

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 (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? Please email our NHW in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby volunteers. We do value your contributions. Thank you for your support.
- → Please feel free to share/forward this eNewsletter with your friends, family, colleagues and neighbours.
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Crime Stats for the weekend 16 - 19 June

OFFENCES	Break & Enter	Malicious Damage	Stealing	Steal from motor vehicle	Steel Motor Vehicle	Fraud
Suburb						
ASQUITH						
BEROWRA			1			
BROOKLYN					1 (boat)	
COWAN						
GALSTON						
GORDON						
HORNSBY	1	l .	- 1		1 (car trailer)	
HORNSBY HEIGHTS					10	
KILLARA		2				
MT COLAH						
MT KURING GAI						
NORMANHURST		l .	1			
PYMBLE						
ST IVES						
THORNLEIGH			1 2			1
TURRAMURRA			2			
WAHROONGA	1 3	t .	1	1		
WAITARA						
WARRAWEE		1.0	1			
WEST PYMBLE						
WEBTLEIGH						
Date range	16 June to 19 .	lune				

Berowra: Stealing 1

Brooklyn: Steal Motor Vehicle (1 Boat)

Hornsby: Break & Enter 1, Stealin1, Steal Motor Vehicle (1 Car Trailer)

Killara: Break & Enter 2

Normanhurst: Break & Enter 1, Stealing 1

Thornleigh: Malicious Damage 1, Stealing 1, Fraud 1

Turramurra Stealing 2

Wahroonga: Break & Enter 1, Stealing 1, Steal from Motor Vehicle 1

Warrawee: Malicious Damage 1

19 June, from NSW Road Safety: Lane Filtering

When riding a motorcycle, lane filtering is legal if: you have your full licence, are travelling less than 30km/h and it is safe to do so. Every time you ride, ride to live. See video <u>here.</u>

16 June, from Crime Stoppers NSW

WHAT TO DO IF YOU FIND YOURSELF IN AN EMERGENCY?

What is an emergency?

- Is someone injured?
- Is your life or property being threatened?

Have you just witnessed a serious accident or crime?
If you answered YES to any of these, call Triple Zero (000). Triple Zero calls are free.

When you call Triple Zero (000) you will be asked by the initial operator if you require POLICE, FIRE OR AMBULANCE?

You must tell the operator which service you require and what your area, town or suburb is.

If you require Police and any other service, such as "Police AND Ambulance" or "Police AND Fire Brigade" ask for "POLICE".

When you are transferred to the POLICE operator;

- STAY FOCUSSED, STAY RELEVANT, STAY ON THE LINE and speak CLEARLY
- The operator will ask you for your LOCATION provide a street address if possible, or a street and nearest corner street AND suburb, or provide as much information about your location as possible.
- Try not to move onto any further details about what is happening until the operator has CONFIRMED your location with you. If the police operator does not know exactly where you are, or where the incident is occurring, they cannot send police on the way.
- Let the operator ask you for the information they require this will help police get to you faster.
- Don't hang up until the operator has all the information they need. Operators do not ask you for unnecessary information, EVERYTHING they ask is information police require before attending the incident.

The Emergency + App is free and will help you if you are ever in an emergency. The app will give you your location so you can tell the operator EXACTLY where you are. This helps the operator get police to you FASTER. You can download the app from here.

For non-emergencies, call the Police Assistance Line on 131 444.

15 June, Hornsby Police News

Hornsby police were called to help a group of bushwalkers who got lost as night

fell, a theft from a pram at Hornsby Westfield and a car crash on the M1.

Hornsby: A handbag with \$550 was stolen from a pram outside Kmart between 1.30pm and 1.40pm on Friday, June 9. The bag also contained a mobile phone. About 2pm the handbag was found in the carpark near the entry to Kmart, with the phone and a wallet, minus the \$550.

Cowan: Police were called to the Jerusalem Bay Track about 6.30pm on Monday, June, 12 after a 71-year-old woman, a 46-year-old man, his wife, 33, and two daughters became stranded without a torch as night fell. Police located the group about 7.30pm and escorted them to Cowan train station.

Berowra: A mobile drug testing unit on the Pacific Hwy detected three drivers who allegedly returned positive results on Monday, June 12. About 2.20pm police stopped a 25-year-old in a Hyundai for a random drug and breath test which was allegedly positive for cannabis. A second fluid test in the RDT bus also allegedly found traces of cannabis. A sample will be sent to a laboratory for testing and the driver was given a court attendance notice. He allegedly made admissions to smoking cannabis earlier that day. About 1.10pm a 38-year-old man driving a Holden Apollo also tested positive to drugs. He also allegedly admitted to smoking cannabis. A 17-year-old man in a Hyundai also tested positive about 10.20am at the same location and allegedly made admissions to using cannabis a week ago.

Waitara: More than 20 rusty nails were left on the driver's and passengers seat of a silver Ford Fiesta parked on Waitara Ave on Sunday, June 11. The owner noticed various items missing including a jacket with the NSW health emblem on it, a steering wheel cover, a USB cable and a phone holder. The theft occurred between 6.20pm Sunday, June 11 and 7am on Monday. Police are hoping to nail the offender.

Brooklyn: A 28-year-old man was charged with mid-range drink driving on Monday, June 12 after he crashed a 2012 Toyota Hilux on the M1 in Brooklyn, about 3am. The driver is alleged to have lost consciousness while in lane 1 of 3 and drifted out of the lane hitting the rock wall, which woke him up. The car came to rest with major damage and a roadside breath test was allegedly positive. He was arrested and a breath analysis at Hornsby police station returned a reading of .117. His licence was suspended and he is due to face Hornsby Local Court on July 27.

Turramurra: Police stopped a car on Bobbin Head Rd, on Monday, June 12 about

5.20pm, after it was allegedly seen travelling at 75km/h in a 50km/h zone. After stopping the car, police allegedly found a two-year-old child in the car unrestrained in a car seat that was also not fitted to the seat. The driver, a 33-year-old woman was issued infringement notices for speeding by more than 20km/h and having an unrestrained child under four years old.

Glenorie: A 17-year-old was punched to the mouth and lost a tooth after going to the aid of party goers at Kemp Place in Glenorie on Saturday, June 3, at 11.30pm. The Castle Hill youth took himself to hospital. Police are interviewing witnesses to the incident including a 16-year-old. They would like to speak to anyone else who was at the party and saw the incident.

Hornsby: Three pairs of sunglasses worth \$600 were stolen from the OPSM display counter in Hornsby Westfield between 11.30am and 1pm on Monday June 12.

15 June, from NSW Road Safety

Remember to always be safe and aware when near level crossings. Obey the signs and traffic signals and don't risk your life or the lives of others. Don't rush to the other side.

See video here.

12 June, from Crime Stoppers NSW

WHAT TO DO IF YOU LOSE A PERSONAL ITEM...

You can now easily and conveniently report lost property online through the NSW Police Force Community Portal <u>here.</u>

Otherwise you may call the Police Assistance Line on 131 444 (24/7) to make this report over the phone. In either case, you will be given an EVENT NUMBER which you may use if you need to make an insurance claim.

IF you find your property, or it gets returned to you somehow, please remember to ring the Police Assistance Line back on 131 444 to update your report in the system.

Please note: Police do not actively investigate 'lost property'. Your property is your responsibility and losing your property is not a crime that has been committed to you. If an item is handed to police, found or recovered by police they will do their best to 'match' an item which has been reported in the system so as to get the item back to you.



Dates for the Diary:

Wednesday 28 June: 10am @ Hornsby Police Station - Community Safety Precinct Committee (CSPC) **Email us any issue you'd like discussed.**

14 August to 20 August: Rail Safety Week Info.

Wednesday 23 August: 10am @ Hornsby Police Station - Community Safety

Precinct Committee (CSPC) Email us any issue you'd like discussed.

15 March to 14 September 2017: Commercial Explosives Amnesty

Saturday 07 October 2017: Community Picnic @ St Ives Village Green as part of

NHW Australasia's NHW Week.

Wednesday 01 November: 10am @ Hornsby Police Station - Community Safety

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From Hornsby Shire Council

We have won the title of State Top Collector in the MobileMuster Awards! To read more click <u>here.</u>

From Ku-ring-Gai Council, 16 June



Check out these handy maps for learner drivers. They'll take you on a drive around the area, with difficulty in routes moving from easy to hard as your confidence builds.

Read more here.

From the North Shore Times, 15 June

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The next time you take your child to the pool or beach, for the love of God, remember this...

See video here.

17 June, from Kings Cross LAC - NSW Police Force

USING DATING APPS? HERE'S HOW TO STAY SAFE

There has been increased media coverage recently regarding crimes associated with the use of various dating applications. Most of these have cited locations outside Australia, however there is nothing preventing similar offences occurring here in NSW.

In the last couple of years we have seen a number of incidents where victims have been targeted by offenders using dating apps to make contact.

Remember when using dating apps you can miss out on the visible cues you might normally pick up on when meeting people in person.

Dating app users come from all walks of life and anyone can become a victim of crime associated with its use.

Read more <u>here</u> for tips to help ensure your safety when using dating apps.

16 June, from NSW Elder Abuse Helpline and Resource Unit

Today marks World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

"It represents the one day in the year when the whole world voices its opposition to the abuse and suffering inflicted to some of our older generations." (United Nations)

The World Health Organisation (WHO) have published an article today showing the higher than estimated rate at which older people are experiencing some form of abuse.

Read more <u>here</u>

15 June, from the Australian Federal Police

Our UK counterparts need your help. Were you in London recently?

Detectives would like to hear from anyone who may have information about the

terrorist attack at London Bridge and Borough Market at 21:58hrs on Saturday 3rd June.

Officers are particularly keen to hear from anyone who witnessed the white van targeting individuals on London Bridge, saw the suspects attacking members of the public or armed police engaging the suspects.

If you have information about the incident or saw anything please use the <u>following</u> <u>website</u> to make contact with the Counter Terrorism Police in London

14 June, from NSW Police Force [Edited]

Police are issuing a warning for members of the public to be wary of potential phone scammers, coaxing people into purchasing gift cards.

Police from Manning-Great Lakes Local Area Command have received multiple reports from people who have received phone calls from someone claiming to represent of either the Australian Taxation Office or Telstra.

The caller tells the person that they have an outstanding bill or debt, before instructing them to purchase gift cards. The details of the gift cards are then provided to the caller as payment for the outstanding bill.

Police are warning members of the public to be wary of any requests for payment made over the phone and are urging them not to transfer any money or provide sensitive information to people over the phone.

Community members are reminded that the Australian Taxation Office will never:

- threaten you with immediate arrest
- ask you to pay money to receive a refund or payment from us
- ask you to pay a debt via iTunes vouchers, or pre-paid credit card or store gift cards
- ask you to provide personal information, such as your tax file number (TFN) or credit card number, via email or SMS
- ask you to pay money into a personal bank account
- direct you to download files from the internet, or open attachments in unsolicited emails.

Further information can be found by clicking here.

13 June, Malware downloader infects your PC without a mouse click



The downloader installs a banking Trojan into your PC the moment your mouse pointer hovers over it.

You think you're safe from malware since you never click suspicious-looking links, then somebody finds a way to infect your PC anyway. Security researchers have discovered that cybercriminals have recently started using a malware downloader that installs a banking Trojan to your computer even if you don't click anything. All it takes to trigger the download is to hover your mouse pointer over a hyperlink in a carrier PowerPoint file.

Read more here.

13 June, from The Science Explorer

Drowning doesn't look like drowning: In 10 percent of drownings, adults are nearby but have no idea the victim is dying. Here's what to look for.

This Memorial Day weekend marks the start of another—hopefully safe—swimming season. In 2013, Mario Vittone dispelled a popular myth about how to tell when someone is struggling in the water.

Click <u>here</u> for original article.

12 June, from NSW Police Force

Investigations are underway after a man was found with stab wounds in Sydney's north west.

Emergency services were called to a unit on Joubert Street, Hunters Hill, following reports a man had been stabbed in the upper torso just before 7pm today (Monday 12 June 2017).

NSW Ambulance paramedics treated a 27-year-old man at scene, for his stab wound and lacerations to his arms and legs before taking him to Royal North Shore Hospital.

Officers attached to Ryde Local Area Command established a crime scene and have commenced an investigation into the incident.

Inquiries are continuing and police are urging anyone with information to contact police via Crime Stoppers.

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 <u>page</u>. 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.

Crime Stats for April - Killara					
INC_CATEGORY	FURTHER_CLASS	ADDRESS	START_DATE	ESTART_TIME	
ASSAULT	ASSAULT COMMON	WERONA AVE	06-04-17	2223	
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	BRUCE AVE	03-04-17	745	
BUSINESS INSPECTION	LICENSED PREMISES	PACIFIC HWY	25-04-17	1315	
BUSINESS INSPECTION	LICENSED PREMISES	PACIFIC HWY	29-04-17	2135	
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	BLAXLAND RD	02-04-17	300	
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	BLAXLAND RD	02-04-17	300	
SCHOOL	EXTERNAL PATROL	KOOLA AVE	18-04-17	1355	

INSPECTION					
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLI	E NORFO	LK ST 08-	04-17	1
STEALING	OTHER STEAL	WALL. CL	AROO ₀₉₋	04-17	545
STEALING	OTHER STEAL	WERON AVE	NA 23-	04-17	1400
STEALING	OTHER STEAL	WALLA CL	AROO ₂₈ -	04-17	2345
STREET OFFENCE	OFFENSIVE BEHAVIOUR	ARTHU	JR ST 01-	04-17	900
Crime Stats for	r April - Mount Colah	/ Mount Kui	ing-Gai		
INC_CATEGOR	RYFURTHER_CLASS	ADDRESS	Suburb	START_D	DATESTART_1
ASSAULT	ASSAULT COMMON	SPRIGG PL	MOUNT COLAH	02-04-17	1645
ASSAULT	ACTUAL BODILY HARM	BEROWRA RD	MOUNT COLAH	03-04-17	15
ASSAULT	ASSAULT COMMON	BANYULA PL	MOUNT COLAH	21-04-17	1730
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	BEROWRA RD	MOUNT COLAH	03-04-17	15
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	COWAN RD	MOUNT COLAH	26-04-17	1600
STEALING	OTHER STEAL	TELOPEA ST	MOUNT COLAH	28-04-17	2100
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	NYARA RD	GAI	- 21-04-17	2330
STEALING	OTHER STEAL	PACIFIC HWY	MOUNT KURING- GAI	- 22-04-17	1110

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IMPORTANT CONTACTS & LINKS

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance): 000

NSW Police - Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC): 9476 9799

Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road, Hornsby 2077

Kuring-gai Crime Prevention Officer: 9476 9723

Local Police Facebook page: @Kuring Gai LAC

Non-emergency two-way communication

Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000

Report crime anonymously

Report suspicious activity asap

Police Assistance Line (PAL): 131 444

For non-urgent minor crime

NSW Police Community Portal

Online reporting of non-emergency minor crime: lost property, intentional damage, graffiti or theft.

Interpreting & Translating Services: 131 450

NSW Police - website for crime prevention advice

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

Neighbourhood Watch within the Kuring Gai LAC:



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