



Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby eNewsletter #505 - 15 June 2021

This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby 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 our local police at the [Ku-ring-gai PAC 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 another 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 and thank you for your support.

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15 June, from Ku-ring-gai Command



WANDERER'S FORM

Do you know someone with Alzheimer's or Dementia?

Do you know someone who wanders away from their home?

How can I get a description of the person to the police quickly if they do wander

NAME _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____

ADDRESS _____

PH: _____

WANDERER'S PROFILE

Height _____

Weight _____

Hair Colour: _____

Eye colour _____

Shaven / Unshaven _____

PHOTOGRAPH

Alzheimer / Dementia can cause some people to wander away from their homes or residences. To help minimise the chances of this, please consult your doctor or a professional in these areas, who will be able to provide you with some preventative advice.

But, if you have a relative or friend who is suffering from Alzheimer / Dementia and who tends to wander, or you're afraid they will wander, then please consider filling in the attached form and returning it to us here at Hornsby Police Station.

This will be kept on file and can assist us with quick identification of the person who has wandered and help us in locating them as quickly as possible.

If your loved one does wander away, call us immediately on either 9476 9799 or triple zero if an emergency

15 June, from Ku-ring-gai Command: OUR LONG WEEKEND IN A NUTSHELL:



ASSAULT:

3 x assaults, Thornleigh, Wahroonga, Hornsby

1 X Assault / Malicious damage – Normanhurst

BREACH OF BAIL/WARRANT/PERSONAL VOILENCE ORDERS:

1 x arrest - Outstanding QLD warrant, after a vehicle pursuit and foot pursuit, a Highway Patrol Officer arrested a male with an outstanding QLD warrant

1 x breach of bail

1 x breach Personal Violence Order

BREAK AND ENTERS:

2 x Break and enter - \$26,000 jewellery stolen in St Ives, \$7,400 jewellery stolen in St Ives

BUSHWALKER – LOST BUT FOUND:

1 x lost bushwalker – later located

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INCIDENTS:

7 x domestic violence incidents

DRIVE WITH ALCOHOL/DRUGS:

2 x drive with low range alcohol – Asquith, Wahroonga

1 x drive with mid range alcohol – Wahroonga

1 x drive unlicensed, positive drug test, searched vehicle found drugs, a knife with knuckle dusters

DRUG POSSESSION:

1 x Drug possession – Westleigh

FAILT TO QUIT:

1 x Assault / fail to quit a licenced premises

FIRE:

1 x House fire – Wahroonga

MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS:

3 x Fail to exchange details after a motor vehicle collision

MOVE ON DIRECTIONS:

4 x move on to offenders cutting down trees to make a fire at Crosslands

National Park – fines by National Parks to follow

STEALING / FRAUD / SCAMS:

1 x Stealing – bottle of Jack Daniels Westfield Hornsby

1 stealing IGA South Turrumurra

2 x frauds - Money transfer scam - \$15,000 and \$864 Pay Pal fraud

1 x fail to pay for fuel

TRAFFIC:

1 x speeding infringement notice - Bobbin Head Rd Turrumurra

1 x drive across median strip to conduct a 'U' turn

TRESPASS:

1 x trespass / Goods suspected of being stolen

15 June, from Ku-ring-gai Command



Five teens have been arrested following a pursuit with a stolen Land Rover Discovery overnight.

About 12.55am (Monday 14 June 2021), The Hills Highway Patrol officers noticed a grey Land Rover Discovery travelling at speed on the M2 Motorway, North Ryde.

Officers attempted to pull the vehicle over however, it failed to stop, and a pursuit was initiated.

Police pursued the vehicle through North Ryde, Lane Cove and Gordon, before road spikes were successfully deployed on Mona Vale Road, St Ives.

The Land Rover eventually stopped on Palm St, St Ives, about 1.10am (Monday 14 June 2021), before five teens fled on foot.

All five males – three aged 15, one aged 16 and one aged 17 - were arrested a short time later and taken to Hornsby Police Station.

Following routine checks, police established the vehicle was stolen.

Inquiries are continuing.

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000 or visit site [here](#). Information is treated in strict confidence. The public is reminded not to report information via NSW Police social media pages.

12 June, from Ku-ring-gai Command

An 18-year-old man has been charged with a number of offences and will face Court after allegedly climbing onto the roof of a house in Sydney's north to evade arrest yesterday.

About 2.20pm (Friday 11 June 2021), Highway Patrol officers directed the driver of a BMW hatchback to stop for the purposes of random drug and alcohol testing on Mona Vale Road, St Ives.

The driver continued at low speed to Memorial Avenue, St Ives, where the driver lost control and hit two parked cars.

He was allegedly involved in a third collision, before running from the vehicle and climbing onto the roof of a house in Kanoona Avenue, St Ives. He was arrested a short time later and taken to Hornsby Police Station.

During a search of the teen's car, officers allegedly found a quantity of drugs including cannabis and methylamphetamine, which have been seized.

The teen was charged with seven offences, including supply prohibited drug, not obey direction of police, resist officer in execution of duty, negligent driving, not keep left, not give particulars to other driver.

He has been granted conditional bail and will appear before Hornsby Local Court on Wednesday 16 June 2021.

10 June, from Ku-ring-gai Command: Last 24 hours

Another day at the office - last 24 hours

- 1 x Breach of AVO
- 5 x DV incidents
- 2 x break and enters
- 5 x drive off - fail to pay for fuel
- 2 x stealing incidents
- 3 x Fail to stop accidents
- 3 x lost property incidents
- 1 x drive vehicle with illicit drug present
- 1 x speeding 107 kph in an 80 kph zone, unlicensed, disqualified driver
- 1 x intoxicated male - offensive conduct, urinating in public and spitting on a police vehicle
- 1 x possess illicit drug Hornsby mall
- 1 x surrendered firearm



 Share Kuring Gai Police
Area Command

10 June, from Ku-ring-gai Command



Our Customer Support Team are ready to take your calls and hear your concerns on 1800 333 000 or use our online feedback form [here](#). Information is treated in strict confidence

10 June, from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV

New child car seat safety ratings have been released to help parents and carers make the safest choice when protecting their little ones.

Find and compare the latest models [here](#).

Watch video [here](#).

09 June, from Ku-ring-gai command: If we know about it, we can do something about it.

If it is suspicious, report it

How to contact police and when:

"000" Triple zero - for emergency or life-threatening situations

9476 9799 **Hornsby Police station**

9418 5399 **Gordon Police station**

131 444 **(Police Assistance Line) – for non-emergencies**

1800 333 000 **(Crime Stoppers) – To provide crime information**

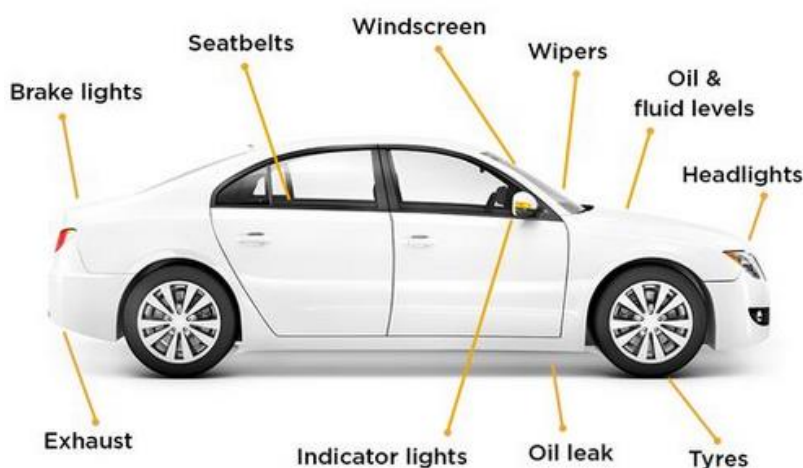
He was 6 foot tall, he said "sit" then he told me "Slay!"

  **Share**

 **Kuring Gai Police Area Command**

09 June, from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV

Is your car road trip ready?



Get winter road trip ready with this checklist:

- brake lights, indicators, headlights, number plate lights and fog lights are working
 - tyres are properly inflated and aren't worn or cracked (including the spare)
 - there are no warning lights on your dash
 - exhaust has no visible smoke emissions
 - there are no scratches, chips and cracks in your windscreen or mirrors, and wipers and washers are working
 - engine oil and fluid levels are at the recommended level and there are no oil leaks where the car is parked
 - seatbelts and child car seats are correctly fitted and adjusted
 - add anti-freeze to your engine radiator and fill up diesel vehicles with cold-weather diesel
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Neighbourhood Watch
Creating Safer Communities

**14 June, Shared with permission from the West Lindfield/Killara
Community group:**

Hi everyone,

I would like to warn the community that we had a suspicious person around the Killara station area, loitering around the front of the apartment and managed to get inside by following someone else then went exploring around. They were around for 14 HOURS yesterday and 3 hours today.

I've called police and eventually they came. After extensive questioning and with the info I had, they arrested the person.

Young asian man, white puffer jacket, jeans and black nike shoes, maybe lost and has a medical condition.

A good reminder to be vigilant of people you don't know.

12 June, from Animal Welfare League NSW: SHARE THE NEWS! ANIMAL ABUSERS TO GET A LIFETIME BAN ON OWNING PETS! 🐾



NSW has become the first state in Australia to automatically ban anyone convicted of serious animal abuse from owning or working with animals after a government bill introducing tougher penalties for animal cruelty passed the state parliament last night. It follows other recent changes to animal cruelty laws passed this year, which include jail time and fines of up to \$110,000.

The new legislation is unique in that the lifetime ban is automatically imposed upon conviction.

Animal Welfare League NSW welcomes these changes and looks forward to working into the future with the new laws to ensure the best possible welfare outcomes for all animals.

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 06 July: NightDrive for Learners FREE. Info & bookings [here](#).

Tuesday 03 August: NightDrive for Learners FREE. Info & bookings [here](#).

Tuesday 07 September: NightDrive for Learners FREE. Info & bookings [here](#).

Wednesday 13 October: Turramurra (Gordon 3/4) NHW meeting. TBC

11 June, from Northern Beaches Police Area Command



The image shows a 'Next of Kin Program' form and an informational leaflet. The leaflet on the left explains the program's purpose: to help people living alone have their contact details recorded at a local police station. It states that the program is free and that information is securely stored and only accessed by NSW Police in an emergency. The form on the right is titled 'CONFIDENTIAL: Next of Kin Program' and is divided into sections for 'PERSON' and 'NEXT OF KIN (N1)'. The 'PERSON' section includes fields for Name, Date of Birth, Address, and Phone (Home, Mobile, Landline). The 'NEXT OF KIN (N1)' section includes fields for Name, Date of Birth, Address, and Phone (Home, Mobile, Landline). There is also a section for 'OTHER CONTACT DETAILS' and a 'DECLARATION' section at the bottom where the registrant agrees to provide accurate information.

Do you live alone, or know someone who does?

The Next of Kin Program allows you to have your next of kin details recorded at your local police station and any medical alerts that would help in an emergency. The program is free and the information is securely stored and only accessed by NSW Police.

For forms, contact your local police station

The form can be downloaded from the NSWPF website www.police.nsw.gov.au

> pdf_file › next-of-kin-program-application-form.

10 June, from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV

**What's the secret
to stop feeling tired?**



What's the most effective way to fight sleep while driving?

👍 Getting a caffeine or sugar fix

😬 Cranking up the music

❤️ Taking a 20 minute powernap

Vote using the corresponding reaction.

11 June, from Janelle McIntosh from Nighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby Council Areas



INTERSECTION UPDATE #5 -

Here's a further short update along with some direct responses to some of the outstanding or additional suggestions received regarding the Duffy Avenue/Chilvers Road/The Esplanade intersection. Thank you to all who have commented that they've seen improvements and expressed understanding that more work is to come.

As I promised, the graphic below has been created to show the final layout of the intersection - as approved by Transport for NSW.

📌 Traffic building up out of Westleigh- as you can see by the graphic, the traffic lights on Duffy Avenue on the exit from Westleigh are shown (by the blue dots) in their new position. This relocation, together with changed phasing of the lights (which will occur after relocation) will further assist traffic exiting on Duffy Avenue.

As previously stated, these lights are scheduled for re-location during the week of Mon 21 June, weather permitting.

📌 Traffic building up coming into Westleigh- strong concerns have been expressed about the traffic building up on Duffy Avenue stretching back to Pennant Hills Road. This is being monitored particularly during the PM peak and this is believed to be a result of the phasing between the two sets of lights.

Some 'tweaking' has been undertaken but with more to come as work concludes.

📌 Line marking / lane marking & arrows- all line marking as shown on this final plan will be put in place as part of the final completion of the intersection. This will only occur once all of the works have been completed, including the relocation of the traffic lights on Duffy Avenue.

📌 Pedestrian Crossings - crossing Chilvers Road from Duffy Avenue - the pedestrian crossings that have been removed to allow work to progress will be reinstated, as shown on the plan, and this will occur by early August, to ensure the safety of pedestrians.

📌 When will it be finished?

Work is scheduled to be completed with the intersection completely resurfaced and line marked by end August - weather and Transport for NSW approval dependent.

Lastly, the final layout shown below will be added to Council's website, along with any further updates next week.

10 June, from NSW Police Force

In the below situation, where the continuing road goes around a corner, which statement is correct?

- A. Car A must give way to Car B, as Car A is entering from a side road.
 - B. Car B gives way, as it must turn left (it is not permitted to continue directly over broken lines).
 - C. Car A must give way, as Car B put its indicator on first.
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D. Car B must give way to the oncoming car (Car A) on the continuing road.



Answer: The correct answer is D. At a T-intersection where the continuing road goes around a corner, the car leaving the continuing road (Car B) must give way to the oncoming car on the continuing road (Car A).

10 June, from NSW Police Force



Alert: If you've downloaded the application 'Hope Business' and lost money, please make a report [here](#), where it will be passed to the relevant police jurisdiction for assessment. Uninstall the application if it is still on your phone. Image and info via Scamwatch.

10 June, COVID-19 virus fragments detected in sewage

Castle Hill Sewage Treatment Plant - Cattai catchment (sampled on 3 June 2021)

This catchment includes about 8,400 people and takes sewage from the following suburbs: Glenhaven, Dural, Kenthurst, Kellyville, Castle Hill.

09 June, from Ku-ring-gai Command: Can you help with dash-cam footage?



Hornsby Police are seeking anyone who may have dash-cam footage of three males who were possibly walking upon Ryde Rd, Pymble towards Turramurra (between Cultowa Rd and Nadene Pl, Pymble) on the 7th of June 2021, between the times of 11:15am and 11:45am.

The description given of the males is that all were between the ages of 20 and 30 years old, wearing an assortment of grey and black hoodies with either one or two of the males bearing backpacks.

Police believe these males may be able to assist them with information regarding a serious offence that was committed on the 7th June 2021.

If any dash-cam footage is available, please contact Hornsby Police on 9476 9799 and ask for Senior Constable Lewis Smith.

09 June, from dailytelegraph.com.au: [Behind a paywall]. A 72-year-old fitness fanatic thumped a man young enough to be his grandson in an extraordinary gym bust-up over the supposed hogging of equipment 📌



Elderly gym-goer punched man in row over equipment

A 72-year-old fitness fanatic thumped a man young enough to be his grandson in an extraordinary gym bust-up over the supposed hogging of equipment.

08 June, from Marine Area Command - NSW Police Force [Edited]

Skippers reminded to keep a safe distance after man critically injured when breaching whale lands on boat.

Authorities are urging skippers to be aware of surroundings and maintain safe distances while on the water during this season's whale migration along the NSW coast.

The reminder follows a significant increase in the number of whales migrating north through NSW waters and a serious incident involving a recreational vessel on the state's South Coast at the weekend.

Just after 9am on Sunday (6 June 2021), Marine Rescue NSW received a MAYDAY call after a breaching whale landed on top of a recreational vessel off the coast of Narooma.

The 39-year-old male skipper advised that his 18-year-old male passenger had sustained a serious head injury and was trying to navigate back to the boat ramp despite the vessel taking on water.

NSW Ambulance paramedics met the vessel at the boat ramp and treated both men before taking them to hospital for treatment.

The younger man was later airlifted from Moruya Hospital to Canberra Hospital, where he remains in a critical but stable condition, while the older man was treated at Moruya Hospital for facial lacerations and concussion.

Marine Area Commander, Superintendent Joe McNulty, said Maritime NSW has launched an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the incident.

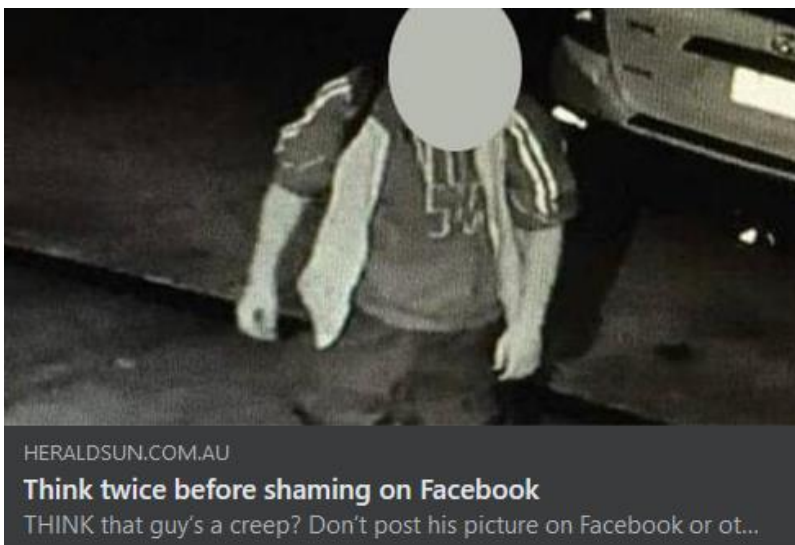
“While inquiries are in their infancy, the incident demonstrates the dangers these mammals can pose to those on the water,” Supt McNulty said.

“In recent days, the number of whales migrating north has dramatically increased, and maritime authorities have received reports they’re travelling closer to the coast than in previous years.

“Given the close proximity to the shoreline, there is potential for some spectacular whale watching, but we encourage anyone hoping to get a closer look to maintain a safe distance as outlined in the Biodiversity Conservation Regulation 2017.”

More information about whale watching and safety tips from NPWS are available online [here](#).

08 June: From heraldsun.com.au: Police urge social media users not to name and shame people on Facebook



THINK that guy's a creep? Don't post his picture on Facebook or other social media. You're running the risk of defamation, police warn.

In the wake of the Star Wars fan who took a simple selfie and was shamed by a mum who mistook him for taking photos of her children and a male train user having unsubstantiated allegations levelled at him, police have condemned a third case of trial by social media.

A woman posted photos of a man to a Facebook page set up by the Maroondah community, claiming he harassed her friend and stole her car.

The woman posted several CCTV images on Monday, May 18, of a man pictured at the front of a house.

The woman said she was trying to seek the identity of the man from the community after he had allegedly harassed her friend in the Croydon and Kilsyth area.

In a comment under the post, the woman said she had notified police and hoped "if we get any info the police will do something about it."

But Croydon Sergeant Ben Rosevear condemned the post, and said distribution of such information should be left to Victoria Police and the media.

"Do not do it. Just because you can post something doesn't mean you should," Sgt Rosevear said.

"The process must be followed. You can't just suspect a person on a whim, without there being ramifications if you are incorrect.

Read full story [here](#).

From NHW in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby: 'Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Travel'.

Tip #1. DO YOUR RESEARCH before you go: www.SmarTraveller.gov.au. ♣ If you are a dual citizen, check the implications, eg the passport used dictates the

embassy available to assist, liability for military service, etc. ♣ If you take medications, know which are restricted & where. Take supporting documents. ♣ If you have parental responsibility, ensure you have all consents necessary. ♣ Register your trip with Australian Government's DFAT Smarttraveller.

Tip #2. HOLD ONTO BELONGINGS such as handbags/backpacks. Beware pickpockets and bag-snatchers! When sitting, try looping bag straps around your ankles, or keep your bag on your lap. If you rest or sleep, ensure all expensive items like phones/wallets, are not visible. Take 'tourist photos' of unknown fellow travellers. Note: Belongings on a train/plane stored in a baggage store/over-head locker MAY NOT be covered by travel insurance—keep within sight at all times.

Tip #6. IF YOU ARE AWAY FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD consider house-sitters, inform your insurance & burglar alarm companies, set TV and lights on timers, and make your home look lived in. Ask a neighbour or friend to: ♣ put your bins out and in each week; ♣ regularly empty mailbox, collect mail & remove junk mail/freebie newspapers; ♣ park in your driveway; ♣ mow lawn and/or nature strip; ♣ regularly check the outside of your property to remove any clues that your home is empty (eg a note/business card on your door, or a delivery on the doorstep).

Tip #13. TRY AND LOOK LIKE A LOCAL. Respect local customs and culture. Drink in moderation. Try and plan routes with maps INSIDE the hotel or inconspicuously when out. Download local maps prior to departure. Research the area and routes, using 'StreetView' to familiarise yourself. Avoid beaches at night, as they are usually not patrolled.

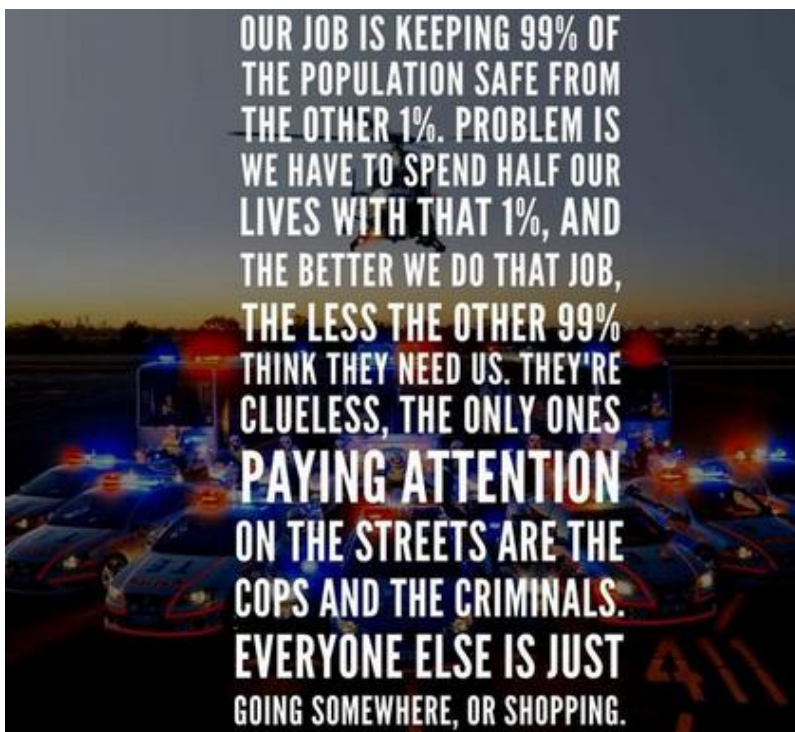
Tip #14. BEWARE PUBLIC AND FREE WI-FI unsecured by password, such as at airports and hotels.

Tip #16. REQUEST A ROOM ON A FLOOR OTHER THAN THE LOWEST—

most crimes happen on the lower floors. Acquire or photograph the fire escape plan on the back of your hotel door. Keep a flashlight next to the bed and within arm's reach.

For more tips and translations, look at our website 'Tips' page [here](#). Or try our WatchOut! website [here](#), for links to some great information available on the internet. Or request a copy in your inbox [here](#).

From Australia Cop Humour:



IMPORTANT CONTACTS & LINKS

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance): **000**
TTY: 106

NSW Police - Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command (PAC): 9476 9799
Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road, Hornsby 2077

Local Police Facebook page: [@Kuring Gai PAC](#)
Non-emergency two-way communication

Police Assistance Line (PAL): 131 444

For non-urgent minor crime (Only victims may report.)

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.

Crime Stoppers NSW: 1800 333 000

Report crime anonymously

Report suspicious activity ASAP

Neighbourhood Watch within Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby:

Website NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au

Facebook [@NHWKuringgaiHornsby](#)

Facebook Group [NHWKuringgaiHornsby](#)

Twitter [@NHWKRGHornsby](#)

Email NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com



WatchOut! - our own one-stop-shop for crime prevention links:

Website WatchOut.org.au

Facebook [@NHWWatchOut](#)

Local Facebook pages/groups:

[Neighbourhood Watch - Berowra](#)

[Brooklyn Neighbourhood Watch](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - East Killara](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Galston, Glenorie, Arcadia, Dural \(Rural Areas\)](#)

[NHW Galston, Glenorie, Arcadia & Dural \(Rural Areas\) Facebook Group](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Gordon](#)

[Gordon \(NSW\) Community \(incl NHW\) Facebook Group](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Hornsby](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Killara](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Mt Colah](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Mt Kuring-gai](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Normanhurst](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Pennant Hills](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - St Ives](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Thornleigh](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Turramurra](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Wahroonga](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Warrawee](#)

Face-to-Face/printed newsletter groups:

Neighbourhood Watch - East Killara

Neighbourhood Watch - Gordon (part)/Killara (part)/Pymble (part)

Neighbourhood Watch - Hornsby (Jubilee St)

Neighbourhood Watch - Mt Colah

Neighbourhood Watch - St Ives (Lynbara Ave)

Neighbourhood Watch - Turramurra (The Chase)
