

TWIN WATERS

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Newsletter - November 2024

Important Dates 2024

Pre Christmas Dinner Dance

Loose Goose Restaurant.
Sunday 24th November
6.30pm to 10pm

Christmas Carols –

Moorings Circuit Park 15th December
5pm to 7.30 pm.

Next General Meeting–

Monday 2nd December 7.30pm
Novotel Sunshine Coast Resort



Christmas is coming...



Meet the happy winners of our second TWRA Garden Competition... who received their prizes at our General Meeting on 14th October. **See some of their gardens on Page 3.** But gardens and greenery have also given us some challenges this month. **See our report on Page 2 about unauthorised tree trimming on Karinya Island that has been stressing both residents and Council.**

Until next time,
Mark Hamlyn

President's Report from Mark Hamlyn

Hi Everyone,

Cop this... Something we have not had before – the Drone's view of Party in the Park.

Twin Waters – from the Air! And another take on us – as we celebrate that place where we live!



Great weather for the Twin Waters Show Day as the crowds came out to enjoy the spirit that is our special community, with its unique sense of place! **For more details see Page 3.**

But first thanks to Grant Ormrod and his team at L J Hooker (Twin Waters) for making it happen. And all for a good cause: supporting Orange Sky and their work helping the homeless!

And more good times are coming: **Check out the details on Page 4 for our new event, the Pre-Christmas Dinner Dance on Sunday, 24 November.**

The official start of the Christmas Party Season.

And also on **Page 4** more details of this year's Christmas Carols in Moorings Park on 15 December – with the added chance this year of local children joining the special choir on the night.



Illegal Tree “Trimming” and Dumping

Twin Waters is a great place to live, however, sometimes there are issues in the public park areas and open spaces that need addressing.

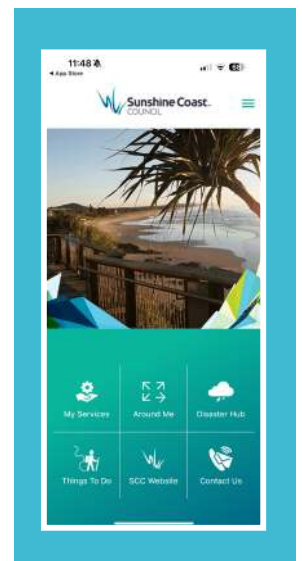
TWRA was recently alerted to a large pile of “green waste” on a traffic island in Karinya Place. We were shocked that some locals had crudely hacked and removed several tree branches that might have been above where they park their cars.



Rather than requesting attention from a Council arborist, the person or people have significantly damaged the trees. Tearing branches in this manner disrupts the cambium layer under the bark and allows fungus in which can kill the tree. Council by-law inspectors are now involved to determine the extent to which regulations might have been breached. The Twin Waters contractors are required to pass details to Council where residential green rubbish is suspected of being dumped on Council parks and open spaces. Fines up to \$2,580 can apply. The Council's 2023-2024 Parks & Gardens budget was significantly affected by removing dumped green waste. The time has come for us all to do the right thing before actions by a few affect our future rates.

Council Reporting App

Council requests individuals use the “Sunshine Coast app” / “services”, to have problems addressed. The app pinpoints the exact location of a submitted photo.



Waste 2 Resource – For a cleaner, greener and sustainable Sunshine Coast



Atiah Bell

Atiah Bell, the Council Resource Education Facilitator, gave an informative presentation at the October General Meeting held at the Novotel.

A recent “red bin” audit revealed that more than 60% of red bin contents should NOT be in there!

Red Bin

Contents go to land fill.

(They are for general household waste only, such as food waste and plastic bags. Note: Some older General Waste bins have GREEN TOPS, but will eventually be replaced with RED.

Yellow Bin

Contents go to the New Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) near Nambour.

What should go in:

Glass and plastic bottles without lids, cans, aerosols and plastic containers with a 3D shape. Food containers need a quick rinse. Paper and card are OK if you can tear them (i.e. no plastic coating). Foil is also okay if it's reasonably clean.

What should NOT go in:

Size does matter! The MRF machine cannot process items smaller than a small yogurt pot, or thin plastic bags, plastic covers and wrapping, hard plastic toys, or polystyrene.

Shredded paper – it creates a snowstorm at the facility!

Takeaway Coffee cups - they're made of many different materials.

Bits of lawn mowers or dangerous items like batteries or gas bottles!

Green Bin

All garden and veggie waste that can be mulched for re-use.

Council has free coarse mulch available for collection.

For more info visit the Sunshine Coast Council website and see the MRF in action!

<https://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/living-and-community/waste-and-recycling/recycling-and-waste-education>

Garden Competition – Some Of The Winning Gardens!



Best Street Appeal



Best Newly Created



Best Patio/Courtyard

The Gardening Competition was judged on Saturday 12 October.

We had 19 entries spread over four categories, three of which were new..

A very big thank you to all of you who entered.

We had 2 judges: Glenys Bruun an experienced and independent horticulturalist from Nambour, and Chris Bormann representing the TWRA exec committee. Judging was tough, lots of very impressive gardens!

All entrants were informed of the results later on the judging day, and prize giving was at the TWRA General Meeting on Monday 14th October. Results are on the TWRA.net website. 7 of the 9 winning gardens were open for viewing on Saturday 19 October.

We thank our incredibly generous sponsors, who provided a total of \$1,350, most going to prizes, Sunshine Coast Council, Mitre 10 at Kunda Park, North Shore Tavern, Manawee Garden Centre, Bunnings, and Whites IGA at Bli Bli. Thank you all!



Party In The Park- In Pictures.... One Of The Best Yet!

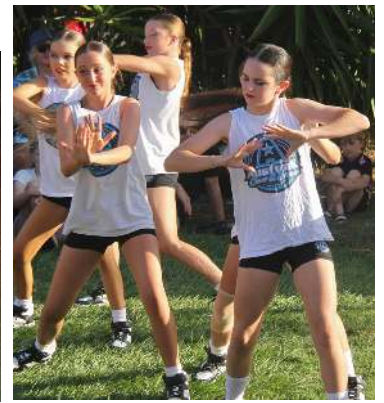
Alive with music and laughter, people mingled effortlessly and enjoyed all that was on offer including delicious home-baking at the cake stall and the great Lion's Club sausage sizzle coupled with scrumptious food from FoodWorks, Cock & Hen and Loose Goose.



The live entertainment including the kids' performances and APEX games were top notch and a few brave souls cuddled reptiles from the roaming zoo.

A wide variety of plants were on sale and 2 of the 3 Raffle Hamper Winners live on Stillwater Drive – what a lucky street!

The pinnacle of the event was the birthday cake cutting and grand finale fire dancer.



A special thanks to all the volunteers, those who donated prizes for raffles, cakes and plants and the team at LJ Hooker Twin Waters who had been planning the event since January. The profits from the day will be donated to Orange Sky – more about that in a future newsletter. Happy 27th Birthday, Twin Waters!



Neighbourhood Watch – TW crime continues to fall

The Queensland Police advise that since our report last month there has been one incident of property damage and one of theft in Twin Waters.

A recent disturbing incident reported by a resident was a youth exposing himself on the pedestrian bridge near Anchorage Circuit mid-afternoon on 23rd September. The youth ran off when the woman threatened to take his photo. Police were informed.

Please be aware of where your children are at night. There are reports of door knocking at all hours late into the night which cause great concern, especially to elderly residents.

Reporting crime: Phone 000 if a crime is happening now, or if a life is threatened.

If you need police assistance, but it's not an emergency, phone Policelink on 131 444.

Provide anonymous info about any criminal activity to Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000

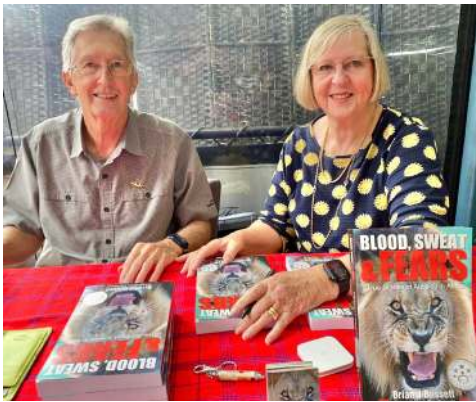


Carols in the Park - children required!!

Christmas is fast approaching and this year's 'Carols in The Park' will be on Sunday 15th December, 5.00-7.30 pm, compered again by the wonderful Tanya Maree. This year's event will be very different. There will be more children participation and a Twin Waters Children's Choir, organised by local music teacher, Kate. All children in the area are invited to participate. Children who were successful in a recent school Eisteddfod, will perform the haunting sounds of hand pans. We'll have special effects pyrotechnics, food trucks, the raffle and of course, Santa!

Two rehearsals of the event will be held prior on 1st and 8th December: time and location to be confirmed.

We will be sending out the music via a QR Code in a TWRA email, how cool is that!



View Club – Hears About Tales from Africa

The heavens opened and wind howled but that didn't deter 68 ladies from braving the elements to attend the VIEW Club October luncheon.

Guest speakers were Brian and Sue Bassett, who are deeply committed Volunteer Researchers and Level One Wildlife Rangers. Brian had everyone enthralled with stories of their 'up front and personal' encounters with lions, elephants, rhinos and mountain gorillas in Africa. His presentation included a beautiful series of photographs, taken by Sue.

The Twin Waters 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



Pre-Xmas Dinner Dance Tickets Now On Sale

Pre-Xmas Dinner Dance, Sunday Nov 24.

Tickets are available now on our website:

<https://twra.net/events/christmas-party>

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Reminder

**Guest Speaker At Next General Meeting:
7.30pm Monday 2nd December,
Novotel Sunshine Resort.**

A reminder that we have Cassie Grentell from the amazing LifeFlight Foundation that saves lives every day with its airborne emergency services who will be our guest at our last General Meeting for the year.

Both the General Public and TWRA members are encouraged to come hear this remarkable story.

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