

TWIN WATERS

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2016

TWIN WATERS 20/20 VISION CELEBRATIONS



A HISTORY OF TWIN WATERS

20/20 Vision of our Community

Acknowledging both Lendlease and Stockland

***20th birthday celebration 16th October
Lakeview Park 12 noon - 3.00pm***



Soon you will see the posters go up for the 20th birthday celebrations in the park, to be held on Sunday 16th October. There are loads of fun activities planned.

This year's theme is 20/20 vision, as we celebrate 20 years since the establishment of our fantastic residential community, we are taking a look back at the last 20 years and also looking forward to the next 20 years. To this end, Lendlease and Stockland have both accepted an invitation to present displays, providing glimpses into the past and into the future. It is also fitting that the recipient of any funds raised will be the Mudjimba Surf Life Saving Club, who are also celebrating 20 years since their establishment in 1996.

The Enthusiastic young members of the Mudjimba Surf Club are planning a great display and demonstrations to keep us entertained and informed.

There will be the usual cake stall, raffle prizes, craft stall and sausage sizzle.

Just a friendly reminder to bring along your small change for these items.

For the kids, the popular jumping castle and petting zoo. This year there is also a fishing completion organised by Davo's Fishing Tackle, so pop in to Davo's to register and join in on the fun.

We would love to hear from anyone who can help out on the day, setting up, helping out on stalls, or donations for the cake stall. We are also still looking for donations for the silent auction. Last year we had some lovely prints donated which were very popular.

Anyone who can help out in any way,
please contact Max on 0451 144 088 or marmaxmills@bigpond.com

HELP IS NEEDED!!

Date Claimers

TWRA MEETING

at Novotel Resort

7.30pm, Monday 10 October

***Twin Waters
Got Talent!***



Only 4 more weeks till the Twin Waters Residents' Association Birthday Picnic in Lake View Park on 16th October and this year we'd like to have a great craft stall.

Can you sew, knit, crochet, quilt, quill, paint, cut, glue or have other talents? **Dolls/Puppets, Christmas Crafts, Paper Flowers, Soaps, Fairy Crafts & General Crafts.**

As it gets closer to the day we'll let you know more info....

Tell us your story..

We are getting good response from our request, anything further we can add would be greatly appreciated...as it is our 20th year we shall continue to provide snippets from you the residents..about the stories of your experiences living in Twin Waters.

It does not have to be all past info.

Stories from our Residents:

Early Days - the Good & the Ugly!

Lendlease did a very good job in the development of Twin Waters from 1996. The more you see of recent master planned communities, the more you appreciate how fortunate we have been with our Twin Waters development.

Among other things, they deserve great credit for setting out to actively create a community here. In fact, it was initially called Twin Waters Residential Community.



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Stories from our Residents:

Lendlease supported the establishment of the Residents' Association; they created and maintained the parks and general landscaping until the various sections were handed over to council; they provided various community events in the early days, including the Christmas Concert & Fireworks: (remember the fireworks over what is now Karinya Island?).

The company invited new residents to a welcome barbecue which was held every three months. They seriously committed to creating a community here. We owe them a debt of gratitude.

But it wasn't all plain sailing and we had some serious stoushes with them as well. When the area opposite Tamarind was being developed, they initially proposed a medium height apartment high-rise (6-8 storeys) where Viewpoint now stands; further, they planned for it to be quite close to the lake and those living opposition Blue Water Court would have lost their privacy. When the bulldozer moved in, a certain resident of Blue Water Court went across and chained himself to the bulldozer and phoned Channel 7! The subsequent negotiations addressed quite a few related grievances, but in the end, Viewpoint was moved back a minimum of 30 metres and was restricted to a mix of 2 and 3 storey buildings.

That incident was definitely a win-win for Lendlease and our residents!

I have only lived in the community for the last three years but was very familiar with the area prior to the development.

With my friends from the Sunshine Coast Seniors Kayak Club we would wait for the tide so we could get in to the lagoon at the other side of our now lake to practice our safety drills.

I used to swim and kayak with my grandchildren in the existing creek from a sandy beach near the Ocean Drive bridge.

While this creek was being converted into a canal all the marine life was herded out and nets placed across the entrance. With friends we sat in our kayaks over these nets and witnessed seething masses of fish surging against the nets trying to get back into the creek.

While the development of this canal was being carried out a car and the body of a young woman missed for over two years was located in the area we swam. Hopefully this brought some comfort to her family who until she was located had no idea of her whereabouts or reason of her disappearance.

My son (TMG construction) built for Mr John McAulay one of the first houses constructed on the canal in Tamarind Street.

I reside beside the first block offered for sale in this master planned development. My daily pleasure is looking out across the well maintained park to what was the old creek.

I am foster mum to a very old deaf and blind Four Paws Shih Tzu. We walk daily with her ladyship in an old red stroller. Say hello should you pass us.

Shirley Grieve

As a long term resident of TW (17yrs), I am always pleased to receive and read the newsletters. I've delayed responding to the request for info as no specific address/name was given in the August issue. September advised the email address, so here goes.....

Homes built in the initial stages were bounded by Tamarind Place, Lakeview Drive, Sunview/Wattlebird Drives and on the other side of Ocean Drive where the Mirvac homes were built.

We moved into our house Christmas Eve 1999. It was the first private resident house to be built in The Cove area which was still in final development stage. There was a new display village of dry and waterfront homes being constructed by various builders in Nautilus Place.

There was NO island! This was created at a later stage by the developers, Lendlease, when a channel was dug to separate it from the main body of land.

Bayview Dr, the Retirement Village, Nojoor Rd areas did not exist, they could only be described as a 'moonscape'.

Nojoor Rd was just a dirt road, it was not sealed until August 2003.

There was limited shopping at Pacific Paradise which included a medical centre and chemist under the same roof with a walk-through from one to the other. The medical centre is still there. A newsagent, fruit/veg were across the road.

The nearest shopping was at Bli Bli - then only half its present size - and Sunny Plaza which was still being expanded.

There was NO post office, not even a posting box, something residents fought long and hard for. The TW shopping village, which originally had an Art Gallery, now doctors rooms, and the North Shore shopping complex (Coles was originally Bi-Lo) came several years later, and YES, there was a post office and posting boxes at both locations.

Sugar cane was still being harvested by burning off, this included the land now owned by Stockland, at the back of Wattlebird Dr. We could see the flames from our house and our patio was frequently littered with burnt debris.

Many residents enjoyed golf and tennis, but there was no all weather path from the estate to these facilities for those who wished to walk. Undaunted, a group of enthusiastic residents, volunteered to lay such a path. Under the guidance and help from our then local councilor, Errol Middlebrook, a concrete path was laid June 2001 along Ocean Dr from Tamarind Pl.

Wildlife was much more prolific, wallabies, big red kangaroos, black swans, pelicans, egrets, cormorants, ducks and their numerous ducklings were frequent visitors, as were many small birds - kingfishers, blue wrens, Eastern yellow robin, various finches, thornbills, scrub wrens, and of course the "regulars" Willie wagtail, honeyeaters, kookaburras, butcher birds, eagles and etc etc etc. not forgetting water dragons, goannas, pythons and other snakes, the odd blue tongue lizard, and even an echidna sighted by our then neighbour.

March 2002 colourful banners decorated Ocean Dr. The occasion was CHOGM attended by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and one of the venues was the Novotel.

Think I've exhausted my memory!!!!

I do have several photos of the above which I'm sure would be of interest to relative newcomers. They are mounted and captioned, if you would like to borrow them for the next meeting, please contact me, only too happy to help.

Regards Jacqui 54487138

Did you know

- the first meeting of the TWRA was held on 5th May, 1998. At this meeting it was discussed 'representation be made to appropriate authorities to have reduced speed limit for the area'

Other Minutes provided further insight:

- Discussions with council and other authorities for 'Twin Waters to be recognized as an approved post code address' (06/98)
- 'Difficulties with entering and leaving the intersection of David Low Way and Ocean Drive were discussed' (07/98)
- 'It was noted insufficient signage on the turnoff from the Motorway to indicate the location of Mudjimba, Pacific Paradise and Twin Waters' (08/98)
- a representative of the TWRA 'attended a meeting relating to the future development of the Sunshine Coast Airport, advising that the airport was currently (10/98) only utilizing 20% of its capacity' - 'that the east-west runway was up to 20 years away'
- 'details were presented of the proposed shopping centre for David Low Way, near Nostalgia Town' (11/98)

EDITORS NOTE:

Thanks go to Lynda Tanner, Lendlease, providing us with valuable information we can pass on in relation to the development of Twin Waters. In fact a booklet will be printed (approx. 20 pages) detailing all this information and will be available at the Picnic...thanks so much Lendlease.

Also a great deal of thanks to Derry and Rob Fletcher who loaned us copies of the original minutes of the Twin Waters Residents Association...so much valuable information...

We have reached an important point in our discussions and negotiations with Stockland regarding their future possible development of the Canelands. As you know, Stockland approached us and engaged with us to determine our issues and priorities for any possible future development of their land between Twin Waters and the Motorway.

Another Celebration to mark in your Diaries

"Twin Waters VIEW Club will be celebrating their 10th Birthday with the theme being a HAWAII 10-OH Luncheon Meeting on Thursday 10 November at The Loose Goose, Twin Waters at 11.30am. Hawaii 10-OH is a chance for you to go dressed up in bright summer dresses, colourful sarongs, thongs etc. We have great Raffle Prizes and amazing Entertainment. New members and guests are welcome. \$35.00 pp. (includes a glass of wine on arrival). RSVP: Before 5.00pm on Monday 7 November by calling Stephanie on 5450 6776 or email: twinwatersviewclub@gmail.com

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