

bail at North Sydney Local Court yesterday. John Raymond Holschier, 22, of Chatswood, faces charges of attempted murder and malicious wounding. The police prosecutor said Ms Betina Givorshner, 24, and her daughter Samantha were both in hospital. He said Ms Givorshner would have brain surgery today.

Gaby springs a leak

Gaby Kennard's solo flight round the world could have been aborted in Natal, Brazil, if an oil leak in her plane's landing gear had not been discovered, a spokesman said yesterday. A squadron of Brazilian Air Force planes is escorting Ms Kennard out of Natal and over the Atlantic.

Sea search for boy

The search for a six-year-old boy who was swept out to sea while playing on rocks at Back Emerald Beach, near Woolgoolga, on Monday morning, will be continued today by emergency service workers from the Coffs Harbour district. The Water Police, the Surf Life Saving Association's helicopter rescue service and local volunteers have been searching for the boy.

Tapes decision held

Justice McInerney reserved his decision yesterday on whether the Crown will be able to use illegal telephone tapes in evidence against the medical entrepreneur Geoffrey Edelsten. Edelsten had applied for a permanent stay of proceedings on two criminal charges, arguing that the tapes were inadmissible before a jury, and that without them there was no evidence against him. He faces a charge of perverting the course of justice in 1984.