

# TWIN WATERS

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

**Newsletter - April 2022**

## **This Month**

**Big works on walls around the lake**

**TWRA strong line on new Town Plan**

**Local View Members work for disadvantaged kids**

**Clean-Up Day success**

## **Important Events**

**Cocktail Party – Loose Goose, 15 May.**

**Christmas In July – 31 July.**

**TWRA Golf Day - 25 September.**

**Twin Waters Party in the Park - 6 November**

**New Look Christmas Carols 18 December.**

**TWRA General Meeting 11 April at 7.30pm.**

**Novotel Resort.**

**(See Shorebirds reminder opposite.)**

## **President's Report**

There is always something happening around Twin Waters that sparks attention and creates interest.

There is constant interaction with Council – over trees, maintenance of the parks and public areas, playground equipment, footpaths, parking issues and of course the waterways.

Generally, what are seen to be issues are resolved pretty quickly. But our interaction is also in the framework of inviting residents to share thoughts about future planning needs and the Council concept of their plan for 2041.

A number of people shared their thoughts, and we had a team to combine their thoughts into a submission to Council . . . . That has now been submitted to Council and we will have to wait and see what happens with all the other ideas and how Council creates a future plan.

At the same time, we are monitoring the Planning & Environment Court in relation to Twin Waters West and our team should be able to report the Court's progress in the near future. While that is happening, we are looking ahead to our own plans for later this year.

We have another party evening at Loose Goose on Sunday 15th May; Christmas in July planned at the end of July; a TWRA Golf Day in September. And then a new look Twin Waters Party in the Park which will be an afternoon function with a new look.

We also have a team looking into Christmas Carols (18th December) at Novotel and this will also have new ideas as a simple outdoor event with a bold new look and feel but ensuring the flavour of Christmas and a fun family event for all ages.

We will share more with you in coming months as our team's plans are helping to make this the greatest community on the Sunshine Coast. Until next month

*Tony*



## **'Three Amigos' Moving On**

The three mates who created the popular coffee spot and eatery have sold the business.

By the time you read this, the new team will be there to carry on the friendly mix of food, drinks and casual atmosphere that made the COCK AND HEN such a social hub in the Twin Waters Shopping Centre.

Going left to right in the photo: Ben Geddes, Jason Werder and Cory Wright wanted to thank their Twin Waters customers for all their support over a busy but rewarding six years.



## **Shorebirds in the Spotlight**

Don't miss the next General Meeting for the TWRA when Dr Simone Bosshard, Coastal Conservation and Permits Officer from Environmental Operations at Sunshine Coast Council gives her long awaited presentation on the remarkable Shore Birds that visit us each year from places as far away as Siberia.

An extra insight into our unique North Shore environment.

# Life on the Lake...

The Swans are back! A sign of better times. President Tony caught the family (on the right) with his 'proper camera', not phone, as they made their return visit. We first saw them last year when the babies were in their fluffy stage. Long established residents say, they have always been around, but come and go as they please. The start of a hectic few weeks on the lake.



Lake residents would have noticed the large barge from Sunshine Coast Barges moored near the bridge over the weir in recent weeks – also transporting large piles of rocks.



Sunshine Coast Barges (SCB) report they are working with 8 properties to restore the all-important revetment walls, where properties join the lake. SCB say it can be an expensive business. It costs \$10,000 just to position the barge in the lake. They say it is essential that all work be carried out in consultation with qualified engineers.

**Sunshine Coast Barges Contact details: 0412 711 116. <https://www.sunshinecoastbarges.com.au>. Details about official requirements for revetment walls are also on the TWRA website: <https://twra.net>**



The Twin Waters community spirit was on show when residents of 20 ViewPoint apartments turned out in force for a major working bee to remodel their gardens facing the lake.



The refit followed the spectacular removal of four trees in February. (See Right.) The relevant trees on their land were interfering with unit water tanks and overhanging pedestrian walkways.



# News and Issues...

## CLEAN UP DAY



From Left to right: Merryll Berry, Jenny Masche, Kevin Lyons and Lil Muir – just four of the 38 dedicated types who showed up on Sunday March 6 for the traditional TWRA Clean-Up Day that scours Twin Waters for all the things that somehow failed to make it into the rubbish bin. Thanks also to those who scurried around the day before, as they couldn't make Sunday. Organised each year by Ed and Merryll Berry, Clean Up Day is now a Twin Waters institution. If a community is judged by its rubbish, then Clean-Up shows Twin Waters as a place that likes to live it up: Volunteers scooped up an interesting collection of wine, beer and soft drink bottles and cans; a hub cap, flattened cigarette packs, a E-Vape unit, fast food wrappers – and an “adult toy” near the boat ramp! Special thanks to Brent Ambler who collected everyone's bags from the drop off points and took them to the large bins.

## VIEW CLUB GET TOGETHER

Members of the Twin Waters View club gathered for their lunch meeting at the Loose Goose on 10 March, as part of their on-going support for the Smith family's Learning for Life program.

Learning for Life offers financial aid and other support to help disadvantaged children stay at school and then go on to further studies or a job. More details in coming editions.



Further details of Twin Waters View Club at: <https://view.org.au/find-a-club/qld/clubs/twin-waters-view-club/>

## TWRA TAKES STRONG LINE IN TOWN PLAN SUBMISSION:

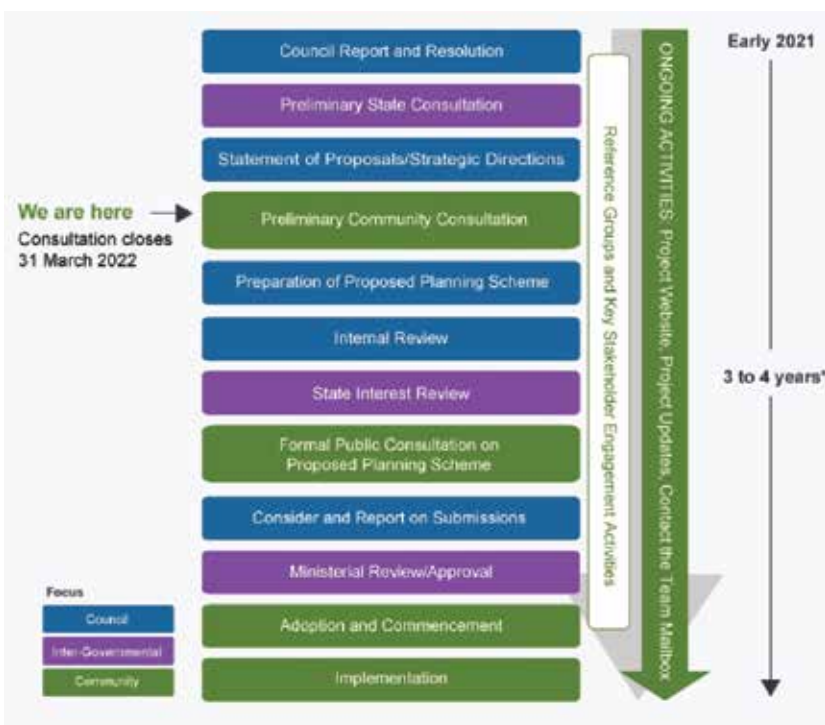
Following consultation with members, TWRA has mounted a strong case for protecting the status quo in Twin Waters in its response to the Sunshine Coast Council's calls for comments on its developing Town Plan taking us to 2041. (See Right for Diagram showing where we are in the New Town Plan process.)

The TWRA submission splits into 3 parts –

Part A – Matters relating to Twin Waters and Twin Waters West only

Part B – Matters relating to the wider North Shore and /or the whole of the Town Plan area of the Sunshine Coast

Part C – Matters that have been raised by members for possible consideration but may not strictly be relevant in a future Town Planning context.



For the Twin Waters only section, TWRA strongly argued that the existing larger than normal lot sizes should be maintained and any moves to introduce multi-dwellings, such as duplexes would be resisted. Parking was highlighted as an issue for further consideration as traffic is bound to increase in coming years. The problem made worse by the lack of adequate on-site parking at recent Aged Care developments. Later parts of the submission argued that lack of proper parking plans was a problem across the whole North Shore, with developers often allowed either to under-provide parking, or simply waltz on previous commitments, with inadequate follow-up action from Council.

For Twin Waters West – TWRA insisted the Council stick to its previous agreement that should any development be approved in the future, it would be equal to or better than existing Twin Waters. This undertaking was made under the existing Town Plan, but Council now hedges with their Planning Directions saying it would depend on the outcome of the current appeal before the Planning & Environment Court. (Continued Page 4)



## LOCAL HELP FOR THOSE ACHING FEET!

If you haven't yet met Alannah, you may recognise Murphy, the resident Twin Waters Irish Terrier. Both can be found walking around the lake most mornings and weekends saying hello to the regular walkers.

Alannah is Twin Waters resident Podiatrist and operates from her home in Quay Court. "The most rewarding aspect of podiatry is the ability to reduce peoples' foot and leg pain really quickly – often in a single treatment – by introducing some simple yet very effective treatments.

Patients are often amazed because in some instances they have had pain for a long time. Seeing patients enjoying their life again is so rewarding"



Podiatry as a health profession has changed a lot of the last 20 years. In the early days people thought we were chiropodists treating corns and callouses.

Now we're trained to perform minor surgery on ingrown toenails, dry needling (medical acupuncture), deep tissue massage and mobilisation, laser therapy, computerised foot pressure, gait analysis and a much wider variety of lower limb problems.

Alannah's clinic at Twin Waters, is a satellite to her much larger multidisciplinary clinic in Buderim which Alannah and her husband, Peter, opened in 2018.

"I always wanted to have a one-stop shop for health services as the outcomes for the patients are so much better when all of their treating therapists are all working together for you."

**If anyone would like further information, please contact her on 5450 5407, or check out her via Andrews Podiatry Services Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/AndrewsPodiatryServices/>**

## TWRA Membership

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

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

This opens a simple application form. Cost is \$10 per year, but that includes every member of your household.

Payable by credit card or direct deposit.

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## Block Co-ordinators

Check on [TWRA.net](http://TWRA.net) and Community

Notice Board for contact details.

## TOWN PLAN continued from Page 3.

Across the wider North Shore, TWRA called for more public consultation over future development around Sunshine Coast Airport and supported moves to extend the Pacific Paradise shopping zone into the area of the former Bowls club or adjacent lands. However, TWRA strongly opposed any high-rise development in the area.

**Full details of the TWRA submission are available on the TWRA website site and Facebook Page. <https://twra.net> or <https://www.facebook.com/TwinWatersResidentsAssociation/>**

## THE LONG AND WINDING ROAD



A final word: the first job in the Twin Waters footpath restoration program mentioned in the last issue – the much discussed footpath on Ocean Drive, running past the golf club that was to be done in March – has been delayed.

Work will now commence on Tuesday 26 April, after Anzac Day. After a year of negotiations and contracting caused when the footpath edged onto golf club land, we're almost there.