

TWIN WATERS

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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**TWRA Christmas Carols & Fireworks
Sun 12th Dec at the Novotel**
**TWRA General Meeting
Mon 13th Dec at the Novotel**

President's Report

Due to Covid restrictions, we were forced to cancel the August meeting and postpone the Annual General Meeting to our recent October meeting. We appreciate the help from Cr Jason O'Pray who ran the election of Office Bearers.

Our elected office bearers for 2021-22 are
President – Tony Freeman
Secretary – Sophie Lever
Treasurer – Bruce Pratten
The Management Committee will also comprise of

Geoff Baker, Geoff Billard, Christine Bormann, Derek Brown, Merran Dobson, David Dunwoody, Sherril France, Mark Hamlyn, David Hughes, Kevin Lyons, Max Mills, Rob Ruskin, Daniel Seeney and Emilia White. Our new team is already focusing on how we work on special areas to ensure a great year for all.

The AGM also reappointed Paul Glass as our Honorary Auditor and we thank Paul for his work in recent years making sure the accounts are a true and correct record. TWRA would also like to thank Kerryn Vincart who completed her term as Treasurer in recent years and Margaret Hamlyn who stepped back but is continuing in her role leading the team for Christmas Carols on the 12th December!

The AGM was also asked to recognise the valuable work done by others – including Ed and Merryl Berry, John Blackmore and Josh Dekker (Party in the Park), Mal and Cynthia Smith (Christmas in July) and Steve Sturgess (Newsletter production).

As had been foreshadowed, the AGM unanimously approved the appointment of Kerryn Vincart as Life Member of TWRA. She joins a group who collectively have worked hard to put Twin Waters on the map whilst making it an ideal community in which we live!

Until next month,

Tony

Remembrance Day Mudjimba RSL

Mudjimba RSL Sub Branch will again be conducting a Remembrance Day Service. This year it will be held at the Mudjimba RSL Sub Branch, 43 Cottonwood Street, Mudjimba commencing at 10.40am on Thursday 11th November.

All are welcome but please stay home if you are unwell. The event will operate in accordance with the Qld Govt Covid 19 requirements.



Airport Update

Lots of news regarding our airport and its services!

Jetstar is set to resume direct services from the Sunshine Coast Airport to Adelaide with 3 return services per week. This is a quarantine free service.

And Virgin has announced 4 new services per week between the Sunshine Coast and Adelaide commencing in December 2021. The airport is also keen for the year round New Zealand services to be consolidated. The airport terminal will double in size over the next 24 – 36 months in a major expansion project with all passenger touch points to be improved. Aero bridges are not part of these expansion plans.

New route priorities are MCY to Perth, with direct flights to South East Asia when the time is right.

Qantas has temporarily moved its hub from Perth to Darwin for their direct flights to London.

There is also talk of flights to the NT and negotiations are underway with all current airlines to commence services.

Negotiations have also commenced with the proposed new low cost carrier Bonza but any action may be 6-12 months in the future.



Local Legends Ed & Merryl Berry

Ed and Merryl Berry are well known residents of Twin Waters. They have been intimately involved in our community from the moment they moved here from Maroochydore with their family in 1999. As born and bred Queenslanders, they were a rare breed! It wasn't long before, after attending a meeting of the newly formed TWRA that Ed found himself in the role of Secretary, a position he held for 8 years as well as the role of Vice President later on. In those early days, Ed and Merryl, after a TWRA meeting, would run off the minutes at the Lendlease office and walk around to distribute them to members, along with the monthly newsletter. This task was relatively easy then with far fewer houses in the community at the time! Twenty plus years on, Ed and Merryl are still very involved in community life here in Twin Waters. They still co-ordinate the distribution of the newsletter, organise Clean Up Day and, until recently, they also made up the membership cards and distributed them, welcoming new residents personally. Once Lendlease took a step back and handed it over the organisation of the Christmas Carols and the Birthday in the Park event to residents, Merryl and Ed were there to help out. Merryl is still on the Christmas Carols Committee today! Both Ed and Merryl are area co-ordinators for Neighbourhood Watch and their general contact number still rings today! In their 'spare time', Ed and Merryl are involved in the Maroochy River Golf Club, organising the Veterans and a large Golf Carnival every year. Merryl is also a volunteer with St Vincent de Paul and with Volunteers in Policing. And let's not forget the famous Twin Waters Dine-Outs where interested residents regularly visit restaurants on this side of the river with an annual visit to the TAFE College in Mooloolaba. It is clear that Ed and Merryl have always embraced and modelled the culture of knowing your neighbour and giving something back.

There is no doubt, that these two residents are indeed local legends! Along with many other people still in our area, Ed and Merryl, have selflessly contributed so much to making Twin Waters the community it is today. Thank you Ed and Merryl!

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Twin Waters Residents and Guests Left Spellbound

Full sun, gentle breeze off the water, smiling crowd, service men and women in kilts playing loud, intense bagpipes and drums. Wednesday 6th October was a morning to remember at Living Choice Twin Waters!

To celebrate Qld Seniors' Month, the Twin Waters Neighbourhood Watch arranged for the Queensland Police Pipes and Drum Band to play for approximately 100 Living Choice residents and guests in the auditorium.



Morning tea was also served and a talk by a cyber expert on serious scams also informed the audience on this important issue. QPP&D was originally formed by a keen and committed group of police officers who had sought since 1956 to establish a Pipe Band to represent the QPS and compete in pipe band contests. Living Choice Twin Waters resident, David Hughes, coordinated the event with the help of Thelma Richardson and her cheerful crew.

Words and photo supplied by Simone McKenna

Listen Up! The Hearing Australia Bus is coming to our community.

The Hearing Australia bus is stopping by at Twin Waters Pharmacy to offer free* hearing checks and raise hearing health awareness in the local community.



BUS LOCATION	ADDRESS	WHEN
TWIN WATERS PHARMACY	6/175 OCEAN DR TWIN WATERS	TUE 2 NOV 2021 9.30AM - 1.30PM

Healthy hearing is a big part of life. It keeps us connected to the people and life we love. Good hearing plays a significant role in helping people stay active, happy and involved in the world around them.

A hearing check is a quick and easy way to help identify if your hearing might not be as sharp as it used to be.

As well as having a hearing check, visitors to the Hearing Australia bus can also find information on how to keep their hearing in good shape and view a display of easy-to-use hearing devices for around the home. This includes headsets for watching TV and alert systems for doorbells.

No appointment is necessary. Hearing Australia will provide hearing checks to any interested adults over 18 who visit the bus on the day. The Hearing Australia team is on hand to guide you through what your next steps may be to help you rediscover the sounds you love.

*Only 15 minute hearing checks are free. Other services may attract charges/fees or may be subsidised for those eligible under the Australian Government Hearing Services Program, to which conditions apply. A hearing check is a screening that helps identify people that may have hearing loss.

Summer is (almost) here!

The unique call of the Eastern Koel, marks the arrival of summer here in Twin Waters.

It arrives from FNQ and PNG around late September to early October. An excellent YouTube video by Tim Siggs, a Sunshine Coast local, provides this interesting information: "The Koel is locally called a storm bird. This is probably because they become more vocal in stormy weather.

They are part of the Cuckoo family and lay their eggs in other 'host species' nest. The male looks black but in very good light, the feathers have a greenish sheen. The red eye is also prominent. The females are beautifully marked with a barred plumage.

Once they have bred, most Koels head back to PNG for the winter."



Snakes are out!

With the return of the warmer weather, we also have begun to have sightings of our native fauna in the form of snakes. Residents are asked to take care as examples such as red-bellied blacks have been sighted on the golf course and near the look out area at Mudjimba Beach. The red-bellied black snake is just one of our many venomous Australian snakes. As with most snakes, they would rather not have a confrontation with a human and are relatively non-aggressive unless provoked. If you see a snake, leave it alone! Or call a company that specialises in the translocation of reptiles.



Cocktail Party

The TWRA is organizing another cocktail party to allow new residents to meet and mingle with existing residents at a very relaxed social occasion.

The event will be held at The Loose Goose Restaurant on Sunday the 28th November from 6pm till late.

For just \$55.00 per person you can enjoy delicious canapés, champagne, red and white wine throughout the night.

This event has been very successful in the past and will sell out quickly. To book log onto www.twra.net and click on the events tab.

This event is only available to TWRA members and their partners.

Not a member? Join up today!



Twin Waters Pharmacy Christmas Sale

Twin Waters Pharmacy will be holding its annual Christmas Party for their customers on November 20th at 3pm and would like to invite TWRA members to be a part of it.

It will be held at the Pharmacy and there will be afternoon tea (our famous fudge included), beer, wine and drinks provided. We will have lucky door prizes, 25% off Christmas gifts to help you get ready for Christmas, free gift-wrapping and good conversation!

If you are looking at coming, please let us know in the Pharmacy so we can ensure we have enough food.

We look forward to having some time to have a chat and thank you for your loyal custom.

Ben and Jodi Wishaw

French Café Conversations at the Loose Goose

While our travels overseas may be on hold for the moment, in the meantime why not transport yourself into French culture by joining in on the Café Conversations held right here in Twin Waters at the Loose Goose!



The event is held monthly and goes from 10.00 am to 12.00 pm. There you will meet fellow francophones and francophiles! You do not need to be fluent to enjoy the experience and fun as all levels of spoken French are catered for. Membership to the Alliance Française also allows participants to enjoy a series of French cultural events such as The French Film Festival, Bastille Day, gastronomic lunches featuring different regions of France, and much more! For more details go to the Alliance Française Sunshine Coast website. A bientôt!



Volunteers Needed For Newsletter Distribution

Like to walk around our beautiful neighbourhood? Can you spare some time once a month to distribute this newsletter? The task isn't onerous and many feet make for speedy delivery!

Contact Ed or Merry on 07 5448 9414.



TWRA Christmas Carols to support NSCC PlayConnect

Every year, the TWRA Christmas Carols Committee donates any proceeds from the event to a local charity. This year, we will ask for a gold coin contribution that will go to supporting PlayConnect Playgroup at North Shore Community Centre.

The PlayConnect Playgroup is designed for families of children aged 0-6 years who have unique needs associated with having an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) or developmental delays in communication, behaviour or social skills. PlayConnect is a welcoming place and a great way for families to connect with others, share knowledge and experiences and make friends in an environment of fun and mutual understanding. The money will support PlayConnect Playgroup and other playgroups that frequent the community centre on a weekly basis through the purchase of special needs toys and equipment. The centre will purchase sensory toys specifically designed for these special children. The toys and equipment can be used immediately in the PlayConnect Playgroup as well as in the other general playgroups and would be made available to future groups with special needs.

The TWRA committee thinks it would be a fantastic help for the families attending who would be provided with an opportunity to further connect with other groups designed to support families in our area in need of this type of environment.



TWRA Christmas Carols and Fireworks will take place on Sunday 12th December at the Novotel.

Doors open at 5.00 pm with live music, sausage sizzle, coffee van and more! Join us for a fabulous night as we join together in this great community event!

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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Block Co-ordinators

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



Upcoming Auction

Resort Style Pavilion Home On Beach Acreage

Tucked away on a gorgeous 8,579m² beachside block this stunning family home is truly one-of-a-kind. Enter the electric gate at 134 Nojoor Road, Mudjimba and you will instantly feel relaxed leaving the outside world behind.

Enjoy your private lap pool with built-in magnesium spa, outdoor shower to rinse off your morning surf and multiple undercover entertaining areas for those weekend BBQ's. The children will entertain themselves with a multi-purpose sports court and enough pristine lawn to create your own golfing green.

The kitchen is an impressively large chef's haven, complemented by stone benches, gas cooktop, water filtration system for your choice of filtered, chilled, still or sparkling water, top-end appliances and vast amounts of bench space and storage.

This family friendly layout has pure coastal ambience with seamless indoor to outdoor living with louvred windows and full width stacker doors which will allow you to host your family and friends with ease. The kids will love to spend time in the separate media/theatre room - a perfect spot to sit back, relax and enjoy their favourite movies.

Privately located just off the living but separate from the other bedrooms, the master retreat is serviced by a luxurious ensuite featuring floor to ceiling tiles, his and her basins, a corner bath, and a walk-in-robe with enough space for even the most prolific of clothes collectors. The East wing of the home enjoys its own rumpus room, 3 large bedrooms all with built-in robes and study desks and serviced by their own bathroom, separate toilet and wash station.

The North wing is perfect for a home business or visiting family and friends. A full guest villa includes room for bedroom, full living, kitchenette, full bathroom and separate toilet. The four-car garage allows plenty of space for your everyday vehicles, bikes and storage needs and there is also a 6m x 6m shed, with room for your jet ski, trailers, vans and all the toys. The property has ample room to store your caravan, boat or additional cars.

If you are looking for not just a home, but also a lifestyle, it doesn't come any better than this stunning property in a highly sought-after location. This is the perfect foothold into one of the most tightly held precincts on the Sunshine Coast.

Auction December 4th, 10am. For more information, please contact Penny Geitz 0416 032 472, Century 21 On Duporth

House Sitters Available

Garry and Karel Small are taking bookings for house/garden/pet sitting from early December 2021 to the beginning September 2022. Dates are flexible. They have lived in Twin Waters for 21 years and have references from neighbours, gardeners and Twin Waters pet owners. Having had house sitters themselves in the past when travelling in their caravan or overseas, Garry and Karel are now enjoying meeting new homes and pets while waiting on their new home to be built.

If interested, please contact Garry and Karel on 0414366280. This is a free service.