

### Twin Waters Neighbourhood Watch (Coolum 5)







### September 2022



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# EMERGENC'

#### Emergency 24/7 000/Text 106 (Ambulance, Fire, Police) **Policelink** 131 444 (Non-urgent Matters) 24/7 **Crime Stoppers** 1800 333 000 (Report Crime Information) Hoon Hotline 24/7 134 666 Maroochydore Police 24/7 5475 2444 (Phone Centre For Our Area) Coolum Police (Police Advice) 5440 2777 S.E.S. (Disaster, Cyclone, Flood, 132 500 Storm, Rescue) 24/7 1800 RESPECT 1800 811 811 **Beyond Blue** 1300 224 636 DV Connect 1800 811 811 women (Domestic Violence Hotline) men 1800 600 636 Lifeline 131 114 Relationships Australia 1300 364 277 Kids' Help Line 1800 551 800 Seniors' Enquiry Line 1300 135 500

### REPORT CRIME

If a crime is happening now, a life is threatened, or the offender is still in the area, call 000.

Contact Policelink on 131 444 (24 hours, seven days) for non-urgent incidents, crimes, or police enquiries. You can fill out an online form to report some types of crime, traffic incidents and complaints at

https://www.police.qld.gov.au/units/policelink-131-444



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### TWIN WATERS CRIME REPORT

(Information obtained from Police)

Fortunately there has been little crime in our area since our last report, however, three motor vehicles have been broken into and items stolen. One vhicle was unlocked. One, possibly unlocked, was stolen and subsequently recovered, slightly damaged.

There was also one case of property damage.

There are continuing reports of young males roaming the streets at night, and residents are urged to secure their premises, and whenever possible, garage and lock motor vehicles.

Our next Twin Waters Neighbourhood Watch Meeting will be at Living Choice Retirement Village Club Room (behind the bowling green) at 5.30 pm on Tuesday 20th September 2022

You are most welcome to come along. Please phone David on 5448 8747 to confirm attendance.

### Register to Receive NHW Alert Emails

We encourage all residents to join Twin Waters Residents Association. (Cost \$10 per household per year. Instructions are on the TWRA newsletter each month.) TWRA sends email alerts/notifications to all members regarding important activities in our area, however if you are not a TWRA member and would like to receive emergency alerts, such as rising water levels, crime alerts and lost and found items, we can add your name and email address to our NHW database. Send your email address to <a href="mailto:nhw.twinwaters.qld@gmail.com">nhw.twinwaters.qld@gmail.com</a> so you can be added to the contact list.

# Neighbourhood Watch Contacts:

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<u>Viewpoint</u>

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# Tradies: Secure Your Tools

Tradie tools can be an easy target for thieves. Thousands of dollars can be lost in wages and valuables if you don't make your tools tough to take.

### Tips to protect your tools:

Make sure your tools or expensive property in the back of your ute or van are secure. If your tools are marked with a UV pen or other mechanism, there's also a chance they can be returned to you if police officers find your property.

Tools and equipment left in trade vehicles are common targets because of their value and ability to be sold for quick cash. Thieves hope you are distracted at work or at home and seize those opportunities to steal unsecure items, so it's important to spend the extra few seconds to make your tools tough to take at all times. Thieves will look into vehicles to see what items can be stolen easily, so remove anything that is not secured.

**Toughen your toolbox,** use a heavy-duty lock and fix it to your vehicle.

Large tools and equipment should be locked with a heavy duty chain and padlock.

Get into the habit of **locking your tool box**, even if you are only stepping away for a few minutes.

Make use of a **heavy-duty site box** if you can, or **take your tools home**; don't leave them lying around on site.

**Don't leave** tools **visible** in your car, ute or van.

The simple security measures above can help reduce the likelihood of theft, but won't eliminate the risk entirely.

Cover your tools with the right **insurance**.

Record the make, model and serial number of your tools and keep an inventory of your tools and equipment.

#### Tips to protect your ride:

Park your vehicle off the road and if possible, in a secure area.

**Keep keys** secure and do not hide them in the vehicle.

**Lock your doors, windows and tool box** even if you are only going away for a few seconds.

If you have an older vehicle, install an alarm or immobiliser and activate it every time you leave your vehicle.

# Community Camera Alliance



The Community Camera Alliance (CCA) is a state-wide Queensland Police Service-led community safety initiative in which residents and visitors with closed-circuit television (CCTV) can register their systems with police to assist in preventing and solving crime. The alliance has been successfully rolled out across 16 areas in Queensland with the Sunshine Coast being the newest region to be invited to register their CCTV systems and contribute towards making the Sunshine Coast a safer place to live.

If you have a CCTV system at your home that you would like to register, you will be required to provide your full name (as it appears on your driver's licence), your current residential address, your contact details and some details regarding your CCTV system.

If you have a CCTV system at your business premises that you would like to register, you will need to provide the full trading name and the physical address of the business, the contact details for the owner and operator of the CCTV system and some details regarding the CCTV system.

All information will be stored safely and securely, and members can remove themselves from the CCA at any time.

CCTV Registration Form | Queensland Police Service

## Rules to Protect Yourself From Phone Scams



### Don't

- Answer if you don't know who is calling. Let the call go to voicemail first. If the caller leaves a number, check that it matches the one on their website.
- · Reply or click on any links in text messages.
- Ever send money.
- Ever tell anyone your personal details—passwords, account details or other sensitive information.
- Ever let someone take control of your computer.

#### Do:

- Use a password on your mobile.
- Check text messages carefully. Look for things that don't look right—bad spelling, strange sender name or number.
- Put a lock on your home mailbox—this way, people can't steal items that may give information about your identity.
- Check if an unknown number is from an official source by checking online. Typing the number into a search engine like Google might come up with details about the owner of the phone number.
- Carefully choose who you share personal details with online and update privacy settings on social media.