



SUNSHINE COVE

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

KEEPING YOU INFORMED – JUNE 2021

AGM report

The SCRA 2020 AGM was held at the Events Cinema Maroochydore in March 2021 instead of 2020 due to COVID-19. It was well attended by 24 members (quorum present), who participated with good discussion and presentations including a history of the Sunshine Cove. Several apologies were received and recorded, including from Cr Jason O'Pray.

Proposed changes to our SCRA Constitution were discussed, presented, and passed by special resolution (75% majority). A summary of the changes follows:

1. Expand the ordinary membership beyond "two people" and amend to "per household based on membership fees paid".
2. Provide transparency of the Association audit requirements by removing clauses relating to receiving, presenting, and appointing an audit report/auditor, as it is not a mandatory requirement.
3. Note – the reporting level of the Association is currently categorised as Level 3, whereby both the value of assets and revenue is less than \$20,000. For Level 3 associations, no audit is required unless members specifically want an audit done.
4. Offer transparency as to the business required to be conducted at the AGM.
5. Add flexibility (particularly in COVID times) that the AGM may be conducted in different formats including in person, virtual, or hybrid.

All proposed changes were passed by special resolution.

As required, we have lodged our constitution with the changes to the Office of Fair Trading and await their reply.

Community Garage Sale

Last year the Association hosted Sunshine Cove's very first community garage sale where multiple houses hosted a sale on the same day and time.

We had 16 households register, with shoppers flocking to the Cove. If you would like to participate this year, please register your interest and preferred date of August or September by emailing us.



Mobile phone coverage - update

Have you experienced any changes to your mobile service since our last newsletter? SCRA is aware that upgrades and maintenance work has been carried out in the local area over the last three months.

If you are still experiencing any coverage problems within the Cove, please log the details on the mobile black spot database via:

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

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SCRA MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATES

A message from Dave - our Landscape Rep

Temperatures are starting to cool, which gives time for the maintenance team to do more than just keep on top of the summer mowing requirements. Mulching will be done in some areas in line with the biannual schedule, plus pruning shrubs and trees.

We sadly have to say goodbye to Mark Francis, the manager of Parks and Gardens, who has been our council contact. At our regular meetings for the Cove, he has always been most helpful and prompt to help with requests. We hope to build the same rapport with the new manager once appointed.

A special mention to resident Mike Weeks of the Claremont precinct who has been helpfully bringing attention to landscaping and safety issues. Mike is very proactive within his community, even digging into his own pockets to work on beautifying the precinct and bio basins. Thank you, Mike, for your vigilance and ongoing communications with SCRA. You are a valuable member of the community.

Just a reminder if any residents are out walking and you notice anything that may need attention, please use the Snap Send Solve App. It is a very useful tool for council to act on.

On a very positive note, I met a new resident who had moved from a Brisbane suburb to live in the Cove. She could not believe how well the cove is maintained compared to her Brisbane area where she said footpaths and general upkeep was lacking and very overgrown. It was one of her decisions to live in the Cove – it is great to hear those unprompted comments.

That \$135 annual levy is worth it to keep our area looking very tidy.

Enjoy these beautiful winter months and another thank you to the volunteer precinct reps who send in their quarterly observations of landscaping in the Cove.

Precinct	Name
Sarina	Pam
Flinders	Dave
Moreton	Bernie
Brighton	Tonnie
Trinity	Judith
Savannah	Michael
MacKenzie/Hervey	Zoe
Claremont	Geoff
Bedarra	Carol
Emporio	Greg

A message from Bernie – President

Since our last newsletter we held our 2020 AGM, which was delayed from last year by you know what! I would like to thank our hardworking committee for their reappointments and trust the community recognises why the SCRA is active and continues to work towards the best outcomes for “Sunshine Cove”.

Soon each household will receive a survey to gauge if residents want the SCRA to push for name recognition for our unique community. If we receive a large majority in favour of that action, we will then prepare and lodge our submission to the relevant state authority for consideration. We have already met with Fiona Simpson, our state elected rep, and Jason O’Pray, our local councillor, and they support the name recognition submission if it has community support.

We do not believe the name Maroochydore or our current postcode will change, just the suburb name – like Twin Waters being formally known as Mudjimba prior to its name recognition some years ago. It is also worth noting this process will more than likely take several years to finalise.

Advertise with us

We offer supporter packages to companies that want to tell residents inside Sunshine Cove about their business and services via our newsletters (delivered to over 900 residences and read by over 2000 people) and or our digital media platforms. If you run a business and live in “The Cove”, know someone that wants to get into this market, or simply want to support our association please register your interest by sending us an email to sunshinecove.ra@gmail.com and place the word “Supporter Package” in the subject line and someone will contact you.



Precinct 7 & 10 Update - MCU19/0143

There is no new formal information available from Council; however, below is the response we recently received when we enquired.

John Alderson, Senior Development Planner, has provided the following brief update on the two applications.

- *The impact assessable application remains on hold until such time as the applicant provides additional information regarding their proposed changes to the application. Once this information is received from the applicant it will be presented to an Ordinary Meeting for determination. The application may need to be publicly notified again depending on the extent of changes proposed.*
- *The code assessable application is not required to be publicly notified in accordance with the Planning Act as it is generally consistent with the Wises Farm Preliminary Approval. This application is waiting on the applicant to respond to the Information Request issued by Council.*

When we receive any more relevant info, we will share it with the community.



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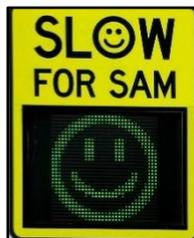
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Traffic issues - Speeding

We recently approached Council about the introduction of a Speed Awareness Monitors (SAM) Program into Sunshine Cove. We were advised by Council's Team Leader – Traffic Engineering, there was some data collected inside "The Cove" last year.



This data showed more than 85% of traffic was travelling inside the speed limits and it was determined that there was no need for SAM to be set up for more data collection. We are however concerned that still means there are still 15% traveling above the speed limit.

We have asked that this issue be examined on a regular basis due to the continued growth of our community and to also review the speed limit in all streets, roads, lanes etc. This excludes Sunshine Cove Way and Sunrise Drive, which are already set at 50km/h. That request has been accepted and we expect a review to commence soon. We will keep you informed of the results as they are provided. **We appreciate ALL residents watching their speed within 'The Cove'.**

Positions Vacant – Voluntary Basis

- Website Administrator (suitable for student, 3 hrs per month, website maintenance and updates)
- General Administration
- Social Events Coordinator & Social administrator (10 hrs per month, planning and promotion of social events)



JOIN OR
RENEW
TODAY

The new financial year is just around the corner, meaning there is no better time to join your resident's association or renew your membership.

Membership is a modest \$10 per household. This funding contributes to the administrative costs of the Association (website, PO Box, Registration fees, printing) along with assist with the facilitation of some social events. We love our members, and your support and ongoing engagement motivates us to do more.

This is YOUR Association.

Benefits of becoming a member

- Enables us to communicate with you directly (via email)
- 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
- The larger our membership base the more influence we can have to help shape our community.
- Opportunity to have your say and contribute.



[To join/renew – Simply scan the QR code and forward payment as detailed.](#)

The Association has grown considerably since we began four years ago. Although we try hard to keep everything on track as volunteers (and many of the committee still work) we find ourselves with a need for some extra help with our administration.

If you have good computer skills, are mindful of normal business style timeframes, and can help our committee on a regular basis with some of your time can you please let us know as we would like to talk to you.

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SOCIAL NEWS

There is still no shortage of social events on the Calendar thanks to our Social Leader Barb.

In the past few months, we hosted our very first Community Easter Egg Hunt, which was an astounding success thanks to the many families and keen hunters that participated. With continual support from volunteers, we would like to continue this as an annual event. Our usual monthly get togethers have continued with great participation along with residents catching up for a roll at barefoot bowls.

So, what can you look forward to for the next few months?

A sad farewell to our resident socialite and fierce social leader - Barb

It is with regret that we announce the resignation of Barb due to health reasons, for which we hope will be only temporary. The community should be incredibly grateful for what Barb has been able to achieve over the many years she has been on the Association's committee. Barb answered the call to help set up the social activities of the Association when it was in its infancy and has been the driving force ever since. Everyone knows who she is and has been at most, if not all, of the social gatherings inside "The Cove".

SCRA would like to thank Barb for her contribution to the community and her continual guidance and spirit. She will be sadly missed as she focusses on her health. We cannot thank you enough and send you lots of healthy well wishes.

SOCIAL EVENTS CALENDAR - SAVE THE DATE

Fridays in the park

First Friday each month from 4:30-6pm. Check out Facebook and members emails for park details.

Coffee mornings - Café Culture

Second Friday each month at 10am

Dinner on a school night

Third Tuesday of each month

Mah-jong

Every Wednesday from 1-4:30pm

Golf

Fourth Friday of each month

Book club

Fourth Monday



SCRA initiative for the betterment of your community

On 15 April we asked residents to share a picture of their dog on a leash out and about in Sunshine Cove.

This campaign was in celebration of responsible dog ownership in conjunction with the Sunshine Coast Council.

The Residents' Association incentivised residents - with those that submitted a photo going into the draw to win a doggie prize pack!

Congratulations to all our winners and thank you to all our responsible dog owners!

