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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:

- **Project 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.

To make you smile:



8th July: Hornsby Police news, 8/7/13 The following relate to local issues in the Kuring gai Local Area Command:

Incident: Car crash

Time/Date: About 6.50pm on Friday the 5th

Place: Burdette st x Hunter st, Hornsby

Vehicle 1: Toyota Corolla

Driver 1: 18 year old female (P1) driver

Vehicle 2: Suzuki motor cycle

Driver 2: 51 year old male

Details: The Motor cycle had just left the Hornsby Inn with the rider now stationary on Hunter street facing north at a red traffic light. The Corolla has stopped facing south to turn right into Burdett street. As the lights changed the Corolla has turned right into the path of the motor cycle, knocking the rider to the ground. Police attended the scene to investigate the collision. The 51 year old rider was breath tested which gave an alleged positive result for alcohol. A further test gave a result of .070. The driver of the corolla received a ticket for not give way at traffic light turning right. The motor cycle rider was charged.

Court: The male rider is to appear at the Hornsby local Court on the 5th of July charged with Driving with a low Range Prescribed Concentration of Alcohol.

Incident: Shop stealing.

Time/Date: About 4.50pm on Friday the 5th

Place: The Bottle O Asquith.

Person 1: 14 year old male youth.

Details: The 14 year old with a number of other youths have entered the Bottle O at Asquith. 3 x10 can slabs of Jim Beam and cola cans were taken from the shelf. The youths are alleged to have run off without paying for them. As the 14 year old youth (above) has exited the store he has collided with the now closed auto glass doors and fell to the ground dropping the slab of cans. The youth now dazed has stumbled out of the store and tripped over the store's advertising board out the front. The youth has lost his balance and has fallen onto the roadway landing on the Pacific Highway and into the path of a passing car. The car has hit the youth. Police were called and arrested the youth. The other youths involved have fled the scene. A number of inquiries are continuing into the matter.

Incident: Bush walker rescued

Time/Date: night time on Saturday the 6th

Place: Walking track between Cowan and Brooklyn.

Person 1: 70 year old female.

Details: The 70 year old female has caught a train to Cowan with the intention of walking to Brooklyn. During the walk she has passed the water's edge near Brooklyn and when returning to finish the walk somehow has missed the track. As night time fell about 5.50pm she has called 000 for help due to the darkness. Police called for Polair to assist in a GPS location. A 4x4 police vehicle found the walker soon after and she was taken to Brooklyn railway station where she went home. She suffered no injuries and was not distressed by the ordeal.

Incident: Youth falls 10m in bushland

Time/Date: About 8.30pm on Friday the 5th

Place: Walking track near Thornleigh.

Person 1: 19 year old male

Details: The 19 year old has entered the walking track with a few friends. About 8.30pm the male has walked further looking for firewood. At this point he has slipped about 10m down a rock face. His friends have called for help with local emergency services attending to assist. Polair was called for additional lighting and guidance out of the bush. The male was taken to RNSH with a suspected fracture to his wrist, a fractured pelvis and finger. Police were made aware the male had been drinking alcohol prior to this but it is unknown how much was consumed.

Incident: Break Enter & Steal

Time/Date: Between 10am on Friday the 5th and 1pm on Sunday the 7th

Place: Chisholm street, Turramurra.

Details: The home was broken into via a ground floor rear window, which had its lock forced. Several rooms were ransacked with a Diamond ring being stolen; it was valued at \$2,000.

Incident: Break Enter & Steal

Time/Date: Between 1pm on Saturday the 6th and 12.20pm on Sunday the 7th

Place: A Manchester shop at St Ives Shopping centre.

Details: Unknown person/s have forced a ground floor front door open smashing the door jamb. 6 quilts with a retail value of \$2,700 were taken.

Incident: Mail theft/fraud.

Time/Date: Between Monday the 17th of June and Tuesday the 2nd of July.

Place: A unit block on The Pacific highway, Turramurra.

Details: A unit block was targeted with a mailbox being forced open, a debit card was stolen by person/s unknown. Over the next 2 weeks a number of frauds were committed using the debit card over parts of Sydney.

Police wish to warn all residents to make sure mailboxes are secured. Make sure you know when credit or debit cards are being delivered and question the issuer if they don't arrive. Or arrange to have them delivered to the bank itself. If you suspect any abnormal activity please report it to your bank and if a fraud has been committed, report it to police.

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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7th July: Have you seen adverts for the new TV programme 'Wanted'? Brand new show **Wanted** premieres this **Monday 8.30pm on Channel 10**. Missing persons, dramatised crimes and wanted criminals. **Wanted** is a new crime program that invites the Australian public to help solve major crimes, and put offenders behind bars. Working closely with police around the country, **Wanted** covers stories on all types of unsolved crime; murder, armed robbery, missing persons, cybercrime, scams and criminals still at large.

4th July: Over 30,000 heavy vehicles were stopped in New South Wales during a recent nationwide crack-down on heavy vehicle companies and drivers who operate unsafely. **Operation Austrans** ran for four weeks, from 20 May until 16 June 2013. As well as speed compliance, the operation targeted road safety issues such as fatigue, vehicle standards and drug use. NSW Police Force officers joined forces with police and road transport agencies across Australia and New Zealand. The annual operation has been running for more than 20 years. Assistant Commissioner John Hartley, Traffic and Highway Patrol Command, said an average of 1098 vehicles were intercepted each day of the operation, ensuring safer roads for everybody. "During the operation 172 vehicles were found with loads not properly restrained. "It was only last week, on Tuesday 25 June 2013 near Lismore, a B-Double truck rolled onto a sedan on the Pacific Highway killing a 28-year-old man and woman. Inquiries are continuing into the cause of that crash however it is a clear demonstration of the huge responsibility heavy vehicles drivers have. "At the end of four weeks police and Roads and Maritime Services inspectors intercepted more than 30,700 heavy vehicles, including articulated, rigid and B-double trucks and road trains, coaches and buses. "These resulted in 305 speeding offences, 167 infringements for not wearing seatbelts, the identification of 209 unregistered trucks and the detection of 72 drivers who were unlicensed, suspended or disqualified.

Nationwide statistics for Operation Austrans will be released today by Australia New Zealand Policing Advisory Agency (ANZPAA). For more information and statistics please go to: <http://www.anzpaa.org.au/current-initiatives/operation-austrans>

3rd July: Men charged over \$4.8m drug haul – Gordon Media release Tuesday, 02 July 2013

09:50:00 PM

Two foreign nationals, one illegally in the country, have been charged after drugs worth almost \$5 million were seized in raids at **Asquith, Gordon and Peakhurst today**. Officers attached to Gordon Region Enforcement Squad formed Operation Tassie to investigate the cultivation and supply of cannabis within the North West Metropolitan Region. Police were able to identify two men and three locations that they believed were linked to the drug production. Shortly before 9am today, (2 July 2013) police from Gordon RES and Kuring-Gai Local Area Command executed a search warrant on a home on the Pacific Highway at Asquith. Police will allege they located 125 cannabis plants and a large hydroponic setup. Officers also arrested two men aged 23 and 30 years old. A further 422 Cannabis plants were located during the execution of a search warrant on a warehouse on the Pacific Highway at Gordon and 414 plants at another warehouse in Durkin Place at Peakhurst. The 961 plants have an estimated potential street value of \$4.8 million. A large quantity of cannabis leaf was also recovered during the operation. The electricity supply to all the premises had been diverted and needed to be rendered safe by the various power suppliers. The two men, both Vietnamese nationals were taken to Hornsby Police Station where they were charged with enhanced indoor cultivation of a large commercial quantity of cannabis and several other drug related matters. The 23-year-old man is currently in Australia on a student visa while the 30-year-old man has remained here after his student visa expired in March 2013. They have both been refused bail and will appear in Hornsby Local Court on 3 July. It is worth noting information from a member of the public lead to police investigating this matter. As a result of those investigations a search warrant was obtained and the arrested and brought to justice. One for the community. See something say something.

3rd July:

NSW POLICE FORCE

MEDIA RELEASE



Police investigate alleged home invasion - Galston

Issued at 11:00am, Tuesday 2 July 2013

Police are investigating after a man was assaulted during an alleged home invasion at Galston this morning.

About 3:30am (Tuesday 2 July 2013), the 42-year-old man was at his house in Hansen Avenue when two men entered the property via a sliding door.

One of the men assaulted him and a brief struggle ensued between the pair.

The man fell to the floor during the altercation and lost consciousness, while his attackers fled with a laptop computer.

Police were contacted and launched an investigation into the incident.

The man was taken to Hornsby Hospital and has since been released.

Two teenage boys, who were home at the time, were not injured.

Detectives are continuing to pursue a number of lines of inquiry and urge anyone with information that might assist investigators to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Anyone with information about this incident should 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. We remind people they should not report crime information via our Facebook and Twitter pages.

Issued by NSW Police Force Media Unit (02) 8203 6100

Authorised by: XXXXX, XXX LAC

(Ref:nsmeddo/cmmedrel/2013/July/Galston home invasion 020713)

3rd July: Car crash power lines down. Road blocked both directions 1 hour ago.

3 cars were involved in a crash on **Edgeworth David Avenue, Hornsby** about 10am today. Details are still coming in but initial information is that 3 cars were involved it is located near Woonoona Avenue. A power pole was hit by at least one car which brought down power lines across 4 lanes of Edgeworth David Avenue. Several people were trapped but have since been released, one car ended up on its roof. There are no leaking fluids. Ausgrid have been on site and have cut power to the lines and removed them. All persons have been removed with some taken to Hospital. As of 11.15am the road has been cleared and all lanes are open to traffic. Inquiries are continuing into the crash.

Police are requesting any person who witnessed the collision to please ring **Hornsby Police on 9476 9799** and provide that information to investigating officers. The condition of those involved is still unknown at this stage.

3rd July: Report of child approach explained - North Ryde

Police had previously warned people to discuss 'Safe People, Safe Places', after a child approach in North Ryde last week, but have now determined the incident was not suspicious. On Wednesday 26 June 2013, the 13-year-old-girl got off a bus at Bridge Road and walked towards Cook Street. It was alleged that a white two-door utility had driven slowly beside her, a man got

out of the vehicle and stared at the girl. Gladesville Local Area Command Police were contacted and launched an investigation into the incident. Officers located and spoke to a man who told them he was visiting a neighbouring property. It has been ascertained that there was nothing untoward in the man's behaviour.

3rd July: Police are investigating a crash where a young girl was ejected from a vehicle in Sydney's north. Shortly before 10.10am today (Tuesday 2 July 2013), police were called to the **F3 at Wahroonga** after reports of a crash. A semi-trailer, driven by a 27-year-old Oxley Park man, crashed into a Holden Astra, with a 27-year-old Engadine woman, a six-year-old girl and four-year-old boy inside. The Holden Astra then crashed into another semi-trailer driven by a 33-year-old Woy Woy man. The six-year-old girl and the booster seat she was seated in were ejected from the vehicle. She was taken to Westmead Hospital by NSW Ambulance Paramedics with non-life threatening injuries. The 27-year-old Oxley Park man was taken to Hornsby Hospital for mandatory blood and urine testing. Kuring Gai Police are investigating the crash and appealing to anyone with information to come forward.

Anyone with information about this incident should 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.

2nd July: A warning to parents and children. There have been a number of 'child approach' incidents in this area in recent months. There have also been numerous incidents throughout NSW. Police are requesting all parents to please sit down with your children and talk to them. Talk to them face-to-face about safe people and safe locations and if they are feeling scared or in danger, who to go to, or where to go to. Identify with them who safe people are in your area or circle of family and friends. What are the safe locations (neighbours house or a local business)? Most importantly, report any incidents of inappropriate behaviour or approaches to police immediately. Police take all reports seriously and the sooner we are notified the sooner we can respond and search for offenders. As we are now in the first week of the school holidays and the rain has finally stopped, children will be out and about more. So it is imperative you have that talk. Be prepared be safe.

2nd July: Police are renewing appeals for information as they continue their inquiries into the disappearance of **Orient Point woman Debra Kirby**.

The body of a woman, believed to be aged in her 40s, was found at the bottom of a cliff off Scenic Drive about 12.15pm yesterday (Sunday 30 June 2013) by police on a routine patrol of the showground area. While the body is yet to be formally identified, police have been appealing for public assistance after a Bomaderry woman was reported missing late last week. As part of their inquiries police are seeking assistance from any member of the public who may have seen Debra Kirby's black 2007 model Toyota Yaris with NSW registration plates BCR66M. Police are particularly interested in hearing from anyone who might have seen the car at or near Nowra Showground on Scenic Drive at Nowra during the past week. Police would also like to speak with anyone who person who saw or spoke to Debra Kirby on or since Wednesday 26 June 2013.



Anyone with information about this incident should call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

2nd July: CAPP 8 - Community Awareness of Policing

Program <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y-Jdg0yUXu4&feature=youtu.be>

So please tell me more about Neighbourhood Watch in the Kuring Gai Local Area Command (LAC)...

Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) in the Kuring Gai and Hornsby areas is into its 27th year! But it was only in January 2011 that committee members from each Neighbourhood Watch group were introduced and started to work on a joint strategy for the Kuring Gai LAC area as a whole. They meet quarterly to share problems, solutions, news and ideas. Even more importantly they work as a team. Since 2011, our volunteers have helped with (at least!) eight events, two **eyewatch** community workshops, 17 radio interviews, six "Our Favourite 20 Tips..." leaflets, 32,000 fridge magnets and 94 weekly emails!

Neighbourhood Watch support the Crime Prevention Officer (CPO) within the NSW Police Kuring Gai Command - Snr Cst Paul Cleary. Our Neighbourhood Watch volunteers assist him with the manning of any crime prevention stall, such as at the Ku-ring-gai Festival on the Green, St Ives earlier this year. We share the crime prevention message via events, NHW meetings, newsletters, weekly emails, and through facebook (known as 'Project **eyewatch**'). Each NHW group has an engraver and a UV pen for the marking of valuables which can be borrowed by any resident. Yes, there are active Neighbourhood Watch committee members, however we consider **everyone** is part of Neighbourhood Watch:

- Look out for your neighbours. Be aware of what's going on in your neighbourhood. Share information with the police. Be the 'eyes and ears'. If you see something 'out of place' for your area, report the information to Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

- Join in with the online Neighbourhood Watch - '**eyewatch**' for up-to-the-minute information. Request to join the Kuring Gai & Hornsby Community **eyewatch** (NHW) facebook group and become an active member of the community involved with discussions pertinent to your local neighbourhood.
- If you see any graffiti, take a photo and upload it to www.vandaltrak.com.au to initiate its removal and record the offence.
- If you see a safety issue or problem, use the 'Snap Send Solve' App on your mobile to quickly communicate it to the local council.
- Share crime prevention advice with friends, family, colleagues and neighbours. Please forward these these emails. Take printed copies to those neighbours without a computer.

The next meeting of all the NHW groups in the Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby areas is scheduled for the evening of **Wednesday, 31 July**. Have you any issue you would like discussed? Would you like to set up a NHW group for your area? Please email NHWGordon@gmail.com or contact Paul, our Crime Prevention Officer at Hornsby Police Station on 9476 9723.

From our neighbouring North Shore Command: CAN YOU IDENTIFY THESE

MALES? North Shore Police would like your assistance in identifying these males. They may be able to assist Police with their enquiries into a number of graffiti incidents. You can contact North Shore Police on 94148499 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333000.



From Hornsby & Upper North Shore Advocate 1st July: Ku-ring-gai police are appealing for information after a **child was approached** by a man in **Hornsby** at about 3:25pm yesterday. The 16-year-old was waiting for a bus on the Pacific Highway when the man attempted to strike up a conversation and boarded the bus with the child. A witness contacted police and followed the child and man off the bus at Normanhurst Train Station, where the child sought refuge in a shop. The man continued to the station and caught a city-bound train. The man is described as being about 40 and Caucasian, with a dragon tattoo on his left forearm. He was wearing a hot pink long sleeve top and denim jeans. Anyone with information should contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Henry Kwan's father, Stephen, pushes for drug ban after death of his

son: <http://www.dailytelegraph.com.au/newslocal/north-shore/henry-kwans-father-stephen-pushes-for-drug-ban-after-death-of-his-son/story-fngr8h9d-1226670631843>

Are Digital Signatures Secure and Legal? Your handwritten signature is a legal instrument that verifies the authenticity of a document, or your agreement to the terms of a contract. Historically, signatures have been affixed to a piece of paper, a bit of tree bark, a clay tablet, or some other tangible object. Read on to learn how you can securely sign documents in a paperless, digital world.

Read more: http://askbobrankin.com/are_digital_signatures_secure_and_legal.html

A reminder from East Killara Neighbourhood Watch's latest newsletter:

CHARITY BINS AT EAST KILLARA SHOPS - There has been a lot of rubbish left near these bins recently. Only clothing is taken away by the charities. Other articles left there can incur a fine of up to \$1500 from Ku-ring-gai Council. If you have household items for recycling, call **Salvation Army 13 7258** for collection or **Vinnies 9144-6307**. If you have rubbish, book a free clean-up through Ku-ring-gai Council by phoning **9424 0000** or book online at www.kmc.nsw.gov.au.

For Hornsby residents, the Hornsby council phone number for a kerb-side collection is **9847 4856**.

National Blood Donor Week, 14-20 July. Give blood and save three lives, visit <http://bit.ly/1aciipg> or call 13 14 95.

East Killara Neighbourhood Watch Area 25/26 are holding their meeting this week: Wednesday 10 July 2013 at 7.30pm. The meeting will be held at the East Killara Uniting Church Meeting Room, Cnr Wentworth and Fairbairn Avenues (access via car park) *All residents, street co-ordinators and particularly new residents to the area are welcome.* **Guest Speaker: Senior Constable Paul Cleary, our Crime Prevention Officer**

Snr Const Cleary will give us tips on crime prevention and also tell us how the Police are using Facebook to share information and to assist in crime prevention. Please come along, have a cup of tea or coffee, meet your neighbours and learn about crime prevention. We will hold our meeting after the talk by Snr Const Cleary. This meeting is also the Annual General Meeting. The present office bearers will step down and be eligible for re-election. Nominations from the community are welcome and should be sent prior to the meeting to the **Secretary, Mary Walker 9499 6041**.

From the North Shore Times:

WORK WITH YOUR NEIGHBOURS FOR A SAFER COMMUNITY

“ Hi neighbour!
This might be the best way for us all to perform a community service.
By greeting a neighbour, you are engaging with your community.
Your police need everyone to work together to watch over our vulnerable neighbours and to develop local knowledge to identify residents in need of help, and strangers to our area.
By engaging with your neighbours and friends, particularly our older people, you will allow us to see changes in routine that may indicate ill health or a reduction in mobility that should be alerted to a doctor or relative.
Let's all look after one another to keep our community safe and well.
- North Shore Police Superintendent Commander Rob Critchlow

From the Hornsby & Upper North Shore Advocate on 6th July: Hornsby's traffic committee is proposing 15 minute parking zones in Fraser Rd, Normanhurst during school drop-off and pick-up times to alleviate the traffic problems and lack of parking around Normanhurst Public School.

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.

This email has been forwarded to you by Neighbourhood Watch within Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby. Please share the information with anyone you think may be interested, and encourage them to join our Distribution lists. Thank you. If you live outside the Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai area, please contact your local Crime Prevention officer for similar information for your locality. If you are unaware of an active Neighbourhood Watch group in your area, please consider starting one.

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