

This email is compiled by **Neighbourhood Watch** volunteers as a service for residents in the **Kuring Gai** Police Local Area Command (LAC), which includes the **Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai** areas. Anyone may join our distribution list by emailing: NHWGordon@gmail.com. The weekly update usually includes:

- **eyewatch:** A selection of 'posts' from the Kuring Gai LAC facebook page. This includes the Media Release from our Crime Prevention Officer.
 - **Local Neighbourhood Watch information:** Meetings, relevant tit-bits, crime prevention tips, etc.
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09 September: Hornsby Police news, 9/9/13 The following relate to local issues in the Kuring gai Local Area Command.

Incident: High range drink driving charge

Time/Date: About 11.25pm on Saturday the 7th

Place: Pacific Highway, Hornsby x Government road.

Vehicle 1: Commodore

Driver 1: 27 year old male

Details: Police were travelling along the Pacific highway and have noticed a Commodore stationary at traffic lights. The lights had changed to green and the Commodore did not move off. A short time later the Commodore has driven off. Police stopped the car and spoke to the driver, where it was discovered he was driving on an Indian licence. The driver was given a roadside breath test which was allegedly positive for alcohol. A subsequent test gave a result of .158. The driver had his licence suspended by police.

Court: The driver is to appear at Hornsby Local Court on the 26th of September charged with Driving with a High Range Prescribed Concentration of Alcohol

Incident: Vehicle Pursuit

Time/Date: About 5.40pm on Friday the 6th

Place: Lane Cove road, West Pymble to Pentecost road, Pymble.

Driver: An 87 year old male.

Details: Police have noticed the car in Lane Cove as it turned from a set of traffic lights against the road markings. On Ryde road, West Pymble police have activated emergency lights to stop and talk to the driver. The car has allegedly failed to stop and a pursuit was called. The car has continued on travelling at or below the speed limit until the intersection of Pentecost road, where it stopped at a red traffic light. Police have had to get out and yell at the driver to stop around

the corner. Upon speaking to the driver he didn't realise police wanted to speak to him despite police being in a fully marked police car with lights and sirens going. The driver received infringements for Negligent driving and turning against the road markings. The pursuit had lasted about 5kms.

Incident: Drug charges.

Time/Date: About 12.40pm on Friday the 6th

Place: Albert street, Hornsby

Person 1: 17 year old male

Details: Police were patrolling the area and have noticed the male youth, due to various observations police have spoken to the youth. A blue cooler bag was noticed nearby with a search of the bag revealing an amount of green vegetable matter police will allege is Cannabis. The youth was arrested and charged.

Court: The male is to appear at the Hornsby Children's Court on the 10th of October charged with possessing a prohibited drug.

Incident: Malicious Damage

Time/Date: Between 6pm on Saturday the 7th and 7am on Sunday the 8th

Place: Rowland retirement Village Galston.

Details: Unknown person/s have damaged a plaque, garden bed and garden lights at the retirement village. The damage bill is expected to be \$2,000.

Incident: Break Enter & Steal

Time/Date: Between 1.30pm and 6pm on Thursday the 5th

Place: Eastern Arterial road, St Ives.

Details: Unknown person/s have broken into the home via a ground floor side door. Inside the home has been extensively ransacked with a large amount of jewellery being stolen. The total amount and value is still being tallied.

Police are appealing to witnesses who may have information relating to the above incident to contact Hornsby police on 9476 9799, or phone Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 to report any information relating to the matter anonymously.

END

06 September: Shortly after 9am yesterday (5/9/13) police started receiving numerous calls from members of the public concerning the driving manner of a silver Ford Falcon on the Pacific

Highway. Police from Kuring-gai have responded and stopped the vehicle on the M1 Pacific Motorway (F3 Freeway) at Brooklyn. As a result a 32 year old male from Redfern has been charged with Driving Whilst Disqualified and High Range PCA (drink driving). He will appear in Hornsby Local Court later today. Thanks to all who called and kept us updated as to his location - great example of the community working together with us to protect other members of the community.

05 September: Kuring gai LAC awards presentation at The Retired Police Association annual event, Asquith Rugby League Club.





Today Kuring gai LAC officially welcomed 3 new probationary Constables at an award ceremony at Asquith Rugby League Club. The new constables received their official certificates and Oath of Office which all NSW police swear on oath to uphold the law and we welcome them to our command and community. Also our Volunteer In Policing, Julia Eagles was presented with an award as appreciation for her services in assisting Kuring gai LAC and the community in general. Julia volunteers her time and knowledge assisting in numerous crime prevention initiatives.

05 September: Please remember if you see any emergency vehicle with lights flashing and sirens blaring you must pull over to the left and stop if safe or necessary to do so. If a police car is behind you and stops behind you, it is you they need to speak to. If they keep going then, when safe to do so pull back out and continue on. A number of times in the last few months some cars have either not seen fully marked police cars with flashing lights or heard the sirens. Or the drivers did not know what to do. As a licensed driver it is your responsibility to know the road rules, that is the reason for a test after all. If you don't stop or pull over you may face charges. If you keep driving and engage in a pursuit with police you will not only face serious charges but the likely hood of having your license taken away from you would be the least of your worries. If have family members who may not fully understand this please educate them. If you have family or friends from overseas on an international license talk to them please. It is frustrating for emergency personnel trying to get to that emergency, it places lives in danger and it may very well be someone you know.



03 September: Did you see the story about the bike bandit on **#wantedtv** last night? He had allegedly been robbing banks and using a pushbike as his getaway wheels. Police believe the person in these photos can assist with their inquiries. If you think you know this person, please call **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000**. Note: St Ives was hit by this Bike Bandit.





Here's the link to the 'Wanted' TV program if you missed it:

<http://ten.com.au/watch-tv-episodes-online-wanted-video.htm?vid=2630117721001>

03 September: Hornsby police station will be undergoing minor renovations which are expected to last 3 weeks. During this time the public customer area will be updated. Inquiries and reports can still be made during this time at a temporary counter within the station (through the front doors and to the left). During times of noise inside the station the command bus will be used and is parked in the driveway beside the station. Please be patient during this time, it is hoped the renovations will result in better customer service.



02 September, NSW Rural Fire Service Open Day - Ku-ring-gai Brigade, Saturday 28 September 10am til 2pm

The annual NSW Rural Fire Service Open Day is on again in 2013, come on down to Ku-ring-gai Bush Fire Brigade (Esk St North North Wahroonga) on the 28th of September 10am till 2pm. You will be able to walk through and explore the newest state of the art Rural Fire Station in NSW, there will also be informative displays, fun for the kids, firefighting equipment demonstrations including:

- Live Fire demonstrations
- Tanker and equipment demonstrations
- Ku-ring-gai Kids Fire Unit
- Rolling and bowling activities
- Fire extinguisher demonstrations
- Hazard reduction talks
- Property protection and bushfire safety advice
- Catering (sausage sizzle)



Gordon Station is having its re-vamp.

Thank you to Ku-ring-gai Council for the work they are putting into re-vamping the Gordon Station access to improve pedestrian safety. Here's a few pics. **PLEASE NOTE: PHOTO #3 - THE NEW STOP SIGN AT THE END OF ROBERT STREET!**



Upgrade of the pedestrian crossing near the intersection of Werona Avenue and Khartoum Avenue.

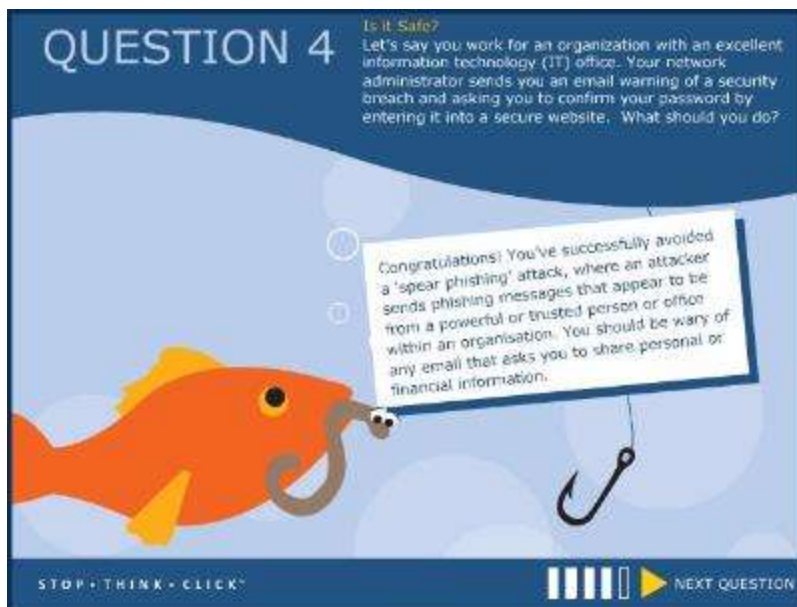


Upgrade of the pedestrian crossing near the intersection of Werona Avenue and Robert Street.



New 'STOP' sign at the Robert Street/Werona Avenue intersection.

Did you know? The term "spear phishing"? The government website: http://www.staysmartonline.gov.au/quizzes/phishing_quiz/phishing_quiz.html, has an Online Phishing Quiz that tests your understanding of this and other aspects of "Phishing". Why not give it a go?



Meet your neighbours. Meet your local Police, including your Crime Prevention Officer, Snr Con Paul Cleary. Meet your East Killara Neighbourhood Watch Area 25/26 volunteers.

FAMILY FUN DAY & MOON FESTIVAL 10am - 2pm Saturday 21 September, Killara High

School. Please note, bookings aren't necessary (if you read the previous week's flyer).



AFL FAMILY FUN DAY Sunday 22 September 1:30-3:30pm at James Park, Low & Palmerston Roads, Hornsby. FREE! More info: Fiona 9476 9715

AFL family fun day



Come and join us and learn AFL skills by playing fun games with other families. Meet AFL accredited coaches and have an exciting and enjoyable family fun day! Bring along drinks, hats and sun protection. Chairs or picnic blankets. Suitable sports footwear. Children under 16 year olds must be supervised by an adult. Activities include:

- basic AFL skills and games
- show bags with a football and information of local services
- afternoon tea and picnic

In the event of rain this event will be cancelled and rescheduled to 13 October at the same time.

Details

When: Sunday 22 September from 1.30pm to 3.30pm

Where: James Park, Low and Palmerston Roads, Hornsby

Cost: Free

Bookings: Essential. Please call:

- Isabella on 0435 494 696 or email Tae.Kim@det.nsw.edu.au
- Fiona on 9476 9715 or email zhou.tyan@police.nsw.gov.au
- Jian on 9847 6994 or email jzho@hornsby.nsw.gov.au



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hornsby.nsw.gov.au





TRIVIA NIGHT

94 George Street, Hornsby

In the PCYC hall

\$20 per ticket, 8 per table

Saturday, October 12th

6:30pm for a 7:00pm start

**A GREAT NIGHT OUT WITH TRIVIA,
GAMES, RAFFLES AND PRIZES, TO RAISE
FUNDS FOR YOUR LOCAL PCYC**

A Light supper will be provided. You are encouraged to bring drinks and nibbles for your table, plus a few extra gold coins.

Contact us to purchase your tickets.
Don't be disappointed, book your table early!



Phone: 9477 2310

Email: hornsbym@pcycnsw.org.au



Scheduled Road Works:

Waitara, Pacific Hwy at Waitara Ave: Wed 11 Sep - Thu 19 Sep (Sun to Fri 8pm to 5am). Scheduled lane closures for this week. Check signage. Reduce speed. Traffic controllers will be on site. Minor delays are expected due to changed traffic conditions.

Glenorie, Old Northern Rd between Timaru Rd and Wisemans Ferry Rd. Mon 26 Aug to Fri 27 Sep (Mon to Fri 7am to 5pm). Check signage. Reduce speed. Tree-trimming will take place for one month. Partial lane closures and reduced speed limits will be in place.

Turrumurra, Pacific Hwy between Ray St and Bobbin Head Rd: Mon 2 Sep - Mon23 Sep (Sun to Fri 8pm to 5am). Check signage. Reduce speed. Asphaltting and linemarking work will take place over approximately 9 night shifts. Traffic controllers will provide access to properties as required. Some noise and minor delays are

expected.

Wahroonga, Pennant Hills Rd at Pacific Hwy Thu 22 Aug - Fri 13 Sep (Sun to Fri 8pm to 5am) Both directions affected. Advice: Check signage. Reduced speed limit. This work will be carried out over 5 nights during this period.

Brooklyn, Pacific Hwy on Peats Ferry Bridge Thu 8 Aug - Fri 27 Sep (Sun to Thu 9:30pm to 4am) Advice: Check signage. Use alternative route. When the bridge is closed at night, road access to Brooklyn is maintained via specially marked detours catering for both northbound and southbound traffic on the F3 freeway and the Pacific Hwy. Work on the bridge is not impacting on water traffic.

Berowra Waters Ferry, Berowra Waters Rd to Bay Rd. Routine Ferry Maintenance. The Berowra Waters Ferry will be out of service on the second Tuesday of every month from 12pm to 2:30pm, until Tuesday 10th December 2013. Advice: Use alternative route. Allow extra travel time.

Hornsby CBD - major drainage upgrade. Council is undertaking construction of major drainage upgrade works in Hunter Ln, Linda St and Hunter St, Hornsby. End date: 30/11/2013. The work involves replacement of old pipe drainage with larger pipes and culverts to increase the overall system capacity through the area.

Thanks to the North Shore Times, 09 September:

A penthouse unit on Sturt Place in St Ives was broken into on Tuesday where a thief appeared to have followed one victim through a unit block's security door. Small items were allegedly stolen. A man believed to be aged in his 30s with a buzz cut, driving an early model white Landrover followed one of the victims into the unit block and is a possible suspect.

Jewellery worth \$9000 was stolen from a house on Coronga Crescent, Killara after a thief or thieves smashed a laundry window and entered the home between 6.30pm on Friday, August 30 and last Monday. A television was taken but later recovered after being found in the backyard.

From Ku-ring-gai Council, 03 September: Have you seen Tam? Tam is a very friendly two year old lilac Siamese cat. He has a nick on one of his ears and has a very loud distinctive meow. Tam was last seen on 29 August on Macquarie road, Pymble.



Thanks to the Hornsby Advocate, 05 September:

4 WAH-ROONGA

The driver of a Mercedes a160 almost had her door ripped

off outside

Wahroonga Public School on Monday morning. The driver of the Mercedes had just returned from dropping her children at the schools on Burns Rd at 9am and was getting into her car. While the door was still open, police said a Prado hit the car and pushed the door forward 90 degrees. The driver of the Prado said she didn't see the door open. No one was injured but police said the driver will receive a negligent driving ticket.

6 THORNLEIGH There were several malicious damage and stealing offences committed at Thornleigh West Public School over the weekend. Between 4pm on Friday and 9am on Monday someone has entered the school grounds, climbed on to the roof, and smashed several panels plus guttering and taken copper pipes. In all, there was more than \$1000 in damage done. Witnesses should phone Hornsby Police on 9476 9799.

7 TURRAMURRA Power tools worth more than \$2000 were stolen from the back of a ute in Turramurra over the weekend. Between 12pm on Friday and 10am on Sunday the Mazda ute was parked on Jersey St. It had its canopy removed and the items taken. Witnesses should phone Hornsby Police on 9476 9799.

8 BEROWRA A 6m wide advertisement for cookies was stolen from a shop in Berowra in the early hours of Tuesday morning. Between 2.20am and 2.50am someone had taken the sign from the Subway store on the Pacific Hwy. The green sign with Subway logo read, Two cookies for only \$1. It is valued at \$900. Witnesses should phone Hornsby Police on 9476 9799.

9 HORNSBY Two mobile phones and five computer games were stolen when a bag was taken from outside St Vincent de Paul on Monday. A customer left their backpack at the door before entering the store on Jersey St about noon. When he returned the green bag, containing phones and PlayStation games, was taken. The items were worth about \$150. Phone 9476 9799.

A young girl was thrown through the air and landed lifeless on the road after stepping out in front of a car in Hornsby on Wednesday night. The accident occurred at 6.20pm. Read the story here: <http://bit.ly/1akm4ND>

Thanks to the North Shore Mum's Facebook Group and Ku-ring-gai Council: Child Protective Behaviour Parent Forum at Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers on Monday 23 September, 7pm. Bookings

essential: http://www.kmc.nsw.gov.au/Things_to_do/Events_activities/Whats_on/Child_Protective_Behaviour

Parent forum on child protection



Find out what more you can do to protect your child when they are not in your care at our **Child Protective Behaviour Parent Forum at Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers** on Monday 23 September, 7pm. Bookings essential.

From an old National Crime Prevention Programme, 2002: A 13-point checklist to reduce the risk of home burglaries (all of it just as relevant today - ed).

- 1. Always lock up.** Don't overlook the obvious. Doors and windows should be locked, not only when we leave the house, but when we are elsewhere in the house, on the phone, in the garden, or otherwise preoccupied, away from points of entry.
- 2. Cut away the camouflage.** Cultivate a garden, but not a burglar's paradise. Burglars love camouflage. Site trees, shrubs, walls and fences so an intruder can be clearly seen in your front

or backyard, and keep bushes around doors and windows trimmed.

3. Deadlock the main door. The main door is the most likely point of entry and should be your first priority. A key-operated deadlock on a solid timber door is the safest option. If intruders get into your house through another entry, a key-operated deadlock on the main door will make it more difficult for them to carry stolen goods out. Reinforce the deadlock wherever possible with a security screen, and a peephole, so you can get to see any visitors before they see you.

4. Synchronise door locks. Install the same key-operated lock system on all other doors - it makes locking up and owner-entry easier. Security firms can install tamper-proof locks. Sliding glass doors are particularly vulnerable and should be bolted top and bottom or fitted with a specifically designed deadlock.

5. Secure all windows. No windows are too high or too small for burglars. All windows should be secured with keyed locks or security grills. Do not resort to a piece of dowel in the window track, and lock all upper-level windows, they are easier to reach than you think.

6. Light up at night. Keep doors, windows, and pathways well-lit at night. Movement-activated sensor lights are highly recommended.

7. Lock the side gates. Side gates are easily overlooked. They should also be securely locked, and children and grandchildren educated to always lock the gates behind them.

8. Co-opt a canine. Consider keeping a dog. Even if you don't own one, think about hanging a 'beware of the dog' sign at any outside gates. If burglars are casing the place, the prospect of a burglar-unfriendly dog can be a good enough reason for many to beat a retreat.

9. Install burglar alarms. The best alarms to complement other forms of household security are highly visible, audible, back-to-base alarms linked to a security service that monitors and responds to their call.

10. Lock up the meter box. Locking up your meter box prevents thieves interfering with your power supply or security sensor light system. (Consult electricity authorities or local councils for further information.)

11. Padlock sheds and garages. Sheds and garages are usually the repository of tools and other implements burglars use to assist in a break-in. Keep them padlocked. If there is a connecting door between the garage and your house, ensure it is always locked.

12. Plan ahead for absences or holidays. An empty house invites burglars. Never leave your house obviously unoccupied, even briefly. Install timer devices that turn lights and radios on and off at night, and outside sensors that are movement activated. Arrange for neighbours or friends to clear out your letterbox and park a car in your driveway occasionally. Cancel all deliveries. Lock away the wheelie bin. (Thieves like wheelies to wheel away their loot.) Turn the volume down on your answering machine. Replace any ageing locks with deadlocks.

13. Prepare for an emergency. Ensure your house number is clearly visible. If you have to call police or other emergency services, they should be able to find your house quickly. Programme telephone numbers for emergency services, close friends, relatives or neighbours into your telephone's memory so that in a state of emergency you can summon assistance quickly.

Have you considered... ? Halo TrackR for iPhone, iPad or Android devices, or a similar product. "An innovative system for keeping track of items, keys and vital organs, the item TrackR

uses Bluetooth signals to trace lost belongings. Measuring only 0.15-inches in thickness, the device is designed to slip easily into items, allowing them to be tracked on a digital map using the free app on users' iPhones, iPads and Android devices. A forget-me-not reminder goes off when Groupies are leaving their belongings behind, helping them avoid having to wander around town in search of their stuff. The device works in two directions, helping those who've lost their phones locate them with a press of a button on the TrackR, which causes the phone to ring even if it's on silent."

[A suggestion from one of our first Neighbourhood Watch weekly email readers, who loves his! Spotted on Groupon for \$29, 2 days remaining. Note: NHW cannot recommend any product or service.]

From East Killara Neighbourhood Watch, 07 September: A resident at Springdale Road, East Killara has informed us of an incident of malicious damage in their backyard, sending us this photo. The owner will now install a functional tall side gate and 24 hour perimeter cameras. They have requested that we share this with locals, so everyone can be aware. Thanks for being community-minded!



Hornsby Shire Council - The Bushland Festival, Sun 15 September 10am to 4pm at Fagan Park, Galston.



Rotary Club of Thornleigh - Produce Market, Sun 15 September 8am to 12noon at McDonald's overflow carpark, cnr Phyllis Ave & Central Ave, Thornleigh.



The Rotary Club of Thornleigh acknowledges the generous support of McDonald's Restaurants in making this site available for the market

Market - Sunday, 15 September 2013

The market is situated in McDonald's overflow car park on the corner of Phyllis Avenue and Central Avenue, Thornleigh behind the Hotel IBIS. Turn left off Pennant Hills Road at the traffic lights between Hotel IBIS and Bunnings. McDonald's Restaurant is nearby in Central Avenue.

The Market commences at 8.00 am and finishes at around 12.00 noon, allowing plenty of time to view and experience the many excellent products on offer.

Enter this address in your GPS device and follow the prompts to find the market

**10 Phyllis Avenue
Thornleigh**

Follow Red and Yellow signs at Thornleigh on footpath on Pennant Hills Road



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September 2013 Market - Featured Stall

Ourimbah Park – Thomas Hoult Wines

Shiraz from Ourimbah Park – a proven South Australian vintage.

A traditional Dry Red or Claret in the old style - gutsy and satisfying with that peppery after taste, so reminiscent of a good Shiraz. It is an excellent dinner wine that admirably complements both roast beef or a lovely leg of roast lamb.

If you enjoy a good steak or the family barbeque - this is an essential "to have" wine.

A pleasing wine with a firm and robust finish.

Popularly priced at \$10.00 per single bottle OR \$120.00 per dozen.

A stall will be featured in the Thursday each month. Stallholders are invited to submit suitable promotional information.

Spring Fling Market - September 2013



Spring is one of the four conventional seasons, following winter and preceding summer. At the spring equinox, days are close to 12 hours long with day length increasing as the season progresses. Spring and "springtime" refer to the season, and also to ideas of rebirth, rejuvenation, new life (both plant and animal) being born, resurrection, and re-growth. Spring is also generally used as a metaphor for the start of better times.

This spring as it comes bursts up in bonfires green,
With puffing of emerald trees, and flame-filled bushes.
Then blossom lifting in wreaths of smiles between
Where the wood turns up and the watery, flickering rushes.

I am amazed at this spring, this conflagration
Of green fire lit on the soil of the earth, the blaze
Of growing, and sparks that puff in wild creation,
Faces of people streaming across my gaze.

And I, what fountain of fire am I among
This leading combustion of spring? My spirit is tossed
About like a shadow buffeted in the throng
Of flames, a shadow that's gone stray, and is lost.

The Enkindled Spring by D. H. Lawrence

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Email NHWGordon@gmail.com with any crime prevention questions you may have and we can share the answers with other residents in the community.

Your local Police have a facebook page. Have you had a look? The page can be accessed without logging in to facebook. Simply click on the link: www.facebook.com/KuringGailAC. This page is where our volunteers copy and paste the posts from, in order to create the email content above.



Remember to report any suspicious activity in the neighbourhood directly to **Hornsby Police** on **02 9476 9799**. DON'T DELAY IN REPORTING!

Please encourage your neighbours, family, colleagues and friends to join our NHW Gordon Mailing list at NHWGordon@gmail.com.

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