



# SUNSHINE COVE

## RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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### KEEPING YOU INFORMED – OCTOBER 2020

#### Community Garage Sale

Our first Community Garage Sale was held on Saturday, August 29, with 12 houses hosting a garage sale simultaneously, plus four additional houses joining in on the day.

The bargain hunters came in droves and the day was a huge success! Not only was it an opportunity for people to find a new home for their preloved items gathered during COVID lockdown, it was an opportunity to meet neighbours, share in the community spirit, and introduce the Cove to the many shoppers that visited from across the Coast.

Thank you to all those that participated and supported the initiative and implemented COVID-safe measures with the support from the Committee. We look forward to making this an annual/bi-annual event.

#### Movies in the Park

The Association is exploring the feasibility of hosting movie nights in the park. As we enter the summer months, what better way to wind down than with a casual movie in the park under the stars? However, we require dedicated and committed volunteers to help with getting such an initiative off the ground. If you are computer literate, have some marketing and event planning experience please get in touch with us!

Become a member today to make sure you do not miss out on the first opportunity to get tickets!

#### This is YOUR Association – Member benefits

- We can communicate with you directly
- Provide you with all the up-to-date information on issues impacting our community
- Receive invites to social events and activities and meet with fellow Sunshine Cove residents
- Opportunity to have your say and contribute

The larger our membership base the more influence we can have to help shape our community!!

**This financial year membership is FREE.** Simply email us the following details:

- household name
- precinct/street name of where you reside
- email addresses of household members that wish to stay informed.

#### AGM

Our annual AGM has been postponed until 2021. The Office of Fair Trading has allowed an additional six-month grace period as a result of COVID. Contact us via email if you have any concerns.

#### Suburb name change?

Thank you to those that took the time to contact the Association to communicate their opinion about a suburb name change. For information gathering purposes only, we attended a meeting on August 20 with Fiona Simpson MP, Member for Maroochydore.

The Association will be distributing a survey to canvas community opinion about changing the suburb name Maroochydore to Sunshine Cove. Your contribution will be most valuable.

#### Would you like to advertise in our newsletter?

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### Culture Café

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# SCRA MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATES

## A MESSAGE FROM BERNIE – President

Well, haven't we all had an interesting 2020 so far, and there's only a few months left.

Even though there are still some COVID restrictions, most social activities have started back up and are being well supported by "The Cove" residents. We thank everyone for their involvement in the Association, which is here for all residents of the Cove – owners and renters alike.

We encourage residents to continue to support the many businesses in our community that form part of Sunshine Cove. All of these businesses have done it tough and need the support of the local community to get back on their feet and be there to contribute to the unique fabric of our community.

While we have the FREE membership offer this year please join up if you are not already a member or encourage some of your friends and neighbours to become part of the association. The more members we get, the bigger and better our voice becomes to the Council, supporters, and our general community.

Our aim is for continual community improvement and we want to know what you want and how you are feeling about issues within our community. We have had some small wins with our local council of late and most of these have come from ideas or observations of our great members.

Stay safe Sunshine Cove and become involved in your community.

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## A MESSAGE FROM CHRISSIE - Treasurer

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all our members for their support and engagement in the past few months.

When our members communicate with us and contribute, this truly motivates the Committee to do more. We have had 38 additional households become members this financial year, bringing the membership tally to 129 households, out of a possible 800.

Please help us spread the word of the Association and the benefits of getting on our mailing list. Our goal this year is to reach a minimum of 20% (160 households). This not only allows us to communicate more effectively and efficiently, but strengthens our representation for community advocacy and allows us to gain a better understanding of what the community wants to see for the Cove.

Financially we are in good stead so are exploring some new initiatives to give back to the community. Stay tuned!

## Phil the Joker

**CORONA PRECAUTIONS**  
I went to the bathroom at a restaurant.  
I washed my hands.  
Opened the door with my elbow.  
Raised the toilet seat with my foot.  
I switched on the water faucet with a tissue.  
Opened the bathroom door to leave with my elbow.  
And when I returned to my table I realized.... I forgot to pull up my pants!!!'

## Snap, Send Solve – Have you downloaded the App?



## A MESSAGE FROM DAVE - Landscape Rep

This year I put my hand up to take over the landscape representative's job from our previous member, who moved interstate. On July 30, I attended the Sunshine Cove Maintenance Reference Group meeting with Council, which was held after a number of COVID postponements.

We are so fortunate that each precinct now has a resident representative, who completes observation reports and takes photos, which are helpful when attending the meeting.

I presented a number of issues to Council, who were most helpful responding and actioning our queries. The \$2.60 weekly levy in our rates keeps the Cove looking very tidy and liveable and is great value and a good investment.

For all residents - Don't forget if you do notice something that needs attention always use the Snap, Send, solve app to alert council or call their Customer service line.

Precinct	Name
Sarina	Pam
Flinders	Dave
Moreton	Bernie
Brighton	Tonnie
Trinity	Judith
Savannah	Michael
MacKenzie/ Harvey	Gilbert
Claremont	Amanda
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## AROUND THE COVE

### Clean up the Cove – Sunday, October 11

The sun was shining and we had about 20 residents (as well as some passers-by) help out to keep the community clean for our "Clean up the Cove" day. Although this was not on the official "Clean Up Australia Day, which is normally in March each year, the feedback we received after our March event was a clean-up every six months may help us keep "The Cove" cleaner and give all residents a chance to participate.

I'm happy to report that resident teams did not have as much to clean up this time around due in part to less construction happening in the Cove than last time and our community-focused residents keeping the Cove clean daily.

The clean-up was concluded with the obligatory sausage sizzle. Thanks to all the residents as well as the SCRA committee members that helped out running the event on the day (thanks Dave, Judith and David). This shows us again what a great community spirit we have developed in Sunshine Cove.

### Mobile Phone Signal

Do you have issues with your mobile phone signal at the Cove? We want to know about it and so does Ted O'Brien (federal member for Fairfax). The Federal Government has reopened the Mobile Black Spot Program's database of reported Black Spot locations and nominations are being sought.

The Fairfax electorate office is encouraging residents to nominate their mobile black spot location, so they can provide an electorate-wide submission to the database. Locations must be in Fairfax:

<https://www.tedobrien.com.au/article/where-are-mobile-black-spots-fairfax-nominations-now-open-round-6>

### New facilities in the Cove



Dog poo bag dispenser - Sunrise Drive Park

SCRA is still working on advocating for further additions.

As always, we encourage dog owners to be responsible.

### Acknowledging our valued volunteers

We would like to take this opportunity to thank and acknowledge our often-unspoken volunteers that generously contribute and dedicate their time towards the Association.

Resident Jocylyn was instrumental in introducing weekly Mah-jong and opening her home to host and continue to make it a success each week.



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### Support local business – UCANGO Travel

What a year! I know I'm not the first to say that, nor will I be the last. While COVID-19 has wreaked havoc on everyone, it really has floored those either in the travel game or those wanting to travel.

For us in the industry, while it has been surreal in that bookings have stalled, we have been busier than ever cancelling plans and chasing refunds for our clients. I know some of the delays have been frustrating for you; however, believe me when I say we are even more frustrated. Your travel agent is relentlessly working behind the scenes chasing refunds and/or a resolution for their clients. So, with international travel out of the equation until 2021, where can you go?

Australian rail travel such as The Ghan or Indian Pacific were popular until border closures ruled it out for the next couple of months. We were lucky enough to do the Indian Pacific for the 50-year celebrations in February this year, and it is certainly something we would totally recommend once domestic borders open. Think the river cruising experience but on land!

That that leaves us with Queensland travel. Western Queensland is having a surge in popularity, with a few highly recommended self-drive routes or you can do it the easy way and experience it by rail on the Spirit of the Outback.

If you miss flying, you can head up to Cairns and Port Douglas, which conveniently now has direct flights from the Sunshine Coast. Or if you just want to go 'overseas' why not jump on a flight and head over to Norfolk Island... they're really hurting as they can't get interstaters so they would love to see you.

As always, if you need a hand, just pop down to Ucango and we're happy to organise it for you. Please note, we're currently operating 10am-3pm until travel demand begins to increase.

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## SOCIAL NEWS

There is no shortage of social events on the calendar. Please email us if you are interested in attending or hosting. Become a member to receive exclusive invitations!

Due to popularity, our dinners are now monthly and we continue to have great attendance at our monthly coffee mornings. We love our regulars but have also enjoyed seeing some new faces. Thank you everyone for your participation and supporting the continuation of these events.

### Halloween

This year Halloween falls on a Saturday. If you wish to take part in Halloween please let the community know and decorate your house. To welcome trick or treaters at your door, please turn your front light on and place a sign or a pumpkin out and have the candy ready!



## SOCIAL EVENTS CALENDAR – SAVE THE DATE

### Halloween

Saturday, October 31 2020

### Coffee catch-up

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday morning of the month

### Dinner on a school night

Tuesday, October 20 2020 at 6.30pm  
Infusion Café and Thai - 45 Plaza Parade  
RSVP required with maximum of 20

### Friday in the park

Friday, November 6 2020 at 4.30pm

### Mah-jong

Every Wednesday afternoon between 1pm and 4.30pm

### Golf

Maroochy River Golf Club  
Friday, October 23. Two groups at 9.05am

Please be aware that we are conscious of our responsibilities to support social distancing guidelines and ensure the safety of our residents. Your cooperation is appreciated. Please RSVP your attendance to events to assist us to manage participation numbers.



## Sunshine Cove Residents Association- 2020/21 Membership Application Renewal / Become a Member

All work undertaken by SCRA is on a voluntary basis. Financially, we are reliant on our member support and the annual membership fees (normally \$10 per household) to cover the Association's running expenses. For 2020/21, we are offering **FREE MEMBERSHIP** to anyone wishing to join!! For existing members, your membership will automatically renew unless you tell us otherwise. **Membership valid until 30 June 2021.**

The SCRA retain personal details. They are not passed to any third party.

**Please use UPPER case letters to complete the form.**

Household surname \_\_\_\_\_

Household street address \_\_\_\_\_

How many residents reside in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the names of those that reside in your household and their correspondence details should each member wish to stay informed.

**Please list at least one email address.**

	Household Member Names	Email	Mobile (optional)
1			
2			
3			
4			

We like to ensure we attract and represent members from across the Cove – which precinct do you reside?

- |                                    |                                    |   |                                  |                                  |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> MacKenzie | <input type="checkbox"/> Claremont | <input type="checkbox"/> Flinders         | <input type="checkbox"/> Sarina  | <input type="checkbox"/> Emporio |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Savannah  | <input type="checkbox"/> Trinity   | <input type="checkbox"/> Moreton/Brighton | <input type="checkbox"/> Bedarra |                                  |

We also like to offer activities and social events for different age groups. What group best represents your household?

- 0 – 17 years    
  18 – 35 years    
  35 – 55 years    
  55 years +

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