

# Whittley Club QLD – Northern Gold Coast trip Nov 2025

**Destinations:** Wave Break Island, Macintosh Island, Budds Beach

**Dates:** November 14, 15 & 16, 2025

**Trip Leaders:** Tim & Julie (*Ameena*) Subject to boat readiness

**VHF Channel:** 72

**RSVP:** Please respond to the Facebook event and follow updates in the trip Messenger chat.  
Otherwise Email: [commodore@clubwhittleyqld.org.au](mailto:commodore@clubwhittleyqld.org.au) or text Kelvin on 0411503966

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## Friday – Wave Break Island (Optional Early Arrival)

Start the weekend early with a relaxed afternoon at Wave Break Island.

- **Launch Suggestions:** Horizon Shores, Paradise Point, or Loders Creek
- **New to the area?** Reach out and we'll connect you with someone experienced to help navigate Gold Coast waters
- **Happy Hour:** 4:00 pm on the beach (BYO drinks/snacks)
- **Dinner:** Self-catered aboard boats
- **Waypoint:** 27° 56.325 S, 153° 24.885 E
- **Highlights:** Swimming, fishing, and catching up with fellow club members in a sheltered anchorage

## Tides for Friday, November 14, 2025

- **High Tide:** 4:17 AM – 1.02 m
  - **Low Tide:** 9:44 AM – 0.52 m
  - **High Tide:** 4:03 PM – 1.29 m
  - **Low Tide:** 10:48 PM – 0.30 m
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## Saturday – Macintosh Island / Budds Beach

Cruise down the Nerang River from Wave Break Island to Macintosh Island, with optional detours through the scenic canals.

- **Bridge Access Window:** Mid to low tide (**Low Tide:** 10:50 AM – 0.49 m)
- **Anchorage:** Calm, sheltered location with electric BBQs and toilets (no showers)
- **Happy Hour:** 4:00 pm in the park
- **Dinner:** Club sausage sizzle - BYO drinks
- **Waypoint:** 27° 59.095 S, 153° 25.732 E
- **Highlights:**
  - Relaxing in the park under shady trees

- Spotting wildlife and maybe the Peacocks in the bird sanctuary
- **Note:** Early Sunday departure required to clear the bridge from around 8:30am

## **Tides for Saturday, November 15, 2025**

- **High Tide:** 5:10 AM – 1.12 m
  - **Low Tide:** 10:50 AM – 0.49 m
  - **High Tide:** 4:56 PM – 1.25 m
  - **Low Tide:** 11:24 PM – 0.26 m
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## **Sunday – Budds Beach Breakfast & Farewell**

Wrap up the weekend with a peaceful breakfast at Budds Beach.

- **Breakfast options:**

**Self-catered at the park or -**

**Bumbles Café** – 19–23 River Drive, Budds Beach

 Open from 6:30 am

 Enjoy barista coffee, fresh breakfast options, and riverside views

- **Activities:**
  - Casual catch-up and farewell over breakfast
  - Optional walk along the river or relax on the beach
  - Reflect on the weekend's highlights
  - And of course... keep an eye out for who might earn the **Duck Award** this time!

## **Tides for Sunday, November 16, 2025**

- **High Tide:** 5:52 AM – 1.23 m
  - **Low Tide:** 11:44 AM – 0.45 m
  - **High Tide:** 5:40 PM – 1.21 m
  - **Low Tide:** 11:55 PM – 0.22 m
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