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## Media Release

### STOCKLAND ENCOURAGES RESIDENTS TO LOVE THY NEIGHBOUR

To celebrate the tenth anniversary of National Neighbour Day on March 25, Stockland has launched a simple initiative across Australia that inspires residents to get to know who lives next door.

The *Good Neighbour Card* is a magnet featuring a space to record your neighbours contact details, a list of local emergency contact numbers and some of the secrets to being a good neighbour including:

- 1) Making an effort to know your neighbours and look out for their wellbeing;
- 2) Offering to collect mail and newspapers and put out their rubbish while they are away; and
- 3) Contacting your neighbour or the Police if you see unusual or suspicious activity.

Matthew Mears, General Manager Residential Development New South Wales, said Stockland is committed to providing its residents with spaces that create strong communities and the 'Good Neighbour Card' will be a valuable initiative.

"We have seen the benefits of strong relationships between neighbours, particularly in times of need and it's often the little things that make a big difference.

"Across all of our communities, we've introduced regular events and ways for people to strengthen ties and connect with each other, and we hope the card will be a reminder that a little old-fashioned courtesy can go a long way," he said.

One couple with first hand experience is Jan Hardman and husband Harry who moved into Stockland's Murray's Beach community in December last year.

"I wasn't well when we first moved in, and one of our new neighbours came over and checked up on me. We actually exchanged numbers and it's great to know that if we are worried about something, we can just call.

"We've since met some a few of our other neighbours and been to some of the organised barbeques at Murray's Beach. It's been really great," she said.

Stockland is also asking residents to send through their photos and stories about good neighbours to [customer.relations.nsw@stockland.com.au](mailto:customer.relations.nsw@stockland.com.au) for the chance to win one of three \$100 Stockland gift vouchers at their local Stockland Retail Centre. Entries are due before 5pm on Friday April 20, 2012.

In New South Wales, The *Good Neighbour Card* has been introduced to seven Stockland residential communities including Waterside at Penrith Lakes; Glenmore Ridge in Western Sydney; Darcy's Peak and McKeachie's Run in the Maitland and Hunter region; Murray's Beach on the shores of Lake Macquarie; McCauley's Beach in the Illawarra and Bayswood on the South Coast.

**For more information on National Neighbour Day, visit [www.neighbourday.org](http://www.neighbourday.org)**

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### Stockland: Celebrating 60 years in 2012

Stockland is one of Australia's leading property groups, developing and managing a large portfolio of residential communities, retirement living villages, retail, office and industrial assets. Stockland was recognised as the Most Sustainable Property Company in the World in the 2011/12 [Dow Jones Sustainability Index](#).

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