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newsletter

TIME FOR A CHANGE

Here we are in winter nearing the tenth anniversary of the Association, time to think back and then look forward to the future. John and I have been involved with Neighbourhood Watch and the Residents Association since the start in 1996, much has been achieved in that time, and in particular our partnership with Noosa Council is important.

Many thanks to the two Sharons (Woodward and Coell) for all their work over the years in gardening and liaison with Council and to all the people who help on working bees and those who go and look after the various parks and garden beds in their own time. Thanks to Dick Patterson for Waterwatch including the lock and weir, and to residents who clear rubbish out of the canals, to all those who have worked on committee posts and those who have helped in many other ways.

We have had some new members on committee but pressure of work has had its toll and in any case we believe it's time for younger blood (not necessarily in years!!).. hope you've read the leaflet recently circulated on the subject. We must have a President and Secretary to be a valid group and of course someone has to look after the books as Treasurer. Sharon is still willing to continue to look after the landscape but if we cannot get the executive posts filled there will be NO MORE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION. That would mean the end of partnership with Council - our parks and streets will not be kept to the high standards we have now – and also our canals!!

We have over 1,000 homes in the estate, can you

spare two hours for committee meetings six times a year – attend an AGM – help deliver newsletters four times a year – keep books - keep records – organise - help look after this special place we call home? If you can help or wish to know in more detail what is involved please call us on 5474 1961 – or if you like call at 5 The Peninsula on Monday June 5th between 5pm and 7pm.

Please let's keep Noosa Waters beautiful.
God bless.

Carol

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dear neighbours, time just seems to run away, suddenly our weather has changed and we have these gorgeous days and quite cool nights. Our winter is slowly approaching and with that comes the renewal for our membership which has been reduced and no taxes attached, for a more convenient payment it is now \$8.00 for Noosa Waters and \$2.00 for Neighbourhood Watch. So easy.

Our membership participation had increased over the last year and we hope to continue with this up trend. You have all been very kind and generous. Thank you to everyone who offered their help in finding a workable database for our membership, the search is still on, where are you?

Stay safe and look after each other.

Gisa Weatherill
Treasurer/Membership

INFORMATION

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Lots of Thank You's this month

What a great time all the paddlers had on the Noosa Water challenge – it seems certain to become an annual event. Thanks to Greg for organising and all helpers and participants, we hear you all had a wonderful time!

Thanks to Brian Smalley and Dick Patterson for repairs to the Promontory sign. It is good when we can do these things to make a difference.. people weed the circanes and garden beds – is there one near you which is overgrown? Can you clear it and keep it weed free? It all helps to keep our estate looking great.

Not so good..in fact not good at all.. some people have been putting fronds and other garden rubbish out in parks. This is not a dumping ground, all collections the Council make comes out of our budget, so please always dispose of your own garden rubbish. Thank you.

Symos

Our Fountain, your Fountain.

It is running again. As you would have noticed, the fountain was out of action for about 3 weeks. The same problem, as the one from 1 year ago, had reoccurred. Council staff and your local Councillor Bob Jarvis informed us that the pump broke loose from its "footing" or "mounting-flange". This part of the pump assembly had corroded away and was replaced by a more substantially engineered assembly. It seems that the pump itself did receive some attention also.

The fountain is not only running, but it also is looking great, thanks mainly to your "3 intrepid scrubbers".

As I have said before: We could do with a little help! Any help is welcome, especially when one of us goes on holidays. If you have a bit of time to spare every now and then, half or 1 hour at anytime of the week, please call me on 54 555 727. The "Noosa Waters Residents Association" will supply you with a broom. It is easy, it is fun and it helps to make our Estate looking good. You could come for a scrub when ever it does suit you, or join us on an agreed day. We would love to see you.

Werner

Come and Try Croquet

Give croquet a try on Sunday the 25th of June at the Noosa Croquet Club, right here at the end of Seashell Place, Noosa Waters., between 1.30 and 4 pm.

Croquet is a healthy and inexpensive sport and you'll meet the friendly members for an afternoon of fun, with afternoon tea provided and all free of charge. All you need is a hat and a pair of flat sole shoes. Simply turn up or phone 5455 6201 or 5474 5739.

We say farewell to our Admiral and his lady who since the beginning 8 years ago have always been at the helm of our Carols Carols flotilla. Trudy and Gino will be sadly missed, but we wish them every happiness in their new home near Brisbane. Thank you both for all you have done over the years.

Symos xx

Who will be 2006 Admiral? Please phone 5474 1961 if it's you - or you have a suggestion.

DR
JEREMY NORRIS
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Noosa Waters Fine Dining Club News

NWFDC is surging ahead with fun and laughter shared by all ! We had our most recent dinner at the Waterfront Restaurant (behind the Yacht Club) and it was a fabulous evening with an excellent turnout. However, I will not attempt to serve "alternate dishes" again!!! Those of you that were there know what I am talking about!

Next dinner is at Ottoman's Bistro on 1st June with a wonderful menu and well priced at \$40 for a 3 course meal – this venue is not licenced so please be sure to bring your own. This is a return visit due to a very happy crowd the last time, so don't miss out and remember to phone and make your booking.

A big night to diarise is our "CHRISTMAS IN JULY" dinner at Riverhouse Restaurant on the 25th July. We are returning to this awesome place after a standing ovation at the last dinner – be sure to make your booking as soon as possible or you will miss out – numbers are strictly limited! I will forward the menu as soon as I receive it.

If you are new to Noosa Waters and not yet on my database, please forward your details to me on linnielsen@bigpond.com and if you wish for friends to join that is okay too.

The Noosa Waters Fine Dining Club is an opportunity for you to meet, network, or simply make new friends with others in the Estate. We meet for dinner every 6-8 weeks and have a lot of fun. I try to organise a very discounted rate for an

excellent 3 course meal and generally I try out the place first.

I think we are running at a 100% success rate at this stage, so become a part of it and send ne your details.

All the best and God Bless,

Lin Nielsen
0419 789330

Waterwatch Report

The waterwatch area has been relatively quiet over the past three months.

The new waterfront canal levy for the five years 2005/2010 will have been applied to the last rate notice. We continue to monitor Council expenditures against this levy. Currently they are below forecast although this partly due to some timing differences.

Water sampling results continue to confirm excellent water quality in our canal system.

Council is currently assembling data which will allow them to determine illegal or unauthorized jetty structures. There is also concern about illegal structures which enable boats to be pulled up across the revetment wall. Residents with any concerns regarding the legality of their jetty and/or boat lifting device can contact the Land Use section of Council.

Dick Patterson
Waterwatch
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LANDSCAPE REPORT

Fencing

With the popularity of houses enclosing their front yards with walls. It is recommended that residents consider landscaping in front of walls to prevent graffiti and to improve street vista. Also shrubs are prohibited from an area of 1metre of the face of the canal wall. This is to prevent damage of the membrane of the canal wall.

Vacant blocks

Residents of vacant blocks are reminded of their responsibility of maintaining their block. Lawns must be kept to a grass height of 200mm. Once mowed lawn clippings must be disposed of in bins or taken away. Grass left in piles on blocks are attracting vermin and weeds. So please in consideration of your neighbours please speak to your mowing contractors to do the right thing.

Doggie Doo

Thanks to all the volunteers who help maintain the doggie bag dispensers. A reminder to dog owners please pick up dog waste and dispose of in one of the bins provided on the estate. Leaving dog mess outside peoples houses and parks for residents to clean up is unneighbourly and a hazard to other residents who use our parks and pathways.

Weed Alert

Noosa council has a booklet out highlighting the shires worst weeds this is available from council chambers .It explains why some plants considered suitable in other states are not recommended for this shire. Council gives suggestions of non invasive alternatives as well as best way of disposing of problem plant. An example of a plant designated a

weed is the Cocos palm introduced for a cheap exotic palm this has become a pest species seeding freely .Replace with Walking Stick Palm Cabbage Palm Bangalow or Piccabeen Palm. Failure to control weeds impacts on native flora and fauna.

Sharon Coell

THE CHALLENGE

The inaugural Noosa Waters Challenge (The Challenge), was held on Sunday 26th March. Thirty three keen paddlers, didn't allow the 7am start to deter them, from participating in a leisurely 4.2km paddle around the Noosa Waters Canal system. We were treated to a perfect Noosa Autumn morning with much laughter and encouragement from the group, after the event a BBQ breakfast in the park was enjoyed by all. Going by the success of the morning, "The Challenge" looks set to become a regular on the Noosa Waters events calendar. So start practicing and preparing for next years event, and come along and get WET with your neighbours. Thankyou to the Residents Association and Werner and Gisa on the day, our sponsors Bunnings, Woolworths, Toyworld and the Villa Noosa Hotel, for making the event possible.



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