



Neighbourhood Watch

Twin Waters Neighbourhood Watch (Coolum 5)

MARCH 2020



<http://coolum.nhwq.org/>

Emergency 24/7 (Ambulance, Fire, Police)	000
Policelink (Non-urgent Matters) 24/7	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
DV Connect women (Domestic Violence Hotline) men	1800 811 811 1800 600 636
Lifeline	131 114
Relationships Australia	1300 364 277
Kids' Help Line	1800 551 800



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Subscribe to receive community news and crime alerts
www.mypolice.qld.gov.au/sunshinecoast

General Meeting
Monday 16th March 2020
at Living Choice Retirement
Village Club Room
Members of the community
are most welcome to attend.

Area Co-ordinator Needed
so your local Neighbourhood
Watch can continue to help
protect your community. If you
would like to help, please
phone Merryl 5448 9414
or Jenny 5450 5881



TWIN WATERS
SPEED LIMIT

Neighbourhood Watch Contacts

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<u>Fairways Island</u> Rob	5450 5711
<u>Karinya Island</u> Anthony	0428 237 762
<u>Magnolia Lane</u> Judy	5448 9892
<u>Podium</u> Desleigh	0402 756 580
<u>The Banks</u> John & Ruth	5450 7046
<u>The Cove</u> Hugh & Marion	5450 5279
<u>The Landings</u> Merryl	5448 9414
<u>The Links</u> Peter	5450 5857
Lloyd (Lytham Ct)	5448 8920
<u>The Shores</u> Fred	5450 5938
Bob & Judy	5450 5038
Rob	5448 9998
Bill	5450 5387
<u>The Sound (incl Water Gallery)</u> Barry	5450 5545
<u>Twin Waters Retirement Village</u> David	5448 8747
<u>Viewpoint</u> Max	5448 8973

1ST APRIL — APRIL FOOL'S DAY **CHANGE SMOKE ALARM BATTERIES**

April 1 is the day designated for all households across the state to test smoke alarms, change batteries or replace broken devices.

Under Queensland legislation, all faulty, damaged or expired devices should by now have been replaced with a photoelectric system.

If you have elderly neighbours or family members, perhaps you could assist them in checking their devices and replacing batteries.

This is also a good time to educate children about safety.

The photoelectric alarm will give you the warning but you still need an escape plan to exit your home. Talk to your family about a fire escape plan, familiarise yourself with it and practise it daytime and night-time. Run through it without the lights on because, in a real-world fire, there will be no lights.

For more important information on smoke alarm legislation, visit <https://www.qfes.qld.gov.au/community-safety/smokealarms/Pages/default.aspx>

BICYCLE MATTERS:

BIKE ENGRAVING MORNING

We are planning another bike engraving day for Saturday 28th at Twin Waters Shopping Village from 9 am until noon. (Please check TWRA web site for confirmation closer to the date.)



Everyone is welcome to bring along their bikes to be engraved with a personal secure code so your bike can be traced more easily should it be stolen. Gold coin donation. Children, we need Mum or Dad to sign a permission note.

Neighbour Day Sunday 29 March



Australia is in the midst of a loneliness crisis, with many in our population experiencing a deficit of social connection. Neighbour Day is looking to get Australians to focus on the importance of belonging. <http://neighbourday.org/home-page/neighbour-day-2020-theme/>



SECURE YOUR BIKE

- ◆ Never leave your bike unattended and unlocked—be sure to use a good quality lock. A good quality U-lock is much harder to break or cut than cheaper chains or cables.
- ◆ Lock as much of your bike as you can. Lock your back wheel and frame to a rack if possible. You can remove the front wheel and lock it as well or use a second lock to connect the front wheel to the frame. (A lighter cable lock should provide sufficient security for this.) If space is tight and you can only lock one thing, lock the frame—it is the most valuable part of your bike.
- ◆ Lock your bike where it can be seen. Placing your bike near passing traffic or where it can be watched from windows helps to deter thieves. This will also improve your personal security while locking and unlocking your bike.
- ◆ Lock your bike to a solid object. Do not lock to objects that are easily cut, such as chain wire or tree branches. Make sure your bike cannot be stolen by lifting it over the object you have locked it to. Solid bike racks or metal poles are good choices.
- ◆ Remove accessories such as lights, cycle computer, pump and panniers or bags. If these accessories are not removed from the bike, someone might take them.

*Information by South Brisbane
Crime Prevention Unit*

Policelink and how it can help.....

Neighbourhood Watch cannot contact the Police for you. You need to report incidents yourself.

When should you contact Policelink?

When you need to report non-urgent police matters, go online, call 131 444, or use the Policelink app.

Policelink is available 24/7 and provides Queenslanders with an additional method to report a range of matters, or to seek policing advice. Online reporting includes, but is not limited to: lost property, non-injury traffic crash, updating reports, party safe registration, etc. Access Policelink online reporting at

<https://www.police.qld.gov.au/reporting>

Think first: If the crime is not happening now, is not life threatening or there is no likelihood of the suspected offenders still being in the area, go online or call 131 444.

Benefits of Policelink?

When you contact Policelink online, by phone, or via the app, you are helping reduce the number of calls to police stations and 000 contact centres. Policelink allows Queensland Police Service resources to be re-invested into other priorities and proactive functions which will be to the benefit of Queenslanders.



AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATION IN TWIN WATERS

*Neighbours enjoying a great day
and getting to know one another*