proposed amendments.

For instance, the existing Gosford DCP required neighbours to be notified and given a 14 day submission period for DAs for dwelling houses of two or more storeys whether setback requirements are complied with

and building height doesn't exceed 8.5 metres.

Under the proposed changes, neighbours would not need to be notified of complying two-storey developments.

Under the existing DCP, DAs for secondary dwellings where setbacks and building height requirements are complied with had to be notified to neighbours who were given a 14-day submission period.

The proposed changes would remove this requirement so granny flats, for instance, could be built without notification to neighbours.

"The amended Notification Chapter also addressed issues raised by residents and applicants in the past including: how Council will notify modified applications and application reviews; how Council will notify DAs that fall outside of the DCP such as Designated, Integrated and Complying Development; and clear guidance on the extent, type and form that notification will take."

"In accordance with the NSW Department of Planning and Environment issued Guidance for merged councils on planning functions (May 2016), Council has undertaken an analysis of the planning policies of the former Wyong Council and Gosford Council, with a review to removing inconsistencies and identifying opportunities to harmonise controls," the report said.

SOURCE:
Central Coast Council
Agenda 2.6, 26 Apr 2017



Woy Woy CWA hall before (top) and after (bottom) its fresh coat of paint

CWA hall gets fresh coat of paint

The Country Women's Association Hall at Woy Woy has been painted for the first time in many years thanks to the help of a local hardware retailer.

"What would have normally cost us over \$6000 was all done free of charge with paint and labour kindly provided by the staff at Umina Bunnings," according to Ms Emily Bowtell of Woy Woy CWA.

"We were thrilled and so touched by the offer.

"The association is an organisation that really tries to help

people and inspire kindness and understanding in communities, so to be on the receiving end of that kindness was really special," Ms Bowtell said.

"We feel so amazingly recognised and the hall looks amazing.

"It's become a true landmark. "It hasn't looked this good since it was built and I'd like to say how truly humbled and thankful the association is," Ms Bowtell said.

SOURCE:
Interview, 21 Jun 2017
Emily Bowtell, Woy Woy CWA
Reporter: Dillon Luke

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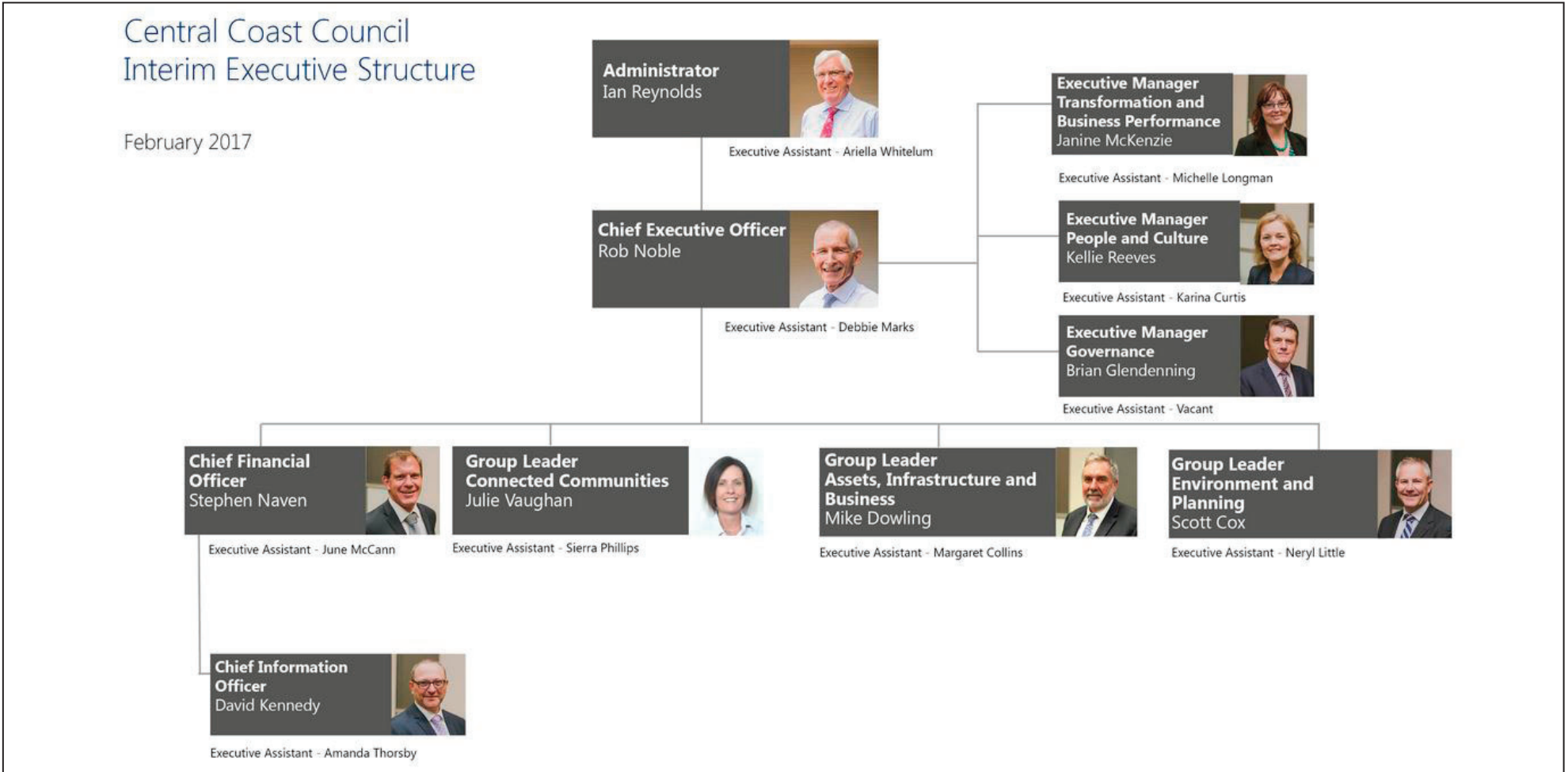
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Mr Reynolds will depart shortly after the election but other executives who were given interim positions have now been locked in on long-term contracts

Council appoints senior staff ahead of elections

Central Coast Council has confirmed five executive appointments to its Leadership Team less than four months before the first election of councillors for the new LGA.

According to the Local Government Act one of the first responsibilities of an elected council is to “determine ...the senior staff positions within the

organisation structure of the council, the roles and reporting lines (for other senior staff) of holders of senior staff positions, the resources to be allocated towards the employment of staff”.

However, rather than wait for an elected council to determine its senior management structure and team, administrator Mr Ian Reynolds and interim chief Mr Rob Noble have made senior appointments following “an

exhaustive external recruitment process attracting candidates from across Australia”.

An interim leadership team was appointed at the time of the formation of the Council to lead the organisation through the initial stages of amalgamation.

“The calibre of candidates we attracted is particularly pleasing and highlights the strong interest in working for a new local government area that is now a major region in its own right with so many opportunities to really make a difference,” Mr Noble said.

“I have chosen leaders who are customer-focused, collaborative, passionate and professional and truly committed to transforming our organisation and making the Central Coast the very best it can be.”

“These leaders have an established track record and have

ably risen to the challenges of our first year as one Council and I am pleased to continue to serve the Central Coast community with them.”

The confirmed appointments are: Mr Mike Dowling as group leader (assets, infrastructure and business); Mr Scott Cox as group leader (environment and planning); Mr Stephen Naven as chief financial officer; Ms Kellie Reeves as executive manager (people and culture); and Mr Brian Glendenning as executive manager (governance).

They join Ms Julie Vaughan as group leader (connected communities) and chief information officer Mr David Kennedy who were appointed to their positions last year with Ms Sally Ingram as executive manager (transformation and business performance), rounding out the leadership team.

Mr Reynolds welcomed the appointments and said they would provide the stable leadership the organisation needs to continue to support the outlook and vision of the new Central Coast Council.

“I have worked with these leaders from the start of my time here and I rate them as some of the best executives I have come across in my long career,” Mr Reynolds said.

“They have been here from the start and will continue to lead the organisation as it goes from strength to strength.”

The leadership team are employed under contracts in accordance with the form of contract for senior staff under the Local Government Act.

SOURCE:
Media release, May 25, 2017
Rob Noble, Central Coast Council



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Police tell riders to wait until dawn

Two men who were stranded on Little Wobby Beach near Patonga spent a cold night waiting to be collected at first light on June 13.

Brisbane Water Police said the pair, aged 26 and 33, caught a ferry or water taxi to the beach to go mountain bike riding but failed to return come nightfall.

The pair contacted police who advised that it was too dangerous

to traverse bushland in the dark.

The two men were forced to wait out the night, lighting a fire to keep warm, before a vessel was sent to collect them once the dawn broke.

Brisbane Water Police stayed in contact with the men throughout the night.

SOURCE:

Website, 13 Jun 2017

Danny Sullivan, Brisbane Water Local Area Command



Dunban Rd not mentioned in budget

More buses on route 64

Bus route 64, which runs from Woy Woy to Erina via Ettalong Beach and Kincumber, will have additional buses as a result of a NSW Government budget measure.

More than 100 bus services will be added to routes on the Central Coast, including the Peninsula run.

Member for Terrigal Mr Adam

Crouch said the budget measure would create new routes, provide extended operating hours and improve bus priority infrastructure in needed areas.

"This is not just about adding more services, but also allowing for future growth," he said.

SOURCE:

Media release, 15 June 2017

Kit Hale, Office of Scot MacDonald

No sign of road funding, says Tesch

Road funding for Blackwall and Woy Woy promised by the Liberals in the Gosford by-election has not been included in the NSW budget, according to the State Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch.

"We have just seen a State Budget that has provided no sight of the \$48 million roads package promised by the Liberals during the by-election."

Road funding for the Peninsula that was promised during the by-election included a safety upgrade of Woy Woy Rd, an upgrade of Maitland Bay Dr, Blackwall Rd and Dunban Rd in Woy Woy.

Ms Tesch did say she was "thrilled" the NSW Government was funding additional bus services, but would wait to see what this would actually mean for people on the Peninsula.

"One hundred extra services per week spread across four different

routes will only see one or two extra buses each day," she said.

"The Government needs to work with the community and with Busways to ensure that these services are run at times that are useful for Peninsula residents to be able to get to Erina Fair and back in a reasonable time."

SOURCE:

Media statement, 22 Jun 2017

Richard Mehrstens, Office of Liesl Tesch MP

Students attend netball cup

Ten students from Pretty Beach Public School's Years 5 and 6 cohorts attended the NSW Netball Cup on Thursday, June 1.

The Pretty Beach netball team participated in four games against other schools from the Central Coast at Adcock Park.

The girls improved with each game and displayed great sportsmanship throughout the entire day, according to relieving principal Mr Dave Rattray.

SOURCE:

Newsletter, 15 Jun 2017

Dave Rattray, Pretty Beach Public School



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Pyjama day

Pretty Beach Public School participated in a pyjama day recently to raise funds for a local children's charity.

Students wore their pyjamas to school as part of 2GO's Give Me 5 for Kids Pyjama Day to raise funds for sick children on the Central Coast.

Pretty Beach Public School raised \$206 toward the cause.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 15 Jun 2017
Dave Rattray, Pretty Beach Public School

Co-working space to open in Umina

A new co-working space will open in West St, Umina, in September.

Common on West, or The Common, will offer workspaces, and access to teleconferencing services and meeting areas.

Tenants will be able to choose from private or flexi-desks and casual or long-term options.

Mr Colin Taylor, founder and managing director of a Umina-based marketing agency, said he was one of the first to sign up as a tenant.

He said he was a firm believer in, and advocate for, keeping his office space local and avoiding the gruelling commute to Sydney or Newcastle.

"What my team and I were looking for was a professional working environment with affordable pricing," Mr Taylor said.

"It's a short walk or drive away from home, and only a two-minute walk to the beach.

"It really does give us the best of both worlds," he said.

Common on West has also welcomed Mr Jim Hawkins, a local licensed builder specialising in small residential developments.

Mr Hawkins said he was looking for a convenient, streamlined office space from which to manage his various projects.

SOURCE:
Media release, 18 Jun 2017
Tiffany Macleod, Common on West

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Council webcast to continue

The live webcasting of Central Coast Council meetings is set to continue following adoption of a recommendation by Council at its April meeting in Wyong.

A trial live webcasting of Council meetings had been held over the past six months.

Council administrator Mr Ian Reynolds said the Council had received a lot of constructive feedback and was now taking the necessary steps to improve the service.

"I believe it is important the decisions of the Council are as open and accessible as possible and webcasting can help deliver that effectively," Mr Reynolds said.

"Over the next few months, there will be refurbishments made to both Chambers to accommodate

the 15 newly elected Councillors and at this time adjustments will be made to incorporate webcasting, including improving the sound quality."

"That was the feedback we got: that sometimes the audio dropped out so we are making appropriate steps to fix this issue."

The webcast will be available for viewing until the next meeting of Council, meaning those who cannot view the meeting at the time it is broadcast will have an opportunity to do so at a time that suits them.

Live webcasting of Council meetings can be viewed via Council's website and its youtube channel.

SOURCE:
Media release, 26 Apr 2017
Ian Reynolds, Central Coast Council

Jewellery owner wanted

Brisbane Water Police are seeking assistance from the community in identifying the owner of jewellery located in a vehicle check.

Police located a number of rings along with a quantity of drugs

during a vehicle search at Woy Woy on Tuesday, May 16.

Police are urging anyone with information to call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

SOURCE:
Media release, 16 May 2017
Brisbane Water LAC

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Other Regional News - In brief

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

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Demolition in preparation for Waterside development underway

Gosford's longeststanding eye sores, the remains of the Froggy's skate rink on Mann St and the office building on the corner of Baker St and Georgiana Tce, are about to be demolished as part of preparation for phase one of the triple-tower Waterside

Gosford Beaches Coastal Zone Management Plan certified

The NSW Government has certified the Coastal Zone Management Plan for the former Gosford LGA beaches.

LRC has mixed reviews from former councillors

The Local Representation Committee (LRC) established by Central Coast Council Administrator, Mr Ian Reynolds, has been a useful exercise, according to former Gosford Councillors.

Auditors unable to express an opinion on former Gosford Council's books

Price Waterhouse Coopers (PWC), the auditors chosen by Central Coast Council to audit the accounts of both the former Wyong and Gosford Councils, has not expressed an opinion on the Gosford Council financial statements based on the

Vale Kathy Smith former Member for Gosford

Organisations and individuals have paid tribute to the former Member for Gosford, Ms Kathy Smith, who passed away on May 31, after a long battle with cancer.

Consortium of three companies to deliver tourism marketing and industry services

A consortium of three companies, to be known as Affinity, has been named by Central Coast Council as the successful organisation to deliver tourism marketing and industry services for the Central Coast for the next two years.

Stamp duty removed for first home buyers

Member for Terrigal, Mr Adam Crouch, has announced a comprehensive package of measures which will give first homebuyers a fair go at owning their own home by significantly reducing stamp duty and providing more housing choice.

Council overruled on access to report

The Information and Privacy Commissioner (IPC) has recommended that Central Coast residents should be given full access to a Wamberal Beach Storm Erosion Mediation Report.

Reversal of collection arrangements of FESL causes administrative chaos

The decision by the NSW Government to halt the introduction of the Fire and Emergency Services Levy (FESL) on properties has divided major stakeholders.

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\$3m additional federal funding

Central Coast Council has welcomed \$3m in funding for Tuggerah Lakes Estuary and Catchment Improvement as part of the Federal Government's Improving Your Local Parks and Environment Program.

Australia China Theme Park status remains unclear

Confidentiality clauses in contracts signed between the former Wyong Council and Australia China Theme Park Pty Ltd (ACTP) continue to prevent Central Coast Council from updating the community about the status of those contracts.

Minister for Finance sees Work and Development Orders in action

NSW Minister for Finance, Services and Property, Mr Victor Dominello paid a visit to the Glen Centre at Chittaway Point on Thursday, June 15.

Darkinjung land at Doyalson rehabilitated

Darkinjung Local Aboriginal Land Council (DLALC) has been busy working on the 'Untracked' initiative since January, to rehabilitate and restore the environment.

Rail fleet maintenance facility to provide employment

The NSW Government remains committed to building its intercity rail fleet maintenance facility at Kangy, according to Mr Scot MacDonald, Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast.

Strong industry response to Airport Expression of Interest request

A strong industry response has been received by Central Coast Council to its call for Expressions of Interest in the expansion and development of the Central Coast Airport at Warnervale.

STL policies for council election outlined

The STL Save Our Waterways Party, formerly the Wyongbased Save Tuggerah Lakes Party, has released its policies ahead of the September Central Coast Council election.

Warnervale Uniting Church officially opened

The Warnervale Regional Uniting Church Worship and Community Centre was officially opened on Sunday, June 4.

Consortium selected to deliver tourism marketing and industry services

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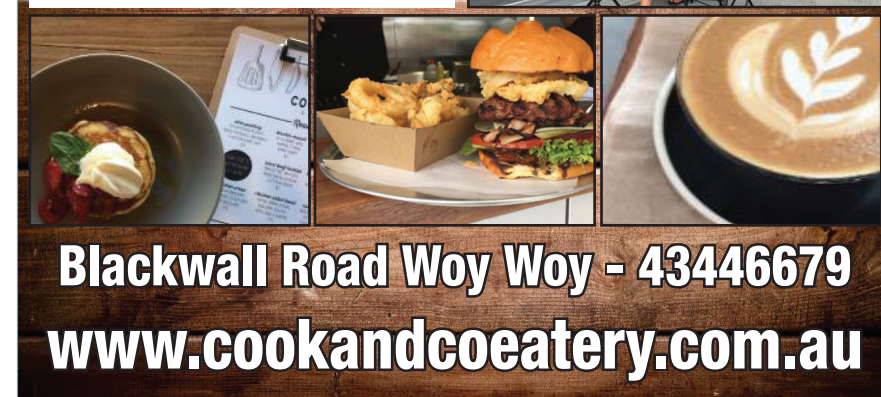
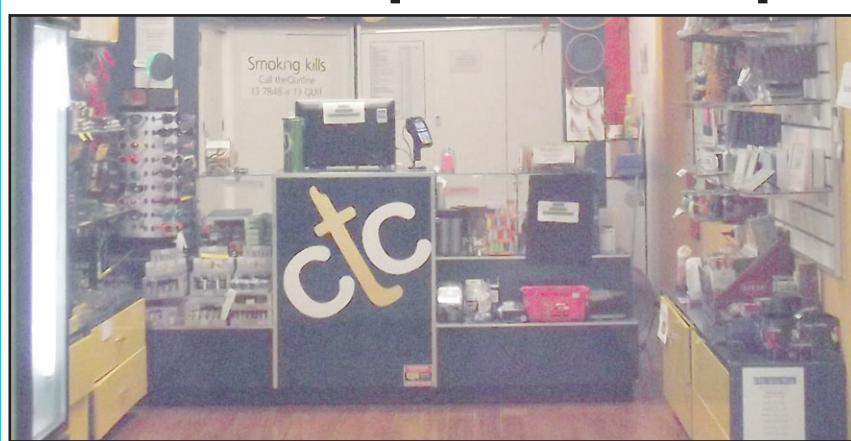
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Audit outcome - more about appearance than substance

The residents of the former Gosford Council have been told it is highly unusual for an auditor to write a disclaimer instead of offer an "opinion" on its financial statements.

It has been portrayed as letting administrator Mr Ian Reynolds, chief Mr Rob Noble and their senior management team "off the hook" in terms of their Local Government Act responsibilities to vouch for the accuracy of the former Gosford Council's financial statements.

It also gives their no-doubt well-paid auditor, Price Waterhouse Coopers, an "out" – if management could not provide sufficient evidence, the auditor could not possibly be expected to provide an opinion as to the validity of the books.

Both gentlemen lit a fire in March when they announced they had uncovered "serious control weaknesses" and had to revalue the former Gosford Council's assets downward by \$1.38 billion.

They made it clear that they did not believe any current member of staff had done anything wrong.

Before they drew their line in the sand and stopped answering questions about the Gosford accounts, they explained that the revaluation issues related mainly to a double-counting of manholes in 2010 and an over-valuation of bulk earthworks.

Their great discoveries were more about incompetence, human error and sloppiness, than any

great financial scandal ... but the mud stuck.

They also explained that the control issues related to software, believed to be used by local councils across the state since the late 1980s, that had an "option" switched off at some stage which allowed for multiple parties, including third parties, to make changes to data without leaving an evidence trail.

When pressed, Mr Noble said he was unable to confirm whether any data changes had been made, nor could he confirm they hadn't.

It is understood the matters were referred to ICAC, police and the NSW Auditor, although Mr Noble at no stage named those external parties.

Mr Noble has not answered questions about whether the same "forensic" process was applied to the accounts of the former Wyong Council.

The auditor chosen from the short-list of candidates provided by the NSW Government, and in particular the Office of Premier and Cabinet that has controlled the whole council amalgamation process, Price Waterhouse

Coopers, just happened to have been Wyong's auditor.

No fresh eyes, no independent, forensic third-party scrutiny has been applied to the accounts of the former Wyong Council.

As a result, it is unlikely we will ever know whether or not they double-counted their manholes or overvalued their road base or made similar errors.

Victors write history and there is now mounting evidence that the "amalgamation" of Gosford and Wyong LGAs has clearly been a takeover of the southern LGA by the Liberal-dominated Wyong Council.

In a corporate takeover, the target frequently has its assets revalued in the acquisition, for purposes that suit the purchaser.

Opinion

from
**Peninsula News reporter
Jackie Pearson**

It has been no different in this case.

Not one of over 40 senior managers from the Gosford Council remains, according to former Gosford deputy mayor Craig Doyle.

Former Gosford councillors across the political spectrum are incensed that the NSW Government-appointed Administrator and CEO have implied poor financial practices that have opened the way for targeted political advertising that could, at the very least, confuse the general public if not mislead it.

Independent financial experts have told Peninsula News it is unlikely any third party, ICAC, the police or the Auditor-General, will look further into the management of the former council's books or take action.

The former Gosford councillors have spent the past 13 months silenced as members of the tokenistic Local Representation Committee, now dissolved.

None chose to stay outside the administrator's regime and speak on-the-record about the loss of their

constituents' democracy during that time.

Now they are no longer sworn to silence, it is too late to lead the public to fully understand what has already been lost: the dissolution of all community committees and their replacement with a website and hand-picked consultative groups; the appointment of a senior executive team on long-term contracts hand-picked by representatives of the current State Government; the diminution of representation to only three councillors per around 66,000 residents; the appointment of a Coordinator-General to ram through a regional plan that ignores the diverse and unique concerns and needs of the many communities that make up that region.

Each of those unique communities, Woy Woy Peninsula in particular, has now become part of a Mike Baird experiment that has the potential to impact our social, economic and environmental fabric and wellbeing for decades.

Jackie Pearson, 22 Jun 2017

When Woy Woy controlled its own destiny

In 1977, Keith Whitfield, Dennis Swadling and Geoff Breene were elected to Gosford Shire Council on an ALP ticket.

As Keith Whitfield had a special interest in Australian History and Heritage, in the early 80s Dennis Swadling nominated Keith to be the first chairman of the Gosford Australia Day Committee.

The Blue Mountains Council had nominated buildings of local and national significance in a register, so Keith thought an investigation into heritage buildings on the Woy Woy Peninsula was warranted.

Members of the Brisbane Water Historical Research Association accompanied him to point out some still existing guest houses and buildings like the Old Woy Woy Hotel.

A registrar of interest was later developed.

In 1979, Gosford Council received a proposal from AV

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Jennings to purchase the Public Library and Office buildings at Woy Woy to construct a two storey building and lease space back to council for the Library and office.

The alternative plan suggested retaining the Library building and developing the rest of the site.

This library building was originally the Woy Woy Shire Council Chambers.

Woy Woy was formally constituted as a separate shire on August 1, 1928, and existed for its own local government administration until the Woy Woy Shire was dissolved on December 31, 1946.

The Council building was constructed in 1931 in the manner of the architecture of the period.

The shopping centre development next door had much support, for the population growth had demanded such a centre.

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce supported it as did the majority of aldermen.

Public meetings were held by both sides and they were stormy and virulent.

The progress associations, heritage associations and some ALP branches supported retention of the Council Chambers, as a vital part of Woy Woy's history.

Eventually, the State Local Member, Keith O'Connell, and the Minister Paul Landa, gave support to saving the chambers.

Then an interim heritage order was given on the building.

Meanwhile, business interests were planning and properties were bought.

In the finale, Woy Woy got two shopping centres, and saved a building that signified that, once upon a time, Woy Woy controlled its own destiny.

Letter, 6 Jun 2017
Keith Whitfield, Woy Woy

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What about the cars and nurturing the plants

I note, not for the first time, that there is another "proposal to landscape Hardy's Bay foreshore" (Peninsula News, June 13).

It all sounds wonderful and would no doubt look wonderful too if there was a fairy godmother to implement and maintain it as well as "magic" some space to park the visiting cars.

For all the years I've lived here, there have been grand plans to do this and that.

Indeed, there have been quite a few "plantings", all destined to fail for want of care and watering.

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There is always the hope that those of us who live nearby will nurture the plants but without fresh water outlets and convenient hoses it's a long way to carry a watering can.

So, I feel two items need to be addressed: the aforementioned plant maintenance (at least until they are established) and where to park visiting cars as the street is already crowded at weekends and holiday times.

Email, 17 Jun 2017
Marilyn Cartmill, Killcare

Those who use modern technology for communication will not be aware of what the public can expect when making personal enquiries at the Central Coast Council office in Mann St, Gosford.

Very recently I attended the office to inquire about an environmental matter regarding the Peninsula.

The staff advised me that the officer who had provided information in the past was not now an employee.

With all the changes since the amalgamation, I accepted

'Ex-employee' answers ratepayer inquiry

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this information as factual and continued on with my enquiry.

Well, early the very next day,

the person officially now an ex-employee of the Central Coast Council telephoned me to answer my enquiry.

I have more evidence that the officer exists, as the telephone number quoted in previous correspondence, matched exactly with the number quoted in previous correspondence, matched exactly with the number quoted in telephone conversation.

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Letter, 31 May 2017
Norman Harris, Umina

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Talk about diets for autistic children

A specialist dietician will host a community discussion on diets for autistic and ADHD children at Peninsula Community Centre on July 20.

Ms Carin Clegg, a specialist dietician in disability and food intolerance, will lead the discussion which will cover vitamins and minerals, additives, gluten and casein free, omega 3s, food for growth, brain development, fussy

eating and gut problems.

Ms Clegg will talk about the latest research into diets for autism and ADHD how this data can best work for children and families.

The discussion will run from 11am to 12pm.

Entry fee for the discussion is \$10.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 13 Jun 2017
Lynn Davis, Umina Beach
Public School



Aged care provider surveys the community

Aged care provider Peninsula Village is appealing to residents to have their say in the future of aged care locally by taking part in its community feedback survey and upcoming focus groups.

Peninsula Village chief Mr Shane Neaves said: "To ensure we can continue to care for locals for a further 40 years and beyond, we are asking community members to participate in our community feedback survey, which aims to find out what older people and their carers or family members expect from residential aged care providers.

"If you are living on the Central Coast and are over 65 years of age, or if you are a carer or family member of a person living in or considering moving into aged care or retirement living, we want to hear from you," Mr Neaves said.

To participate, visit the Peninsula Villages website and hit the survey link on the home page.

All participants will go in the draw to win a \$200 gift card for their contribution.

"We are also seeking approximately 20 community members to take part in our final two community focus group sessions on Thursday, July 13," said Mr Neaves.

"We will be running a morning and afternoon session as an opportunity to gain an in-depth understanding of what community members expect from local aged care providers and what we can do to meet these expectations.

"Each participant will receive a luxury gift hamper for their time.

"By participating in our survey or focus group sessions, you will be lending your voice to the future of aged care on the Central Coast and helping us ensure that we can continue to deliver quality aged care services to the community," Mr Neaves said.

SOURCE:
Media release, 21 Jun 2017
Kately Small, Brilliant Logic



The injured Umina man was in a stable condition when taken to Royal North Shore Hospital in a stable condition

Flown to Royal North Shore

A 70-year-old man injured in a fall at a retirement residence in Umina on June 15 has been flown to Royal North Shore Hospital.

The man reportedly fell down a flight of 10 stairs before landing on his head.

CareFlight's rapid response rescue helicopter was tasked at 1:17pm, landing at McEvoy Oval near the scene about 18 minutes later.

An ambulance inspector conveyed CareFlight's medical

crew to the scene a few blocks away to join NSW Ambulance crews treating the man.

CareFlight's specialist doctor and critical care paramedic provided further treatment for possible head injuries.

He was transferred to the helicopter and flown to Royal North Shore Hospital in a stable condition.

SOURCE:
Website, 15 Jun 2017
Central Coast Incident Alerts

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Catch up with a friend for a walk and a cup of tea.

Taking time out and breathing deeply will also help your whole body and mind.

As it turns out, deep breathing is not only relaxing, it's been scientifically proven to affect the heart, the brain, digestion and the immune system.

So, wherever you are, stop and breathe.

It is always important to stay hydrated, as many ailments usually associated with long periods of indoor living, such as headaches, stiff muscles or even constipation can be alleviated by better

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Donations to funeral costs

The Umina community donated more than \$20,000 in 14 days for the funeral and associated costs of Umina resident Blake Wilson, who committed suicide.

Ms Keah Evans started the Go Fund Me campaign on June 6.

"No words can describe the overwhelming sadness Blake's passing has caused.

"What will live on is the memories," Ms Evans said.

"The memories we all shared with Blake will be in our hearts forever."

More than 300 people donated to the cause, passing the original target of \$12,500 by more than \$8500.

The Umina Bunnies Seniors rugby league team held a Suicide Prevention Charity Night in memory of Mr Wilson at The Ettalong Diggers on June 24.

All proceeds raised from the evening went to the Suicide Prevention Foundation.

SOURCE:
Website, 21 Jun 2017
Keah Evans, Go Fund Me



The Umina community raised over \$20,000 to aid the family of Mr Blake Wilson in the aftermath of his passing

School raises more than \$500

Woy Woy South Public School has raised more than \$500 for a local children's charity at its recent pyjama day.

The school participated in 2GO's Give Me 5 For Kids Pyjama

Day. Students and staff alike joined in the fun. Funds raised help sick children on the Central Coast.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 14 Jun 2017
Matt Barr, Woy Woy South PS

Yoga classes held at surf club

Umina Beach Surf Club has been hosting Ki Yoga classes on Mondays and Tuesday mornings during June.

The classes have focused on finding moments of peace in a hectic lifestyle.

Stretching and realignment of the head and heart space for a

sounder body and mind are the listed benefits of the classes.

Monday classes commence from 9:30am, with Tuesday classes kicking off from 7:30am.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 20 Jun 2017
Lyn Davis, Umina Beach Public School

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Free exercise classes are available at Woy Woy Hospital as part of Dry July

Hospital hosts free exercise classes

Woy Woy Hospital is hosting free exercise classes as part of the CoastCanCare Wellness Program.

The Central Coast Local Health District program aims to make a difference to the lives of adults diagnosed with cancer, as well as their carers and families.

Complementary therapies such as music, exercise and tai chi classes are offered as part of the program and focus on stress and pain management during a difficult time in people's lives.

Ms Claire Job, 34, was diagnosed with metastatic thyroid cancer almost two years ago and

has found the CoastCanCare Wellness Program and free exercise classes at Woy Woy Hospital helpful and rewarding.

Ms Job has enjoyed exercise and tai chi classes for the past 18 months and is looking forward to starting music and art therapy sessions in the coming weeks.

"Receiving a cancer diagnosis is often an overwhelming, isolating, challenging and life-changing time," Ms Job said.

"The CoastCanCare Wellness Program has provided my family, friends and I a place of peace, comfort, support, encouragement, respite and a sense of normality during an otherwise unfamiliar time.

"I was looking for anything to help overcome my feelings of fear, confusion and isolation.

"I was suddenly facing my own mortality, realising how fragile life can be and how quickly it can all change.

"I have learnt so much about myself and my diagnosis while gaining new and positive strategies around sleep, relaxation, nutrition, exercise and pain management.

"Words cannot describe the amazing and rewarding benefits of the program, not only for the patient, but also for family, friends and carers," she said.

CoastCanCare Wellness Program coordinator Ms Tia Covi said: "Ultimately our aim is to assist people to optimise their quality of life; to set and achieve their goals and priorities; to live their best life regardless of a cancer diagnosis.

"We do this by engaging

therapists to work with people in group settings.

"This enables participants to connect with, support and learn from each other, as well as the

therapist.

"Participants who have attended our programs have reported feeling less stressed and anxious and more connected, supported and

skilled to promote their own health and wellbeing," Ms Covi said.

SOURCE:
Media release, 20 Jun 2017
Clare Graham, Central Coast
Local Health District



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Band performs eight songs

Students who are a part of Umina Public School's Training Band confidently performed eight short songs to an audience of parents, teachers and classmates on June 12.

The band had been practising

during the first semester and performed brilliantly, according to teachers.
The band members were described as persistent and "didn't give up".

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 20 Jun 2017
Krystle Ragen, Umina Beach Public School



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Gonski billboard visits schools

The Public Education Alliance's mobile billboard visited Ettalong and Umina on June 9.

The Alliance, comprising teachers, parents and principals, has sent a Gonski mobile billboard across NSW to remind Federal Government MPs that Gonski

funding must be delivered in full.
The billboard was parked at Ettalong Public School throughout the morning before moving on to Brisbane Water Secondary College.
"We will not stand by and allow Malcolm Turnbull to cut school funding in NSW and that's why

we are campaigning with a mobile billboard carrying the message 'Our Kids Can't Afford Turnbull's \$846 Million Cuts to Gonski'," said NSW Teachers' Federation president Ms Maurie Mulheron.
SOURCE:
Email, 9 Jun 2017
Maurie Mulheron, NSW Teachers' Federation

Celebrating Naidoc Week

Woy Woy South Public School celebrated Naidoc Week in Week 9 of the current school term.

The event celebrated aboriginal and Torres Strait islander history, culture and achievements and was an opportunity to recognise the contributions that aboriginal students and families make to the

school community.
All students participated in a wide range of Indigenous activities on Wednesday, June 21.
The school held a barbecue for all its aboriginal families on the day and all students had the opportunity to sample some traditional Indigenous food.
There were numerous activities

for students to participate in on the day including traditional games, stories and dance as well as totem painting and an incursion from the Walkabout Park introducing native animals, plants and bush tucker food.
Sausage sizzle samples of crocodile, emu, kangaroo and beef sausages were served at lunchtime on the day.
All Indigenous families in the Woy Woy South community were invited to attend the sausage sizzle.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 14 Jun 2017
Matt Barr, Woy Woy South Public School



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Parade was case of ‘happily ever after’

Umina Beach Public School’s kindergarten fairy tale parade was a case of “happily ever after” for everyone involved despite pouring rain forcing the event indoors.

Held on Thursday, June 8, the parade saw students take to the school hall stage as fairy tale characters in front of cheering teachers and parents.

Principal Ms Lyn Davis said the children had been studying fairy tales in class and the chance to dress up was eagerly taken.

“The Jack and the Beanstalk costumes were particularly impressive,” Ms Davis said.

After the parade, the students went back to the classroom to make fairy bread and participate in other craft activities.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 13 Jun 2017
Lyn Davis, Umina Beach Public School



Students enjoyed their time on horseback

Horse riding for special students

Six students from Woy Woy Public School’s Special Education Unit have started weekly visits to The Riding for the Disabled Association located in Kariong.

The association is a not-for-

profit organisation with centres around Australia that brings together suitable horses and equipment and specially trained volunteers and riding coaches, to bring a range of equestrian activities which were previously non-accessible to people with

disabilities.

The sessions give the Woy Woy pupils an opportunity to ride the horses and interact with the volunteers.

The students are driven by a bus that has been lent to the school by the Ettalong Bowling Club.

“The students love the riding activities and all students are given the opportunity to attend during the year,” assistant principal Mr Dan Betts said.

SOURCE:
Newsletter, 15 Jun 2017
Dan Betts, Woy Woy Public School



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Ben Woods	Friday 8pm	Mingara
Mal Eastick Duo	Friday 8pm	Wallarah Bay Club
Alexandra & Johara	Friday 8.20pm	Brackets & Jam Kincumba Mtn
Crazy Old Maurice	Friday 8.30pm	Foghorn Brewhouse Erina
Cyril B Bunter	Friday 8.30pm	Diggers @The Enmtrance
Jenny Marie Lang	Friday 8.30pm	Lakes Hotel
Ron Sinclair & King Rhythm	Friday 8.30pm	Brackets & Jam Kincumba Mtn
NFI	Friday 9.30pm	Brackets & Jam Kincumba Mtn
2 Shots	Friday 9pm	Wyong Rugby League Club

Friday

Bec Pap	Saturday 5pm	Club Toukley RSL
Chelsea Berman	Saturday 5.30pm	Gosford Sailing Club
Brent Murphy	Saturday 6pm	Lakes Hotel
Gareth Jay	Saturday 6pm	Budgewoi Soccer Club
Tiali	Saturday 6.30pm	Breakers Wamberal
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Darren Jack	Saturday 8pm	The Greens The Entrance
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Shivoo	Saturday 8.30pm	Lakes Hotel
Creedence & Women of Rock	Saturday 9pm	Erina Leagues Club
Loose Change	Saturday 9pm	Wyong Rugby League Club

Saturday

Dew Cats	Sunday 10am	Second stage Memorial park
New Empire ragtime Orchestra	Sunday 10am	Main Stage Memorial Park
Mama Jane & Friends	Sunday 11.15am	Main Stage Memorial Park
Adam Miller	Sunday 11.30am	Second stage Memorial park
Brandon Duff	Sunday 11.45	West Gosford RSL
Darren Jack	Sunday 12.30pm	Second stage Memorial park
Mojo Webb	Sunday 12.40pm	Main Stage Memorial Park
Dexter Moore Trio	Sunday 1pm	Sunken Monkey Erina
John Larder	Sunday 1pm	Lakes Hotel
Cass Eager	Sunday 1.30pm	Second stage Memorial park
Mal's Mates Jazz band	Sunday 1.30pm	Central Coast Leagues Club
Prahlad	Sunday 1.30pm	Kincumber Hotel
Chani	Sunday 2pm	The Entrance Hotel
Emma Pask	Sunday 2pm	Main Stage Memorial Park
Top Cat	Sunday 2pm	Hardys Bay Club
Jeff Lang	Sunday 3.30pm	Main Stage Memorial Park
Storm Cellar	Sunday 3.30pm	Hotel Budgewoi
Andrew Bodgold	Sunday 5.30pm	West Gosford RSL
Ben Woodham	Sunday 5.30pm	Woy Woy Leagues Club
Hoodoo Gurus (\$66)	Sunday 7pm	The Entrance Leagues Club
You am I (\$66)	Sunday 7pm	The Entrance Leagues Club

Sunday

JULY 7 TO 9

Welcome to the Winter Blues and Jazz Fest at The Entrance, a free, three day event, presenting quality Blues, Jazz and Roots music in multiple venues.

The festival is being held over the weekend of July, 7-9, in six venues, most of which are within walking distance of each other at The Entrance.

Additionally, there are a further 26 venues spread all round the Coast offering live music, nearly all of which is free.

Presented by Central Coast Council, Central Coast Newspapers and Trad&Now magazine, Winter Blues and Jazz at The Entrance will start in two venues at 8.30pm on Friday, July 7 and these will be supported by a further 17 acts performing in 13 venues on the Coast outside of the immediate The Entrance area.

On Saturday, July 8, a further five acts will perform for free in four venues at The Entrance, from 6pm until midnight.

These will again be supported by another 19 acts performing at 17 other venues on the Coast.

Free entertainment at The Entrance on Sunday, July 9, will commence at 10am on the main stage at Memorial Park and continue throughout the day until 4.30pm.

This will be supplemented by free entertainment on a second outdoor stage at The Entrance also commencing at 10am and will continue until 2.30pm.

Specially selected performers are coming to The Entrance from many parts of Australia for these Sunday performances.

Elsewhere on the Coast on the Sunday, a further 10 acts performing in 8 venues will complete this huge weekend of music on the Coast.

In total over the whole weekend, the Central Coast will be treated to live music in 32 venues with over 60 acts to choose from.

See the following bios for a comprehensive list of many of the quality artists that have agreed to perform at the Winter Blues and Jazz Fest at The Entrance and beyond.

All who are interested in music are encouraged to set this weekend aside as something special not to be missed.

Organisers are expecting to continue making this an annual free event and for it to grow each year for as long as it is supported by large numbers of music fans and local businesses keen to see such an exciting event centred at The Entrance.

Tell your friends and bring them along to this fantastic free event.





Acoustic Autograph

A talented and versatile male singing duo, comprising of Matt on guitars and vocals, and Raj on backing vocals, bass guitar and percussion.

Their wide and varied repertoire is made up of relaxed and chilled music, as well as rhythmic and upbeat dance/party tunes – all the way from the 60s to now.

The Entrance Hotel - Saturday 8.30pm



Adam Miller

Australian Fingerstyle Champion (2002), Miller has played an array of International & National festivals including the Montreal Jazz Festival, Australian Blues Festival, A Day On The Green, Jazz In The Vines, and the Woodstock, Melbourne, and Adelaide International Guitar Festivals.

Second stage Memorial Park - Sunday 11.30am



Brent Murphy

Brent has been playing guitar professionally for over 20 years and took up the lead vocalist role in '95 when he put together 'The Max', a 4 piece covers band that performed regularly in Sydney for 18 months.

After 6 years with GTS Brent decided to continue working as a solo performer before moving to the Central Coast and joining local lads 'Rocwater'.

Lakes Hotel - Saturday 6pm



Cass Eager

Internationally renowned but defiantly grassroots, Cass Eager is one of those rare artists that's mastered everything from the foot-stomping blues to a sensual slow burner.

She's been called 'one of the best female singers in Australia' by Richard Glover (ABC), 'the girl with the golden voice' (Daily Examiner), and Diesel claims 'she has a voice so sweet she could sing the phone book and you wouldn't get bored'.

Second stage Memorial park - Sunday 1.30pm

Chani
The Entrance Hotel - Sunday 2pm



Cyril B Bunter

The Bunters are back their straight-up, full-tilt boogie and blues.

Between '77 and '85, they performed on endless roadshow tours – including three national tours opening for John Mayall's BluesBreakers, four tours with Canned Heat and three tours with George Thorogood and the Destroyers, who recorded The Bunters' song "Boogie People" as the title track of their 1985 album.

Diggers @The Entrance - Friday 8.30pm



Darren Jack

Multiple award-winning Australian Blues musician, Darren Jack, has been electrifying audiences with his signature powerhouse Rock 'n' Blues and original music for over twenty years.

For the past 13 years, he has collaborated with some of Australia's finest musicians, touring throughout the country thrilling audiences with his passionate performances and proving why he is regarded as one of Australia's top Blues musicians.

Second stage Memorial Park - Sunday 12.30pm

The Greens The Entrance - Saturday 8pm



Dew Cats

The Dew Cats are a gypsy jazz styled outfit that covers jazz/blues from the 1920s and 30s and rock/pop hits of recent years with a sultry, vintage twist.

Covering a range from Ella Fitzgerald to Ray Charles to The Beatles to David Bowie, or even to Pharrell Williams and Lorde, The Dew Cats are sure to play a little bit of something for everyone.

Second stage Memorial Park - Sunday 10am

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Emma Pask

Award winning vocalist Emma Pask has firmly established herself as one of Australia's favourite voices in Jazz.

Her talent was first spotted by multi instrumentalist James Morrison when she was just 16 years old and their musical collaboration has continued to entertain audiences nationally and internationally over the past 20 years.

Main Stage Memorial Park - Sunday 2pm



Jeff Lang

Jeff Lang has earned worldwide acclaim as a virtuosic guitarist, a dynamic songwriter and a startlingly unique live performer.

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It's been widely acknowledged that Jeff is an extraordinarily individual musician.

A songwriter, a collaborator, a guitar virtuoso and a stunning lyricist, Jeff crafts songs as novellas - rich with depth and vision.

Main Stage Memorial Park - Sunday 3.30pm



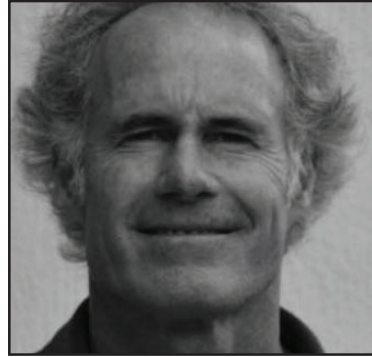
Jenny Marie Lang

Singer/Instrumentalist/Songwriter Jenny Marie Lang has captivated audiences with her soulful voice and sensual presence, having made a name for herself on the blues & roots scene around the country.

Jenny Marie Lang is regarded as one of the hottest female blues voices in Australia.

Whether it's the no holds barred attitude on electric slide or the subtle finger picking on her grandmother's 1930's Victor Cadet, her unique sound resonates with her listeners.

Lakes Hotel - Friday 8.30pm



John Larder
Lakes Hotel - Sunday 1pm



Mal Eastick

Mal Eastick, one of Australia's finest blues rock guitarists, has a passionate, explosive and soulful style that has been featured with some of Australia's biggest recording and performing acts for over 30 years.

Mal is widely considered to be Australia's finest musical protagonist of the blues.

Playing guitar since his mid-teens, Mal has achieved a standard of playing that is, at once, both envied and admired.

Diggers @The Entrance - Saturday 8.30pm



Muma Jane

Formed in 2000 by Muma Jane, on a mission to play Blues & Rock and keeping it real and raw.

Muma Jane and friends have performed in and around Newcastle and the Central Coast for over 17 years and have also played at several Easy Coast festivals.

Main Stage Memorial Park - Sunday 11.15am



Mojo Webb

"If you're looking for that metaphorical blues pot o' gold at the end of your rainbow, then you can call off that search right now, kick back and get rich off the spoils thrown down by Brisbane's Mojo Webb.

For 25 years, the 42-year-old Webb

has been the purveyor of some of the sharpest blues, both electric and acoustic, solo and with a band, that you'll see coming out of this country, not only on guitar, but harmonica, drums and sax too, over-laid with a vocal reminiscent of Delta bluesmen of old.

Main Stage Memorial Park - Sunday 12.40pm



New Empire Ballroom Ragtime Dance Orchestra

The New Empire Ballroom Ragtime Dance Orchestra is an authentic re-creation of ragtime & hot dance orchestras of the 1890's to the early 1930's.

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Main Stage Memorial Park - Sunday 10am



Shivoo

"Shivoo" (meaning to party and celebrate), is a 4 piece rock/pop act located in Newcastle.

Covering hits from various artists from the 80's and beyond, Shivoo deliver engaging renditions with a dance feverish, melodically solid punch.

Lakes Hotel - Saturday 8.30pm



Slam Tango

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The Greens The Entrance - Friday 7pm

Out&About



Year 3 students getting up close and personal with our native wildlife

Excursion for World Environment Day

Pretty Beach Public School held a school excursion in celebration of World Environment Day on Monday, June 5.

Teachers and volunteers coordinated the school-wide event that involved students exploring and celebrating the local environment through local area walks.

On the Monday morning, students set off to either Lobster Beach, Half Tide Rocks or Putty Beach.

The students walked enthusiastically with their friends, according to relieving principal, Mr Dave Rattray.

"Once at the destinations, we had time to have some fun, play some games and discuss the environment around us," he said.

"It was a successful day that made us all remember where we live and be grateful for things around us."

SOURCE: Newsletter, 15 Jun 2017 Dave Rattray, Pretty Beach Public School



Pretty Beach PS students explore Half Tide Rocks

Students visit wildlife park

Year 3 students from Umina Beach Public School have had the opportunity to go to Walkabout Wildlife Park for an excursion.

The first activity was a ranger walk which taught the students about bush tucker and bush medicine.

During the walk, the students met a frightened emu and ate termites.

They experienced seeing a banksia tree and tried the nectar.

The Year 3 students learnt about bush medicine and the use of the Sydney Bloodwood Tree.

The students got to see different

animals in the park including emus, sheep, koalas, wallabies and a peacock.

They learnt about dingoes, flying foxes, snakes and echidnas.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 20 Jun 2017 Lyn Davis, Umina Beach Public School

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Photographic competition

The inaugural Patonga Beach photographic competition, run by Wildlife Carer Support and Education, has begun.

There are four categories in the competition; youth, open colour, open monochrome and landscapes.

The youth category is open to entrants aged under 18 only.

Each contestant can submit two images per category, with a \$10 charge for each category.

Images must be taken in the Patonga region, with an image of a notice sign in the Patonga Beach

fish and chip shop window being mandatory as proof of attendance.

The most creative mandatory image will receive a prize.

Entries for the competition close July 14.

More information is available at patonga.myphotoclub.com.au.

All proceeds will be donated to Wildlife Carer Support and Education.

SOURCES:

Media release, 22 Jun 2017

Stuart Beazley, Wildlife

Carer Support

Website, 22 Jun 2017

patonga.myphotoclub.com.au



Ainsley Martlew's third place winning work 'Free Spirit'

Locals win regional photo competition

Ettalong's Ms Ainsley Martlew and Umina's Ms Faith Cass have scored two of the four major prizes in Central Coast Council's 2017 Exposure photography competition.

The winners were announced at Wyong's The Art House in a special ceremony.

Ms Martlew placed third overall while Ms Cass was awarded the Emerging Young Talent out of 675 entries.

Council group leader Ms Julie Vaughan said the judges had a difficult task selecting the winners.

"The quality of images just

keeps getting better and better as well as being more contemporary and creative, especially from our local photographic community," Ms Vaughan said.

"We received entries from all over Australia, but this year photographers from the Coast have really shown the judges they have what it takes to stand out in an open competition, dominating the 2017 awards."

Ms Vaughan also said the entries from young emerging photographers were outstanding and highlighted the depth of talent on the Central Coast.

"Exposure has always been popular with young people, so this

year we introduced a new award for an Emerging Young Talent (aged under 24 years) to show our support for the future generation of Central Coast photographers," Ms Vaughan said.

This made Ms Cass the inaugural winner of the category.

"From the 675 entries received, the top scoring 145 images are now on display, and I encourage everyone to get along to The Art House and check out the amazing images," Ms Vaughan concluded.

The overall winner of Exposure 2017 was Mr David Magro of Gosford.

SOURCE:

Media release, 13 Jun 2017
Central Coast Council Media

Calling young Peninsula artists

The Bouddi Foundation for the Arts has called on Peninsula artists aged between 15 and 25 to apply for a grant before the end of July.

Grants will be made of up to \$5000 to assist them in extending their artistic talents and endeavours in the fields of music, acting, musical theatre, literature or visual arts.

The foundation will offer grants of up to \$2000 for original song writing.

The grants are being sponsored by the music industry organisation APRA AMCOS.

The grants will be announced in October.

SOURCE:

Website, 21 Jun 2017

Joy Park, Bouddi

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Expressions of Interest being taken at:

http://centralcoastconservatorium.com.au/workshops_masterclasses

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Directory - Not for profit Community Organisations

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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
Wed for demonstrations
publicity@artcentralcoast.asn.au
4325 1420

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Spinning and weaving,
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Day and Night Groups
4325 4743
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Adult classes in Pottery
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Mon - Sat 10am - 3pm
4341 8344
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Wed - Adult Art Class
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Point Clare Hall
10am - 12noon 4325 5007

Hospital Art Australia Inc.

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hospitalartaustalia.com.au
0431 363 347

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support groups for children,
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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

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centralcoast@clc.net.au

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Monthly Meet & Chat
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0412 200 571
0437 699 366
50pssg@gmail.com

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Mon-Fri 9am - 4pm
6 Sydney Ave Umina
4342 7515
admin@mingaletta.com.au

Peninsula School for Seniors

Community Centre,
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Discussions, rumikin, craft,
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Tues, Wed, Thur
4341 5984 or 4341 0800

Peninsula Village Playgroup

Carers, Grandparents, parents
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Tues 10-11.30am
4344 9199

Probus Club of Woy Woy

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1st Wed - 10am
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Community Centre - Cooinda
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10.30am For seniors. Gentle
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Darrell 4342 9606

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recruit@volcc.org.au

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2nd Mon, 7.30pm
Wagstaffe Hall 4360 2945
info@wagstaffetokillcare.org.au

Health Groups

Al-Anon

If someone's drinking is
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4344 6939
1300 252 666
Meetings Sat 2pm
Woy Woy Hospital
Ocean Beach Road

Arthritis NSW

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

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4321 0275
www.centralcoast.betterhearingaustralia.org.au

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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
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Woy Woy, Kincumber,
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4344 7992

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www.grow.org.au

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Peninsula Com. Cntr, cnr. Mc
Masters Rd & Ocean Beach
Rd. Woy Woy, Fri 8pm
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0412 756 446

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Last Fri, Terrigal Uniting Church,
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9.30am to 12 noon 4367 9600
www.pcfa.org.au

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4340 0388
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1st Thur - 1pm Room 3
Uniting Church Donnison St
Gosford
4344 7989 or 4368 2214

Woy Woy Public Hospital Alliance

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Hall, Blackwall Rd Woy Woy
4344 4811

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2nd Mon Umina Beach Bowling
Club 7.30pm 4342 3676

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Niagara Park Primary School
7.30pm 1st Mon
0410 309 494

Woy Woy Branch

Everglades Country Club
7.30pm 2nd Mon
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belindaneal@bigpond.com

Peninsula Day Branch

1pm 2nd Mon
CWA Hall Woy Woy
4341 9946

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3rd Thur,
centralcoast.nsw.greens.org.au

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4529

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0409 245 861

Rotary Club of Woy Woy

Tues 6pm Everglades
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93 McMasters Rd.
Woy Woy
www.brisbane-water.bridge-club.org

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50 Games every Sat night
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www.cphousie@hotmail.com

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1st Sat 1pm Lions
Community Hall, 8 Russell
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War Memorial Club,
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4342 1107

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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

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Lord of the Strings at folk club

Lightness and transparency in new exhibition

Lightness and transparency are the focus of the new art exhibition in Ettalong.

Sculptures by artist Boyd McMillan will be on show at the Re:Publik Cafe until early September.

Mr McMillan said he used native plants in creative ways: "The lightness and transparency from the nature of materials combined with visual references are strongly aligned to Japanese treatment of forms.

"Colour is an important element of the sculpture," he said.

His artwork ranges between naturalistic and expressionistic.

Fresh from his exhibition at

the Gosford Regional Gallery in April, Mr Boyd's sculptures at the Re:Publik Cafe will be wall art.

However, there will also be a few free-standing pieces.

"With my work, I try to refresh the perception of the landscape and to blur the boundaries of forms between plants and other forms such as birds and boats," he said.

Mr McMillan is the fourth artist to exhibit at the Re:Publik Cafe which opened last August.

Currently, the Cafe has an art schedule for exhibitions, bookings reach well into 2018.

SOURCE:

Email, 15 Jun 2017

Boyd McMillan, Re:Publik Cafe

Matthew Fagan will perform his show Lord of the Strings at the Troubadour folk club at the CWA Hall, Woy Woy, from 7pm on July 8.

According to Troubadour president Mr Michael Fine, Mr Fagan was one of Australia's most engaging, versatile, fluent and imaginative musicians, an internationally-acclaimed 10-string guitarist and ukulele performer.

"Lord of the Strings has wowed fans in over 120 countries," said Mr Fine.

"He received standing ovations and sold out shows at the 2017 Edinburgh and Adelaide Fringe festivals and has toured with the original Buena Vista Social Club, Billy Connolly, Michael Crawford, Shirley Bassey and Natalie Cole."

The performance at the Troubadour is expected to range from Bach to the Beatles, Flamenco to Blues, electric to classical guitar and Celtic Harp music on unique 10-string guitar.

SOURCE:

Media release, 19 Jun 2017

Michael Fine, Troubadour Folk Club



Peninsula directory of services, contacts and support groups

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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

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For events in post code areas 2256 and 2257

Tuesday, Jun 27

Good Morning Ettalong featuring Anita Hartman and Johnny V in When Johnny met Connie, Ettalong Diggers memorial Club, doors open 10:30am for 11am show

Wednesday, Jun 28

Lego Club, Woy Woy Library, 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Thursday, Jun 29

NAIDOC Day celebration, Mingaletta Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Corporation, 6 Sydney Avenue, Umina, from 9:30am to 2:30pm

Friday, Jun 30

Jim Gannon, Woy Woy Leagues Club, from 7pm

Saturday, Jul 1

Elements and Principles of Design, Ettalong Beach arts and Crafts Centre

Canada Day featuring Shawn Lidster and Sugar Mountain, Hardys Bay Club, 7:30pm

Sunday, Jul 2

Blues Jam, Hardys Bay Club, 2pm

Monday, Jul 3

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workshop, Ettalong Beach Arts and Crafts Centre, one place available

Wednesday, Jul 5

Wilderquest school holiday activities, Bush Tucker guided trail in Brisbane Water National Park, 10am to 12:30pm, bookings essential and Tuesday, July 11

Saturday, Jul 8

Matthew Fagan virtuoso ukulele and guitar player, Troubadour Folk Club, CWA Hall, The Boulevard, Woy Woy, including ukulele workshop, CWA Hall, 2pm to 4pm and performance from 7pm

Two Buck Blues band, hardys Bay Club, 7:30pm

Tuesday, Jul 11

West Ham United Oceania Academy elite player ID camp, boys and girls, from under-8 to under-18, james Brown Oval, cnr Alpha Rd and Welcome Street, Woy Woy, registration essential

Saturday, Jul 15

Daxton Monaghan, Hardys Bay Club, 7:30pm

Boyd McMillan Sculpture Exhibition, Re:Publik Café, Ettalong, until September

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Show, Ettalong Diggers, doors open 8pm for 8:30pm show

Sunday, Jul 16

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

Wednesday, Jul 19

Christmas in July Rocks and Rolls with Lucky Starr and Warren Williams, Ettalong Diggers Memorial Club, doors open 11:30am and July 20

Friday, Jul 21

Wine, Cheese and Art Evening, Bays Community Hall, Woy Woy Bay RD, 7:30pm

Saturday, Jul 22

Bays Community Group Annual Art Show, featuring work by Leasah Craig, Naomi Veitch, Joseph Rolella, Boyd McMillan, Glen Doyle and Kelly-Anne Love and Katerina Apale, Bays Community Hall, 19 Woy Woy Bay Rd, Woy Woy Bay, 10am to 4pm and July 23

Saturday, Jul 29

Bob Bongo Starkie and Band present Million Dollar Riff, Ettalong Diggers, doors open 8pm for 8:30pm show

If you've got something happening on the Peninsula over the next few weeks, let us know about it and we'll list it here for you, for free. Contact details are on page 2. See the Coast Community News for events in post code areas 2250, 2251 & 2260 and the Wyong Regional Chronicle for events in post code areas 2258, 2259, 2261, 2262 & 2263

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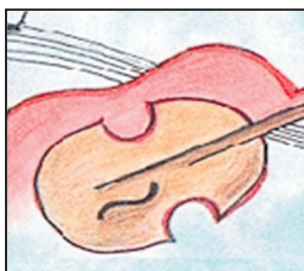
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English soccer club to hold coaching camp

English soccer club West Ham United will host a coaching camp and two-day talent identification program in partnership with Southern and Ettalong United Football Club on Wednesday, July 12 and 13.

On hand at the camp will be two West Ham coaches as well as Oceania Ambassador and former

player, George Cowie.

Southern and Ettalong United Football Club vice-president Mr Glen Balneaves said exposure to the best coaching minds in the English Premier League was invaluable for young players.

This is a fantastic opportunity for players to hone their budding football skills under the gaze of some of the best, Mr Balneaves

said.

The camp will be open to boys and girls aged seven to 17 and will consist of coaching methods and drills from the West Ham United Academy.

Players who excel will have the opportunity to participate in the 2017 West Ham United Oceania National Residential Camp on the Gold Coast in Queensland in September.

Players excelling at the national camp will be invited to London for a West Ham United experience or a West Ham United development tour in 2018.

Mr Balneaves said, in 2013, his son and another Central Coast player were invited to train with West Ham in the UK.

"It was one of the best experiences he had," he said.

SOURCE:

Media release, 21 Jun 2017
Interview, 21 Jun 2017
Glen Balneaves,
Southern and Ettalong
United Football Club
Reporter: Tynan King

Gym coach to perform in Denmark

Umina PCYC gymnastics coach Lachlan Tolhurst will represent Australia in Aalborg, Denmark, at the Landsstaeve Festival, an annual sport and culture festival that attracts more than 20,000 gymnasts a year.

Tolhurst will perform in a team of 18 other young adult (14-24 year old) coaches and gymnasts from across PCYCs in NSW.

Tolhurst and his teammates will be performing at various events in Denmark culminating at the three-day Landsstaeve Festival.

The group have been preparing for their trip for the last 12 months and will fly out on June 24, returning July 8.

Ms Judy Tolhurst, Lachlan's mother and a fellow coach at Umina PCYC, said the team was excited to be the only Australian team invited to perform and were working hard to perfect their routine.

"We are so proud and so excited for Lachlan and the team," Ms Tolhurst said.

Ms Tolhurst said that former Umina PCYC member Ms Leela Cross of Empire Bay would be joining Lachlan on the team.

"Leela attends University in Sydney and is now affiliated with Auburn PCYC, but we're thrilled to see her on the team and showing what the Central Coast has to offer," Ms Tolhurst said.

The team's performance focuses on showcasing Australia's indigenous culture and explores the significance of "coming home".

The team will also spend time with and watch the Danish National Gymnastics Team perform.

The trip will end with a week of education and training at a Danish Performing Arts University, where team members will have the opportunity to study at the highest possible level.

"The opportunity to learn and grow from this whole experience is massive and all team members involved will get to take this experience back to their own PCYCs and pass that along, enriching both coaches and athletes alike," Ms Tolhurst said.

SOURCE:

Interview, 19 Jun 2017
Judy Tolhurst, Umina PCYC
Reporter: Dillon Luke



Lachlan Tolhurst

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Katelyn Smith of Ettalong (left) placed 2nd in the Javelin at the INAS Championships

Katelyn returns from Thailand with placings

Ettalong athlete Katelyn Smith has returned from the International Federation for Persons with an Intellectual Disability Athletics Championships, held in Bangkok, Thailand, where she represented Australia in multiple events in May.

Smith represented Australia in the shot put where she placed 10th, the discus (seventh), hammer throw (fifth) and the javelin toss where she secured a podium position with second place.

The 20 year old, who did not have a formal coach for the event, worked with a professional coach for days on the paddock in preparation for the games.

The work paid off, with the professional help correcting minor flaws in Smith's body and hand positioning, giving her the boost in confidence and form that helped propel her onto the podium and silver medal.

The sudden but deserved success has thrust Smith further into the world of professional athleticism with her performance

in the javelin already placing her as one to watch in the 2019 World Athletics Championships.

However, Smith, who is a Woy Woy Peninsula Little Athletics senior athlete and representative, has her sights set on the Global Games in Brisbane in 2019.

Smith said she was opting to skip the World Championships in favour of a shot at home turf glory in Brisbane.

SOURCE:
Website, 21 Jun 2017
Helen Rousell, Woy Woy Peninsula Little Athletics
Reporter: Dillon Luke

Junior floorball national open held on Peninsula

The Peninsula Floorball Club has been invited to host the Junior Australian Floorball Open in July.

The event will run from July 5 to July 9, with over 300 children and adolescents from Australia and New Zealand expected to attend.

Workshops will be run as part of the event which will be designed to bring children from different clubs together.

Representatives from the International Floorball Federation will also attending, leading coaching and refereeing workshops.

The Peninsula Floorball Club is Australia's biggest and fastest

growing club in a small but rapidly growing sport.

Officials from the International Floorball Federation hope that the sport will be included as an official Olympic Sport in the near future.

Floorball was played as a demonstration sport at the 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games and was an official sport at this year's games.

The Junior Australian Floorball Open will be run at the Peninsula Leisure Centre, starting at 8 30am on Wednesday July 5.

SOURCE:
Press release, 22 Jun 2017
Bettina Lucini, Peninsula Floorball Club

Major singles

Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club's 2017 Major Singles winner was Ms Gail Payne.

Ms Payne defeated Ms Margaret Burns on June 1 to claim the title.

At times neck and neck, Ms

Payne came through on the last end, hit the jack back and won the game by one point.

SOURCE:
Email, 15 Jun 2017
Margaret Burns, Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club

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Lions defeated by Terrigal at Woy Woy

Woy Woy was defeated by Terrigal in round nine of the Central Coast Rugby Union Competition at Woy Woy Oval on June 17.

True to form, Terrigal proved why they were sitting at the top of the competition ladder in another dominating performance that saw Woy Woy struggle to find their feet.

Terrigal carved out a large

lead in the first half of the match, displaying some terrific rugby.

By half time, the Trojans were up 22-0.

Woy Woy found their fire in the second half, clawing their way onto the score line and playing some supercharged rugby.

Despite the mammoth effort by the Lions, it was not enough to close the score line entirely and

Terrigal walked away victorious 27-19.

The win was Terrigal's eighth for the season and sees them miles ahead on the points ladder.

After round 9 Woy Woy was in fifth place on the ladder with 20 points.

SOURCE:
Media release, 18 Jun 2017
Larry Thomson, Central Coast Rugby Union

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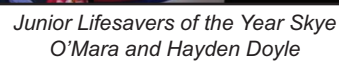
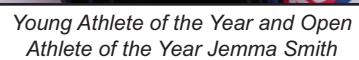
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Liam Oakes, also from the Ocean Beach club, was awarded

Umina was also a big winner on the night, with young gun Jemma Smith awarded the Open Athlete of the Year and Young Athlete of the Year titles, while Trevor Gee took

SOURCE:
Website, 11 Jun 2017
Chris Parker, Central
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