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Luxury Agnes resort rights on the market

By MIKE DERRY

THE management rights to one of Agnes Water's best holiday blocks is up for sale.

Resort Brokers Australia representative Glenn Millar said the company that previously owned the management rights to the Agnes Water Beach Club had gone into receivership.

"The property is running extremely well, but the company hit financial trouble," he said.

The building is in the heart of Agnes Water and opened in 2006.

The Beach Club was designed as luxury accommodation by Guymer Bailey Architects.

Mr Millar said the building was now run by onsite managers appointed by the receivers.

It features 36 two-bedroom, two-bathroom apartments, 35 of which are available to let.

It also has a pool, a heated spa and a barbecue area.

The Agnes Water Beach Club is marketed as luxury accommodation in Agnes Water, only a minute's walk from Queensland's northernmost surfing beach.

The complex's website says units in the building start from \$495,000, and adds the Discovery Coast gem is being touted as "the new Noosa"

Mr Millar said management rights were a very tightly controlled industry in Queensland.

"All the funds received go to a trust account," he said. "They are very solid busi-

nesses. Mr Millar said anyone

who bought the management rights would be buying



LUXURY SPOT: The company that previously held the management rights to the luxury Agnes Water Beach Club has gone into receivership. Photo: Contributed

the right to operate a business in the complex for the next 20 years.

"There is also some freehold real estate, which is the manager's unit in the complex," he said.

Mr Millar said all the units in the building were individually owned by investors, and they were all available to let.

He said whoever owned the management rights got an income from letting out the units, and also from items such as towels, linen and arranging tours for residents

"The body corporate also pays the manager a salary," he said

"They get about \$41,000 a year for taking care of the

common areas."

The call for expressions of interest for the management rights to the building were first advertised on Saturday, and Resort Brokers Australia was committed to advertising for four weeks. That would finish on Fe-

bruary 10 The expressions of interest received would be forwarded to the receivers

Mr Millar said the interest in taking on management rights was mostly local, although the company had had a number of calls from overseas.

Agnes Water is listed in the Lonely Planet guide as one of the top 10 destinations in Queensland.

Murder case adjourned

THE case of a man accused of killing a woman and her unborn child came before Bundaberg Magistrates Court yesterday.

Craig Andrew Holzberger, 36, was charged with murder and assaulting a pregnant female to destroy the life of her unborn child after 24-yearold Tenille Hass was found dead in an Avoca home in March last year.

Holzberger's lawyer yesterday told the court there was a "voluminous" amount of material to sift through and a lengthy adjournment was requested.

He is yet to enter a plea and has been remanded in custody for 10 months.

Magistrate Jennifer Batts adjourned the matter for further mention on March 19.

Holzberger was originally with unlawful charged wounding but officers upgraded the charge to murder shortly after.

Cop kicking case heard

A 20-YEAR-OLD man accused of kicking a police officer in the face outside the Central Hotel faced court yesterday.

Tyron Harry Dodd, of Walkervale, is charged with kicking the officer in the face, causing his teeth to be knocked out on September 10 last year.

Dodd, who had been represented by Legal Aid, yesterday appeared in Bundaberg Magistrates Court where he advised he was now seeking legal advice from a lawyer in Brisbane.

He is charged with one count of causing grievous bodily harm to the officer, who was checking on the welfare of a man who had been in a fight when he was allegedly attacked without warning.

Magistrate Jennifer Batts granted Dodd bail following the attack. The matter was set to for a further mention on January 30.

New citizens urged to enrol

THE Bundaberg region's newest citizens are being encouraged to help kick off a year celebrating two important electoral anniversaries by enrolling to vote this Australia Day. The divisional office manager for Hinkler, Trevor Jordan, said that 100 years ago Australia's federal electoral system was changed so all citizens became obliged to enrol to vote, as well as entitled to do so. And 50 years ago, another important electoral change meant indigenous Australians gained the right to vote. "In this anniversary year, it is especially





Queensland on January 26 to help new citizens enrol to vote, and join more than 14 million Australians already on the electoral roll.

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RIGHT TO VOTE: Divisional office manager for Hinkler Trevor Jordan, pictured with Paul Neville after the last federal election, is encouraging new citizens to enrol to vote. Photo: FILE

important that our newest citizens take up an important privilege of citizenship by enrolling to vote at their very first ceremonies

opportunity," he said. Australian Electoral Commission staff will be on hand at citizenship across

"With a state election to be held soon, it is especially important for people in Queensland to enrol to vote or check that their details are up to date on the electoral roll," Mr Jordan said.

"Currently there are around 416,705 eligible Queenslanders who are not enrolled and if an election were to be held they would miss out on their vote."

It is compulsory for all citizens aged 18 and older to enrol to vote.

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