



The Presidents Report

As I write the rain pours down, seasons seem to have become confused. Pity we can't pass some of our rains to the drought areas which so much need it!

It's been a time of change with John and Lucy O'Brien leaving Noosa and replacements joining the committee (see note elsewhere), Ian has been busy getting into the archives and as always many residents have been working together helping Noosa Waters look good. There are concerns about the fountain - see Werner's comments on this.

Congratulations to our friends Noosa Community Radio on 10 years of very successful broadcasting. It was good to see our own Brian Fane featured on the front page of Noosa News- keep it up Brian!

This is the first newsletter for our new editor Howard Martin - why not encourage him by sending in news, views and opinions? Phone 5474 2230 or nwra@noosawaters.com.

Make a diary note to attend the AGM on Monday August 15th at the Lutheran and consider whether you might stand for next year's committee and help keep our Association lively and positive. Enjoy living in this wonderful place we call home. God bless.

Carol Symington
5474 1961

Treasurers Report

Dear Noosa Waters Residents, Good news from the treasurer - all accounts are in good order, thanks to your continued support. Next month our membership renewal letter will be delivered to you and we are asking you again to continue your membership of the Association, renew or become a brand new member. We are also asking you to be involved in your Association and help to keep it going and improving. Owing to residents moving in and out and around the estate, there may be one or another letter with the wrong name. I apologize for that and ask you please to help me to put the right name against the correct address for our new membership list. Happy Living, your treasurer/membership secretary.

Gisa Weatherill

FOND FAREWELLS to John and Lucy O'Brien who have left Noosa Waters and gone to the big city. John was vice president and sponsorship co-ordinator, while Lucy was general secretary, newsletter editor and Fine Dining organiser. They were both Neighbourhood Watchblock co-ordinators. They did a great deal of work quietly and efficiently. Their loyalty, commitment and cheerful friendship has meant so much to our community and they will be much missed. We wish them all the very best for the future.

WELCOME to Harvey Williams (5473 0012) as General Secretary, Howard Martin (5474 2230) as Newsletter Editor, Lin Neilsen (5455 6141) as Fine Dining Organiser. Thanks to them all for becoming involved and taking these important positions.

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WATERWATCH REPORT

Canal Levy Discussions with Council to determine the waterfront canal levy for the five year period 2005 – 2010 are progressing satisfactorily. Experience based on the past five years has indicated some areas of cost savings. However, these have been more than offset by higher than expected corrosion in the pumping system which has given rise to increased maintenance costs and shorter pump life. Major 15 year maintenance is scheduled for 2008. Some increase in the levy is expected for the next five year period. Water Quality A regular analysis program shows that the canal water quality continues to be of a high quality. The frequency of sampling has been reduced from weekly to monthly with immediate follow up in the case of any higher than normal results. Canal Jetty Policy The council has issued a revised Private Jetties, Wharves, Pontoons, Boat Ramp and Boat Lifting Devices Policy. It is expected that council will now be monitoring more closely existing jetties and lifting devices and taking action in cases of unauthorized structures or those that breach the Policy. Residents with any concern regarding the legality of their jetty and /or boat lifting device are advised to contact Council.

Dick Patterson, Waterwatch Coordinator
Phone 5449 9288

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION & NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Where? Good Shepherd Lutheran Hall

When? Monday 15th August at 7pm

- Annual reports
- Election of officers

Full details will be sent to all residents

ENTRANCE FOUNTAIN

I am glad to report that we now have three volunteers who have undertaken to clean the Fountain on a regular basis and we do it whenever time permits. Thanks to Con and Tys for their help.

You will have noticed that, for some time now, the water at the Fountain has not been running at full volume and I have noticed that there is a much reduced suction at the pump intake. Council was informed and their personnel investigated the problem. It was felt that the problem lies directly with the pump but our not so kind weather prevented them from accessing the pump for a check-up. If the weather does not improve, the pump will be shut down until more favourable conditions come around, to prevent any possible damage.

About two month ago our Fountain underwent major repairs. Some 3.1/2 cubic metres of soil had washed away from under the eastern side of the concrete Fountain steps. Council had this void filled with concrete and also had sealed all wet edges and joints of the steps to avoid any seepage that could wash out any more soil. All seemed in order until now. Let's hope that this time we won't find any big problems. I feel that some of the concrete looks a bit tired. Let's see if we can convince Council to give it some attention, as was promised some time ago.

We can always do with some extra help to keep the Fountain looking tidy. It is Noosa Waters entrance signature so if you want to help, take a broom for a ride and join us.

Regards,
Werner Dyrmaier
5455 5727

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ARCHIVIST'S CORNER

Thank you to the residents who have contacted me and given information to assist with the Estate Archives. A reminder that if Residents who have purchased or have been living on the Estate for five years or longer could contact the writer with any information. Any type of information would be welcome; it may be old advertisements, newspaper articles, letters, etc. Old photos would be particularly appreciated. If you wish to retain the originals, we can take copies. Since the last letter, besides contacting residents, we have been in touch with the Developer of the Estate – QMP - Noosa Council and Noosa Ratepayers Association to gather information or documentation. It is intended to reproduce some of the information in each future edition of the newsletter for your enjoyment. In this edition we had hoped to print one of the early maps of the Estate. The date of the map is mid/late 1970s and the waterways reached many parts of the Estate such as the Aquamarine/Seacove and Sternlight/Shipyard/Mizzen precincts. You can imagine the outcry when the Noosa Waters Estate was first being proposed and planned; the campaigning went on for about 17 years. We will give you more information in the next edition of the newsletter. Any Resident that can assist with our archives, history and record keeping should contact - Ian Wallbank on 5474 3312.

“YOUR SAY”

If you have anything you want to say about Noosa Waters - why you moved here, what you like, what you don't like - please write to Howard Martin, P.O. Box 1535, Noosa Heads Qld 4567 or to nwra@noosawaters.com. Everything will be considered for publication in this newsletter.

SUBS ARE DUE

For the year 1/7/2005 to 30/6/2006. Subscription forms are currently being delivered or sent to all residents and absent owners. It's only \$4.50 per person for the Residents Association and \$2 per household for Neighbourhood Watch and it is important if we are to keep Noosa Waters the best it can be. So please pay promptly and be part of it! If for some reason the system goes wrong and you don't get a subscription form please contact Gisa Weatherill (5474 4125) and she'll be pleased to send you one.

YOUR CROQUET CLUB

Right here in Noosa Waters is a great opportunity to meet your neighbours, make new friends and have fun while enjoying some gentle exercise. If other activities like golf, tennis or lawn bowls isn't for you, consider croquet. The courts were built by the developers for the residents of Noosa Waters. While not physically demanding, croquet will challenge you mentally, being a game based on strategy and out-manoeuvring your opponents. The recent 'come and try' day was a great success and if you missed out, there's another on Wednesday the 6th of July at 1 pm. You'll find the croquet courts in Seashell Place. It's free of charge and all sporting equipment is provided. All you need to take is a pair of flat soled shoes. Don't worry if Wednesday doesn't suit, games are played at various times during the week and if you would like more information on having a game, or joining the club, call Brenda the President on 5464 0752. The clubhouse has just been extended, the beautiful courts have never looked lovelier and additional shelters have been erected in which to relax and have a chat, or just get out of the sun. See you there.

Geoff Colwell

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FIRE! FIRE! FIRE!

Noosa Waters Fine Dining Club starts off with an almighty bang, and a huge fire! Well, what can I say? All this organising and time consuming effort and then the #%^\$&@ restaurant burns down!! There I was being treated to a welcome Mother's Day lunch at Bistro C when Lori informs me that the Boathouse is on fire! I immediately respond with "Oh dear, how on earth am I going to relocate the dinner party at this late stage"! No fuss at all - Lori and Jed said they would oblige.

So, a mouthwatering menu was designed with Bistro C's usual panache and was thoroughly enjoyed by all those who attended on 10th May. My sincere condolences to the Boathouse, but I am sure they will welcome us back later.

May I please take this opportunity to thank all those that have provided their email addresses for the database. I would also like to add that I volunteered to take on this role as President of the Noosa Waters Fine Dining Club, and I do love putting fun occasions together. However my computer skills are not the best and so many emails seem to be returned to me. If you have not received any info from me and know that you provided your email details, please send again to lin@noosaprestigerealestate.com.au.

I would prefer that you make all your bookings and enquiries directly with the restaurant we have booked, as I am trying to hold down a very busy real estate career at the same time! I am sure you understand. Next venue is at Jackson's on Wednesday 8th June. I will forward the menu as soon as I can, but if you want to book in the meantime, please go ahead. Have fun and I look forward to meeting you all soon.
Lin Nielsen, 0419 789330 (only in emergencies)

LANDSCAPE REPORT

Residents are asked to please dispose of plant cuttings in their own bins. There have been quite a lot of park sites used for dumping of household garden waste. Volunteers give up their free time to clean and maintain parks for everyone's pleasure so it's disappointing to see them taken advantage of. Throwing of bottles and rubbish in these sites are also frowned on. Take your rubbish with you and dispose of it in the bin.

STREET LIGHT - for underpass Saltwater to Neptune Circuit has been made now and is just waiting for the electrical connection estimated for completion in June.

FOUNTAIN - Over the last couple of months the fountain has been breaking down due to rubbish in canal blocking the underwater valve. Despite the efforts of a few dedicated residents, this problem doesn't seem to be getting any better. Council is looking at some alternatives and costing to rectify this problem.

TREES - Our budget for removal of problem trees has been spent for this half. Any tree requiring removal now will be listed for next period August 2005 to January 2006. Taps for garden beds at the Saltwater entrance to Saltwater Bridge are being installed in the next couple of weeks. The hedge on the roundabout in Bay Street is being removed for better traffic visibility.

DOGGIE DOO disposal must be picked up and put in bins provided on the estate.

Sharon Coell
5447 1678

NOOSA WATERS TV & SMARTCABLE

A short update from Noosa Smartcable:
Since the last newsletter, we have been working hard to establish good reliable signal levels to ensure a successful implementation of the Noosa Waters Broadband system. As with all new installations we have been checking the compatibility of all components being introduced to your system. These activities have taken longer than expected, and have resulted in a delay to the introduction of the service. In the meantime we have also been working on our

website, and the introduction of the Noosa Waters information TV channel. Both the web site and the information channel will provide details of service levels, interruptions, and new services. You are reminded that Annual maintenance invoices will be done for payment by the 30th June. Residents are reminded that non payment of the invoice indicates that the service is no longer required at that address, and disconnection will take place. Details of our website and TV information channel frequency will be advised in the near future. Should there be any issues with our service, please contact John and Ann Milland on 5455 6279

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