

TWIN WATERS

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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See what's happening on www.twra.net

Take Note

Non-members no longer receive notifications from TWRA.

Date Claimers

TWRA General Meetings in Wandiny Room at Novotel at 7.30pm:

- 17 June
- 12 August AGM
- 14 October
- 9 December

Christmas in July:

28 July (Lily's on the Lagoon)

Like to Lend a Hand?

For newsletter delivery call Ed on 5448 9414.

Stockland/ Canelands Appeal

As we go to press there is still no news on the Judge's decision on the Stockland Appeal but as soon as we know members will be notified by email.

May's Solar Eclipse

An annular solar eclipse will take place on May 10, 2013, with a magnitude of 0.9544. A solar eclipse occurs when the Moon passes between Earth and the Sun, thereby totally or partially obscuring the image of the Sun for a viewer on Earth. An annular solar eclipse occurs when the Moon's apparent diameter is smaller than the Sun, causing the Sun to look like an annulus (ring), blocking most of the Sun's light. Can be widely viewed in Australia.

Happy Mother's Day

The earliest history of Mother's Day dates back to the ancient annual spring festival the Greeks dedicated to maternal goddesses. The Greeks used the occasion to honour Rhea, wife of Cronus and the mother of many deities of Greek mythology.

Ancient Romans, too, celebrated a spring festival, called Hilaria dedicated to Cybele, a mother goddess. Ceremonies in honour of Cybele began some 250 years before Christ was born. The celebration made on the Ides of March by making offerings in the temple of Cybele lasted for three days and included parades, games and masquerades. The celebrations were notorious enough that followers of Cybele were banished from Rome. (The Ides of March marks the day that Caesar was assassinated.)

Early Christians celebrated a Mother's Day of sorts during the festival on the fourth Sunday of Lent in honour of the Virgin Mary, the Mother of Christ.

In England the holiday was expanded to include all mothers. It was then called Mothering Sunday. We continue to celebrate Mother's Day just because we love them.

The Novotel are treating our Mums to a special Mother's Day lunch on May 12 in the Nouveau restaurant. There'll be a kid's corner so the Mothers can sit back and enjoy themselves uninterrupted. To book call 1800 072 277 or see the website.

International Star Wars Day

Excuse the pun but this is serious – 4th May this is celebrated. Get it? "May the fourth be with you" Hire the movies! And sit back and eat space food.

And on that subject, one of John Glenn's many tasks, as the first American to orbit Earth in 1962, was to experiment with eating in weightless conditions. Some experts had been concerned that weightlessness would impair swallowing. Glenn experienced no difficulties and it was determined that microgravity did not affect the natural swallowing process.

The food sachets were held onto the trays by Velcro. The crew of Gemini III sneaked a corned beef sandwich on their spaceflight as it was a favourite of Mission Commander Gus Grissom. Floating pieces of bread posed a potential problem, causing Grissom to put the sandwich away and the astronauts were mildly rebuked by NASA for the act. A congressional hearing was called and NASA took special care about what astronauts brought along on future missions.

TWIN WATERS RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership is valid until 30 June each year and entitles you to the discounts available at local businesses.

The Annual Subscription is \$10 per family plus \$2 if you require an additional card

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Christmas in July

Expressions of interest are sought for our Christmas in July luncheon to be held at the Novotel Twin Waters Resort, Lily's on the Lagoon, Sunday 28 July. A tentative booking for the luncheon has been made for that date. Why not make up a table of 10? The cost of the full buffet of Christmas delights is \$41.50 per person (drinks additional).



It was enjoyed by all who attended last year so let us know by 10th May so we can secure that date with the Novotel. Please email malcyn@bigpond.com or ring Malcolm & Cynthia Smith on 5448 9164 or 0407 130 657.

Guest Speaker

Special thanks to Novotel Twin Waters Resort GM, Simon Brown, guest speaker at our last meeting on April 8. He outlined his lifelong career in the hospitality and gave a rundown on the ins and outs of the Novotel which were not only extremely interesting but surprising in some aspects. If you have any ideas on how we can work with the Novotel to try to reach the Twin Waters community please let us know.

Graffiti

We were all disappointed by the graffiti which appeared on our "Welcome to Twin Waters" signage and the bus stop on Ocean Drive. This has now been removed, but vandals have also caused damage in the park and at the roundabout.

Why Colour is Important

Colour is such an integral part of our environment that we are likely to take it for granted. We often fail to appreciate its profound impact on our lives.

Learning to appreciate the power of colour can help to bring a new awareness of ourselves, our environment and the ways in which we can transform our lives for the better. Colour has a powerful effect on our emotional state. Different colours influence our moods, thoughts and even our actions. Emotional complaints of our time include: Stress - emptiness - meaningless - depression - a loss of values - disillusionment about marriage, family & relationships - yearning for personal fulfillment - a hunger for spirituality and purpose in life.

If you would like to know more, Irene Sunn (Chromopath and Counsellor) is running discussion groups on colour on Tuesday mornings. Should you be interested in adding more colour to your life, ring her on 5448 8734 or 0408 824 966. (Limited numbers) Colour is the 'language of light'.

Lost and Found

Have you lost an Arrow Wind model boat in the canal? It is about 1.5m x 60cms. One has been found adjacent to Mariner Place. If it is yours please call Maxine or Lance on 0431 373 789 as they are minding it for you.

Found near the weir walk bridge a diamond which appears to be from a ring. If it is yours call Val on 5450 5012.

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Books may be purchased from Friendly Grocer Twin Waters (07 5450 6860); Malcolm & Cynthia Smith, 16 Hetherington Drive (5448 9164) or online www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/225403g

Packages to UK

Do you regularly send packages to friends and family in the UK? Now, because Australia is not a member of the EU the recipient will have to pay a European import duty plus a further 8 Pounds Sterling handling charge.

Note that customs charges are applied to imports into the EU with a value over 15 Pounds; Items valued over 135 Pounds will attract import duty and imported gifts over 40 Pounds between individuals will attract VAT. If you have any queries refer to www.royalmail.com/customs or Royal Mail International on Tel: 08 457 740 740.

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Bowls Day

The Twin Waters Retirement Village in Baywater Drive has kindly invited us to another fun bowls day at their fantastic brand new bowls rink, Sunday 26 May at 2.00 for sign-on for a 2.30 start.

The games will be followed by a BBQ dinner prepared by the Village. You'll need a pair of flat soled joggers, a donation of \$15 towards the costs and a sense of humour. No bowls experience necessary. Spectators are welcome to cheer on the teams and enjoy the BBQ.

Those attending please contact Warwick 5450 5148 or Bob & Dorothy 5450 6036.

Flood Victims in Bundaberg

The TWRA have voted to donate \$1000 to the Bundaberg flood victims. North Bundaberg Lions Club is in charge of distribution and have to date raised over \$20,000. Those in need are given vouchers to the value of \$20 to \$100 to spend at North Bundaberg businesses.

All True

Apples, not caffeine, are more efficient at waking you up in the morning.

When you sneeze, all bodily functions stop, even your heart.

Only 7% of the population are left-handed.

In most television commercials advertising milk, a mixture of white paint and thinner is used instead.

What's On in May

4th/5th 42nd National Antique Bottle & Collectors Show at Caloundra Indoor Sports Centre in North St. \$8 entry and children under 14 free.

11th Merry Month of May Dance at Kawana Community Centre \$15 Contact Helen 5477 1037

18th Coolum Beach Quilters Biennial Show at the Baptist Church on David Low Way. A wide variety of quilts on display and for sale. \$5 and receive a gift on entry 9.30 till 4.00.

19th RSPCA Million Paws Walk. Whether you have a dog or not, you can walk and fundraise to help make a real difference to the lives of 18,000 dogs. www.millionpawswalk.com.au

23rd Cancer Council's Biggest Morning Tea. Interested? Go to www.biggestmorningtea.com.au.

Tuesdays:

Babies Storytelling 10-10.30a.m Kawana Library for songs, stories & finger plays to promote early literacy for infants up to 2 years.

Under 5's 9.30-10a.m. at Maroochydore Library. Stories, rhymes, songs and purposeful play to encourage language and listening skills, promote attention and curiosity.

Adult Literacy Conversation English Caloundra Library (2 till 4) currently offers conversational English classes for people with English as a second language.

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Kids in Action 2013

Registration for the Sunshine Coast Kids In Action Conference 2013 closes on Friday 21 June.

Please note: All registrations received before then will go into the draw to win an iPad Mini and Survivor case. See it online. The conference runs 4-5 September 2013. Join hundreds of students and teachers who are helping to save the spectacular Sunshine Coast environment during the Sunshine Coast Kids in Action Conference. The program engages students in learning about the environment through a kids-teaching-kids approach.

Delegates from your school will present their workshop to peers, participate in hands-on environmental projects day activities, work on collaborative pieces & develop an active role for a greener future.

Venues: Lake Kawana Community Centre, Bokarina & London Creek Reserve, Peachester. \$110 for participating school. Includes: 12 delegates from your school (students & teachers), entry, all meals, bus travel, access to education officers to assist prepare for the event.

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