

Primary entry #63: Wyong Creek Public School



Wyong Creek Croaker



BMX boys are eager for the park to open. Picture: Rosie King

BMX park to be rebuilt for San Remo

By DEEGAN, DANIEL and MAX

THE San Remo community likes riding bikes and they once had a stunt track, which in recent years hasn't been used.

Members of the community want a BMX track and have approached Wyong Shire Council about the development of one.

The group had their first meeting and 16 people came. The council has \$130,000 to build the BMX track.

The group had their second meeting where a BMX NSW representative gave information about the track size and other requirements.

The man from BMX NSW asked for lights and he is designing it for everyone.

The total land for the area is five hectares but the land for the track is only 1.3 hectares.

BMX Australia requires a 300 to 400-metre-long track with four straights and three turns.

The group are going to get the club started first and then build the track. San Remo BMX club now have a Facebook page: San Remo BMX and Skate Park Community. Once the club is created and the track is complete the club will be hosting regular events as well as interclub and regional championships.

*Thank you to Daniel York from Wyong Shire Council for coming to school to be interviewed for this.

By WHITNEY, MAKAYLAH, ACEAH, ALYSHA and PHOEBE

THERE is to be a new Arts and Performing Centre in Wyong. The new building is hoped to be used by the people in the Wyong Shire Council area and performers from around the world, to entertain the Wyong and broader community.

The new Arts and Performing Centre is coming together nicely. The Centre is developing as a ray of excitement throughout the Wyong community. The Art House located in Wyong opposite The Wyong RSL, is set to be opening for use in early 2016 possibly by Joshua Horner, a dancer and ambassador for The Art House.

The 500-seat auditorium and 130-seat studio is costing over \$12.7 million dollars and is hoped to be a great success. The Art House capital cost is consistent with other local government capital recreational and leisure projects such as sports fields and facilities. However, some debate is building on where the parking for this facility will be. There will be 21 parking spaces on site and some street parking for weekend and non-business hours events. As the Art House is located in the Wyong township, it will have good connections to public transport with easy access to the Pacific Highway and



An artist's impression of the new performing arts building. Pictures: courtesy of Wyong Shire Council/TZG Architects

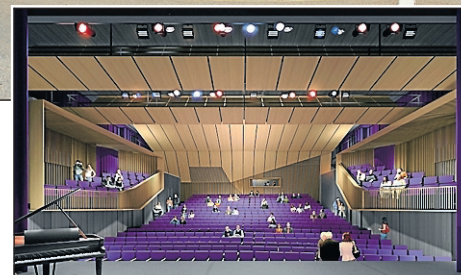
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With a main focus on performing arts and containing a contemporary arts space, the centre will also accommodate functions, exhibitions, industry training, business meetings, conferencing and social functions such as weddings. The Art House also has an art gallery and show area. The 2016 program

to deliver 100 shows and events in its first year of operation is on track.

The new Art House is supported by many local performing groups including dance groups.

In addition to the Art House, Council also operates Wyong Grove and Cultural Hub Community situated one block away from The Art



House and The Entrance Community Centre Gallery and Workshop. Together these facilities provide a diverse range of spaces aiming to meet all local and visitor needs.



An artist's impression of the new skate park. Picture: CONVIC

World class skate park for the bay

By THOMAS, MITCHELL and REILLY

WYONG Shire Council (WSC) is planning to build a regional skate park at Bateau Bay. It is currently being designed by CONVIC.

CONVIC, a Melbourne-based company have made some of the biggest skate parks in the world including at Wallsend, Cairns, Wollongong and St Kilda.

WSC is spending more than \$2 million on this skate park. WSC have enlisted some of the best skaters around to help with design ideas for the skate park.

At the skate park there will be two bowls and the bowls are 3.3-metres deep. There will be a street plaza theme and a parkour facility. Once established there will be competitions held at a variety of levels. WSC will be

holding a competition to award who will be the first people to ride on it.

Construction of the skate park will begin in December 2015 and be open for use in June 2016. It will be free to use, have free Wi-Fi, riding at night, shade, canteen, toilets and bubblers and will be located opposite Bay Village shopping centre.

*Thanks to Brett Shearer from Wyong Shire Council.



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