

MASCOT

# Living in high tech heaven

## MASCOT'S GADGET CENTRAL

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FIRST we had iPods, then came iPhones and iPads, and now in the latest instalment of all things high-tech we have the iApartment.

Futra is a new development in Mascot that is set to integrate everyday technology into the bricks and mortar of the home.

Most of the functionality of the iApartments is driven through the use of an iPad with three docking stations set up throughout each home.

With the touch of a few buttons you can have music playing and a recipe to read off the iPad dock set up on the kitchen bench.

Stephen Yu, managing director of Longton, is overseeing the construction of Futra, a 12-storey, 54-apartment block with lots of gadgets to make life a breeze.

His vision is a futuristic "Jetsons style" complex

### MOD CONS

Features of the Futra iApartments include:

- Credit card, fingerprint and anti-tracking keypad entry
- Magnetic iPad docking stations that control lighting and sound
- NEST – an intuitive thermostat that can be controlled remotely and can save on power bills
- Social media panels will be set up in the lobby showing Twitter updates.

with standard features including credit card entry and customised software that will control the lights, sound and temperature.

Longton will launch sales for the Futra iApartments on October 13.

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Longton's Stephen Yu with images of the Futra development at Mascot.

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## fast lane

### Drownings action

A statewide coastal public safety risk assessment project heads to Coogee Surf Club today to target priority black spots for coastal drownings. There have been 15 rock fishing related drownings in Randwick since July 2004.

### Minnows season

The Coogee Minnows season started on Sunday.

Minnows is for children aged 5 to 13 years, offering learning and competition in beach activities. See more page 118.



### Neilson attends

Many thought that newly elected North ward Labor councillor Kathy Neilson would be missing from the Randwick mayoral election. But she arranged a leave pass from the hospital and was at the council meeting in a wheelchair to support fellow Labor councillor Tony Bowen's bid for mayor.

### 90th at Mclvers

To celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Randwick and Coogee Ladies Swimming Club there is an open day at the Ladies Pool, Coogee this Sunday 10am-3pm. Join the celebration at Mclvers Baths Coogee to share memories and sign the guest book.



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