

TWIN WATERS

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Newsletter - December 2025

Important Dates 2025

TWRA General Meetings

Monday 8th December 7.00pm
Novotel Sunshine Coast Resort
Guest Speaker: S.E.S



Christmas Carols

Saturday 14th December, 5.00pm
NEW LOCATION
Apex Camp, Nojoor Road,
Twin Waters

Christmas Boat Paddle

Saturday 20th December,
6.00pm Twin Waters Lake



President's Report from Sue Smith

Party in the Park 2025 was a great success!

Naomi from the TWRA along with Josh and Carin from LJ Hooker, were thrilled to present the proceeds from the event to OzHarvest Sunshine Coast. Money raised for **OzHarvest was \$2,288.16.**

This represents 4,576 meals for those in need in our local community! Because of you, our little community just made a BIG impact. Thank you for turning a great day into something truly powerful.



Josh, Carin, Annette & Naomi

Our final General Meeting for the year is Monday 8th December. Given the storms have started rolling in we have arranged for the local State Emergency Service as our guest speakers. This presentation will include information on what SES Volunteers do, the natural risks we face in Twin Waters and what simple steps can be taken to help prepare yourself and your home against severe weather events. If you are unable to attend, have a look at the links below.

- Disaster Hub Sunshine Coast - <https://disasterhub.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au>
- Get Ready Qld - <https://www.getready.qld.gov.au/>
- SES - <https://www.ses.qld.gov.au/>

In September we provided questions to Stockland in relation to water management and infrastructure. As a result, Stockland arranged for us to meet with the Hydrology Consultants. Head to page 2 for the summary of this meeting and link to additional information on our website.



We were saddened to hear of the passing of Ken Ward, aged 96, on 12th November 2025. Ken and his wife, Mee Lee, lived in Twin Waters for 15 years and were long-time TWRA members who regularly supported community events.

He will be fondly remembered.

Mee Lee & Ken

Lastly, I wish everyone a wonderful Christmas and New Year, and I look forward to seeing you—voices ready—at this year's Carols in the Park. For full event details, please see the back page.

Till next month,

Sue

Thank You To Our Generous Venue Hosts

The TWRA extends its sincere thanks to **Lever Law, the North Shore Community Centre, and Novotel Twin Waters** for kindly providing meeting rooms throughout the year. Your ongoing support helps us continue our work for the community, and we are truly grateful.

Keeping You Informed: Recent Meeting On Lake Design Operations TWW

Our Development Sub-committee team of Michael Stapelfeldt, Kevin Lyons, Derek Brown, Marty Haase, Amanda Abbott and Sue Smith have been hard at it and recently met with Stockland to discuss a range of questions relating to the Twin Waters West lake design and operational concerns raised by residents.

Stockland's design consultants provided a comprehensive review of the project, including modelling results, and responded to numerous follow-up questions from our committee.

Topics covered included:

- Lake levels - Lake levels will typically average 2-400mm above existing TW lake varying with tide & rainfall
- Intake and discharge design - Largely underground/underwater
- Pump operation - Pumps are 3 metres underwater, therefore should produce minimal sound at ground level
- Overall lake functionality and related matters - Impact on water velocities in current Twin Waters lake will be below measurable levels

Upcoming Meetings

Future meetings are being planned to cover: Environmental topics, parks and greenspaces, common facilities and selected contracts.

Information and data from these sessions will also be posted on our website as it becomes available. The Committee hopes to keep you informed as information continues to come to our attention. <https://twra.net-meeting-with-stockland-covey-associates-12-nov-2025/>

TWRA welcomes our members' questions in relation to the Stockland development. We can then take these to the developer in a constructive and consultative manner.

Sunshine Coast Airport Update

Major Announcement - New International Services

Jetstar have announced that from the 25th March 2026 they will commence a 3 times weekly service from the Sunshine Coast airport to Singapore via Bali. Operating the airline's modern Airbus A321LR aircraft the service will depart every Monday, Thursday and Saturday direct to Bali with connections to Singapore. The service will return on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, offering over 70,000 seats annually.

Sunshine Coast Airport Terminal Redevelopment Plan

The Sunshine Coast airport has revealed plans for its \$170 million terminal redevelopment. Starting this year the airport will embark on a 2-year plan to completely revamp the airport terminal.

The terminal footprint will almost double, growing from 6,100sqm to 11,759sqm catering for an estimated increase of 800k additional passengers annually by 2035.

A new baggage handling facility is being constructed to the left of the current checkin-area and this will be completed early next year.

New check-in kiosks will be installed over the next 2 years with 18 self-service kiosks and 10 automatic bag drops planned. Departure gates will increase from 5 to 7 and 3 new passenger screening machines will be installed.

Brush Box Park Looking Great

We are often asked about the special levy and how it is used. It pays for the "superior level of service" we receive in all our 64 park areas in Twin Waters where the costs are split between Council and the Levy. Recently we discussed the "tired old play area" in the park in Brushbox Circuit, the area has most recently been used by cats and possums and not as a play area.

Discussion at the TW Maintenance Review Committee meeting determined something had to be done.

The Council Contractors have recently rebuilt the park area returning it to useable space and the 'before' and 'after' photos show the improvement!!

Part of the funding came from the levy!



After



Cheers To Community: Another Fantastic TWRA Meet and Greet

Our second Meet and Greet Sundowner at the Cock and Hen on Sunday 9th November was another success with more than 70 guests. Whilst there were some familiar faces, there were plenty of folks who have moved into TW in the last year, and it was a pleasure to meet them.

With live music, a steady flow of mixed canapes and a stellar door prize, the atmosphere was relaxed, buzzy and fun!

Even the weather defied the forecasts and stayed warm and dry! Many thanks to the Cock and Hen team who made it run so smoothly.



What's Been Happening At Twin Waters Community Connect

It's been a wonderful and busy month at TWCC. We were thrilled to receive an incredibly generous donation from Brent (Barney) Beecroft, Rhonda's brother—a fully equipped mobile barbecue trailer that will help us host future community events and gatherings.

We've also introduced our new TWCC logo, which reflects our focus on connection, support, and neighbourly kindness. We are also continuing to collect bottles and cans as part of our fundraising activities - Twin Waters drop off points include - 1 Nautilus Court and 27 Moorings Circuit or phone us and we can collect them.

Looking ahead, our First Aid, CPR, and Defibrillator training is coming up in January, giving our volunteers valuable skills to support residents safely and confidently. We'd like to thank Cr Taylor Bunnag for his support.

Most importantly, our volunteers have been enjoying helping members—whether taking someone shopping, lending a hand with small tasks, playing chess or simply sharing a chat over a cup of tea. If you or someone you know needs some support, please call us on 0493 344 688.



New BBQ with Brent & Alannah

Festive Season Safety: Lock Up, Look Out & Ride Smart

Home Security

Please remember to secure your homes and personal property over the festive season. As always, lock your doors, including your garage door, and lock away tools, garden tools, bicycles, toys, etc.

If you are away make it appear that someone is home, e.g. have lights on timers; ask a neighbour to collect mail and newspapers and to keep an eye on your home. Don't post on social media to show you're away.

When hosting a party, don't leave your front door open so just anyone can walk in, especially if you are at the other end of the house.

E Bikes and Scooters

There have been far too many serious accidents and even tragic losses of life caused by the dangerous or illegal use of e-bikes and e-scooters, including incidents involving children. Please carefully consider the safety of your children, other road users, and pedestrians before choosing these as Christmas gifts. Let's work together to keep this festive season safe and enjoyable for everyone.

Take a few minutes to visit <https://streetsmarts.initiatives.qld.gov.au/e-bikes-e-scooters/> All riders need to know and abide by the road rules.



DCPC officers Yvette & Tina, Merryll & Jenny 2025 NHW State Conference



Zone councillors cutting the birthday cake.

Shimmering ladies in sapphire and blue.

Twin Waters View Club Celebrates 19 Years

November saw the Twin Waters VIEW Club celebrate its 19th birthday with a stunning "Sapphires and Diamonds" theme. There were 79 fashionistas, resplendent in shades of blue and sparkles, and a fun afternoon of cold bubbles, delicious food and musical entertainment was had. The growth and commitment of our Club was recognised by our National and Zone Councillors, who attended and cut the official birthday cake. It was a spectacular event that was dedicated to Suzanne Schmidt, who was remembered for her service, colour and joy.



The VIEW Club welcomes new members. We meet for lunch on the 2nd Thursday of each month at The Loose Goose Restaurant, Ocean Drive, Twin Waters, 11am for 11.30am start. Please contact Doreen on 0415 695 921 or Email twinwatersviewclub@gmail.com

Council Endorses Shorebird Conservation Plan

The Sunshine Coast Council has adopted the Sunshine Coast Shorebird Conservation Plan 2025–30, which outlines a strategic roadmap to protect the region's declining shorebird populations. The plan is about making small but powerful local changes so everyone can continue to enjoy the area while protecting the wildlife that makes it so special. Migratory shorebirds fly over 10,000km each year from Siberia and Alaska to reach our shores. They rely on the sandbanks of the Pumicestone Passage and Maroochy River to rest, feed and build up energy for their return journey.

The plan prioritises evidence-based outcomes such as reducing disturbance at high-value roost sites, improved signage and education, and the integration of shorebird-safe recreation planning – including alignment with the upcoming Dog Exercise Area Regional Plan.

The Draft Dog Exercise Area Regional Plan proposes a small seasonal closure at the river mouth and a new off-leash space at Mudjimba between Beach Accesses 127 and 130. The Plan and proposed mapping will go to Council for consideration in the future. If endorsed, this will mean more off-leash space, but in a less impactful area. **Both Plans can be found on the Sunshine Coast Council's website.**



It's That Time Of Year Again – TWRA Carols In The Park

Not long to go now - And this year, we're turning up the festive cheer at a brand-new location: **Apex Camp, Nojoor Road, Twin Waters**. With a wet-weather option onsite (hopefully it won't be needed) the celebration goes ahead rain or shine! Join us on the 14th December from 5pm–7.30pm for an afternoon bursting with family fun, delicious food, colourful face painting, and plenty of spirited carol singing. Bring your chairs, picnic blankets, and your best singing voices. A handy QR code will be available so you can follow along with every lyric. Parking is a breeze, with plenty of space along Nojoor Road, Seahorse Drive and the surrounding areas. There will also be a 1-minute drop-off zone at the main entrance and two disabled parking bays.

Food Trucks & Festive Treats

- Hux Mex
- Gourmet Dumplings
- Richard Lane Coffee Van
- Schultz's Finest Fudge – because who doesn't love fudge?
- Little Warung Indonesian
- Dough Guys Pizza
- Face Painting by Tazzie Treasures

Performers & Entertainment

Enjoy a wonderful line-up featuring talented vocalists, a brass quintet, a piper, and a percussionist, along with the beautiful harmonies of Pacific Paradise School Choir, conducted by Bonnie McBay.

Special Guest: Santa Claus himself will be dropping by!

Be sure to stay for drawing of the raffles and the sparkling finale by **Aura Pyrotechnics**.

Please note: Apex Camp requests no pets or alcohol.

As always this is a free event so come along and celebrate the magic of Christmas with your community — it's set to be a truly spectacular night for all ages



Last years haul - Meagan (Scout Realty) Carina (Lever Law) with dogs Daisy & Frankie

Coming Together to Bring Christmas Joy to Local Families - IFYS Appeal

This Christmas, Scout Realty is partnering with Lever Law and the Twin Waters Residents Association to support the **IFYS Christmas Appeal**, which helps bring hope and joy to children, young people and families in need. IFYS works with families doing it tough, and community donations make a meaningful difference at this time of year.

We are seeking new, unwrapped gifts such as toys, clothing, gift cards, non-perishable food items and small items for family gift packs. These donations allow IFYS to create Christmas hampers, gift bundles and support packs, ensuring children and young people feel valued and included. Every contribution helps brighten someone's Christmas.

Donation Drop Locations

- Lever Law, Shop 9, 175 Oceans Drive before 14 December
- Scout Realty marquee at the Twin Waters Christmas Carols on 14 December from 5.00pm.

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Twin Waters Pharmacy of the Year

Our very own Twin Waters Pharmacy wins Queensland/NT Pharmacy of the year in the Independent Pharmacies Australia's awards, for the second year in a row. Twin Waters Pharmacy pride themselves on delivering exceptional customer service and are big on community engagement. This award is a symbol of the hard work of a wonderful team of Pharmacists and Pharmacy assistants who continuously go above and beyond supporting patients and the community, including other local pharmacies.



(L to R)
Will, Steve, Janine (IPA)
and Cathou Batterham
(Retail Manager)
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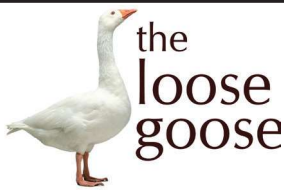


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