



## CAROL'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Can't be Christmas again can it? Moving towards another new year of 2007, doesn't seem long since we were celebrating the new millenium which was due to bring computer chaos which never happened, remember?

It's been a very busy time lately, putting forward our case against the Chaplin Park proposals, discussing the jetty rules and regulations and dealing with many other matters which have cropped up, the new committee has been very active on your behalf!

Carols Carols is coming up (Friday December 15th) and the competition for best decorated homes and gardens. I hope there will be more boaties in the parade than ever, and that Noosa Waters will look its very best. You can read more about all these matters in the enclosed flyer.

The 10 year party was so good and very well supported, many thanks to team Greg and Werner for organising, John and Janet Day for their special brand of magic and for the marvellous show by young (and not-so-young) members of the local karate club. Still on the ten year focus, Ian Wallbank and Alison Tucker have produced the enclosed 10 year brochure as a keepsake for all residents.

So to all of you the message of Christmas which is about giving and helping others, for some it can be a very lonely time when others are celebrating, and just a small act of friendship can make so much difference. And as always please let's all be involved together in keeping Noosa Waters the best it can be in appearance and above all community.

John and I wish you all a very happy, healthy and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

God bless.

Carol

## STORM DAMAGE

Thank you to all the people who worked so hard in clearing up after Nov 8th storm, never knew there were so many leaves and pandanus fronds, thanks once again.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Hello to all you lucky people fortunate enough to reside in Noosa Waters Estate, truly one of the great places on our Eastern Seaboard and the World.

However, to keep our environment and surrounding areas in tip-top standard we need to be able to fund our representation at local Council and affiliated organizations, along with newsletters, updates etc. that is where you, as our members, need to support NWRA by means of a small donation each year ie: \$10.00 p.a. (not much eh!!) Unfortunately, our membership for the current year of 06/07 is down 18% over last year's membership income. So please, anyone who has not contributed this year please do so at your earliest convenience.

Look forward to receiving your contribution which can be sent to the address above. Take care and enjoy the festive season.

Rob Carlile

## Congratulations...

To all at 1 Riverbreeze on the birth of wonderful new baby Tasma who will add to the blessings you get from Grace, Reilly, Louise and Murray. All our best to Catherine and Greg.

## THE COMMITTEE...

|                              |                 |           |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| President                    | Carol Symington | 5474 1961 |
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| Waterwatch                   | Warren Burrows  | 5473 0545 |
| Newsletter                   | Alison Tucker   | 5474 4997 |
| Social                       | Greg Foster     | 5474 2709 |
| Committee                    | Werner Dyrmaier | 5455 5727 |
|                              | Rob Pile        | 5442 4125 |
| N'hood Watch<br>(ex-officio) | John Symington  | 5474 1961 |

## Non-committee posts include

|                   |               |           |
|-------------------|---------------|-----------|
| Council Liaison / |               |           |
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## **WATERWATCH REPORT**

As you may or may not be aware, within the Association "Waterwatch" is responsible for all matters pertaining to the canals and systems associated with water, and vessels into and out of the canal. It is important that we all maintain a good clean water system.

There have been three main issues for Waterwatch since the last newsletter, two of which have had some coverage within the local press:-

(a) The suggested development of Chaplin Park for a Council owned and managed or operated boat ramp. This facility is expected to have more than a single ramp with parking spaces for a considerable number of vehicles with trailers.

Noosa Waters Association has made a submission to Noosa Council against this proposal on the basis of boat congestion and pollution. There is potential for an increase of pollution resulting from accidental spills of motor oil and from detritus from fishing activities. A boat ramp positioned so close to the pumps that pump 17 million litres of water into the canal nightly is highly likely to increase pollution in our waterways.

The proximity of the Yacht Club to our canal/river access already presents some problems in this busy reach of the river, and to add further congestion would increase the danger of collision and be a safety risk. We very much hope Council will reject this proposal.

(b) 3 years ago we had discussions with Council regarding the increasing water run-off from within our Noosa Waters catchment area, bordered by Mary St, Noosa/Tewantin Rd, Eenie Creek Rd and Reef St. Our concerns relate to potential pollution and "flash" floods. At that time we received satisfactory assurances, but with building development now accelerating within the catchment we again intend to have further discussions with Council. Water levels rose above the revetment wall during a downpour and we do not want the situation to get worse.

© Noosa Waters jetties, pontoons and boat lifting devices and their compliance or otherwise with regulations has been well publicised recently in regard to proposed action by Council. The Association supports Council in implementing their policy but we also support technical evolution and common sense and are asking Council to consider a review and update of the policy. Council are likely to require residents who have serious breaches to remedy or remove structures.

Current legislation for building a jetty in Noosa Waters is document **PSP25 Domestic Marine Uses in Noosa Waters** found on the Noosa Council web page Planning and Development, Publications. If you have a jetty that you are unsure whether it is legal possibly because you have recently purchased a house, the council can advise if it was submitted and approved.

Finally our attention has been drawn by a letter to the editor recently to the liability parents may incur through public liability claims if their child has an accident driving a powered boat. Complaints have been made about speeding in the canals and unlicensed craft. Children can have a lot of good clean fun playing around with boats, so let's keep it that way.

Further information may be obtained from [www.noosa.qld.gov.com](http://www.noosa.qld.gov.com) - click on Services & Facilities, click on A-Z Guide, scroll down then click Noosa Waters - Frequently Asked Questions, click on Noosa Waters Information Sheet.

**Warren Burrows**

## **WATCH THOSE KNOTS!**

A friendly reminder to all boaties and their guests over the summer to please remember that the speed on Noosa Waters is only 4 Knots. This is not only in force from a safety point of view, but also to ensure the longest life of the revetment wall from the constant buffeting of wash from boats. Please remind your guests and younger members of the boating fraternity to watch their speed and to enjoy our lovely waterways.

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### NOOSA WATERS FINE DINING

Fifty Noosa Waters Fine Diners enjoyed a delicious meal at Humid restaurant on Thursday 19th October – the venue was so popular, it booked out early with many Fine Diners being turned away.

The next function will be held at Trio's at the Noosa Harbour at Tewantin on Tuesday 5th December at 6.45pm.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Trio's direct on 5474 4799 and remember to tell them you are with the Fine Dining Club. Make sure you book early to avoid disappointment.

You are welcome to bring some decorations or bon bons to adorn your tables & get into the Christmas Spirit by wearing Christmas Colours if you wish.

I have been reminded that the idea behind the club is to meet new people & when we have large tables booked, it is difficult for those new comers to mingle & make new friends.

It has been suggested by several long standing Fine Dining members that we return to the original idea of the club which is to include time for mingling at the beginning of our functions & to discourage the booking of table lots.

Looking forward to seeing you at Trio's.

**Lynda Harrold**

*What's on offer:* \$49 per person

Glass of house wine on arrival

**Starter** - Trio's breads

**Entree** - Choice of:

Garlic & dill crumbed calamari - served with Kaffir lime mayonnaise

Gravalax of fresh Atlantic Salmon - cured in vodka, rock salt, dill & palm sugar served on mesculin, with steamed asparagus spears, lemon drizzle and house-made pepper crackers.

Rare beef salad - tender eye fillet, mixed with grilled mediterranean vegetables, with a tomato vinaigrette, served in a crisp feuilleté

**Mains** - Choice of:

Veal Fillet - with an olive farce, wrapped in prosciutto & red wine jus

Fresh local fish of the day - served with a rustic greek salsa,

capsicum jam and balsamic drizzle

Chicken Breast - filled with leeks, garlic & brie, served on sweet

potato mash and a herb butter

**Dessert** - Choice of:

Chocolate tart - served with cream & raspberry coulis

Hazelnut Meringue Tort - layered with mango and lime ice cream

### NOOSA SMARTCABLE

The underground cable TV service was designed and installed for the Noosa Waters Estate developer Noosa Waters Pty Ltd. as a service to be offered to all home sites on the estate. The purpose was to encourage the development of a premium quality estate in every aspect which would include no above ground electrical power, telephone lines or external TV aerials.

From initial development up to November 2004, the system was maintained by CATV Cable and Design and Installation Pty Ltd. Noosa Smartcable purchased the system from CATV in November 2004 and continues to maintain the system today. Since taking over the system Noosa Smartcable has made a considerable investment in updating ageing equipment and improving the quality of service provided, some of this investment includes;

- Installation of air conditioning in Skipper Place to maintain optimum temperatures of electronic equipment
- Insulation of Skipper Place premises
- Upgrade and installation of 5 new amplifiers

The system is constantly monitored to ensure that signals continue to be provided at optimum levels. As a result of the work carried out Noosa Waters now experiences an excellent service.

We are currently conducting reception tests for the Brisbane DIGITAL signals for channels 7, 9 and 10. This has required the installation of additional equipment including aerials and modulators to send the signal along the cable. When tested successfully we will provide the digital signals to our customers at no additional cost.

We take this opportunity to thank our Noosa Waters users for their ongoing support of the system.

**Ann and John Milland**

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## LANDSCAPE REPORT

### A FRIENDLY REMINDER

It has been noted that some residents are pruning their gardens and dropping the clippings over the fence into the parks and nature strips. Some residents may consider that this is not a problem, but I would like to point out that many residents give up their time to help maintain the estate. This creates extra workload, makes the area look messy, and we run the risk of unwanted plants germinating and becoming weeds. Please dispose of your cuttings in the bin or take to the tip thank you.

### COUNCIL PARTNERSHIP

For those new to estate, I thought it would be helpful to touch base on the partnership.

In 2000 the developer left the estate and most of the responsibilities, particularly the parklands and waterways including the lock, were handed over to Noosa Council. This was a major change for the estate, as it went from a private company to a semi government council. This meant that we now had to deal with various departments and were subject to council budgets. Some residents recognized the difficulty council would have in maintaining the high standard of landscaping within the parks. So the KEEP NOOSA WATERS BEAUTIFUL GROUP was formed. This group joined the residents association in 2000 and is known as the landscape group. In August 2000 a partnership was formed with council. In return for our voluntary help in maintaining the estates parks and waterways, council would allocate a maintenance budget which would be managed by the association. The aim of the association and the residents is to have the best possible relationship with council, and to work together to maintain and improve the appearance of the estate. This is especially important now that the estate has reached ten years of age. I am pleased to say over the years we have developed a strong working relationship with the many divisions of the council.

### XMAS-TIME

As we prepare for Xmas socializing, can I ask everyone to be mindful of their property and ensure your empty bottles and rubbish are secured in the garbage bins. Neglected bottles etc. sometimes end up in the canals through the storm-water drains by people being irresponsible. Remember, people swim and fish in the canal.

I would like to wish all the volunteers a merry Xmas and a hearty thank you for their help and support.

**Sharon Coell**

## THANK YOU!

On behalf of the Noosa Waters Residents Association Thank you to all Noosa Waters Residents who came out to celebrate in STYLE at our 10th Anniversary BBQ in the park on Sunday 17th September. It was a fantastic afternoon with a conservative estimate of approximately 150 residents joining in the fun and laughter. It's amazing how some nice food, good company, and beaut'wine can finish a weekend with a Bang!

This function wouldn't have been possible without the generous support of the Noosa Gardener – thank you Phil and Julie; The Villa Noosa Hotel, thank you Thor; Karate Budokan, thank you to all club participants and all Residents Association committee members.

**Greg Foster**

## LOST AND FOUND

Due to the shocking storm we all experienced in Noosa, Noosa Waters also managed to get a lot of damage.

FOUND: 3 seater timber outdoor couch/seat, floating in canal.

A kayak was lost and then found, thanks to a very helpful resident.

Lounge Scatter Cushion for outdoor furniture. Colour: Milk Chocolate Brown- Mermaid Quay area.

Hopefully we will not experience another storm like that for 100 years!!!

FOUND prior to the storm:

One child's denim jacket Size 4. Found floating in canal near Waterside Court.

Please contact Janet or John Day 5455 5835 with any LOST or FOUND items in Noosa Waters

**Noosa Waters Residents Association (Inc.)**

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