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Hooray for HOLLYWOOD

Local schoolgirl Hollie McKay packed her bags five years ago with a dream to make it big in Hollywood. Now the entertainment reporter name drops with the best of them. "Sure the Lady Gagas and Rihannas of the world are exciting," she says. "But for me, it is usually those that I grew up watching, listening to and fawning over that I find to be the most memorable. Kylie Minogue, Stevie Nicks, Tom Petty, John Fogerty, Emmy Lou Harris. As an avid Titanic lover back in the day, speaking to James Cameron is always interesting, plus having the opportunity to pick the brains of the likes of Woody Allen and Steven Spielberg is never taken for granted in my book." Full report Page 4

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Wednesday
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Top Temp: 16



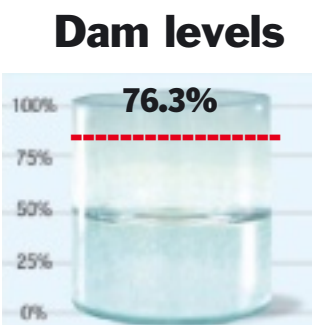
Thursday
partly cloudy
Top Temp: 17



Friday
shower or two
Top Temp: 17



Saturday
shower or two
Top Temp: 17



Keep the count down



STAY SAFE: ROAD STATS

NSW has joined a global initiative to halve road deaths by the end of the decade. Roads Minister Duncan Gay said better education for young drivers, continued education to existing drivers and improved conditions on country roads were some of the initiatives needed to curb the state's annual road toll. "Bad roads, bad signage, bad attitude, bad training of drivers - they're all the things we need to do." In 2010, there were 421 road deaths in NSW, the second lowest road toll since 1945. This year's toll is about 19 per cent down on the same period last year. Worldwide, 1.3 million die each year in road accidents with predictions that number will climb to 1.9 million by 2020 unless action is taken to improve road safety.

'Classic nerd' makes Tinseltown her beat



HOLLIE'S PATH TO LA

- 2003 graduated from McDonald College in Strathfield; Studied a BA in Communications (Media Arts & Production) at UTS
- 2006 left Sydney for New York where she completed the final semester of her BA at New York's Pace University and started interning at FOXNews.com

Los Angeles entertainment reporter Hollie McKay loves 'getting down to the nitty gritty'.

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HOLLIE McKay is "a classic nerd who somehow found her way into Tinseltown".

The former Chiswick resident and McDonald College student headed off to New York and then Los Angeles in 2006, where she is now working as an entertainment reporter.

"I really love getting down to the nitty gritty," she said. "Exploring issues within the indus-

try that have a profound impact ... the influence the media has on young, impressionable minds, how much a court-prone star costs the Californian taxpayer or examining whether Hollywood glorifies domestic violence.

"I also love being able to spotlight the stars who see beyond themselves and do good for the world. When you speak to people like Gary Sinise, who spends his spare time raising money to build houses for severely wounded war veterans,

or Angelina Jolie, who gives selflessly across the world - it makes you realise that this is an industry filled with people very willing to give back."

On one of her first days on the job, Hollie was asked to interview music greats Stevie Wonder and Johnny Rotten from The Sex Pistols.

"What struck me most was how genuine both these artists were dedicated to music and warm and welcoming in their own unique way," she said.

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