TALES FROM THE CITY ARTICLE

A bedroom based trout farm, a horse kept in an apartment, and an owners corporation deadlocked over taking action against a nudist neighbour - these are just a few of the strangest complaints received by the Office of Fair Trading about strata living in NSW.

Fair Trading have released a list of the Top 10 complaints from NSW strata title residents, however some complaints investigated defy belief.

Can you imagine discovering that the reason water was leaking into your property from the unit above was that your neighbour was breeding trout in an above-ground swimming pool?

Keeping pets without permission is the third most-complained about issue - but using a small inner-city strata block as a horse stable?

In one case, an owner’s meeting was divided along gender lines over whether to take action against a female resident who watered the garden naked.

Living in strata and sharing common property can be difficult, to help assist with the day to day, our first 2014 Strata Fix series will be on Solving Neighbourhood Problems.