



# Kuring Gai Police Local Area Command (LAC)

Newsletter # 130 - 24 March 2014

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](mailto:NHWGordon@gmail.com).

Each weekly update includes a selection of 'posts' from the Kuring Gai LAC facebook page (also known as 'eyewatch'). One important post on the Monday is the Media Release from our Crime Prevention Officer.

We add to this all the other stuff we find interesting from a Neighbourhood Watch point-of-view. It could be local newspaper articles, roadwork warnings, crime prevention tips, Neighbourhood Watch meetings and relevant tit-bits gleaned from residents, or other Commands. Have you seen anything we should share with the community?

Please continue to email us anything you may know of, that others may appreciate: [NHWGordon@gmail.com](mailto:NHWGordon@gmail.com). Thank you.

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**Boosted from 05 March:** A few corrective changes to this post needed to be made, Kuring gai LAC apologises to the families involved.

From a personal point of view from one such victim's family.

As a result of the public outcry in relation to one punch hit violence the NSW Government has changed the laws in relation to this type of crime. Robert McEWEN whose son Michael McEWEN was the victim of a one punch hit in December 2013 will be attending and address the audience with his perspective, recounting the impact it has had on him and his family. Other members of the McEWEN family will also be in attendance.

Just a reminder about this community forum. It is tomorrow evening, if you are interested or want to know more about it, please call or email numbers on the flyer. Due to recent incidents in Sydney this is an opportunity to learn more and be aware of the impact it causes.

Here is an opportunity to attend a free information forum on Alcohol-fueled violence in our community.

Featuring Paul Dillon as keynote speaker. A Q&A panel with Police, NSW Health and other industry professionals on hand to provide insight and answer any questions.

Where: The forum is being held at the **Hornsby RSL** in the main show room.

When: **6.45pm to 9pm Tuesday 25 March.**

Bookings are essential: Paul Stuart 9477 8729 or email [pstuart@nsml.com.au](mailto:pstuart@nsml.com.au)



## Alcohol fuelled violence in our community

**FREE  
EVENT**

Essential new information for parents, professionals and local services covering:

- Alcohol issues in Australian society – what can we realistically do?
- Teenagers and alcohol

Featuring Paul Dillon – keynote speaker and bestselling author of *Teenagers Alcohol and Drugs*. Regarded as a key social commentator, Paul is a nationally recognised drug education specialist with 25 years experience in the field.

The night will be hosted by David Cifer, Manager of the KYDS Youth Development Service.

Q&A panel featuring NSW Police, NSW Health and other industry professionals to provide insight and answer your questions.

**When:** Tuesday 25 March 6.45pm-9pm  
**Where:** Hornsby RSL (main showroom)  
 4 High Street Hornsby  
 (Hornsby RSL supports local community initiatives)  
**RSVP:** Please call Paul Stuart on 9477 8729  
 or email [psstuart@nsmf.com.au](mailto:psstuart@nsmf.com.au)

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Community Drug Action Team**



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**24 March: Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for New Neighbours**



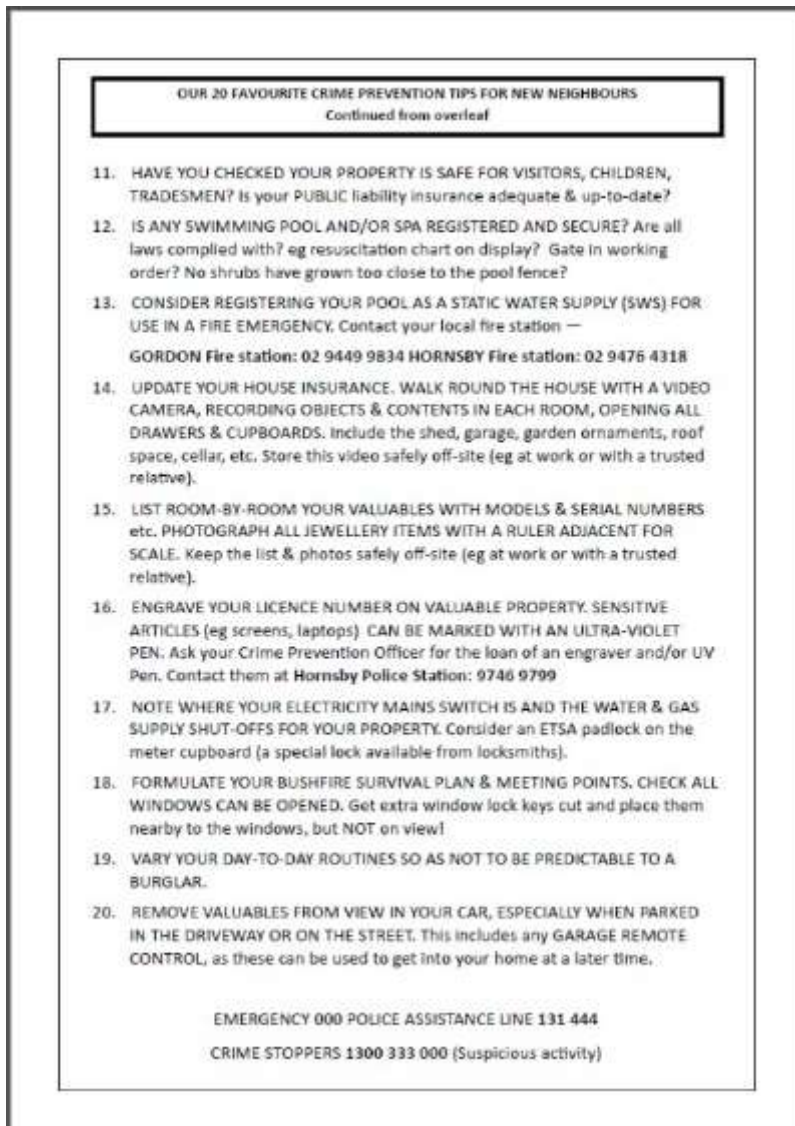
## Neighbourhood Watch

This list was compiled by those involved with Neighbourhood Watch within the Kuring Gai (including Hornsby) Police Local Area Command. Please contact your Crime Prevention Officer at Hornsby Police Station for more information: 9476 9799.

### OUR 20 FAVOURITE CRIME PREVENTION TIPS FOR NEW NEIGHBOURS

1. IDENTIFY YOUR 6 IMMEDIATE NEIGHBOURS — 2 TO YOUR LEFT, 2 TO YOUR RIGHT, ACROSS FROM AND BEHIND YOU. Make an effort to get to know them and swap contact details.
2. SUGGEST AN ARRANGEMENT WITH NEIGHBOURS FOR WHEN ANY OF YOU ARE ON VACATION, eg for clearing the local newspapers, putting out & retrieving garbage bins, clearing mailboxes, parking in driveways/spaces, etc.
3. JOIN IN WITH NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH. They are your eyes and ears when you aren't at home. Contact your Crime Prevention Officer to find out about a group in your area.
4. INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO YOUR LOCAL POLICE STATION. Where should you park? What information is available there? When is it manned?
5. LOOK FOR YOUR LOCAL POLICE ON FACEBOOK FOR UP-TO-DATE WARNINGS & INFORMATION. <like> them at [facebook.com/KuringGaiLAC](https://www.facebook.com/KuringGaiLAC). Consider joining local social groups to meet new people, eg [facebook/NorthShoreMumsGroup](https://www.facebook.com/NorthShoreMumsGroup) or Neighbourhood Watch in your area.
6. STORE YOUR NEW EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS IN YOUR LANDLINE AND MOBILE PHONES. Include Hornsby Police Station: 9476 9799, Gordon Police Station: 9418 5399.
7. LOOK AT YOUR HOME, GARDEN, SHED, & IMMEDIATE NEIGHBOURHOOD AS IF YOU WERE A BURGLAR. What gives you cover from being seen? Where is the quick get-away? Have you sensor lighting? Are your windows & doors secure?
8. INVITE A TEENAGE RELATIVE TO TRY AND GET INTO YOUR HOME. Can they climb up to balconies? Can they fit through gaps?
9. CONSIDER HAVING THE LOCKS CHANGED/UPDATED/RE-KEYED. RE-PROGRAMME NEW ALARM CODES FOR THE BURGLAR ALARM.
10. HAVE THE BURGLAR ALARM SYSTEM CHECKED. CLEAN THE SENSORS. CHECK BATTERIES. CONSIDER NEW ATTACHMENTS—there are some amazing new technologies available! Eg balcony sensors, broken window sensors. Spray around sensors for spiders.

EMERGENCY 000 POLICE ASSISTANCE LINE 131 444 CRIME STOPPERS 1300 333 000 (Suspicious activity)



[Available for view on facebook via the Kuring Gai LAC local police page, by clicking photos and selecting the **Neighbourhood Watch Materials album**. Or email [NHWGordon@gmail.com](mailto:NHWGordon@gmail.com) for a copy - Ed]

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**24 March: Police have located the body of a woman reported missing from her home in Asquith on the weekend.**

About 12pm on Sunday 23 March 2014, a 52-year-old woman went missing from her family home in Asquith. She was reported missing to police who conducted a

search of the surrounding area. The search continued today (Monday 24 March 2014) and involved police from Kuring-Gai Local Area Command, Public Order & Riot Squad, Dog Unit, Polair and local SES volunteers. About 11:30am, police located the woman deceased in bushland off Old Berowra Road at Asquith. A crime scene was established and will be examined by specialist forensic officers and local detectives, however, the woman's death is not believed to be suspicious.

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**24 March, Hornsby Police news, 24/3/14 The following relate to local issues in the Kuring gai Local Area Command:**

Incident: Middle range drink driving

Time/Date: About 4.45am Saturday 22nd

Place: Pacific highway, Gordon

Vehicle 1: Landcruiser

Driver 1: 23 year old male

Details: The Toyota Landcruiser driver was stopped for a random breath test which was allegedly positive for alcohol. A subsequent test gave a result of .111. The driver had his license suspended by police.

Court: The driver is to face Hornsby Local Court on the 1st of May charged with Driving with a middle range Prescribed Concentration of Alcohol

Incident: Speed and drink driving charges

Time/Date: About 7.05am Saturday 22nd

Place: M1 Motorway, Cowan.

Vehicle 1: Holden Ute.

Driver 1: 42 year old male

Details: The driver was allegedly travelling above the posted 110Km/h speed limit



on the M1. A RADAR check gave a result of 142Km/h in the 110 speed zone. The driver was stopped and spoken to by police. A roadside breath test gave an alleged positive result for alcohol. A subsequent test gave a result of .088. The driver had his license suspended by police.

Court: The driver is to face Hornsby Local Court on the 1st of May charged with Driving with a middle range Prescribed Concentration of Alcohol and exceeding the speed limit.

Incident: Bike rider hits tree.

Time/Date: About 9.55am Thursday 20th

Place: Lady Game Drive, West Pymble.

Details: A 49 year old male was riding along Lady Game drive, as he rode towards a red traffic light he has gone to the break down lane. At some point the rider has hit a nearby tree and fell from his bike. Ambulance and police have arrived; the man was taken to hospital with minor injuries and was released later that day.

Incident: Malicious Damage incident (car doing donuts).

Time/Date: Between 3.30pm Friday 21st and 7.30am Saturday 22nd

Place: Kuring gai Chase National Park (Bobbin Head reserve).

Details: An unknown car driver has decided to do donuts and tear up the grass area at the Bobbin Head reserve. The grass has extensive damage and will either need to be replaced or take months to regrow.

Incident: Handbag stolen from shopping trolley.

Time/Date: Between 1.45pm and 2pm Friday 21st

Place: Outside David Jones in Westfield Hornsby

Details: A 67 year old female was talking on her mobile while her handbag was in the seat area of a shopping trolley. An unknown person has taken the handbag which contained her purse while she was distracted and not looking.

Incident: Hot water system stolen from Church.

Time/Date: Between the 9th of March and the 13th of March

Place: St Paul's Anglican Church, Wahroonga.

Details: An unknown person has stolen the hot water system from the side wall of the church.

Incident: Break Enter & Steal

Time/Date: Between 7am and 7pm Thursday 20th

Place: Flora avenue, Mt Colah.

Details: An unknown person has smashed their way into the ground floor rear window of a home. Once inside several rooms were ransacked; some Silver jewellery was stolen.

Incident: Break & Enter and Malicious damage.

Time/Date: Between 5.30pm Wednesday 19th and 8.15am Thursday 20th

Place: Hornsby Medical Centre.

Details: An unknown person has smashed open a side gate to the business. A ground floor rear door was then jemmied open. Inside the offenders have smashed things about the premises with damage estimated to be \$6,000.

Incident: Shop stealing

Time/Date: About 6pm Saturday 15th

Place: JB hifi Westfield Hornsby.



Details: An unknown person has stolen 2 x GoPro cameras from a display stand at JB Hifi. They had a retail value of \$850.

Incident: Break & Enter and Malicious damage.

Time/Date: Between 3pm Friday 21st and 8.30am Saturday 22nd.

Place: Turramurra Lookout Community Gardens.

Details: An unknown person had removed several louver windows to a green house at the location, The offenders have then gone inside and upturned most of the plants there causing damage to most of them. It was also report that about a week ago a bee hive at the location was kicked over. The matter is beeing investigated.

Incident: Break Enter & Steal

Time/Date: Between 7.30am on 3.20pm Friday 21st

Place: Lockerbie road, Thornleigh.

Details: An unknown person has forced open a ground floor front door. Inside several rooms were ransacked with Jewellery, cash and an Ipod being stolen.

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

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**24 March, from the Hornsby Advocate: A P-plated truck driver has lost his licence after taking his 10 tonnes, eight metre long vehicle through Galston Gorge.**

Around 9.30am on Tuesday the Isuzu truck was seen travelling through the Gorge at Hornsby Heights and was recorded by Roads and Maritime Services cameras. An investigation by NSW Police Highway Patrol managed to identify the company that the truck came from and the driver involved. Today the driver was charged with disobeying a no truck sign and failing to display P-plates. His licence was immediately suspended.

Full article at: <http://m.dailytelegraph.com.au/newslocal/the-hills/pplater-loses-licence-after-driving-big-truck-through-galston-gorge/story-fngr8i1f-1226860350691>



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**22 March: Setting up... Will we see you at the Berowra Community Day?**

**Today 10- 2pm outside the IGA.** Come and discuss any Crime Prevention issue with us and collect information from the various organisations. Lots of giveaways and fun games for the families.



[Kuring Gai LAC - NSW Police Force](#) Thanks to the community for a great turn-out to this event!

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**21 March, from the Hornsby Advocate: Homes saved as Wobby Beach boat blaze extinguished just in time** Stephen and Mitchell Turner had just cracked open a couple of knock-off time Crownies when this happened on the Hawkesbury.



FULL STORY: <http://bit.ly/1pgUTW5>

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**21 March, Kuring Gai LAC shared a link via the Police Transport Command to the new NSW Opal system website: <https://www.opal.com.au/>**



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**20 March, an alert from Stay Smart Online: Spam warning - videos of Malaysia Airlines Flight MH370 used to spread malware: SSO Alert Priority Moderate**



Full warning

at: [http://www.staysmartonline.gov.au/alert\\_service/alerts/spam\\_warning -  
\\_videos of malaysia airlines flight mh370  
\\_used to spread malware sso alert priority moderate](http://www.staysmartonline.gov.au/alert_service/alerts/spam_warning_-_videos_of_malaysia_airlines_flight_mh370_used_to_spread_malware_sso_alert_priority_moderate)

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## **20 March, from the Hornsby Advocate: BOMB SQUAD CALLED TO ASQUITH SCHOOL**

The bomb squad was called to Asquith Boys' High School after a teacher found what resembled a homemade bomb. STORY: <http://bit.ly/1dbXtga>

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**19 March: A reminder to anyone who attends our local schools to drop off or pick up children.** Police are constantly getting complaints from other motorists, local residents and the schools themselves in relation to driving and parking around the schools. Kuring gai LAC has recently become aware of issues at St



Patricks Catholic primary school in Royston Parade, Asquith. Several inconsiderate parents or carers abuse the 'kiss and drop' (K&D) zone in front of the school as well as committing other parking and driving offences. The kiss and drop zone is exactly that say goodbye kids get out and you leave or pick up kids (seat belts on) and leave. There is a time limit on the K&D zone where a motorist can stay a MAXIMUM of 2 minutes to complete the task then must leave (drive away). Adding to this you must stay within 3 metres of your car at all times in that K&D zone. What police have been made aware of is that some drivers are getting to the K&D zone 15 to 20 minutes early to be first and stay there until their child gets out of class, this is illegal (conditions stated above). It is a ticket offence and police WILL be targeting this offence at all schools until drivers learn to respect the traffic laws. The big fine is stop on or near a children's crossing over \$400 + 2 points. At the end of the day this is ALL ABOUT CHILDREN'S SAFETY. By the way police and council enforcement officers do not need to stop and speak to you or warn you. We use the postal service with a ticket in the mail.

<div><div>SCHOOL ZONE</div><div>8-9<sup>30</sup> AM 2<sup>30</sup>-4 PM SCHOOL DAYS</div><div><div>40</div></div></div>	<div>School Zone Parking Offences</div>	<div>END SCHOOL ZONE</div> <div><div>60</div></div>
Penalties that apply to illegal parking on all roads in <u>School Zones</u> – from 1 July 2013		
<div><div>NO STOPPING</div><div></div></div>	<div>No Stopping</div> <div>Means that under no circumstances are you permitted to stop on a length of road to which a No Stopping sign applies. Aus Road Rule - 167</div>	<div>Penalty \$304 + 2 demerit points</div>
<div><div><div>P</div></div><div></div></div>	<div>No Parking</div> <div>Means that you have no more than 2 minutes for drop-offs or pick-ups and must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle. ARR - 168(1)</div>	<div>Penalty \$169 + 2 demerit points</div>
<div><div>BUS ZONE</div><div></div></div>	<div>Bus Zone</div> <div>Means that you must not stop your vehicle in the indicated zone unless you are driving a public bus. ARR - 183(1)</div>	<div>Penalty \$304 + 2 demerit points</div>
<div>Help keep our kids safe!</div> <div>Obey these parking signs at all times.</div>		

**19 March, from Ausgrid:** Emergency crews are working to restore power to about 1,600 homes in South Turrumurra around Canoon and Kissing Point Rds and The Broadway. Looks like an overhead cable fault. With all the recent storm activity is likely a tree branch has come down.

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**18 March, from the Hornsby Advocate: SMILE, YOU'RE ON CANDID CAMERA**

Hornsby Council officers reckon they have caught the driver of this ute red-handed dumping rubbish in Westleigh bushland.

FULL STORY: <http://bit.ly/1IJTMxY>



Is illegal dumping a problem in your area?

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**18 March, from NSW Fair Trading:** A builder from **Turrumurra** used a false home warranty insurance certificate, exposing a Mt Pritchard couple to major potential consumer detriment. We prosecuted Brendan Michael Osborne and he has been fined \$2,000. Follow the link to find out more: <http://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/ftw/>



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### **(Gordon Areas 3/4) Turramurra Neighbourhood Watch:**

Come along to the next NHW MEETING—on **MONDAY 31 MARCH 2014 at 8.00 pm in the Lounge Area of Turramurra Uniting Church, Turramurra Avenue Turramurra**. Guest Speaker, SNR CONS PAUL CLEARY, Crime Prevention Officer, Kuring gai Local Area Command, NSW Police Force, will give a presentation on **“THE NEXT OF KIN PROGRAM”** plus an update on the **LATEST SCAMS**. Remember if it sounds too good, then it probably is – so stay alert and say NO – if you didn’t ask for it – you don’t need it. Do join us. Light refreshments available. See you there.

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### **From NSW Fair Trading: Avoiding scams**

[What is a scam?](#)

[Who do they target?](#)

[Dangerous myths about scams!](#)

[What types of scams are out there?](#)

[How do I avoid scams?](#)

[What to do if you have been scammed](#)

[If a scammer contacts me, who do I report it to?](#)

Full Media Release at

[http://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/ftw/Consumers/Scams/Avoiding\\_scams.page](http://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/ftw/Consumers/Scams/Avoiding_scams.page)

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### **REMINDER - Tomorrow night!**

**Alcohol Fuelled Violence in our Community Forum** to be held at **Hornsby RSL** main showroom (4 High Street, Hornsby) at **6.45pm to 9pm on Tuesday 25 March, 2014**. Featuring **Paul Dillon**- keynote speaker and best selling author of Teenagers Alcohol and Drugs. We look forward to seeing you there. Bookings are essential - **Paul Stuart on 9477 8729 or email [pstuart@nsml.com.au](mailto:pstuart@nsml.com.au)**

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### **What happens if your passport is stolen or lost? Did you know?**

"The Australian Passports Act 2005 introduced a range of fees and sanctions for people who lose them, even if they are stolen. The sanctions were introduced "to encourage passport holders to better protect them", a DFAT spokesperson said. In addition to normal application fee of \$244, a "fine" of \$108 is charged for one lost or stolen passport in five years; \$244 for two lost or stolen in five years; and \$487 for three or more in five years. The bearer is also required to attend an interview

and to provide extensive and time-consuming details to confirm their identity.

Informative article at:

<http://m.smh.com.au/travel/travel-news/what-happens-if-your-passport-is-stolen-or-lost-20140311-34iuf.html>

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### **From the Sydney Morning Herald, March 19:**

As of March 12, telemarketers have been required to disclose if asked, within a reasonable time, where they obtained your number and if it's come from a third party. The change comes as part of new privacy rules, designed to make organisations more accountable for the way they use and store the personal data of others.

Full article at: <http://www.smh.com.au/it-pro/business-it/how-did-you-get-my-number-new-privacy-laws-a-challenge-for-some-20140319-hvjy6.html>

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In America a stranger approached an 8 year old boy  
and asked him to come with him.  
The stranger told him that something had happened  
and his Mum had sent him to pick him up.  
The boy asked the stranger for the PASSWORD!  
and used the man's confusion to run away.

He and his mum agreed a password  
in case she ever had to send someone to pick him up.  
Maybe this saved the boy's life.

So SIMPLE - So EASY!

Please agree a PASSWORD with your children!  
Maybe it will make the world a little bit safer!

Thanks to Holly&Eddie.

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### **From NSW Police Force, March 21: Police appeal to locate missing Sydney man**

Police in Sydney's east are appealing for public assistance to locate a man who has been missing since last year. **Brendan Giles, aged 27**, was last seen leaving **Royal North Shore Hospital** on Wednesday 17 July 2013. Police were alerted when hospital staff and family members could not locate or contact him.

Serious concerns are held for his welfare. Police from Eastern Beaches Local Area Command have exhausted all avenues of inquiry and are now appealing for public assistance in an attempt to locate Mr Giles. He's is **described as being of Caucasian appearance, approximately 150cm to 160cm tall, with medium build and black hair.**



Police are urging anyone with information about this incident to call **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000** or use the Crime Stoppers online reporting page: <https://www1.police.nsw.gov.au/>. Information you provide will be treated in the strictest of confidence.

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#### **Dates for the diary:**

**Wednesday 31 March:** Turramurra Neighbourhood Watch meeting. Topic - 'Next of Kin Register', all welcome. At 8pm at Turramurra Uniting Church.

**Saturday 05 April:** PCYC Time4Kids for Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai PCYC in Hornsby Mall.

**Tuesday 08 April:** Next Ku-ring-gai Council Child Seat Safety Check. [http://www.kmc.nsw.gov.au/Things\\_to\\_do/Events\\_activities/Whats\\_on/FREE\\_Child\\_Restraint\\_Safety\\_Check](http://www.kmc.nsw.gov.au/Things_to_do/Events_activities/Whats_on/FREE_Child_Restraint_Safety_Check)

**Sunday 13 April:** FREE Go4Fun Family Fun Day 1:30-4pm at Ruddock Park, Westleigh. Book via Margaret on 9847 6611.

**Sunday 04 May:** Ku-ring-gai Council Festival on the Green, Village Green, St Ives. Crime Prevention stall.

**Sunday 04 May:** FreshTracks - Team Wheelathon, Narrabeen Academy of Sport

& Rec 10am-2:30pm. Info: [www.freshtracks.com.au/wheelathon](http://www.freshtracks.com.au/wheelathon)

**Monday 12 May:** KYDS Alcohol fueled Violence Parent Forum. 6:30-8:30pm, Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers. Bookings: 9424 0837.

**Friday 16 May:** Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter Benefit Night. 6:30 for 7pm at Asquith Leagues Club. Phone Keith Murray 0400 745 644.

**Saturday 21 June:** PCYC's Trivia Night at [PCYC Hornsby / Ku-ring-gai Club House](#). Info: **9477 2310**

**Saturday 06 September:** Gordon Shopping Centre, Dads are Great! Crime Prevention, Neighbourhood Watch, etc - more info nearer the event.

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**From NSW Fair Trading, March 19: Important information for owners of Dyson heaters!**

Dyson are recalling all AM04 and AM05 heaters due to a potential electrical safety risk. A small number of these heaters have short-circuited, resulting in a small fire igniting within the machine however there have been no reported instances of injury or property damage. If your heater is one of the affected models, we strongly encourage you to visit the Dyson recall website <http://bit.ly/1gyCcb6> or contact

**Dyson on 1800 500 499** for instructions.

 **Electrical safety recall**

**Dyson Hot™ and Dyson Hot+Cool™ (AM04 and AM05) heater**  
Affects all of these products sold between March 2012 - March 2014  
Dyson's Air Multiplier cooling fans (AM01, AM02, AM03, AM06, AM07 and AM08) are not affected.

**Defect:** Potential for the heater to short circuit  
**Hazard:** In a small number of cases this has caused a small fire contained within the machine.  
**What to do:** Immediately unplug the heater and contact Dyson to have the machine fixed free of charge.



**Your retailer can't provide this fix,  
so please contact Dyson directly.**

Visit  
**[www.dysonrecall.com](http://www.dysonrecall.com)**  
or call toll free  
**1800 500 499**

8am-8pm AEST Mon-Fri, 10am-6pm AEST Sat and Sun.

Dyson Appliances (Aust.) Pty Ltd  
See **[www.recalls.gov.au](http://www.recalls.gov.au)** for Australian Product Recall Information.

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**Also from NSW Fair Trading: This is an urgent warning to owners of certain top loading Samsung washing machines!**

As a result of 59 reported fires involving six Samsung washing machine models, a public recall was carried out last year. Despite the recall, there are still alarming numbers of owners who are unaware of the potential danger posed by these machines. If you own a top loading Samsung washing machine, we urge you to



check its model details. The recalled models are: SW75V9WIP; SW65V9WIP; SW70SPWIP; SW80SPWIP; WA85GWGIP; and, WA85GWWIP. No other models are affected by this recall.

If you have one of the models listed or would like more information, call 1800 239 655 or email [wm.samsung@samsung.com](mailto:wm.samsung@samsung.com) to arrange for an authorised service technician to carry out a free in-home service. Until your machine is serviced, Samsung recommends it is used only if you are present or able to monitor it.

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**From the North Shore Times, March 19:**

**TURRAMURRA** Turramurra high school was the target of a graffiti attack over the weekend. The tag of a capital A in white paint which was sprayed against the wall of one of buildings and the remainder of an empty paint tin was left

behind. **WARRAWEE** Unknown offender/s sprayed a white the tag 'US" on a stationary train carriage at Warrawee train station at 8.45pm on Friday March 7.

**TURRAMURRA** A copper water pipe was bent at the side of a house at Eastern Rd between 8.30pm Saturday march 15 and 8am on Sunday March 16.

**PYMBLE** Rocks were thrown at a front window at a house on Merrivale Rd causing \$1,000 worth of damage between 10.30pm on Friday March 14 and 8am on Saturday March 15.

**LINDFIELD** A 20-year-old East Lindfield man was subjected to a breath test on Sunday 16 March after the vehicle he was driving allegedly collided with a parked car on Woodlands Rd. The test returned a positive reading and the man was taken back to Chatswood Police station for a breath analysis which returned a reading of 0.172. He was charged with high-range drink driving and negligent driving and his drivers licence was suspended.

**STIVES** Nine boxes of wine valued at \$2,000 were stolen from a storage cage at Newhaven Place between 2pm on Wednesday March 12 and 6pm on Saturday March 15 while there was an attempt to force the lock on another cage between 9pm on March 13 and 530pm on March 15.

**GORDON** A 43year-old female was driving a Pajero when she collided with the

side of a Subaru as she was turning from St Johns Ave onto Henry St at 8.45am on March 16. The Subaru, which was driven by a 45-year-old woman, was towed from the scene and a young passenger from her car was taken to hospital as a precautionary measure. The 43-year-old woman was charged with driving with an expired licence and not giving way to a vehicle.

**ROSEVILLE** A 17-year-old youth remains in custody after being arrested by North Shore Police on March 7 following reports of an alleged break and enter in Roseville Chase. Police were called by residents in Griffith Ave at midday on Friday after they saw two young men at the front of the premises buzzing the intercom. A short time later the resident walked out the front of his home where it is believed he heard noises coming from the home of his neighbour, who was out. The neighbour then arrived home and entered the home with the resident where they saw two men. Police officers located the youths running towards a pedestrian track under the Roseville Bridge. After a foot chase in which the youths ran across Warringah Rd, through bushland and down several embankments, the 17-year-old was apprehended. The youth was taken back to Chatswood Police Station and charged with aggravated break and enter and commit serious indictable offence in company.

**KU-RING-GAI COUNCIL is urging residents to report illegal waste dumping.**

A recent spate of illegal dumping of green and mixed yard waste has been found in carparks, public parks, roads and driveways. Record registration details or company names of tree contractors tipping green waste in areas that are not a waste disposal facility. **Call 9424 0000 or go to [kmc.nsw.gov.au/dumping](http://kmc.nsw.gov.au/dumping).**

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**From the Hornsby Advocate, 20 March:**

**9 ASQUITH** The soft top on a convertible car was slashed and items stolen in Asquith on Saturday night. Between 4pm on Saturday and 3pm on Sunday the car was parked on Haldine St. A handbag and E-tag was taken.

**8 HORNSBY** More than \$6000 in damage was done to an Audi A3 while it was parked in Westfield Hornsby on Tuesday. Between 12.30pm and 2.30pm, several panels were scratched. Witnesses should phone Hornsby police on 9476 9799.

**7 BEROWRA** Two properties in Berowra were robbed about the same time on Tuesday. The first was between 10am and 2.45pm on Yallambee Rd, where a window was forced open. Gold rings, bracelets, necklaces and a camera were taken. The second was between 10am and 3pm in Helvetia Ave. A door was forced open. A wedding and engagement ring valued at \$10,000 were stolen. Witnesses should phone Hornsby police on 9476 9799.

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## From Ashfield LAC: How to STOP the Bullying Without Singling Your Child Out

**#1: Keep your feelings in check** – As a parent, you want to protect your child at all costs, especially when he or she is hurt. However, your child wants to protect you as well. When you show how upset you are, it adds more charge to the situation.

A parent overreacting can fuel any insecurities or anxieties your child is feeling causing him or her to shut down. Your child can feel like they are to blame for causing you grief. Instead, save those feelings until you are alone, and ask

yourself, “What does my child need from me right now?”

**#2: Provide a safe space for your child to express his or her feelings** – Young people are emotional warehouses. They are filled with happiness, sadness, joy, frustration, calm, anger and so much more. As a parent, let your child know that it is okay to express those emotions.

Give him or her permission to cry or yell or just sit. Releasing those emotions in a safe space allows your child to move through the situation rather than hold it in or ignore it.

**#3: Talk it out** – Children are often reluctant to talk about being the victim of bullying so it is important to reassure them that talking about it will help and that you care about their well-being. Also, many kids think that telling their parents or teachers about being a victim of bullying will only make it worse so be sure to take positive steps that will not instigate the problem.

Ask your child what he or she has tried to do to stop the bullying and give them other ways to stop it. Give your child permission and suggestions on how to stop bullying themselves: using humor or just remaining calm will stop bullying. When children react confidently and assert themselves to a bully, he will often stop without adult intervention.

Bullying is not about being right or wrong. It's about feeling heard. Bullies want to feel heard. And, contrary to popular believe, bullies do not have low esteem. Actually, bullies generally feel good about themselves. They bully others for power. Encourage your child to understand that just because someone says something about him or her doesn't make it true. If your child diffuses the situation by shrugging it off or laughing – even if it is at oneself – it shows confidence. Again, the bullying isn't really about your child. It's about the bully feeling powerful, and bullies are less likely to feel powerful around those who feel confident.

**#4: Continue to support your child in other ways** – One of the best self-esteem boosters is to cultivate a habit of gratitude. Realizing your blessing can help to act as a shield against negative responses.

A few good exercises in gratitude include having a gratitude board (use a white

board and write your blessings on it each day), a gratitude jar (write down notes of gratitude in a jar and pull them out at dinner), or just sharing what you are grateful for each day at breakfast, dinner or bedtime.

**#5: Depending on the severity, report the bullying** – If your child is a victim of bullying and it is cruel enough to cause physical, emotional or self-esteem damage, then you and your child should inform your child's teacher and principal about the situation.

Schools have no tolerance for bullying and if they are aware of what is going on will work with parents and students to create a solution. Confronting the parent of your child's bully may or may not be a good idea, so talk with the school first. Sometimes the parents of a child who is bullying others will be unaware of what is going on and will be willing to help. Other times, those parents may deny that there is a problem or not want to help. Children are often afraid that they bully will find out that they told on them and bully them even more severely. While it is a legitimate fear, taking the proper, positive action will usually not result in more bullying.

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**From Blacktown LAC: There are laws in NSW relating to suitable child restraints when travelling in vehicles.** If you are unsure what your child (or a child travelling in your vehicle) is meant to be seated in, please see the image below or have a look at the Transport NSW website

<http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/stayingsafe/children/childrestraints/>



Please always refer to the local police facebook page as your primary source of information: <https://www.facebook.com/KuringGaiLAC>

This facebook page can be accessed without being signed into facebook.

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### **Scheduled Roadworks - thanks to Live Traffic NSW, Hornsby Shire Council and Ku-ring-gai Council**

#### **Berowra Waters Road, Berowra – Stage 1 – Arcadia Crescent to Crowley Road (Nos 18-54)**

Next week ( 17 March 2014), Council will be commencing construction of kerb and gutter and sealing of road pavement at Berowra Waters Road, Berowra (Stage 1). End date: 30/06/2014

#### **LINDFIELD** Pacific Hwy *between* Grosvenor Rd *and* Westbourne Rd

Date: Tue 8 Apr 2014 - Thu 10 Apr 2014

Impact:



##### **Scheduled lane closures for this week**

Tue to Thu (8pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Advice:

Reduce speed  
Exercise caution

Other Info:

Road works requiring one night shift to complete.

#### **LINDFIELD** Pacific Hwy *at* Burleigh St

Date: Sun 23 Mar 2014 - Sat 5 Apr 2014

Impact:



##### **Scheduled lane closures for this week**

Sun to Wed (8pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Advice:

Check signage  
Reduce speed

Other Info:

Work to replace a damaged utility access pit lid will take place at night. Partial lane closures will be in place and traffic controllers will be on site.

Motorists are advised to expect minor delays.

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**TURRAMURRA** Pacific Hwy *between* Rohini St *and* Turramurra Ave

Date: Wed 26 Mar 2014 - Thu 3 Apr 2014

Impact:



**Scheduled lane closures for this week**

Sun to Fri (8pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Advice: Check signage  
Reduce speed

Other Info: Work to replace kerb and guttering will occur over two night shifts in the dates specified.

There will be lane closures, reduced speed limits and traffic control. Traffic controllers will ensure that vehicles are not parked on certain sections of the Pacific Highway each day, ahead of the work.

Some noise and minor delays are expected.

**MOUNT COLAH TO WAHROONGA** M1 Pacific Hwy (F3) *between* Ku-ring-gai Chase Rd *and* Pacific Hwy

Date: Wed 12 Mar 2014 - Tue 1 Apr 2014

Impact:



**Scheduled lane closures for this week**

Sun to Thu (8pm to 5am) Southbound affected

Advice: Check signage  
Reduce speed

Other Info: Two out of the three southbound lanes will close as required for roadwork. Motorists are advised to expect minor delays. Traffic controllers will be on site.

**Lindfield:**

**Northcote Road (between No. 46 and Mackenzie Street):** Road resurfacing rescheduled for Easter school holidays.

**Grosvenor Road:** Placing of subsoil drainage in road scheduled to commence 15 March. Work will be ongoing for several weeks, on Saturdays only at present.

**Pymble, Park Cres:** Road stabilisation is now complete and road resurfacing scheduled to take place over the Easter period.

**Yarran Street / Cross Street / Cultowa Road :** Road resurfacing rescheduled for two nights over the Easter period.

**Roseville Chase, Allard Avenue (between Babbage Road and Lockley**



**Parade) and Normac Street :** Road resurfacing rescheduled for 14 and 15 April.

**Turramurra:**

**Jersey St:** Shoulder work complete. Road resurfacing scheduled over the Easter period.

**Pacific Highway (between Rohini Street and Turramurra Avenue):** Downer EDI on behalf of RMS will carry out essential maintenance work from 8pm to 5am in two night shifts between 26 March and 3 April, excluding Sundays. Enquiries contact Downer EDI on 1300 776 069.

**Wahroonga, Strone Avenue and Elizabeth Street:** Road stabilisation now complete. Road resurfacing scheduled over the Easter period.

**Hornsby Shire Council areas:** If you would like to enquire about any work taking place please phone 9847 6666 or email [hsc@hornsby.nsw.gov.au](mailto:hsc@hornsby.nsw.gov.au). Stay up-to-date with the latest roadworks by following us on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/hornsbycouncil](https://twitter.com/hornsbycouncil).

**Hornsby Shire Council** has enthusiastically welcomed the announcement that a tunnel will be built between the M1 and M2 motorways, removing a lot of traffic from the local area. Full Article

at: <http://www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/council/noticeboard/latest-news/council-thrilled-by-north-connex-announcement>

**For further information, see:** <https://www.livetraffic.com/>

[http://www.kmc.nsw.gov.au/Projects and initiatives/](http://www.kmc.nsw.gov.au/Projects_and_initiatives/)

**Council\_initiatives/Roadworks**

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## **Important Contacts**

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

**Kuring Gai Local Area Command (LAC) 9476 9799**  
**Hornsby Police Station 292 Pacific Highway, 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

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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