

TWIN WATERS

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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December Calendar

Sunday 6th December at 5.00 pm
Christmas Carols & Fireworks at
Novotel Sunshine Coast Resort

Monday 7th December at 7.30 pm
General Meeting at Novotel
Sunshine Coast Resort

Saturday 19th December from
sunset – Christmas Lights Paddle
around the lake

President's Report

As we face the end of the year, we have to hope that 2021 will be a different year and much easier than 2020. But before that we have our TWRA Christmas Carols event in the new Convention Centre at Novotel Sunshine Coast.

Christmas Carols planning has been thrown into turmoil on frequent occasions this year and until recently we actually wondered if all the planning was in vain.

Rob, Sophie, Margaret, Merryl and a large team of helpers have done a great job to ensure the evening will go ahead and is a success!

We appreciate the MC roles by Fiona Simpson and Jason O'Pray. Fiona has a wonderful singing voice and Jason is an expert at lip-sync!

Because of COVID, it has to be a ticket-controlled event, but the \$5 charge also provides a \$5 food voucher!

In previous years, we have been able to arrange some collection of food for the less fortunate and this year I'm pleased to say that the Mudjimba Longboard Club is running a programme seeking food, toys and gifts for local families that are doing it tough.

Because of COVID there are families in our area who are suffering and facing a bleak Christmas and holidays!

There is a special article in this newsletter and if you can help, even in a small way, you will be helping a difficult year for some end with a bit of a smile and a big thank you!

On behalf of the TWRA Management Committee, have a wonderful Christmas, holiday and festive season and keep fingers crossed that 2021 is a much better year!

Until next time,

Tony



Carols & Fireworks on 6th December

Not even COVID 2020 could stop the TWRA's Carols and Fireworks night!

This popular event will be held on Sunday, 6th December at the Novotel Sunshine Coast Resort commencing at 5 pm with Carols to start at 5.45 pm. This will be an event not to miss with carols, dancing, an appearance from the 'man from the north' Santa and culminating in a magical fireworks display.

To ensure the event is COVID-Safe, entry is \$5.00 for those over 5 years and this will include a \$5.00 food voucher. Tickets are available through Eventbrite:

www.eventbrite.com.au/e/twra-christmas-carols-tickets-127106373585

We will also have amazing raffle prizes so this will definitely be the place to be on 6 December. Raffle tickets will be on sale throughout the community until the night of the Carols. This year, you can also buy raffle tickets online by clicking on the following link: **<https://go.rallyup.com/twra>**

Thanks to our very generous prize sponsors, including Novotel Sunshine Coast Resort, Paradise Seaplanes, Cricks Volkswagen and North Shore Dental.

Profits from the night will go to the Maroochy North Shore Lions Club.

Come and join the fun and help make this a night to remember and a year to forget.

Special thanks to our major sponsor, GemLife and all our supporters, including Bendigo Community Bank Marcoola, North Shore Realty and Sunshine Coast Council.

Christmas Lights Paddle & More

Following the success of the spontaneous “virtual” party last Easter along the Tamarind / Veerings waterway, a similar (but bigger scale) spontaneous Christmas Lights Paddle is planned for Saturday evening, 19th December, commencing from sundown.

This time everyone who fronts the Twin Waters lake anywhere in our neighbourhood is invited to participate. All you need to do is light up your house, garden, front deck, canoe, kayak or paddleboard and participate in a Christmas celebration around our wonderful lake.

Then invite your friends to come over for an informal party, either at your home or at a park adjacent to the lake.

The party is up to you! It has been a bit of a tough year for many people. Why not take the opportunity to celebrate the Christmas season in this great community. Why not put Christmas lights around your house, regardless of whether or not you live on the lake?

Let's make this a great Christmas here in Twin Waters.



Twin Waters VIEW Club

The local VIEW Club is back enjoying our monthly lunch meetings (with COVID-19 restrictions) at the Loose Goose Restaurant, Twin Waters, every 2nd Thursday at 11.30 am. They enjoy a delicious lunch, have interesting guest speakers and raise money to support the Smith Family and the VIEW Club Learning for Life programme which supports disadvantaged children of Australia.

Currently, the Club sponsors Six Learning for Life Students and is actively involved in fundraising activities to raise donations for The Smith Family programmes.

In November the club celebrated its 14th Birthday (theme 'Diamonds are Forever') to celebrate 60 years of VIEW

<http://view.org.au/>

Come and learn what the club does and meet new friends.

All ladies are welcome to join our members at our monthly luncheon meetings.

For further information email:
twinwatersviewclub@gmail.com
or contact Jan O'Neill, Publicity Officer
on 0410 777 163.



TWRA Newsletter Advertising for 2021

If your business would like to advertise in our Newsletter Services and Advertising Directory for 2021, please contact us at advertising@twra.net We publish 11 Newsletters per year (none in January) and a printed copy goes to every household in Twin Waters (approx. 1,200). There is also a digital version sent to all TWRA members. For non-real estate advertisers, the cost is \$350 per year, plus a small charge (\$40) to set-up the ad. We are particularly keen to make our Services Directory the "go-to" place for all household services you might need in Twin Waters, such as building renos and extensions, home handymen and carpentry, pool services, clothing alterations and other local home assistance services etc. If you are interested, please contact us. We are likely to have some spots available for next year.

Mudjimba Christmas Collection for Locals in Need

Each year, Mudjimba Longboard Club arranges the collection and donation of food and toys for the needy in our local area. These donations will not be shipped off to larger charity organisations to be warehoused and distributed, but actually channelled directly into local situations where they will be genuinely appreciated.

This year, their Christmas Collection will be held in Mudjimba Park on 6th December, 8 am -11 am. If you can help, your assistance will be very much appreciated.

Call for Inspiring Young Volunteers

Volunteering Sunshine Coast is looking for inspiring stories of young volunteers (age range 12 to 24 years) for a series of videos that will in turn inspire other young people to engage with volunteering on the Sunshine Coast. The young person would need to be willing to take part in a video about their volunteering experience.

To apply, please send all submissions via this link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeJ23tRGUi4xigXlfnZor01bidr_4gNDnZuXgdHkRko6st-EA/viewform

Please forward any further questions about this project to Mathew Walker (Volunteering SC)

mathew.w@volunteering.org.au or mobile: 0404168968



Neighbourhood Watch in Our Community

In recent months there have been a few instances in our area of houses being broken into and cars being stolen, as well as a case of malicious damage, including tyre slashing. We would like to remind residents to keep their cars secure. Garage doors should be fully closed and vehicle keys kept out of sight in the home.

We are fortunate to live in a generally quiet and safe neighbourhood but at times we have visitors from other parts who, it appears, have different values!

Suspicious activity should always be reported. If urgent, contact 000, or if non-urgent contact Policelink 24 hrs seven days on 13 14 44.

Twin Waters West Appeal Commences

Stockland's appeal to the Planning & Environment Court over the Council's rejection of the development proposal for Twin Waters West commenced during October. The Appellant is Stockland and the Respondent is Sunshine Coast Council. There are eleven Co-Respondents. A timetable for the parties to provide information to the other parties on the basis for their respective decisions/appeals was set out for November/early December. The matter will be reviewed by Judge Rackemann (who was the presiding judge in the last P&E Court case involving Twin Waters West), on 9 December.



Wishing all members and residents a Happy & Safe Christmas and a wonderful 2021



The TWRA is not a party to the proceedings but we will monitor them and keep residents informed about significant developments.

State Election

In the recent election, Fiona Simpson retained her seat as Member for Maroochydore. She has been appointed as Shadow Minister for Integrity in Government and also Shadow Minister for State Development & Planning in the new Shadow Cabinet.

Thanks to The Maintenance Company

We are indeed fortunate to have our Twin Waters landscape maintenance arrangements which ensure the on-going high standards and appearance of our suburb. Thank you to the members of our Landscape Maintenance Reference Group who meet regularly with Council to monitor services and even bigger thanks to the hard-working staff of The Maintenance Company who do the work here every day. Our community appreciates what you do for us.

Thank You to our Volunteers

A huge end-of-year thank you to the volunteers who deliver the Newsletter to all residences in Twin Waters. We appreciate their support in getting the Newsletter and Advertising sheet out to everyone. Special thanks go to Ed Berry, who arranges and co-ordinates the deliveries. If you would like some exercise each month by joining our volunteers, please contact Ed on 5448 9414.

House Sitting

Due to a cancellation, Anne & Mike Radmall are available for house sitting over the Christmas period from 16th Dec onwards. Please contact us on 0423577503.

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 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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Crimestoppers 1800 333 000

SES Emergency 13 25 00

Block Co-ordinators

Check on TWRA.net and Community Notice Board for contact details.

FOODWORKS

Twin Waters

Pete and Sam Hobbelen are the proud new owners of FoodWorks Twin Waters. We took over in the midst of Covid-19 and we have witnessed nothing but community spirit and support over the past six months.

Pete hails from northern NSW and Sam grew up in Toowoomba. After a number of years in Sydney, we made the move at the end of 2019 without knowing what 2020 was going to bring! It was the best decision for our little family of young boys Hugo (6), Harver (5) Henry (3) and labradoodle, Eduardo, who many of you have met out the front of the shop!

From the outset, our vision and mission was to be a store that is centred around the local community of Twin Waters. As a family business, we employ young locals and believe in people, our local community, the importance of kindness, customer service as well as providing an amazing range of grocery and convenience needs.

One of the messages we received loud and clear from day one, was to bring back the hot chips! To the delight of many locals and residents, hot chips are back! Also, have you tried an ice cream scoop from the scoop bar? With 13 different flavours to choose from, you're bound to find one to suit your taste, especially as the hot weather sets in.

With Christmas almost upon us, we are here to help make Christmas as easy and convenient as possible to ensure we are serving you over the festive season.

Firstly, we will be OPEN on Christmas Day until midday.

If you want to pre-order one of our signature roast chickens for your Christmas lunch or dinner, please note that all orders must be in and paid for by Monday 21st December.

Secondly, we have a boutique range of Christmas goodies, gifts and cards. We also have a range of beautifully curated gift hampers, so you don't even have to leave Twin Waters! With pricing starting from just \$39.95, they make a beautiful gift with minimal effort!

We often talk about the best parts of owning a grocery store, and it's always the same answer. The people and the customers. We want to take this opportunity to personally thank you for your support in 2020 and we look forward to a great year ahead in 2021.

