



# Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby

**eNewsletter # 350 - 25 June 2018**

This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby council areas. The eNewsletter is a new type of Neighbourhood Watch; utilising the available technology to keep people more connected and up-to-date with local crime and safety issues.

The eNewsletter includes a selection of posts from the [Kuring-gai LAC Facebook page](#) (also known as 'eyewatch'), primarily for those not familiar with Facebook. We add anything interesting from a Neighbourhood Watch point-of-view - this could be a local newspaper article, a roadwork warning, crime prevention tip(s), an upcoming Neighbourhood Watch meeting, Q&As from residents, or an item from an other Police command ("Crooks know no boundaries!").

🚘 Have you seen anything we should share with the community? [Please email](#) our NHW in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby volunteers. We do value your contributions. Thank you for your support.

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**25 June, from Crime Stoppers NSW:**



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## 21 June, from Crime Stoppers NSW: WHAT TO DO IF YOU LOSE YOUR MOBILE PHONE...

Losing our mobile phone can be very distressing, especially these days when they are so much more than just a phone. If you lose your phone it is important to report this to the Police Assistance Line on 131 444 (24/7) as you will need an EVENT NUMBER if you are claiming insurance.

REMEMBER to have your IMEI number ready. This is a serial number specific to your phone and you can find it on the box if you still have it. Otherwise, your service provider can provide this number to you. The IMEI number goes into your police report and is an identifying feature for police if your phone is ever found or recovered.

You can also report online via the [Community Portal here](#).



## Missing Phones

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### PLEASE NOTE

Police do not actively investigate lost property.

Your consent is your responsibility and giving this consent means that you accept that your phone may be used to identify the person who has been responsible against you.

If an item is recovered to police, your name and address will be recorded and you will be advised to inspect the item, which has been recovered, as well as get the test back to you.

## 21 June, from Hornsby Shire Council: ON THE ROAD – THORNLEIGH

Watch out along Pennant Hills Road – Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) have removed some of the “Left Turn on Red” signs. At this stage the intersections at Pennant Hills Road and Wells Street and Pennant Hills Road and Bellevue St in Thornleigh are affected, but there might be more changes coming our way. RMS are cancelling “Left Turn on Red” permissions at intersections where an increase in accidents between vehicles and pedestrians, cyclists and other vulnerable road users has been recorded.

Let’s be sure to keep checking for any changes to signs at traffic lights in the months to come. We will keep our ears to the ground and give you a heads-up here. Meanwhile, please drive safely!

## 20 June, from Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command (PAC):

### Accident/High Range PCA – North Turramurra

About 00:38 Monday 23 April, a 27-year-old female driver was driving her vehicle along Bobbin Head, North Turramurra when she collided head on into a telegraph pole. Police attended the scene. The female driver was conveyed to Royal North Shore Hospital for a medical assessment. Whilst at the hospital a mandatory blood

sample was taken.

On 14 June Police received the blood sample results. The female driver returned a reading of 0.169 and was issued with a Court Attendance Notice for Drive with High Range PCA. Her licence was suspended and she is due to appear in Hornsby Local Court on 5 July 2018.

### **Accident/High Range PCA – Mt Colah**

About 15:35 Saturday 19 May, a 38-year-old female driver had collided with two vehicles in the McDonalds car park Mt Colah. Police arrived at the scene. Police spoke with the driver and could smell strong alcohol on her breath. She submitted to a breath test and returned a positive reading. She was arrested and taken to Hornsby Police Station for a breath analysis.

The driver returned a reading of 0.277 and was issued with a Court Attendance Notice for Drive with High Range PCA. Her licence was suspended and she is now due to appear in Hornsby Local Court on 21 June 2018.

### **Assault / road rage**

About 0915 Monday 18 June, a female driver exited the M2 Motorway. The right two lanes were stopped due to traffic. The female drove along the shoulder lane to bypass traffic turning left so she could turn right. Whilst driving along the shoulder lane an unknown vehicle has pull out in front of her. The female driver drove around the unknown vehicle to avoid a collision. The female driver continued along Ryde Road, West Pymble. The unknown vehicle has driven behind the female driver, beeping, yelling and flashing their headlights at her. At a set of traffic lights, the female driver exited her vehicle and approached the unknown driver. The unknown driver yelled at her and spat at her twice. The female victim returned to her vehicle, the other vehicle left the scene before she was able to obtain the registration plate.

Think twice before approaching aggressive drivers. Do not take matters in your own hands. Call 000 immediately or attend your nearest police station to report the incident.

### **In summary:**

#### **Stolen vehicle / vessel:**

- Alexandria Avenue, Waitara – 0850 07/06 – silver Holden Astra

#### **Break & Enter / intent steal:**

- Wambool Street, Turramurra - 08/06 1655

- Walpole Place, Wahroonga – 07/06 1710
- Balmoral Street, Wahroonga - 17/06 1400 to 20/06 0800
- Spotted Gum Road, Westleigh - 09/06 0600

**Steal from Motor vehicle:**

- Coronation Street, Hornsby – 02/06 0600
- Warwillia Avenue, Wahroonga - 20/06 bwt 0600 to 1610

**Malicious Damage:**

- Coronation Street, Hornsby – 15/06 1900 to 16/06 0600
- Hillmont Avenue, Thornleigh – 03/06 to 07/06
- Pentecost Avenue, Pymble – 10/06 0645 to 11/06

**Break & Enter / Steal from Dwelling:**

- Greengate Road, Killara – 16/06 2200 to 17/06 0700
- Osborn Road, Normanhurst - 09/06 1000 to 16/06 1000
- Business Hornsby - 17/06 bwt 0845 to 1455
- Westbrook Avenue, Wahroonga - 08/06 bwt 0700 to 1550

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**20 June, from Crime Stoppers NSW: WHAT TO DO IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF CRIME AND THE OFFENDER LEAVES SOMETHING AT THE SCENE?**

Sometimes offender/s will leave something behind at the scene of the crime. It is important in these situations to try and preserve any evidence left behind.

1. TRY to preserve the scene of the crime by not touching or moving anything and call Triple Zero (000) in an emergency or the Police Assistance Line on 131 444 to make a report.
2. ALERT the operator that the offender/s have left behind evidence belonging to them. This could be tools, food, drink bottles, urine, blood or other items.
3. LISTEN to the directions of the operator, they will try to get police to the location as soon as possible, however, sometimes they may require that you move an object to a safer place away from pets, children or out of weather.
4. ONLY touch an item by the very edges or corners and try to cover your hands with gloves or a tea-towel.

The Forensic Services Group focus on:

- Collection and analysis of exhibits at crime and incident scenes.
- Scientific analysis, interpretation of evidence and presentation of evidence to

court

- Identification of persons through fingerprints and DNA to assist in criminal, incident and coronial investigations
- Identification of person through criminal history to provide background information to the court to inform decisions
- Criminal record and fingerprint-based background checking to assist in placing the 'right persons' in the 'right places' for specific jobs, visas, adoptions, to name a few
- Provision of forensic intelligence to assist solving crime across boundaries; linking crime across different evidence types and chemical profiling of drug seizures.

Do you have information about crimes that would help police? You can [report online here](#) or call **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000** (24/7).



### Evidence

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2. **ALERT** the operator that the offender has left behind evidence.
3. **LISTEN** to the directions of the operator.
4. If items need to be moved, carefully handle your fingerprints using gloves and keep it out of any direct or wet areas.

### THEN WHAT?

Once a report has been made with the Police Assistance Line (131 444) details will be passed onto local police under our Evidence Services. Great for collection and analysis. They will be in contact with you either by calling or attending the scene.

**19 June, from NSW Road Safety: If you're overtaking,**  
Check your blind spots, make sure you have enough space to complete the manoeuvre and make sure you give sufficient warning to others. [#TowardsZero](#)

[More info here.](#)

**19 June, from NSW Road Safety: We all need to look out for each other on our roads.**

Check out our top 3 ways to stay safe around trucks when you're on foot.

There are a lot more trucks driving on our roads. Check out our top 3 ways to stay safe when driving around trucks. Truck drivers are looking out for you so you should look out for them – it's a shared responsibility.

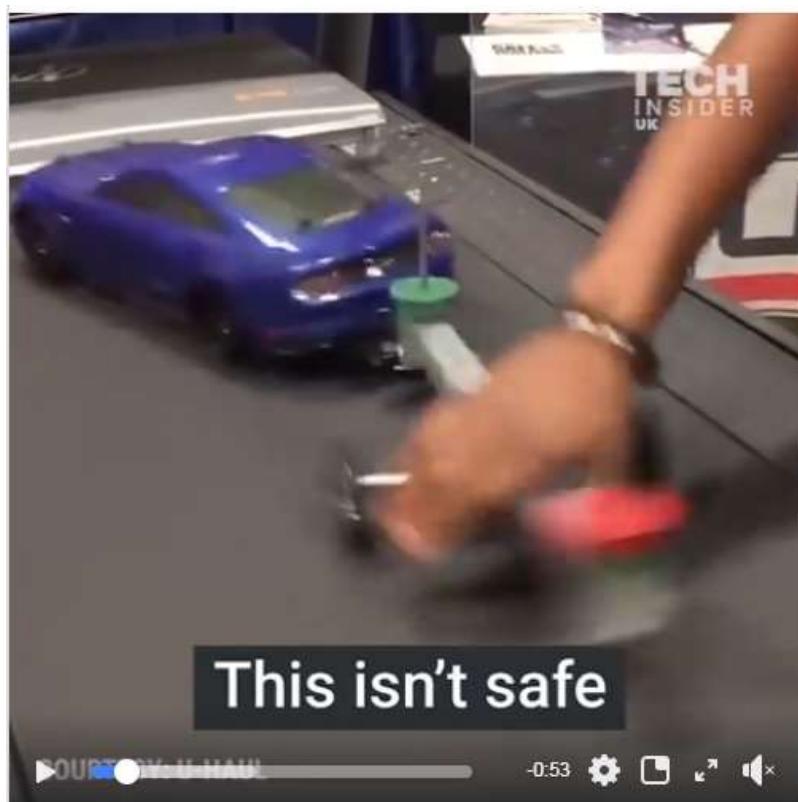
[More info here.](#)

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**19 June, from tech Insider UK: Towing a trailer can be dangerous with the wrong weight distribution**

At least 60% of the load needs to be at the front of the trailer. If too much weight is at the back, it can swing out and you lose control of your vehicle.

[Watch video here.](#)



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*Creating Safer Communities*

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**From The Office of the eSafety Commissioner: Australians aged 55 & over lost \$39 million to online scammers in 2017**

Can you spot an online scam? Learn how you can spot a fake when you see one with our FREE eSafety with Be Connected webinar presentation.

**Tuesday 10 July:** 10am FREE eSafety Shopping & Banking webinar. [Info & Booking](#).

**Wednesday 11 July:** 2pm FREE eSafety Shopping & Banking webinar. [Info & Booking](#).

**Thursday 12 July:** 2pm FREE eSafety Shopping & Banking webinar. [Info & Booking](#).

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**From Ku-ring-gai Council: FREE Slow Down in Our Street bin sticker**

A4 sized sticker made from reflective, UV and weather resistant vinyl which is visible at night. (Limit 4 per household.) *Please apply to sides of bin where it is visible to oncoming traffic.*



[More info here.](#)

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## **25 June, from Yahoo7: The new restrictions to carry-on luggage coming to Aussie airports**

Travellers have become accustomed to not packing gels, aerosols and liquids into their carry-on luggage, but now there's something else to add to the no-go list. From June 30, the Australian government is restricting the amount of powder product – such as baby powder, talcum powder, protein powder or powder-based cosmetics – that you can take on board international flights.

[Full article here.](#)

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## **22 June, from 9News: Murdered girl's mum urges vigilance as 'teen Tinder' takes off**

The mum of a teenage girl murdered by a predator she met online is urging parents to be vigilant, as teens and children take to a new app to send nudes and arrange hook-ups. The meet-up app **Yubo** - described as "tinder for teenagers" - has parents concerned about their children's activities online. Kids as young as 10 are using the app, which enables them to meet with complete strangers.

[Full article here.](#)

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## **CORRECTION, Missing link in last week's eNewsletter =====> 15 June, from Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission**

Nominations close **Friday 29 June** for the Australian Institute of Criminology's Australian Crime and Violence Prevention Awards. If you know of a program or project that helps prevent crime and violence in Australia, [head to here and nominate today.](#)

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### **Dates for the Diary:**

**Sunday 01 July - Sunday 30 September:** NSW Firearms Amnesty

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**Monday 23 July:** 11am (4 weeks) Self Defence Short Course for Women @ FunFit, Gordon. [Info & Booking](#).

**Sunday 09 September:** St Ives Rotary Food & Wine Festival 10am-4pm. [Info](#).

**Friday 21 September:** Colour of KYDS Fundraising Lunch 2018. [Info](#)

**Friday 05 October:** Walk to Work Day

**2019:**

**Friday 08 March:** Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter fundraiser - Strength is her Superpower. International Women's Day 2019.

**Sunday 07 April:** Lindfield Rotary Fun Run.

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**25 June, from NSW Maritime: In cold water, swimming increases your body heat loss.**

If you end up in cold water, adopt the H.E.L.P position if alone or huddle if with others.

Find out more about [how to stay safe in cold water here](#).



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**22 June, from NSW Road Safety: Did you know that bicycle riders are permitted to ride two abreast?**

You can still overtake or pass bicycle riders riding two abreast, as long as you allow at least 1 metre of space.

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From the Daily Advocate Thursday 24 June 2010 Edition 100

**Streetwatch, Page 11:**

**MT COLAH** About \$14,000 worth of goods and cash were stolen from a property on Flora Ave on Sunday, including two credit cards which were then used in a shopping spree at Hornsby Westfield. The break and enter happened between 8.45am and 2pm at the property where jewellery, credit cards and a large amount of Japanese Yen were stolen. The credit cards were then used to make five purchases equating to \$260 at the mall between 2pm and 3pm before the cards were cancelled. Entry into the Flora Ave property was believed to be through the rear door. Police are investigating.

**THORNLEIGH** A 37-year-old man from Epping who was found unconscious next to a motorbike in a Thornleigh carpark has been charged with possessing a

stolen, ranging in value from \$25 to \$100. Police found the intoxicated man about 7.35am on Friday in the commuter carpark. Police also found a crystal substance alleged to be ice in a small resealable bag and a mushroom in the man's possession. He will face Hornsby Court on July 3.

**SOUTH TURRAMURRA** A boy who was hit by a car in South Turramurra on Saturday was treated by paramedics and taken to hospital in a stable condition. Emergency services were called to Auluba Rd just before 10.30am after the seven-year-old boy allegedly ran out and was hit by a Mazda CX5. The boy was treated by NSW Ambulance paramedics for a possible leg fracture and head laceration before being taken to The Children's Hospital at Westmead. The driver, a 68-year-old man, was taken to hospital for mandatory testing. Police are investigating. In the wake of this collision, parents are encouraged to teach their children about safe practices near roads.

**GALSTON/ST IVES** A 32-year-old man from Galston is set to face Hornsby Court for sentencing after leading police on a car chase across Sydney's north. The man was spotted allegedly stealing mail from letterboxes on Lynbara Ave, St Ives, about 4am on Tuesday. Police were called and chased the man in his Holden station wagon to Mona Vale. He tried to escape on foot after colliding with a police car but was caught by police. Numerous items alleged to be stolen were found in his possession. A 32-year-old woman from Waitara was also arrested. The man will face Hornsby Court on July 31.

**HUGE RESOURCES TO RESCUE HIKER** A huge police presence was used to rescue a hiker lost on the Waratah walking track in the Berowra Valley National Park on Thursday. The 59-year-old Penrith man began the walk about 1pm. He contacted emergency services at 6.30pm saying he was lost on the track. Numerous police vehicles attended as well as water police, NSW Ambulance and the police helicopter PolAir. He was found about 9.20pm roughly 400m from the entrance of the walk. Police have urged people to make sure they prepare for walks and have a charged phone to call 000 if needed.

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**21 June: Nothing new in our command added to the Name & Shame Register this week, but there's still quite a few on there from previous weeks.**

If you'd like to find more detail about why they're on the Register, [here's the link to the Register](#). **TIP:** Sort the Register by suburb for easier reading - click on the suburb column header.

**Waitara** - Sultan Pide & Kebab House

**Thornleigh** - Istana Restaurant, Lee Chinese Garden

**Pennant Hills** - Blue Elephant

**Hornsby** - Blue Water Grill, Gelatissimo, Sushi Train, Magic Kebab, Oliver

Brown, Pho Ngon Vietnamese, Seabay Kitchen, Sushi World, Tokyo Ramen, Zilia

**Dural** - Daily Delicious, Daily Delicious 3

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**21 June, from NSW Fair Trading: Did you know you can receive a free copy of your credit report once a year, if you can wait 10 days from the date you request it?**

One way to double check your credit rating hasn't been compromised. Protect your identity. Do annual checks.

**More information here.**

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**21 June, from Mt Colah/ Kuring-gai Families group:**

Hi all, I left my husbands sports bag at Foxglove oval the Saturday before last - Sat 9th June... It's a small black back pack & has some tape & sporty things inside which aren't valuable. But his wedding ring is in there too 😭😊 If anyone happened to pick it up I would be eternally grateful 🙏

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**21 June, Shared yesterday on NABO (NABO is not recommended by NHW).**

I was walking home from **Killara** railway station half an hour back today with my toddler on pram. We were the only ones when we were on Marian Street approaching pacific highway. I felt a rustling behind us and found this man in hoodies walking behind us through the corner of my eyes. My instinct made me stop and turn around. The man was an arms distance behind us and was walking in an urgency looking at us. Suddenly he too stopped , turned around and walked back. He was tall, slim built and of Caucasian appearance. I have chills thinking what could have happened if I continued to walk. Or am I panicking unnecessarily!

**And a response:** I've seen a man who fits this description many times on pacific highway in **Lindfield**. He is taller than average, face usually obscured by the hoodie, and he is barefoot. Whenever I have spotted him (about five times so far on the highway) he was a good distance away from me and hence wasn't threatening. However, if you feel that he intended to harm you, then you **MUST**

make a report ASAP at Chatswood Police Station.

**Our volunteer's response:** You must report this please. Killara comes under Ku-ring-gai Police command. Phone **Hornsby Police station 9476 9799**. They may say for you to report via the **Police Assistance Line 131 444** (for reporting non-emergency crime). But if this happens again and you worry for your safety, please **phone 000 or Hornsby Police station**. Why not put the numbers in your mobile phone ready?

There is the **FREE Emergency+** App from the Police that gives you a quick way of calling and you can give your exact location as longitude/latitude. You may have been lucky this time, but there may be a next time; if not for you, then for someone else.

It's good to let the criminals know that you know they are there. It's good to phone someone and to stay on the line. You could use a **FREE App such as Glympse**, to let someone else know exactly where you are.

Have you thought about getting some self defence training? Tim at FunFit, Gordon holds classes especially for women and teaches techniques for walking alone.

[More info here](#). Or phone: **0411 411 289**.

**Note:** Neighbourhood Watch cannot endorse a product or service. We can only bring it to your attention. You must do your own research.

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**From our Multi-cultural Community Liaison Officer, Fiona Zhou: Please help pass the messages through your Chinese community networks to remind them of this international phone scam just happening now in Australia and other countries targeting the Chinese community.**

Please refer to the detailed [police media release here](#) and find the translated Chinese Police Media Release in the attachment for distribution.



新南威尔士州警队  
媒体声明

警方针对以澳大利亚华人社区为目标的国际电话诈骗发出警告

新南威尔士州警队进行一项精心策划，针对中国移民的国际电话诈骗案在社区内发出警告：诈骗局已经在全球成功地成功地打击了该系列欺诈。

新南威尔士州警方提醒民众警惕诈骗。他们普遍接到用普通话打来的电话，警方希望已有民众成为这一骗局的受害者。

香港人被诈骗，这些电话内容将及威胁对被接听人，他们的家人以至或者朋友而加以暴力或伤害，所以必须谨慎对待。

根据，在澳大利亚、新西兰、美国、加拿大以及英国，受害者被骗取的钱款已达数百万。

金融犯罪调查局助理专员兼欺诈科科长利特顿（Linda Leeton）警司表示：“这些电话活动有组织、有计划，是以澳大利亚华人社区的居民为目标。

“诈骗者声称其为执法人员，这一骗局从本质上而言是想要让受害者相信，他们遭到了谋杀，但可以花钱来避免惩罚”。警方特别提醒司话。

“我们得知，（对方）一般通过手机或例如‘假扮’受害者的诈骗程序要求受害人。尽管来电时间看起来是当地时间来电，但这一时间自己往往‘假扮’成‘移植’到某个未知的位置。”

“电话诈骗通常是一场高文高中文通话的恶俗表演，而且会伴随着一个自称来自中国大陸或黑帮的人士。”

“诈骗者声称受害者已经涉嫌犯罪，或其资金已被盗用，受害者在澳大利亚的银行账户可能因此受到影响，或其在国内的家人可能受到伤害。”

“诈骗者声称告知他们诈骗犯是‘调查员’或‘警方’。诈骗者要求（受害者）提供个人信息，包括银行账户、密码、护照以及家庭信息；在某些情况下要求支付现金。”

“在某些情况下，受害者被要求不要与朋友或家人交谈，因为这可能会使他们陷入危险。”

警方提醒民众不要向这些来电者提供任何个人信息。在此前，向警方报告过这一电话。

“诈骗者方面表示，他们从不向澳大利亚公民转达中国警方、金融机构或其机构的消息。”警方特别提醒。

Visit our website at [www.police.nsw.gov.au](http://www.police.nsw.gov.au)

“此外，他们不会在电话上索取个人的信。而不容需求提供银行账户信息或付款。”

“我们正在与执法部门的同事一同调查这一起诈骗和欺诈组织。但我们提醒社区民众留意警方的警告，不要回应来电者的请求。”

“如果您接到电话，最好的办法就是挂断电话，并向警方报告。”

警方提醒民众与诈骗者进行交流时，可能被骗入诈骗犯的圈套的人士致电犯罪举报热线（Crime Stoppers）1800 333 000，或使用且摩举报在线举报页面：<http://www.crimestoppers.com.au>

Email us here for a copy in Chinese to distribute.

## 21 June, from the government's Stay Smart Online: So far this year, Aussies have lost more than \$1.4 million to online shopping scams!

Fake shopping websites often look like the real deal, but watch out for the payment options! If the seller insists on using pre-loaded money cards or a wire transfer you should walk away.

Get more tips on what to look out for here.

## 19 June, a warning from Mt Colah/Kuring-gai Families group (Monday):

Hi all! My sister lives in Aldi street and her car was broken into over night, Car is two years old! Car parked right next to bedroom window... police notified! Just wondering if anyone else was targeted?

And from the comments:

- House down the road from us was robbed yesterday, during the day. We're in Flora Ave.
- Our car was stolen from Glenview road. A few other cars in our street were

broken into as well

- I just got told about this post. I'm in Glenview just around the corner and caught a man on our property last night around 10.30pm. Going to the police station in the morning with a description
- Just thinking it's likely all related! A car on my street was stolen last night too so definitely taking our info to the police in hopes it helps.

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### 19 June, from Tia Rene: I saw this on Tumblr.

And I think it needs more Outreach. Can you imagine how many people have passed away because they didn't know this information? Shareit shareit shareit

## SERVICE DOG PSA

So today I tripped. Fell flat on my face, it was awful but ultimately harmless. My service dog, however, is trained to go get an adult if I have a seizure, and he assumed this was a seizure (we're training him to do more to care for me, but we didn't learn I had epilepsy until a year after we got him)

I went after him after I had dusted off my jeans and my ego, and I found him trying to get the attention of a very annoyed woman. She was swatting him away and telling him to go away. So I feel like I need to make this heads up

**If a service dog without a person approaches you, it means the person is down and in need of help**

Don't get scared, don't get annoyed, follow the dog! If it had been an emergency situation, I could have vomited and choked, I could have hit my head, I could have had so many things happen to me. We're going to update his training so if the first person doesn't co-operate, he moves on, but seriously guys. If what's-his-face could understand that lassie wanted him to go to the well, you can figure out that a dog in a vest proclaiming it a service dog wants you to follow him

**We are grateful to the wonderful volunteers that are currently translating our 20 Tips series into Traditional and Simplified Chinese.**

We hope to be sharing these soon on our website. Thank you Jeane and Dali!

**Is there a language you could help us with?**

Please email us here for more information on how you can help translate. It's a very worthwhile way to give back to the community, whilst learning crime prevention techniques at the same time.

**Have you read our 20 Tips series?**

It is growing all the time. The latest added is '**Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Pedestrians**'. Coming soon is for **Travel**.

Please take a look at the Tips page on our website here.

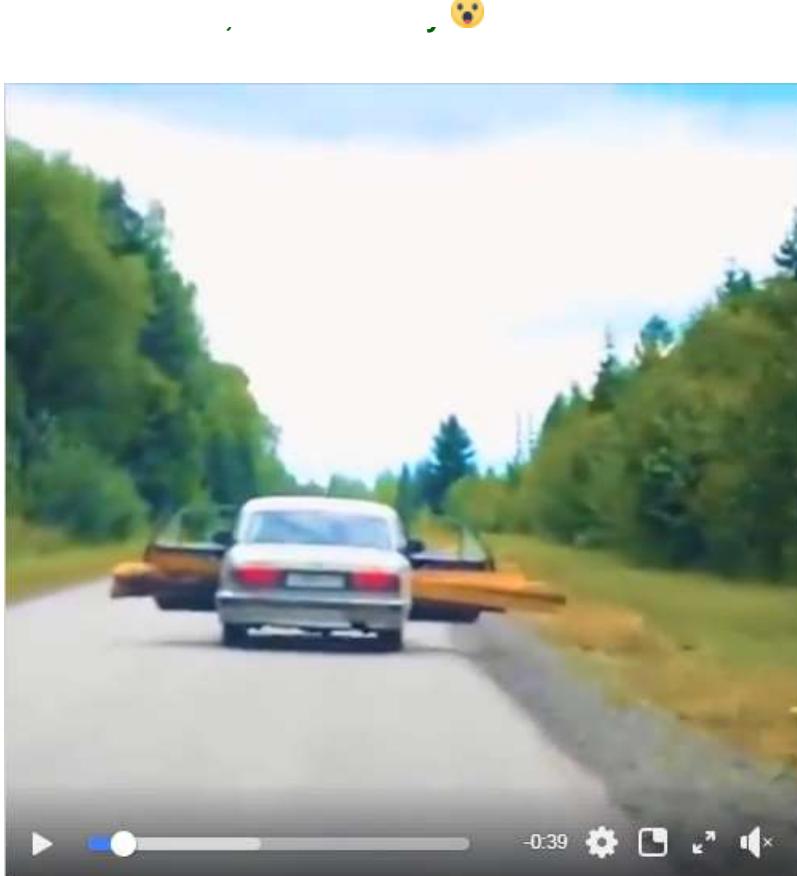
**From the 'Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Travel':**

1. WHEN WEARING A BACKPACK, be aware that you are unbalanced, heavier and overhang, especially on a station platform, on a balcony or an escalator.
2. ALIGN THE WHEELS of your pram or motorised scooter PARALLEL to the train platform edge to avoid accidents, ie not pointing towards/away from the track. Always apply the brakes on a station platform or whilst travelling on a train/bus/taxi. Request your FREE 'Pram Safety' DVD at [www.cityrail.info](http://www.cityrail.info). Always use a 'Pram Harness' for safety.
3. SCAN YOUR ITINERARY, passport & travel insurance documents and save them to a secure USB and/or cloud-based storage. Include your Emergency Contact numbers, Consulate & Embassy contact details. Copy both sides of the cards in your wallet (the back has emergency contact numbers).
4. IF YOU ARE AWAY FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD consider house-sitters, inform your insurance & burglar alarm companies, set TV and lights on timers, and make your home look lived in. Ask a neighbour or friend to:
  - put your bins out and in each week;
  - regularly empty mailbox, collect mail & remove junk mail/freebie newspapers;

- park in your driveway;
- mow lawn and/or nature strip;
- regularly check the outside of your property to remove any clues that your home is empty (eg a note/business card on your door, or a delivery on the doorstep).

Email us here to request any of the 20 Tips series. Got an idea for a new 20 Tips? Please email us here and we'll get started on the research!

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## IMPORTANT CONTACTS & LINKS

**Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance): 000**

**NSW Police - Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command (PAC): 9476 9799**

Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road, Hornsby 2077

**Ku-ring-gai Crime Prevention Officer: 9476 9723**

**Local Police Facebook page: [@KuringGaiPAC](#)**

Non-emergency two-way communication

**Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000**

Report crime anonymously

Report suspicious activity asap

**Police Assistance Line (PAL): 131 444**

For non-urgent minor crime

**NSW Police Community Portal**

Online reporting of non-emergency minor crime: lost property, intentional damage, graffiti or theft.

**Interpreting & Translating Services: 131 450**

**NSW Police - website for crime prevention advice**

Never be afraid or embarrassed to report a crime, concern or fear you have to the Police. The Police are here to help you.

**Neighbourhood Watch within Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby council areas:**



Website [nhwkuringgaihornsby.org.au](http://nhwkuringgaihornsby.org.au)



WatchOut! Our Crime Prevention website [WatchOut.org.au](http://WatchOut.org.au)



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Email [NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com](mailto:NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com)

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**Our mailing address is:**

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