Twin Waters Residents' Association

NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER 2012

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Date Claimers

TWRA General Meetings:

8 October 10 December

Birthday Celebrations:

14 Oct

Christmas Carols:

16 Dec

Like to Lend a Hand?

Call Ed on 5448 9414 if you'd like to help our current group of volunteers who deliver our monthly newsletters.

From The President at The Annual General Meeting

Congratulations to those who have put their hand up to work as the new team for the betterment of the residents of Twin Waters and many thanks to those who have served the community in 2011/2012 which has been one of much activity.

The Stockland caneland issue continues to occupy a deal of the Committee's time with their appeal still before the Planning & Environment Court and with members of our association still to make submissions there.

The re-development of the Sunshine Coast Airport continues to receive our support with two of our committee representing us on the Community Forum. It is encouraging to hear that council also supports the development of the East/West runway.

The Christmas Carols at the Novotel were a resounding success as was the Birthday Picnic in the Park where everyone had a great time. Thanks to North Shore Lions, Novotel Resort, Apex Camp Mudjimba and a host of volunteers.

Both State and local elections dominated part of this year with Sunshine Coast now having four representatives in State cabinet. Jason O'Pray was elected as our local member. He has spoken once at our meeting and has undertaken to attend as many more as his busy schedule allows.

Christmas in July at the Novotel was superb fun, fantastic food and of course, great company.

The Committee will continue to search for a Bulk Electricity Deal for Twin Waters residents and also we are hoping that once the Stockland appeal is finalised that we may be able to re-visit the Community Garden issue.

Rest assured the Committee is working for the betterment of the community and we encourage you to join the TWRA. The more members we have the more influence our association has and the greater number of people we can get involved with.

Are You Able to Assist With Communications?

The TWRA needs someone to assist with our communications. We have an email address (info@twra.net); and a website (www.twra.net) and we need someone who has a moderate level of computer proficiency to help us manage these important activities for our community.

Our needs are actually quite modest, especially for someone who has a reasonable level of computer skills. Some of our Committee members find this field a challenge and we're brave enough to admit that younger people can cope easily. The task is not hugely time consuming and if you would like to help your community in this way let's talk.

Contact us on info@twra.net or if you know someone in Twin Waters who you think could help please let us know and we'll take it from there.

Indoor Sports

At the Sunshine Coast Indoor Sports Centre they run a variety of sports for adults and juniors. There's Indoor Netball, Indoor Soccer, Dodgeball, Indoor Cricket, Beach Volleyball and Beach Tennis. All run Monday to Friday with the first games starting at 5.20pm through to the last ones starting at 9.20. The next session starts on 15th October with the average cost per player \$13.

Starting 8th October they will run Junior Netball and Soccer League over the next 8 weeks. We've had so much rain in the area this winter that many sports have been washed out week after week ... the beauty of these indoor sports is they are NEVER washed out.

You can register anytime to get started as soon as possible on <u>www.sunshinecoastindoorsports.com.au</u>.

And for Lounge Chair Sport...

You thought you were finally getting an early night didn't you? Although London has hosted the Olympics three times it is their first time as hosts to the Paralympics and ABCTV will broadcast over 100 hours of them from 29 August to 9 September.

The Paralympics has quite an interesting history – a Dr Ludwig Guttman of Stoke Mendeville Hospital, in 1948, initiated The International Wheelchair Games which was a sports competition for British World War II veterans with spinal cord injuries.

This year in our 36 strong athletics team, of which 22 are under 25 years of age, we have four Queenslanders. 18 year old Rachael Dodds of Hawthorne in T35 200m sprint, 15 year old Rheed McCracken of Bundaberg who is a 100m wheelchair racer, Simon Patmore a 25 year old who hails from Carseldine is T46 100m sprinter and from Mt Mellum 23 year old Shotputter Lindsay Sutton.

We fair just as well out of the 35 swimmers with Kavla Clark of Silkstone a 100m S14 breaststroker, Daniel Fox of Cleveland who is in S14 50m freestyle, Brenden Hall, the S9 100m free from Petrie, Grant Patterson from Cairns in the SB2 100m breaststroke and our local boy, Rick Pendleton from Sippy Downs in the S10 100m free.

And we are taking a crash hot Wheelchair Basketball and Wheelchair Rugby team as well. You may have seen the preparation of Ryley Batt on SBS recently.

(Two of my sons went to school with Kurt Fearnley's wife and she tells them that he has for years worn his lucky underpants for every major race he's in. That's scary! He's been racing for 10 years!!!)

Message Forum

If you have any queries or any suggestions please feel free to raise them on our website's Message Forum.

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win Waters resident Gerry Luhman is a finalist in the 2012 SCAP3D section. His multi-media piece "Lost Letters" is part of an exhibition of 40 3D finalists at the Noosa Regional Gallery until 7 October.

Gerry arrived at the Sunshine Coast in 2006 from USA via many years in NZ. He is a retired designer who has designed many consumer and commercial products, has worked as an art director in NZ films, TV and commercials and has taught drawing, graphic design at university. SCAP 2D is on display at Friends Regional Gallery in Caloundra until 2 October.

Twin Waters resident Dr Rod McCulloch was one of the speakers at the presentation to the winners of the SCAP T3 (a comp for tertiary students) prize at Cooroy Butter Factory Art Gallery. Michelle Rubins of Mooloolaba won the 3 dimensional division with "Hairy Surfboard" and Peachester boy Oliver Hew won the 2 dimensional division with his photograph "Road Kill".

What's On in September

4th Primary School Regional Athletics Carnival

8th Gayndah to Noosa Cycle Qld

5/6th Junior Netball sign-on in Buderim 5479 1913 (check dates for age)

10/11th Secondary School Regional Athletics Carnival

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16th Birthday Celebrations

lave you put this info in your diary yet? 12 noon Sunday 14th October Lake View Park. There's a fund raising sausage sizzle to support Mudjimba Surf Club.

For the kids there's a Casper Jumping Castle, an Animal Farm, Face Painting, Candy Stall. Buy a soft drink or there's also a Coffee Stall sit back and relax while vou're entertained by the Blues Jazz Band. Plenty of fun for all!

We need a hand...

If you can spare an hour from 9.00am to help set up for the party (e.g. put up tents etc.) please give Rob Ruskin a call on 0459 030 400.

Let's Get Gardening

FLOWERS: Calendula. Carnation. Chrysanthemum, Gerbera, Impatiens, Petunia, Salvia, Phlox, Snapdragon and Zinnia.

VEGETABLES: Beans, beetroot, capsicum, carrots, eggplant, lettuce, radish, sweetcorn, tomatoes and zucchini.

WITH THE KIDS: Great flowers for the kids to plant, as they have large, easy to handle seeds and are edible non-poisonous -Nasturtium (add leaves & flowers to salad); Viola, Pansies. And best vegies, because they grown quickly and are yummy to eat raw as well - beans, peas and radish.

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New Gardens in Singapore

ne of our Committee members has just visited the spectacular new gardens recently opened in Singapore. Called "Gardens by the Bay" they feature two very large conservatory domes with controlled micro environments - one known as the Flower Dome and the other as the Cloud Forest.

The Cloud Forest features a vertical garden more than seven stories high with a pathway from the top allowing visitors to view plants that grow at various altitudes in controlled micro climates. The gardens also feature man-made "super trees" again with vertical gardens that will spread over steel structures, some as high as 50m.

Considerable engineering and environmental science has been applied to the construction of the gardens which are designed to provide education about changing climates and energy conservation.

Gardens are open from 5am til 2am every day (only in Singapore!). There is a light show every evening as well. Any garden lover would enjoy this new, world class display that is well worth a visit if you are planning a stopover or holiday in Singapore.

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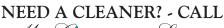
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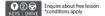
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