

Kuring-gai NSW Police Local Area Command (LAC)

eNewsletter # 203 - 31 August 2015

This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in the NSW Police Force Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC), which includes most of the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai 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 <u>click here</u> (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? <u>Click here</u> to email NHW in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby. We do value your contributions. Thank you for your support.

31 Aug, Naked man wearing a beanie and mask assaults two women in Hornsby

A NAKED man wearing only a beanie and a white mask assaulted two women in Hornsby yesterday.

Police said the women, aged 18 and 20, got off a bus at Hornsby railway station about 3.45am and walked through Hornsby mall.

When they reached May St a naked man pushed the 20-year-old woman to the ground and grabbed the teenager by her skirt.

When the women began screaming he ran off. The women were not injured.

Click here for full story.

31 Aug, TWO CAR CRASH ON OLD PACIFIC HIGHWAY, BEROWRA

A 19 year old male is in a critical condition following a crash involving two cars on the Old Pacific Highway at Berowra this morning [31/8/15].

The CareFlight rapid response team were called to the incident at 07:37 and landed soon after on the Old Pacific Highway, which was closed to traffic as a result of the incident.

CareFlight treated the 19 year old driver of one of the cars involved. The man suffered significant head injuries, facial lacerations, arm and lower leg fractures. The driver was trapped for up to 20 minutes before being freed by emergency services.

CareFlight's emergency response doctor and intensive car paramedic initiated prehospital treatment to stabilise the man who was intubated and required a blood transfusion at the scene.

The injured driver was then airlifted by CareFlight to Royal North Shore Hospital in a critical condition.

The remaie driver of the second car was treated at the scene by NSW Ambulance paramedics.

NSW Police, Fire and Rescue and NSW Ambulance attended the scene.

CareFlight: The next life we save could be yours

Text RESCUE to 0447 222 333 to donate \$5

31 Aug, **DEMENTIA AWARENESS MONTH-SEPTEMBER**

If you have or know of someone who has dementia, alzheimer's or a disability then the Safely Home program is for you.

Safely Home is a joint project of Alzheimer's Australia New South Wales and the New South Wales Police.

Click here for more.

30 Aug: Operation Saturation

At 1415hrs today 42 y.o. male detected on mobile radar at 129kph in a sign posted 80kph area on Pacific Hwy **Berowra**. Stopped and stated "My train leaves in 4 minutes."

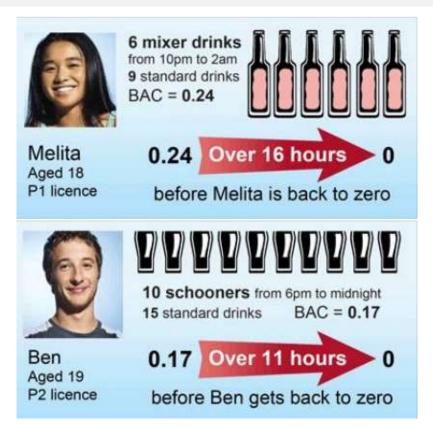
Issued Traffic Infringement Notice (TIN) Over 45kph and licence suspension notice issued for 6 months.

29 Aug, Montview Oval, Hornsby Heights



Thank you to all those who came and chatted today at the Crime Prevention tables at the Northern Suburbs Soccer Gala Day at Montview Oval, Hornsby Heights. We gave away just about everything, from balloons to car rego plate locking screws (thanks to Neighbourhood Watch Australasia Community Funding). A zillion people were there (or over a thousand?). It was a great start for our acting Crime Prevention Officer, Con Joanne Dodsworth, who enjoyed meeting the good guys for a change and having her photo taken with the young soccer players. A great community event. Thanks for inviting us and the local Neighbourhood Watch volunteers. All the players were winners! See you next year!

29 Aug: Wake Up Post



Zero Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) applies to all: Learner drivers or riders, P1 drivers or riders & P2 drivers or riders in NSW.

After a heavy night of drinking, it can take more than 18 hours for your blood alcohol concentration to get back to zero.

28 Aug: Australian Border Force



Together with our colleagues at the Australian Federal Police, we are issuing a warning to the public not to purchase gun grip cell phone cases.

These phone cases pose a serious concern to the community and law enforcement, due to the realistic looking gun grip and the potential to lead officers to mistake them for a real firearm.

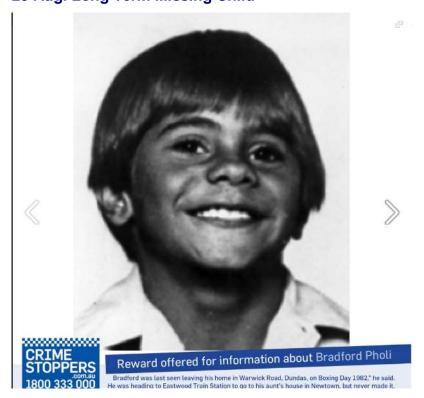
For further information, please see: http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Ente/Brin/Can-l-bring-it-back/Can-l-Bring-Imitation-Firearms-Back

27 Aug: Road safety is everyone's responsibility.



Traffic and Highway Patrol Command - NSW Police Force

25 Aug. Long Term Missing Child





Last week there was a meeting of the NSW Police Neighbourhood Watch Advisory group. We were told that the NSW Police were happy with their Local Area Command Facebook (eyewatch) pages, but that they weren't going to pursue Facebook Closed Groups. So our local police Facebook Closed group called the Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby Community eyewatch group will be no more.

Thus we have an opportunity for <u>Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and</u> <u>Hornsby</u> to set up our own Closed Group on Facebook. Et voila! - the new online Facebook Closed Group for residents in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby council areas: <u>Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby</u>. So if you are on Facebook, we would welcome your input. And please be sure to invite your friends & neighbours who live or work in the area. Why join in? Because it is a forum to raise any issue or concern regarding crime, crime prevention, your safety, or perceived safety in the neighbourhood. Look forward to meeting you there...

Had a look at the Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby's website? Click here. We are currently updating it to include links to other websites and Facebook pages pertaining to Crime Prevention.

News Local is running a 'Neighbourhood Rescue'. This week's initiative is 'Rubbish'.



Have your say about what you think are the problems that need fixing. Make a difference in your community by submitting a local rubbish issue. Click here to lodge your submission.

From Hornsby Advocate, 27 August Dog training instructor verbally abused and threatened at Rofe Park, Galston Rd, Hornsby Heights



A VOLUNTEER dog instructor said she was abused and threatened during a disturbing altercation at Rofe Park off-leash dog park in Hornsby Heights on Sunday afternoon.

Click here for more information

Missing your local Police weekly crime stats? Yes, we are too! Our friendly Crime Prevention Officer is on annual leave. We have a new Acting Crime Prevention Officer, Cst Joanne Dodsworth (If you look closely, she's in the photo from Montview Oval), who is in the role for the next six weeks. Unfortunately she is shared with other duties and cannot get the stats to us in time this week. Possibly double the stats for next week?

Technology Blog



This drone can steal your data from the Sky!

Read on: http://tvista.in/1Pyxeiq

From Stay Smart Online: Be careful about submitting personal information to websites: Alert Priority Moderate

Concerns over protecting personal information provided to websites have come into focus due to the reported hack of a dating website and the subsequent release of user data into the public domain.

You are advised to carefully consider the consequences of disclosing personal

Information, such as your name, address and credit card details, to any website. You should read websites' terms and conditions as well as their privacy policies and consider the potential risks before submitting your data. These risks could include potentially embarrassing public disclosure, financial loss or identity theft.

Staying safe

If you choose to provide personal information to websites:

- Do your research and shop around—for example, check online for reviews or comments about the website or business behind it
- · Only deal with trusted or reliable websites
- Check the terms and conditions of using the website, in particular how it deals with personal information
- Be aware that the website may retain personal information even if profiles are deleted from view
- Do not provide more personal information than is strictly required by the website
- Keep records of all interactions with the website
- If the website requires you to make a payment, only pay via a secure web page that has a valid digital certificate
- Use a secure payment method

Stay Smart Online has information on how to protect your identity and buying and selling online.

Click here for information on 'your identity'

Click here for more information on 'Buying and Selling'

Surprise! People choose predictable Android lockscreen patterns



It's been well established that people are really bad at creating and remembering secure passwords and PINs.

We're also bad at choosing (and answering) password recovery questions.

New research shows that the patterns people create to lock and unlock Androids, much like the passwords people choose, aren't very complex - and might be a little too easy to guess.

Click here for full article

Dates for the Diary:

Wednesday 02 September: Kuring gai Police & Community Safety Committee meeting. 6pm Hornsby Police Station, speaker on "What is the impact of ICE? and How to respond. **RSVP**: Carroll 0405 558 660.

Thursday 03 September: FREE Hornsby Shire Council Child Seat Safety Checking Day. Info. Book 9847 6856.

Tuesday 08 September: FREE Parents of Learner Drivers workshop. 6:30-8:30pm. Info. **Book 9847 6856.**

Saturday 12 September: FREE NSW Mounted Police Open Day. 10-12 at the Stables, 7 Baptist St, Redfern.

Thursday 17 September: FREE Safer Senior Drivers presentation 10-12noon. Info. **Book 9847 6856.**

Thursday 17 September: FREE Ku-ring-gai Council child car seat, harness & booster seat safety check. 9am-3:30pm. Bookings essential. **Ph 9424 0798**. <u>Info</u>.

Monday 28 September 2015: Turramurra Neighbourhood Watch meeting,

Turramurra Uniting Church.

Monday 21 September: FREE Parent Survival Strategies for Teaching Young

Drivers Seminar, 6 for 6:30-8:30pm Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers,

Gordon. Bookings essential: ph: Carroll 0405 558 660 or email.

Sunday 27 September: International Students vs NSW Police Beach Soccer

8:30am Coogee Beach.

Sunday 18 October: Graffiti Removal Day

Wednesday 21 October: East Killara Neighbourhood Watch meeting.

Saturday 24 October: East Killara Crime Prevention Community Engagement

event, 10am-12noon at the Koola Avenue shops.

Monday 09 November: 'All Areas' NHW meeting. Please email your suggestions

and concerns - click here.

From the Hornsby Advocate, 31 August:

KEEP TO THE SPEED LIMIT

Speed kills, slow down. There have been a number of very serious motor crashes recently on our main roads and suburban streets. I have used the word crash and not accident because they are rarely accidental. Drivers crash their cars and motor bikes because they have been driving too fast or too fast for the conditions. The hazards from speeding drivers are extreme as there is little room for error and the damage to passengers is extreme. Speed limits are speeds at which you can react to things in front of you and your car will behave as you want it to. Observe the speed limits and take care.

Detective Inspector Jon Gross Kuring-gai Local Area Command

THORNLEIGH Two cases of vodka and two cases of whisky were stolen from a display counter at Dan Murphy's on Tuesday. The alcohol was valued at \$1930. Police are seeking a man, about 35 years old, 185cm tall, with dark skin, who was wearing an orange fluorescent shirt, blue pants and joggers, and a woman, aged in her 30s, 180cm tall, with long, dark hair, who was wearing grey leggings. The pair were seen getting into a white ute. Police are reviewing CCTV footage.

HORNSBY A couple awoke to find a torch shining into the bedroom window of their home in The Rampart about 3.15am yesterday. They looked out of the window and saw the silhouette of a person. Police searched the area but were unable to locate anyone.

BEROWRA WATERS Cash and other items were stolen from a Mazda 3 parked in Kirkpatrick Way, between 6.45pm Monday and 8.30am Tuesday. A passenger-side rear window was smashed.

HORNSBY A woman is alleged to have helped herself to pastries from a closed display stand at a Westfield cafe about 5am yesterday. Security staff detained a woman, 25. Police issued the woman with a court attendance notice.

HORNSBY A pedestrian was hit by a Toyota HiAce at the intersection of Sherbrook Rd and Edgeworth David Ave on Tuesday. The woman, 54, was crossing the road about 6.50am when the accident happened. She was taken to Hornsby Hospital for assessment. Phone 9476 9799 with any information.

HORNSBY Police issued a man, 26, with a drugs caution at a park at the intersection of Lowe and Palmerston roads about 5.15pm on Monday. Police found the man drinking from a cask of wine and noticed the smell of cannabis. During a search of the man, they allegedly found a small amount of cannabis.

HORNSBY A laptop and a handbag were stolen from a groundfloor unit in Northcote Rd, between 6am on August 11 and 10.30am on August 24. The thief gained entry through a window. A swipe card from the handbag was later found in Wahroonga.

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HORNSBY A \$299 pink HP Notebook was stolen from the Dick Smith store in Westfield about 11.15am on Tuesday. Police have reviewed CCTV footage and want to speak to a woman of caucasian appearance, aged 25-30, wearing a redandwhite, striped jumper.

WAITARA An elevator in a unit block in Waitara Ave suffered \$10,000 damage on August 6, after its doors were forced open between 6.45am and 7am. It caused the doors to go off the tracks and damage the motor. In a separate incident on July 25, \$1000 damage was caused to the elevator's access card scanner.

THORNLEIGH A resident of a unit block in Nelson St heard three loud bangs on a roller door about 12.30am on Tuesday. She looked out the window and saw a male get into a dark-coloured sedan and drive away. The woman, 57, later inspected the roller door and discovered three small holes the size of a 10c coin.

DURAL Thieves damaged two coin machines at a car wash in Sebastian Drive at the weekend, after failing to gain entry to the office area. The theft and attempted break and enter happened between 4pm on Saturday and 4am on Sunday. It is the second theft at the car wash.

TRAVEL TIP: Check whether the laws of the country you intend to visit require you to carry your passport at all times.

TRAVEL TIP: Make photocopies of, or email scans to yourself, or store on 'the cloud':

- your itinerary
- your passport details a copy of the photo page will do
- your phone details
- credit card numbers and emergency contact numbers
- your driver's licence or international driving permit

your insurance policy

More info can be found at the **Dept of Foreign Affairs & Trade (DFAT)** website, click here.

Scheduled Roadworks - thanks to Live Traffic NSW

BEROWRA WATERS Berowra Waters Ferry between Bay Rd and Berowra

Waters Rd

SCHEDULED FERRY MAINTENANCE

Date: Tue 8 Sep 2015 - Tue 8 Sep 2015

Advice: Use alternative route. Allow extra travel time.

Other Info: Ferry services will not operate on the second Tuesday of each month

between 12pm and 2:30pm.

HORNSBY Pacific Hwy between College Crescent and Carden Ave SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Wed 29 Jul 2015 - Tue 29 Sep 2015

Impact: Impact Lanes closed in both directions, 2 of 3 lane(s) closed. Lanes closed Scheduled lane closures for this week Sun to Wed (9pm to 5am) affected. Thu to Fri (9.30pm to 5am) affected.

Advice: Allow extra travel time. Reduced speed limit (40km/h)

Other Info: NorthConnex works will close 2 of 3 lanes in both directions.

NORMANHURST Pennant Hills Rd between Frazer Rd and Huddart Ave SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Thu 25 Jun 2015 - Fri 25 Sep 2015

Impact: Lanes closed Scheduled lane closures for this week

Sun to Wed (9:30pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Thu (10pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Fri (10:30pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Advice: Check signage. Reduced speed limit (40km/h)

Other Info: Two of three lanes will closed both eastbound and westbound with a lane merge in place.

From 25 August to 25 September Monday to Friday (midnight - 4:30am) there will be alternating (stop/slow) traffic conditions in place.

PENNANT HILLS Beecroft Rd from Pennant Hills Rd

SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Tue 9 Jun 2015 - Tue 15 Sep 2015

Impact: Lanes closed Scheduled lane closures for this week Sun to Wed (9pm to

5am) Both directions affected. Thu to Fri (10pm to 5am) Both directions affected.

Advice: Check signage. Exercise caution

Other Info: One lane will remain available to motorists.

PENNANT HILLS Pennant Hills Rd between Boundary Rd and Hull Rd

SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Mon 17 Aug 2015 - Thu 17 Sep 2015

Website: NorthConnex

Impact: Lanes closed Scheduled lane closures for this week

Mon to Wed (10pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Thu to Fri (10:30pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Advice: Check signage. Reduced speed limit (40km/h).

Other Info: Construction work will close two of the three lanes in each direction.

PYMBLE Mona Vale Rd between Fairway Ave and Porters Lane

SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Wed 2 Sep 2015 - Fri 11 Sep 2015

Impact: Lanes closed Scheduled lane closures for this week

Sun to Fri (9.30pm to 5am) affected

Advice: Check signage. Allow extra travel time.

Other Info: A contra flow will be in operation.

THORNLEIGH Pennant Hills Rd between Nelson St and The Comenarra Parkway SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Tue 21 Jul 2015 - Thu 17 Sep 2015

Impact: Lanes closed Scheduled lane closures for this week

Sun to Wed (9.30pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Thu (10pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Fri (11pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Advice: Check signage. Reduced speed limit (40km/h)

Other Info: Northconnex works will close 2 of 3 lanes in both directions at night.

THORNLEIGH Pennant Hills Rd between Stevens St and Railway Pde SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Fri 21 Aug 2015 - Sat 19 Sep 2015

Impact: Lanes closed Scheduled lane closures for this week

Every night (9:30pm to 5am) Northbound affected

Advice: Exercise caution. Reduce speed.

Other Info: One of three northbound lanes will be closed at night for electrical

services upgrade.

THORNLEIGH Pennant Hills Rd between Loftus Rd and Wells St SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Mon 24 Aug 2015 - Thu 24 Sep 2015

Impact: Lanes closed Scheduled lane closures for this week

Sun to Wed (10pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Thu (11pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Other Info: Two of three lanes will close in each direction. There will be no work on

Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 August, or Friday 18, Saturday 19, Sunday 20

September.

THORNLEIGH Pennant Hills Rd between Pacific Hwy and Wells St SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Mon 24 Aug 2015 - Thu 24 Sep 2015

Impact: Lanes closed Scheduled lane closures for this week

Every night (9pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Other Info: One of three lanes in each direction will close. There will be no work on

Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 August, or Friday 18, Saturday 19, Sunday 20

September.

WAHROONGA M1 Pacific Mwy (F3) between Pennant Hills Rd and Ku-Ring-Gai

Chase Rd

SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Tue 14 Jul 2015 - Mon 14 Sep 2015

Impact: Lanes closed Scheduled lane closures for this week Sun (11pm to 4am)

Southbound affected

Mon to Thu (9pm to 4am) Southbound affected

Advice: Check signage. Allow extra travel time

Other Info: Northbound lanes will also close from 13 August to 14

September: Monday - Thursday 11pm to 5am;

Friday 11pm to 6am.

WAHROONGA Pacific Hwy between Blytheswood Ave and Myall Ave

SCHEDULED ROAD WORKSDate:

Tue 25 Aug 2015 - Mon 7 Sep 2015

Impact: Scheduled lane closures for this week

Mon to Wed (11.30pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Fri (midnight to 5am) Both directions affected

Sun (11pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Advice: Expect delays

Exercise caution

Other Info: 2 of 3 lanes in each direction will be closed during the works

WAHROONGA Pacific Hwy between Blytheswood Ave and Myall Ave

SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Mon 7 Sep 2015 - Fri 25 Sep 2015

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Sun to Wed (9.30pm to 5am) Northbound affected

Thu (10pm to 5am) Northbound affected

Advice: Expect delays

Exercise caution

Other Info: 2 of 3 lanes will be closed during the work..

WAITARA Pacific Hwy between Waitara Ave and Ingram Rd

SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Mon 6 Jul 2015 - Thu 24 Sep 2015

Website: click here

Scheduled lane closures for this week

Sun to Thu (9pm to 5am) Southbound affected

Advice: Check signage. Reduced speed limit (40km/h).

WAITARA Pacific Hwy between Windarra Crescent and Yardley Ave

SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Sun 26 Jul 2015 - Thu 24 Sep 2015

Website: NorthConnex

Impact: Lanes closed Scheduled lane closures for this week Sun to Wed (9pm to

5am) Northbound affected

Thu (9:30pm to 5am) Northbound affected

Advice: Check signage. Reduced speed limit (40km/h)

WAITARA Pacific Hwy between Romsey St and Burdett St

SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Tue 25 Aug 2015 - Fri 25 Sep 2015

Impact: Lanes closed Scheduled lane closures for this week

Mon to Thu (12.30am to 4.30am) Both directions affected

Fri (1am to 4.30am) Both directions affected

Advice: Allow extra travel time. Reduced speed limit (40km/h).

Other Info: Stop/slow traffic control will be in place during CCTV Camera works.

<u>Click here</u> for **Live Traffic NSW** website. Download the Live Traffic App: Android, <u>click here</u>. Apple, <u>click here</u>.



Important Contacts

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance) 000

Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC) 9476 9799

Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road (ex-Pacific Hwy), Hornsby 2077

Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000

Report crime anonymously

Report suspicious activity asap

Police Assistance Line (PAL) 131 444

For non-urgent minor crime

Kuring-gai Crime Prevention Officer 9476 9723

Local Police Facebook page: Kuring Gai LAC

Non-emergency two-way communication

Interpreting & Translating Services 131 450

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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Our mailing address is:

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