



Come along, bring your friends and family to the KIRA

COMMUNITY DAY

Sunday 8 September 2019, 11am to 2pm
Double Bay Park, Kawana Island

Free BBQ & Drinks! Free Music! Free Face Painting!

BYO Chair/Rug & Water Bottle!

We encourage you to walk or ride to the event, bring a chair and rug, relax and meet other residents of the Island. The KIRA Committee and volunteer supporters arranging the day are hoping that the event provides opportunity for our community to come together, make new friends, meet old friends and celebrate Kawana Island.

Pooch Parade Competition **(12pm - 1pm)**

We invite those who have a special four legged friend to bring them along, dressed up in whatever takes your fancy and enter them in the Pooch Parade. Julie Pennington (4 Paws Animal Rescue) and our KIRA Chairman, Denis Carroll, will be judging the dog competition with prizes generously donated by PETstock Kawana Waters and Mykies by the Bay.

Kawana Waters State **College Buskers** **(11am - 1pm)**

Pacific Lutheran College **Jazz Band** **(1pm - 2pm)**

Please bring your gold coins to support these budding musicians!

Garden Competition

With Spring approaching, Kawana Islanders are invited to enter the KIRA gardening competition.

Given the keen interest Islanders have in maintaining their properties, the KIRA Committee has decided to keep the contest simple and transparent so that entries can be judged easily and efficiently by Committee members.

The main criteria will be street appearance, whereby gardens can be judged from the street or road. It can be a house or courtyard or balcony garden, but must be visible from the road or waterside. (We don't want to have to be entering your property!)



Judging will take place during early October and results will be announced via the KIRA website and Facebook page.

There will be prizes for first, second and third.

Share

If you'd like to enter or to nominate a neighbour to recognise their efforts, email us at hello@kira.net.au by 23 September.

Join KIRA

Not a member of KIRA yet? Anyone over 18 who either resides on Kawana Island or owns property on Kawana Island is eligible to join KIRA. Joining is free and easy to do on our new website.

The more people we have join KIRA, the stronger our voice is when discussing issues that affect your enjoyment of living on the Island.



Share

Were you lucky enough to spy Jodie's new gardener?! She shared these cheeky photos on Instagram. Why not share your photos of #Kawanaisland or #KawanaislandLife? If you'd like the chance for your photos to feature on our website or in the KIRA Mirror, email them to hello@kira.net.au Thanks for allowing us to share these Jodie!

Magpie Season

Spring is a lovely time to get out and enjoy the walking paths and parks around Kawana Island, but it is also nesting season for our local Magpies. The one time of the year that these lovely local birds turn into monsters of the air, terrorising anyone that is within eyesight of them!

Fortunately, the majority of Kawana Island is a magpie-free zone, however there are a couple of spots you should avoid for about six weeks if riding your bike, walking the family pet or out for a relaxing Sunday run.

The main spots that our local Magpies like to nest is in the large Norfolk Pines that dot the island, with one of the prime nesting spots at the roundabout nearest to Double Bay, near Mykies by the Bay and the southern part of the river side of the Island.

If you stick closest to the canal path you should be safe, but take the paths closer to the road and you're certain to be in the line of attack.

And the park near Island Park on the southern end of Kawana Island is also another hot spot for the magpies.

Keep in mind that the Magpies are a protected species, so please don't vent your anger upon them. It's only a few short weeks and then they become the same friendly creatures we enjoy seeing around the area.

Wine Tasting Wrap-up

On the evening of 25 June 2019, KIRA held its inaugural wine tasting with nearly 50 residents in attendance at the community rooms.

Damien Ringrose, wine specialist of the Suncoast Hotel Group and Manager of Cellarbrations at Birtinya, led us through a tasting of Spanish, German, Italian and French red and white varietals as grown by Australian winemakers.

It was a chance for residents to mingle and form friendships.

We hope to hold another wine tasting later in the year.



Island Spruce-Up Share Your Thoughts

With spring just around the corner, Cr Connolly, our local Councillor, thought it would be a good time to see what we can do to spruce-up the public facilities and spaces around Kawana Island. This is a perfect opportunity to get the Island looking it's best for summer.

We are therefore asking residents to nominate anything round the Island which is in need of maintenance or repair, repaint or just a good clean.

Have you noticed something that could use a little love?

- Missing metal capping on posts?
- Damaged footpaths or gutters?
- Broken taps?
- Missing sandstone blocks in walls or entry signs?
- Damaged common fences?
- Overgrown gardens or dead trees?
- Empty gardens or garden beds needing mulching?
- Tired and aging painting?

Share

Please let us know by emailing the details (and location) to us at hello@kira.net.au.

We would like to have our list complete by **Monday 9 September** so that we can forward a consolidated list to Council for action.

Share

KIRA is *your* residents association and we value your contribution. Anywhere you see this blue 'Share' speech bubble is an opportunity for you to contribute and share your thoughts. If there is something you would like to bring to KIRA's attention you can do so on our website or by emailing us at hello@kira.net.au

Did you know....?

The established blue on Kawana Island is Dulux Bluster Blue.

The colour code is: B 3Y 36N; M OY 44N; E 4Y 48N

New Gym Equipment

After detailed consultation with KIRA, Council has finalised design of the new gym equipment for Double Bay. As you can see from the design below, new rubber softfall will be installed along with a variety of gym equipment. The aim was to provide facilities which can be used by as many age groups as possible. Work is expected to start in the near future.



indicative design only, subject to detail design and available funding

Free Papers Free Trees

As residents of the Island we receive two free community papers each week, the Maroochy and Kawana Weekly (The Weekly) and the Preview. They are both worth a quick read!

The Weekly is a traditional community tabloid which features local businesses and events. It has a handy classified section featuring tradies and some interesting puzzles.

The Preview is a much glossier magazine- style paper that focusses on arts, craft and eateries. The covers are interesting and there are articles on local people of interest (many of whom you have never heard of). It regularly features information from the Council and half of it is dedicated to real estate.

It helps to know what is going on in our area and these papers are one way of doing so.

Even if you are not interested, it is worth picking them off your lawn, taking them out of the wrapper and placing them in the recycling bin. It's tidier, better for the environment and confuses would-be burglars!

Did you know that Council has a free tree program? Ratepayers can collect their free trees with their rate notice for the current financial year only.

Ratepayers can pick up two free tube stock plants from the nursery at council's Caloundra depot located on Industrial Avenue.

- Trees can only be collected on Wednesdays between 1.00pm and 3.00pm (nursery open time).
- Two plants can be picked up every six months with a current Sunshine Coast Council rates notice.

Council only provides a selection of trees, either small medium or large. Council does not stock any shrubs or ground covers.

For more info contact Council on 1300 007 272.



KIRA expresses its thanks to Member for Kawana, Jarrod Bleijie MP, for the printing of this newsletter.

Kawana Island CONVENIENCE & TAKEAWAY

NEW MANAGEMENT!

- Burgers
- General Groceries
- Hot Chips
- Milk & Bread
- Soft Drinks
- Hot Chickens



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7 DAYS**

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(Next to Mykies by the Bay)

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