

# TWIN WATERS

## RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER - DECEMBER 2013

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### Your Website

See what's happening on [www.twra.net](http://www.twra.net)

### Date Claimers

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

9 December

**Twin Waters Christmas Carols:**

22 December

### Like to Lend a Hand?

Great exercise! Deliver newsletters on your walk - call Ed on 5448 9414.

### It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas!

The word "Christmas" comes from the old English "Cristes maesse", or the mass of Christ. It is probably that the Christmas date of December 25 was chosen to offset the Pagan celebrations of Saturnalia and Natalis Invicti. It may also be that the celebration of the birth of the "true light of the world" was set at the time of the December solstice because this is when the days in the northern hemisphere began to have more hours of sunlight. Christmas holiday customs derive from various cultures, including Teutonic, Celtic, Roman, West Asian and Christian.

### Symbols

The mistletoe is a commonly used Christmas decoration. Some people believe that any male or female who meet under hanging mistletoe are obliged to kiss. Mistletoe has pagan associations. For example, the Druids of Gaul regarded mistletoe growing on oak trees as sent from heaven.

Other common decorations associated with Christmas

are holly and ivy - both are associated with Pagan festivals as it was customary to decorate with greenery for these festivals.

### Xmas Church Services

North Shore Community, Cnr David Low Way & Dianne Ave Pacific Paradise. 9.30 am

Baptist, Bli Bli School Hall. 8.30am

Presbyterian, 45 Okinja Road, Alexander Headlands, 14th Dec 5pm BBQ followed by Carols at 6pm. Christmas Day Service 8am.

St Mark's Anglican, 7 Main St Buderim. Xmas Eve 5.30 & 11.00pm; Xmas Day 7.00 & 8.30am.

Other denominations had not decided at press time so please contact their websites.

### Gift Wrapping

Sunshine Coast Community Hospice Ltd (aka Katie Rose Cottage) would appreciate helpers with gift wrapping at Sunshine Plaza from 9th - 24th December. Basically from 9.00am-5.30pm but a few of the days will entail evenings as

well. Shifts will be around four hours in duration. Wrapping experience isn't required. It's lots of fun!

Volunteers please call Pat Atkinson on 0404 980 222.

### Your Day Off

The Loose Goose are preparing a special Christmas lunch from 11.30am 'til when you can't fit another mouthful in. There's a choice of 2 entrees, 2 mains and 2 desserts for \$105 per head. Call reservations on 5457 0887.

Novotel Twin Waters Resort Christmas Day Luncheon 25th December. To book, call 07 5450 9596 or email [stay@twinwatersresort.com.au](mailto:stay@twinwatersresort.com.au)

### Party Time

Novotel Twin Waters Resort are still taking bookings for private Christmas Parties - call the Events Team on 07 5450 9582 and they are holding a New Year's Eve Carnival 31st December- \$10 per Adult & \$5 per child. Payable on arrival.

## TWIN WATERS RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM

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## Light Up Twin Waters 2013

Join in with the Twin Waters Residents' Association (TWRA) and Light Up your house with Christmas Lights from 1st December until New Year. Register to go in the prize draw.

This is a lucky draw, not a competition. Every house has a chance to win. Registration forms will be available on the TWRA website and at The Friendly Grocer, where it can be dropped off after filling it out. Please, only one entry per household.

The draw will take place at the Christmas Carols Sunday 22 December 2013. Thanks to our sponsors: Aussie World, The Loaded Lizard and Mudjimba Newsagency.

## Lions Share

Maroochy North Shore Lions is a very active Community organisation which aims to have fun while raising funds for worthy causes and other Community groups.

During the lead up to Christmas they will be very busy supporting various Local Community groups to raise funds. They will also be selling the famous Lions Christmas cakes and puddings on 6th, 7th, 13th and 14th December at the Pacific Paradise shopping centre and of course the renowned Bob Gavin will be selling them in the Twin Waters area. They cost \$11 for a small cake or pudding or \$15 for the large cake.

If you wish to buy these tasty treats and help our local Lions call Bob on 5450 6036. Finally, they will be assisting the Mudjimba Surf Club to raise funds by cooking hamburgers at the "Carols in the Park" on

Friday 13th December. If you would like to join this active Community organisation you would be made most welcome. Just ring Shirley on 5450 5088 or Gary on 5448 9587.

## Stockland Appeal Decision Imminent

We have been advised by Judge Rackemann's associate that it is expected that the Judge will have handed down his judgement by the end of November. (The judgement refers to Stockland's appeal to the Qld Planning & Environment Court over Sunshine Coast Council's rejection of Stockland's proposal relating to development of the land between Twin Waters and the Sunshine Motorway.)

At the time of going to press, we had not heard any further but at least we have an indication that the decision will be made soon. TWRA members will be advised of the judgement outcome by email as soon as it is handed down and we will report it further in the next Newsletter.

## Golf Day

A good day was had by all at Twin Waters Golf Club on Sunday 3rd November. A field of 60 players hit off. Some played well and some played badly, but everyone entered into the spirit of the day, and stayed on for the presentations. Everyone was a winner! That's what makes the day so good.

Thank you to our sponsors one and all for your support. There are so many demands made on our local businesses for trophies, etc., and they are always willing to help. A special thanks to our major sponsor,

Greg Clarke of Ray White, Mooloolaba. We will be looking for some new people to run this event next year. We would love to hear from someone who would be willing to take over. It's great fun and Margaret Braithwaite would be pleased to help and advise.

## What's On

**1st-8th Dec** – "The Fall and Rise of Mr Scrooge" at Noosa Arts Theatre, Weyba Road, Noosaville. A feel-good show perfectly timed for Christmas. An adaptation of the famous A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens – see Mr Scrooge have a change of heart after visions of Christmases past, present and future. This play is pitched for all ages. Matinees: December 1st, 7th and 8th at 2pm and evening: December 6th at 7.30pm. All Tickets \$15. Bookings: Box Office or Phone Sales: 5449 9343, Tuesday to Saturday, 9am to noon.

**3rd Dec** – Exciting finale of the Noosa Springs' 2013 Ladies Day Golf Series for fun, fashion and golf. Play for the day, or if you played two of the three series event days you will automatically enter the grand draw for your chance to win one of four \$250 golf shop vouchers. The individual Stableford competition is followed by a sit-down gourmet champagne lunch and dazzling fashion parade featuring the latest in golf and leisure wear. Register at the golf shop today or phone 5440 3333.

**6th Dec** – The Allergy Menu. Join Michelle Kazukaitis and Pauline O'Sullivan to discover their amazing online food allergy resource. Find out how this enables easy management of elimination diets for

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**6th Dec** – Last day of Noosa Springs' popular Friday Wine Down Series is a rewarding way for teams of four players to wind down at the week's end. It's a skins competition with plenty of bottles of wine to be won at each hole. The best three scores from each team will be tallied at each hole and the winning team will win four bottles of wine. If tied, the prize jackpots until there is a winner. Save the date as the next exciting instalments of this fun series. Registration is 11am for a noon shotgun start. Register your team today by phoning Noosa Springs' golf shop or book through the resort's web site.

**14th Dec** – Mooloolaba's Christmas Boat Parade is fun for everyone! Bring your family, bring your friends. Pack a picnic. Get yourselves ready for a magical, floating light spectacular! Imagine - loads of colour, pretty Xmas lights, entertainment and more. For those wanting to be in the parade, all entry fees of \$25 are donated to a local charity. Houses and apartments all around Mooloolah River are encouraged to dress-up on the night. This is the perfect chance to families, friends, visitors, adults and children to come together to enjoy a free and fun community event.

## School Holidays

While Year 10 and 12 are already finished for 2013, other pupils start their holidays on Friday 13th (uh oh!) and Term 1 commences on Tuesday 28 January. Have fun kids!

## It All Adds Up!

If you think your child is watching too much TV you might feel better after reading this. Terence Chi-Shen Tao was born in Adelaide in 1975. He was a child prodigy. Much research was done on this exceptionally gifted child. At the age of two, he could carry out basic arithmetic and during a family gathering, Tao attempted to teach a 5-year-old child arithmetic and English. When asked by his father how he knew numbers and letters, he said he learned them from Sesame Street. Aside from English, Tao speaks Cantonese, but cannot write Chinese.

By the age of 9 he was attending university level mathematics courses. He is one of only two children (besides Lenhard Ng) in the history of the Johns Hopkins' Study of Exceptional Talent program to have achieved a score of 700 or greater on the SAT math section while just 8 years old (he scored a 760).

In 1986, 1987, and 1988, Tao was the youngest participant to date in the International Mathematical Olympiad, first competing at the age of ten, winning a bronze, silver, and gold medal respectively. He remains the youngest winner of each of the three medals in the Olympiad's history winning the gold medal when he barely turned thirteen.

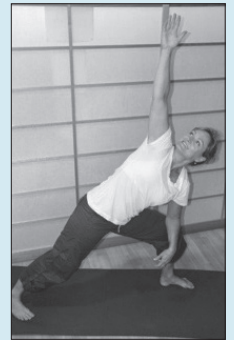
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At age 14, Tao attended the Research Science Institute. When he was 15 he published his first assistant paper. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees (at the age of 16) from Flinders University.

From 1992 to 1996, Tao was a graduate student at Princeton University, receiving his PhD at the age of 20. He joined the faculty of the University of California in 1996 and at 24 he was promoted to full professor at UCLA and remains the youngest person ever appointed to that rank by the institution.

Tao's parents are first generation immigrants from Hong Kong to Australia. His Dad is a pediatrician, and his mother was a secondary school teacher of mathematics.

Tao's two brothers both have represented Australia at the International Mathematical Olympiad. Nigel Tao is part of the team at Google Australia that created Google Wave. Trevor Tao has a double degree in maths and music.

Tao and his wife Laura (an engineer at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory), their son and daughter live in Los Angeles. Are you feeling better or worse now?

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