



# TWIN WATERS

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

## Newsletter - July 2020

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### July Calendar

There are no events scheduled for July. Christmas in July, normally held on the last Sunday, has been cancelled for this year. It will be back next year, bigger and brighter!

### August - December

The events calendar for the rest of the year is still somewhat uncertain as we wind down from the coronavirus restrictions. Our next face-to-face meeting should be the Annual General Meeting on 10 August. The Birthday Party in the Park has been cancelled this year because of the uncertainty that will impact on making the arrangements plus the possibility of social distance requirements, particularly in public outdoor venues. We are hopeful that the General Meetings in October and December will be able to be held, even if on a restricted basis. Our annual Carols and Fireworks is scheduled for December and is an important community event. At this stage, we are planning that it will be able to go ahead.

### This Month

- **President's Report**
- **Airport News**
- **LJ Hooker Courtesy Ute**
- **TWRA Membership**
- **New Doctors in Twin Waters**
- **Foodworks Changes Hands**
- **Twin Waters West**
- **The Bloody Long Walk**
- **Indigenous Cultural Heritage**

### AGM 10th August

Our next face-to-face meeting for TWRA will be the Annual General Meeting on Monday evening 10 August at the Novotel Sunshine Coast resort. At this meeting we will be receiving the end of year reports as well as electing the Management Committee for the 2020-2021 year. Under the TWRA Constitution nominations for all positions on the Management Committee close on Wednesday 15 July 2020 [section 5 (1) (b)] and should be lodged on the Nomination Form which can be obtained from the Secretary, Sophie Lever.

Any two ordinary members of the Association shall be at liberty to nominate any other Ordinary Member of the Association to serve on the Management Committee; A nomination must be in writing (on the proscribed form), signed by the nominee, the proposer and seconder and be lodged with the Secretary. The Management Committee comprises President, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President plus up to 8 members of the committee. We expect for the AGM to take place, we will have to follow the relevant Covid-19 restrictions including limiting the number of people attending and following the rules of social distancing along with health and hygiene ... we will of course provide additional details in plenty of time by email and in the August Newsletter.

### President's Report

As mentioned in the article, the new runway at Sunshine Coast Airport is open. That means no jet aircraft low over Twin Waters Lake and the golf course, which will please many. It also means larger aircraft and we wait to see the new international direct links that have been talked about for some time. The first of the changes is the new direct flights to and from Cairns which start in a few weeks. There is a bit more work to be done to complete the new longer runway and then we will see many new opportunities.

I have often talked about our dealings with Council and this came to the forefront a few weeks back when we (TWRA) were able to make representation on behalf of a couple of residents. Council had written to locals to say a flashing radar activated speed sign was to be erected out front; the sign would operate 24 hours a day and there was fear that it would create a disturbance. It was to be erected in the short end of a street beyond an intersection where more than 90% of the traffic turn. We were able to petition Council and our additional representation meant they looked at the sign and its location. Council has now advised the sign will no longer be erected at that location. Most of Twin Waters residential areas are a 40 km/ph speed zone and Council, in conjunction with the Police, are looking at ways to reduce the number of speeding motorists. TWRA has also approached Council about traffic signs, kayak launching ramps and the recent evidence of graffiti as well as our continuing discussion regarding some of the rubbish and fishing waste left by some people! We will continue to have discussions with Council to make sure we live in the best part of the Sunshine Coast! Until next month,

*Tony*



## Sunshine Coast Airport Runway Opening

The Sunshine Coast Airport Expansion Project has reached an important milestone with the opening of the new runway. The new runway 13/31 became operational on Sunday 14 June 2020. The existing Runway 18/36 will be decommissioned.

Further work will continue over the next 6 months to add an additional 375m at the eastern end of the runway and create taxi way and hard stand for large aircraft.

The runway was officially opened on Friday 12 June. The following day, the members of the Airport Community Forum were provided with a guided tour of the new facilities. Our representative on the CAF, Kevin Lyons, described it as very impressive and he mentioned in particular the embedded technology which would allow aircraft to land and taxi to their apron position automatically. The new runway, when fully commissioned later in the year, will be comparable in size with the second runway in Sydney and the runway in the Gold Coast. It will be capable of handling almost all current passenger aircraft including the Boeing 777 and 787, the Airbus 350 and more.

As a result of the aviation response to the Covid-19 pandemic, scheduled flight operations have ceased for the time being at Sunshine Coast airport. However, flights continue for medical, freight, corporate, charter, general aviation and fly-in fly-out operations. SCA is working with airlines to re-introduce services and aircraft operations. This will occur in accordance with government policy and is expected to see a gradual increase in operations in the coming months.

At the time of printing, the only passenger services announced are the new services to Cairns, commencing on 17 July. Hopefully, flights to southern destinations will also recommence soon.

## BIG NEWS

### Direct Flights to Cairns

Direct flights from Sunshine Coast to Cairns will commence in July. Alliance Airlines will fly three return flights per week commencing from 17 July. This is something we have been seeking for a very long time. Finally, it is happening. Now we must support it. Time to plan your holiday in FNQ? Thank you SCA.

## TWRA Online Memberships

TWRA memberships are now online. Membership renewals for the 2020-21 financial year were sent out recently and the response has been fantastic. Thank you to all the members who have renewed their memberships so promptly. If you haven't yet done so, please do it as soon as possible. It is so easy. Just follow the instructions on the electronic invoice you will have received. If you have been delaying joining TWRA until we have online memberships (there are quite a few people who have been very keen for us to take this step), now is the time to join us. Just go to the web site at [www.twra.net](http://www.twra.net) and go to the Membership tab and just follow the link. We look forward to having you join us.

## LJ Hooker Courtesy Ute

Your local Real Estate Agency has found a great new way to value add to our community with the addition of the 'LJ Hooker Twin Waters Courtesy Ute'.



If it were a garden clean up, some new mulch, picking up that bulky furniture item or simply a de-clutter, we have you covered!

This 'free' service to our local community is our way of saying 'Thank You' for supporting us as your Agency of choice for over 20 years.

To take advantage of this service simply contact us at the office on 5450 6188 or make a booking by following the link on our website: [www.twinwaters.ljhooker.com.au/about-us/ljhute](http://www.twinwaters.ljhooker.com.au/about-us/ljhute)

(Editor's comment – This item was contributed, but we thank LJH for a great idea)

## New Doctors at Medicrew Twin Waters and Saturday Hours

The Twin Waters Medical Centre now has two doctors available for consultations and they have re-started Saturday morning consultations. Dr Tony Ridings has a wide range of experience. He takes a special interest in Dermatology, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Skeletal Injuries, Minor Surgery and women's, men's and children's health.

Dr Simona Eremia is a Women's Health GP and is passionate about providing high quality care to all women, couples and their babies. Dr Simona has advanced specialist training qualifications in Obstetrics and Gynaecology extensive experience as an O&G Registrar.

We welcome both doctors to the Twin Waters community.

## New Owners at Foodworks

Peter & Samantha Hobbelen took over the ownership of Foodworks Twin Waters from 1 June. They are looking forward to continuing to build our local supermarket in the Twin Waters Shopping Centre.

They are locals, currently living at Maroochy River, after moving from Sydney and have a young family of three boys.

Pete & Sam appreciate the excellent platform established by Cody & Theona, including their wonderful staff, and they are very keen to welcome residents and old and new customers.

Why not drop in and say "hello"? Welcome to Twin Waters, Peter & Samantha!

## Twin Waters West Update

The Development Application for Twin Waters West is still officially in the Decision Phase with Sunshine Coast Council. This is the final of five formal phases that have been running since the DA was lodged by Stockland in December 2018. Stockland advised us recently that, from their perspective, the consultations and negotiations with Council officers are almost finalised. They expect that a recommendation from the Council officers to the full Council should happen soon, but no date has been set, as at the time of going to print. Once the recommendation is forthcoming the full Council will then vote on whether to approve the DA, with or without conditions. We understand that both the Council officers and Stockland have accepted that the final DA terms to be considered for formal approval by Council must comply with the Conditions Precedent, the Planning Amendment that incorporates the CPs and the relevant terms of the Town

Planning Scheme.

As you are aware, there are some new Councillors following the Council elections in March, so it is to be expected that it will take time to bring them "up to speed" before Council formally votes on the matter. Naturally, we will keep you advised when any further information becomes available.

## House sitting

Now that restrictions are lifting Anne and Mike Radmall are available for House / Pet Sitting in the Twin Waters area again.

**Please contact them on 0423 577 503.**

## Exercise

Exercise enhances and maintains physical fitness and overall health and wellness. It is performed for various reasons, to aid growth and improve strength, preventing ageing, developing muscles and the cardiovascular system, honing athletic skills, weight loss or maintenance, improving health and also for enjoyment.

Walking is perhaps the best exercise and offers the great advantage of requiring no skill or practice. Everyone knows how to do it, and the only equipment you need is a good pair of shoes. You can walk outdoors or indoors (eg. in shopping malls). It is probably the safest option of all, with the least chance of injury.



## Join the Bloody Long VIRTUAL Walk!

Challenge yourself to walk (or run) 35km in 10 days from 1 to 10 August. You can walk ANYWHERE, at ANYTIME and complete your challenge at YOUR OWN PACE to achieve your fitness goals. Here are some great reasons to sign up today:

- You'll pay nothing, because registration is FREE
- You'll be active and maintain a healthy lifestyle
- You'll look after your physical and mental health
- You can take part when and where it suits you
- You can explore your local area
- Grab your friends and enter a team or enjoy a solo challenge and soak up the vibrant atmosphere!

It's going to be a great event – for further information contact Jane Hudson, Project Manager Mito Foundation email: [bloodylongwalk@mito.org.au](mailto:bloodylongwalk@mito.org.au) or visit [www.bloodylongwalk.com.au/virtual/](http://www.bloodylongwalk.com.au/virtual/)

## Indigenous Cultural Heritage

**This article has been edited from a contribution by Elizabeth Blomkamp.**

Our region's traditional owners, the Gubbi Gubbi ('Kabi Kabi') people are acknowledged as the original inhabitants of the Sunshine Coast.

The Kabi language area is along the east coast around the Burrum, Mary, Noosa, Maroochy, Mooloolah and Caboolture Rivers and out to Maryborough, and included the area from Gympie out to west of Kilkiven. Stories demonstrate the intangible significance of the landscape to Indigenous people. Landscape features such as mountains, rivers and islands were associated with beings in the stories and thus have high levels of cultural significance.

The legend of Maroochy has several different versions. The most common begins with two children Marutchi and Coolum, who grew up together and were to be married. However, Ninderry, an older rival from within the clan, planned to steal the beautiful young woman, Marutchi from Coolum.

Ninderry, jealous of Marutchi and Coolum's love, cut off Coolum's head which rolled into the sea. Coolum's head became Mudjimba Island and his body Mt Coolum.

Angry with Ninderry, the spirits turned him into a menacing and evil-faced mountain, while, full of grief, Marutchi fled inland to the Blackall Range. Her tears flowed down the mountain to form the Maroochy River. The name Maroochy means swan.

Some versions of the Maroochy legend end with Marutchi turning into a black swan, which are commonly seen on the river.

Historical accounts suggest that the coastal groups around and on the North Coast were relatively mobile.

The lifestyle of the coastal groups was underpinned by varied food resources available from both land and marine environments.

The use of "bungwall" (*Blechnum indicum*) fern root was a staple part of the Indigenous diet at the time of first contact with Europeans.

Further research about the indigenous heritage of our area will be included in later Newsletters.



## TWRA Membership

Everyone who lives in Twin Waters, whether an owner or a renter, is encouraged to join the TWRA.

Joining TWRA is easy. Just go to the web site at [www.twra.net](http://www.twra.net) and click on the link headed TWRA Membership.

This will open a form for you to complete, with basic details such as name(s), address, phone and email(s). If you submit that form, we will then send you an "invoice" with details for online payment of the membership fee (\$10 per annum per household) or you have the option of paying via credit card as part of the form completion.

Upon payment, we will send a receipt, which becomes your evidence of Membership. Renewals each year are even easier - we will send you an "invoice" each year for online payment by direct deposit or credit card.

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### Block Co-ordinators

Check on [TWRA.net](http://TWRA.net) and Community Notice Board for contact details.



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## Covid-19 keeping lawyers on their toes

Never has there been a more rapidly changing landscape for the provision of legal services, than now. There are regular and almost daily amendments to the law in Queensland covering legislation in Succession Law, Property Law, Commercial and Residential Leasing and the various subordinate regulations under their umbrellas.

How will this affect you?

If you need to update your Will or sign an Enduring Power of Attorney and you are vulnerable & not willing to leave your home, temporary legislation is in place to allow a solicitor to witness those documents for you remotely. There are many video conferencing platforms that are easy to use, all you need is a smart phone or tablet or a computer with camera and microphone. During this downtime, we suggest you get your succession plan in order by contacting one of our friendly solicitors, Sophie or Clare, who can get that plan into action.

If you were buying or selling real estate, Lever Law is the team to approach – we have been actively settling transactions on the PEXA e-conveyancing platform for a number of years and have regularly been the State leaders in terms of transactions carried out. There are a number of benefits to settling electronically.

If you were looking for an efficient settlement alternative, please don't hesitate to contact us to discuss further.

At Lever Law, we can also assist you if you are experiencing hardship in business or in your personal life – we are happy to go in to bat for you with your Landlord, so that you can access some rent reductions in the form of waivers or deferrals.

Things are changing quickly but you can rest assured that Lever Law are keeping on top of changes to the legislation so that we can assist you in a practical and responsive way.

Call us for an obligation free chat or shoot us an email – we're happy to assist you.

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