

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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30 May, Here's some crime and incident stats from the weekend.



Asquith: Break & Enter

Hornsby: Mal Dam x 3, Stealing x 4, B&E 1 **Normanhurst**: Steal from motor vehicle 1

Pymble: B&E 1, Stealing 1

Turramurra: B&E x 2

Wahroonga: Mal Dam 2, Stealing 1

Warrawee: Mal Dam 1

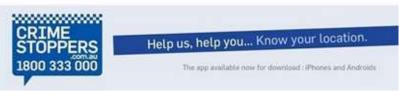
West Pymble: B & E 1, Steal form Motor Vehicle x 1

Westleigh: Stealing 1

29 May, NSW Police Force







Have you downloaded the Emergency + app yet?

The Emergency + app is now available on WINDOWS phones – get yours today!

If you ever find yourself in an emergency you can quickly open the app and call Triple Zero (000). The app also shows your EXACT location which you can communicate to the triple zero operators getting help to you faster.

The app also provides you with other numbers you may need including Crime Stoppers, the Police Assistance Line and SES.

Keep this app in a prominent position on your home screen and join over 100,000 people who have already downloaded this app.

iPhone users, click <u>here</u> Android users, click <u>here</u> Windows users, click <u>here</u>

27 May, From The Advocate newspaper, Investigations continue into North-West counterfeit money

POLICE believe counterfeit \$50 notes are still being circulated in the North-West.

Detective Acting Sergeant Felicity Boyd of Devonport CIB said the notes appear legitimate but that upon closer inspection, are fake.

"All of the reports we are investigating specifically relate to \$50 notes with serial number DF 1380 1449.

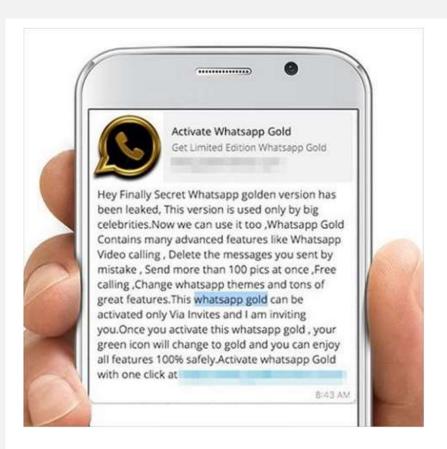
"We are finding that the texture of the notes is like paper and that the clear windows do not have the security features like genuine Australian currency," Detective Boyd said.

She said all offences relating to counterfeit money fall under Commonwealth law and, if convicted, bear heavy fines and periods of imprisonment.

Pursuant to the Crimes (Currency) Act 1981, people convicted of making counterfeit money face a period of imprisonment of up to 14 years. For people convicted of uttering counterfeit money and possessing counterfeit money, they face up to 12 years and 10 years imprisonment.

Anyone with information as to the source of the counterfeit notes is encouraged to contact police or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

26 May, NSW Police Force, Action Fraud's Photo



WhatsApp users are being tricked by fraudsters into downloading a fake version of WhatsApp which infects Android devices with malware.

The "secret" messages sent to peoples inboxes claim you have an exclusive chance to download "WhatsApp Gold".

The scam messages claim to offer enhanced features used by celebrities. Victims are urged to sign up via a link provided. WhatsApp say that they will never send users a message asking them to upgrade or download another app.

For full story, click here.

25 May, NSW Police Force, Can you help?



North Shore LAC would like assistance in identifying the male in the pictures below. Police believe this his male may have been involved in 4 incidents in Chatswood Chase and Chatswood Westfield between December 2014 & May 2015.

If you know or think you know who this person is please contact Chatswood Police Station on 9414 8499 or Crime Stoppers 1800333000.

25 May, Scam Alert

From: NAB Internet Banking https://www.horinh.com>
Sent: Wednesday, 18 May 756 13:16

To:
Reply To: NAS Internet Banking
Subject 148 Memeber Satisfaction Survey! 75\$ Money Guaranteed
Dear Customer

You Have been chosen by NAB online departement to take part in our quick and easy 5 question surveys. In return we will send \$75 AUD bonus to your NAB account and will be processing it within 5 working days -Just for your time

Helping us better to understand how our customers feel, benefits everyone,

With t he information collected we can decide to direct a number of changes to improve and expand our online services.

As part of our commitment to execellence, we want to make sure we met your needs during our

Would you please take a minute to answer a few questions to let us know how we did?

Claim Your Rewards - Click Here

Note: For Security reason we will record (IP Address, Time, an Date) You will be provided well to claim your rewards. The system will validate the information that you entered with our rewards. If we are unable to validate the information electronically, you may no longer be able to record rewards. as the party who controls the data collected in this survey, may use your responses with existing data it has about you to ensure its products and services meet your needs.

NAB will treat data collected from you in accordance with NAB privacy policy.

This phishing email has been doing the rounds! It has been received by NAB and non-NAB customers. If you've received it, please do not click on any of the links, send it to spoof@nab.com.au and delete it immediately.

24 May, NSW Police Force

Police have released an image of a man they believe may be able to assist with inquiries into a threat that was made to Town Hall Railway Station earlier this month.

Shortly after 4.35pm on Thursday 12 May 2016 staff at Town Hall Railway Station received a telephone threat that resulted in numerous resources being activated for a search of the platforms and concourse.



Employees from Transport for NSW and officers from NSW Police Force searched the area to ensure public safety.

Officers from Sydney City Local Area Command obtained CCTV images of a man they believe may be able to assist with their inquiries into the incident.

Investigators are now appealing for anyone who may be able to identify the man to come forward.

For more, click here.

24 May, NSW Police Force, SAFETY FOR SENIORS... (part 4 of 7)

If you have an elderly loved one, you can sometimes worry about their safety. Elderly people can be more trusting and come from a time when things were simpler. Share with them these tips to help keep them safe.

NUISANCE CALLS

- Never give callers personal information. This includes your bank account details, no matter where they say they are calling from.
- If a caller tries to upset you, hang up and report it to your phone company.
- * If you feel the call may be a scam, you can report this to SCAMWATCH on 1300795995 who will take a report of your incident.

If you know of any senior family member or neighbour, living in circumstances that may cause you to be concerned for their welfare, or if you believe them to be at risk then you can report online at www.nsw.crimestoppers.com.au or call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 (24/7). You can remain anonymous.



29 May, A Blasting Impression, from the Daily Telegraph

NorthConnex controlled blasting begins and new workers to be hired for work on tunnel excavation

Residents from Pennant Hills to Wahroonga may feel good and bad vibrations for the next few months as the first controlled blasts and 500 new workers from the NorthConnex tunnels pop in.

The shafts are now progressing with blasts at the main compound sites as well as rock breaking.

Blasting reduces vibration and noise compared to rock breaking, which is done by excavators with a hammer attachment.

NorthConnex said on its website the blasts will feel like bouncing "a tennis ball on a table".

A Roads and Maritime Services spokeswoman said there are "rigorous processes" to minimise the risk of damage to properties.

"To date, 14 complaints alleging property damage due to work on NorthConnex have been received, with 11 inspections completed and another three under review," a spokeswoman said.

For full story, click here

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.

Some Crime Stats from from March 2016 for Berowra and Berowra Heights

INC_CATEGORY	FURTHER_CLASS	ADDRESS	START DATE	START_TIM
ASSAULT	ASSAULT COMMON	HILLCREST RD	20-03-16	1730
ASSAULT	ACTUAL BODILY HARM	HILLCREST RD	27-03-16	800
ASSAULT	ASSAULT COMMON	HILLCREST RD	27-03-16	800
ASSAULT	ASSAULT COMMON	YALLAMBEE RD	28-03-16	1800
STEALING	STEAL FROM DWELLING THE GULLY RD		02-03-16	2100
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	HILLCREST RD	04-03-16	1800
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	TI TREE CRES	11-03-16	1900
MALICIDUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	HILLCREST RD	27-03-16	800
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	HELVETIA AVE	30-03-16	1900
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	KITA RD	31-03-16	1005
ASSAULT	ASSAULT COMMON	NALYA RD	16-03-16	1900
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	TURNER RD && ALAN RD	23-03-16	1200
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	WOODCOURT RD	06-03-16	1
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	LONSDALE AVE	29-03-16	355
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	BAYRD	01-03-16	1700
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	BAY RD	02-03-16	1
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	BAYRD	01-03-16	1.730
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	BAYRD	01-03-16	1600
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	BAY RD	07-03-16	1530

Keep your mobile operating system secure and up-to-date: Alert Priority Moderate

The Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) is encouraging Australians to keep their mobile operating systems secure and up-to-date. However, when doing so you should use the most cost-effective and secure means

of downloading what can often be quite large updates. for more, click <u>here</u>

How do you stop a phone thief?

1. Keep your phone close

You'd never leave your wallet or purse unattended - and the same should go for your phone! By simply keeping it in a pocket or somewhere out of sight, you take a huge step in preventing its theft.

2. Use a lock-screen password

It only takes a few minutes to set up and only seconds to use – so there's no excuse for not having a lock screen passcode! Plus, it beats the amount of time (and stress) you'd have if someone ever did steal your personal files or banking details from your phone.

From Hornsby Shire Council, Safer Drivers' Presentation

Are you teaching a Learner driver?

Are you going for your license?

Do you want to refresh your road rule knowledge?

Hornsby Shire Council holds FREE two-hour educational presentations for members of the community who wish to update or refresh their road rule knowledge.

Venue: Hornsby Shire Council Chambers **Location:** 296 Peats Ferry Road, Hornsby

Time: 10am-12pm

Cost: Free

Contact: Road Safety Officer

Phone: 9847 6616

Email: trafficbranch@hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Check details here

From the Hornsby Advocate, 26 May

WAITARA

A 36-year-old man cut his arm punching a window after his neighbour refused to give him a cigarette. The incident occurred between 3.55pm and 4.10pm on Sunday at a unit block in Alexandria Pde. A witness told police the man knocked on a door and asked for a cigarette before a negative reply was given and the man told to leave. It is alleged he then punched a window in a stairwell causing it to break, cutting his arm in two places. The man bled significantly and called an ambulance who applied first aid to his arm before he was taken to hospital. Police spoke to a witness but no charges have been laid.

HORNSBY

A clutch bag and clothes worth about \$250 were stolen from a girl who was riding on a train to Hornsby between 5.30pm and 6pm on Saturday, May 14. The 15-year-old girl suspects a man sitting in the seat behind her took the bag which she had left on the seat next to her. When she got off the train at Hornsby she realised she didn't have the clutch bag. Police urged travellers not leave valuable property unattended on public transport.

HORNSBY

The home of a 93-year old man was ransacked
before his wallet, \$200
and keys were stolen
after which a series of frauds
may have been committed
with his credit cards at
Westfield Hornsby. Hornsby
police are reviewing CCTV
footage from Westfield
Hornsby after 12 transactions
were made on his credit cards
at stores in Westfield.

HORNSBY

A wallet and a tablet case belonging to a 45-year-old man were stolen from the ground next to him as he sat waiting on a platform at Hornsby train station about midday on Monday. The man told police he saw a youth running towards the station exit with what appeared to be his case.

TURRAMURRA

A 68-year-old man was charged with mid-range drink driving about 10.20pm on Friday after holding up traffic on Bobbin Head Rd. When the lights turned green at the intersection of Burns Rd the man's Mercedes failed to move and other cars beeped. Police were travelling closely behind the car and noticed some erratic driving. Police stopped the car and breath tested the man who allegedly admitted to drinking wine earlier. He blew 0.095 at Hornsby police station where he had his licence suspended. He will face Hornsby Court.

WAHROONGA

A \$2500 motorcycle was stolen from a home on Fox Valley Rd between 12.30pm on Sunday, May 15 and 7.30pm Sunday, May 22. Burglars entered a laundry and stole the Honda CRF 110 motorcycle.

From The North Shore Times, 27 May

'SUPERSTATION' WILL GIVE A BOOST IN EMERGENCIES

Help wanted



NORTH Shore Local Area Command has released CCTV images of a man they would like to speak to in relation to a number of stealing offences that occurred between December 2014 and May 2015 in the Chatswood Chase and Chatswood Westfield shopping centres. Police Investigations have been unable to identify him and they are appealing to the public to help them find the man, who they believe may have been involved in four stealing incidents.

If you know or think you may know who this person is, contact Chatswood police station on 9414 8499 or Crime Stoppers on

1800 333 000.

23 May, Australian Border Force

Our officers have muscled in on an attempt to traffic steroids to Australia without a permit. A 57-year-old Canadian man has been arrested and charged with importing approximately 10 kilograms of performance and image enhancing drugs to Australia. We are committed to stamping out this kind of criminal activity. Check out the complete story here

23 May, ACCC Product Safety



GlaxoSmithKline Children's Panadol 5-12 Suspension 200mL. An ingredient may have been contaminated with particles containing trace minerals & inert fibres – risk of allergic reaction.

For product information, click here

Report a scam, Scam reporting - vital to catching scammers

Think you have been scammed? You should report the scam to a government agency so you can find out about your rights and options.

Different agencies deal with different scams. Here is a list of who deals with what.

To find out where to report different scams and what ASIC does when you report a scam, click <u>here</u>

Dates for the Diary:

Saturday 11 & Sunday 12 June 2016: Ku-ring-gai Council Chemical CleanOut, 9-330pm @ St Ives Showground. Info.

Wednesday 15 June: World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

Monday 20 June: KPCSC FREE Seminar 'Parent Survival Strategies for Teaching Young Drivers' 6-8pm @ Gordon Library Meeting Room 2. **Book: Carroll 0405 558 660.**

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!"

Actual traffic report from a Major Australian FM radio station.

"Got a bingle out in Broady...towies on site but as a result it's " chockers in that direction"

I can assure you, the above statement is crystal clear to any Australian.

From 'Dumbest Criminals, compiled by Wendy Lewis. Published by New Holland.

Three teenagers attempted to rob a bus load of people without realising one of their mothers was sitting a few rows back. When she saw the driver threatened with knives and a baseball bat, she shouted at her son to behave himself and get off!

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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similar information for your locality. If you are unaware of an active Neighbourhood Watch group in your area, please consider starting one.

Our mailing address is:

Neighbourhood Watch within Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby c/o Crime Prevention Officer, Ku-ring-gai NSW Police PAC - Hornsby Police Station 292 Peats Ferry Road Hornsby, NSW 2077 Australia

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