



Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby

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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 [Ku-ring-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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10 December, from NSW Police: Australia Post is advising of a text message scam telling people that they are 1 of 5 lucky winners.

Clicking the link takes you to a survey that asks for your bank details at the end.

Needless to say, the only thing this scam delivers is a reduced bank balance.

Delete immediately. [Info here.](#)



10 December, from Little Blue Dinosaur: Did you know....

Road accidents kill someone every 24 seconds and is the leading cause of death of children and young people aged 5 to 29 years as recently reported by the World Health Organisation. This is a global crisis and the cause of an incredible amount of devastation and sadness ❤️ in our world. In Australia, there are between 1200-1300 people killed on our roads annually and 40,000 people injured. The cost of this is alleged to be \$30bn annually according to the Australasian College of Road Safety which is now more than our defence force

budget. [#RoadTraumaGlobalCrisis](#) [#RoadTraumaAustralianCrisis](#) ❤️😊

Road accident deaths swell to 1.35 million each year: [WHO article from Yahoo7!](#) [here.](#)

09 December, from the Drugs & Alcohol Research & Training Australia (DARTA): The media recently linked 'nanging' to the tragic death of a young man at Schoolies on the Gold Coast.

According to reports, he had been drinking heavily and inhaling nitrous oxide before falling from a balcony. So what is nanging and just how dangerous is it?

This week's blog entry highlights 5 simple things parents should make sure their

teen knows about nitrous and nanging ...

What is 'nanging'? 5 things parents should make sure their teens know about nitrous [article from DARTA here](#).

09 December, from 9 News Sydney: A young girl is tonight fighting for life, after falling from the back of her mother's car in Berowra, and hitting her head. [Article here](#).



07 December, from Traffic & Highway Patrol command: When driving on the roads, Police regularly come across drivers who believe it is acceptable to accelerate in order to enter an intersection prior to the lights changing to red.

Be aware, the penalty for failing to stop at a yellow (amber) light if it is safe to do so is the same as if you went through an intersection showing a red light. The penalty is \$448 and 3 demerit points. Commit this offence in a School Zone and it will cost you \$561 and 4 demerit points.

10 Yellow traffic lights



A yellow (amber) traffic light or arrow means stop. A driver approaching traffic lights showing a yellow traffic light must stop if the driver can stop safely before reaching the stop line or traffic lights.

Penalties apply for drivers who fail to stop at a yellow light, unless it is unsafe to do so.

General



Red means stop. Wait behind the stop line.
Do not go through the intersection.



Yellow (amber) means stop. You can enter the intersection if you are so close that sudden braking might cause a crash.



Green means proceed through the intersection carefully.

06 December, from the Pink Shorts Movement: Did you know?

Airbags deploy between 100-220 mph. If you ride with your feet on the dash, you may send your knees through your eye sockets if the airbag is deployed.



DID YOU KNOW: Airbags deploy between 100 & 220 MPH. If you ride with your feet on the dash, you may send your knees through your eye sockets if the airbag is deployed. Police are sharing this photo in hopes of spreading awareness of safety while driving.

05 December, from Ku-ring-gai command: On behalf of the Kuring Gai Police Area command, it was a privilege to be part of the [#1minutesilence4violence](#) in the Hornsby / Westfield Mall yesterday 4th December 2018.

04 December, from Fire & Rescue NSW: We've got a challenge for you.

Can you tag five of your friends or family to let them know about the Emergency+ App? We need more people to use it, because it quickly provides your exact location to emergency services when you phone Triple Zero (000), and it might just save a life. It's free to download and available on iPhone, Android and Windows Mobile. Visit <http://emergencyapp.triplezero.gov.au> #EmergencyPlusApp



04 December, from The Hills command:



EMERGENCY SERVICES

XMAS TRADING HOURS

Christmas Eve	24 Hours
Christmas Day	24 Hours
Boxing Day	24 Hours
27th December	24 Hours
28th December	24 Hours
29th December	24 Hours
30th December	24 Hours
31st December	24 Hours
New Years Eve	24 Hours
New Years Day	24 Hours
2nd January	24 Hours
3rd January	24 Hours
4th January	Business as usual



Neighbourhood Watch
Creating Safer Communities

11 December, thanks to Penny in Thornleigh, Westleigh & Normanhurst

Community group: **SCAMMER ALERT**

If you get an automated call claiming to be from the NBN and warning your phone/internet will be disconnected in 24 hrs, do not press 1 to go through to a technician. This is a scam. The lovely Indian lady will assure you she is just trying to "help" you stay connected but whatever you do, DO NOT download a program called TeamViewer. This will give them access to your computer. Just hang up.

From Hornsby Advocate, 06 December [\[link here\]](#)

[Page 1] 200 EXTRA CAR SPOTS: COMMUTERS who have campaigned for a new carpark near Hornsby station have had a victory, with a new parking lot set to open by 2021. Hornsby state Liberal MP Matt Kean revealed plans to create a multistorey carpark with up to 200 spaces at an existing TAFE NSW parking lot in Jersey Rd.

[Page 4] Tribute to ‘happy soul’: Family, school heartbroken by fatal crash THE heartbroken family of a 14-year-old boy killed during last week’s wild weather have remembered him as a “vibrant, happy soul”. Dylan Langhorne was killed about 9am on November 28 during a nightmare commute, when his 17-year-old brother, driving on P-plates, was in a collision with a Land Rover on The Esplanade, Thornleigh, before hitting two parked cars.

Street Watch [page 10]

GALSTON Bongs and other drug paraphernalia were found near a bushfire close to Hayes Oval on Monday. Fire crews put out the blaze which was about 10m x 6m on a fire trail not far from the oval. The fire was reported about 10.20am. Police are asking residents to report suspicious behaviour.

BEROWRA A white Toyota Land Cruiser has been stolen from a mechanic shop on Berowra Waters Rd despite not having a gear box. The four-wheel drive was stolen between 9.15pm on Friday and 7.15am on Saturday. Police believe it was stolen on a tow truck or trailer because the gear box had been removed before the theft.

WAHROONGA A freight liner truck has been destroyed after it caught fire on the Pacific Highway on Monday night resulting in traffic delays. The driver pulled over about 100m north of Pennant Hills Rd after smoke started to enter the cabin. Flames started to come from the motor and the driver unsuccessfully tried to detach the trailer. Fire crews were called about 7pm and put out the fire but the truck was destroyed in the blaze. All lanes northbound were blocked during the fire but were reopened at 7.27pm.

NORMANHURST A fire in the bedroom of a Normanhurst Rd property was put out by residents last Wednesday. About 5pm, residents smelt smoke and found a fire in the rear bedroom. A hose was used to put out the flames before emergency services arrived. The fire was believed to have started from an electrical problem in a computer tower underneath one of the beds. The room was partially destroyed.

HORNSBY A 26-year-old Hornsby man could face assault charges after being thrown out of The Hornsby Inn on Saturday night before returning and allegedly assaulting a staff member. The man was refused a drink about 6pm and was told

to leave after other customers complained of his behaviour. He returned about an hour and half later and allegedly attacked a staff member behind the bar, who refused to sell him a drink. He was kicked out of the venue a second time. Security passed on his details to police who are investigating the incident.

MT KURING-GAI A stolen Mercedes has been destroyed after it was found ablaze on Wirrinda Rd on Saturday night. The vehicle had been stolen earlier that day from a property at Greystanes. Emergency services were called to the car fire about 10.30pm and the Mercedes was completely destroyed in the blaze.

BEROWRA Fire crews put out a small grass fire on Sunday which may have been started by a cigarette butt being thrown out of a passing car on the M1 Motorway. Berowra Rural Fire Brigade was quickly on the scene and put out the fire about 2.50pm. Police have reminded people to be aware of the high fire risk.

Dates for the Diary:

Thursday 13 December: 4:30pm 'Safer Drivers' classes @ PCYC Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai, 1 Park Lane, Waitara NSW 2077, Australia. [Book online](#) or phone: **02 9477 2310**.

Friday 14 December: FREE AWOL Youth Hub Party 3:30-6:30pm @ Ku-ring-gai Youth Services, 799 Pac Hwy, Gordon

2019:

Tuesday 05 February: Safer Internet Day [Info](#)

Tuesday 19 February: Ku-ring-gai Council's Everything for Seniors Day 10am-3pm @ St Ives Village Green & Community Hall. NHW Crime Prevention stall, with info and goodie bags.

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.

10 December, from the Daily Telegraph: THIS IS HUGE 😳 😳 😳 All domestic passengers can expect to have their cabin bags weighed before boarding

from this week as Australian airlines present a united front in ridding oversized baggage from aircraft cabins.

[Article here.](#)

From the North Shore Times, Thursday 06 December [[online edition here](#)]

2019 Road Safety Calendar - [info here.](#)



[Page 15] Poodle puzzle A North Sydney woman reported losing \$750 in an online Russian puppy scam. She responded to an advertisement on Thursday, November 22, regarding a poodle puppy for sale. After emailing the seller, she deposited \$750 into a bank account. The seller informed her the puppy was in Darwin and would be flown to Sydney the following day. When the puppy did not arrive as promised the seller continued to stall her with excuses. Police were notified and observed that the seller's website was well documented as a scam online and that the site was hosted in Russia.

[Page 37]: KU-RING-GAI Parking plan KU-RING-GAI Council has prepared a strategy on managing local parking demand which is on public exhibition for comment until Thursday, December 13. The strategy has been developed in response to increasing parking congestion across Lindfield, Turramurra, St Ives, Roseville, Gordon and Pymble. Parking audits in the six centres revealed over stayers in time-restricted car parks were between 15 per cent and 25 per cent, decreasing turnover and availability of carparking spaces for shoppers and business visitors. The strategy can be viewed at Gordon Library or the customer service centre at Level 4, 818 Pacific Highway Gordon. Alternatively, visit the council's website, www.kmc.nsw.gov.au

10 December, from NHW in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby: Come on, residents!

Why not take this opportunity to get on board, whilst you have a chance of

winning? Snap Send Solve is a quick, easy and effective way of communicating issues out in the community to the council. Don't you agree Ku-ring-gai Council and Hornsby Shire Council? #snapsendsolve

[Snap Send Solve App Promotion info here](#): Snap Send Solve App is looking to promote the amazing work councils and other authorities are doing across Australia and New Zealand in solving the little problems in your community. Help us share their work and go in the running to win:

- A daily \$20 iTunes or Google Play gift card, and;
- A monthly \$250 JB Hi-Fi gift card

10 December, from Hornsby Shire Council: Council acts on abandoned shopping trolleys [edited]

Hornsby Shire Council has taken decisive action to solve the problem of abandoned shopping trolleys, collecting more than 450 trolleys from the streets of Hornsby last night. "This was our last resort and it is unfortunate it has come to this, but something had to be done," Hornsby Shire Mayor Philip Ruddock said. "We have spent more than two years negotiating with the supermarkets and other corporations who have allowed these trolleys to litter our streets, but unfortunately the talks have not resulted in any change. "Westfield and its retailers have agreed to install wheel-locking mechanisms on their trolleys, yet nothing has been done." The trolleys are currently at Council's depot and the retailers will be able to collect them once the appropriate fees have been paid.

[Full Media Release here](#).

05 December, from NSW Food Authority: Recall: Colway Real Mayonnaise

The NSW Food Authority advises: ALDI is recalling Colway Real Mayonnaise 466 g from all ALDI stores. The recall is due to faulty packaging and potential for glass breakage. Product details:

- - Colway Real Mayonnaise, 466 g, glass jar

- - Affected batches: All batches

Faulty packaging could cause injury or result in glass contamination. Consumers should not consume this product. They should return the product to the place of purchase for a full refund. If you are concerned about your health you should seek medical advice. For more information please contact **ALDI Food Recall Hotline on 1800 709 993. More info.**



08 December, shared from South Turramurra Community Page group: Missing white pigeon (he looks like a white dove). \$1000 reward. He flew from his aviary on Thursday 6/12/18. He is a much loved pet. Please help us find him. He could be in someone's garden, under eaves of buildings etc.

08 December, from Hills Shire Times: A Baulkham Hills man has been scammed out of \$40,000 by two men posing as roofers, resulting in a scam warning by police. [Article here.](#)

08 December, from Pymble/West Pymble Community group: Shared from Pymble/ West Pymble Community group. We can put you in touch... I found a necklace at the loftberg netball courts yesterday. [Email us if it's yours.](#)

06 December, shared from Thornleigh, Westleigh and Normanhurst Community Group: Shout to the bastard who snuck into into my front yard and stole my flowering Eucalyptus.

Just letting you know we have a great video of you so expect a call from the police. Have a great Christmas and think of what a thief and low life you are every time you look at your stolen Christmas tree!



05 December, from NSW Food Authority: NAME & SHAME LIST

Just the one in our command newly added this week: **YONGXING ASIAN SUPERMARKET, Hornsby**

Weekly update to our list of alleged breaches of NSW food safety standards:

- - 18 premises added
- - 12 premises publication period expired

[See Register here](#) for full list of Penalty notices in your suburb (retained for 1 year).

05 December, sharing from Asquith Families group. Photo taken in Sherbrook Rd.

Spotted scoping out houses. When I took the photo she got out, pretended to put

something in the bin and drove off as fast as she could. Police have been notified. The original post described her as a woman in her 40's and ethnic looking.

And in the comments another warning.... just discovered my son's fairly new Nike rugby boots have been nicked off our front porch.



25 December 2019 NOW Food Australia Recalls Nanna's Family Apple Pie

Patties Foods Ltd is recalling Nanna's Family Apple Pie from Coles, Woolworths, IGA's, Foodlands and other independent supermarkets nationally. The recall is due to the potential presence of glass in an ingredient used in the 600g Nannas Family Apple Pie. This is a result of an equipment failure with the supplier. No other Nanna's products are affected by this recall.

Product details:

Nanna's Family Apple Pie, 600g, cardboard box

Best Before 21 OCT 2020 and 22 OCT 2020 only

Food products containing glass may cause injury if consumed.

The company has initiated a recall of the affected batches as a precautionary

to the place of purchase for a full refund. If you are concerned about your health you should seek medical advice. For more information please contact 1800 650 069 or info@patties.com.au.

See also: [all current NSW food alerts](#)



New links added to our Neighborhood Watch crime prevention website:

Watchout.org.au

Have you taken a look?

NSW Government - Stay Smart Online: [Personal Information and Privacy](#)

Environment Protection Agency (EPA): [Public Registers](#)



Thanks to Inner West Police Area Command.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS & LINKS

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance): 000

NSW Police - Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC): 9476 9799

Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road, Hornsby 2077

Kuring-gai Crime Prevention Officer: 9476 9723

Local Police Facebook page: @Kuring Gai LAC

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.

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



WatchOut.org.au - our one-stop-shop for crime prevention



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Our Crime Prevention WatchOut! Facebook page



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please consider starting one.

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