Hornsby Police news, 4/5/11

The following relate to local issues in the Kuring gai Local Area Command.

Incident: Police pursuit

Time/Date: About 5am on Tuesday the 3rd Place: F3 Freeway Wahroonga to Brooklyn

Vehicle 1: Statesman

Driver 1: 35 year old male from The Central Coast

Details: Police first noticed the Statesman in Pymble. Shortly after this the Statesman was seen entering the F3 at Wahroonga. Police have activated warning lights and siren with the Statesman allegedly refusing to stop. It is also alleged the driver reached speeds of 150 km/h in the 80 km/h speed zone and 180km/h in the 110km/h speed zone the pursuit was terminated at the Brooklyn bridge. Gosford police soon after attended the owners address where the driver was arrested. He was charged by Gosford police.

Court: The driver was refused bail and is to face Wyong Local Court on the 4<sup>th</sup> of May charged with Exceeding the speed limit (over 45km/h) Driving at a speed dangerous. Driving whilst disqualified and refusing to stop.

Incident: Car on fire

Time/Date: About 6.50pm on Tuesday the 3rd

Place: F3 Mt Kuring-gai Vehicle 1: Alfa Romeo

Details: The driver was travelling North on the F3 when he hit an unknown object in his lane. This caused the Alfa's engine to stall and the steering become hard to control. The driver managed to get the Alfa into the breakdown lane and stop. Smoke started to come from the car before it erupted in flames. 000 were called with the fire brigade attending and putting the fire out. The car was totally destroyed.

Incident: Stealing and assault

Time/Date: About 5pm on Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup>

Place: Pets Paradise Westfield

Person: 18 year old female from Liverpool.

Details: The female attended the store on closing time. She has picked up a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel. As the store closed the female is alleged to have placed the puppy down her top and walk out of the store. This was seen by an employee who followed and asked the female to return the puppy. The female is alleged to have assaulted a total of 7 people including store personnel and security. People were allegedly punched, spat at kicked or hit with a high heel shoe. Police were called and arrested the female. It was also discovered the female was allegedly on bail at the time for prior offences. The Puppy was valued at \$1295. It was not injured.

Court: The female is to appear at the Hornsby Local Court on the 19<sup>th</sup> of May charged with stealing and 7 counts of assault.

Incident: Goods in Custody charge Time/Date: 12.20pm on Sunday the 1st Place: Mona Vale road, Pymble.

Person 1: 52 year old female

Details: The female was travelling with another male in a car on Mona Vale road. The car was stopped due to its manner of driving and the occupants were spoken to. As a result of inquiries the car was searched. A reflective police vest was found still having the officers name on it. The male and female also allegedly had a 'poor' attitude to police. The female received a Criminal Infringement Notice 'CIN'. For Having stolen goods.

Incident: Break Enter & Steal

Time/Date: Between 8.30am and 6pm on Tuesday the 3rd

Place: Mot Pleasant avenue, Normanhurst

Details: The home was broken into via a front window which had been jemmied open. A rear door also was jemmied. About \$16,000 worth of electrical goods were stolen in the break-in. There was also another home in which an attempt to break in occurred in the same street and during the same time frame that home had jemmy marks but was not actually entered. Both houses backed onto bush land.

Of note the front window was hidden by over grown plants. This provides a nice hiding spot for offenders and in this case they had sufficient time to jemmy a window without being seen by passers by or neighbours. Warnings: Please trim shrubs and plants to a maximum of waist height and taller trees should have their leaves and branches trimmed at least 2 metres from the ground this provides open sight lines so any offenders have a greater chance of being seen.

More information on this and other home security advice can be obtained from the NSW police website under community issues then crime prevention. There is a comprehensive security audit tool and list for you to follow and upgrade or update your homes security.

Incident: Steal from motor vehicle

Time/Date: Between 4pm on Sunday the 1st and 8.30am on Monday the 2nd

Place: Yardley avenue, Waitara

Details: The owner of the car has locked the car but forgot to remove his wallet as well as a tin which had About \$700 cash from donations for the Prostate cancer council inside. Any witnesses are requested to contact Hornsby police.

Incident: Break Enter & Steal

Time/Date: Between 11pm on Monday the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 8am on Tuesday the 3rd

Place: Yardley avenue, Waitara.

Details: The owner was home at the time and asleep. Unknown person/s have broken into the home via a ground floor window which was closed but unlocked. A wallet and its contents was stolen.

Warning please do NOT leave windows or doors unlocked or partially open without suitable keyed window locks.

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

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