



Neighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby eNewsletter #593 - 21 February 2023

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.

🚗 Reading our eNewsletter for the first time? [Click here to subscribe](#).

20 February, from Ku-ring-gai Command

Police are seeking the identity of the below male who they believe may be able to assist them with enquiries in relation to an armed with intent incident that occurred about 10.30am on Monday the 5th of December 2022 in Hornsby.

The male is described as Caucasian in appearance, approximately 20 years of age, slim build with short blonde hair, wearing a black cap, a black t-shirt, blue shorts and black cross body bag.

Anyone with information about the incident is urged to contact Hornsby Police Station: (02) 9476 9799 or Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000 or

<https://nsw.crimestoppers.com.au>

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



20 February, from NSW Police Force



If you witness a hate incident or hate crime but are not the victim, you can still make a report to the NSW Police.

In an Emergency call Triple Zero (000). If not urgent, you can report online at crimestoppers.com.au or call 1800 333 000 or report in person at any Police

Station.

For more information, visit site [here](#).

20 February, from PCYC Hornsby / Ku-ring-gai



In partnership with Rotary Club Sydney, we are pleased to announce that there are eight \$3,000 scholarships up for grabs! These cover 4 categories - Arts & music, sports, education and environment - for young people aged 14-17! For application details email youthvoice@pcycnsw.org.au.

Get yours in before March 30th! 🎭🎵⚽📚

20 February, from NSW Police Force



If you are subjected to hate on social media or online you should keep evidence by taking screen shots of the abuse including usernames, URLs and any other relevant information.

You can report the abuse directly to the platform and report in person at any Police Station.

For more information, visit site [here](#).

Watch video [here](#).

17 February, from NSW Police Force

Raptor Squad officers have charged a second man in relation to a public place shooting in Sydney's west last year.

About 1.40am on Wednesday 26 October 2022, officers from [Cumberland Police Area Command](#) were called to a home on Bristol Street, Merrylands West, following reports of shots fired.

On arrival, police located a number of bullet holes in the front of the home.

Two occupants were inside the home at the time; however, no one was injured.

A crime scene was established and forensically examined.

Local police conducted initial inquiries, before the matter was referred to the State Crime Command's Raptor Squad under Strike Force Helio.

A 30-year-old man was arrested in December 2022 in relation to this incident; he remains before the courts.

Following further extensive inquiries, strike force detectives attended Lithgow Police Station about 10.15am yesterday (Wednesday 15 February 2023), where

they arrested and charged a 24-year-old man.

More information [here](#).

17 February, from NSW Police Force



Is anyone missing \$1.8 million? If so, we'd love to chat to you!

Our Organised Crime Squad are investigating the seizure of \$1.8 million in Sydney's west, as part of an ongoing investigation into a cross-border drug syndicate by [Western Australia Police Force](#).

Find out more [here](#) 🙌

16 February, from NSW Police Force

The NSW Police Force is excited to welcome visitors to Sydney – in particular all those coming together to enjoy [Sydney WorldPride 2023](#) – and celebrate our global LGBTIQ+ communities 🌈 ✨

Read more [here](#).

16 February, from Ku-ring-gai Command



Ku-Ring-Gai police attended a “Students Welcome BBQ” held at Hornsby TAFE Campus during lunch time on Tuesday 14th February. Police joined with other local services to meet and chat with students who are mainly migrants.

Sgt Steve Whalley joined TAFE Service Coordinator Karl Yan to cooking sausages and serving the students. Crime Prevention Officer Senior Constable Geoff Moeller and Multicultural Community Liaison Officer Fiona Zhou were running the information stall giving out all safety information.

Commander Supt Scott and Crime Manager Det. Insp. Michelle Mathieson also visited and provided support.

It was a good crowd regardless of the poor weather.



Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 28 February: Community Safety Precinct Committee meeting (CSPC) hosted by Ku-ring-gai PAC 1-2pm @ Hornsby Police Station. Send your issues/questions to us at NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com

Saturday 04 March: Clothing & Linen Collection at 10am-3pm @ St Ives Showground. [Info](#).

Thursday 23 March: Harmony Day Expo 10am-2pm @ Gordon Uniting Church. NHW Crime Prevention stall TBC.

Sunday 26 March: Neighbour Day. [Info](#).

Wednesday 03 May: NHW Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby Volunteers meeting. 6-8pm @ PCC Waitara.

21 February, from Neighbourhood Watch - St Ives Area

Shared with permission from the St Ives Community group:

Hi! If anyone saw a vehicle hit my car at Warrimoo Shops today (Monday)

please message me! They didn't leave a note 😊



20 February, from Neighbourhood Watch - Berowra: Shared with permission from the Berowra Community group:

If any saw someone hit my Mazda cx5 and drive away between 10-12pm today please message me or be honest and admit it. Was on turner road across from

coho would really appreciate some honesty!



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20 February, from Crime Stoppers NSW



WHY CRIME STOPPERS WORKS

If you have information to provide to police through Crime Stoppers, you can report online at:

www.nsw.crimestoppers.com.au

or call us on 1800 333 000 (24/7).

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Why Crime Stoppers works...

Many people may have witnessed criminal or suspicious behaviour but think twice about reporting it to police because they might know the person and fear possible come-backs or retaliation from friends or associates.

They may be uncertain of what else they might have to do such as appear in court to give evidence or identify a potential suspect.

Crime Stoppers removes many of those obstacles by providing an easy, safe and confidential service for people to act in a socially responsible way by reporting crimes or suspicious behaviour. It provides a vital link to get information from those who have it to those who need it, but without the evidence provider having to give their details.

If you have information to provide to police through Crime Stoppers, you can report online at www.nsw.crimestoppers.com.au/home or call us on 1800 333 000 (24/7).

20 February, from Crime Stoppers NSW: PROTECT YOUR BICYCLE!

Whether you ride for work, sport or leisure, the loss of your bicycle can be very inconvenient and expensive.

Things you can do:

- ✓ Always engrave or mark your bicycle frame with a UV pen, micro-dot or other permanent means (near the serial number)
 - ✓ Always record the serial number, brand and model of your bicycle and accessories and take a photo
 - ✓ Never leave your bicycle unattended and unsecured
 - ✓ Always use a good quality bike lock when parking your bicycle away from home.
 - ✓ Always lock the wheels and frame to a secure object
 - ✓ Always park your bicycle in a well-lit and populated area
 - ✓ Always secure your bicycle in a locked shed or inside your house when at home.
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19 February, from NSW Police Force



Police have released CCTV images and are appealing for public assistance after a sexual touching incident in Chatswood.

Police have been told about 3.30pm (Saturday 18 February 2023), a 20-year-old woman was sexually touched by a man while she walked along Albert Street, Chatswood.

The woman walked towards the Chatswood Interchange where the man allegedly continued to follow her, sexually touching her a second time.

The man depicted is described as being of Caucasian appearance, aged 25 to 30, of slim build, with light brown hair and a light beard.

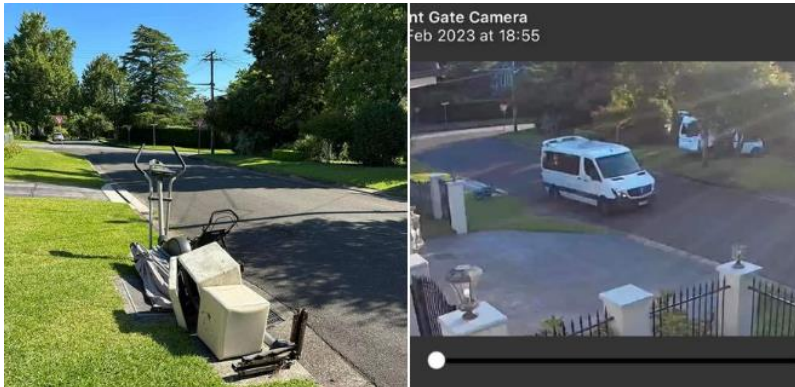
He is shown wearing light blue shorts with banana motifs, a khaki-coloured t-shirt, a brown baseball cap and thongs.

Anyone who may have information is urged to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

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For more information click [here](#).

19 February, Shared with permission from the St Ives Community group:



Someone has dumped goods outside 21&23 Warrabina Ave, St Ives. My cameras recorded a white van in the area yesterday evening stopping in front of our houses. I've reported the dumping and white van to KRG council. If it's your van here in the photo, come get the goods now before you get a dumping fine.

18 February, Shared with permission from the Pymble and West Pymble Community group:

Puppy scams



Fake Pet Rescue Groups

Leading national animal welfare charity, Companion Animal Network Australia, is warning pet adopters about fake pet rescue groups. Puppy Scam Awareness Australia Founder Sandy Trujillo provides some tips on how to identify a rescue scam. She states that most Facebook pages titled "rehoming and adoption" are fake.

"Genuine Australian pet rescue pages mainly use the word 'rescue', not 'rehoming' or 'adoption' which scammers tend to use. These scam pages always have cute puppy pictures, not older dogs that have been surrendered."

You can also check if the rescue group is a genuine non-profit organisation by looking them up on the website of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission at www.acnc.gov.au.

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17 February, Shared with permission from the Thornleigh, Westleigh and Normanhurst Community group:



Does anyone here own this car? My husband saw a P plater bump your Mustang parked in the Burdett Street carpark opposite the BP and train station today (this afternoon around 3:40pm) and walk away. We have taken note of the number plate, so send me a message if you'd like the details!

17 February, from Neighbourhood Watch, St Ives Area



Shared with permission from the St Ives Community group:
Hello! Unfortunately my partners car was stolen last night from Killeaton street.
If anyone has seen it or saw anything suspicious please let me know. Thank you.

17 February, from Councillor Sam Ngai



Parking Meters Turned On at Lindfield Village Green

The Village Green short stay parking spaces are first two hours free, then paid thereafter. **You will need to put a parking ticket on your dashboard regardless of how long you plan to stay.**

To use a parking meter, you need to

- 1** Input your vehicle rego
- 2** Select your duration of stay (2 hour park, or pay for longer)
- 3** Collect your ticket and display it on your dashboard

Council rangers will be patrolling and enforcing those without a ticket on the dashboard (i.e. they will get a fine).

Answers to other Frequently Asked Questions Below

The carpark is full. What other parking options are there?

In the last five years there's been an increase in short stay and commuter parking spaces to support patronage of local businesses and residences.

- ✓** 136 short stay spaces at the Lindfield Village Green, which is the same number as prior to construction.
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✔ 105 new commuter parking spaces at the Village Green, intended for commuters.

✔ 112 street parking spaces on Tryon, Milray, and Havilah have been converted from time unrestricted to 2 hour park (or less) to encourage people to visit the shops. Prior to the change, these spaces were typically parked out by commuters.

✔ 64 visitor parking spaces under IGA.

✔ 43 visitor parking spaces under Harris Farm. (But yeah, I know those parking spaces are tight!!!)

How do you enter the Village Green Carpark?

Entry is via Millay Street.

How does the separate commuter carpark section work?

The 105 commuter carpark section will be controlled by a different system that hasn't been installed by the state gov yet. For more information on the system, visit this link

<https://transportnsw.info/.../transport-parkride-car-parks>

Why did Ku-ring-gai implement parking meter instead of licence recognition and boom gate, like other carparks?

We've asked this a number of times. Apparently the costs involved to operate a licence recognition and boom gate system could not be justified by council staff. There were also complexities with operating one carpark that has two separate parking systems (with the State Government-run commuter carpark yet to have its system installed).

Why has it taken a year to install the parking meters?

There's been multiple reasons, with the main one (I'm told) being linkages to the delays from State Gov end. We also asked staff to consider installing 2P signage as a temporary measure before the meters became functional, but it was ultimately not implemented.

15 February, from Ku-ring-gai Council



It's great to donate but..

To make sure your pre-loved goods have a second life, only donate good quality items to charity stores during opening hours. If they're closed or their donation bins are full, please don't leave them outside.

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

Tip #3. Consider joining in with your local Neighbourhood Watch—find out more from the Crime Prevention Officer (CPO), Hornsby Police Station 9476 9799.

Tip #6. It can be a relief to talk to someone who cares: Lifeline Crisis Support 13 11 14. [Lifeline.org.au](https://www.lifeline.org.au).

Tip #10. NSW Elder Abuse Helpline & Resource Unit 1800 628 221. EAHRU provides information, support and referrals relating to the abuse of older people in NSW. Anyone can make the call. elderabusehelpline.com.au.

Tip #13. Never accept offers of work from door-to-door tradesmen - Report to Travelling Conman Hotline 1300 133 408. Only use tradies recommended to you, or that you have researched. Supervise them all the time in your home. Request from NHW a 'Do Not Knock' door sticker.

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](#).



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 - Turrumurra](#)

[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)
