



Neighbourhood Watch

Twin Waters Neighbourhood Watch (Coolum 5)

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<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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National Coronavirus Helpline 1800 020 080—

Open 24 hours seven days a week

Call this number if you need information on Coronavirus (COVID-19) or help with the COVID-Safe app.

For questions and troubleshooting the COVIDSafe app, you can try online COVIDSafe Help first.



**TWIN WATERS
SPEED LIMIT**

Neighbourhood Watch Contacts

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<u>Baywater</u> Jenny	5450 5881
<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

CARE ARMY COMMUNITY RECOVERY HOTLINE 1800 173 349

The Community Recovery Hotline will link seniors and other vulnerable Queenslanders to essential services and support. Queenslanders wanting to volunteer should also contact the hotline or alternatively, visit Care Army <https://www.covid19.qld.gov.au/carearmy>

The Care Army has been set up to protect and support Queenslanders who are most at risk during the COVID-19 pandemic in ways that maintain social distancing, including:

- Those over 70 years of age
- Those over 65 years of age with underlying health issues
- Indigenous Queenslanders over the age of 50 with one or more chronic diseases.

Yellow traffic lights mean slow down, not speed up!

By Snr Const Rebecca McMeniman

Traffic signals are in place to keep people safe and to minimise delays at certain times of the day.

The yellow traffic signal has been put in place after the green to warn motorists that the traffic signal is about to turn red in approximately four to six seconds.

The yellow signal *does not* mean drivers should speed up and try to get through an intersection before the signal turns red.

If you are travelling at speed on the green light, this should give you sufficient time to stop safely at the intersection or even to proceed through to clear the intersection.

If you proceed through a yellow traffic light and had a reasonable amount of time to safely stop, you may be issued with a traffic infringement notice that carries the penalty of \$400.

Please note that if you are riding a bicycle and fail to stop at a yellow traffic light when it is safe to do so, you may also incur the fine of \$400.

BIKE ENGRAVING MORNING CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Unfortunately our bike engraving morning planned for Saturday 28th June had to be cancelled owing to Covid-19.

We will advise when we have a confirmed date to hold this event.

CYCLING SAFETY

When visibility is low, remember to turn on your bicycle front and rear lights.

It is also advisable to wear light coloured clothing as it is often very hard for other road users to see riders who are wearing dark clothes as well as black helmets, especially if their bicycle lights are not on.

Be aware that very bright flashing head lights can dazzle oncoming drivers.

It is illegal to ride your bike towing a dog on a lead, or to have your dog running beside you as you ride.



**The Mission of Neighbourhood Watch
is to promote
Safety, Security & Quality of Life**

JOIN OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH AND HELP PROTECT OUR TWIN WATERS COMMUNITY

**Phone Merryl 5448 9414
or Jenny 5450 5881**

For many years Twin Waters Neighbourhood Watch has been successful in building community cohesion and improving relationships between neighbours, which assists in reducing crime and the fear of crime. It has a small but very strong and committed volunteer base and is part of an internationally recognised and established symbol in the community.

Twin Waters Neighbourhood Watch is an integral part of the Twin Waters community and works closely with the local Police.

The Queensland Police Service (QPS) is committed to working in partnership with the community and greatly appreciates the outstanding contribution that the many NHWQ, including Twin Waters, volunteers make for a safer and more secure Queensland.

New like-minded members are always welcome to the Twin Waters Neighbourhood Watch and if you want to be a part of keeping the Twin Waters neighbourhood safe please come forward and express an interest.

Email: nhw.twinwaters.qld@gmail.com

Tips for safe buying and selling online

Buying and selling items online has become increasingly popular, with more than 80% of us now shopping online. Each day, thousands of Queenslanders choose to sell and buy personal items, particularly electronics, with mobile phones topping the list.

Internet marketplaces are convenient destinations to discover, buy and sell items with people in your local community. They can also be utilised by opportunistic offenders to sell stolen property or to commit robberies.

Police would like the community to be mindful when selling and buying items through these market places, many of which have their own safety tips. Below are further tips for your consideration:

- Meet in a safe location of your choice that has CCTV, eg a cafe or a shopping centre and always bring a friend.
- Where possible, avoid meeting buyers at your home or allowing them entry to your home
- When buying, inspect the item thoroughly and, if possible, test it.
- Know what items and actions are allowed on the site. Most sites don't allow the sale of counterfeit, illegal or stolen items.
- Remember, if the advertised price looks too good to be true, it probably is.
- Report a person or item directly to the online site through the 'report ad or item' function, and
- Report a crime and/or illegal activity directly to the Queensland Police Service.

For further information view [Scamwatch](#) or take a moment to check [R U in control](#).



ANOTHER AUSTRALIA POST SCAM

With on-line shopping now commonplace, it is important to be aware of fake emails and SMS messages purported to be from Australia Post in which scammers claim there has been a problem with a parcel delivery.

They include a link to a *fake* Australia Post website, which asks for personal and financial information and payment. Australia Post will never email or text you asking for such information.

If you have unwittingly sent any personal or financial information to a scam email address or entered it into a scam website and are worried that your identity may have been stolen, call **ID CARE on 1300 432 273** or view the ID Care fact sheet to be used by anyone impacted by SMS scams.

ID Care is Australia and New Zealand's national identity and cyber support service, who provide free consultations to victims of identity theft. <https://www.idcare.org/>