



NEWPORT NEWS

NEWPORT WATERWAYS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Tues 17th August @ 7pm
Newport Watch Meeting
Oyster Point Scout Hall

**Sun 27th June @ 3.30pm &
25 July at 3.30pm**
Sundowners
Endeavour Esplanade

Wed 15 Sept @ 7.30pm
Annual General Meeting
Oyster Point Scout Hall

YOUR COMMITTEE

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Sundowners is Back!

How lucky are we to be living in this beautiful suburb in this great State? We are pleased to announce that our popular Sundowners on the Esplanade in Endeavour Park is back!

We have set a regular date for this – the last Sunday of the month at 3.30pm. So put it in your diary, tell your friends – all are welcome. Bring your own drinks, nibbles and a chair and enjoy the simple pleasure of watching the sun set over the water with good friends and a glass of your favourite. Next Sundowners is 27th June. See you there!

Membership Renewals

Renewals start July 1st and this year, we have gone digital! You won't require a renewal form. As long as we have your email address, you will

receive an email reminder with a link to renew online and make payment either by PayPal or Direct Bank Transfer. If you have already registered, you will be able to log in quickly. If you haven't registered as yet, it's a simple process to create your own password and then log in.

The important thing is to look out for the renewal notification in your email inbox (check your junk folder too!). If you don't receive this by early July, or have any questions, please email membership@newportwaters.com with your name, address, and the specific details of your problem. Note that this is a new program for us, so please be patient as we work through any teething issues.

We are confident that this new streamlined and convenient process will pave the way for a better member experience. *(Continued)*



For those who do not have email addresses, you will have to renew by paper form – this will be attached to your newsletter. Please note that we do NOT accept cheques.

Annual General Meeting – We need YOU!

This is scheduled for 7.30pm on Wednesday 15th September at Oyster Point Scout Den, Sunnyside Road, Scarborough.

Our committee will be losing some members due to personal commitments, so I would like to urge everyone to think about joining. Due to our membership size, activity and longevity, our association is highly regarded by the Moreton Bay Regional Council and we are more influential than you may think. Being a part of the committee will put you in touch with decision-makers and you can have a positive influence in shaping our Community.

You will also get to know more of your neighbours and help organise fun social activities such as the ever-popular Santa on the Canals.

The reality is that if we don't have more people join the committee, these activities may have to cease. If you like getting involved in your community, what better way than to start in your very own backyard!

See you at the AGM, and Sundowners.

David Clair - NWPOA Acting President



YOUR LEVIES AT WORK!

MEMBER COURTESY TRAILER

The trailer was used 5 times during April, 5 times in May and 6 to date in June. It is used for a number of reasons and we thank all the users for returning it clean, and ensuring it is locked and secure in its spot on the Marina.

To borrow, contact Pam on 3203 8354.

JUST FOR A LAUGH!

One day God calls down to Noah and says, "Noah me old china, I want you to make me a new Ark". Noah replies, "No probs God, me old Supreme Being anything you want after all you're the guv."

But God interrupts, "Ah, but there's a catch. This time Noah, I want not just a couple of decks ... I want 20 decks one on top of the other".

"20 DECKS!", screams Noah. "Well, OK Big Man, wtever you say. Should I fill it up with all the animals just like last time?"

"Yep, that's right, well ... sort of right ... this time I want you to fill it up with fish", God answers.

"Fish?" queries Noah.

"Yep, fish ... well, to make it more specific Noah, I want Carp – wall to wall, floor to ceiling - Carp!"

Noah looks to the skies. "OK God my old mucker, let me get this right, you want a New Ark?"

"Check".

"With 20 decks, one on top of the other?"

"Check".

"And you want it full of Carp?"

"Check".

"Why?" asks the perplexed Noah, who was slowly but surely getting to the end of his tether

"Dunno", says God,

"I just fancied a Multi-Story Carp Ark".



NEWPORT WATCH REPORT



The attendance at our May Newport Watch meeting was disappointing when we had arranged for an excellent speaker with really positive, useful information to offer, especially for the times in which we are living. For this reason I am going to provide members with some of that information as I am sure that if it is of no use to you, then maybe members of your family and even neighbours would benefit.

Our guest speaker was Gabrielle Passlow, an Elder Mediation Support Service (EMSS) Practitioner who works for Relationships Australia that healthy relationships are essential for the wellbeing of children, families, individuals and communities. They respect the rights of all people to live with dignity, safety, and to enjoy healthy relationships, and these principles underpin their work. They provide services tailored to individual needs at times of challenge and change in one's life.

Abuse can occur in many forms and from children to the elderly. Types of abuse could be financial, social, neglect, taking over decisions, psychological and sexual. Elder abuse occurs across the spectrum of our society and is often unrecognised and unreported. The silent, older generation may not tell anyone what is happening due to feelings of shame. Signs of elder abuse may be neglect, financial and emotional stress, or physical injury.

Relationships Australia provide **FREE** family meetings, counselling, referrals, advocacy and mediations. At the moment the Moreton Bay Region is the target area, and there are offices at Morayfield and Strathpine, or outreach venues can be accessed if appropriate. There is a list of concerns that Relationships Australia Queensland can assist older persons with, including care giver burnout and respite needs; living arrangements; feeling disempowered; mobility/drivers licence; medical treatments; wills and estates and grandchildren being withheld.

Anyone can call the organization to discuss an older persons need for their assistance and support ie friends, family, doctors, carer, or the person themselves.

One phone call to the Elder Mediation Service on 07 5353 9184 or 0439 549 668 and Gabrielle Passlow can be emailed direct on gpasslow@rag.org.au

I have some brochures that were left following the meeting and further information if anyone is interested. Call Pam on 07 3203 9354.

I found it to be a very valuable session and was amazed and disturbed at some of the issues the organization has been involved with. The above information was taken from the slide presentation that Gabrielle uses in her talks, and she was more than happy for me to pass it on.

I believe Relationships Australia are in New South Wales and Victoria, but this is a trial service in Queensland, within the Moreton Region. While this is a 'different' Newport Watch Notice, I feel that the information is important for those 60 years and older who may have need of this type of assistance.

The next quarterly meeting will be held on Tuesday 17th August at 7.00pm at the Oyster Point Scout Hall.

Pamela Bauze – Newport Watch Area Coordinator.



Pam Bauze with Gabrielle Passlow

ADVICE FROM THE OCEAN

BE SHORE OF YOURSELF
COME OUT OF YOUR SHELL
TAKE TIME TO COAST
AVOID PIER PRESSURE
DON'T GET TIDE DOWN
MAKE WAVES!!

