

TWIN WATERS

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2015

Twin Waters 19th Birthday Party

Remember to keep Sunday October 18 free for the Twin Waters 19th Birthday Celebrations. The party will be held at Lake View Park from 12 noon. It is going to be a great afternoon with entertainment and fun activities for everyone.

If you have any books for the bookstall or crafts for the craft table, bring them with you on the day.

TWRA Halloween Cook & Fun Book

The limited edition of TWRA Halloween Cook & Fun Book is now available to buy for just \$5 each. Tell you friends!

You can learn the origin and history of Halloween, how countries from around the world celebrate it and you can learn to cook some yummys such as: Blood Slices, Ghost Biscuits, Green Sludge Spiders, Devilled Eggs, Witch Hat Bikkies and a variety of cupcakes such as Skeleton, Spiderweb, Skull, Black Cat, Vampire and more ... you know you want to.

There is a sealed section which is only available to kids so we cannot tell you any more about that....



If you wish to purchase a copy, please call Dinah on 0429 196 206 and arrange collection and payment.

Take Care

Neighbourhood Watch would like to remind resident to keep their doors and windows locked at all times. There were several recent incidents where thieves tried to break in at night while the owners slept.

Further Canelands / Stockland Update

The Mayor, Mark Jamieson, called a meeting on 16 September of all the main stakeholders involved with the Stockland / Canelands matter. The purpose was to review all work done to date and to ensure that all stakeholders were "on the same page" so that Council could move forward with the request from Stockland for an amendment of the Planning Scheme for the Canelands. All of the principal Council officers were present, including, the Mayor, Cr Dickson (Chair of the Planning Committee) and Cr. O'Pray plus relevant Council management and officers. The State government was represented by officers from Dept. of Transport & Main Roads (DTMR) and Dept. of Local Government & Infrastructure Planning (DLGIP). Stockland was represented by their Regional Manager and the Project Manager, plus their technical and engineering consultants. The TWRA was represented by Peter Braithwaite, Geoff Billard, Evan Flower, Ken Vaughn and Max Mills.

Council planning officers reported on their work to date, including their recent detailed discussions with TWRA to make sure that our requirements had been addressed. They also reported on the options for the principal entry / exit point for any development on the site to David Low Way with a possible second entry via Godfreys Road and connections to the existing Twin Waters via walkways, bikeways and possible minor traffic for intra-community connections. They also outlined the heritage studies relating to the Settler's Park area and its implications for one of the traffic options. The parties expressed a preference for the David Low Way / Ocean Drive roundabout as the main traffic solution. TWRA also expressed support for this option. Stockland reaffirmed their support for the work done to date and that they were neutral about either this option or the De Vere Road roundabout option.

On the subject of Settler's Park, Council's heritage consultant has confirmed that some adjustments to the Park boundaries and its incorporation into an entry

Date Claimers

TWRA General Meeting
Maroochy Room, Novotel Resort
7.30pm, 12 October

Twin Waters Birthday Picnic
in the Park, 18 October

statement (including especially preserving the mango trees) would not be detrimental and would in fact provide a better outcome from a heritage viewpoint.

The bottom line is that all parties at the meeting seem to be on the same page and that there are no issues outstanding for them that would prevent Council formally considering the request for a Planning Scheme Amendment at a special meeting in October.

The timetable moving forward would likely include: Council may formally consider the request in October; if supported by Council, the request would be formally submitted to the State Government for their consideration (timing uncertain as Council does not control this); assuming State support, a public consultation period for the proposed Planning Scheme Amendment would be held around mid-2016 and subject to any further considerations the final decision/approval for a Planning Scheme Amendment relating to the Canelands may be made around end-2016. Stockland could submit their detailed Development Application (DA) to Council, which would also subsequently require a public consultation period. At the recent meeting, Council also restated the issue of waterways was of high importance in any future DA and the requirement that any development not impact the current quality of waterways as currently monitored.

The Mayor thanked all parties for their involvement and contributions. In particular, he noted and expressed appreciation for the extensive consultation with the Twin Waters community and the role of the TWRA in working with Stockland to achieve an outcome that would add value to the whole area.

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Shark Sightings

As weather warms up, people are again starting to make use of the waterways around Twin Waters. Please, all kayakers, stand-up paddle boarders, those fishing and swimming (both people and dogs) be aware that there have been more sightings of sharks in these waters. They are more than likely Bull Sharks. While we have previously been advised that Bull Sharks under two metres in length are less dangerous than larger individuals, we must remember that the waterways are the home of these and other animals and swimming is not advised. This is why the "No Swimming" signs are in place around Twin Waters. Please take care when using our waterways and if you wish to swim, make use of one of our beautiful beaches.

New Committee Takes Over

The new Committee appointed following the TWRA AGM on 15 August has held its first meetings under our new President, Rob Ruskin. There are some familiar faces still there, a couple of new faces and some departures. Welcome to Tony Freeman, who moved to Twin Waters in 2014 after a successful business career in marketing and consulting and a long record of service to his former Samford community as a Rotary member. Liz Chandler, who joined the Committee during the last financial year is continuing and doing a wonderful job with her leadership of the administration of our new web site at www.twra.net Two stalwarts, Ed Berry and Dinah McCulloch, stepped down from the Committee but are continuing with their community service – Ed with management of the memberships (with his wife, Merryll), the Clean-Up event and our Dine-outs; Dinah with the leadership of the team organising the forthcoming Picnic in the Park. Two others, Sarah Caddy and Greg Clarke also stepped down after terms on the Committee. We thank all of those leaving the Committee for their community service. The new Committee is now focused on the events for the remainder of this year, especially the Picnic in the Park (on 18th October) and the Carols & Fireworks at Novotel (on 20th December). More details of the Committee members and the calendar of events can be found on our web site at www.twra.net

Recognition for Twin Waters Resident

At the State Conference for Neighbourhood Watch, Con Guard was selected as the "shining light" for Neighbourhood Watch on the Sunshine Coast. Con is well known in our community for his efforts with bike engraving and the Turning the Screws project. Well-done Con.

Problems on Ocean Drive Again

Unfortunately, again, there seem to be person(s) who think it is cool to hoon on Ocean Drive especially on Friday and Saturday nights. Even worse, some have taken to deliberately driving off the road and through our maintained verges and roundabouts. Of course it is not cool. It is completely anti-social behaviour. In the past, good work by our community has ultimately identified the culprits and they have been dealt with by the law. Just a reminder that, if you are aware of hooning, please call the hooning Hotline on 13 HOON (13 4666), or you can report the hooning on-line. It is good if you can provide specific details – car make, colour, number plate, date and time etc but even tracking the times will help Police plan appropriate action. Police penalties for hooning can be severe, especially for repeat offenders.

Smart Cities

The Smart City Framework (SCF) is a portfolio of 13 services. It has been created in partnership with Telstra and Cisco and proposes to deploy smart city solutions in a staged manner in key locations including the Priority Development Area (PDA) of Maroochydore, the Oceanside Health Hub and Caloundra Central Business District. The SCF has been developed to allow information and communication technology to enhance the livability, workability and sustainability of the Sunshine Coast region. Sunshine Coast Council has contributed significant intellectual property to identify 13 smart technologies ranging from Smart Power and water to Smart Signage, WiFi and health services that should be incorporated into the Smart City. Council is committed to guiding the program to provide the right services in the right areas to get the most benefit for the investment. Creating a Smart City has many benefits for the Sunshine Coast including:

- lower carbon emissions, traffic congestion and energy use which benefits both rate payers and the environment.
- improved city services by sharing data which means less wait times and faster service
- increased safety and a reduction in crime
- attraction of more investment and new business to the area which also attracts new talent, providing more employment opportunities.

To date the Smart City Framework team has spoken to over 20 stakeholder groups and consulted our global network of Smart City experts to select a portfolio of solutions that supports our vision and goals for the Maroochydore Priority Development Area, the enterprise corridor and the broader Sunshine Coast region. For more information please visit the Smart City webpage <http://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/sitePage.cfm?code=smart-cities>

T.A.F.E. Dine Out

Want to join in on a Twin Waters tradition? Every year for the past 10, a group of Twin Waters residents meet up to dine at the T.A.F.E. training restaurant at Mooloolaba. They enjoy a five-course meal prepared and served by chef and wait staff in training, all for less than \$40. Come along and enjoy being waited on while future top chefs cook you a meal to remember!

If you would like to join us please contact Ed on 54489414 so we get an idea of numbers.

Chair Yoga

INTERESTED IN CHAIR YOGA FOR SENIORS?

'Chair yoga' is a general term for practices that modify yoga poses so that they can be done while seated in a chair.

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Irene Sunn is a certified Chair Yoga Instructor and if you are interested in knowing more, please call her on 0408824966 or 54488734 or email livinglight@westnet.com.au

Food Trail

There is a new way for visitors and local alike to plan gastronomic tours around our beautiful region. Sunshine Coast Destination have launched a mobile website that allows foodies to plan tasty tours from the palm of their hand.

The mobile site provides a rundown of venues such as wineries, restaurants, farms and markets that is accessible using your mobile device. More than 400 Sunshine Coast businesses are featured making it a one-stop shop for planning tours personalised food trails and tours around our region.

For more information follow the link on the 'Things to do on the Coast' page on the TWRA website.

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Origins of Halloween

It is heading towards that spooky time of the year.... Halloween!

Halloween is a pagan festival that celebrated over 2000 years ago. This pagan holiday was known as Samhain, a harvest festival which was celebrated with huge bonfires to mark the end of the Celtic year and the beginning of the New Year. Celts believed that dead souls roamed the streets at night. On Samhain they used to leave gifts and sweets outside to please the evil spirits. They also prayed for good crops for the approaching year. With the popularity of Christianity, the Orthodox Church decided to honour the dead souls of saints by observing All Saints' Day on November 1st. The day before this was called All Hallows Eve which later became famous as Halloween. The traditions and customs followed on this day are similar to Samhain.

Until recently, in Australia, Halloween was an excuse for some people to watch horror movies. During this time cinemas organized special screening of horror movies with the popularity of the celebration. Halloween has become more popular in recent years. Although is not observed as a national holiday, people enjoy the celebration during evening. Nowadays, special Halloween events, parties are held to make the day enjoyable. Many Australians take part in trick- or- treating.

Trick-or-treating has become popular in Twin Waters in recent years, with some household really getting into the Halloween spirit by spookily decorating their houses and creating haunted houses to welcome trick-or-treaters. Please, if you or your children are planning on going trick-or-treating this year we ask that everyone is respectful of other people and their property.

Haunted Halloween Asylum

Get ready for a spooky night at the asylum themed haunted garage at 10 Oceanic Court. The event will take place on Saturday the 31st of October from 6pm onwards. There will be fun, frights and sweet treats for all. We only ask that you keep your hands to yourselves... The scarers might bite!




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