

NHW Co-ordinators —

(Also see detailed map on twra.net)

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Barry 5450 5545

Twin Waters Retirement Village

David 5448 8747

Viewpoint

Margaret 5448 7246

Important Phone Numbers —

Emergency 24/7 (Ambulance, Fire, Police)	000
Policelink 24/7 (Non-urgent matters)	131 444
Crime Stoppers (Report Crime Information)	1800 333 000
Hoon Hotline 24/7	134 666
Coolum Police (Local Police Advice)	5440 2777
S.E.S. (Disaster, Cyclone, Flood, Storm, Rescue) 24/7	132 500



IF A CRIME'S HAPPENING
RIGHT NOW, CALL
TRIPLE ZERO (000).

IF NOT, THINK
POLICELINK.
CALL 131 444.



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Twin Waters Neighbourhood Watch (Coolum 5)

WORKING TO MAKE OUR COMMUNITY SAFER

December 2016

Coolum Police Report & Safety Advice

Between 1st September and mid November there were seven traffic offences, two accidents, four stealing offences including theft of a bicycle, and one stalking incident.

Drink/drug driving is not tolerated. Please plan ahead, arranging a nominated driver who is not drinking so all arrive home safely.

Alcohol in Parks: The odd glass of wine or other alcoholic beverage in the park is accepted. What is not tolerated is continually attending the parks, drinking alcohol, creating public nuisance offences, or continually using the same public area for your personal use of consuming alcohol.

Message to parents with teens: Know where they are. What is the reason for a sleep-over? Are they taking your alcohol with them, or money that you haven't given them?

Storm Season & Bush Fires: Deliberately lit fires are causing concern in the Coolum Police division (Pacific Paradise, Mt Coolum and Peregian Springs).

Home Security: When taking that afternoon nap, please secure your doors and windows. If heading out for two minutes or two hours, locking up will prevent others gaining access to your home. Vehicles should be locked and secured when not in use. Please do not leave your keys in your vehicle even when it is parked at home.

Senior Constable Marlene Fisher



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Great Co-operation —



As part of the **Twin Waters Birthday in the Park**, Twin Waters NHW organised a stall to promote NHW in the area and remind the residents about ways to stay safe in the area.

For this venture, we teamed with Relationships Australia and the Coolum Police. For the afternoon, Coolum Police and Police volunteers were on hand to discuss local issues and give advice.

The workers were also able to give out information about the Daniel Morcombe Foundation and the upcoming Day for Daniel.

As part of Neighbourhood Watch Week, we were also able to distribute zipped armbands which could be used to carry keys when walking. These proved very popular with the residents and hopefully will result in less lost keys.

Derek from Relationships Australia wrote:

What a fantastic turnout for Twin Waters on your Celebration Day! John and I were so thankful to be able to share the Neighbourhood Watch tent for the day. Relationships Australia Queensland is a counselling and community education service which deals with a range of needs within Queensland. On the Sunshine Coast, from our office in Maroochydore, we provide counselling services for problem gamblers, individuals, couples and families in need of personal and relationship support and people who are victims of crime. We also support education programs associated with indigenous Australians, lesbian, bisexual, gay, transgender and intersex issues, and effective parenting.

Relationships cont.)

Earlier this year we established a relationship with the Neighbourhood Watch program to provide zone and block coordinators with information about our services. The idea is that these people are key people in the community and are people who have a close relationship with neighbours. We are providing them with our contact details and an explanation of what we can do to help create a healthy, vibrant and safe community. Wherever Neighbourhood Watch coordinators see a need within their community we hope they are able to pass on the relevant information so that anyone in any form of distress can phone for help.

As per our name, we work with people to enhance their relationships. The basic cost for this is \$75 /hr., however if this is an issue please talk with us as we are happy to discuss ways around it.

A growing community issue on the Coast is problem gambling, which unfortunately often leads to family relationships breaking down due to financial stress. This sometimes leads to family violence and may also lead to suicide. Problem gambling is also linked to theft, fraud and assault, so we encourage anyone with a gambling problem or anyone affected by someone's gambling to give us a call on 1800 858 858. Our services are free and confidential.

Victims of crime often find that the crime is still affecting them for a long time after the incident. This can be quite debilitating and have a serious effect on their lives. To help them get their lives back on track we encourage them call us. Services for victims of crime are also free and totally confidential.

Thanks again for having us at your celebration and feel free to give us a call on our call center number 1300 364 277.

Warm regards, Derek and John

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

7 PM TUESDAY 28TH MARCH 2017

Twin Waters Retirement Village Clubroom

Members of the public are most welcome to attend our meeting and be informed about safety and security in Twin Waters.

Property Security —



Neighbourhood Watch would like to remind the community to remain vigilant and be aware that there are simple measures that can assist with home security. Feeling safe in your own home is essential. It is important that you are able to enjoy your home, community and lifestyle in comfort and security.

- ◆ Lock all doors and windows, (including security and garage doors), even when you are working in the yard. Make this a habit.
- ◆ Windows and doors that are left open for ventilation should be fitted with the necessary security devices.
- ◆ Identify vulnerable areas of your home and increase security if necessary.
- ◆ Keep trees and shrubs trimmed to help reduce concealment opportunities.
- ◆ Install sensor lights. Intruder alarms are also available.
- ◆ Create an inventory of all valuables. This includes recording details such as serial numbers, brand, colour and model.
- ◆ Photograph property and valuables.
- ◆ Engrave or mark property with a code of your initials, DOB as six digits and Q for Queensland. (Keep in a safe place. Police can record this code on their computer system to assist with recovering property.)
- ◆ Place valuables, including cash and wallets, house and car keys, out of sight.
- ◆ Ensure tools, ladders and wheelie bins are kept in a secure place, as often these items aid offenders in gaining entry to a dwelling/premises.
- ◆ Lock all vehicles and remove valuables from vehicles or ensure they are out of sight.

Facts about Break & Enter/Burglary Crimes: Most residential break-ins are "crimes of opportunity", with entry often gained through an open or unlocked window or door. Property may also be stolen from your yard or unsecured areas of your house—open carports and verandas, or unlocked cars. Most intruders are looking for a house where they can gain entry easily/unobserved and make a quick getaway. If you take the proper precautions, most potential offenders will move on and look for an easier target.

Join a NHW Group—a great way for communities to know and look out for one another. Assist in making your neighbourhood safer. Police cannot be everywhere and need everyone in the community to be on the alert. Report any suspicious activity.
(By Tony Bryant)