

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.

22nd July, Hornsby Police news, 22/7/13. The following relate to local issues in the Kuring gai Local Area Command:

Incident: Low range drink driving

Time/Date: About 1.45am on Sunday the 21st

Place: Arcadia road, Galston.

Motor Cycle: Black Yamaha Rider: 23 year old male

Details: The bike rider was observed by police with a pillion passenger. The rider was stopped for a random breath test and licence check. The roadside breath test was allegedly positive for alcohol, it was also revealed the rider had a full car licence but only a learner's cycle licence, which means he was restricted to a zero alcohol limit and is not allowed to carry a pillion passenger. The rider was arrested and a further test gave an alcohol reading of .053.

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

Incident: Arrest for knife in public place.

Time/Date: About 7.40pm on Sunday the 21st

Place: Hornsby Mall.
Person 1: 54 year old female.

Details: Police were called to the Hornsby Mall area with reports of a female with a knife. Security guards were spoken to and it was revealed a female has approached her own 14 year old son and 2 other 14 year old males. A confrontation occurred in which a knife was allegedly produced. The young males have run off with the female chasing them. Soon after the female has again approached them in the mall area. Police located the female in Burdett street and arrested her. She is to face Hornsby Local Court on the 14th of August charged with having a knife in a public place.

Incident: Shop lifting charges.

Time/Date: About 6pm on Saturday the 20th

Place: Woolworths Hornsby.
Person 1: 17 year old male.

Details: The 17 year old was in Woolworths and was seen by store security to allegedly place a jar of Vegemite down his pants, as well as a packet of Cheese. The male is then alleged to have left the store without paying for the items. He was detained by store security and police were called. It was also revealed the male had a banning notice which banned him from entering Westfield. The male declined to be interviewed and was charged.

Court: He is to face Hornsby Children's court on the 8th of August charged with stealing and trespass.

Incident: Graffiti incident

Time/Date: Between 5pm Saturday the 20th and 9am on Sunday the 21st

Place: RFS sign at Glenorie.

Details: A newly-erected sign at Glenorie had graffiti spray painted over it. The spray cans were left nearby and have been retained for fingerprinting. The damage to the sign is estimated to cost \$500 for cleaning.

Incident: Break Enter & Steal

Time/Date: Between 7pm on Sunday the 21st and 8.30 am on Monday the 22nd

Place: Finlay road, Turramurra.

Details: Unknown person/s have broken into the underground garage to a unit block. A Ladies racing bike was stolen from the garage. It has a White frame and had a blue seat, it was valued at \$2,500.

Incident: Child approach incident.

Time/Date: Between 10.30 am on Saturday the 20th

Place: Auluba Reserve, South Turramurra. Auluba road x Kissing Point road.

Person 1: Describe as Male of a Caucasian appearance, about 40 to 50 years old. He had heavy tattoos and was bald.

Details: The victim a 12 year old girl was at the oval for a soccer match. During the morning she has gone to the toilet and at some point between the oval's toilet block and the canteen a male (described above) has approached the girl and asked if she 'wanted some lollies'. The girl has run back to her grandmother, who saw a male running away from the area. Police were called some time after the incident and despite a search of the surrounding area the male was not located.

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

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19th July: Some quick crime stats from 6am Tuesday 16th to 11am Friday 19th.

Between 10am and 7pm on Thursday 18th.

An electric trike was stolen from the bike rack at Thornleigh railway station. The trike was Blue in colour and valued at \$2,500.

Between Tuesday the 16th and Thursday the 18th.

3 x external hard disk drives were stolen from JB HiFi Westfield Hornsby, their retail value is \$867.

Break Enter & Steal incidents as follows.

Between 6pm Thursday 18th and 7am Friday 19th.

Wattle st, Killara, entry via ground floor rear window, nil property appears to have been stolen.

Between 7.40am and 6.30pm on Thursday 18th.

Vernon st, South Turramurra, an unknown point of entry, Cash and jewellery taken valued at \$700.

Sometime between 18th of June and the 18th of July.

Deakin place, East Killara, point of entry is unknown. Cash and Jewellery taken valued at \$15,000.

Between 6pm Monday 15th and 6am Tuesday 16th.

Karranga ave, Killara. Entry via a ground floor rear door. Cash and Jewellery valued at \$2,000 was taken.

Between 7am and 9pm Thursday 18th.

Denman st, Turramurra. Entry via a ground floor side window which was jemmied open. Nil property appears to have been taken.

About 2pm Thursday 18th.

Hillmont ave, Thornleigh. Entry via a ground floor window which was 'slid' open. The owner was home at the time having a shower. The owner heard the bedroom door open and called out. A male voice was heard to say oh s*** then leave the house. Nothing was stolen however a neighbour did see 2 men in a silver car either a Ford Falcon or a Holden Commodore near to that time. Of note this car and those men appear not to 'belong' in the area.

See something suspicious please report it. 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.

19th July: Assistance required from the community.

Hornsby police are investigating a stealing incident that occurred at the **Chemist Warehouse**, **Turramurra**. The incident occurred just after **7.45pm on Wednesday the 10th of July** in which a packet of worming tablets was stolen, the offenders were confronted by staff member at the store. The offenders are believed to have left the scene possibly in a White Toyota Van Mid 90's model. Police believe the 2 males depicted

may be able to assist in their inquiries into the matter. If you have any information into the incident please ring **Hornsby police on 9476 9799 or crime stoppers on 1800 333 000**, to report crime anonymously.



17th July, An excerpt from a lovely post written by Daniel Sullivan, Superintendent at Brisbane Water LAC: **VALE DETECTIVE SERGEANT ROGER BORGAS**

It is with heavy hearts that we all mourn the passing of our friend and colleague Detective Sergeant Roger Borgas who was the Team Leader of the Brisbane Water Local Area Command Anti Theft Unit.

Roger left us at 12:16pm on Sunday 7 July, 2013. Roger has been with us in the New South Wales Police Force for over 28 years and has performed with distinction in many roles during this time. Roger joined the New South Wales Police Force on 9 April, 1985 and when he graduated from the Police Academy he was attached to the Number 16 Division in Hornsby and Pennant Hills.

17th July: Keep a lookout for this vessel a blue and white 1997 Regal Bowrider Runabout AFS772N which was stolen along with a trailer from a residence in Budgewoi between 2 July and 10 July 2013.



15th July: Be a part of the 21st century Neighbourhood Watch (NHW)! Please complete the form and bring along with your drivers licence to Hornsby Police Station. Following necessary checks we can then include you in our Kuring gai and Hornsby Community eyewatch (NHW) facebook group (where it all happens!) The application form is available

from: http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/ data/assets/
pdf file/0011/208577/Eyewatch application form2 FINAL.pdf

15th July, from North Shore LAC: CAN YOU HELP CHATSWOOD POLICE IDENTIFY THIS MAN?

North Shore Detectives are seeking assistance from the public regarding the identity of this male caught on CCTV below. Investigators believe he may be able to assist them with their enquiries into a fraud matter where credit cards were used at service stations in Lindfield and Killara on Tuesday 25th June. If you have any information regarding this incident or the identity of this man police urge you to contact Chatswood Police on 9414 8499 or anonymously via Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.





The next meeting of all the Neighbourhood Watch 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.

A reminder from Ku-ring-gai Council: You must **register your pool or spa** under new legislation before 29 October 2013 at www.wimmingpoolregister.nsw.gov.au.



Quick Internet Tip #214: Yahoo are about to recycle email addresses that have been unused for a year. If you linked your Yahoo email ID to any sites as a 'recovery email' and you request a password reset on a social media account, your bank account, another email address - it will go to someone else. You might have done this so long ago that you might have forgotten it.

- 1. Go to all of your important accounts banking, social media, email, etc. and go to the security settings to see what email addresses you have set up there.
- 2. Go to Yahoo and decide whether or not you want to keep that account all it takes is to send / receive some emails and logging-in to keep it active.

Consider requesting regular alerts from www.staysmartonline.gov.au. The website also offers advice on 'two-factor authentication' of passwords, 'avoiding phishing' (pdf factsheet) and 'avoiding scams and hoaxes'. Current scams include phishing via an 'Apple' website, and emails, phone calls or visits pretending to be from the ATO offering tax refunds. Watch and share the video, presented by Paul Clitheroe, for tips on keeping yourself safe from scammers: http://youtu.be/wmgVqT9WvpU

Friendly reminder: "Keep a record of all your valuables."

Our Tip: Why not walk around the house with a video camera, recording the objects and contents in each room, opening each cupboard and each drawer to see inside? Include the shed, garage, garden ornaments, roof, cellar etc. In this manner you have a record of all your possessions, and an easy method of recalling what was in each room and where. It can assist with the annual job of reassessing the value of your contents insurance, or in the unfortunate event of a burglary.

Advice from Arcadia Rural Fire Brigade: - If you're doing some property clean-up (lawns, etc.) and you have a hydrant at the front of your yard, do us a favour and make sure it's not

From Northern Beaches LAC, 15 July: Police are again warning businesses on the northern beaches to be on the lookout for **counterfeit banknotes**, after a fake \$50 note was passed at Woolworths at Frenchs Forest on Saturday. The fake was not discovered until later in the day and reported to the police, who are reviewing CCTV footage. The fake note has been passed to the Australian Federal Police for forensic examination. A fake \$100 banknote was passed at an Avalon supermarket two weeks ago.

From NSW SES: Do you park your car in an **underground car park?** If a storm is forecast you may consider moving it because sometimes underground car parks flood during a storm. For more tips visit: http://www.stormsafe.com.au/ Image Source: telegraph.co.uk



From the Hornsby Advocate, 18 July:

MT COLAH Police would like to speak to anyone who witnessed a serious assault at a party in Mt Colah on Saturday night. At about 9pm an 18-year-old was involved in a fight with two men in their 20s who pushed him into a glass table before slashing his face with scissors. He required five stitches to his cheek. The victim cannot tell police the location of the home. Witnesses should phone Hornsby Police on 9476 9799.

WAHROONGA Two businesses in Redleaf Ave were broken in to on Monday night but the thieves did not get away with any items. Between 9.30pm on Monday and 5.30am on Tuesday a door at an insurance broker was forced open but nothing taken. Entry was then gained to a dry cleaners through a skylight and very hunched over. Witnesses a CCTV system was disabled

TURRAMURRAA commuter asleep on at train travelling on the North Shore line on Tuesday night awoke and found his laptop bag containing \$14,000 was missing. An iPad and documents were also taken. The man boarded the train at Wynyard at 9pm, CCTV images captured two men getting on the train at St Leonards who police would like to speak to. They are both aged in their 20s, one caucasian wearing white pants, the other Middle Eastern with black tracksuit and cap. Witnesses should phone Hornsby Police on 9476 9799.

HORNSBY A couple worked together to distract staff while stealing a pair of jeans on Saturday. Around 11.30am a woman, described as having obvious lip chaffing, spoke to staff. At the same time a man in his 50s took the jeans. He had grey hair, wearing a tracksuit and call Police on 94769799.

Each of the following tips are included as a direct consequence of a true occurrence in our Kuring Gai NSW **Police Local Area Command: Preventing Theft Tip #35: Don't leave** valuable possessions, such as a handbag, on your children's pram, especially in crowded shopping

malls.

Preventing Theft Tip #36: Don't leave valuable possessions, such as a handbag, in the shopping trolley child-seat.

Preventing Theft Tip #37: Don't leave your handbag or shopping bags by your feet in a café, on transport, or at the cinema. Keep them with you, preferably on your lap.

Preventing Theft Tip #38: Don't put down your wallet, mobile phone or handbag whilst playing an arcade game.

Preventing Theft Tip #39: Don't leave your wallet, mobile phone or handbag unattended on a table at a function, restaurant or club.

Safety advice for road users on a horse can be found in full in the article 'Road Riding' available at: http://www.tophorse.com.au/road-riding vicarticle7 F.

- •Be aware of the traffic around you. Drivers have the benefit of rear-view mirrors...you don't, so keep checking traffic status behind you, especially if you're changing direction.
- Avoid riding on the roads at dusk and at night as you will be almost invisible to drivers. Invest in some reflective clothing/horse safety gear.
- Don't ride on the road if your horse seems unsettled (this especially applies on windy

days).

- •Don't canter on bitumen or concrete...it not only jars your horse's legs, it can be very slippery.
- •Don't ride too close to any vehicle, even parked cars, in case a driver suddenly starts the engine or opens the door, startling your horse.
- •If your horse shies, dismount and lead him past the feared object. DO NOT force a battle on the road!
- •Always ride in the same direction as the traffic is flowing and give clear hand signals.
- •Make eye contact with drivers when changing direction, this way you can check they've seen you and will slow down.
- •If in doubt, DON'T! This means if there's a gap in the traffic and you're not sure you'll make it through, DON'T GO. Wait until there's a safer gap.
- •Don't be in too much of a hurry. Don't compromise safety for the sake of saving a few seconds.

Vicki Sach-Top Horse

Scheduled Road Works:

West Pymble, The Comenarra Parkway (Doncaster Ave to Parker Ave) Three nights of resurfacing works are scheduled for week starting 22 July, 8pm to 5am. Marshals will direct traffic.

Lindfield, Pacific Hwy between Eton Rd and Bent St Mon 22 July to Mon 5 August. Sunday to Friday (8pm to 5am). Both directions affected. Check signage. Reduce speed. Road re-surfacing work will take place at night. Traffic controllers will be on site. Motorists are advised to expect delays.

Berowra, Pacific Hwy at Berowra Waters Rd Mon 22 July to Wed 31 July. Sunday to Friday (8pm to 5am). Both directions affected. Allow extra travel time. Reduced speed limit.

Galston, Galston Rd between Calderwood Rd and Belbowrie Close Fri 19 July to Tue 23 July. Friday to Tuesday (8pm to 5am). Both directions affected. Exercise caution. Check

signage. Partial lane closures will be in place. Minor delays are expected due to changed traffic conditions. Motorists are asked to follow the direction of traffic controllers.

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.

Thanks to News Local, Live Traffic NSW and Ku-ring-gai council's

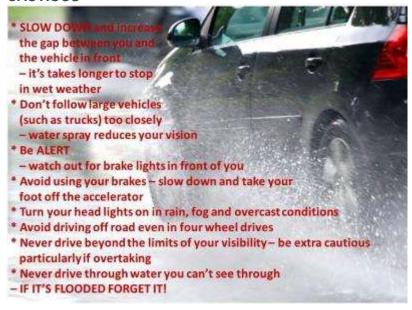
Following last week's email we have been asked to include more about Live Traffic NSW at www.livetraffic.rta.nsw.gov.au. Both this website, and the Live Traffic App for mobile phones (highly recommended!), give you up-to-date information about breakdowns, scheduled road works, major events, incidents and hazards. You select an area, eg 'Sydney North'. You can even view the traffic flow from cameras in our area, by selecting 'Traffic Cameras' and for example F3 (Wahroonga)' or Pacific Highway (Pymble). Here's a couple of sample views for you:





Hornsby Shire Council: Next **Children's Car Safety Seat Check** - Thursday 19 Sep and Monday 25 Nov. Details: 9847 6856.

From Barwon LAC, advice for bad weather: SLOW DOWN - STAY ALERT - BE SEEN - BE CAUTIOUS



Email <u>NHWGordon@gmail.com</u> 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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