

TWIN WATERS

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Newsletter - June 2026

Important Dates 2026

TWRA General Meeting
New Location from August:
Mudjimba Surf Lifesaving Club
7pm - Mondays
 3rd August (AGM)
 12th October
 7th December

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
 Sunday 13th December
 Apex Camp, Nojoor Road,
 Twin Waters

President's Report from Sue Smith

Many people in Twin Waters know Ed and Merryl Berry. The news of Merryl's passing earlier in May, after her long battle with cancer, was very sad. Merryl was a very passionate and loyal volunteer in our community. More on Merryl's work on page 2.



Sue Smith with Amy Agius, Community Engagement Lead Sunshine Coast and South Burnett

On the topic of volunteer work in our community, it was National Volunteer Week 18 - 24 May. I had the privilege of representing TWRA at the LifeFlight Thank You morning tea.

We heard about the amazing work of the LifeFlight volunteers in every aspect of this organisation. LifeFlight is now seeking local volunteers for their new LifeFlight Community Information Centre soon to be located in their new home at the Sunshine Coast Airport. If this interests you sign up at <https://www.lifeflight.org.au/our-community/volunteer>

It's been a month for the gardens and ducks, with approximately 129mm of rain, as of the 26th May and 15 wet days for the month. This year the committee has been looking for new ways to meet and engage more in our community. Despite the rain, our joint coffee in the park, with Twin Waters Community Connect and SCRC Councilor Bunnag, brought people down to Warrick Daniels Park for a tree or two, an early coffee and morning tea and some great chats.



SCRC Free Tree Day

Till next month,
 Sue

Joint Coffee Morning



TWRA PRESENTS

Christmas in July

Sunday 19th July
 12-3pm
 The Loose Goose

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Reminder!
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 Christmas in July.

Vale Merryl Berry

One of the first residents of Twin Waters and a Community Stalwart, Merryl Berry, passed away on 11 May after a four-year battle with cancer.

Merryl Berry was a valued and respected member of the Twin Waters community for more than 25 years. She leaves a lasting legacy of service, kindness and community spirit and will be fondly remembered and with deep gratitude for all she contributed to Twin Waters.

In the early days of TWRA, Merryl printed the annual membership cards, which she and Ed would deliver to every member. For many years Merryl wore multiple hats for the TWRA Carols event from compiling the sing along PowerPoint presentation, being a Santas' Elf and general organiser always making sure the evening ran smoothly for all to enjoy.

Merryl played a central role in establishing and supporting Twin Waters Neighbourhood Watch. She assisted with all activities, attended local and regional meetings and took part in training sessions with Queensland Police. Her contribution was formally recognised in 2021 when she was awarded the title of Neighbourhood Watch Queensland District Community Member of the Year. Beyond her volunteer work in Twin Waters, many would have seen Merryl at Vinnies Op Shop as a long serving volunteer.

Merryl and Ed were among the first buyers of land in Twin Waters. Their block was initially leased back to Lend Lease for use as the car park for the first Display Village. They later built their retirement home there. Merryl was an active community volunteer in her own right and strongly supported Ed in his many community activities. A keen golfer and a long-time member of Maroochy River Golf Club, she and Ed were active in organising club events, particularly the annual Veterans Golf Day, which became one of the highlights of the club's year.

Merryl and Ed have two children, Michelle and Craig, and two grandchildren. In recent times, despite her ill health, Merryl was often seen walking with her grandchildren whenever they were visiting. We extend our condolences to Ed (a TWRA life-member) and all of Merryl's family.

Merryl and Ed worked together to organise Twin Waters' Clean Up Australia Day and for many years have coordinated the distribution of the TWRA newsletter. They did this selflessly up to the May 2026 edition.

A huge thank you from TWRA.

Thank you, Merryl. May you Rest in Peace.



Ed & Merryl Berry



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TWW Update- Suburb Boundary change proposal "Have Your Say"

Stockland development land to the west of Twin Waters sits within the current suburb boundary of Pacific Paradise. Stockland has proposed a boundary change that would incorporate the site into the suburb of Twin Waters. This excludes Settlers Park, which would remain part of Pacific Paradise given its historical significance to the community. This place name proposal to amend the locality boundaries of Twin Waters and Pacific Paradise within the Sunshine Coast Regional Council area was gazetted 5 May 2026, by the Qld Government's Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development commencing a one-month public consultation period, which closes on 4 June 2026.

Links to make a submission and detailed mapping is available on the department's website: <https://haveyoursay.nrmrdd.qld.gov.au>

This information was emailed to all members early in May. If you did not receive the email please look in junk mail and if not there please email TWRA and confirm your correct membership email.

Your questions have now been provided to Stockland in preparation for our General Meeting 1st June at Pacific Paradise State School. TWRA has suggested to Stockland that they create stakeholder opportunities, outside TWRA, to engage with individuals and direct them to where they can find answers. We have suggested including a "frequently asked questions" section on their website.

Presenting The Goose Wine Bar!

The Loose Goose restaurant has a 15-year history with owners Erin & Carl Mitaros. They met in 2005 when they worked together, Erin training to become a qualified chef under Carl, the then sous chef. In 2007 they began seeing each other and embarked on a great adventure by purchasing a restaurant in Twin Waters, previously known as The Isles.

Over a few wines with friends, a new name was born, "The Loose Goose" after the nursery rhyme Lucy Goosey. Recently, following many requests for a late afternoon drink from passing patrons, they came up with the idea to create a wine bar. So, a section of the deck was repurposed alongside the lake, with bespoke furniture, table lanterns and plants, to create a special ambience for those wishing to enjoy a sip of wine and delicious snacks from the menu.

This new menu was inspired by the heritage of the incredible cuisine they experienced on their recent Greek holiday, particularly the island of Kastellorizo.

They never tire of working together even after all these years and attribute the smooth running of their business to the great support of their valued staff. There is a delightful selection of wines by the glass or bottle to savour your palate.

The bar is open Wednesdays to Sundays 3pm – 8pm including a Golden Hour from 4pm - 5:30pm offering a selection of reasonably priced cocktails, beers and wines. Also featuring the "Black Wall Wines" which provide a hand-picked variety of specially chosen wines!

Do drop in for the intimate experience of all that the Goose Bar has to offer. Speaking from experience, it won't disappoint!

BLACK WALL WINES

- Mr. Murphy Young Jerez... 18/95
- Saw Blanc... 18/95
- Mr. Murphy D'Arbo... 17/76
- Mr. Murphy Gunder... 11/55
- After wine... 17/76
- Robert's... 17/76
- Coastal... 12/60
- Domaine... 11/55
- Louis... 11/55
- Domaine... 11/55
- Alan... 11/55

Erin & Carl in 7thens with the Acropolis in the background 2025

Patrons savouring a wine

Goose Wine Bar

Airport Update

The Easter Holiday period delivered record breaking passenger numbers, with an average 6,200 passengers who travelled through the airport each day of the holiday period. Monday 6th April was the busiest day with 6,637 passengers.

Sunshine Coast Airport is seeking proposals for a major hotel development opportunity as the next step in its plan to deliver a modern world-class airport for the region. The proposed development will offer proponents the opportunity to deliver a high-quality 4 to 4.5 star hotel that caters to a growing number of business and leisure travellers, both domestic and international. Strategically located within close proximity to the terminal, the site is ideally positioned to become a key hospitality destination integrated with the airport's broader commercial offerings within the Gateway Precinct.

Hotel Development



Twin Waters Weir Renewal Program

We have all noticed the barge presence at the weir mouth since March, with progressive works still ongoing. Initially, in this nourishment program, clean sand was dredged and pumped into the eroded areas on the western flank of the weir. This work continued for 6 weeks, well into mid-April.

Mitch and James were the familiar daily faces who were contracted by the Sunshine Coast Council to complete this work. They estimated that 120 cubic meters of sand was pumped each day. These men both live and work on the coast and attribute a great mateship for being able to endure long days in confinement on the barge.

Council has progressed investigations into the next stage of maintenance for the east weir walls and following the first stage works, the next crew has commenced. The ensuing works will consist of raising the height of these walls using a combination of placed rock and geofabric. A marine civil contractor will be completing the works using a combination of barge and machinery. The maintenance ramp at Anchorage Circuit will be used as a rock stockpile and staging area.

While these works progress, Council officers will be continuing their design works for a renewal of the weir walls, as these maintenance works are not expected to fix all the issues at this site. Depending on the timing of the renewal it should be expected that further dredging or civil works may be required to ensure the weir remains stable in the short term, while Council progresses the design and funding arrangements for a renewal.



Maintenance Report

The Maintenance Review Committees' formal meeting with the Council team is scheduled for early June and we will provide a comprehensive update in the July newsletter.

We are lucky to live in an area where Council provides a superior level of service to make our public areas look so good. The recent rain has allowed the new plants to get a good start. Winter will see the annual garden mulching programme activated to benefit gardens where more mulch is required. The mowing schedule slows down to allow more time to manage the "bush cycle" and clear weeds from gardens.

How good do the recently painted entrance walls look. The facelift will be complete following some additional attention to some of the gardens around these walls.



THE NEWLY PAINTED WALLS

Twin Waters Community Connect - Supporting Our Community Together

It's been another busy and heartwarming month with our volunteers quietly supporting local residents in many different ways. Over recent weeks, volunteers have assisted residents with transport to medical appointments, train stations and airports, helped with shopping and small errands, supported members attending funerals, assisted people to better understand and navigate My Aged Care services, fixed small technology frustrations with phones and iPads, and even helped with simple household tasks such as changing a light globe. These small acts can make an enormous difference to someone living alone, recovering from illness, no longer driving, or simply needing an extra helping hand.

We celebrated National Volunteer Week with a lovely social gathering for our volunteers. It was wonderful to see many of our newer volunteers mingling with existing members of the team. One of the greatest strengths of TWCC continues to be the kindness, generosity and community spirit shown by our volunteers.

We will have completed our third Bunnings Sausage Sizzle fundraiser by the time you receive this newsletter. These events not only help raise important funds for our organisation, but continue to build awareness of the support available to Twin Waters residents.

Our recent Coffee Morning, held in conjunction with TWRA and Sunshine Coast Council's Free Tree Day on Tuesday 26th, went ahead despite the rain. A big thank you to everyone who came along to enjoy coffee, cakes, conversation and community connection together.

If you or someone you know may benefit from a little extra support, or if you would like to volunteer, please reach out to Twin Waters Community Connect. We're here to help.

Containers for change are part of our fundraising activities with drop off points at - 1 Nautilus Place and 27 Moorings Cct or we can collect. Please contact TWCC on 0493 344 688 or email president@twcc.org.au





View Club

Endless delights and surprises were had during our May nautical themed luncheon. There's something rather special about being surrounded by crisp blue and white, it felt like we were all on a cruise sitting together along the deck joined by a crew of sailors and captains while enjoying the bounty of deliciousness that the Loose Goose is so renowned for. In line with our theme, we had a fantastic guest speaker, Angelina from Wendy Wu Tours, who enticed us to consider one of their many holiday destinations with her fun and exotic stories from the Orient and beyond.

The 4 newest members were interviewed in a fun way to introduce them to our club.

Our student liaison member gave us an overview from Dominic, one of the 13 students who our club sponsors. Ten year old Dominic's favourite subjects are Art and Japanese and he would like to visit Japan one day. Outside of school he loves snuggles with his mum, playing, colouring and making things. His dream job is to be a Vet so that he can cuddle the animals. It is pretty wonderful to know that while making friends and having fun we are also able to make a difference to the lives of Australian children experiencing disadvantage.

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



Monty the Magnificent: From Royal Debut to First Prize Glory

Monty Baker, a King Charles Cavalier, decided he would like to make a grand appearance at last year's TWRA Paws in the Park kitted out in his KING CHARLES outfit ready for the Doggie Fashion Parade.

As a result, his father Geoff went to a great deal of trouble to find a suitable and appropriate outfit for Monty's debut. After in-depth discussion with drinking buddies - Monty's outfit was signed, sealed and eventually delivered.

But alas, it needed alterations. Geoff and his sewing box came to the rescue and the royal cape and crown were sewn to fit the KING just in the nic of time.

The result was well worth the effort as Geoff Baker was thrilled when his beautiful Monty took out first prize, compliments of Lever Law and Courtraits Photography - a professional photo shoot valued at over \$500.

Photos around Twin Waters and Noosa Botanical Gardens were taken compiling a beautiful album of memories to share.

This was just one of last year's prizes, so keep an eye out as more of this year's exciting TWRA Paws for Purpose - Paws in the Park program is revealed in the lead-up to the event on the 6th September.



House Insurance in Twin Waters

We all get nervous around the time our house insurance comes up for renewal. One of our Resident members recently shared their experience with TWRA, so we felt it was worth sharing with everyone. The recent land valuation notice from the Department of Resources prompted our member to call SCRC to discuss how this would affect their rates. In the call the resident raised the issue around a previous SCRC flood map resulting in some Insurance Companies no longer offering insurance for Twin Water homes.

The Resident was provided a letter from SCRC outlining in detail the assessed flood risk of their waterfront property, which was very low risk. They can now provide this letter to any insurance company when negotiating their insurance renewal.

The take home message is to challenge any insurer with factual information from SCRC about your property's flood risk. You are able to request a letter from SCRC about your property's actual risk and do your own assessment on the council's website, see the link below.

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Twin Waters Neighbourhood Watch will deeply miss Merryl Berry, our long-serving secretary, who has passed away. Merryl was an extremely hard-working member of our group for more than 20 years, always willing to organise and assist with local initiatives. She worked closely with the Sunshine Coast District Crime Prevention Unit and was a Volunteer in Policing.

Merryl will be very fondly remembered for her generosity, friendliness and unwavering community spirit. Vale Merryl.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 1st June at 5.30 pm inside the restaurant at Novotel Twin Waters Sola Bar and Restaurant, prior to the TWRA meeting at Pacific Paradise State School.

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

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