

Kuring-gai NSW Police Local Area Command (LAC)

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This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in the NSW Police Force Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC), which includes most of the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai council areas. The eNewsletter is a new type of Neighbourhood Watch; utilising the available technology to keep people more connected and up-to-date with local crime and safety issues.

The eNewsletter includes a selection of posts from the Kuring Gai LAC Facebook page click here (also known as 'eyewatch'), primarily for those not familiar with Facebook. We add anything interesting from a Neighbourhood Watch point-of-view - this could be a local newspaper article, a roadwork warning, crime prevention tip(s), an upcoming Neighbourhood Watch meeting, Q&As from residents, or an item from an other Police command ("Crooks know no boundaries!"). Have you seen anything we should share with the community? Click here to email NHW in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby. We do value your contributions. Thank you for your support.

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3 July, NSW Police Force

Police are appealing for witnesses after a crash in Sydney's north which left a motorcyclist seriously injured.

About 7.40am today (Saturday 2 July 2016), a black Hyundai Imax collided with a Harley Davison motorcycle at the intersection of the M2 and Lane Cove Road, Macquarie Park.

The Imax was travelling in a north easterly direction on Lane Cove Road, with the motorcycle attempting to turn right on to Lane Cove Road from the M2 when the crash occurred.

As a result of the crash, the 46-year-old man riding the motorcycle suffered serious lower leg injuries. He was taken to Royal North Shore Hospital in a stable condition.

The 59-year-old man driving the van, a US National, was arrested at the scene and taken to Ryde Police Station where he was charged with dangerous driving occasioning grievous bodily harm and negligent driving occasioning grievous bodily harm.

He was granted bail to appear at Burwood Local Court on Monday (4 July 2016).

Police from the Metropolitan Crash Investigation Unit are appealing for any witnesses to the crash to come forward, particularly drivers who were travelling north on Lane Cove Road at the time.

Police are urging anyone with information in relation to this incident to call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or use the Crime Stoppers online reporting page: https://nsw.crimestoppers.com.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.

2 July, NSW Police Force



Two truck drivers have been fined after separate incidents involving over-length trucks entering Galston Gorge.

About 9am today (Saturday 2 July 2016), police received information that a truck had become stuck in Galston Gorge

Police stopped and spoke to the driver of the truck and trailer, which had a combined length of 18.5 metres, more than double the authorised maximum length for the gorge of 7.5 metres.

For more details, click here.

1 July, NSW Road Safety, Amendments to Road Rules from 1 July 2016

Some minor changes to the NSW Road Rules from 1 July 2016 clarify existing road rules and make them easier to understand. Most of these changes do not require a change in general driver behaviour. However, the changes affect all road users, so it is important that everyone is aware of the rules.

Click here for details on amendments to road rules.

1 July, From the Daily Telegraph, Brookvale and Cromer drug raids net nearly \$3 million worth of marijuana

Nearly 600 plants were found in a two-storey building in Carter Rd at Brookvale and nearly 400 in a building in Villiers Place at Cromer.

Police also allegedly seized a quantity of dried cannabis at the Cromer premises.

The simultaneous raids were launched at 8am and within an hour five men had been taken into custody.

For details, click here.

1 July, NRMA, How to avoid the 5 most common crashes



In NSW, around 90% of road crashes are caused by just five types of situation. NRMA's corporate driver training, explains how to reduce that risk. For details, click here.

30 June, From Hornsby Advocate, Child approached in aquatic centre change rooms in Hornsby

POLICE are appealing for information after a child was approached in Sydney's North Shore yesterday afternoon.

A 10-year-old boy was approached in the change rooms of an aquatic centre in

Hornsby between 5.15 and 5.30pm yesterday afternoon, sparking an investigation by NSW Police.

Kuring-Gai Local Area Command have begun an investigation into the incident, with police requesting to speak to a man who may be able to assist with inquiries.

for details, click here.

30 June, NSW Police Force, Little Blue Dinosaur

School holiday's are about to begin all around Australia. Remember, there are more children out in the community, so please be on the lookout! Wishing everyone a safe and fun school holidays.... Please SHARE our road safety reminder.

30 June, NSW Police Force

If you think that looking down for a few seconds to check or send a text message causes no harm, we can assure you that the families who have lost loved ones because of a distracted driver feel very differently.

If you're travelling 80km/h and take your eyes off the road for three seconds, you'll travel over 60 meters effectively blindfolded.

Don't text and drive.

29 June, NSW Police Force



Police are seeking public assistance after a bag containing a life-saving insulin pump belonging to a 15-year-old boy was likely stolen in Sydney's west.

About 6.55pm today (Tuesday 28 June 2016), the boy was at soccer training at Potters Fields on Shepherd Street, Colyton, when it was noticed his satchel bag went missing while he was on the field.

Inside the bag was a black coloured Animas Vibe insulin pump, which the boy has to use every two hours, as he suffers from type-one diabetes.

The equipment will not be of any use to someone who does not require it.

The bag itself is described as a black and blue coloured Adidas satchel bag. It also contained a white Apple Iphone 6 and a pair of gloves.

Police believe the bag was stolen, however there is also a possibility it was picked up by mistake.

Police are urging for the life-saving medical equipment to be returned as soon as possible.

Anyone with information on the incident is urged to contact St Marys Police Station on (02) 9677 7499 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

29 June, NSW Police Force



School's out and it's up to parents to let them know that police officers are good, and are there to help them. Please SHARE.



View the <u>local Kuring-gai police Facebook page here</u>. You don't have to know anything about Facebook to have a quick squizzy. The NSW Police - Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC) covers most of the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai suburbs.





Theft at Westfield

POLICE ASK HAVE YOU SEEN THIS WOMAN?



POLICE are calling for anyone with information on the identity of this woman to come forward.

The woman is wanted for questioning over the theft of a men's brown leather wallet from a market stall situated outside Westfield Chatswood about midday on June 16.

The woman is described as being of caucasian appearance and at the time of the incident was wearing black ¾ pants, a patterned T-shirt and black sneakers.

If you know who this is or have any information on the woman pictured, call Chatswood Police Station on 9414 8499.

From the Hornsby Advocate, 30 June

'AXE ATTACK' ESCAPE PROBED

NSW POLICE has began an investigation after reports emerged of an alleged axe attack and kidnapping in Hornsby last week

A man, aged in his 20s, claimed he was approached by a group of men who threatened him with an axe before locking him in the boot of a car.

Reports suggest the man was driven

to Waterloo before escaping — raising an alarm at a South Dowling St apartment at 2.35pm Wednesday, June 22.

The man is recovering in St Vincent's Hospital after undergoing surgery on stab wounds to his arms.

Police have requested anyone with information to contact crime stoppers on 1800 333 000.

NORMANHURST

A man who allegedly smoked ice jumped on to the bonnet of a car in traffic on Pennant Hills Rd near the intersection of Dartford Rd about 3.55am on Sunday. A truck driver noticed the man with no shirt in jeans behaving strangely and watched him walk into the middle of road in his rear view mirror. A vehicle in lane three had to stop to avoid the man, who then dived onto its bonnet and rolled off. The driver checked on him and he was unresponsive so police and an ambulance were called. The man pretended to be asleep and allegedly made admissions to have recently smoked ice. Investigations are continuing.

MT COLAH

A black drone worth about \$600 was found in the backyard of a home in Excelsior Rd about 7.15am on Saturday. It was handed in to police who would like to give it back to the owner but if the owner is not found the finder will get to keep it.

THORNLEIGH

A \$3000 Giant brand mountain bike without pedals or a crank was stolen from a bicycle service shop on Pennant Hills Rd between 2pm and 3pm on Monday. Bikes due to be serviced were chained up outside the rear of the store. A witness told police they saw a man cut the chain, grab the bike and throw it over a fence. Investigations are continuing.

TURRAMURRA

A total of \$12,000 worth of jewellery was stolen from a unit on Womerah St between 5pm Friday, June 17, and 10.20am Saturday, June 25. A door was jemmied open and three rooms ransacked with the contents of draws and cupboards tipped onto the floor. Gold jewellery including necklaces, rings and earrings were taken.

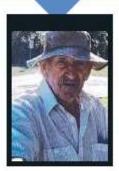
TURRAMURRA

Power tools worth \$8000 were stolen from the garage of a home on Satterley Ave between 6am on Saturday and 9am Sunday. A detached garage was broken in to and an Esky and power tools including four drills were stolen.

WAHROONGA

About \$600 damage was done to a Toyota Echo parked in Havilah Ave sometime between 7pm on Sunday and 3pm on Tuesday. The bonnet was scratched, a mirror and aerial snapped off.

missing wanted



missing

Last seen: Outside his unit in Iluka on the morning of August 7 2014. Both his bicycle and personal belongings were left behind at his property.



unsolved

CCTV: Police investigating a Canley Vale hotel robbery on March 10 by three masked, armed men have released an image of a man they would like to speak to.

3 July, From NABO, How to Handle a Neighbourhood Feud



It happens. Your mango tree is growing over your neighbour's fence and it isn't good for their own garden, or their home renovation might be affecting your property. Either way, you both dislike what is happening. But there are ways to settle the quarrel other than shouting over the fence or keying each other's cars. We've calmly put our heads together and come up with some more peaceful

alternatives that will stop a neighbourhood argument from completely blowing up. For details, click <u>here.</u>

1 July, Day one for Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

The Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission officially commenced operations today. The Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission formed following the merge of the Australian Crime Commission and CrimTrac.

Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission Chief Executive Officer Chris Dawson welcomed Canberra staff to the newly formed agency at an event this morning.

"Today marks a significant and historical milestone in Australia's response to crime," Mr Dawson said.

"The Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission's vision is a safer Australia that is better connected, informed and capable of responding to crime and criminal justice issues."

For details, click here.

28 June, Australian Federal Police



Here's a story of how a 'simple' bomb joke can wreck your travel plans....

You've booked your flight, packed your bag and got to the airport with time to spare. Answer a couple of routine security questions at check-in and you're good to go:

Security: "Did you pack your own bag?"

Passenger: "Yes".

Security: "Do you have any prohibited or dangerous articles in your bag?"

Passenger: "No...except for the bomb".

And THAT is how you ruin your trip.

Recently, one man spent a night in custody and had to pay a \$750 fine when he provided a similar response.

Would you risk a night in custody, hundreds of dollars out of pocket and your entire holiday over a joke that has been said before and no one finds funny?

Dates for the Diary:

Monday 19 September: KPCSC FREE Seminar 'Parent Survival Strategies for Teaching Young Drivers' 6-8pm @ Gordon Library Meeting Room 2. Book: Carroll 0405 558

Monday 26 September: Turramurra NHW meeting @ Turramurra Uniting Church, 8pm.

Monday 03 - Sunday 09 October 2016: NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH WEEK Wednesday 05 October: NHW Roadshow @ Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers. Draft theme - "Bring Back Community!"

27 June, Drug and Alcohol Research and Training Australia (DARTA), Do you pick your child up from a party or give them an Uber account? Parenting Party and Gathering Rule Number 2

I'm sure many of you who read the title of this entry looked at it in disbelief and said surely that isn't a question that any parent in their right mind would ever even consider but sadly I'm hearing this more and more, right across the country. If it's not an actual account with Uber or a taxi company, there are more and more parents who are quite happy handing over a wad of cash to their teen so that they can 'safely' catch a cab home after attending a party or gathering on a Saturday night. And if you think I'm just talking about 17 year-olds here, I'm not. Sadly we're seeing Year 10s and even younger who are finding their own way home from these events.

For more, click here

Important Contacts

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

Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC) 9476 9799

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

Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000

Report crime anonymously
Report suspicious activity asap

Police Assistance Line (PAL) 131 444

For non-urgent minor crime

Kuring-gai Crime Prevention Officer 9476 9723

Local Police Facebook page: Kuring Gai LAC

Non-emergency two-way communication

Interpreting & Translating Services 131 450

Never be afraid or embarrassed to report a crime, concern or fear you have to the Police. The Police are here to help you.

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Our mailing address is:

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