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# Mayor criticises non-complying development approvals

Central Coast mayor Cr Jane Smith has criticised the number of non-complying development applications being approved by the Council.

She said findings from ICAC reports showed that it was when councils did not enforce their own planning controls that it created problems.

Cr Smith said it was extremely disappointing "that our community spends a lot of time and effort in developing and consulting and being a part of the development of local environment plans and development control plans with the expectation that our council will enforce those planning guidelines and controls".

She said Gosford Council had a reputation for not enforcing its planning controls.

"So I had hoped that, as a new council, we could provide certainty to our community and certainty to developers by adopting a decision-making process that did reflect our community's expectations from being involved in that planning," she said.

Most recent applications for multiple dwelling developments on the Peninsula have been approved, despite not complying with the council's development control plan (DCP).

"Although the DCP perhaps does not have the strength of a local environment plan and one non-compliance may be considered acceptable to have so many non-compliances I would think sets a poor precedent for future development," Smith said.

Cr Kyle MacGregor said: "The most important issue we are dealing with here is what is the point of having planning controls if people won't comply with them.

"I believe we should be getting people to do their best to comply,"

Cr MacGregor said.

"In the event there is massive variations and they are not able to comply I think we should have a very stringent look at that," he said.

The councillors were speaking at the final Council meeting for 2018, successfully arguing for the refusal of not a Peninsula development but a Terrigal development which council planners had recommended be approved.

Cr Smith's grounds for refusal were based on nine non-compliances with the development control plan.

The non-compliances she listed were similar to, or the same as, non-compliances with a growing number of residential developments that are being approved by Council on the Peninsula.

"To approve this development when there is such non-compliance with the DCP would be to create an expectation for similar concessions," Cr Smith said.

Cr Smith's reasons for refusal included non-compliance with setbacks, communal space, deep soil zones, and side boundary setbacks, activation of a laneway.

Such non-compliances have been regularly accepted, and used as precedents, when included in Peninsula development applications but Cr Smith appears to have drawn a line in the sand when it came to the Terrigal development.

Cr Smith said she was interested in reaching out to the Peninsula community to learn more about their concerns regarding the number of developments applications lodged with Council that did not comply with the current Local Environment Plan or Development Control Plan.

SOURCE:

Central Coast Council agenda, 10 Dec 2018 Reporter: Jackie Pearson



# Station building may become retail space

The upper level at Woy Woy railway station may be used as retail space.

Sydney Trains is offering the station's former ticket office for lease.

The 28sqm ticket office is being advertised through commercial

property agent specialists Real Commercial.

The former ticket office site has been listed for a five-year lease as a retail space.

No price was available with the listing but key selling points included Woy Woy station's role as a major transportation hub for the southern Central Coast and the areas predicted residential growth

The listing also stated that the station sees over 115,000 passenger movements monthly.

SOURCE: Website, 10 Jan 2019

Website, 10 Jan 2019 Andrew Mednick, Real Commercial

## Measles alert issued for the Peninsula

NSW Health has issued a measles alert for the Peninsula after a tourist who visited Woy Woy and Umina over Christmas was diagnosed with the disease.

The tourist from Canberra visited the Peninsula between December 26 and 30 and made several visits to popular community locations including Jasmine Greens Kiosk, Umina Beach Shopping Centre and Deepwater Plaza.

According to NSW Health's communicable diseases director Dr Vicky Sheppeard, anyone who visited these locations at the same time should be aware of symptoms.

"The time from exposure to the disease to the onset of symptoms is typically about 10 days but can be as long as 18 days so people should be alert to symptoms until mid-January," Dr Sheppeard said.

The infection is highly contagious and can spread through coughing or sneezing.

Measles symptoms include fever, sore eyes and a cough followed three or four days later by a red, blotchy rash spreading from the head and neck to the rest of the

Infants under 12 months, who are too young to be vaccinated, and young adults are most likely to be susceptible to the infection, Dr Sheppeard said.

SOURCE: Media statement, 2 Jan 2019 Dr Vicky Sheppeard, NSW Health

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## January wetter than expected

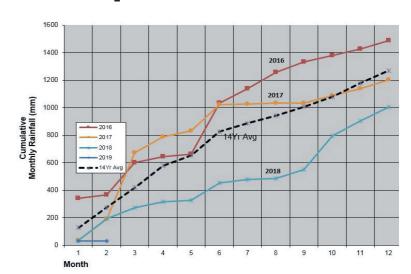
The Peninsula has sweltered through the first fortnight of 2019, recording just 32mm of rainfall as of January 11.

Despite the dry conditions so far January is actually off to a wetter than average start with rainfall figures barely scrapping past 35mm in the first month since

The total rainfall figure for January 2018 was 33.8mm meaning January 2019 is well on track to beat this figure.

Speaking of 2018, the final fortnight of last year brought some much needed precipitation to the Peninsula with 98.7mm of rain falling over the last 17 days of 2018.

These falls brought the Peninsula's yearly total rainfall for



2018 up to 1006.5mm.

As we approach the halfway mark for January Peninsula residents can hope for more sporadic showers in the lead up to February which is traditionally one of the region's wettest months.

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## Peninsula properties deleted from heritage list

A community-based heritage study initiated by the former Gosford Council has been finalised, but Central Coast Council has resolved to delete two Peninsula properties from the list.

Councillors resolved to specifically delete 24 Jacaranda Ave, Patonga, and 30 Cornelian Ave, Pearl Beach, from the list of properties to be included as local heritage items identified by the 2016 study.

The exclusion of the properties was based on strong objections from both owners.

The owner of 24 Jacaranda Ave, Patonga, strongly objected to the potential heritage listing, according to a council staff report.

The owner's objection was based on the property not being in keeping with the character of the area.

"The property has extensive white ant damage that will require replacement of significant fabric and architectural features," the staff report said.

"It is recommended that a further assessment of the property be conducted focused on the condition of the building and fabric.

"A decision can then be made



as to whether to retain the property on the proposed heritage list and include it as part of the next heritage review," it said.

The owner of the Pearl Beach property also objected to the proposed listing as they had not

been included in the full process of the heritage study.

"The owners have not been part of the extensive consultation that has been a significant part

of the heritage listing study process," the staff report said.

"As such, it is recommended that consideration of the proposed heritage listing be postponed until the next heritage review is conducted in order to allow for appropriate consultation with the

owners."

"The next heritage review is expected to commence within 12 months of the finalisation of this planning proposal."

The community based heritage study was undertaken to fulfil the former Council's statutory obligations to manage the heritage of its local government area and protect heritage through local environmental plans.

The two properties were dropped from the list even though the Gosford Council heritage officer and a consultant had engaged with property owners for four months from October 2015 to January 2016.

Their draft list was then peerreviewed and approved by the then Council general manager for public exhibition.

The initial planning proposal was given "gateway approval" by the NSW Government in September 2017 and again placed on public exhibition resulting in 13 submissions being received, seven of those were new objections to proposed heritage items.

Buildings within two Peninsula public schools, Woy Woy and Pretty Beach, have been included as local heritage items.

SOURCE: Central Coast Council agenda 3.6, 10 Dec 2018

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## **Chamber reports strong Christmas trade**

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has reported strong trade over the Christmas break.

"Our members are reporting great figures over the Christmas break with high visitor numbers and what appears to be more spendable income across the board", said Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales.

"There are a lot more people spending holidays locally, taking advantage of our great beaches, retail centres and local attractions, which is translating into more dollars being spent on the Peninsula

"This is entirely in line with recent tourism figures which shows strong growth in the local market which is good news for local retailers." Mr Wales said recent hot weather and great beach conditions had further added to the retail result.

"There is no doubt that the recommencement of the Palm Beach ferry service has helped retailing, especially in the Ettalong Beach village centre," he said.

"The cafe-restaurant sector of the business community has performed particularly well this Christmas with many restaurants booked out and street cafes at capacity.

"While this has been a great Christmas trading period so far, the Chamber is mindful of the challenges ahead in 2019 especially in relation to ongoing maintenance and upgrades of the Peninsula town and village centres."

"The Chamber will continue

its lobbying over the coming 12 months for improvements to street-cleaning operations and the review of the Woy Woy town centre planning and management controls."

> SOURCE: Media release, 10 Jan 2019 Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

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hig year ahead in 2019 with State and Federal elections. Climate change is looking to be a major issue for all ages and political allegiances.

In doing some research on climate and

air pollution, I had reason to talk to people on air quality and asthma. Doctors advised me that: "Despite extensive epidemiological research, there is currently no evidence of a threshold below which exposure to particulate matter does not cause any health effects. Any increase in air pollution carries the risk of increased health effects." In other words any pollution can affect your health

There are many sufferers of asthma (30,000 on the Central Coast) and their voices are not being heard. For example, the Asthma Foundation advised that" Asthma Australia recognises air pollution poses a significant public health risk, particularly for people with asthma. We strongly believe everyone has the right to clean air."

The NSW Government (Minister for Environment) was working on a NSW Clean Air Agreement. However, nothing has happened in over 12 months.

As a sometime sufferer of asthma, it became apparent to me that the CC should have a Strategy for Cleaner Air. Consequently, CEN is establishing an Air Pollution sub-committee to investigate and anyone with advice or experiences to share is asked to send CEN information at cen@cen.org.au

John Asquith, OAM

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## Nursing home proposal to go before planning panel

The Joint Regional Planning Panel will meet in the **Gosford Chamber of Central** Coast Council on Thursday, January 24, to determine a proposal for a three-storey aged care facility at 45 Hillview St, Woy Woy.

NSW Government advertised the public meeting on December 20, which may have been overlooked by many in the community.

Only 10 submissions were received by Central Coast Council so the proposal has not been referred to a Council meeting for consideration.

An assessment report from Council staff has yet to be published on either the Council or JRPP website.

Any person may attend the meeting to observe.

The proposal to be determined by the regional planning panel is similar to an earlier application to amend an existing development approval, which was refused at the beginning of 2018.

The developer is asking for permission to build a \$27.85 million, 160-bed aged care facility on the vacant land which is recognised as environmentally sensitive.

The Central Coast Branch of the Australian Conservation Foundation objected to any development on the entire site.

"We call for the land to be compulsorily acquired by the State



Artist's impression of proposed nursing home

Government with the support of the Central Coast Council," said branch secretary Mr John Wiggin in March 2018.

"The State Government has the responsibility under the Planning Environmental Assessment Act for protecting Coastal Sandplain Woodland (UCSW) endangered ecological communities," Wiggin said.

The foundation's submission said UCSW covers areas of the Hillview St site that were more significant than shown in the developer's application to Council "yet was discussed to be largely across the area of development by Justice Bignold in the Land and Environment Court case Providence Projects vs Gosford Council.

"Only around 11 hectares of UCSW remain anywhere in the world," Mr Wiggin said.

"The site of the original development was over 1.16 hectares, more than 10 per cent of

block of remnant vegetation was a gift of land to the

Catholic Church which then sold it off to a developer who wished to make a quick buck, although the community acknowledged and recognised the significance of this vegetation and land and have fought to protect the land and its endangered ecological community.

"The community sentiment and the regional media in 2004 and beyond were very much opposed to the destruction of this rare bushland "

"The number one risk factor is habitat loss through developmental

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happening with Hillview St.

"The information accompanying the application is insufficient to justify the development."

Another submission opposing the development said the whole site should be regarded as Umina Coastal Sandplain Woodland endangered ecological community on the basis of the precautionary

"The whole site is rare bushland and should not be developed.

"The activity is inappropriate in the neighbourhood.

"The design is out of character with the area.

"The design is architecturally poor and will have an adverse aesthetic and financial impact on the neighbourhood.

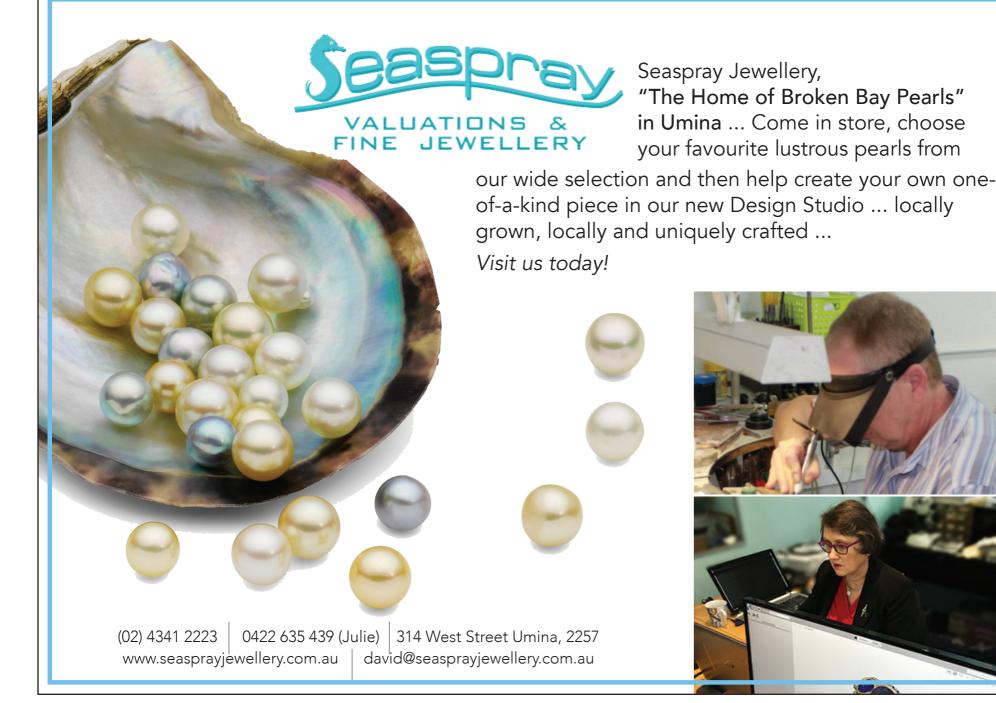
"The activity will have a detrimental effect on the local economy and other providers of aged care on the Peninsula.

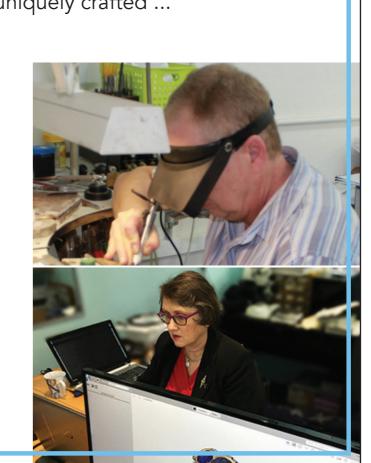
"The design does not allow the provision of a high standard of aged care.

"The activity is inconsistent with the retention of bushland on the site.'

To register to speak at the meeting, contact the Planning Panels Secretariat before 4pm on Tuesday, January 22 on (02) 8217 2060 or email enquiry@ planningpanels.nsw.gov.au.

Website, 10 Jan 2019 2018HCC008, Central Coast JRPP





## Peninsula Tourism Partners claim council neglect

Peninsula Tourism Partners president Ms Kim Cole believes the Peninsula is constantly being given the cold shoulder by Central **Coast Council.** 

"There appears to be a continual lack of council interest in establishing regional events on our Peninsula," she said.

"The focus appears to be from the Gosford Waterfront to The Entrance.'

Peninsula Tourism Partners, meanwhile, is working with local business owners and community members to create a calendar of local events, such as car shows, art festivals, red carpet days, school holiday fun and a major Christmas event

"But this will not be possible without funding from council and Destination NSW," Ms Cole said.

"We have asked council to consider utilising our beautiful Peninsula as an alternative for major events.

"We are located five minutes from Woy Woy Station, 25 minutes by ferry from Palm Beach and 90 minutes from Sydney via the M1.

"We also have numerous accommodation providers to cater for a large number of guests wishing to attend events.

"The Peninsula is the perfect

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Central Coast destination to hold Central Coast would be delivered events and to encourage both day trippers and holiday makers.

"We are surrounded two national parks, more than cafes and restaurants within a two kilometre radius, stunning waterways, cycleways. playgrounds, boutique stores and the list goes on."

As passionate as Ms Cole is about her area, she believes her enthusiasm has been put in the too-hard basket by Central Coast Council.

"I do ask why a small committee of local business owner-operators have taken on the job of promoting our region as holiday and event destinations," she said.

"Increasing visitation numbers to our region will result in an injection of money into local business.

"Council is very well aware of the financial struggles local business experienced during the six-month diversion of the Palm Beach Ferry service.'

Ms Cole has urged council to "regain the community's faith that the council has an invested interest in our region" by promoting #visitourpeninsula, The Southern Gateway to the Central Coast.

Central Coast Council responded to Ms Cole's concerns, saying that a Major Events Strategy for the whole of the for the Destination Management Plan in 2019.

The purpose of this strategy would be to identify any gaps in the current full calendar of events that are staged across the coast and investigate the opportunities, including venue scale, for the coast to attract major events that will generate economic return.

The Council statement said it sponsored a number of events on the Peninsula.

This included \$9500 for a national bowls competition which will be run at Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club in April, Australia Day celebrations on the Woy Woy waterfront and the annual Ettalong Oyster Festival.

Community groups event organisers could apply for funding for events under Council's Community Event and Place Activation Grant Program and Sponsorship Program, according to the statement.

The next application period would be open between January 14 and February 28.

SOURCE: Media statement, 9 Jan 2019 Kim Cole, Peninsula **Tourism Partners** Media statement, 10 Jan 2019 **Gary Murphy, Central Coast Council** Reporter: Bernie Leo

## Council staff sum up Woy Woy plan in two paragraphs

Gosford West Ward **Councillor Richard Mehrtens** has received a two-paragraph answer from council staff to a question on notice regarding the future of Woy Woy Town Centre.

Central Coast Council's overarching review of town centre management announced that Woy Woy would be designated as a "principal town centre" but Council staff gave little detail in their response to Cr Mehrten's question about Woy Woy's future.

In October, Cr Mehrtens asked:

"What is the plan for the future of the Woy Woy Town centre including consideration of rejuvenation and making better use of the open and green spaces in the precinct?"

Staff did not respond until December 10, in time for the last ordinary meeting of 2018.

Their answer was: part of the development of a future Comprehensive Local Environmental Plan, Council will be undertaking a review of the existing masterplan for the Woy Woy Town Centre Precinct with a view to developing a masterplan and Local Strategic Planning Statement in consultation with the community by 2020.

"Future planning for the Woy Woy Town Centre will recognise not only the existing character of the area but plan for future population growth.'

SOURCE: **Central Coast Council** agenda 6.6, 10 Dec 2018

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## West St development attracts 40 submissions

The Peninsula community's push back against overdevelopment continues with more than 40 submissions lodged against a \$7.59 million mixed-use development on the corner of Morris and West St, Umina.

The development application was expected to go before the December 10 meeting of Central Coast Council but did not make it onto the agenda.

It may now be referred to the Council meeting to be held at Wyong on Monday, January 29.

applicant's planning consultant, Mr Matthew Wales, said the proposed building with basement parking, ground level retail and commercial floor space, and 23 residential apartments above was a "landmark" proposal for Umina and the first based on the development controls adopted by the former Gosford Council in

"I will be looking with interest as to who on Council is indicating their support for the project," Mr Wales said.

"The development application complies and has been recommended for approval," he

"If it is knocked back, it will say this Council is not interested in developing town centres," he said.

Although Mr Wales contended



Artist's impression of proposed West St development

that the application complied with all current development controls, the Statement of Environment Effects submitted by Mr Wales in support of the application asked for a variation to the maximum floor space ratio of 1.8:1 in the Gosford LEP "on the basis of the design merit and key location of the proposed development and the imperative to lift the design standard of the eastern entry to the Umina town centre".

The proposed development also encroaches outside the maximum height limit for the location.

A late submission from Mr Chris Oliver, principal consultant with Optima Developments, confirmed that the development did not comply with current planning controls and argued why the developer should be exempt from those controls.

It is unusual for a planning consultant to make a submission to Council regarding a development application when the developer is not their client, as is the case with Mr Oliver's submission.

"It is apparent that the applicant has no alternative but to go down this statutory pathway due to the current outdated and antiquated planning controls applicable to the site and Umina town centre," Mr Oliver's submission said.

His rationale for the need to deviate from current planning controls dates back to 2005.

"Following extensive review as part of the Centres Strategy for the Gosford Local Government Area. a Peninsula Urban Development Strategy (PUDS) was prepared and underwent a public consultation in 2005," he said.

"This document provided the foundation for a centre's hierarchy for the Peninsula."

According to Mr Oliver's submission, the strategy identified the commercial centre of Umina as providing the greatest opportunity for "a mixed use expansion and intensification".

Following the adoption of the Gosford LEP in 2014, Council resolved to rezone two parcels of land for additional parking within the Umina town centre.

However, the proposed site contained a villa so the additional parking was never developed.

He said there was no current plan for alternate car parking or to develop multi-storey car parking on the existing parking land as detailed in the "still currently adopted" Masterplan for Umina.

"Surely this document must now be considered redundant and in need or urgent review," the submission said.

The 2014 Gosford LEP also included an expansion of the Umina CBD and zone changes from residential to business core, according to the submission.

It also provided development incentives for urban renewal in Ettalong even though Umina was seen as the most viable location for renewal.

"One must now appreciate that it is appropriate that the foundations for the PUDS must now be in need or review," Mr Oliver said.

He said Umina had now been accepted as the "true town centre of the Peninsula" where operators wanted to be.

He said he believed the Peninsula had been left behind by the Council amalgamation and drawn-out process of replacing the Gosford LEP with, initially a consolidated LEP (currently on exhibition) and then a brand new Comprehensive LEP, not likely to even be commenced until 2020.

"The Peninsula becomes the forgotten poor cousin of the Coast, with further outdated controls for a further few years and any review is unlikely to be finalised until after 2020," he said.

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# ...reborn and now in Galleria Ettalong, the former Ettalong Markets at Ettalong Beach Jewellers After retiring in June 2014, Henry Scholten has now opened a small













shop in the former Ettalong Markets, only trading on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays.

The Ettalong market has been beautifully revamped to a luxury Galleria style European tourist attraction.

Established in 1988. Scholten Jewellers has been manufacturing fine jewellery on the Central Coast for 30 years, having had shops in Bateau Bay, Gosford, Erina and Tuggerah.

Scholten Jewellers is now in Ettalong, providing an excellent repair, design remodelling and manufacturing service.

The location is also an impressive showroom of unique, handmade rings, pendants, earrings, bangles, brooches, chains set with precious and semi-precious gems, and a huge selection of Australian Opal, All repairs and manufacturing is done on the premises in a fully equipped workshop.

Come and say hello to Nicola and Henry at their new Ettalong Beach store, or call them on 0431 670 033 or 0412 655 316.



# CWA branch joins tourism campaign

The Woy Woy branch of the Country Women's Association has become part of the Central Coast Council's tourism campaign, This is the Central Coast, to promote the Peninsula.

"When we were approached by Central Coast Council a few months ago to tell our story, how could we say no?" asked branch president, Ms Jane Bowtell.

"We love a chat and were very happy to have an opportunity to share our stories, both from the past and present," Ms Bowtell said.

She and other members of the branch have shared the branch's rich history in their own feature.

The branch was founded in 1932 by the matron of the Staples family and served the community for years as a baby health centre upon the founding of the Woy Woy Country Women's Association Hall.

When Ms Bowtell rang the branch and asked to sit in on a meeting, she had recently returned from a stint in the Middle East where her husband had been working.

She found herself at a stage of life where she wanted to be involved in her community, to make a difference.

Ms Bowtell found an organisation that had previously made such a contribution to locals' lives but was currently struggling to remain active and to maintain relevance.

After 80 years, she found the branch was a shadow of its former glory, with only a handful of members remaining and their role in the community markedly decreased.

She could see so much potential but the aims of Mrs Staples and those original women were definitely waning.

"I felt so much respect for the history of the Woy Woy branch, the work they had done in the community and the vision of its



members

"I really felt that it was such a shame to see it fading away when there was still so much potential," Ms Bowtell said.

Two and a half years later Ms Bowtell is the branch's president.

"We currently have around 35 active members and I'm so proud to be with them.

"We don't all knit or bake. We are apolitical and non-religious.

"We have a range of ages and abilities within our group and we pride ourselves on being inclusive not exclusive," Ms Bowtell said.

"Basically, if you want to be involved we'd love to have you.

"It's great to see interest in the branch increasing and there is so much scope for what we can achieve."

The contribution to the Peninsula community made by the Woy Woy branch continues to grow.

The branch supports Coast Shelter, Mary Mac's Place, Australian Seabird Rescue, local schools, hospitals and other notfor-profits.

The branch donates both money raised and handmade items to be sold, raffled or used.

Including those famous scones.

One of their most popular has been crocheted sleeping mats, made from used plastic shopping bags and donated to Coast Shelter

for distribution to those sleeping rough on the Coast.

More recently the branch has been looking for ways to utilise their hall and its grounds.

They recently hosted BreastScreen within their grounds which saw a huge increase in both visibility and response.

The Measure Up van was next, offering bone density tests, free to those over 70.

"Hosting these organisations not only makes vital health services available to locals in a convenient spot, it also raises funds that the branch can then use to support our community. "Plus, if you are lucky, there might be a lovely cup of tea and slice of homemade cake available after your test," Ms Bowtell said.

"The secret of the CWA's success has always been the theory of many doing a little.

"Individuals can have a huge impact when they work together.

"The CWA is also about forming friendships and it is the perfect conduit to bring different generations of women together to contribute to their community," Ms Bowtell said.

SOURCE: Website, 12 Dec 2018 Central Coast Council Social media, 12 Dec 2018 Jane Bowtell, Woy Woy CWA branch

# Short-term rental strategy deferred

short-term rental accommodation strategy, setting out policy bed and breakfast accommodation, will not be finalised by Central Coast Council until the NSW Government finalises a State **Environmental Planning** Policy.

According to a council staff report, the Department of Planning and Environment had released an Explanation of Intended Effort for the draft State planning policy to enable short-term rental accommodation within dwellings as standardised state-wide provisions, expected to be in place in 2019.

"The DP&E is currently publicly exhibiting proposed amendments," the staff report said.

It recommended that the council await the release of the department's policy before finalising its own strategy.

"Short-term rental accommodation is the renting of the whole or part of a private dwelling by

an owner to a visitor on a commercial basis, whether the owner is present or not."

In September 2017, the council

resolved to prepare a strategy for the future management of

short-term accommodation before July 2018.

However, the report was not received from staff until December.
Short-term rental accommodation is regulated

in NSW by the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979.

The Gosford Local Environment Plan 2014 outlined a number of different

provisions for the operation of such accommodation as exempt development.

"Exempt development is considered very low impact development and may be carried in dwellings of up to four bedrooms without the need to obtain development consent under the Act," the staff report said.

During 2018, Council received 19 complaints regarding 15 short-term rental premises but their exact locations were not disclosed in the staff report.

It considered four development applications and approved three.

"It can be seen from these statistics that a small number of premises generated several ongoing complaints.

"However, in the main the relevant issues were able to be resolved by Council and have led to better management of the sites.

All complaints received by Council to date have been resolved either by ensuring the exemption provisions are being adhered to and the amenity of the locality restored, by the lodgement and consideration of a development application for the use, or by the cessation of short term accommodation in the premises which often being returned to use for long term rental purposes."

SOURCE: Central Coast Council agenda 5.9, 10 Dec 2018



## Peninsula won't reach potential without plan - Mehrtens

GosfordWestWard councillor Richard Mehrtens believes the Peninsula will not reach its full potential until Woy Woy has a masterplan.

"When I talk to people from the Peninsula, and as someone who works in Woy Woy, it didn't surprise me to see that Council didn't have a master plan for Woy Woy, and that there won't be one until at least 2020," he said.

"Right now, Woy Woy doesn't feel like a place with a plan or overarching vision."

This is despite Woy Woy last month being designated a principal town centre, in the same category as Gosford, The Entrance, and Terrigal.

"Gosford and The Entrance have had dedicated Business Improvement Districts to oversee events and place activation ... Woy Woy needs that same attention.

"With this designation should come the same level of attention and investment that those town centres see, and a determined vision of what Woy Woy should be in the next decade and beyond."

Cr Mehrtens said there was a renewed push for better support and recognition for Woy Woy.

"There is a residential and business population crying out for more attention and more services to make the most of Woy Woy and ensure it can properly cope with being a principal town centre," he said.



Cr Richard Mehrtens believes a Woy Woy Masterplan will unlock the Peninsula's potential

"There are great things happening in Woy Woy, with new food and beverage options that are bringing visitors to the Coast and giving locals new places to try.

"Having met with these operators, they are seeking opportunities to show off what they have on offer, and since the Oyster Festival left its original home in Woy Woy some years ago and moved to Ettalong, there hasn't been a local food-focused event in Woy Woy to replace it."

Cr Mehrtens said that Woy Woy's assets were not being used to their full potential.

"We've got a brand new oval

and grandstand that is underutilised," he said.

"A kiosk that was built as part of the oval redevelopment has sat idle for three years as it requires too much investment even to bring it up to a level to use it as a small cafe.

"The only piece of green space in the town centre sits next to the oval redevelopment but is completely unused because of a lack of shading and public amenity to make it a nice place to be.

"Despite this being prime public space, we have just had Christmas and New Year pass without any community events on the Peninsula – despite a local population of more than 35,000, good transport and parking, and great public spaces to use.

"The Peninsula just doesn't have the events that it should do for the population.

"A festival like the Council-run Love Lanes Festival in Wyong would be perfect for Woy Woy.

"With transport and parking close by, and with established food vendors in the area, these are the opportunities that Council should be looking at bringing to Woy Woy."

Without a plan for the town centre, Cr Mehrtens said sprawl into residential suburbs would

continue

"With so much development happening uncontrolled and unplanned across the Peninsula, without a 'master plan' for Woy Woy, it means that we are losing the opportunity to better direct the development away from the residential suburbs and keep it close to the town centre," he said.

"More needs to be done to protect the character of our lowdensity suburbs, and ensure that our roads and infrastructure can keep up with the demand.

"Our roads and drainage on the Peninsula are already struggling under the current population, and we have seen two major watermain bursts in the last 12 months in Woy Woy.

"I worry about the strain that Council infrastructure will be under as populations continue to grow.

"More and more people are moving from Sydney, and we need to make sure that locals don't become a victim of all that makes the Peninsula a great place to live."

Despite these concerns, Cr Mehrtens said that the future of Woy Woy was bright.

"Woy Woy has everything going for it - good transport, a great environment, a growing food and drink scene - all that make it the envy of the rest of the Coast."

> SOURCE: Media release, 10 Jan 2019 Richard Mehrtens, Central Coast Council



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## Council reject 'mystery shopper' for service assessment

Mystery shopping will not be used by Central Coast Council as a way to assess the quality of its service delivery.

The Council resolved at its December meeting not to use mystery shopping as a way to assess customer satisfaction with services such as Peninsula Leisure Centre, libraries, childcare centres or waste collection services.

In October, the Council asked for a report on areas to be assessed and the likely costs of market sampling and for a recommendation about whether to proceed with mystery shopping to assess the quality of Council's service delivery.

The report recommended against using mystery shopping and Councillors adopted that

recommendation.

"Mystery shopping is a market research technique for measuring, and monitoring the interactions between a customer and an organisation during a pre-defined scenario," the council staff report said.

"Mystery shopping relies on observation and recall, and could be carried out on both a large and small scale across any area of Council," the report said.

"Often, the process involves a researcher (the mystery shopper) going incognito and reviewing the activities of staff, the venue environment, staff friendliness and knowledge.

"In some instances, the mystery shopper may also consider things such as the number of people in a queue, the number of counters open at a certain time, what items are on display etc.

"This means that mystery shoppers are not always 'shopping' but also experiencing a service or attending an event.

"This type of service can be procured through market research companies, mystery shopping providers, private investigators, training companies and advertising agencies.

"Council does not conduct any mystery shopping programs at

A Customer Experience Survey was completed last June.

"The results from the survey provide a very good insight into what our customers feel is important and their satisfaction ratings on a range of services and experiences.

"The data is used to develop service plans and action plans to improve the overall customer experience.

"The survey is the basis for the development of a Customer Experience Strategy which is currently underway and will include a Voice of the Customer (VoC) and Customer Journey Mapping programs.

"Both of these programs will be used to tell the story of a customer's journey from initial contact, through to engagement and longer-term relationship, understand the challenges or differences across all of our customer touchpoints and identify improvements and process.

"The strategy will include a vision, a customer charter outlining our service standards, data analytics, as well as an integrated approach to both employee and customer experience.

"This approach is well underway with linkages between the My Voice Survey and Customer Experience Survey and will provide actionable plans from each Business Unit to improve the customer experience, whilst engagement with the Leadership Team will ensure buy in for the strategy."

The staff report recommended that "Council continued to work towards an improved customer experience through development of the Customer Experience Strategy which includes continuing programs of surveys and complaints and feedback analysis and progresses the implementation of programs such as Voice of Customer and Customer Journey Mapping."

SOURCE: Central Coast Council agenda 5.7, 10 Dec 2018

## Council forms social issues committee

A Social Issues Committee will be established by Central Coast Council by February but the Peninsula is unlikely to see any immediate benefit.

It will consist of interested councillors and community members to work with the three tiers of government, local service agencies and sector experts to inquire into social issues in the Central Coast Council area, coordinate and formulate a collective response and to provide advocacy and solutions for the various social issues affecting our community on the Central Coast.

Cr Kyle MacGregor moved the motion to establish the committee at the December 10 Council meeting.

The committee will consider conducting an inquiry into social issues in the Wyong Ward as a pilot programme for the committee

at its initial meeting.

The scope of this committee and issues to be investigated will be initially limited to the Wyong Ward for a period of the initial 12 months, with a view to reviewing the efficacy of the committee and potential success of any of the committee's endeavours.

"The purpose of the committee will be to identify, examine and formulate a collective response to the many social issues that affect our community," Cr MacGregor said in his notice of motion.

"The initial inquiries into the Wyong Ward are to ensure that the committee is focused on achievable and realistic outcomes rather than taking a top-down overarching approach and missing details or potential localised practicable action that is more likely to occur if the committee is focused to one ward initially," he said.

"As councillors, community and staff would be aware, there are a plethora of social issues that affect us on the Central Coast and ... Council should provide leadership, advocacy and action to ensure that we are educating, protecting and supporting our community at the most localised level of government.

"Central Coast Council in itself cannot solely provide the answers and solutions to these problems.

"It is well within our ambit and, I believe, our duty to respond to these crises that face our community.

"We are best placed to work together with community and various bodies that are responsible for responses to social issues to seriously attempt to address issues that are far too often unfortunately swept under a rug."

SOURCE: Central Coast Council agenda 6.3, 10 Dec 2018

# Mayor calls for residents' views on planning controls

Central Coast Council mayor Cr Jane Smith has urged Peninsula residents to participate in the community consultation for the Consolidated Local Environmental Plan currently on exhibition.

Cr Smith said the Consolidated LEP was an amalgamation of the former planning controls of the Wyong and Gosford LEPs and was an interim planning control that would cover the entire Central Coast Local Government Area until a new Comprehensive LEP was developed.

The next opportunity for locals to speak with Council staff about

the consolidated LEP will be from 10:30am to 12:30pm on February 5 at Deepwater Plaza shopping centre, Woy Woy.

Information sessions will also be held at Erina Fair on February 6 from 6pm to 8pm or at the 2 Hely St, Wyong on February 13 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm with deferred matters up for discussion from 7:30pm to 8:30pm.

A library of documents is available at the yourvoiceourcoast website for residents to peruse before making their submissions.

The closing date for submissions in February 28.

SOURCE: Website, 9 Jan 2019 Yourvoiceourcoast





# Chamber outlines agenda for 2019

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce has outlined its agenda for 2019, with roads and planning high on its lobbying list for the coming year.

"The Chamber will be continuing its strong lobbying centred around strengthening planning controls and improvements to our town centres", said Chamber president Mr Matthew Wales.

"Our focus will be on ensuring that business interests are protected during the upcoming debate over the new Consolidated Local Environmental Plan, which merges the old Gosford and Wyong planning controls.

"It is important that the new planning controls ensure the continued vitality of our three local town centres and also ensure that development controls continue to provide good housing outcomes that produce good quality and affordable residential accommodation in both our retail centres and medium density areas."

The Chamber also wants to see a "sensible debate" over climate change and sea level rise which have the potential to adversely affect the Woy Woy commercial centre and weaken investment in these areas.

"We need to ensure that rather than subscribe to the 'retreat' philosophy, we ensure that resilience measures are built into our climate change policies so that properties are protected and values are not impacted", Mr Wales said.

"It is also important the Local Planning Panels are introduced so that major developments can be assessed through independent processes and at arm's-length from political interference.

"Local Planning Panels have

been very successful in the Sydney Metro area and the Chamber supports the NSW Government's moves to introduce local panels to the Central Coast which would include all developments over \$5 million.

"The chamber will also be pushing for proactive affordable housing controls for the Woy Woy town centre so that planning measures are introduced close to the rail-bus transport hub that encourage more affordable housing developments."

"It's a crazy situation where virtually no new housing project has been undertaken in the last 20 years in the Woy Woy town centre where we have easy access to rail and bus transport, services, medical facilities and major retail outlets."

He said mixed-use development happened close to transport hubs right across the State but nothing occurred at Woy Woy.

"This has got to change and council needs to get on with its planning and management review of the centre as a matter of urgency," Mr Wales said.

"Over the next 12 months, the Chamber will also be placing pressure on both the NSW State Government and Central Coast Council to continue improvements to our local road network including the funded promises at the Maitland Bay Dr-Picnic Parade intersection, Dunban Rd/Ocean Beach Rd intersection and safety improvements to both Blackwall Rd and Woy Woy Rd.

"We will also be pushing for a review of the notorious Rawson Rd-Ocean Beach Rd intersection which continues to be a major choke point at peak times and school start-finish times."

SOURCE: Media release, 10 Dec 2018 Matthew Wales, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

## Former mayor named as Australia Day ambassador

A four-term Gosford mayor and former chief executive of Coast Shelter, Mr Laurie Maher, has been named the 2019 Central Coast Australia Day Ambassador by Central Coast Council.

In this role, he will officiate at Woy Woy's waterfront celebrations on Australia Day.

Mr Maher was chosen as the 2019 Ambassador for his tireless work providing for the homeless and those at risk of homelessness across the Central Coast.

During his time at Coast Shelter, Mr Maher was an integral part of the establishment of 10 different programs that tackled homelessness across the Coast including the establishment of the Woy Woy Youth Cottage.

Central Coast mayor Cr Jane Smith said Mr Maher's community advocacy and national pride made him the perfect choice for the role of Australia Day ambassador.

"Laurie's leadership at Coast Shelter has helped provide accommodation to over 150 men, women, families and youth every night, as well as the provision of over 1000 free meals every week through the Coast Community Centre." Cr Smith said.

"As a former Mayor of Gosford City Council, and award recipient for services to the Aboriginal Community, Laurie has demonstrated his commitment to community service on the Coast.

"This service and commitment



saw him honoured with the Order of Australia Medal in 2010 and we are pleased to bestow Australia Day Ambassador honours on him," she said.

"Laurie is an outstanding ambassador for the Central Coast and I am delighted that he will join me to help present the Australia Day Awards on January 25 and will also help officiate at our community event at Woy Woy."

Mr Maher described the ambassadorship as "a great honour and a buzz for my family".

Now retired, Mr Maher is recovering from kneereconstruction surgery.

SOURCE:
Media release, 9 Jan 2019
Jane Smith, Central Coast Council
Interview, 9 Jan 2019
Laurie Maher, Australia
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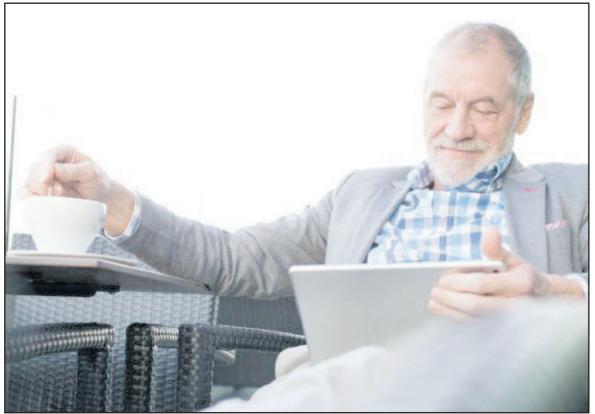


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## Technology workshops at library

Central Coast Council will hold two technology workshops for older Peninsula residents at Woy Woy Library on January 15.

Council will hold an Intro to

Smartphones Workshop from 10am to 12pm and an Intro to Tablets Workshop from 1pm to

The workshops will focus on basic functions with each device as well basic skills such as contacting family and friends and how to look up important services.

SOURCE: Social media, 9 Jan 2019 Jane Smith, Central Coast Council

## Mehrtens asks: Is development leading to lower quality?

Gosford West Ward councillor Richard Mehrtens whether questioned "maximising sellable space is more important than liveability to some groups" and whether this was leading to lower building quality and standards.

"As with so many things in life, we are in a race to the bottom for price of developments but that sometimes means a race to the bottom in quality," he said.

He said the Opal Tower building failure at Olympic Park highlighted the use of private certifiers.

"Private certifiers sell themselves auick as and streamlined compared to waiting on an assessment from council staff, but this is where the concerns

"There is little accountability of private certifiers and this makes people nervous about where they turn if something goes wrong with a building."

He said the Peninsula was not immune from complaints about private certifiers.

He said it was a regular concern raised with him.

With the level of development occurring on the Peninsula, he said locals had a right to question what was happening next door.

"Communities need to be assured that the buildings in their neighbourhood reflect best practice, are safe and actually meet the designs that were exhibited and approved by council staff during the development approval process," Cr Mehrtens said

"I hear regularly from residents about developments they feel are being ticked off by certifiers that don't meet the landscaping plans, or don't match the building design or scale advertised.

"Unfortunately, it will likely fall onto to councils to clean up the damage if a private certifier ticks off something that doesn't meet standards."

Cr Mehrtens said the community deserved better.

"I think greater thought and consideration needs to be given by developers to the quality of life of the residents of new developments and neighbouring properties."

SOURCE: Media release, 10 Jan 2019 Richard Mehrtens, Central **Coast Council** 

## Record fair to be held at bowling club

A record fair will be held at Woy Woy Bowling Club on Sunday, January 27, from 10am until 4pm.

Organisers have urged people

to come and meet knowledgeable vendors and take the opportunity to buy some classic vinyls, CDs and other music memorabilia.

This is the third year that the Peninsula Record Fair has been

Live music will be going all day, adding to the upbeat vibe.

Meals and drinks will be available at reasonable prices.

Woy Woy Bowling Club director Chris Newell said the club prided itself on its fund-raising ventures and a gold-coin entry fee to the fair would go to underprivileged children in the community.

The club will run its new "Weekend on the Greens", offering local produce and music in conjunction with the record fair.

SOURCE: Media release, 10 Jan 2019 Kevin Jenkins, Woy **Woy Bowling Club** 

## New ownership for veterinary practice

A veterinary practice in Empire Bay is under new ownership.

The new Beach and Bay Veterinary Practice has taken over from the previous Empire Bay Vet Clinic and retained most of the clinic's staff.

The new practice will offer general healthcare, vaccinations, dermatology, puppy training, soft tissue and orthopaedic surgery, dental surgery, emergency care, in-house biochemistry, clinical

pathology and internal medicine.

Proprietor and principal Dr Alice Dunn has worked in veterinary clinics across the Coast and Hunter regions over the past 10 years

> SOURCE: Newsletter, 7 Dec 2018 Adrian Williams, Hardys **Bay Residents Group**



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## Lantern parade returns for Australia Day

Australia Day activities will take place from 2pm to 9pm along the Woy Woy waterfront on January 26.

The Lantern Festival will return this year with a community procession of lanterns through the streets of Woy Woy, culminating in three lanterns floating across the water's edge.

Council is currently holding a series of workshops across the Central Coast to create the three lanterns.

A whale lantern will be made at workshops taking place at the Peninsula Community Centre events. throughout January.

The festivities will conclude with a traditional fireworks display over

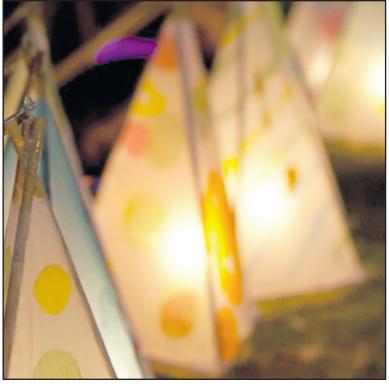
The day will include a variety of children's activities, food and market stalls, community displays and a large line-up of live music and entertainment headlined by the band The Nevilles.

Central Coast Council will provide an accessibility tent as a specialist service, designed to ensure all members of the community can enjoy community

Road closures will be in effect in Woy Woy from 6am on Australia Day: The Boulevarde, Brick Wharf Rd in the west from Oval Ave and in the east from Tennis Court Lane will be closed from 6am and reopen at 10pm.

Residents will have limited access from 6am to 1pm with a full closure in effect at the end of Brick Wharf Rd from Oval Ave to the link road through to the tennis courts and carpark.

SOURCE: Media release, 9 Jan 2019 Jane Smith, Central Coast Council



## Lantern-making workshops

Central Coast Council will hold three lantern making workshops at the Peninsula Community Centre January.

The workshop is part of a series of workshops Council is holding across the region to create giant lanterns for the Woy Woy Australia Day Lantern Festival.

The Woy Woy workshops will

be held on January 12, 17 and 18 and will see attendees create a whale lantern.

The workshops are suitable for people of all ages but children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

Tickets are essential.

SOURCE: Social media, 9 Jan 2019 Jane Smith, Central Coast Council





The Central Coast has been operating under four different planning instruments each with different planning controls. The alignment of these planning instruments into a coast-wide Consolidated Local Environmental Plan (LEP) and Consolidated Development Control Plan (DCP) will deliver a consistent approach to development controls, making the process more efficient and transparent.

Learn more at an Information Session near you:

Wednesday 6 February 2019 6:00pm - 8:00pm Erina Room, Erina Fair

Terrigal Drive, Erina

6:00pm - 8:00pm Central Coast Council Wyong Office 2 Hely Street, Wyong

Wednesday 13 February 2019

For more information on the consolidation of planning controls or to find out about our Pop Up Stalls, visit yourvoiceourcoast.com/planningcontrols

Consultation closes 28 February, 2019.





## Christmas lunch held for volunteers

Ettalong Bowling Club held its annual volunteers Christmas Lunch on December 19.

"Each year the club puts on the free event some of the volunteers in local organisations," said club chief executive Mr Timothy McGavin.

"This is our way of saying thank you and giving to those who give so much to our local community.

He said Cr Chris Holstein, Member for Robertson Ms Lucy Wicks and Member for Gosford Ms Liesl Tesch also attended.

Volunteers who attended the lunch represented the Umina Men's Shed, Hospital Art, Past Presidents, Peninsula Community

Centre, Woy Woy Rotary, Ocean Beach Malibu Club, Rotary East Gosford, Riding for the Disabled, Fairhaven, Wombats Water Polo Club, BWU Physical Culture, Coast Shelter and Umina PCYC.

> SOURCE: Social media, 19 Dec 2018 **Timothy McGavin, Ettalong Bowling Club**



## **Euchre school** makes \$500 donation

The Woy Woy Old Pub Euchre Card School visited the Life Without Barriers complex at West Gosford on November 14 to present residents with a \$500 donation.

The donation was made so that residents could purchase Christmas gifts.

"The euchre club contributes

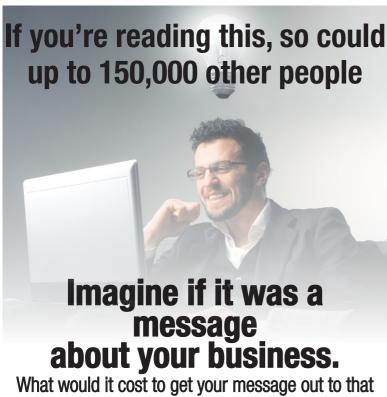
to many worthy causes on the Peninsula and it is great to see that local people can give back to the community in so many ways," said club member Mr Ken Dixon.

"Santa was there to present gifts for all of the participants."

SOURCE:

Media release, 18 Dec 2018 Ken Dixon, Woy Woy Euchre School

## **Juggling** demonstration held for local children



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Woy registered club held a free juggling demonstration and workshop for local children with world champion juggler Cody Harrington on January 9.

Everglades Country hosted the demonstration as part of its school holiday program.

Guests were able to view the talents of Cody Harrington and then learn the art of juggling from the world champion.

The workshop was followed by the club's usual Kids Disco.

SOURCE: Social media, 9 Jan 2019 Sarah Kane, Everglades **Country Club** 



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## A privilege to keep the Peninsula community informed

I've spent almost four years as journalist on the Peninsula News and they have been some of the happiest of my working life but, alas, it is time to move on.

I moved to Point Clare in 2001 and found an early edition of the Peninsula News a year or two later at the brand-new Peninsula Leisure Centre.

I devoured the comprehensive local news coverage while watching my baby girls learn to swim.

I have had the privilege of working as a journalist since 1989 but I started as an intern with my local newspaper when I was in Year 10 at high school (1982) so I've always had a soft spot for genuine community news.

The Peninsula News impressed me on many levels as a reader. It was community-owned.

At a time when newspaper publishers around the world were saying their mastheads were no longer financially viable, the Peninsula News had launched with a community ownership model via a not-for-profit association.

As a former deputy editor of Choice Magazine, also owned by its members, I did then, and still do, believe community ownership is a fantastic model for community newspapers.

It ensures the content of the paper serves the interests of its most important stakeholders, the readers.

Attribution of sources was another feature of the Peninsula News that I'm was a big fan of.

As a young Choice journalist, I had learned the discipline of verification, every source had to be listed at the end of each article to be checked off by a professional verifier.

The "Source" lines at the end of each article in Peninsula News is a very similar process: every source used in the article is listed so the reader can judge the veracity of the information and draw their own conclusions.

So much of modern tabloid journalism no longer resembles, in any way, my personal and professional definition of truth in the public interest but Peninsula News continues to fulfil the role of reporting the facts its community needs to know.

It has been an absolute privilege





to keep the community of the Peninsula informed about issues such as the sacking of Gosford Council and its replacement with the mega Central Coast Council, and, of course, the perennials such as flooding, poor local roads, water quality, beach erosion and the state of the channel.

The Peninsula has the population of a major regional centre and is one of the largest residential areas on the Central Coast but, on a per capital basis, thanks to the Council amalgamation, it is now grossly under-represented at a local government level.

Its hospital does not have an accident and emergency department. Its one police station is inadequately resourced.

During my time with the paper, it has lost its motor registry and local

court sitting days.

The community is increasingly worried that the Peninsula's identity could be the next thing to disappear.

The good news is you have a great local newspaper to keep you fully informed about everything you need to know.

I am going to work as a strategy and communications officer for Ms Emma McBride, the Federal Member for Dobell, which I am sure will be a challenging and enlightening experience I am looking forward to.

I will continue to read Peninsula News with interest and perhaps even write the odd letter to the editor.

It has been a privilege to serve its community.

SOURCE: Email, 11 Jan 2019 Jackie Pearson, Point Clare



## Change of face at Peninsula News

Peninsula News journalist Jackie Pearson is leaving the paper after four years to take up a position with a local politician.

She will be replaced by veteran journalist Bernie Leo.

Unlike Jackie, Bernie will work exclusively for Peninsula News as senior journalist.

Bernie Leo has been a journalist all of his working life, spanning 48 years.

He started out at The Border Mail in Albury covering a number of beats and was recruited at an early age to work for The China Mail, a daily newspaper in Hong Kong.

On returning to Australia, he reported again for The Border Mail before joining News Corp at The Adelaide News.

He transferred to Perth where he was deputy sports editor on The Sunday Times before his final News Corp transfer to The Daily Telegraph in Sydney.

He spent seven years at The Daily Telegraph before joining The Australian Financial Review for the next 10 years.

While at the Financial Review, he held a number of senior positions, including chief subeditor, production editor and associate editor.

Bernie took a year off after leaving the Financial Review before joining The Bulletin.

After seven years there, Bernie was contemplating a job change when he was approached by the Shanghai Daily with an offer that was too good to refuse.

He spent the next five years in China, editing and heavily rewriting the front three pages of the Shanghai Daily, a position where diplomacy was essential.

Bernie was head-hunted in 2010 and joined The Phnom Penh Post as editor-in-chief.

He spent a year there but said he found the politics of Cambodia unbearable and fled back to Sydney to rejoin the Financial Review.

He decided in 2015 to work from home as a freelancer, which he has been doing until now.

SOURCE: Email, 10 Jan 2019 Bernie Leo, Peninsula News



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# Zoning changes usually come after a plan not before it

It is difficult to know whether the designation of Woy Woy as a "principal town centre" (Peninsula News edition 460) is a good thing or a bad thing.

Given the botch that the Council has made of the Gosford Town Centre, one might be a little apprehensive about the effect of this new equal focus on Woy Woy.

Of course, since there is to be no plan of Woy Woy until 2020 (Peninsula News edition 460), one assumes that there is likely to be no immediate effect, although the lack of a plan has not hindered the recent proposal of new zoning regulations to increase densities in Woy Woy, something that usually comes after a plan rather than

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before it.

We are told that this new designation will allow the Council to "focus on holistic place management and activation, effectively addressing interdependencies between effective asset management, marketing and promotion, tourism, business development, economic development and delivery of quality events".

Up to now, we're told, only Gosford has had this kind of attention, and we can all see the benefits that have accrued there from this kind of sterling effort, so we can look forward to the results

in Woy Woy.

Or maybe not.

Of course, to achieve this grandiloquent "vision splendid", "an expansion of ... staffing would be needed", and "a professional board ... will be considered".

Since businesses already pay a levy, the assumption here must be that ratepayers in general will bear the extra costs of this ambitious new undertaking, although the tangible benefits to them are far from clear.

Wyong, The Entrance and Terrigal, equally threatened by this initiative, should be shaking in their shoes.

Email, 20 Dec 2018 Bruce Hyland, Woy Woy

# Read draft climate change policy

I'm writing in support of the need for a climate change policy for the Central Coast.

It is right and proper for the Central Coast Council to release its Draft Climate Change Policy for community input over the next few months.

The Draft Climate Change Policy puts forward a measured approach to seeking the best ways to adapt to the reality of climate change.

I encourage all Central Coast residents to read the document, available on Council's website (yourvoiceourcoast.com/

climatechange), and attend to public meetings that will be held in February in each of the five wards.

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The existence of a climate change policy, or otherwise, will not prevent climate change from effecting us.

However, it outlines broad actions on climate change and will enable Council to align its operations and strategic planning with the NSW State Climate Change Policy Framework.

No decisions have been made as yet so there is plenty of time for Central Coast residents to get the facts and make their submissions to Council.

> Email, 9 Jan 2019 Gregory Olsen, Empire Bay

# Determine climate policy before planning review

Early 2019 is going to be very interesting for Central Coast Council.

It will have conflicting documents on exhibition and this will test the Council's commitment to take action on climate change.

Documents on exhibition will be the climate change policy and Central Coast planning controls.

It is decision time for the Central Coast Council.

Developments have been approved ignoring environmental, social, energy, character, infrastructure, recreation and health issues.

If climate change is to be

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addressed and this will not be known until May or June, then a

review of planning controls should be deferred until July or August.

In the meantime, the Council will indicate if it supports climate action simply by the impact of development applications approved and public objection.

It has been observed that the information in Council meeting reports supports DA approval that does not take action to address climate change.

Make no mistake, the climate change policy if adopted will require an immediate corporate restructure of the Council.

Letter, 18 Dec 2018 Norman Harris, Umina

## Where are the wharf and mooring levies going?

The Council is quite right regarding the finance for the dredging of all channels in our waterways as being the responsibility of the State.

I wonder if the government can tell the people where is the money from all the levies from wharves, moorings and other revenue going?

Sydney I suppose.

The other thing is: If the Federal Government gives finance to Councils throughout Australia, why do the states get it first and take 10 per cent out just to rewrite the cheque?

Where does this money go?

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I suppose to a bureaucrat to carry out some stupid task for that purpose.

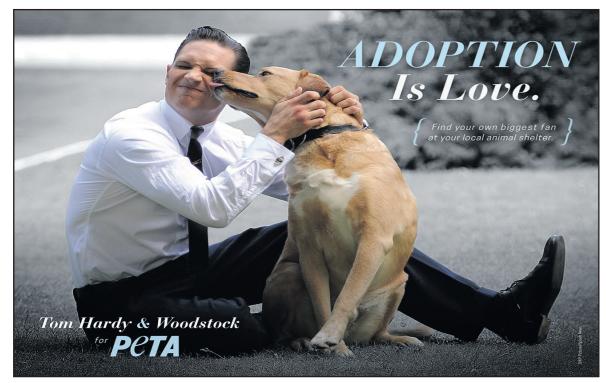
If a number of our sincere citizens are asking the same question, that will contribute to voting at the next election.

Let's also put the public servants in their place, as proper servants of the people.

I remember my grandfather telling me that a good politician is a good public servant.

I haven't seen a lot of them in the past 40 years.

Email, 8 Jan 2019 Robert Findley, Point Clare



## No more free passes to the races

I was watching the local news on New Year's night when they interviewed a bloke from Gosford Racecourse.

He said that this year Central Coast Council had not given ratepayers a free pass to the races.

As I am getting on a bit and not remembering too well, I didn't twig that was the case.

I have not been to the races for a number of years and never used the free pass.

However, it would have been nice to have had the opportunity had I wanted to go.

We, here on the Peninsula get

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little enough for our rates and this is just another example of penny pinching and a miserly mob.

While I was thinking about this, didn't we have the opportunity to pay our rates for the year in one go and have a chance to win a nice prize?

Seems that went by the board too.

Do we get anything at all free that we have already paid for?

Seems not.

Email, 2 Jan 2019 Laurie Powell, Woy Woy



## Ask residents first about apartment blocks

Council should take

a stand against

whale slaughter

Heaven help us if Central Coast Council wants to make Woy Woy like Gosford (Peninsula News edition 460).

Where on earth does Council plan to put more residents?

Gosford is a dying town because of all the idiotic ideas that councillors have allowed to develop

Woy Woy has its own problems but at least we don't have multiple empty shops yet.

Planning by Council should be totally resisted before we see a Spotlight store at Empire Bay, a McDonalds on St Huberts Island and a Kathmandu store at Koolewong.

If they think that multi-storey residential apartment blocks would be acceptable, they had better ask the Peninsula residents first.

The announcement by the

Japanese Government to resume commercial whaling

made on December 26, is in

they have been doing for the past decades under the guise of

research was just a front so they could still harvest whales for food.

needs to take a stand against

this offensive slaughter and end

its sister city relationship with

Edogawa City Council in protest to

the annual dolphin slaughter in

Taiji, where the hunters herd

dolphins into a bay, net it off so

they can't escape then brutally kill

It can also be a protest against

this needless slaughter.

The new Central Coast Council

We all know that the whaling

my opinion, just wrong.

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They want more units and townhouses so they can fleece us as much as they can for more rates, yet give us back so little.

No new developments should be approved in suburban streets on the Peninsula until the entire road has a footpath and kerbing.

Thousands of residents are sick of living in streets that have not been properly made for more than 30 years.

The Peninsula is possibly the most densely populated and favourite location on the Central Coast and it has been very poorly treated by successive Councils.

The residents deserve better than anything this current Council proposes.

> Email. 19 Dec 2018 Rod Fountain, Booker Bay

## Other Regional News - In brief

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

in the most recent edition of each of our sister Central Coast publications. The full articles and more, as well as all previously published editions, can be seen on line on our website www.peninsulanews.info

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YOUR INDEPENDENT COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

#### Younger generation are going to cop the worst from climate change effects

Community Environment Network (CEN). an "outburst" from Member for Terrigal

#### Strong feedback results in controversial changes to Winney Bay project

Groups and individuals distributing Labor candidate for Terrigal, and Central Coast Council Mayor, Jane Smith, according to, John Asquith, Chair of the at Winney Bay are "on track", despite Coast Council.

#### Mayor not happy with proposed Local **Planning Panels**

misinformation about Central Coast Central Coast Council Gosford East Ward has slammed suggestions that the NSW Council's imminent draft Climate Change Councillor, Jeff Sundstrom, has argued Government could be preparing to take strategy, are causing unnecessary fear, that revised plans for stage two of works further planning powers away from Central

#### **Comments sought for DCP need Climate Policy to be finalised first**

#### **Kyle MacGregor recounts the notable** achievements of Council's first year

Central Coast Council placed a draft One of the 10 new faces to Central Coast The Central Coast Implementation Plan copy of its draft Climate Policy, on its your he believed two of the Council's greatest how the Central Coast Regional Plan 2036 performing arts centre in Gosford, and over the next two years.

#### **Central Coast Implementation Plan** 2018-2020 has been released

Development Control Plan (DCP) and a Council in 2018, Clr Kyle MacGregor, said 2018-2020 has been released to set out voice our coast website, just weeks before achievements to date, were progressing will deliver jobs, housing, conservation Christmas, according to Coastal Residents the development of a regional library and planning and revitalisation for the region

#### **Coordinator General for the Central Coast claims enormous** progress in 2018

20-year blueprint for development of the Walker. fastgrowing Central Coast".

#### RDACC claims new era of collaboration and consolidation

Central Coast Regional Plan, showed that consolidation has begun on the Central Coast, (RDACC) has applauded the significant progress had been made in Coast, according to Regional Development decision by the Australian Government to" the second year of the NSW Government's Australia Central Coast (RDACC) Chair, Phil address working holiday visa restrictions

#### Easing of working holiday visa restrictions fails to resolve post code anomaly

The 2018 annual monitoring report for the A new era of collaboration and Regional Development Australia, Central to help address the critical labour shortage facing Australia's agricultural industry.

The full articles and more can be seen on line on our website www.centralcoastnews.net Coast Community News focusses on news specifically related to post code areas 2250, 2251, 2260 and articles can also be read and shared on your mobile phone by going to www.coastcommunitynews.com.au.

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### the dolphins for food. We all know that these practices

aren't required to keep food on the tables for the bulk of the Japanese

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It is not a critical food source but

It will be interesting to see what this new Council will do over this

Our mayor was a founding member of the Marine Discovery Centre and chief executive of the Community Environment Network.

Will Mayor Smith lead the charge to end the sister city relationship over this sickening slaughter?

Email, 7 Jan 2019 Carl Veugen, Umina

#### Action taken to protect the largest fresh water wetland on the Central Coast

wetland on the Central Coast.

#### **Toukley Community Action Group calls** for development to be deferred

Significant steps have been taken to The Toukley Community Action Group The Joint Regional Planning Panel has deferred until a new traffic impact study Dunleigh St, Toukley. was completed for the area, and Fire and **Emergency Services were consulted about** 

Pacific Motorway during December

#### JRPP calls for revised plans for Toukley development

achieve the permanent protection of Porters has called for an affordable housing deferred its decision on an affordable Creek Wetland, the largest fresh water development at 6 to 10 Dunleigh St, to be housing development project at 6-10

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### Loss of a 200-plus year-old paperbark Changed traffic conditions on the M1 CEN calls for air pollution controls to tree highlights tree policy weakness

tree management policy, according to, Phil over Christmas and New Year.

#### **Councillors unanimously vote for** action on water and air pollution monitoring

Eraring and Vales Point Power Stations, stations, following a unanimous vote of Councillors on Monday, November 27.

### Forum calls for submissions to EPA to reduce unforgivable health burden

A draft submission will be prepared by Forty residents attended a public forum at The NSW PFAS Taskforce has analysed Central Coast Council to the review of the Wyee, on Thursday, November 29, on the the results from an initial study into some Environment Protection Licences of the health impacts of NSW coalfired power species of fish in the Tuggerah Lakes

## be upgraded to match world standards

The decision to cut down a 200-plus Changed traffic conditions will be in The Community Environment Network's year-old paperbark tree in Budgewoi effect during December on the M1 (CEN) submission to the EPA Licensing Holiday Park, on Thursday, December 6. Pacific Motorway, as work continues Review Committee on the Eraring and demonstrated the major weaknesses of on the upgrade between Tuggerah and Vales Point Power Stations, has called for the proposed new Central Coast Council Doyalson, but works will be suspended their pollution controls to be upgraded to match world standards.

#### Contradictory advice provided on health of fish in the Tuggerah Lakes system

system.

Wyong Regional Chronicle focuses on news specifically relating to post code areas 2258, 2259, 2261, 2262, 2263. The full articles and more can be seen on our website www.central

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## Why single out dual occupancies in new standards?

It is encouraging to see that Council has at last seen the absurdity of setting minimum lot sizes for residential (Peninsula development News edition 460) and will rely on setback, density, height and amenity requirements to ensure that developments meet appropriate standards.

It is, therefore, puzzling in the extreme that, despite this change, completely sensible fixed Council has detailed, draconian lot-size requirements solely for dual-occupancy projects in its draft document.

What possible explanation can there be for singling out this particular kind of development for such restrictions, when the plan specifically points out that lot-size restrictions are not needed for any other kind of residential building?

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Not satisfied with setting a standard minimum size, the plan even goes into minute detail, such as the size of battle-axe lots with particular slopes, without any explanation of why the general standards that will work for a multiunit building are inadequate for a dual-occupancy dwelling.

If a dual-occupancy dwelling can meet all the requirements for residential amenity, what does the size of the lot matter?

It can even be pointed out that a battle-axe lot that fronts onto an open space or that has special views might well have more amenity than a regular residential lot that is hemmed in by nothing but backyards, yet the plan makes no distinction for the character of a property.

These restrictions have not been carried over from previous standards but are new-minted, so it would seem that a justification for their introduction is called for.

Given that the number of dual occupancies on battle-axe lots must be pretty close to negligible, the special attention to this class of building is inexplicable.

> Email, 20 Dec 2018 **Bruce Hyland, Woy Woy**

## Reorientation follows resident traffic observations

In regards to Development **Application** 54551/2018, traffic saturation levels on the Peninsula have been identified but it has not stopped development.

DA54551 has turned residential development 90 degrees from ingress/egress access Blackwall Rd to Farnell Rd.

Reasons for this change are obvious for all those familiar with traffic flow on Blackwall Rd.

A consultant's report is not required to advise the obvious.

Reorientation indicates traffic is at saturation level, with more development to be rolled out across the Peninsula.

Residents can expect more abnormal land use planning decisions in the future.

Empiric knowledge should not be undervalued.

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Compare the hours residents have contributed to movement observation to the information compiled during the traffic consultants study.

This could be the reason why there is a reorientation of this proposed development.

Are there other abnormalities yet to be revealed?

Residents will have increased confidence to challenge information supplied development applications.

Their knowledge is a valuable resource.

This DA54551 has established a precedent for the public which should be noted by all Peninsula residents.

> Letter, 9 Jan 2019 Norman Harris, Umina

## Tidy up the Peninsula

Take a drive around the suburban streets of the Peninsula.

Over the years, developers have come in and demolished many of the old homes and constructed villas, townhouses and blocks of flats.

Council required these builders to provide kerbing and a footpath outside these developments.

So we now have streets with a bit of kerbing and footpath, then weeds grass or gravel for most of

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the remainder of the street.

When it rains, this ad hoc kerbing fills up with water and spills out onto the bitumen roadway, because there is no drainage.

Rules should be made that no new developments should occur unless Council and developers work together to provide full kerbing and a footpath for the entire street.

Considering that kerbing and footpaths are a Council responsibility and that residents' rates contribute there should be no argument.

Council also do not fulfil their responsibility in maintaining the maintenance of street verges and leave it to residents to keep such areas tidy.

The suburban streets have been neglected for far too long and ratepayers deserve better.

Let's tidy up the Peninsula. Email, 26 Dec 2018 R Fountain, Booker Bay After whinging about nothing effective being done to our roads, a friend sent me an email last weekend, probably just to shut me up.

The attached video showed a pothole repair truck that really

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In no time, it has completed the perfect repair.

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Just remember the people of the Peninsula saw it first so we get first ao.

notice so the coffers should be able to stretch to one truck that will save thousands in the long run.

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Email, 12 Nov 2018 Laurie Powell, Woy Woy

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## Big year at local hospital

Last year was a big year for a local hospital, according to its chief executive.

Ms Kathy Beverley said that a building program was completed at Brisbane Waters Private Hospital in Woy Woy.

"The next stage of the hospital development was completed which comprised of a new commercial kitchen, a purposebuilt rehabilitation ward consisting of 24 beds all with private ensuites, new gym, hydrotherapy pool,

hospital reception and cafe, drop off zone and additional off street parking for visitors and doctors," she said.

"The hospital now has a total of 109 beds.

"With the creation of the new ward, we employed a rehabilitation coordinator and increased our comprehensive allied health team.

"Along with doctor recruitment, our surgical services have also expanded with the commencement of additional gastroenterologists, further orthopaedic surgeons,

bariatric surgeons and neurosurgeon.

"Neurostimulation services provided in our mental health ward have also increased dramatically and we have introduced new programs and services including, the Parkinson's Disease Warrior program and a Cancer Day Rehabilitation program," Ms Beverley said.

Other 2018 highlights for the hospital included the introduction of the Caring for Kids program.

The program was the brainchild of the hospital's ear, nose and throat surgeon, Dr Shashi Singh.

The program focuses on ensuring child patients, who often are undertaking their first stay in hospital, have a positive experience.

According to Ms Beverley, hospital staff have gone to great lengths to ensure the program's successful integration.

"We want to ensure the memory is pleasant and as anxiety-free as possible for the child and their family," Ms Beverley said.

"All team members from reception, nursing, theatre and catering participate by dressing up to ensure the magic is not lost along the way and to reassure the child and family of what to expect.

"The interactive program commences with admission where our large range of teddy bears sitting at reception greet the children on arrival.

"Once admitted they choose a bear to keep them company throughout their stay and to take home with them.

"Private rooms are individually named and decorated to suit each child, whether it is rainbows, unicorns, astronauts or dinosaurs.

"Super heroes and princess posters adorn the walls and team members dressed up as lady bugs and bees create an atmosphere of friendliness and warmth.

"Free meals are provided for the parents staying overnight with their children while our littlest patients can enjoy a never ending supply of ice cream, jelly, custard and ice confectionary in every possible flavour

"Bravery awards are given and photos are taken so our star

patients can show family and friends what it was like to be a patient in hospital.

"At the time of discharge, parents thank the team for making what can be a frightening time into something so welcoming and friendly.

"From the time the family arrives, every team member the parents meet have been just wonderful, creating such a positive experience for all the family," Ms Beverley said.

Other 2018 achievements included the successful launch of the hospital's new mental health service for young adults, being accredited by the Australian Council of Healthcare Standards (codes 1,2 and 3) and receiving a Master Builders Association acknowledgement for their 2018 extensions and renovations throughout the year.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 20 Dec 2018 Haydn Murray, Healthe Care Australia

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## **Health**



Brisbane Waters Private Hospital director of clincial services, Ms Louise Hunt, presenting the cheque to ARAFMI CEO, Ms Rhonda Wilson

## Hospital staff raise money for mental health support

Staff at a local hospital have raised \$1000 for a regional mental health support group.

Waters Private Brisbane Hospital has donated the money to Central Coast ARAFMI.

Hospital chief executive Ms Kathy Beverley said the cheque was "part of the hospital's ongoing support for this wonderful not for profit organisation".

Central Coast ARAFMI was a grassroots organisation that was established by mental health carers more than 40 years ago, she said.

She said Central Coast ARAFMI provided whole of family support and worked with people who lived with a mental illness, as well as the family and friends of people who live with a mental illness.

"This money was raised by hospital staff through various fundraising events that we held throughout 2018," Ms Beverley



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## Golf enthusiast raises funds for Cancer Council

golf enthusiast who has survived cancer has undertaken a golf marathon to raise funds for the Cancer Council.

Mr Aaron Oates hit over 500 golf balls and spent over nine and a half hours on the golf course at Everglades Country Club to raise funds for his Longest Golf Day Marathon.

Mr Oates was diagnosed with the genetic cancer Von Hippel-Lindau syndrome 20 years ago and has since fought the condition which sees tumours in multiple organs, commonly including the brain, spinal cord and eyes.

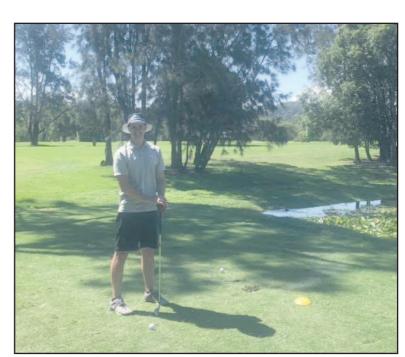
"After five brain surgeries and two spine surgeries, I'm still walking this earth.

"While I am still walking, challenges continue to attract me, so I thought what the heck: Why not hit a golf ball 500 plus times and raise money for cancer research at the same time."

Mr Oates raised \$782 of his \$1500 goal.

He is still accepting donations through the Everyday Hero website.

SOURCE: Website, 9 Jan 2019 Aaron Oates, Woy Woy





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## **Education**



## Aboriginal cultural enrichment day

Year 7 students **Brisbane Water Secondary** College Umina Campus participated in an Aboriginal **Cultural Enrichment Day on** 

from December 13.

"The day saw them complete a range of activities including an aboriginal art workshop, boomerang throwing and in-class cultural appreciation activities.

"Students had a great day and conducted themselves brilliantly," said principal Mr Brent Walker.

SOURCE: Social media, 13 Dec 2018 Brent Walker, BWSC Umina Campus

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## Changes to bus zone in Sydney Ave

Umina Beach Public School consultation with the school as has advised of changes to the bus zone in Sydney Ave.

"Council has made some changes to the bus zone in Sydney Ave," said principal, Ms Lyn Davis.

"The bus zone has been relocated closer to Hobart Ave and the Kiss and Drop Zone is now located in front of the administration building.

"While the changes welcomed. there

to when the signage would be changed.

"Council has since apologised for the lack of communication in relation to these changes.

"Please take care in Sydney Ave as we adjust to these recent changes in the 2019 school year," said Ms Davis.

> SOURCE: Newsletter, 18 Dec 2018 Lyn Davis, Umina Beach **Public School**

## Alternatives offered with religious education

Students at Woy Woy Public School will have four options religious education lesson time this year.

"We are hoping to be able to offer combined scripture, Catholic scripture, non-scripture and ethics classes at our school," said principal Ms Ona Buckley.

"Combined scripture teaches a general Christian message.

"Catholic scripture follows the teachings of the Catholic faith.

"Ethics classes focus on exploring moral issues.

"Non-scripture is for students whose parents don't wish them to attend any of the offered options.

"Students in Years 1 to 6 will remain in the class they were in this year unless we receive written notification from parents requesting a change.

"Kindergarten students will be placed according to the class nominated on their enrolment form," Ms Buckley said.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 18 Dec 2018 Ona Buckley, Woy Woy **Public School** 



## **Brent Walker** decides to move on

**Brisbane Water Secondary** College Umina campus principal Mr Brent Walker has decided to move on, becoming principal Kincumber High.

He made the announcement on December 19.

"It is with very mixed emotions that I need to inform you that I have been offered and accepted the principal position at Kincumber High School in 2019," Mr Walker

"This has been an incredibly difficult decision, and one that I have certainly not made lightly.

moving to

Entrance, I have found the many late nights and increased travel time difficult.

"I feel it is the right time to take on other challenges and allow others to continue to grow and develop our amazing school.

"It has been an honour and privilege to lead the Umina campus for the last six years.

"As a team here, we have achieved wonderful things and I will forever appreciate the support and partnership I have received from the entire community."

SOURCE: Social media, 19 Dec 2018 **Brent Walker, BWSC Umina Campus** 



## **Student leaders** elected

Woy Woy Public School has elected its student leaders for the coming year.

School captains are Gemma Montalbano and Erik Jahn who will be supported by vice captains Tayla Macleod and Josh Durrand.

School service officers include Vali Focas, Shae Ferguson, Jaden Introna and Billy Hawksley.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 18 Dec 2018 Ona Buckley, Woy Woy **Public School** 

## Aboriginal education centre has new sign

**Brisbane Water Secondary** College has unveiled a new sign for the school's aboriginal education centre, The Croft, at its Umina campus.

Students worked with aboriginal

education officer Mr Maurice Goolagonglast throughout 2018 to design the artwork for the sign, culminating in the sign's installation on December 18.

"The Croft finally has its own new sign at the front of the school,"

said principal, Mr Brent Walker.

"Students have worked on this beautiful artwork with Maurice for well over a year.

"How good does it look?"

SOURCE: Social media, 18 Dec 2018 **Brent Walker, BWSC Umina Campus** 



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## **Education**





## End-of-year excursion

Woy Woy South Public School Kindergarten students celebrated the end of the 2018 school year with an excursion.

They had a Christmas party at

the Ocean Beach Holiday Resort on December 18.

"What a wonderful Christmas party Kindergarten had," said principal, Mr Matt Barr.

The teachers commended

the Kinder students for their outstanding display of respect and responsibility, he said.

SOURCE: Social media, 18 Dec 2018 Matt Barr, Woy Woy South Public School



## Class placements may change at Woy Woy

Class placements at Woy Woy Public School may change at the start of the school year, principal Ms Ona Buckley has told parents and carers

"A temporary school structure has been formed for the start of the school year.

"Numbers are very unstable at present with families leaving and arriving and some families not sure what they will be doing or where they will be located in 2019," Ms Buckley said.

"Please be aware that where your child is placed in a class and with what teacher may change at the beginning of the new school year on our temporary structure.

"Teachers cannot, at this time, give a true indication of where any children will be in 2019.

"Therefore, please be aware that your child's initial class placement may change at the beginning of the new school year," Ms Buckley said.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 18 Dec 2018 Ona Buckley, Woy Woy Public School

# Principal warns of impact of online game

Woy Woy Public School principal Ms Ona Buckley has urged parents and carers to assess the impact of the video game Fortnite on their children's relationships.

"It seems that this game has become highly popular amongst our students and indeed the wider population," Ms Buckley said.

"Recent media has highlighted it as addictive and there has already been reported violence around it as well.

"The game allows an online communication to happen between players.

"Players are free to use any language or attitude they wish and some parents have reported it is very difficult to get children away from the game to do anything else.

"This is in an outside

environment and certainly parental judgement is required.

"However, some of the game gang tactics and language are making their way back into the school grounds as some of the students who are involved in this gaming world cannot let go and be in the reality of the school and school rules.

"The summer break is a good opportunity for parents and carers to assess just what your child is involved in online and support your child with making better choices," Ms Buckley said.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 18 Dec 2018 Ona Buckley, Woy Woy Public School

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## **Out&About**



Makers Artists Ms Leah Bennetts and Ms Cheryl McCoy with Ms Vanessa Ashcroft Owner of Gallery on Ocean View

## Christmas concerts

Junior students from Woy Woy Public School ended their 2018 school year with a series of Christmas concerts.

"During the final weeks of the 2018 school year, students from Preschool to Year 2, including support unit students, participated in an Australian adaption of The

Night Before Christmas," said principal Ms Ona Buckley.

"The students entertained over 700 audience members with their singing and dancing."

SOURCE: Newsletter, 18 Dec 2018 Ona Buckley, Woy Woy Public School



# New exhibition opens in Ettalong

A new art exhibition opened in Ettalong on December 8.

The Waterline exhibition, featuring the works of 13 members of The Makers Central Coast, was opened by master printmaker Michael Kempson, at the Repubik Cafe.

The Makers is a not-for-profit organisation that provides for printmaking, fibre arts and textile works.

As part of the exhibition a charity afternoon was held on December 15, with funds raised going to the

Disability With Options charity.

The exhibition was open until December 20.

SOURCE: Media release, 11 Dec 2018 Therese Gabriel Wilkins, The Makers Central Coast



## **Ballroom Dance-In Classes**

Ettalong - Kariong - Gosford - Wyong

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## **Out&About**







## **SATURDAY 26TH JANUARY**



## Beach gathering for full moon

**Central Coast Conscious** Group Community hosting community music, meditation and unity gathering at Umina Beach from 6pm on January 19.

The gathering coincides with drumming usually held on the full moon at Umina Beach.

The group encouraged those attending to bring along an instrument to accompany the

The evening will start with a brief meditation and then "free flow into a music jam and drumming night".

Organiser Mr Joe Figilano said he expected the group would "enjoy the beach, the fire, the sunset, the full moon and share some food and stories".

SOURCE: Social media, 9 Jan 2019 Joe Figilano, Central Coast **Conscious Community Group** 

www.artcentralcoast.asn.net.au

## **Blues** and beers

A Central Coast brewery is promoting its beer with music in Ettalong on January

Six String Brewery will present Blues and Beers at The Galleria from 11am to 2:30pm in Ettalong's Galleria shopping precinct.

The free event will feature the music of the Dorian Mode Organ Trio and a craft beer bar featuring some of Six String Brewery's creations.

SOURCE: Social media, 9 Jan 2019 Chris Benson, Six Strings Brewery

## **Social Dance** Classes



Beginner Level

Aust. Bush Dancing, Contra, Scottish Country, Old Time, Ragtime, Jane Austen (English Country) & Colonial

Kariong Community Hall, Cnr. Woy Woy Rd. & Dandaloo St

**Each Friday Evening** 7.30 - 10.00pm

Those with two left feet are especially welcome.

\$8.00

Robyn: 4344 6484 www.ccbdma.org



## Folk club concert

The Troubadour Folk Club's next concert at St Luke's Hall, Woy Woy, from 7pm on February 2, will feature United Kingdom duo Winter Wilson, a.

Now in their sixth year as fulltime musicians, Kip Winter and Dave Wilson say they aim to bring a sense of intimacy to every venue, blending original songs, harmonies and musicianship with tales of life on the road.

Showcasing their latest album,

Far Off on the Horizon, Winter Wilson have come to Australia following a UK tour with the legendary Fairport Convention.

"Folk with a splash of blues, singing out for the underdog, beautiful songs, beautifully sung and a weird humour all of their own, Winter Wilson are not to be missed," said Troubadour president, Mr Michael Fine.

SOURCE: Media release, 9 Jan 2019 Michael Fine, The Troubadour Folk Club



The CCBDMA have revived their Dancing by the Water event in Lions Park Woy Woy

# Association revives Dancing by the Water

The Central Coast Bush Dance and Music Association revived its Dancing by the Water evenings in Woy Woy on January 4.

Ten members of the association took to the water's edge at Lions Park, Woy Woy, in a display of bush dance.

"It has been a number of years now since the association ran its Dancing by the Water at Lions Park, but now we're back," said association secretary Ms Robyn Northwood.

In past years, dancers would enjoy a social chat, a glass of something nice and a picnic, before taking up the dance, she said.

"Many of our participating dancers were new to bush dancing so we chose a typical bush dance to perform and in no time at all they were all making the right moves, following the calls and 'stripping the willow' in perfect time with the music," Ms Northwood said.

The association decided to revive Dancing by the Water this year and will continue to run the

event at Lions Park on Saturday evenings throughout January, weather permitting.

Ms Northwood said the association was keen to welcome any new members or dancing enthusiast regardless of age or experience and will be holding several workshops at various locations across the southern Central Coast over the coming months.

SOURCE: Media release, 10 Jan 2019 Robyn Northwood, CCBDMA





Melbourne Avenue - Umina Beach, New South Wales 4343 9999 www.clubumina.com.au



## **COASTAL DIARY**

## A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF EVENTS OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS ON THE CENTRAL COAST

#### **TUESDAY, JAN 15**

Tree Kids Disco, Club Umina. 15 & 22/01, 6 - 9pm 4343 9999

Weaving with Vanja Zetovic, Gosford Regional Gallery, Bookings essential, 10:30am - 12:30pm Bonsai Trees -1:30 - 3:30pm

Squad Camp. Peninsula Leisure Centre - 17/01, Wyong Olympic Pool - 15/01, Ticketed, 9am - 1pm

Tooheys Central Coast Carnival, The Entertainment Grounds Gosford, 12pm - 6pm

> Funky Slime Craft, Tuggerah Library, Bookings essential 10:30am - 11:30am

Holiday Multi Sports Afternoon, Niagara Park Stadium, 15, 16, 22 & 24/01, Ticketed, 3:30 - 5pm

Skateboard Deck Art, Kincumber Library, Bookings essential, 10:30am - 12pm

Madagascar: A Musical Adventure Jr., Laycock Street Community Theatre, Ticketed, 15/01 - 19/01, Multiple Screenings

Swish Technics Basketball Clinic, Lake Haven Recreation Centre, 15, 22 & 29/01, Bookings Essential, 2:30pm - 4pm

## **WEDNESDAY, JAN 16**

Jumping Castle Fun, Peninsula Leisure Centre, 16 & 17/01, 12 - 2pm or 2 - 4pm

Sun Catcher Making, Umina Beach Library, Bookings essential, 10:30am - 11:30am

**Tom Ballard Live** Comedy show, The Art House Wyong, Ticketed, 8pm 4335 1485

thearthousewyong.com.au

FIFA 19 Gaming Tournament (PS4) Kincumber Library. Bookings essential, 2 - 4pm

The Wizard of Oz Interactive Show, Central Coast Leagues Club, Ticketed, 11am, Drama Workshop 9:30am - 10:30am

Shark Talk by Dr David Powter, **Central Coast Marine** Discovery Centre, 6:30pm

My Little Book of Prints with Sandy James, Gosford Regional Gallery, Bookings essential, 10:30am - 12:30pm, Print 'N' Paint, 1:30 - 3:30pm

Kids Art at Toukely, Toukley Art Gallery, Ticketed, 10am - 3pm

NDIS Audit Workshop, Nexus Smart Hub Wyong, Bookings required, 5pm

Putt Putt Golf, **Everglades Country Club** Woy Woy, Free, 11am - 2pm

## **THURSDAY, JAN 17**

Autism / Sensory Friendly Inflatable Play, Niagara Park Stadium, Ticketed, 17/01 at 1:30 - 2:30pm

& 23/01 at 9:30 - 10:30am

Escape Room, Lake Haven Library, Bookings essential, 10 - 10:30am, 11 - 11:30am, 12 - 12:30pm or 1 - 1:30pm

Chalk The Walk, Waterfront Plaza Pavement The Entrance, 17 & 18/01 at 8am - 4pm, 19 & 20/01 at 10am - 4pm

The Mural Project, RYSS Wyoming, Free Youth Event for 12 -25 yrs, 2pm - 5:30pm

Squad Camp, Peninsula Leisure Centre, Ticketed, 9am - 1pm **Bookings Essential** 

Gosford Gold Cup Race Day, The Entertainment Grounds, Ticketed, 1pm

Tactile Selves, National Portrait Gallery,

Bookings essential. 10:30am - 12:30pm, Portraits using the **Environment with Susan** Ingham, 1:30 - 3:30pm

## FRIDAY, JAN 18

Pearl Beach Aboriginal History Group - \$5 Friday Films, 'Walkabout'

**Central Coast Art Soci-**

ety Summer Exhibition & Awards, 18 - 23/01, Open daily 10am - 4pm, Official Opening 18/01 at 6 - 8pm by David Harris, Member for Wyong, The Community **Gallery and Studio** 2 - Gosford Regional Gallery

> 0407 448 574 www.artcentralcoast.asn. net.au

> Flower Pot Mushroom House, The Entrance Library, Bookings essential, 10:30am - 11:30am or 2 - 3pm

Curious Creatures or Something Wild! Woy Woy Library, Bookings essential, 10:30am - 11:30am

The Marine Discovery Centre - Rockpool Discovery Walks, Bateau Bay, 18/01 at 11:30am - 12:30pm, 19/01 at 1 - 2pm, 22/01 at 3 - 4pm **Bookings essential** 

Escape From Trash Mountain - School Holiday Show and Workshop, The Art House Wyong Ticketed, 18 & 19/01, 10am & 2pm

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## **SATURDAY, JAN 19**

Luke McGregor/ Tommy Little: Comedy Double Bill, The Art House Wyong, Ticketed, 7:30pm

4335 1485 thearthousewyong.com.au

Bouddi Boogaloo with Special Guest Stars -Little quirks Rosie & the quest, Hardys Bay Club, Free Music Festival, 2 - 9pm

Under the Sea - Kids Buffet High Tea,

Crowne Plaza Terrigal, Ticketed, 2pm

Oz Rock Show Performing 70's, 80's and 90's Rock, **Everglades Country Club** Woy Woy, Ticketed, 7:30pm

## **SUNDAY, JAN 20**

Deck Sessions with Vera & Friends, Hardys Bay Club, 3pm

Peter Helliar - Live, The Art House Wyong, Ticketed, 8pm 4335 1485

thearthousewyong.com.au

Daryl James w support Molly Millington, The Rhythm Hut, Ticketed, 6:30pm

## **MONDAY, JAN 21**

Mandala Designs with Sandra McArthur, Gosford Regional Gallery, Bookings essential, 10:30am - 12:30pm, Bird Illustrations, 1:30 - 3:30pm Indoor Inflatable Play, Niagara Park Stadium, Ticketed, 3:30 - 5:30pm

Manpower Australia 2019, Central Coast Leagues Club Parkview Room, Ticketed, 7pm

> Seaside Plaster Art, Bateau Bay Library, Bookings essential, 10:30am - 11:30am

Super Science Fun, Lake Haven Library, Bookings essential, 2 - 3pm

The Art House Presents: Children are stinky -Show & Circus Workshops The Art House Wyong, Ticketed, 21 - 23/01, Multiple sessions

## **TUESDAY. JAN 22**

Muso Shugyo Ryu Samurai Martial Arts and Living History School - Free Introductory Lessons, **Lions Club Community** Hall, 7pm

Gel-tastic Air Freshener,

The Entrance Library, Bookings essential, 10:30am - 11:30am

Tales from the Tea House, Gosford Regional Gallery, Bookings essential, 10:30am - 11:30am Crafty Stitches, 10:30am -12:30pm

> Babushka Dolls, 1:30 - 3:30pm

African Drumming Participation. Memorial Park The Entrance, Free, 9.30am, 10.30am, 11.30am

Gaming in Libraries: Skirmish, Kincumber Library, Bookings essential, 2 - 4pm

## **WEDNESDAY, JAN 23**

Free 2 hour Introduction to Coding session for kids aged 7-13, Umina Beach Library, Bookings essential, 2:30pm - 4:30pm

Curious Creatures or Something Wild! Tuggerah Library, Bookings essential, 10:30am - 11:30am

Slime Workshop, Waterfront Plaza The Entrance, Free, 23 - 24/10, 10am - 1pm

Who's in your neighbourhood? Community Fun Day Event, Lake Haven Recreation Centre, Free,

10am - 1pm

## **THURSDAY, JAN 24**

Your Child's Brain on **Music with Dr Anita** 

Collins, Laycock Street Theatre SUNDAY, JAN 27 Auditorium,

Ticketed, 6pm https://centralcoastconserva-

torium.com.au/

Clay Mega Beasties, Gosford Regional Gallery. Bookings essential, 10:30am - 12:30pm, Clay Dungeons & Castles, 1:30 - 3:30pm

Lego Scavenger Hunt, Kincumber Library, Bookings essential, 10:30am - 12pm Crafty Afternoon for Kids,

Toukley Library, 1 - 2:30pm

Sun Catcher Making, Kariong Library, 3 - 4pm FRIDAY, FEB 1

Aussie Nightmarkets,

The Entertainment Grounds

Gosford, 5pm - 10pm

Tracey-Lee Psychic

Medium,

Central Coast Leagues Club

in the Parkview Room,

Ticketed, 7pm

Troubadour Folkclub: The

Wonderfull Winter Wilson,

St Lukes Hall, Ticketed,

7pm

The Songs of Neil Young,

Laycock Street Community

Theatre, Ticketed,

Clean Up Australia Day

at the Terrigal Lagoon,

Meet at the front of the

Marine Centre, 8am

Coast Onscreen Seniors

Short Film Workshops:

Short Film Aspects,

Workshop 1, Bookings

required, 10am - 2pm

**Gary Puckett and The** 

Union Gap,

**Ettalong Diggers, Tick-**

eted, 7:30pm

4343 0111

UB40 FT Ali Campbell &

Astro,

The Entertainment Grounds

Gosford, Ticketed,

8pm

**Terrigal Love Our** 

**Lagoon Project: Water** 

**Quality & Marine Debris** 

Workshop,

**Terrigal Scout Hall,** 

Ticketed,

9:30am - 2:30pm

register at www.ccmdc.org.

au/events-

Summer Spandex - cutting

edge cabaret-performance,

Laycock Street Community

Theatre, Ticketed,

**SATURDAY, FEB 9** 

**SUNDAY, FEB 3** 

**SATURDAY, FEB 2** 

## FRIDAY, JAN 25

**Music Educators & Teachers** Workshop: Music learning and the brain, Robert Knox Hall, Ticketed,

9:30am - 12:30pm https://centralcoastconservatorium.com.au/

Friday Fun Craft, Erina Library, 2 - 4pm Bookings essential, Lego Club, Gosford Library, 3:30 - 4:30pm

Taylor Henderson, Laycock Street Theatre Auditorium, Ticketed, 7:30pm

Pearl Beach Aboriginal History Group - \$5 Friday Films, 'Back to Bourke',

The Life & Music of -Stevie Wright and The Easybeats, **Ettalong Diggers, Tick**eted, 8pm

4343 0111

The Mural Project, RYSS Wyoming, Free Youth Event for 12 -25 yrs, 11am - 4pm

## **SATURDAY, JAN 26**

Australia Day BBQ on the Terrace, **Ettalong Diggers**, **Bookings essential** 4343 0111

> Australia Day with Driftwood. Hardys Bay Club, 2pm

Blues Express II -**Fundraiser for Gosford** Hospital, Hardys Bay Club, 7pm

## WEDNESDAY, JAN 30

Gosford Raceday, The Entertainment Grounds Gosford, Ticketed, 12pm - 6pm

## **SUNDAY, FEB 10**

Coast Onscreen Seniors Short Film Workshops: Story Development, Workshop 2, Bookings required, 10am - 2pm

## **TUESDAY, FEB 12**

2261 Community Roundtable, The Entrance Community Centre, RSVP, 12pm

## **WEDNESDAY, FEB 13**

**CBWN After hours Sparkle** Event, Nexus Smart Hub Wyong, Ticketed, 5:30pm

## **SATURDAY, FEB 16**

Sydney Comedy Club at the EG, The Entertainment Grounds Gosford, Ticketed 6:30pm - 11:30pm

#### **SUNDAY, FEB 17**

Coast Onscreen Seniors Short Film Workshops: Film Editing Techniques, Workshop 3, Bookings required, 10am - 2pm

#### WEDNESDAY, FEB 20

Coast Onscreen Seniors Short Film Workshops: Film Finalisation, Workshop 4, Bookings required, 10am - 2pm

## **THURSDAY, FEB 21**

What you didn't know about your Business, Nexus Smart Hub Wyong, Bookings required, 5:30pm

## **SATURDAY, FEB 23**

**Bellbird Committee** Raceday, The Entertainment Grounds Gosford, Ticketed, 12pm - 6pm

## **SUNDAY, FEB 24**

Silver Screen: Breaking The Barrier To Filmmaking For Seniors,

## FRIDAY, MAR 8

2019 International Women's Day Breakfast w/ Guest speaker Gina Jeffreys, The Art House Wyong, Ticketed, 7am - 9am

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## Out&About



## **Gamer tournament** comes to Woy Woy

A Woy Woy shopping centre will host the first heat of the inaugural Central Coast's **Ultimate Gamer Tournament** in January.

Deepwater Plaza will host the first heat of the tournament from 4pm to 7pm on January 31.

The tournament will be open to 12 to 24 year olds who want to test their gaming prowess in the

console games FIFA 2017 and Sonic All Stars Racing.

The event features a total prize pool of more than \$2000, with heat winners going onto compete in the

Entry is free and is open to all Central Coast residents within the age bracket.

SOURCE: Social media, 9 Jan 2019 Jane Smith, Central Coast Council



## Free seniors cooking workshop

A free cooking workshop will be held for older Peninsula residents in February.

The Healthy Cooking Workshop for Positive Ageing will be held at the Ettalong Senior Citizens

Hall from 10:30am to 12:30pm on February 1.

The workshop will focus on learning how to cook nutritious meals with an emphasis on using seasonal ingredients that promote better heath as you age.

Places are limited so bookings are essential and can be made through Central Coast Council.

SOURCE: Social media, 9 Jan 2019 Jane Smith, Central Coast Council

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17 Day South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong & Macau Tour **\*\$5,880, NOW \$5,280, departing 14/05/2019** flying Cathay Pacific Airways, including 6 days in South Korea, 6 days in Taiwan & 5

13 Day China Tour with Majestic Yangtze (Special)

\$3,240, NOW \$2,590, departing 26/04 & 21/05/2019 including Shanghai, Wuhan, Yangtze River Cruise (balcony cabin on 5 star ship), Chongqing with Panda house visit, Xian & Beijing.

15 Day Vietnam and Cambodia Tour (Special)

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days in Hong Kong & Macau.

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Free Call 1300 789 252

## **Directory - Not for profit Community Organisations**

#### **Art & Culture**

## **Central Coast**

**Art Society** Weekly paint-outs Tues 0428 439 180 Workshops 9.30am 1st & 3rd Wed Gosford City Art Centre 4363 1156.

Social Meetings 1.30pm 4th Wed for demonstrations 4325 1420

### **Central Coast** Handweavers, Spinners and

**Textile Arts Guild** Spinning and weaving patchwork and quilting, felting and other fibre and fabric crafts, community quilting bees Day and Night Groups

## 4325 4743 **Ettalong Beach Art**

& Crafts Centre Adult classes in Pottery Watercolours, Oils, Acrylics. Pastels. Silvercraft. Patchwork & Quilting 0412 155 391 ebacc.email@gmail.com

#### **Hospital Art** Australia Inc.

Meet every Tue and Fri 9am-2pm - 109 Birdwood Ave, Umina - Painting and Canvas drawing. Volunteers welcome

0431 363 347

#### **Community Centres Peninsula Community** Centre

Cnr Ocean Beach Rd & McMasters Rd Woy Woy Activities, programs and support groups for children, teens, adults and seniors including occasional care, playgroups, dance classes karate, fitness classes, vouth services, gambling solutions, internet kiosk and social 4341 9333

#### **Ettalong 50+ Leisure** & Learning Centre

Cards, Chess, Choir, Creative Folk Art, Dancing, Darts, Handicraft, Handicrafts, Indoor Bowls, Leatherwork Line Dancing, Mahjong, Painting, Rummking, Scrabble, Table Tennis Ukulele, Women's Shed, 4304 7222

#### **Central Coast** Community **Legal Centre**

Not for profit service providing free legal advice. Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm 4353 4988

## **Point Clare Community Hall**

Community Garden -Playgroup Craft and Exercise Groups Function or Meeting Hire Managed by Gosford Regional Community Services

Enquiries regarding hire to 4323 7483

#### **Community Groups**

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

#### **Central Coast Caravanners Inc**

3rd Sun Monthly Visitors - New Members welcome. Trips Away. Social Outings, friendship with like minded senior folk - Details from Geoff 0447 882 150

#### **Central Coast 50+ Singles Social Group**

Ladies & gents dinner, dancing - BBQs & socialising each w/end. Monthly programme for all areas 0412 200 571 0437 699 366

## **CCLC Indoor Bowls**

Mon - Ladies Social Wed Night - Mixed Socia Sat - Mixed Social New members welcome tuition given level 2 Central Coast Leagues Club 4334 3800

### **Freemasons**

Who are they? What do they do? Find out about the wolrd's oldest fraternal organisation and how we help our community. Gosford Masonic Centre 86 Mann St Gosford

#### **Peninsula Village Playgroup**

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

#### **Peninsula School** for Seniors

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

## **The Krait Club**

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

#### **The NSW Justices Association Inc**

Seeking volunteers for added community desks Wednesday Umina Library 10am-1pm Thursday Woy Woy Library 10am-1pm Free Insurance and training provided 0418 203 671

#### **Umina Beach** Men's Shed

Men share a variety of tools, pursue interests and hobbies, spend time with other men and learn new skills Darrell 4342 9606

#### Volunteering **Central Coast**

Refers potential volunteers to community oras. Supports both volunteers and community orgs. Training for volunteers & their managers. 4329 7122

## **Wagstaffe to Killcare**

## Community

Protect and preserve the environment & residential nature of the Bouddi Peninsula and to strengthen community bonds 2nd Mon, 7.30pm Wagstaffe Hall 4360 2945

## **Entertainment**

**Frantastics Choir Inc** High quality variety entertainment available for matinee

bookings at your venue. New members welcome. 1pm Mondays during school terms Walter Baker Hall, Woy Woy 4343 1995

## **Health Groups**

## **Al-Anon**

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

#### **Arthritis NSW**

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

#### **Better Hearing Australia - Central** Coast

Hearing loss management Support and educational groups providing practical experience and confidence Learn the benefits of hearing aids - 4321 0275

## **BlueWave Living**

Woy Woy Community Aged Care facility providing residential aged care to the frail aged. Permanent and respite care accommodation available Information 2nd and 4th Tues - 11am - 4344 2599

#### **Central Coast** Parkinson's Support Group

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

## **Gambling Solutions**

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

## **GROW Support Groups**

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

#### www.grow.org.au **Meals on Wheels**

Delicious meals delivered free - Join us for a midday meal - Help with shopping and cooking classes 4341 6699

#### **Mary Mac's Place**

Providing hot, freshly cooked meals - Mon to Fri 11am-1pm with support, info & referrals 4341 0584

## **Overeaters**

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

#### **Peninsula Village Wellness Centre**

Offering holistic and complementary therapies including aromatherapy, massage and music therapy 4344 9199

#### Peninsula Village Meals Delivered daily to your door Nutritious, great for the elderly 4344 9199

## **Peninsula Village Carer's Support Group**

For carers of loved ones with dementia - 1st Wed - 10 to 11.30am Paula 4344 9199

#### **Prostate Cancer Support Group** (Gosford)

Last Fri, Terrigal Uniting Church, 380 Terrigal Drive, Terrigal 9.30am to 12 noon 4367 9600

#### Schizophrenia and **Bipolar Fellowship**

For Schizophrenia/Bipolar/ Mental Health sufferers, family, carers and friends. 1st Thur - 1pm Room 3 Uniting Church Donnison St Gosford 4344 7989 or 4368 2214

#### **Woy Woy Stroke Recovery Club**

Everglades Country Club 2nd Tues 11am Company, up-to-date info, hydrotherapy, bus trips 1300 650 594

#### Music

**Brisbane Water Brass** Brass Band entertainment for the community playing all types of popular music. Rehearsal every Tues 7.30pm-10pm 0419 274 012

## Coastal a Cappella

Vibrant women's a cappella chorus. New members welcome - music education provided. Rehearsals. Tues 7pm Gosford Tafe Performance opportunities Hire us for your event 0412 948 450 coastalacappella@gmail.com

#### **Soundwaves**

A cappella harmony for Men new members welcome. Rehearsals Mondays 7.00pm to 9.30pm Central Coast Leagues Club, Dane Drive, Gosford Ring Max on 4324 3631 or Kieran 4324 1977

#### **Troubadour Central** Coast Folk, Traditional

& Acoustic Music and Spoken Word Concerts, Ukulele meets, and Sessions 4th Sat 7pm CWA Hall Woy Woy 4342 6716

#### **Political Groups**

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

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

3676 **Ourimbah/ Narara Branch** Niagara Park Primary School 7.30pm 1st Mon

#### 0410 309 494 **Woy Woy Branch Everglades Country Club** 7.30pm 2nd Mon

**Peninsula Day Branch** 1pm 2nd Mon CWA Hall Woy Woy 4341 9946

#### **Liberal Party of Australia Woy Woy Branch**

4th Thur 6.30pm **Everglades Country Club** 

## **Central Coast Greens**

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

## **Service Groups**

## **Lions Club of Woy Woy**

4th Mon Woy Woy Leagues Club 0478 959 895 Make new friends and have fun while serving your community.

## **Rotary Clubs**

International service club improves lives of communities in Aust & o/seas Fun-filled activities, fellowship and friendship.

**Rotary Club of Kariong** Phillip House, 21 Old Mount Penang Rd, Fri 7.15am 4340 4529

#### **Rotary Club of Umina Beach**

Wednesdays 6.30pm Everglades Country Club 0409 245 861 0409 245 861

## **Rotary Club of Woy Woy**

Tues 6pm Everglades Country Club. Don Tee 0428 438 535

## **Special Interest**

#### **Bridge**

Duplicate Bridge Mon Tue Thur Fri Sat-12.15pm & Wed 9.15am Brisbane Water Bridge Club. Peninsula Community Centre 93 McMasters Ád. Woy Woy er.bridge-club.org

#### **Cash Housie**

50 Games every Sat night Peninsula Community Centre, McMasters Rd, Woy Woy,t 7.30pm. Proceeds to Woy Woy Catholic Parish.

#### **Central Coast Family History Society Inc.**

Resources, information & advice to study your family's history. 1st Sat 1pm Lions Community Hall, 8 Russell Drysdale St, E. Gosford. 4324 5164

#### **Central Coast** Tenants' Advice and **Advocacy Service**

Help with issues with landlords & real estate agents? Free telephone advice and advocacy for all tenants and residents in residential parks. 4353 5515

### **Central Coast Rescue Unit**

Marine Education Courses. Radio Licenses, Boat Safety & Boat License & PWC License Tests. Navigation, Seamanship and Meteorology. 4325 7929

#### **Central Coast Soaring Club Inc**

Gliding Club, Learn to fly, Instruction FREE to members Come and have an Air Experience Flight All Welcome 14 and up for Training Flying at Bloodtree Road Mangrove Mountain Thur, Sat, Sun (weather permitting) 0412 164 082 0414 635 047 www.ccsoaring.com.au

**Ettalong Toastmasters** We provide a supportive and positive learning experience in which members are empowered to develop communication and leadership skills, resulting in greater self-confidence and personal growth 2nd & 4th Tue, 7:30PM. Ettalong Diggers 0408 416 356

## **Peninsula**

**Environment Group** Environmental projects, (incl. Woytopia), Woy Woy community garden, social events, workshops, organic food buying group

#### **Central Coast** Goju-Kai Karate

Traditional Karate & Self Defence for Teens & Adults No Contracts, Cheap Rates Wamberal - Mon 630pm Kincumber - Thurs 715pm 0417 697 096 ww.centralcoastgoju kaikarate.com.au

## Woy Woy Judo Club Mon & Fri -Beginners

From 4:30pm Tue & Thur - graded classes 4:30pm - 8:30pm 27 Bowden Road Woy Woy Min Age 3 years old 0434 000 170

#### **Veterans**

## **National Malaya Borneo**

**Veterans Association** 1st Sat (except Jan) 10.30am Umina Club Melbourne Avenue Umina Beach 4342 1107

#### **Veterans' Help Centre'**

Assist all veterans & families with pension & welfare issues. Mon & Wed 9am-1pm 4344 4760 Cnr Broken Bay Rd & Beach St Ettalong.

#### **Woy Woy Ettalong** Hardy's Bay RSL

Provide help with pensions and welfare etc. Shop 5/382 Oceanview Rd Ettalong. Tues & Thurs 9am to 1pm 4341 2594

## Women's Groups

#### **Country Women's Association Umina** 2 Sydney Ave

Branch Meetings 2nd Wednesday 10am Craft & Friends Wednesdays 9.30am 2nd and 4th Sundays 12.15pm 0416 193 070 - 4340 1746

### **Country Women's Association Woy Woy**

30 The Boulevarde, Woy Woy Craft & Friendship: 1st, 2nd and 3rd Wed 10AM. Meetings: 4th Wed 10AM. Ph: 0411 434 785 woywoycwa@gmail.com

#### **Peninsula Women's Health Centre**

Counselling, therapeutic and social groups, workshops, domestic violence and abuse issues. All services by women for women 4342 5905



see www.duckscrossing.org or www.centralcoastnewspapers.com for the forms or contact Central Coast Newspapers on - 4325 7369

## Sport

## Woy Woy swim club competes

Woy Woy Swim Club has Hawke took out the Male Swimmer competed in the Coast and Valley **Swimming** 2018 Association's Course Summer Long Championships.

Peninsula Leisure Centre hosted the event which ran from November 30 to December 2.

Over 450 swimmers took to the pool to compete in the 142 events over the three day event.

Swimmers from Newcastle and The Hunter dominated in the pool, with Novocastrian Swim Club's Emily Jones the standout female competitor, setting seven individual records and taking out Female Swimmer of the Meet.

Woy Woy Swim Club's Cassandra Van Breugel placed second overall behind Jones in the female events.

The Hunter Swim Club's Charlie

of the Meet.

Association publicity officer Ms Michele Burley-Jones said: "This meet qualified swimmers to enter the next levels of competition being either Country Regional Championships, Country Championships, State Age, State Open, National Age or National Open.

The Management Committee thanked the technical officials who gave up their time to work the championships which "were run extremely efficiently with limited resources", according to Ms Burley-Jones.

"Without these people the children and parents would not have the pleasure of competing at this level of their sport."

SOURCE: Media release, 6 Dec 2018 Michele Burley-Jones, Coast and **Valley Swimming Association** 



Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club directors and president Mr Robert Henderson, accepting the award

## Bowling club of the year

**Ettalong Memorial Bowling** Club was named the 2018 Bowling Club of the Year at the Bowls Central Coast Presentation Night December 10.

"It was a proud president in Robert Henderson along with fellow directors and key staff personnel who celebrated Ettalong Memorial's success in being named the Bowls Central Coast Club of the Year for 2018.

"It was a tightly contested award with nominations also received from Munmorah United, Terrigal, Umina Beach and Wyong," said Bowls Central Coast publicity officer Mr Kevin Dring.

Ettalong's Lee Trethowan was also awarded on the night, being named the 2018 Representative Bowler of the Year.

SOURCE: Media release, 10 Dec 2018 Kevin Dring, Bowls Central Coast

## **Peninsula directory** of services, contacts

and support groups Ambulance, Police, Fire 000

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

#### Emergency 132 500 Aboriginal & Torres Strait **Islander Organisations**

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

Dept. of Housing Gosford 4323 5211 Cassie4Youth 4322 3197

Coast Shelter 4325 3540 Pacific Link Com Housing 4324 7617 Rumbalara Youth Refuge 4325 7555 **Samaritans Youth** 

Services 4351 1922

Youth Angle • Woy Woy 4341 8830 Woy Woy Youth Cottage 4341 9027 Animal Rescue

Wildlife Arc 4325 0666 Wires 1300 094 737 **Community Centres** Peninsula Community

Centre 4341 9333 Men's Shed Cluster Inc 0413 244 484 Counselling

Centacare: 4324 6403 Relationship Australia: 1300 364 277

Interrelate: 1800 449 118 Family and Relationships

Centacare Gosford 4324 6403 **Central Coast Family Support Service** 4340 1099

Horizons (For men with children) 4351 5008 **Uniting Care Burnside** 

Gosford 1800 067 967

Poisons Information 131 126 **Ambulance Text Mobile** 106 Ambulance GSM 112 Gosford Hospital 4320 2111 Woy Woy Hospital 4344 8444 Sexual Health @ Gosford Hospital 4320 2114

After Hours GP Help Line 1800 022 222 **Legal & Financial Help** 

**Financial Counselling Service** 4334 2304 Tenants' Advice and Advocacy **Service** 4353 5515 Wov Wov Court 4344 0111 Libraries

Gosford district:

Umina Beach 4304 7333 Woy Woy 4304 7555

#### Problems, **Habits & Addiction**

Alcoholics Anonymous 4323 3890 Narcotics Anonymous 4325 0524 Professional support

## phone services: Mental Health Line 1800 011 511

Beyondblue 1300 224 636 Domestic Violence Line 1800 656 463 Lifeline 13 11 14 Kids Help Line 1800 551 800 Griefline 1300 845 745 Suicide Call Back Service 1300 659 467

## **Transport**

Taxi 131 008 Busways 4368 2277 City Rail 131 500

## **Welfare Services**

Gosford Family Support 4340 1585 Meals on Wheels 4341 6699 **Department of Community Services** Gosford 4336 2400

The Salvation Army 4325 5733 Samaritans Emergency St Vincent De Paul Society **HELPLINE** 4323 6081

## Students win silver medals

Two students from Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina campus have won silver medals at the 2018 Australian Schools Athletics Championships held in Cairns from December 7 to 12.

Luka Szymanski represented the college in the Boys Under 14's 200m sprint.

Annabelle Rodgers competed in the Girls Under 16's Shotput and Discuss and claimed second place in both events.

Campus principal Mr Brent

Brent Walker, BWSC Umina Campus

Walker said the College was thrilled for both students. SOURCE:

Social media, 11 Dec 2018

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All areas Gosford 4323 6367 Woy Woy 4344 4414 Warnervale 1800 244 456 0412 685 555

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Umina SLSC patrol members received a gingerbread house as a thank you gift from a community member

## Surprise gift

**Umina Surf Life Saving** Club members received a surprise gift on Boxing Day, December 26.

Club publicity officer Mr Richard Braddish said a community member brought in a gingerbread house as a gift for the club.

"We had a Boxing Day surprise from one beautiful lady who brought our patrolling members a handmade gingerbread house as a thank you for our services to the community," Mr Braddish said.

"This was a fantastic gesture and it was delicious.'

SOURCE: Social media, 26 Dec 2018 Richard Braddish, **Umina SLSC** 

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## **Sport**



The Woy Woy RLFC Circle Social Golf Club Life Members enjoying their 2018 presentation day lunch

# Social golf club makes presentations

The Woy Woy RLFC Circle Social Golf Club held its annual presentation lunch on December 15.

The lunch was attended by all players and their wives at the Ocean Beach Surf Club.

Life membership was awarded to Mr Ralph Casey who had been a long time player, supporter and benefactor of the club.

"It was a delight to see this

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honour awarded to Ralph for his years of continued support of the lads in the club," said club captain Mr Mark Smith.

The presentation was attended by five current life members: Mr Mick Dalton, Mr Allen Hartley, Mr Denis Faulkner, Mr Lincoln George, and Mr Brian Smythe.

Mr Smith said the club's annual meeting saw long-serving president Mr Dave Carr and

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handicapper and scorer Mr Dave Edwards step aside.

"Allen Hartley was voted in as president and Brian Smythe as handicapper and scorer.

"Troy Walsh was voted in as assistant handicapper and scorer," Mr Smith said.

Mr Lance Roberson, Mr Wayne Kidd and Mr Smith were all returned to their committee positions of treasurer, secretary and captain respectively.

"The club is in a strong position and has around 40 members and with the continued financial support from Woy Woy Rugby League Football Club, has a full calendar ahead for 2019, with games at Everglades Country Club fortnightly and day trips to Wyong, Koohindah and Turramurra.

"The Easter Cup held at the Springs, the Christmas Cup at Koohindah and the Three Club Challenge at Palm Beach are other feature events we're looking forward to," Mr Smith said.

SOURCE: Media release, 18 Dec 2018 Mark Smith, Woy Woy RLFC Circle Social Golf Club Surf club scatters ashes of former member

Killcare Surf Life Saving Club has scattered the ashes of one of its most active former members, Mr Alan Cameron.

"The boaties committed the ashes of Alan Cameron to the ocean at 6:30pm on Wednesday, January 2, in a style befitting one of the club's proudest rowers," said club president Mr Peter Bagnall.

"Brother of life member Lex Cameron and uncle of another life member Bryce Cameron, Alan was one of the club's most distinguished rowers and sweeps, enjoying plenty of time on the podium through the 1950s and 60s," Mr Bagnall said.

SOURCE: Newsletter, 4 Jan 2019 Peter Bagnall, Killcare SLSC

# Waterview bowling carnival

Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club held its Waterview Carnival on December 3.

"There was 22 teams with players coming from as far away as England, Reversby, and Marks Point as well as teams from Ettalong, Avoca, Everglades, Umina, Wyong RSL, Breakers, and Gosford City Clubs," said club president Ms Gaye Scarfe.

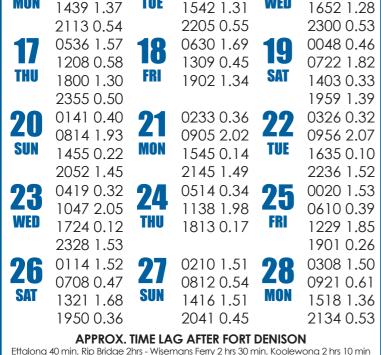
The competition consisted of two games, with the first game comprised of 11 ends and the second 10 ends.

Scoring was by number of wins, ends and then the total margins if required

First place was won by the team skipped by Gail Payne with two wins, 15 ends and a margin of 21.

"The prizes were presented by our patron Mr Paul Tonkin," Ms Payne said.

> SOURCE: Media release, 5 Dec 2018 Gaye Scarfe, Woy Woy Women's Bowling Club



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## Sport

## Woy Woy player named Star of 2019

NSW Rugby League has named Woy Woy Roosters player Bradman Best one of its 19 Stars of 2019.

At just 17, Best was named as one of the 19 up and coming stars of the sport with his coach. Mr Mark O'Meley claiming it was only a matter of time before Best debutted in the NRL.

"I reckon he would of have played NRL by now if he was 18," O'Meley said.

"I think he'll get a taste this year. ""He's ready to go that kid.

"It's just his age and rules

and restrictions at the moment," O'Meley said.

Best is contracted to the Newcastle Knights until the end of 2021 and is so highly thought of that he has already been invited to train with the first grade squad.

A centre with size and strength beyond his years. Best has already managed to post one Origin moment, scoring a memorable try to secure victory for the under-16s in the 2017 series.

SOURCE: Media release, 22 Dec 2018 Stuart Honeysett, NSW Rugby League



## Jemma Smith named in State life saving team

Umina's Jemma Smith has been named in the Surf Life Saving NSW Interstate Team.

Jemma is representative from the Central Coast to make the 24-member team which will compete at the Interstate Championships in Newport on January 24.

"NSW is looking to retain the Interstate trophy for yet another year with a strong team of experienced and emerging athletes, some of who are shaping up to be the best new talent in surf sports," said NSW surf sports development coordinator Chiara Nowland.

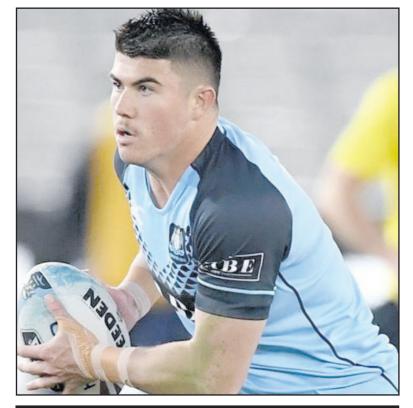
"The depth of talent in the squad is impressive.

"Many selected athletes have just returned from their Australian campaign at the World Lifesaving Championships in Adelaide with reputable results under their belt.

"Selectors are confident they have chosen a team with the quality to maintain Interstate Champion Status into 2019," she said.

Jemma will be competing for the state in the Open team.

> Media release, 19 Dec 2018 Chiara Nowland, SLS NSW



## Membership milestone

Umina Beach Surf Life Saving Club capped off 2018 by achieving a membership milestone.

The club's membership officially

grew to over 1000 in December. As of December 7, the club had a membership of 1004.

SOURCE: Social media, 7 Dec 2018 Richard Braddish, Umina SLSC

## Lachlan is finalist for gymnastics awards

Umina PCYC gymnastics coach Lachlan Tolhurst is a finalist in the Gymnastics NSW 2018 Awards.

Tolhurst is a finalist for the Young Leader of the Year Award.

Lachlan was a member of PCYC's gymnastics program throughout 2018, juggling his HSC studies with his role as an accredited intermediate trampolining and tumbling coach as well as, a recreational gymnastics coach.

Lachlan was also a part of the Free G program at Umina PCYC which combines elements of gymnastics with parkour.

In the lead up to the World Boxing Championships, Lachlan also created and led a special



gymnastics class for Umina PCYC boxers competing in the event.

He was also the recipient of a 2018 Central Coast Sport Awards Young Official Award.

The NSW Gymnastics NSW Awards will be held in February.

> SOURCE: Social media, 12 Dec 2018 Matt Cooper, Umina PCYC





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