

TWIN WATERS

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Newsletter - May 2026

Important Dates 2026

TWRA General Meeting

New Location - Until further notice
Pacific Paradise State School Hall
7pm - Mondays

1st June - Guest Speakers Stocklands
and SCRC Community Disaster
Coordinating Committee

3rd August (AGM)

12th October

7th December

FREE Tree & Coffee Morning

Tuesday 26th May

8.30 - 10.30am

Warrick Daniels Lake View Park

Christmas in July

Sunday 19th July 12pm

The Loose Goose

Paws in the Park

Sunday 6th September

Warwick Daniels

Lake View Park

TW Golf Day

Sunday 27th September

Twin Waters Golf Club

Party in the Park

Sunday 25th October

Twin Waters Village

Christmas Carols

13th December

Apex Camp, Nojoor Road,

Twin Waters

President's Report from Sue Smith

Apologies for being missing in action for the second General Meeting of the year, however I am needed in Sydney for an extended period as my daughter in law has badly broken her ankle and can not chase after a 2 year old! With our committee moving to using our Google Workspace I can manage things remotely with the great support of the management committee. So thank you for your patience.

Membership

Membership renewals will be sent at the end of June for the financial year 1-07-26 to 30-6-27. New members can join via our website or can request a membership form. The cost will remain at \$10 per household. The committee has decided that our TWRA events will now have member ticket prices and non member prices. The difference being \$10 per ticket. The committee felt this was only fair and hopefully will encourage more to become members. TWRA membership is about creating a sense of belonging and engagement in our TW community and things that will affect our community, so the more the merrier!

Walls Gone

Residents will have noticed that Council has demolished the three entrance walls that were identified as needed to improve sight lines for traffic as a safety measure.

New wall cut down size



Wall being demolished this week

Cr Bunnag recently thanked the TWRA for campaigning for the wall's removals and for choosing the new colour for the remaining walls.

The painting of the remaining entry walls is scheduled for completion by the end of this financial year.

David Low Intersection

A reminder that work will soon commence on the David Low intersection with Ocean Drive upgrade so we need to be patient during this time of inconvenience. The upgrade is necessary for our already increased traffic and to manage future traffic growth. (See Page 2)



Thank you to those who have emailed or stopped me in the street, to tell me how much they have enjoyed our recent newsletter editions. This positive feedback has been relayed to our Newsletter subcommittee, a committed bunch with wonderful enthusiasm to get good information to our community.

Till next month,

Sue

TWW Update - Questions For Stockland!

We have been seeing many questions on our Facebook page regarding the Twin Waters West development. We have arranged Stockland as our Guest Speakers for our June General Meeting. Stockland has invited questions before the meeting to provide them with time to prepare responses on the night.

If you would like to submit a question please forward these to info@twra.net no later than Thursday 21st May. We will then collate these for Stockland to respond to.

David Low Way and Ocean Drive Intersection upgrade

Stockland has appointed Sunshine Coast based civil works contractor Shadforth Civil to deliver the project. The upgrade will replace the current T-intersection with a new four-leg signalised intersection. The upgrade is designed to address known safety issues and improve traffic movements for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians. It will also provide an entry road to the future Twin Waters West Community. Work is scheduled to commence mid April 2026 and be completed mid April 2027. A construction notice is being delivered to Twin Waters and Pacific Paradise Residents with more information about this project and the following Project Map.

Fauna and Flora Management during construction phase

The Stockland team has been working closely with Sunshine Coast Council (SCC) and ecologists to develop a vegetation maintenance plan that will improve the site's appearance while protecting the local kangaroo population. It will also help prepare the area for semi-permanent construction fencing to be installed.

Weed spraying will occur in the grassed verge along the western (Sunshine Motorway bikeway/Godfreys Road) and northern (David Low Way) property boundaries. Once the spray has taken effect (likely between 1-2 weeks), the area will be slashed and the new fencing will be installed. The taller grass between the site boundary and footpath on SCC's land will also be slashed at this time. It will then be maintained through monthly mowing during the development of Twin Waters West.

The maintenance plan will control the site's vegetation growth while reducing potential food sources near the busy Sunshine Motorway and David Low Way road corridors. A fauna spotter will be onsite during weed spraying to manage wildlife safety.

Stockland has advised they will continue to monitor kangaroo movements across the site and make adjustments to protection measures if needed. If the community notices any changes in kangaroo behaviour, please contact Stockland directly.



Town Hall Event Shines A Light On Challenges Facing Council And Residents

A sizeable crowd turned out to the North Shore Community Centre on 1 April for a comprehensive briefing by Division 8 Councillor, Taylor Bunnag on the work and challenges facing residents and the Council both now and in the coming years.

The Town Hall style meeting covered big picture topics such as the need for more public transport across the whole Sunshine Coast – 89% of trips on the coast are taken by private cars - to our version of the housing crisis, as both young people and key workers struggle to find affordable accommodation. Social issues like the growing number of homeless on the Coast are another challenge, as Council already deals with 469 registered homeless and the likelihood of more to come.

Some of the issues covered:

A challenging financial future with likely budget deficits through a combination of rising operational expenses (fuel & materials) and growing Infrastructure costs that outpace revenue from Council charges.

Despite the challenges there would still be strong activity: the next 20 years will see an additional 84,800 new dwellings on the Coast. Medium rise development is expected to increase from 6% in 2021 to 9% in 2046 and high density 2% to 7%. Sunshine Coast Airport is a priority development area where plans include a new shopping centre – something the Councillor said, we need more of.

For Twin Waters - substantial work on the Lake's Weir is the most pressing major work issue for Division 8 – as it supports both Twin Waters and the future lake for the coming Twin Waters West development.

Work was also expected to begin in April/May on the new traffic light intersection between Ocean Drive and David Low Way and last 12 months.



Councillor Bunnag at Town Hall Meeting

General Meeting 19 April Highlights Work Of Local Mens' Shed - And State Government and Council Updates.

Our guest speaker this month was Ian McGrath from Buderim Men's Shed. A major objective of the Men's Shed is to advance the health, well being and social inclusion of all members through interest-based activities. They do this by welcoming men and providing opportunities for members to undertake personal, Men's Shed or community-based projects. An example of this is the heritage listed Maroochy River 'Wheel House' which was lovingly restored thanks to specialist heritage advice and the handy work of volunteers.

Buderim Men's Shed is a place for members to meet in a friendly atmosphere, gain knowledge and improve their health. It's a place where they can learn or teach a variety of professional and trade skills, or just relax in the company of other like-minded men. Members' interests include woodworking, wood turning, toy making, metal work, small engine repairs, gardening, art and sketching, computing, discussion groups, French polishing, leather work, library, health and welfare group, music and instrument playing and upholstery.

For more information visit their website <https://buderimmensshed.org/> .



Barry Benjamin and Ian McGrath from Buderim Men's Shed

Update from the Hon Fiona Simpson MP

Our local member, The Hon Fiona Simpson MP, provided an update on a number of items including the fuel security crisis, the new Lifelight facility at Sunshine Coast airport, the 23 new moorings at Mudjimba Island which will be installed over winter and the Convention and Entertainment Facility planned for Maroochydoore as a legacy infrastructure as part of the Brisbane 2032 Olympics. Fiona also spoke about the Mooloolah River Interchange Upgrade with site preparation underway and main construction due to start later this year.

Fiona Simpson MP at the General Meeting



News & Issues

Twin Waters Maintenance Levy - What Does It Do?

TWRA receives many questions about the maintenance levy we pay on our Council rates and how the money is allocated or spent around Twin Waters, so we thought it is time for an update – especially for newer residents in the area.

Twin Waters is a master planned community created by Lend Lease around 30 years ago. It encompasses a balance of residential areas, the lake and waterways and plenty of greenspace and parkland. In 2005 there was community discussion of how the parks, garden and greenspace could be maintained at the high standard that had been established. This led to the creation of the “special area benefit levy” charged by Council to all ratepayers to share the cost of a higher standard of green space and park maintenance.

The total area of the Twin Waters community is approximately 4.6 square kilometres, of which 148,575 square metres (SQM) is designated public green space, which we all enjoy. The Special Area Benefit Levy enables Twin Waters to have our contracted service provider to maintain our parks and greenspace at a superior level. The cost of the additional service is shared between Council and Twin Waters Rate Payers with the Special Area Benefit Levy. Council manage the contractors and the work required and Council Staff conduct regular audits every week and identify where additional work is required.

Council recently fully funded the street beautification programme with planting additional native trees, while the recent garden planting to add colour to the gardens was a shared cost between Council and the TW Maintenance Levy. This levy has remained at \$130 for the last three years. TWRA has a sub-committee which formally meets with Council staff 3-4 times a year and more regularly as needed. The sub-committee reports to the TWRA meetings and provides regular updates through the newsletter.



Twin Waters Associate Council Reference Group

Maintenance Committee Group on the job on the upkeep of public areas



Free Tree and Coffee Morning

Councillor Bunnag will be joining the event and bringing his Free Tree Day to Twin Waters, giving locals the chance to pick up free plants and add more green to their gardens. Drop by, have a chat, and take home something great for your garden. It will also be a great chance to share coffee at this joint TWRA and TWCC social activity.



Collect your tree, get some advice from SCC Parks and Gardens representatives and share some time with others. We are arranging a Coffee Van to be there from 8.30 to 10.30am, perhaps bring your chair and something to share.
Date: Tuesday 26 April 2026
Where: Warrick Daniels Lake View Park
Time: 8.30 to 10.30

Twin Waters Community Connect - Supporting Our Community Together

At Twin Waters Community Connect, our focus is simple — neighbours helping neighbours.

We provide practical, non-clinical support to help local residents stay independent and connected. This includes transport to medical appointments, help with shopping and errands, friendly visiting, respite for carers, and assistance with small tasks around the home. Often, it's the little things — a lift, a check-in, or a chat — that make the biggest difference. If you or someone you know could benefit from a little extra support, please don't hesitate to reach out — it's as simple as calling us on 0493 344688.

We are incredibly grateful to our dedicated volunteers who make this service available for our Twin Waters Community.

A heartfelt thank you also to everyone who supported our recent fundraising events. Our Bunnings Sausage Sizzle and the Veerings Crescent Trivia Night were fantastic community gatherings, raising a combined \$3,197 to support our work. The Volunteers are working tirelessly to raise funds to support the work that we do so our services remain free of charge”

Containers for change are part of our fundraising activities with drop off points at - 1 Nautilus Crt and 27 Moorings Cct or we can collect.

Our volunteers enjoy helping members - If you or someone you know needs some support, please call us on 0493 344 688 or email president@twcc.org.au



Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

Mid-Year Merriment: Christmas in July with TWRA

TWRA presents our much-loved Christmas in July celebration—an afternoon of great food, laughter, and festive cheer. Guests will enjoy a delicious Christmas-style menu, along with a fabulous drinks package for those who like to indulge.

This year you'll need to bring your festive spirit as prizes will be awarded for Best Dressed Christmas Male and Female plus lucky door prizes - with a twist!

Join us at The Loose Goose on Sunday 19th July at 12pm for an afternoon of celebration. Our entertainer is new to TWRA and promises not to disappoint, performing a mix of original songs and well-known favourites that will have everyone up dancing by the end of the day.

To thank our TWRA members there will be a members and non-members price - so now is a great time to join the TWRA. Don't miss this wonderful community event—secure your spot and get ready to celebrate!

Tickets go on sale 1st June www.TWRA.net

Entertainment sponsored by Fiona Simpson and Ted O'Brien

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**Liz Clarke,
SES Training Officer,
Coolool Beach,**



Taylor Bunnag & President Doreen Bell

View Club

What a beautiful day it was for our April luncheon meeting at the Loose Goose, Twin Waters! With lots of news, interesting speakers, new members, fun company and delicious food, it certainly was a fabulous day. Here are the highlights:

We had a visit from our local Councillor, Taylor Bunnag who stayed for our business meeting. He shared his excitement for the vibrant club we are and acknowledged our contribution both in the community by way of friendship and connection and with our fundraising efforts that support our 13 sponsored students. He has offered his support for our members and our club and we look forward to hearing more from Taylor as a guest speaker in the future.

Our Guest Speaker was Liz Clarke, training officer from the Sunshine Coast SES Emergency Unit. Liz gave an interesting and informative talk outlining the need for preparation and diligence before a weather event occurs and what to do during and after the event.

On the topic of fundraising for the Smith Family Learning for Life school students we support, we have booked a fashion parade for August and have secured a perfect venue, the beautiful Leisure Centre at 'Vantage' (formerly Living Gems) to hold it. Twin Waters residents are invited to attend. Details and booking information will be clarified closer to time.

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



TWRA Golf Day Locked In!

Attention keen golfing enthusiasts! Our 2026 Golf Day has been locked in for Sunday, September 27th. It will be an 8:00am shotgun start and will be a two team Ambrose event. Mark it in your diaries and look out for future updates in the coming Newsletters and our social media forums. Kevin Lyons, a long-standing member of the Twin Waters Residents' Association, is stepping away from the role of managing this event. His expertise, organisational skills and dedication to this day have contributed to its great success over the last 5 years! And beside every man stands a great woman! Margaret, Kevin's wife, has been equally diligent behind the scenes in making the golf day happen. So, as we witness the handing over of the baton, we welcome the new event organisers, Wayne English and David Luckeraft. We would like to acknowledge and pass on our gratitude and heartfelt thanks to Kevin and Margaret for their continuous hard work that went into bringing such events together. We also wish the new team all the success of their predecessors, in running future golf days!

Wayne, David, Margie & Kevin

Twin Waters Farewells Special Doctor

Sunday 19 April – saw a large crowd that ringed around the Twin Waters shopping village to farewell the late Dr Carina Joubert, leader of the Twin Waters Medical Practice who, much to the shock of her many dedicated patients, passed away recently.

In a moving address, Julius Zsadoni, speaker for the family, friends and co-workers at the practice, and husband of the practice nurse, Bianco said, "Carina was more than a doctor. To her patients she was a source of hope, comfort and unwavering care. She took the time to truly listen, to re-assure and to go above and beyond. To her colleagues, Carina was not only deeply respected, but genuinely loved. She brought warmth into every room and a generosity of spirit that made working alongside her a privilege. As we say goodbye you will be deeply missed, dearly remembered and forever cherished."

The event was supported by the Sunshine Coast Antique Car Club, along with music from the Happy Ukulele Goodlife Strummers. In lieu of flowers, people were encouraged to make a donation to Maleny Botanic Gardens & Bird World where Carina's much-loved Macaw 'Archie' now lives.



**Speech with Practice members
Crowd at Twin Waters Village Service**



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Residents are urged to lock their vehicles at all times, especially during the night, as opportunistic thieves have been seen recently checking parked vehicles for easy targets. To protect your property, always ensure:

- Your vehicle doors are locked and windows closed
- Valuables are either removed or hidden from view
- Tools/equipment are locked or removed
- You park your car in a driveway or well-lit area at night if possible.

Parents, carers, please let your kids know that smashing on doors/ringing door bells and then running away before anyone comes to the door, although it may seem like fun, can be very frightening and distressing, particularly for elderly or ill people and more especially if it happens after dark. This has been happening recently in our neighbourhood and two children have been caught on camera, making it quite obvious who they are. One incident also resulted in a broken door bell.

Police crime map for Twin Waters residential area shows one incident of unlawful entry and one of property damage since our last report.

Our next meeting will be on 1 June to coincide with the TWRA general meeting.

If you would like to join us, all are welcome - NHW meets every 3 months on a Thursday, email: nhw.twinwaters.qld@gmail.com

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