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Mayor Ryan Palmer with recipients of the 2019 Port Stephens Mayoral Academic Scholarships.

Academic Scholarship Awarded

SIXTEEN local students have each been given a \$2,000 head start to help with their studies at last night's Port Stephens Mayoral Academic Scholarship ceremony. The scholarships are proudly supported by Port Stephens Council and funded by local businesses. This year, 13 businesses generously donated \$32,000 collectively to help local students realise their potential. Ampcontrol, Destination Port Stephens, Hunter Land, Hunter Readymixed Concrete, McDonald Jones Homes, Newcastle Airport, Raymond Terrace Bowling Club, Salamander Bay Recycling, Soldiers Point Bowling Club, SUEZ Resource Recovery Centre, The Wests Groups, Tomago Aluminium

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Fish Farm Ends

By Margie TIERNEY THE controversial Yellowtail off Port Stephens has ended, schedule. the NSW Government and
Fish Farm trial in the waters more than two years ahead of The joint venture, between Huon Aquaculture, to breed

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Port students get head start with \$32,000 of scholarships awarded

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and Weathertex all contributed to the 2019 program.

Port Stephens Mayor Ryan Palmer says the program highlights the capability and dedication of local students.

"Whether it's a year's worth of textbooks, a laptop, or help with accommodation, this contribution goes a long way to support local students and encourage life-long learning," Mayor Palmer said.

"This year, our scholarships will help students studying everything from Mechatronics and Engineering to Pacific Studies and Music.

"The strength of the applications we received absolutely blew me away. Our young people in Port Stephens are committed not just to their own development, but are also interested in giving back to our community through their professional choices.

"It's wonderful to see so many bright and determined Port Stephens students benefit from the generosity of our local businesses.

"By investing in these scholarships, our businesses make a big difference in the lives of young people setting out on the next stage of their academic journey.

"I want to thank all of our local businesses who have invested in the Mayoral Academic Scholarship Program — some for many years — for their generosity. Without them, we wouldn't be able to support the aspirations of our young people in this way."

To submit an expression of interest in sponsoring a scholarship in the 2019 program, email ed@portstephens.nsw.gov.au.

2019 Mayoral Academic Scholarship recipients

- **Georgia Sulis** — SUEZ Resource Recovery Centre Scholarship | Bachelor of Science at University of Newcastle.
- **Amelia Owens** — Salamander Bay Recycling Scholarship | Bachelor of Biomedical Science at University of Newcastle.
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- **Danielle Lewis** — The Wests Group Scholarship | Bachelor of Laws (Honours) Combined at University of Newcastle.
- **Joshua Freeman** — The Wests Group Scholarship | Bachelor of Music/Bachelor of Arts at University of NSW.
- **Ashleigh Pearson** — Raymond Terrace Bowling Club Scholarship | Bachelor of Education (K-6 Teaching) at University of New England.
- **Russell Hamlyn-Harris** — Newcastle Airport Scholarship | Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Commerce at Macquarie University.
- **Rebecca Petterson** — Weathertex Scholarship | Bachelor of Applied Science (Diagnostic Radiography) at University of Sydney.
- **Mitchell Evans** — Soldiers Point Bowling Club Scholarship | Bachelor of Education (Primary) at University of Newcastle.
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Fish farm trial ends off Port Stephens

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Yellowtail Kingfish in pens was scheduled to run for five years.

12 months ago, two sea cages were damaged in heavy seas, one pen losing an estimated 20 thousand fish.

A spokesperson for Huon Aquaculture told News Of The Area, "The trial allowed us to test the marine infrastructure at one of the most exposed aquaculture sites in the world."

"Overall, we have shown that if the pens are maintained properly, they can withstand extremely

high-energy conditions."

Following the 2018 incident there were claims that the pens had been poorly maintained allowing barnacles to form on the pens.

This week Huon said, "As a result of the trial, some minor modifications have been made to the pen and netting design that will further improve the performance of the pens."

"The whole point of a trial is to learn and we are confident that if the pens are cleaned and maintained appropriately they are up for the job."

As for the fish which escaped, "We recovered thousands of escaped

Kingfish which were put back into another pen and harvested shortly thereafter."

The Huon spokesperson added, "We received very positive feedback on the quality and taste of the fish which is one of the reasons why we remain optimistic about the future of kingfish farming."

Huon Aquaculture retains a commercial 62 hectare lease near the Port Stephens trial site but does not plan to farm it in

the foreseeable future.

"We are exploring possible farming sites elsewhere in New South Wales."

Huon CEO Peter Bender said, "We'd ultimately like to have Kingfish farming sites on both the East and West Coasts of Australia so that we can supply locally-grown Kingfish to the domestic and export markets, as well as locals."



PORT STEPHENS MARINE PARK: Yellowtail Kingfish Pens.

Proposal Deferred for Medical Centre

By Kelly MAY

THE Port Stephens Council meeting, held on Tuesday 12 February, was well attended by community members.

Many were in attendance to voice their concerns regarding the proposed Bower Estate Medical Centre.

The Development Application seeks approval for a Medical Centre to be built at 103 Boundary Road, however, it has been met with great opposition from local residents and Councillors alike.

Councillor Giacomo Arnott, had a number questions for development services regarding legal liability.

Cr Arnott said, "This proposal is really just another puzzling part of Medowies expansion."

With two proposed stages of development for the medical centre, the first would include alterations and expansion of 6.1m2 to existing dwelling.

It would also include a car park, driveway, stormwater and landscaping works.

The second stage would see a further 49.7m2 extension to the existing dwelling.

The Centre is expected to include five consult rooms, two bed nurse treatment station and a minor operations room.

In addition to the three full time general practitioners, the centre proposal anticipates the inclusion of on site pathology, psychology and podiatry services.

Councillor John Nell moved to defer the proposal until the following meeting saying, "Our LEP has been overridden by State Planning Policy and that is basically the bottom line."

"We need to give ourselves at least a chance of defending [our decision] in the court."

Cr Nell's motion to defer was supported by all colleagues in attendance.

Deputy Mayor Sarah Smith said, "I support the deferral in the interest of gaining more information on both sides and reaching an outcome."

Councillor Chris Doohan made his position clear stating, "I'm all for another medical centre, but there is commercial land available in the town centre."

"Let's use this two weeks to make the right choice."

The next council meeting will be held on Tuesday 11 March.

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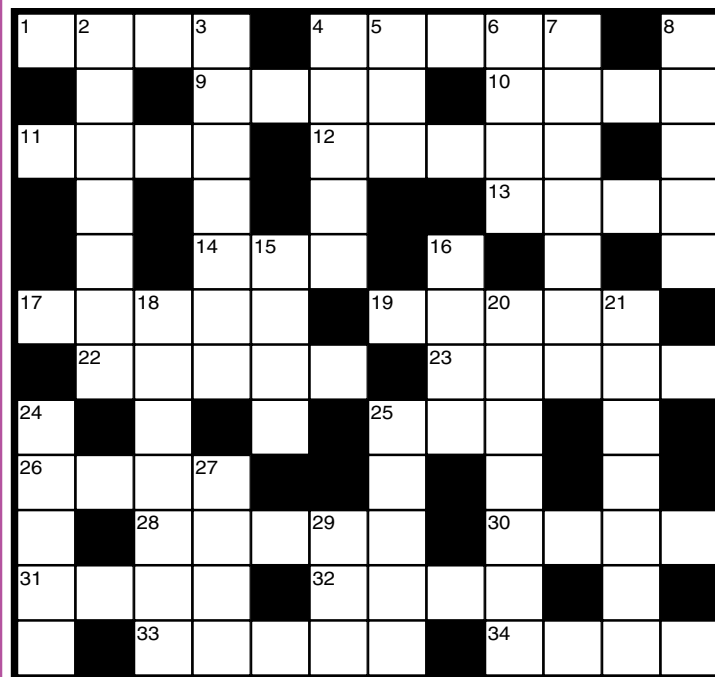
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Clontarf Foundation is here

By Kelly MAY

THE Clontarf Foundation has arrived in the Hunter Region and Irrawang High School is thrilled to have the program in their school.

The Foundation exists to improve the education, discipline, life skills, self-esteem and employment prospects of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and by doing so equips them to participate meaningfully in society.

There are many aspects to the program, which is essentially designed to encourage young ATSI men to complete their schooling to Year 12.

Students will attend morning training twice weekly, participating in a wide variety of sports.

There will also be attendance based excursions and employment visits.

Heading the program at our school is Director John Wade assisted by Operations Officer Luke Walsh.

Mr Wade said, "We are honoured to be part of the Irrawang High School community and eager to get the program established with the boys."

Irrawang High Deputy Principal Mr Trent Colley commented "We are extremely excited to have the Clontarf Program here at Irrawang High School."

"The outcomes for Aboriginal students across Australia speak for themselves as it enhances educational experiences at school, and most importantly equips them with skills beyond school."

On Thursday 14 February the students weren't the only ones sharing the love.

Bunnings once again showing their generosity as

the national sponsor for the Clontarf Foundation.

Giving the designated demountable for the program at Irrawang High School a much needed makeover to create a welcoming environment for all the ATSI young men.

Mr Colley went on to say, "We see the Clontarf Program led by John and Luke working in partnership with our Ngarralbaa Aboriginal Education Team and the Youyong AECG, to build sustainable relationships with our community to provide our students a platform to reach their maximum potential".

Mr Wade encourages any the parents, carers and families wanting for information about the program to contact him at school on 4987 4687, or through the Clontarf website <http://www.clontarf.org.au/>



□ The Clontarf Foundation national sponsors giving the program space a much needed makeover.

Outdoor Gallery

By Marian SAMPSON

THE Bay is getting a makeover with murals celebrating our lifestyle, fauna and floral enhancing our public spaces.

The latest addition to the collection of Combi's Whales, Rosella's and Koalas are a stunning black cockatoo,

echidna, and banksias.

There's now a veritable outdoor art gallery in and around the bay, with sculptures at Vantage Estate, Soldiers Point Marina, on the Nelson Bay Foreshore.

But there's more to come. Currently three artists Rhys Fabris, Nickolas Stuart

and Jordan Hocking are adding new life into one alleyway in the Nelson Bay CBD and they have their sights set on the building which sits on the western side of the new Yacaaba Street extension.

The project has seen the community come together

through a go fund me page to raise funds for materials and the Salamander Bay Recycling Centre has also been assisting the artists with the project.

The Tomaree Business Chamber have already been discussing the artists working at other sites within the Nelson Bay CBD.

Artist Rhys Fabris told News Of The Area, "We will be creating a mini library

within the alcove under the stairs where people can pick up and drop off books."

The project still has hurdles to overcome with the artists needing at least \$250 funds to hire a cherry picker for at least a day to complete some areas of the artwork.

You can check out the murals that have been popping up around the bay at Ingenia's Holiday Parks at Soldiers Point and One Mile

Beach, inside bus shelters on Salamander Way and Soldiers Point Road, in the main street of the Anna Bay CBD and on the amenities block at Cultural Close at Nelson Bay.

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PORT Stephens Council's Special Rate Variation (SRV) has now been submitted to Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART), New South Wales. It is one of 13 Councils across NSW that have applied for an SRV.

This is the formal process to seek approval for a Local Government Area-wide rate rise for base land rates.

Other charges associated with rates notices such as annual waste charges are not included in the SRV.

The purpose of IPART is to provide "independent regulatory decisions and advice to protect the ongoing interests of the consumers, taxpayers and citizens of NSW."

For residents who are interested in making a submission to IPART, you can first view the Council's Investing In Our Community information at: <http://www.portstephens.nsw.gov.au/your-council/about-council/public-exhibition/investing-in-our-community>

The Notification of Intent sent to IPART by General Manager Mr Wayne Wallis

states the purpose of the income that will be derived from the SRV, "Is to provide additional funds for a range of infrastructure projects including town centre and neighbourhood revitalisation, new and improved infrastructure such as roads, paths and cycle ways."

"It also includes additional asset maintenance, enhanced community facilities and services to meet community expectations as outlined in our Community Strategic Plan."

Councillor Mr Giacomo Arnott told News Of The Area, "If anyone would like to provide comment on the rate increase to the independent tribunal, I encourage them to visit www.ipart.nsw.gov.au"

"I am assured every submission is taken seriously."

"There is also a 'form' submission available on Facebook that people can submit."

"IPART has said that these sorts of submissions are counted on an individual basis and are as valid as writing your own."

Cr Arnott said, "This is our last opportunity to stop this excessive, unnecessary rate rise."

"Make your submission now, and definitely prior to 11 March,

when submissions close."

A statement on the Port Stephens Council's website, promoting the benefits of an SRV reads, "Port Stephens Council is facing increased pressure to provide enhanced services and facilities to meet the high standards our community expects, and to continue to invest in our local area."

Mr Bill Doran, an independent candidate standing for the seat of Port Stephens in the upcoming State election told News Of The Area in an interview, "The decision by those councillors to move against their supporters and community by applying for the SRV identifies a group of people who have never found themselves in true dire straits."

Both major party candidates, current ALP sitting member Ms Kate Washington and the Liberal candidate Ms Jaimie Abbott have both previously indicated their opposition to an SRV.

Comment was sought from Mayor, Mr Ryan Palmer but none was forthcoming prior to going to print.

The News Of The Area's online poll in no way substitutes making your formal submission to IPART, one way or the other.

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A mixed bag

By Geoff WALKER

IT'S been something of a mixed bag recently around the foreshores and in the waters of Tiligerry.

Sadly, there has been a steady decline of migrant birds which forage in the tidal zone and the mud-flats. This has been evident for many years and there is a reason for this.

Sandpipers, tattlers, snipe, curlews and godwits are just some of the avian visitors which escape the northern winter to visit our shores to bulk up during the summer months.

They then fly north to countries such as Japan, Russia and North America. Along the

way they 'refuel' at similar sites in Asia but here lies the problem. Many of these stop-off beaches and salt marshes have disappeared as the waterfront sites have been backfilled to build tourist resorts. Put simply, a lot of the birds die from



A lone migrant wader looking for food at Tanilba Bay.

starvation.

On a brighter note, local anglers are doing very well despite the lack of a big 'fresh' flushing the crabs and fish out the estuarine backwaters and creeks into the saltier waters of the Port.

Look at the photo. This was sent in by a local recreational fisherman. He normally cleans up big time on mud crabs but with the

blue swimmers making a run, he set his pots around North Arm Cove. He then flicked a baited line in and around the oyster racks on the incoming tide. Here he nailed an extra large long Tom (which he released) and a very big Flathead (which busted him up). He also caught Bream and another lizard. Returning to his traps he ended the day with a respectable haul of blue swimmers.

Easter is the prime time for fishing in local waters. Perhaps it's time to dust off the fishing gear, check the outboard and get ready for some action.



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Classic Sudoku 123

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A pianist for Valentine's day

By Jamie McDONALD

ROMANCE was certainly in the air at Marketplace Raymond Terrace on Valentine's Day.

Shops were abuzz selling last minute gifts to local lovers, the food court aromas delighted the nose, and local pianist Alex Hall was present to provide a musical accompaniment to the afternoon.

"I'm excited to be playing here," Alex told News of the Area.

"I'm looking forward to playing here more in the future."

From 4:20pm on Thursday shoppers were fortunate enough to enjoy this free entertainment which included classical pieces all the way through to more contemporary tunes such as Let It Be from the Beatles.

Smartly dressed in black, Alex commanded a prime position in the shopping centre.

While Alex admires the skills of industry giants like Freddie Mercury, Billy Joel, and Elton John he regards his music teacher Ammiel Warner from Xpression

Music in Medowie as his musical hero.

The skill Alex displayed on the keyboard is a testament to the talent of his teacher as well as his own dedication to his craft.

Alex Hall is a shining example of talented young people we have right here in our local area.

For information on when Alex will be performing again contact centre management at Marketplace Raymond Terrace on 4987 7799.

Keep up to date of all upcoming events through the centre website www.marketplacerraymondterrace.com.au.



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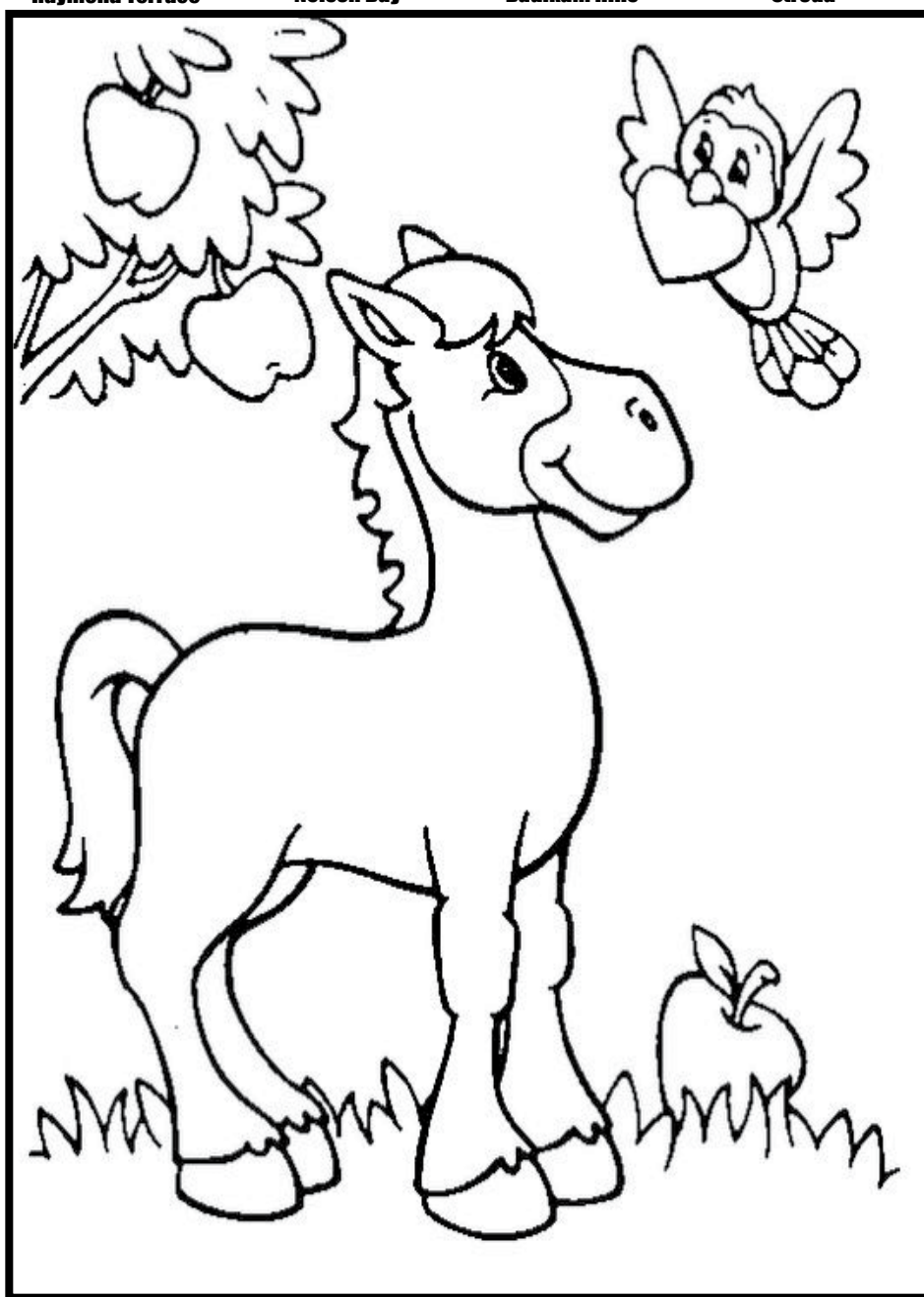
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TAFE Tousel

By Marian SAMPSON

INVESTMENT has been a driver for the NSW Liberal Party while campaigning in Port Stephens, this week they announced the funding of a TAFE Campus within the Nelson Bay CBD if they are re-elected in the upcoming 23 March election.

A wide range of projects have been funded from the Koala Hospital and Nelson Bay Road, to equipment for Tomaree Community Hospital and Surf Life Saving Clubs and Solar Power for Raymond Terraces Men's Shed.

The Premier Gladys Berejiklian made the announcement with Liberal Candidate for Port Stephens Jaimie Abbott, Port Stephens Mayor Ryan Palmer and local employer Amanda Boone of Arteke Salon Collective in Apex Park at Nelson Bay.

The facility would deliver

education and a much needed boost to the Nelson Bay town centre economy.

Amanda's business currently employs four apprentices all of whom travel to TAFE at Tighes Hill a two hour return journey from the Bay for every day which they study.

During the announcement the Premier acknowledged the barriers distance makes in accessing education and to young people completing apprenticeships.

The NSW government has allocated \$7 million dollars to the project.

Amanda Boone told News Of The Area, "The CBD of the Bay has a real VIBE developing, for the apprentices within Arteke Salon Collective, the benefit of a TAFE offering industry driven courses in the CBD, and reducing the travel to their training courses will be



☐ Kate Washington Member for Port Stephens.

huge." Liberal Candidate Jaimie Abbott said, "This announcement is an absolute game-changer for the people of Nelson Bay as they will be able to study a broad range of courses at TAFE locally, improving their ability to get the education they need to get a job and get ahead."

Mayor Ryan Palmer said that there were multiple sites in the CBD being considered for the Campus, one of which is the Donald Street East carpark.

Kate Washington Member for Port Stephens said, "The



☐ Amanda Boone and the team at Arteke Salon Collective with Liberal Candidate for Port Stephens Jaimie Abbott with NSW premier Gladys Berejiklian. Photo by Marian Sampson.

Liberals have spent eight years making TAFE unaffordable and inaccessible for young people in Port Stephens."

"The Tomaree Education Centre was purpose built to include a primary school, a secondary school and TAFE."

"Those facilities are still

there, but this Government has refused to provide adequate resources to run the TAFE courses we need," Ms Washington said.

"The facility has been totally under-utilised," she said.

Tomaree Business

Chamber President Leah Anderson said, "A TAFE in Nelson Bays' CBD will not only be an outstanding Education Asset for the Tomaree Peninsula but will provide a much-needed Economic boost to the Nelson Bay Town Centre."

Disabilities Catered

AS funds become available, Port Stephens Shire Council is making access to public transport and assets it manages more 'people friendly', particularly for the disabled.

This can be seen with the installation of a ramp in front of the heritage listed "Summer House" in Caswell Crescent Tanilba Bay.

The structure doubles



☐ 'The Summer House' after renovations.



☐ The disabled friendly Chair.

up as a bus shelter and an elevated concrete ramp now makes boarding and alighting from busses much easier for the elderly and infirm.

Currently, a new bus shelter and disability friendly access path are being constructed at the main bus pick-up point at the junction of Meredith and Cook in Lemon Tree Passage.

The roll-out of these facilities is entirely dependent on annual Grants received from the NSW State Government. The works in progress at the moment total some 73 bus stops shire wide at a cost of \$130,000.

A series of disability car spaces has been allotted to the heated Doreen Bradley Pool at Mallabula.

Each of these spaces occupies two full parking sections for side wheelchair loading. The Aquatic Centre also has a special chair in which disabled patrons can be lowered into the water for exercise and therapy.

The solar heated pool is very popular with local physiotherapists and their clients for individual or group sessions.

Hays withdraws appeal

APPEARING at Newcastle District Court last week, Ms Jackie Hays was seeking to appeal the sentence handed down in August, 2018 relating to grooming a teenage boy for sex.

Originally caught as a result of Strike Force Minnamorra established in June 2017 to investigate the allegations, Ms Hays was found guilty of charges.

She received a 12-month suspended jail term sentence after pleading guilty to grooming the boy, 15.

Ms Hays, in her early 50s, was back in court this week to appeal the judgement.

In the original case, her legal team had claimed Ms Hays suffered from a borderline personality disorder.

Ms Hays herself had laid claim that a weight-loss drug she had taken had partially led to her crime.

The presiding Magistrate had rejected Ms Hays' application to have her case dealt with under the Mental Health Act.

It is on this basis she had intended to appeal the sentence.

However, in an intense about-turn, Ms Hays dropped her appeal.

Newcastle District Court Judge Julia Baly warned Ms Hays that if she continued with her planned appeal it was possible the suspended jail-term sentence could in fact increase.

The initial case, if it had been dealt with at the District Court, had a potential sentence of up to ten years jail for Ms Hays' crime.

Judge Baly reportedly said, "I have read the material, I have read the Crown's bundle and I have read the victim impact statement from the young victim and your letter to the

court."

"I am going to give you a warning because this is very serious offending and there are two very significant aggravating factors that make it even worse."

"It was egregious and a gross abuse of trust as a teacher [aide], and secondly the harm done to this young man was substantial."

"The warning I am giving you is this; if you proceed with your appeal I may well increase your sentence because in my view the penalty handed down was light, given the nature of what you did."

"You were lucky to get what you did, which was a suspended sentence for 12 months."

"If you were to proceed with your appeal, from what I know so far I may increase your sentence."

"I am giving you the opportunity to withdraw from your appeal."

From here, Ms Hays withdrew her appeal.



☐ Jackie Hays (Facebook).

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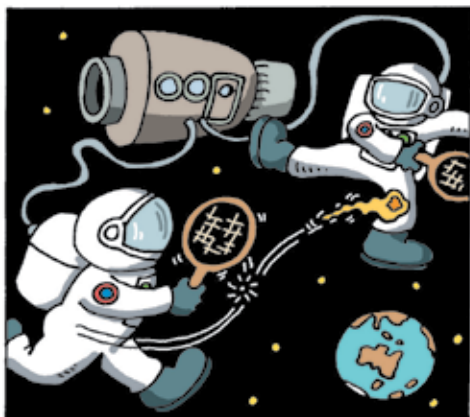


January Winner Robyn Loomes Anna Bay

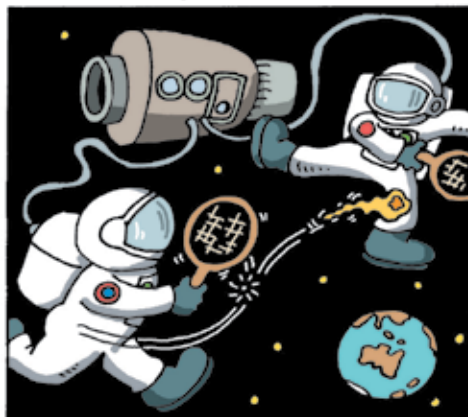
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Puzzle Play 063

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE



Can you spot five differences in picture B?



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Gold and Silver Haul

By Margie TIERNEY

YOUNG sports star, Keira McGregor will be heading down the highway to Sydney again this coming weekend for the NSW Athletics State Junior Championships at Olympic Park.

It follows another haul of medals for the 12 year old Medowie Christian School student at the recent Little Athletics Regionals at Glendale.

Keira's tally for the weekend, three gold and two silver.

Her proud dad John McGregor said, "Keira won the 100m in record time as well as winning gold in the 200m and the long jump."

The two silver, came in the triple jump and relay.

"The Triple was gained in one single jump out of six allowed, as she left to prepare for the 200m final," John said.

For anyone not familiar with the schedules of athletics competitions it can be confusing with two major Athletics competitions vying for bragging rights.

Keira's success at the Little Athletics Regionals will see her head to the Little Athletics New South Wales State Championships in Sydney in March to compete in all four of her personal best events.

This weekend however it's the NSW Athletics State championships, we wish her well.



□ CENTRE: Keira McGregor.



□ LITTLE ATHLETICS REGIONALS: Keira McGregor wins 3 gold and 2 silver.

Win \$30



January Winner
Mrs G Knott,
Raymond Terrace

PUZZLE #3

Explorawords

Can you find the hidden meaning in the picture puzzles below?

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Lobby for a complete investigation

OPINION

Dear News Of The Area,

IT was with great interest that I read Mr Kennett's letter published on 14 Feb 2019.

As an Independent

candidate for the seat of Port Stephens in the March State Election I am a little concerned over the subject matter. If it is true and can be proven there is something terribly unsettling in the Department of Planning and Environment.

If elected I would

have this compulsory buy back made under a "No Win, No Loss" basis, for either part. Anything more would be seen as purer greed and social indifference on the part of the developers and the Department of Planning and Environment.

Should this go ahead

as it current is suggested, one of my first acts would be to lobby for a complete investigation into the original sale of the Mambo Wetlands by the Department of Education including the actions of the Department of Planning and Environment and potential inappropriate

exercising its powers when dealing with the expenditure of public money's.

On the up side of Grants letter, at least we now know where the council learnt the skill of ignoring the fact and going against community sentiment comes from.

**Bill Doran,
Independent Candidate
for Port Stephens**

Karuah Major Singles BOWLS

By Trevor DAVIES

IF Championship Fours brings out the 'Gorillas', then the Major Singles brings out the 'Purists'. The first 10 players to go through to the second round won out in the games held on the Karuah green this last weekend.

Max Rosser, Senior Selector and Games Secretary said, "In some absolutely cracking games, some of the best lawn bowls you would ever see we're on display, particularly on Saturday afternoon."

Jim Western beat Rusty Moran and Brenden Revell came out in front of Fred Ycas.



□ Those who stand and wait: Trevor Barclay, Trevor Davies, William Moncrieff and Gary Allerton.

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In a replay of one of last year's best games, George Brown again took on Greg Pearson, this year Greg reversed the result with George coming a very close second.

Gordon Latimore and Dennis Ashbridge played the game of the round, with Dennis getting away to a strong lead, but Gordon coming back in the last 3 ends clinching the win at the very last.

The big verandah crowd cheered and thrilled on the edge of their seats as the lead changed, jacks were moved and chalk supplies were exhausted.

With apologies to Milton, and I mean the famous English poet not the NDBA umpire coach "they also serve who stand and wait" and Saturday afternoon also saw 4 of the club's best officials waiting, standing and marking the games. These men got the best views of these classic clashes.

Peter Fidden, RSL Club President and 'closet bowler' said, "There is no hiding in a game of singles, it's you against the other player - best bowler wins."

The bowling year is hotting up, come witness the best bowls in the district.

Swim Records Smashed

By Marian SAMPSON

TOMAREE High School students had two days of fantastic action at the swimming carnival where they enjoyed and excelled in both the competitive and novelty events.

The two day carnival was a departure from separate events for boys and girls with all students participating in the mixed event, which has worked well.

Team Yacaaba won the overall point score for the second year in a row, doubling the score of the nearest rival being Stephens followed by Tomaree and Nelson.

The age champions were 12 years: Campbell Stewart and Ebony Nix; 13 years: Jake Herdegen and Aneka Sargeant; 14 years: Aiden Tyacke and Charlie Webb; 15 years: Brady Stewart and Claudia Samoilenko; 16 years: Angus Tonks and Logan Stewart; 17+ years: Ben Anderson and Emily Kenny.

There were an incredible 12 records broken at the carnival.

Ebony Nix broke 8 individual records, some by over 20 seconds, one of which had stood since 1988.

Aiden Tyacke broke one, Logan Stewart two and the Yacaaba 17+



□ Seth Beckington and Logan Fisher enjoying the water slide. Photo by Marian Sampson.



□ Ebony Nix who broke 8 school records at the carnival. Photo by Marian Sampson.



□ Tatum Hunt with Mark Landa being sunsmart at the Tomaree High School Swimming Carnival. Photo by Marian Sampson.

4 x 50m girls relay also broke the previous record. Toby Fraser won fame and the Belly Flop event followed by Dylan Lawrence and once again the teachers beat the house leaders in the relay.

Tomaree High School's Jim

Papworth told News Of The Area, "The kids have been fantastically behaved and there have been some great swims."

The school is expecting Ebony Nix to be among the students that will compete at the Regionals.

Radio Club Upgrade

PORT Stephens Amateur Radio Club Inc has marked its 12th anniversary with an upgrade of its transmission capabilities.

Club president Richard (VK2FRKO) said that a 70cm repeater recently installed on the telco tower on top of Gan Gan Lookout has vastly improved the quality and breadth of the Club's footprint.

"Our Club is a great way to make friends and talk to others over the airwaves,"

he said.

"We are some 25 strong and meet at the Marine Rescue Base station in Lemon Tree Passage on the first Sunday of the month," he added.

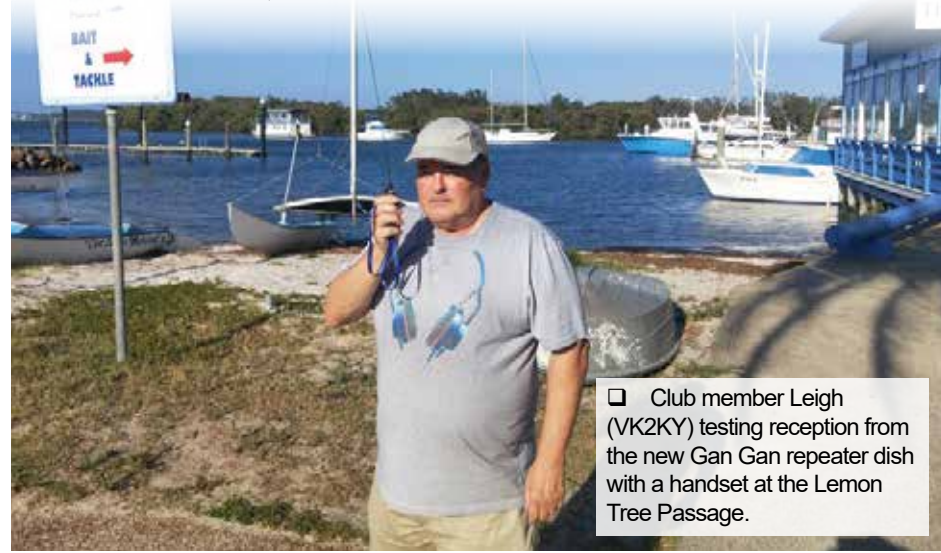
"Our Club has competitions involving other Clubs where points are awarded for the most 'ham' radio enthusiasts contacted over a set period of time," he said.

"Around 100 points accrued over a six hour time

limit are needed to win."

At times, with favourable climatic conditions, members have spoken to others as far afield as Russia, Canada and Asia.

Interested? Punch in the club's name on your search engine for all the details. It costs around \$400 for a licence and another \$300 for a reasonable home transmission set and aerial.



□ Club member Leigh (VK2KY) testing reception from the new Gan Gan repeater dish with a handset at the Lemon Tree Passage.

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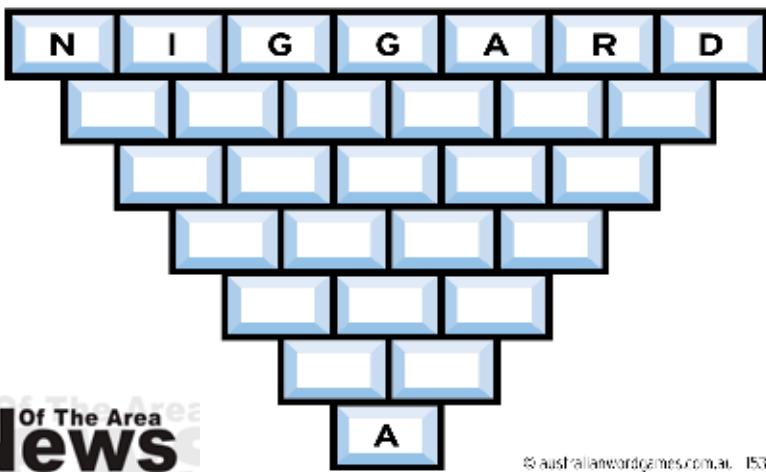
PUZZLE #4

January Winner
Helen Mizrahi, Tanilba Bay



Stepdowns

Starting with the seven-letter word, drop a letter, rearrange if needed to form a six-letter word. Continue in this manner until you reach the lone letter at the bottom. Your solution may differ from ours.



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By Denise HAYNES



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Dear Denise

I had my offer accepted but someone else purchased the property - isn't that gazumping?

GF Medowie

GAZUMPING occurs when a potential buyer makes an offer, the owner accepts the offer, but then also accepts an offer from another potential purchaser.

The other customer becomes the successful purchaser.

By law Real Estate Agents are obliged to put all offers forward to an owner regardless of whether or not there is already an offer accepted.

Therefore the owner may then accept someone else's offer. This offer may not be higher than yours, but they may have a better financial situation, ie cash buyers as opposed to having to obtain finance.

A purchase of a property is not secured until exchange of contracts is processed. That is that both the buyer and seller have each signed the contract of sale and the buyer has paid their deposit, usually 10%.

No compensation for costs incurred, such as pest and building or legal representatives, is required to be paid to the unsuccessful buyer.

I hope this helps.
Denise

Dorin's Draws

By Paul DORIN



Electricity for Thought

Dear News Of The Area,

WE are encouraged today to embrace the use of Electric Cars. The Grid cannot even cope with the current demand for domestic and commercial use, yet, the powers that be, insist that over the next 5 years we change over to electric cars.

I am no expert in power generation, but, the batteries in most electric cars have an 80kw capacity.

If one charges their car from flat, its duration of charge from a normal 240v power point, it will take about 12 hours and cost around \$4.

This charging rate is about 7kw/h or the equivalent having 4 electric jugs heating water all night.

If 3 phase power is available, then it would be fully charged in 4 hours. Most people would have to charge their car at night as during the day they would be at work.

Most of this electricity would have to come from sources other than Solar and Wind and place huge pressure on the grid.

Furthermore, it's obvious that off peak rates will not be available overnight.

If one is fortunate to have a 10kw Solar System and have the opportunity to charge during the day.

This system, will produce on average 20kw/day.

Take out normal usage (appliances on during day), say 15kw, then utilising the balance of 5kw, it will take 16 hours, or a couple of days, to charge from flat.

This is assuming that no power is drawn from the grid and one either does not work or works shiftwork.

Then we have the dilemma of the Federal Govt., in clawing back the lost revenue of the fuel tax currently around 40c/litre as well as the GST amounting to 15c/litre.

This loss will have to be made up by an alternative tax, possibly an environment tax.

John Alterator
Hawks Nest



with Jasminda
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Dear Jasminda,

I broke up with my girlfriend and she seems to be handling it really well. I wonder if I've made a terrible mistake.

Mr KO, Tea Gardens

GOODNESS me, Mr KO, I'm a bit confused about your question. That's not a problem, that's the perfect result. You wanted to break up for whatever reason (you don't give a reason, so I can't fully assess this one), but I imagine you said something pathetic like, 'It's not you, it's me.' What you seem to have wanted, after that below-the-belt blow, was for her to make changes to herself, or grovel on hands and knees, or go on long drives with her playlist of 'Stay' by Rhianna, Adele's 'Someone Like You' and No Doubt's 'Don't Speak' on a continuous loop, sobbing uncontrollably, wiping an unattractive smear of snot from her face, pulling into McDonald's for a large Quarter Pounder meal with a side of hash browns, and so on.

Instead, she's listened to your words and thought, you know what, you're right. It isn't me. She's now enjoying her newfound freedom, catching up with the friends she let go of, embarking on an exercise regime, and generally being strong, composed and in control. You should be ecstatic for her, Mr KO, instead of wallowing in the self-pity you obviously assumed she was going to suffer from for months so you could feel better about yourself.

Carpe diem,
Jasminda.

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The Ultimate P!NK Show

By Kelly MAY

PINK, arguably the most popular female artist in current times.

With her cheeky demeanor and hard hitting attitude, Pink has proven herself to have the goods to break records with album sales, radio air time and the highest number of ticket sales in an Australian tour.

The Ultimate P!NK show has reproduced the talents of Pink to bring you the No. 1 tribute to this amazing artist, live on stage.

Saturday 2 March from 7:pm Soldiers Point Bowling Club are bringing this outstanding show to Port Stephens.

With an eight piece live band, the Ultimate P!NK Show has reproduced the live sound of Pink, like no other.

Two guitars, keyboards, pumping bass, drums and two stunning backing singer/dancers, the band is second to none with their punch and live reproduction of Pink's music.

There are no sequences or backing tracks used in the live production of this tribute show.

Nikki, who plays the part of Pink, is easily mistaken for the real deal, with her unique look, powerful voice and mannerisms on stage closely matching the stars own.

Recently bursting onto the scene, The Ultimate P!NK Show has received



□ Nikki puts on the Ultimate P!NK Show.

accolades from many die hard Pink fans as being the most legitimate performance, in comparison to the original Pink.

"So much like the real thing! I've been to Pinks live concerts and The Ultimate P!NK Show recreated an excellent version of her performance at their live shows," said Lisa Blackman, No.1 P!NK fan

With great sounding audio production and dazzling effects and light show, this show certainly attracts and keeps the attention of patrons from the beginning to the end of the show.

Lee Rolfe at Plough Inn

LEE Rolfe has played in some of Newcastle's favourite bands and duos. Lee Rolfe has played duos such as: The Bad & The Ugly, Brothers Grim, Q.

This Friday 22 February you can catch him at Bulahdelah's Plough Inn.

For almost 20 years Lee has performed all over the east coast, from Cairns to Melbourne, in bands such as Spook, Cornstalk, Omega Red, Quaan AND

With a song list as long as your arm Lee can play any style and keep you entertained all night.

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□ Lee Rolfe.

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Tilligerry Social Golf Club

Results for 15/2/2019
 Outright winner: Bill Caswell. +4 c/b
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 Bonus points winner. Peter Kieran
 Runner up. Colin Marsden
 9 Ball winners.
 Daryl Caddy, Laurie Porter-Smith
 Kevin Lancaster, Adam Cowie
 Geoff Morphet, John Clayton
 Dave Jackson, Bob West, Graham Harris
 Bradman Award. John Woolley
 NTP4th.
 (A). Ron Dews. (B). Bob Miskell
 D&C7th.
 (A). Barry Disch. (B). Geoff Morphet
 D&C18th.
 (A). Adam Cowie. (B). Colin Marsden
 Money hole
 (A). Ron Dews. (B). Colin Marsden

Lucky number. 19. Alan Lloyd
 No ladies 9 hole competition this week.
 There were 27 starters today.
 Congratulations to all the winners.
 Next game 22nd February 2019.
 4ball AGG Stableford
 and our monthly BBQ.

Nelson Bay Golf Club

10th - 16th Feb, 2019
 Results Round Up:

SUNDAY February 10th:

Ladies Stableford: Div 1: Winner Colleen Beattie 36, Runner-Up Robyn Butler 32; Div 2: Winner Elizabeth Pfenningwerth c/b 34, Runner-Up Denise Ball 34. Men's Stableford: A Grade: Winner Wayne Jacobsen c/b 36, Runner-Up Steve Conrades 36; B Grade: Winner Martyn Jeggo 40, Runner-Up Peter Bowles 38; C Grade: Winner Dick Lewis c/b 36, Runner-Up Ian Pfenningwerth 36.

MONDAY February 11th:

VETS: Stableford: A Grade: Gordon Treble c/b 28, Runner-Up Keith Woodley 28; B Grade Winner Bill Harris c/b 25, Runner Up: Terry Gannon 25.

WEDNESDAY February 13TH:

Men's Stableford Course 1: A Grade: John Wade 39, Wayne Cleaver 38; B Grade: Garry Hall c/b 40, Keith Bryars 40; C Grade: Peter Schmalz c/b 39, Ron Gabb 39; Course 2: A Grade: Peter Metham 43, Leroy Gordon 39, B Grade: Phil Murry c/b 40, Trevor Plane 40, C Grade: Deryck James 42, John Geoghegan 40.

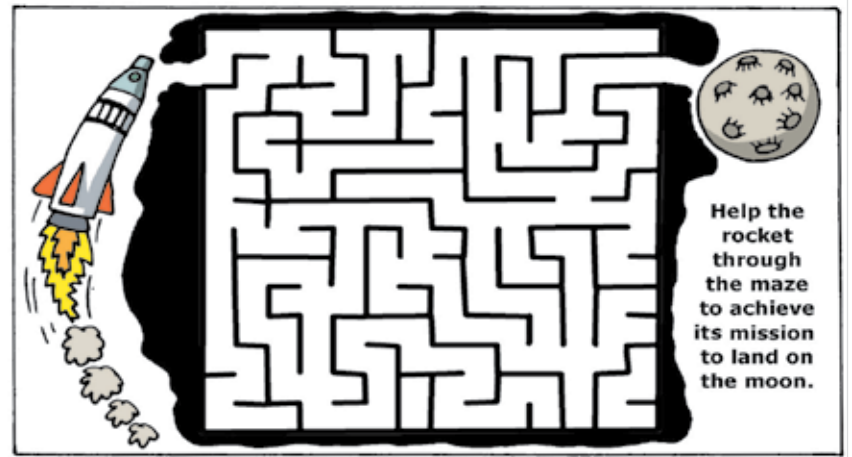
THURSDAY February 14th:

VETS: Winner: Jim Tims c/b 19; Runner up: Lars Tunell c/b 19

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January Winner
 Christine Ebben, Karuah

Ladies Stableford: Div 1: Marg Reimer 36, Liz Davis 36; Div 2: Tina Wasilewicz 34, Diane Croft 34.
 C Grade: Glen Arndell 41, Brian Diemar 40; Course 2: A Grade: John Wade 42, Mark Barden 37, B Grade: Bob Scott c/b 38 Leonard Woods 38, C Grade: Keith King 40, John Geoghegan 39.

FRIDAY February 15th:

Men's Stableford: A Grade: Robert Castle 39, Geoffrey Wardle 39; B GRADE: Craig Tucker 39, Eric Blow 39; C Grade: Terry Gannon 41, Bob
 Ladies Stableford: Div 1: Heather Atkins 33; DIV 2: Jean O'Reilly 36.

SATURDAY February 16th:

Men's Stableford: Course 1: A Grade: Allan Daubaras 42, Jim Ball 42; B Grade: Kyle McElwain 41, Richard Bates 40; C Grade: Simon Wilkinson 41, Bryan Smith 40. Course 2: A Grade: mark Barden 43, Brett Allman 42; B Grade: matt Gimbrill 42, Tony McGee 41; C Grade: Ryan pain 46, Terrence Long 42.

Sibling Runners

By Marian SAMPSON

RUNNING runs in the Hurdman family. Kel Hurdman won a gold medal in the U11 beach sprint relay at the 100yr anniversary Nippers Branch carnival held at Fingal Bay while his older sister Shari has been leading the field while she races toward the finish lines at Little Athletics. Shari Hurdman enjoyed success at the Regional Little Athletics Carnival taking out two golds and one silver medal at the event.

Her win in the 100m sprint with a time of 13.20sec was a personal best for Shari and just .07 away from the regional record.

Anja Hurdman told News Of The Area, "She finished the 200m final with a time of 27.80 sec, crossing the line with a significant lead due to her

powerful stride. "Her bonus medal was a Silver in long jump (4.19m) which is an event she doesn't particularly train for," she said.

With the upcoming Athletics NSW State competition, Shari has some intensive training to look forward to.

Shari undertakes hard work, requiring both commitment and motivation.

Her coach Bob Walkley mixes up her training routine to keep it interesting and fun.

Shari just started High School at Tomaree and is enjoying the new learning environment immensely. The hardest part is being ready for the bus by 7:30am. School, training and her active lifestyle requires all the sleep she can get.



Shari and Kel Hurdman celebrating their wins.

Horizons Golf Results

Wednesday stableford results
 Ladies winner Liz Cameron 34 from Ann Holecek 33 c/b
 Mens winner Graham Moore 42 from Eric Parish 37 c/b

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The below table show tidal variations at several locations. The time variation should be added to the corresponding Fort Denison time.

In view of the variations caused by local conditions and meteorological effects, these times are approximate and must be considered as a guide only.

They are not to be relied on for critical depth calculations for safe navigation. Actual times of High and Low Water may occur before or after the times indicated.

THU 14 Feb	FRI 15 Feb	SAT 16 Feb	SUN 17 Feb	MON 18 Feb	TUE 19 Feb	WED 20 Feb
4:06 am 1.49m	5:13 am 1.58m	6:16 am 1.7m	12:33 am 0.48m	1:32 am 0.41m	2:28 am 0.32m	3:22 am 0.26m
10:32 am 0.63m	11:52 am 0.54m	1:00 pm 0.42m	7:14 am 1.82m	8:09 am 1.93m	9:01 am 2m	9:52 am 2.02m
4:26 pm 1.2m	5:49 pm 1.22m	6:59 pm 1.29m	1:59 pm 0.29m	2:50 pm 0.17m	3:38 pm 0.08m	4:25 pm 0.04m
10:22 pm 0.56m	11:30 pm 0.54m		7:59 pm 1.37m	8:52 pm 1.45m	9:42 pm 1.52m	10:31 pm 1.57m

PORT STEPHENS (High)	(Low)
Nelson Bay 30 min	15 min
Salamander Bay 45 min	30 min
Soldiers Point 1 hr	45 min
Karuah (Karuah River) 1 hr 15min	45 min
Pindimar 45 min	45 min
Tea Gardens 1 hr	45 min

BROUGHTON IS.	nil	nil
CAPE HAWKE (High) <td>0 to 15 min</td> <td>(Low) NIL</td>	0 to 15 min	(Low) NIL
Forster	1 hr 50 min	2 hrs 10 min

MANNING RIVER (High)	(Low)
Based on bar at Harrington	
Harrington	NIL 15 to 30 min
Taree	2 hrs 2 hrs 45 min
Wingham	3 hrs 15 min 3 hrs 45 min

HUNTER RIVER (High)	(Low)
Newcastle	NIL
Hexham	1 hr 10 min 1 hr
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By Kelly MAY

☐ Gabriel at the Polding Cricket Trials.

MOVE over Pat Cummings - Gabriel Bose is hot on your heels.

Currently playing in the under 13's for Medowie Cricket Club, 11 year old Gabriel Bose has recently been selected into the Polding Boys Cricket team for NSW.

The selection includes attending the NSW PSSA Boys Cricket four day Championships in Wollongong in October this year.

Gabriel told News Of The Area, "Before attending the Polding Cricket trials I had

doubt and did not think I would make it through."

"Now my dream is to be an international cricket player for Australia."

Gabriel has played cricket in Medowie for the past three seasons.

With dad Ronen by his side as coach for the past two seasons, Gabriel has become a strong bowler.

During this season Gabriel was also selected into the Newcastle under 11 representative team.

This selection required exceptional commitment with regular travel to Sydney for games.

Gabriel's mother Noelani Bose told News Of The Area, "Gabriel is breathing cricket at the moment with all the training and games, but he would not change a thing!"

"He once told me, he wants to become the best bowler of his time."

Gabriel said, "When training gets tough I continue on because

it is something I love and a commitment I have made."

"I value my team and can not let them down."

Gabriel's sporting prowess does not end with cricket.

This young sports star is also passionate about AFL.

The 2019 season will be his fifth with Port Stephens Power AFL Club.

To add to his long list of achievements, Gabriel also made selection into the Sydney Swans Academy.

The academy's training has just begun for the season and requires fortnightly training sessions in Sydney.

Ms Bose told News Of The Area, "It is a big commitment for us all with AFL training intensifying, but one that we are more than happy make to see our boy doing something he loves."

It is fairly safe to say this will not be the last time you read the name Gabriel Bose in the headlines.

☐ Gabriel in action playing for Port Power.



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