

# TWIN WATERS

## RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

### Newsletter - February 2023

#### Important Dates 2023

**Next TWRA General Meeting**

**Monday 6th February 2023**

**7.30 pm Novotel Sunshine Resort**

**Clean Up Day**

**Sunday 5th March 2023**

**Winter Cocktail Party**

**30th April 2023**

**Christmas in July**

**Sunday 23rd July 2023**

**Golf Day**

**17th September 2023**

**Party in the Park**

**5th November 2023**

**3pm - 7pm, at The**

**TW Shopping Village,**

**Christmas Party**

**26th November**

**Christmas Carols**

**17th December**

#### TWRA MEETS COUNCIL ON MAINTENANCE ISSUES!



Left to Right in the picture:  
Geoff Baker (and Monty),  
Derek Brown, Craig Connelly  
(Council), Tony Freeman,  
John Organ (Council)

The TWRA Maintenance Committee has already hit the ground running for 2023. Following a larger than normal level of complaints, the Committee has already meet Council at Warwick Daniels Park on December 15 for a joint inspection of the district – with further meetings scheduled. Details – Page 2.

#### President's report from Sophie Lever

Welcome to 2023! Your hardworking TWRA committee has already met for our first meeting of the year and we have a full Wish List for the year.

The landscape maintenance arrangements are the most spoken about topic at committee meetings, in emails and on social media. As many of you know, in 2005, the Association entered into a Charter with Council which gives us a voice as to how the public landscaped areas in Twin Waters are maintained. This arrangement was a first for the Sunshine Coast at the time. In 2023, we are keen to ensure that the new maintenance crew deliver the top-quality service we have come to expect in our beautiful community. Please rest assured that our maintenance sub-committee are in constant contact with Council in an effort to ensure the public areas are something we can be proud of again. See page 2 for the best way to report issues.

The Association is also committed to bringing you our renowned events, hopefully even better than in previous years. The first event is Clean Up Twin Waters day on Sunday 5th March (see Page 2 for details).

Continuing on with the presentation of our suburb, we will be holding our first ever gardening competition later in the year. We are currently sourcing sponsors and will have further details to release soon.

If you are new to Twin Waters, we are in the planning for a "Welcome to Twin Waters" morning tea, in early March. If you have not already joined TWRA – please do so now so that you are on the invite list.

We are a very busy Association, and we always welcome new volunteers! We are specifically looking for some new ideas for our Christmas Carols (yes planning has already begun for the 2023 Carols!), traditionally held on the Sunday prior to Christmas.

I hope 2023 is happy and healthy for you all.

*Sophie.*

# News & Issues



## Maintenance continued from Page 1

Baywater Drive (picture on the left) is another priority for the Maintenance Committee in its discussions with Council. Seen as an 'entrance statement' for a significant part of Twin Waters, residents have complained that many of the trees and palms are fading and should be replaced. As part of the recent discussions conducted during the inspections with the TWRA, Council suggested installing flowering native trees that would provide a more attractive look. Trees suggested include, Ivory Curles, Lemon Myrtle, flowering eucalypts and native frangipani. Work would be done in the new financial year. Discussions continue. More details next month.

In the meantime, following the recent inspection walkaround with the Council about general maintenance, where notes and photos were taken, the Council had a follow-up inspection with the new contractors, The Plant Management Company. Issues covered included, self-seeded weeds, defined garden edges, palm fronds not being removed in time, mowing frequencies and spraying of weeds. The Maintenance Review Committee and Council will meet again in early February and review progress and performance. We will report back in the next newsletter, or before with community emails to TWRA members.



## SNAP no longer the 'go' at Sunshine Council...

Those 'wired types' who like to fire off info to the Council on the SNAP, SEND AND SOLVE phone app have to change their ways. Council is no longer using it and wants residents who need to report something to be fixed to go back to the good old fashioned web...Go here instead: [https://onlineservices.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/ePropertyProd/scc\\_custom\\_pages/eRequest.asp](https://onlineservices.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/ePropertyProd/scc_custom_pages/eRequest.asp)

## Clean-Up Twin Waters – as part of Clean-Up Australia - Sunday, 5 March.

See Picture on the Right for - The happy crowd of Twin Waters of a few years back, showing up for the Clean-Up Australia Breakfast BBQ and then the walkaround to pick up the stuff that inspired Australia Clean-Up Founder, Ian Kiernan AO to start the movement that's still with us.

See picture below of the man who started it all!



*They call it "bridge" because it makes you want to shove your partner off one.*



## How It Works

TWRA provides the BBQ breakfast and lucky prizes that gets everyone going before they set off to give Twin Waters a good clean-up.

Details:

Assemble about 8.00 am at the park off Baywater Drive...near the Lake

After breakfast gloves and bags provided.

Kayaks encouraged also to clean up the lake.

All over by 10.00am

## Bridge Club

The Sunshine Coast Bridge Club is starting beginners' lessons – from Monday 6 March – 8.45 am for 9.00am. The course is conducted by Lisa Phillips who has competed in NSW, Canberra and Queensland – with a teaching method that includes card play from the start.

Cost is \$60, but includes tea and cake.

Held at the club rooms at the northern end of the Elizabeth Daniels Sports Complex on Syd Lingard Drive, Buderim.

Details on the club website [www.suncoastbridge.com.au](http://www.suncoastbridge.com.au) or telephone Lisa: 0412 196 457.

Or email: [teaching@sunshinecoastbridge.com.au](mailto:teaching@sunshinecoastbridge.com.au).



# News & Issues

## STONEFISH STINGS – ANOTHER DANGER IN THE LAKE!

Keen kayak enthusiast and long-term Twin Waters resident, Jim Clancy, is still putting his wounded foot up, 3 weeks after stepping on the hard to spot Stonefish lolling near the shore, just as he was putting his craft in the water. TWRA members were startled to receive an email warning of the likelihood of the hard to see, but very dangerous fish that looks just like another rock on the bottom.

Jim had a night in hospital before the weeks of limping around.

For more Stonefish details see Sunshine Council link:

<https://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/Environment/Education-Resources-and-Events/Environment-Resources-and-Publications/Coast-and-Marine/Stonefish-on-the-Sunshine-Coast>



## SPEEDING ON THE LAKE- STILL A PROBLEM

The holiday season has seen a noticeable jump in complaints to TWRA about boats exceeding the 6-knots (11 kilometres per hour) speed limit on Twin Waters lake. Apart from safety issues, excessive bow wash from speeding boats increases wear and tear on revetment walls. Sunshine Coast Council advise residents can report offenders to Marine Safety Queensland (07) 5585 1810 or A/H (07) 3305 1700.

Hefty fines are possible under the legislation. But residents should have details to hand of the craft, time and location – and photos if possible.

## GENERAL MEETING – Visitor from STATE EMERGENCY SERVICES

With natural disasters so prominent in our thinking at this time of year, we've invited Suzie Hancock from SES as our special guest at TWRA's next General Meeting – open to the public – at Novotel Sunshine Coast Resort – Monday 6 February at 7.30pm.



## CHEQUE PRESENTED TO THE SHACK:

Meanwhile, in a follow-up from December's General Meeting, L J Hooker, sponsors for TWRA's – Party in the Park - last November, presented the \$2,500 proceeds from the day to the Nambour based support Group – The Shack



Left to Right in the picture Imogene and Dale from The Shack. John Blackmore and Josua Dekker from L J Hooker, Twin Waters.



# CHRISTMAS REVIEW

## Carols By The Lagoon A Great Success!

### 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.



Santa (aka Steve Collins) stole the show when mobbed at TWRA's traditional Carols night (18 December) On the left – TWRA's Naomi McQueen and Right, the Carol's Event Co-ordinator, Margaret Hamlyn – both pressed into happy control.

Over 800 showed up to share the the Christmas night with carols and the bounce of modern jazz band....The Jazz Factory.

See picture below: Member for Maroochy, Fiona Simpson – compere and lead singer for the night, and TWRA President, Sophie.



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### Block Co-ordinators

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



Special thanks to Novotel Sunshine Coast Resort for making their beachside location available – offering a magic location for a summer Christmas – and perfect way to see the traditional fire works that top off the evening.

Thanks also to Maroochy North Shore Lions for their sausage sizzle and help with parking control. Not surprisingly, they sold out...

### VALE Dennis Kyling ~ Former TWRA President 2003-2006



Sadly we note the passing of Dennis Kyling – seen on the left with wife, Jenny. As President, Dennis shaped the early crucial years of the TWRA. He developed our web site (then an innovation for a community group) and presided over the finalization, with the then local Council, of the Twin Waters Landscape Maintenance Agreement – still of vital importance today, as shown by events reported in this edition of the newsletter. Dennis was a keen supporter of the Christmas Lights that still make such a difference to our local festive season and would have taken great pleasure in the recent Christmas Carols by the Lagoon. He is greatly missed.

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