

Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby

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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.

🚗 Please feel free to share/forward this eNewsletter with your friends, family, colleagues and neighbours.

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12 August, from Ku-ring-gai command: Police are appealing for public assistance of the depicted two males as they may be able to assistance with police investigations into an incident that occurred at Hornsby CBD between 12:40 am and 1am on Sunday the 10th of July 2022.

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact **Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000** or nsw.crimestoppers.com.au, or contact **Hornsby Police Station on 9476 9799**.

Information is treated in strict confidence. The public is reminded not to report information via NSW Police social media pages.



11 August, from Ku-ring-gai command: 🚔🚔 Two men arrested over multiple Break and Enters 🚔🚔

Ryde Pro Active Crime Team and the North West Metropolitan Regional Enforcement Squad arrest two males after an extensive investigation into Break and Enters. Strike Force NANINA was created to investigate over 45 break and enter offences within the Ryde, North Shore and Kuring-Gai with similar offences. On the 5th August 2022, investigators stopped a motor vehicle on Parramatta Road, Auburn. The two occupants of the vehicle a 32 Year old male from Bankstown and a 31 year old male from Macquarie Fields were arrested. The vehicle was searched and proceeds from a recent Break and Enter were recovered. Investigators

charged the males with over 35 break and enter offences with further offences anticipated. The 32 year old male and the 31 year old male are both bail refused and will appear before Hornsby local court on the 5th October 2022.



11 August, from KU-ring-gai command: Police are seeking the assistance of the depicted persons as they may be able to assistance with police investigations into an incident that occurred at Waitara Train Station 12:48 am on Sunday the 3rd of July 2022.

Any information contact **Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000.**



11 August, from NSW Police Force: Everyone is responsible for pedestrian safety, not just pedestrians themselves.

- 🚗 If you're a driver, always be on the lookout for pedestrians - especially in areas where you know they may be present, such as near shopping centres or schools.
 - 🚶 If you're a pedestrian, make sure you look up and look out before you step out on to the road.
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11 August, from Ku-ring-gai command:

CRYPTO SAFE

What is Cryptocurrency?

Cryptocurrency (crypto), such as Bitcoin is a digital form of money that is an alternative method of payment and exchange, not regulated by government entities.

The three main cryptocurrencies are Bitcoin, Ethereum and Tether, although there are many more in circulation.

If you are scammed of your credentials, seed phrase or cryptocurrency, the likelihood of recovering your money is low due to the lack of a governing body and anonymity.

Tips

- When conducting digital currency transactions, keep your login credentials, including passwords, private key and seed phrases OFFLINE and PRIVATE.
- Do not click on links sent in anonymous chat groups, such as Telegram or received via emails. You could be talking to a scammer or be hacked to gain access to your passwords or seed phrases, so DO NOT give them.
- Beware of fake wallet apps.
- Understand what you are investing in and do your due diligence.



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Email us [here](#) for a copy in your inbox.



16 August, from 9News.com.au: Sydney swim coach allegedly touched nine young girls

A swimming coach sexually assaulted and indecently touched nine young girls during classes in northern [Sydney](#) in 2018 and 2019, a jury has heard.

Kyle James Henk Daniels faces 21 charges of inappropriate conduct to female students under 10 while working as a part-time instructor at a Mosman swim school during university.

Article [here](#).



Kyle Daniels faces 21 charges of inappropriate conduct to female students under 10 while teaching at a swim school in Mosman. (AAP)

15 August, from Neighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby: FAQ #13: HOW SHOULD I REPORT HOONS?

Neighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby has researched several new Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) to upload to [our website](#). This one advises about the reporting of hoons. Thank you to our ex-Crime Prevention Officer, Snr Cst Colin Mitchell for his assistance with this FAQ.

Have you a question that we could answer? Let us share it with the community. Please email us [here](#).



Frequently Asked Questions #13 HOW SHOULD I REPORT HOONS?



How Should I Report Hoons?

1. If you hear a car being driven in a reckless manner and are able to see the incident, it is helpful if you can obtain any details at all.
2. AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT, call triple zero '000', or the Police Assistance Line (PAL), or report it to the local police station and ask for advice – see phone numbers below.
3. Record all incidents and those details listed below.
4. Possibly take a photo or make video if this can be done safely – never place yourself in danger or at risk when trying to gather evidence.
5. Consider installing quality CCTV at your residence and/or dash cam in your vehicle for recordings that can act as proof.
6. Talk with your neighbours. See if you can band together, help get the hoon details, support one another.
7. Phone Crime Stoppers NSW 1800 333 000 with all collated information. All calls are treated confidentially.

What to report?

- Description of behaviour, eg: speeding, drag racing, burnouts, etc.
- Description of driver
- Description of other occupants
- Usual day and time of behaviour (approximate time will suffice)
- Usual location of behaviour
- Vehicle registration
- Vehicle make, model (if you can recognise it, or similar types)
- Vehicle description – any notable accessories (eg spoiler, LED lights), damage or paint patches may also assist.
- Vehicle colour
- Vehicle registration

FOR EMERGENCIES (including anyone on your property)
TO REPORT ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS (Crime Stoppers)
TO REPORT NON-EMERGENCY CRIME (Police Assistance Line)
IF YOU'RE NOT SURE (Hornsby Police Station)
TTY—To ask for Police, type PPP
SPEAK AND LISTEN

000
1800 333 000
131 444
9476 9799
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1800 555 727
ENGLISH

Related information:

'Hoons' are also known as 'boy racer', 'hooligan' and 'lout', "especially a young man who drives recklessly or dangerously". Hooning is anti-social and dangerous driving behaviour, ranging from doing burnouts and doughnuts, to more serious offences such as street-racing and evading police by speeding in excess of the speed limit. It is generally undertaken in order to provoke a reaction from onlookers. It is also an offence to organise or promote (includes taking photos or film of) hooning/street-racing.

Anti-Hoon Laws:

Australian police have been given increased powers to investigate hooning, known as 'Hoon Laws'. In order to eliminate hoon behaviour and improve safety on the roads for others, legislation has been changed to include offences related to hoon behaviour and to allow for impounding/confiscation of vehicles involved. The Car Hoons Act allows for impounded cars to be used for car crash testing.

More information on Hooning, Street Racing and Anti-Hoon Laws can be found on the NSW Transport for NSW Roads & Maritime website: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/driving-boating-and-transport/roads-safety-and-rules/safe-driving/hooning-and-street-racing>

This and other links are included on the WatchOut.org.au/drivers-cycling page - see below.

Remember:

The only way a hoon may be convicted, if police don't witness the incident, is for you to attend Court. If you are not willing to attend Court, in some cases your information may help to establish a pattern of behaviour that could lead to later apprehension, and conviction, so your information is still appreciated.

This information was compiled by volunteers with Neighbourhood Watch within Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby. Please contact your Crime Prevention Officer (CPO) at Hornsby Police Station for more information. Phone: 9476 9799. Tips and other resources are available to download free from the Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby website: au.NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org/Tips/. See also the community's one-stop-shop of crime prevention information: WatchOut.org.au. Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or at our [website](#). Contact us at: NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com.

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15 August, from Berowra Rural Fire Brigade: You may have noticed that our Fire Danger Rating Sign has changed. As of 1 September 2022, the nationwide Australian Fire Danger Rating System will come into place.

In Australia, formal fire danger ratings were first produced in the 1950s and 1960s by A. G. McArthur. The McArthur system was used for many decades and has undergone various modifications. In 2022 it was replaced by the Australian Fire Danger Rating System (AFDRS) marking a generational change to how fire danger is calculated and communicated. Fire danger ratings describe the potential level of danger should a bushfire start. They are essential because they provide people with information so that they can take action to protect themselves and others from the potentially dangerous impacts of bushfires. The AFDRS will also introduce 'off' for those days when no proactive action is required by the community. These days, you will still need to abide by local seasonal laws and regulations, but there is little or no risk of a fire that starts spreading in a dangerous or

life-threatening way.

For more information please refer [here](#).



15 August, from Galston Rural Fire Brigade: [Sorry we were late sharing this.] ⚠

INCIDENT CALL ⚠

Galston Rural Fire Brigade was called to assist Middle Dural Rural Fire Brigade at a private property this afternoon (Friday 12 August) with reports of power lines arcing. On arrival crews found power lines arcing from the consumer mains up the pole causing the pole, cable and conduits to burn. Due to recent rains and with it being so damp, there was no direct threat of fire spreading to bushland or property. Crews continued to monitor the scene until the power authority could isolate and make safe.



13 August, from Crime Stoppers NSW: TOP 10 MISUNDERSTOOD ROAD RULES – U-TURNS

MAKING A U-TURN:

When making a U-turn a driver must:

- have a clear view of any approaching traffic
- be able to make the turn without unreasonably obstructing the free movement of traffic
- give way to all vehicles and pedestrians.

Drivers are not allowed to make a U-turn:

- at an intersection without traffic lights, where a 'no U-turn' sign is displayed
- at a break in a driving strip where a 'no U-turn' sign is displayed
- across any of the following:
 - – a single continuous dividing line
 - – a single continuous dividing line to the left of a broken line
 - – two parallel continuous dividing lines.

At traffic lights:

Drivers are not permitted to make a U-turn at traffic lights unless there is a U-Turn Permitted sign displayed.



Download pdf [here](#) of 'Top 10 Misunderstood Road Rules in NSW'.

12 August, from Hornsby Shire Council: [Thornleigh] YOUR SAY 🗣️💬 | We are proposing to extend the existing “No Stopping” restrictions along the northern side of Sefton Road, near the roundabout/intersection with Kooringal Avenue.

The extended 50 metre long section of Sefton Road has no formal kerb and gutter due to the presence of significant trees. Cars parking between the trees at this location is leading to erosion of the roadside verge and has a negative impact on traffic and road safety by narrowing the roadway to a single lane at times.

At the webpage below you will find further information on the project, including:

- 📄 A letter to residents
- 📷 An aerial photograph with graphics indicating the proposed changes

The above works are anticipated to be undertaken between October 2022 to March 2023. You can have your say about this project in three ways. Take a look at the plans at the link below and:

- 👤 Complete the form at the project webpage
- ✉️ Email hsc@hornsby.nsw.gov.au
- ✍️ Write to the General Manager, Hornsby Shire Council, PO Box 37, Hornsby 1630
- ⓘ Exhibition closes: Monday, 22 August 2022
- ⓘ Find all the details and more info on how to submit your feedback at: yoursay.hornsby.nsw.gov.au



11 August, from the Department of Communities & Justice: The Department of Communities and Justice has created a translated resource about sexual consent in

NSW. We would like to share it with you and your communities.

New consent laws in NSW mean you must say or do something to check for consent. You can't assume someone is consenting just because they don't say no. These laws were introduced on 1 June 2022. The resources are available at dcj.nsw.info/consent in the following languages:

- Arabic - الْعَرَبِيَّةُ
- Chinese Simple - 中文(简体)
- Chinese Traditional - 中文繁體
- Filipino - Filipino
- Greek - Ελληνικά
- Hindi - हिन्दी
- Italian - Italiano
- Japanese - 日本語
- Korean - 한국어
- Nepali - नेपाली
- Punjabi - ਪੰਜਾਬੀ
- Spanish - Español
- Urdu - اردو
- Vietnamese - Tiếng Việt

These pages explain sexual consent, the consent laws in NSW, and support services for people who have experienced sexual violence.

More information about sexual consent is available on the DCJ Website [here](#).

Dates for the Diary

Monday 15 to Sunday 21 August: Keep Australia Beautiful Week 2022 - contain your waste. [Info](#)

Sunday 04 - Saturday 10 September: National Child Protection week

Thursday 08 September: RU OK? Day [Info](#).

Wednesday 14 September: 10am-12noon Hornsby RSL Coffee Club - Speaker: NHW Kuring-gai & Hornsby. NHW Crime Prevention stall.

Sunday 25 September: St Ives Food & Wine Festival 10am - NHW crime prevention stall?

tbc

Wednesday 05 October: International Coffee with a Cop Day

Wednesday 26 October: 6pm NHW Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby volunteers meeting @ PCYC, Waitara. Date/Venue tbc.

November: Neighbourhood Watch Week

Wednesday 30 November: 7pm NHW Gordon/Killara/East Killara/part Pymble/part St Ives AGM @ St John's Anglican Church, Gordon. NHW Crime Prevention stall.

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

Tip #4. Clear your mailbox daily. If you are away, ask a neighbour to assist. Or put a hold on your mail at the Post Office.

Tip #7. Consider re-locating expensive items from your storage cage to inside your apartment. eg high-end bikes, surfboards, expensive accessories, alcohol.

Tip #8. Ask your Body Corporate to request a Security Audit of all the building (including storage cages) from your Crime Prevention Officer at Hornsby Police Station: **9476 9799**.

Tip #9. Reduce the chances of 'tailgating' by waiting until the doors/gates to your carpark close completely after you, before moving further within.

Tip #13. Don't be complacent because you don't live on the ground floor. Secure balcony doors & windows. Break & Enters happen at 1st & 2nd floor units.

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](#).

Whatever you do in life, don't be like this neighbor... 🤡



Thanks to Matt.

Thanks to UK Cop Humour



Classic high class burglar, left his prescription bum hole cream behind with name and address on! Police have him in custody already.



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.

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 au-NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org

Facebook [@NHWKuringgaiHornsby](#)

Facebook Group [NHWKuringgaiHornsby](#)

Twitter [@NHWKRGHornsby](#)

Email NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com



WatchOut! - the NHW NSW 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](#)

[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)



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Our mailing address is:

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