



Neighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby eNewsletter #619 - 22 August 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!").

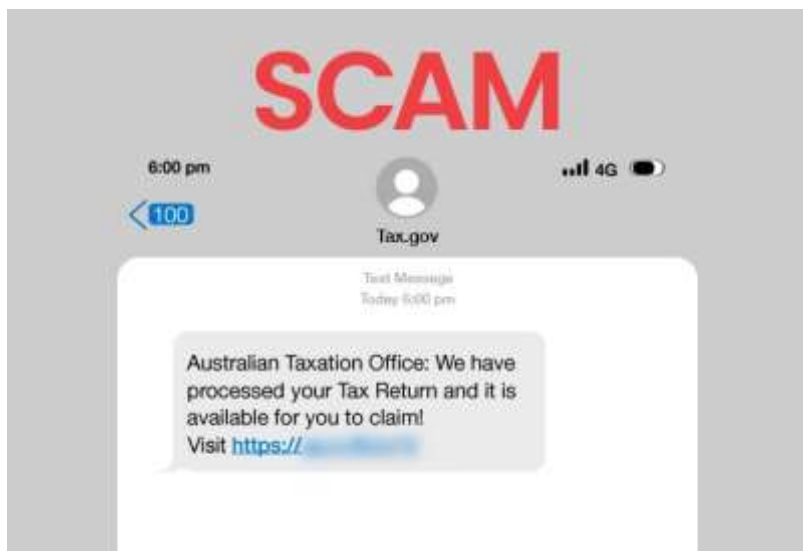
🚗 Have you seen anything we should share with the community? [Please email](#) our NHW in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby volunteers. We do value your contributions and thank you for your support.

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

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17 August, from NSW Police: 🚫 SCAM ALERT 🚫

Scammers impersonating the Australian Taxation Office are attempting to steal your myGov username & password. These scams encourage you to click on a link that directs you to fake myGov log on pages. The ATO doesn't send text messages or emails containing login links for online services. Keep safe - access your account by typing <http://ato.gov.au> or <http://my.gov.au> into your internet browser. For more info on how to spot these scams, visit www.ato.gov.au/scamalerts. Information and images via ATO.



17 August, from NSW Police: Have you seen Susan?

Police are issuing a renewed appeal for public assistance to locate a woman missing from the Woy Woy area following new information about her possible whereabouts. Susan Chiddy, aged 62, was last seen leaving a home on The Boulevard, Woy Woy about 10am Friday 4 August 2023. Unable to be located since, Susan was reported missing to officers attached to Brisbane Water Police District, who commenced inquiries into her whereabouts. Police and family hold concerns for her welfare. She is described as being of Caucasian appearance, 170-175cm tall, with a thin build, and grey bob style hair. She was last seen wearing grey track pants, a beige jumper, white socks and white slides with blue stripes.

Following extensive inquiries police believe she was seen on Reeve Street, Somersby, yesterday morning (Wednesday 16 August 2023). Susan is known to frequent the Woy Woy, Blackwall, Empire Bay, Killcare, West Gosford and Narara areas.

Anyone with information of her whereabouts is urged to contact **Gosford Police Station 4323 5599** or **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000**.





22 August from Neighbourhood Watch Australasia: We're less than 2 months away from National Secure Your Home Day – which takes place the last weekend of September!

With a 5% increase in robbery cases last year in Australia, there's no time like the present to review (and if need be, improve) your home's security. Register Now to participate at www.secureyourhomeday.com.au/register for your FREE National Secure Your Home Day Kit!

By registering, you'll also go into the draw to WIN a home security prize pack, thanks to @Crimsafe, worth \$3,000!



Save The Date!



22 August, from NHW WAhroonga: Shared with permission from the Wahroonga Community group:

My 15 year old's 2020 trek marlin 6 blue bike was stolen outside Pizza Cutters, Wahroonga tonight between 5:30 and 8:30pm (Monday 21st August). Any info please contact me, he is devastated.



22 August, from 9Now.com.au: Tradie tracks down alleged thief with planted device

"... After being hit by thieves weeks earlier, Curwood set a trap and hid an AirTag inside his tool bag...."

Two takeaways from this story:

- 1. Hide an 'Airtag' or 'Tile' type of product with your tools, and
- 2. Change the lock on your new toolbox. Further tips at the end of the article.

Full article [here](#).

20 August, from NHW Queensland: Becoming a “little older” has benefits – no, I won’t start a debate here by listing them.

Whatever our age or stage in life, we have a right to safety but that also involves some effort on our part.

Read [this article from](#) NHWQ.

KerbWatch - have you got your house number on your kerb?

NHW Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby are loaning kerb painting kits and are rolling these out first in Turramurra! Each kit contains all necessary stencils, paints (black, white and reflective), wire brush, tape, turps, acetone, traffic cones, high vis vest and full instructions.

Please contact us for more information and to borrow a

kit: nhwkuringgaihornsby@gmail.com.

For all the information about the kit, or how to book it, see our website: au-nhwkuringgaihornsby.org/kerb/.



NHW Gordon/Killara/E. Killara AGM & Get-together

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2023 AT 7 PM

@ Gordon Baptist Church, 22 Park Ave, Gordon

Speakers:

- (hopefully) Snr Cst Goeff Moeller, Crime Prevention Officer at Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command (PAC), based at Hornsby police station, talking about the current crime situation and offering advice.
- Sgt Dean La Greca, Ryde Highway Patrol talking about Random Breath Testing (RBT) & Mandatory Drug Testing (MDT)
- plus lots of literature to help make your own crime prevention goodie bag, with freebies such as: car rego plate locking screws, NHW stickers, Little Black Book of Scams,

colouring-in and more.

- All the community is welcome! Bring a plate.

One for everyone's diary. Should be a great event, with lots of interesting and useful information appropriate to all residents.

Thank you to Gordon Baptist Church for lending us the Garden Square rooms.

20 August, Shared with permission from the Asquith Community group: Sadly, my package has been stolen.

I'm sure this has been taken right after it has been delivered because I checked at 4pm when I arrived from work on that day and this box wasn't there. For those wanting to get their packages delivered, make sure you note that they don't leave it outside.



19 August, from Crime Stoppers: Safer driving benefits all of us.

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.



16 August, from Mt Kuring-gai Neighbourhood Watch: Shared with permission from the Mt Colah/Kuring-gai Families group yesterday (Tuesday):

Last night between 1040pm and 5am today on High Street, I had my Sthil Blower, Ryobi Submergible pump and Makita Tool Belt stolen by a lowlife out of my company car. Just a heads up to keep your cars locked and if you leave anything of value in your Ute tray, to lock

it up.

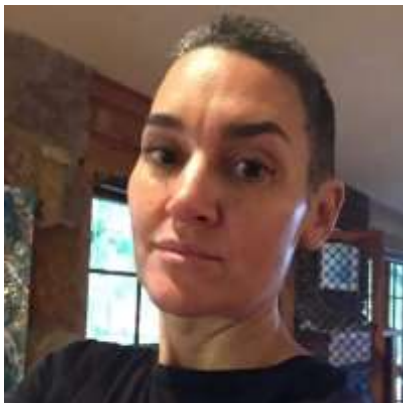
15 August, from NHW Gordon: Shared with permission from the Gordon Community group:

Part of me is just glad they didn't take the fibreglass horse.



14 August, from Jessica Fletcher to Australia: Missing Presons & Unsolved Crimes: Update on the search for our beloved Emmanuelle Dayes.

After quite a bit of soul searching and careful consideration of all evidence provided by the police, the Dayes family have come to believe that our beloved Emmanuelle Dayes has unsuspectingly walked alone on the 9th of July - carrying no supplies nor tools - deep into the very rugged, treacherous and vast bushland behind her home in Berilee NSW and not made it out. The facts remain that she is missing and police continue to search this bushland with their technology and also chase any other leads provided. But too many variables ranging from CTV footage through to Emmanuelle's actions prior to this event along with numerous other patterns of considered evidence point to this scenario taking place. This is a shocking and devastating blow to all of us. Anyone who knows Emmanuelle knows that she was deeply loved and cherished by her family and friends - far and wide.



13 August, from Neighbourhood Watch - Hornsby: Shared with permission from the Hornsby Heights Community group

Long shot but I lost my wallet around 5pm yesterday around Lodge St/Storey Park. Hopefully someone on here's picked it up.

Thanks.

Dates for your Diary

Thursdays 27 July - 31 August: 10-12pm Online Circle of Security Program (for parents of 0-12yr) FREE. [Info](#).

August: Rollout of KerbWatch into Turramurra suburb. [Info](#).

Friday 25 August: Wear it Purple Day

🔥 Saturday 26 August: Berowra RFS Street Meeting 12:30-2pm @ Cumbora Cct nr Fire Trail gate.

Sunday 27 August: Berowra Woodchop Festival.

Wednesday 30 August: KYDS 'Small fish, big pond', Managing the transition to high school. FREE webinar 6:30-7:30pm. [Info](#).

🔥 Saturday 09 September: Berowra RFS Street Meeting 12:30-2pm @ Bambi Rd nr Fire Trail gate.

Saturday 16 September: South Turramurra Community Emergency Expo - NHW Crime Prevention stall. Times tbc

Saturday 23-Sunday 24 September: NHW Australasia 'Secure Your Home Day'. [Info](#).

Thursday 30 November: Gordon/Killara/East Killara NHW AGM & get-together 7-9pm @ Gordon Baptist Church 'Garden Square' rooms, Park Ave. Speaker: Sgt Dean La Greca,

NSWPF Highway Patrol - Random Breath Testing (RBT) & Mandatory Drug Testing (MDT). And speaker (hopefully): Snr Cst Geoff Moeller, Crime Prevention Officer with Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command based at Hornsby police station - current crime in the command and advice. General public very welcome. Bring a plate. Come and collect a personal goodie bag of literature and freebies.

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

- **Tip #1.** IDENTIFY YOUR 6 IMMEDIATE NEIGHBOURS — 2 TO YOUR LEFT, 2 TO YOUR RIGHT, ACROSS FROM AND BEHIND YOU. Make an effort to get to know them and swap contact details.
- **Tip #4.** INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO YOUR LOCAL POLICE STATION. Where should you park? What information is available there? When is it manned?
- **Tip #6.** STORE YOUR NEW EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS IN LANDLINE & MOBILE PHONES. Include Hornsby Police Station: 9476 9799, Gordon Police Station: 9418 5399 and those overleaf at the bottom.
- **Tip #9.** CONSIDER HAVING THE LOCKS CHANGED/UPDATED/RE-KEYED. RE-PROGRAMME NEW ALARM CODES FOR THE BURGLAR ALARM.
- **Tip #10.** HAVE THE BURGLAR ALARM SYSTEM CHECKED. CLEAN THE SENSORS. CHECK BATTERIES. CONSIDER NEW ATTACHMENTS—there are some amazing new technologies available! Eg balcony sensors, broken window sensors. Spray insect products around sensors to prevent spider webs.

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](#). Other languages are available.

That night Steve couldn't sleep...
To not expose his identity Batman was
either driving the batmobile uninsured
or committing insurance fraud.



Thanks to UK 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.

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 Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby:

Website au-NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org

Facebook [@NHWKuringgaiHornsby](https://www.facebook.com/NHWKuringgaiHornsby)

Facebook Group [NHWKuringgaiHornsby](https://www.facebook.com/NHWKuringgaiHornsby)

Twitter [@NHWKRGHornsby](https://twitter.com/NHWKRGHornsby)

Email NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com

**WatchOut! - the NHW NSW one-stop-shop for crime prevention links:**

Website WatchOut.org.au

Facebook [@NHWWatchOut](https://www.facebook.com/NHWWatchOut)

Local NHW Facebook pages:

[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 - Pymble & West Pymble](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - St Ives](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Thornleigh](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Turramurra](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Wahroonga](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Warrawee](#)

Face-to-Face NHW groups:

[Neighbourhood Watch - Berowra \(paused\)](#)

[*Neighbourhood Watch - East Killara](#)

[*Neighbourhood Watch - Gordon/Killara \(plus part of Pymble\)](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Mt Colah \(paused\)](#)

[*Neighbourhood Watch - St Ives \(Lynbara Ave\)](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Turramurra \(The Chase\) \(paused\)](#)

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