



## Neighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby eNewsletter #650 - 26 March 2024

This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) 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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### 25 March, from NSW Police Force

In 2018, Senior Constable Jonathan Wright faced the harrowing reality of road trauma firsthand when he and a fellow officer were struck by a distracted driver. Jonathan's life was saved by blood transfusions after sustaining serious injuries. Today, he tirelessly works to educate communities about road safety.



Traffic and Highway Patrol Command officers see first-hand the very real need for blood when they arrive on the scene of crashes where people have suffered serious injuries and will require donations. That's why they've launched a

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weeklong blood drive to help draw attention to the impact of road trauma on communities, ahead of the Easter Long Weekend. 💙

To donate, visit the lifeblood website [here](#).

See video [here](#).

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### **25 March, from NSW Police Force**

The NSW Police Force Mounted Unit has reigned supreme at the Sydney Royal Easter Show ✨



Best Turned Out - Constable Chelsea riding Troop Horse Darcy.



Best Troop Horse - Troop Horse Arnie ridden by Senior Constable Courtney.



Overall Winner & Hazlett Trophy - Constable Chelsea riding Troop Horse Darcy. Darcy is a 5-year-old Clydesdale Cross, who has been with the NSW Police Force for just 8 months. Looks like he was born to be a Police Horse! Additionally, this was Constable Chelsea's first Sydney Royal Easter Show with the Mounted Unit.

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A big salute to these exceptional riders and their majestic companions for their unwavering dedication and skill 🏆



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**20 March, from Nepean Police Area Command**

UPDATE:

Yes, we all know what we would like to do, but e) is the most appropriate answer.

Drive safely and have a great day

WEDNESDAYS WHAT WOULD YOU DO!

You're driving up the mountains to visit the Three Sisters at Katoomba. You're relaxed, singing along to Barry Manilow's Greatest Hits when an idiot who

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thinks it's a race, cuts in front of you causing you to break hard to avoid a collision.

Your safe stopping space has more than halved in a matter of seconds.

What would you do?

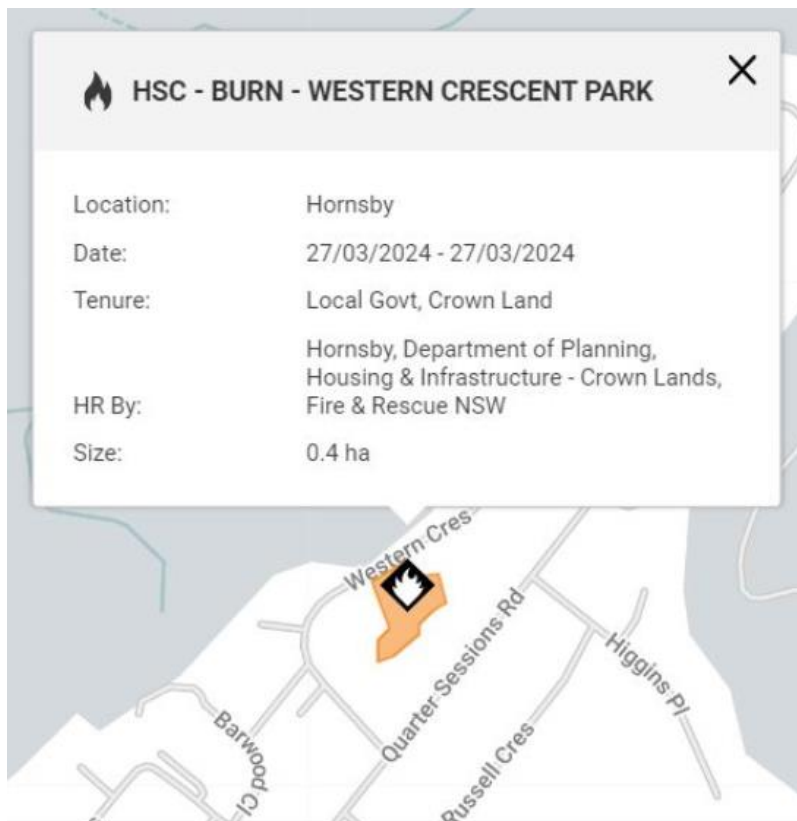
- a) Blast your horn at him?
- b) Give him the middle or two finger salute?
- c) Shout obscenities at him?
- d) Drive closer to him to 'teach' him what it feels like?
- e) Drop back to a safe three second gap between him and you?



## 26 March, from Westleigh Rural Fire Brigade: HAZARD REDUCTION NOTIFICATION

Fire and Rescue NSW, Hornsby Shire Council and local #nswrfs firefighters will be undertaking a small hazard reduction in bushland adjacent to the park, between Quarter Sessions Rd and Western Cres, Westleigh on Wednesday 27 March 2024.

Smoke and fire will be visible in the local area throughout the day. Find out more about hazard reductions in your area by visiting site [here](#).



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## 25 March, From NHW Killara

Shared with permission from the Lindfield/East Lindfield/Killara/Roseville Community group yesterday (Sunday):

Hi everyone - I have had all my cards taken from my bag that was inside my house over night. I am in Killara. Please be aware and vigilant.

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**25 March, from 9news.com.a: Man charged after alleged stabbing at Sydney house party**



A man has been charged after two men were allegedly stabbed at a house party in an affluent suburb on Sydney's Upper North Shore yesterday morning. Emergency services were called to North Turramurra about 2am after an alleged brawl broke out at the multimillion-dollar Stephanie Place home. One 28-year-old man, believed to be a guest, suffered several stab wounds to the chest and stomach.

For details, click [here](#).

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**24 March, from ACCC**

What's your approach for checking online reviews? 🖥️

Whether you're researching accommodation for the holidays or looking for somewhere for brunch on the weekend, many of us like to check the experiences of others.

Unfortunately some of the reviews might be fake. We recommend checking reviews across a range of sources, including independent review platforms.

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**24 March, from Traffic and Highway Patrol Command - NSW Police Force**

Seatbelts help to save lives, except for this one....

Hawkesbury Highway Patrol were recently conducting random stationary testing on Londonderry Road at Richmond when they spoke with a driver about his

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seatbelt. Not only was the seatbelt not being worn, an inspection of the seatbelt found it to be dangerously defective. He was issued a defect notice and infringement in the amount of \$387 and three demerit points. Please ensure your seatbelts don't look like this.



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### 24 March, from ACCC

#### 🚨 Scam warning 🚨

Scammers are posing as sellers of secondhand cars and caravans on social media. They pressure buyers into paying a deposit to "secure" the item. After the deposit is transferred, the scammer disappears.

Don't rush into deals that seem too good to be true especially for a vehicle you're unable to inspect. Be cautious of sellers who ask for a deposit before

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purchase even if an ad seems legit.



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#### **24 March, from Hills Command**

NSW residents are urged to watch out for travelling conmen in their local communities.

Beware of tradespeople quoting cheap prices for roofing work or laying bitumen for a new driveway.

They are known to insist on doing the job very quickly, demand more cash after the job is commenced or completed, or carry out inadequate or defective work in the first instance.

Conmen often move on quickly, so your town could be next on their hit list.

If you have any information or think you may have been the victim of a travelling conmen, you can contact [NSW Fair Trading](#) on 13 32 20, lodge a complaint at any Service NSW Centre or via website [here](#).

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**24 March, from Hills Command**

Hey kitchen renovators and roof cleaners - we don't need any work done.

Posting signs to premises (including poles) is not only an eyesore but it's illegal.

The Hills Shire Council

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<https://classic.austlii.edu.au/.../con.../gca2008179/s6.html>.



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### **23 March, from NHW Gordon - NSW**

Shared with permission from the Gordon Community group yesterday (Friday):  
Our mountain bike (Merida) has been stolen from the locked garage cage at our parking. That is the photo how they damaged the cage door. We live in a building at McIntyre Street, Gordon. Reported to the police this morning. They said that happens now quite often with that type of bikes being stolen from the

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garage cages. Don't keep anything expensive there.



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**23 March, Shared with permission from the Lindfield/ East Lindfield/ Killara/Roseville Community Group yesterday (Friday):**

I posted this before but would like to post it anonymously so people can share it.

For parents who have children who train at or visit Willoughby Park, there was a serious attempted abduction of a child this afternoon. The police have been notified.

I believe at least one parent was present, and this is the second time in a week that a child had been approached at this park.

I have told my son who trains here that he isn't to use the bathroom without me and I will be watching his entire training sessions.

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**Dates for your Diary**

**Monday 18 March to Friday 01 November:** Bobbin Head Rd closed between Memorial Rd - Apple Tree Bay for night roadworks at North Turramurra 🚧 [Info](#).

**Tuesday 26 March:** FREE 3-4pm Australian Government. 'Be Connected' online presentations - "Technology & your Health". [Info/Register](#)

**Tuesday 26 March:** FREE 6-8pm Ku-ring-gai Council 'Illegal Tree Removal' Community Forum @ Council Chambers, Gordon. [Info/Register](#)

**Wednesday 27 March:** FREE 3-4pm Australian Government. 'Be Connected'

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online presentations - "iPhone Basics". [Info/Register](#)

**Wednesday 27 March:** FREE 6-7pm Teaching Your Learner Driver - GLS

Online presentation via Teams. [Info/Register](#)

**Wednesday 03 April to Wednesday 10 July:** Car park on Grandview Street, Pymble will be partially occupied by Sydney Trains for slope remediation works at Pymble Station. [Info](#).

**Thursday 11 April:** FREE 10-11am Australian Government. 'Be Connected' online presentations - "Useful Tips for Using your Android Phone".

[Info/Register](#)

**Tuesday 23 April:** FREE 10-11am Australian Government. 'Be Connected' online presentations - "Apps for Smarter Travel". [Info/Register](#)

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## **22 March, from NHW St Ives**

Shared with permission from the St Ives Community group:

Hello last Friday I left my electric scooter at the youth club at st Ives shops around 5:30 and then forgot about it being there and went home when it shut either some one has stolen it or some thing else happened if wanna one see the e scooter around will have photo below would be great if you took and photo and let me know they are not cheap so would like to get it back

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Cheers logan.



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**20 March, from Nepean command: What must you do when towing a caravan to help other drivers overtake? (From Last Week)**

- a) Stop immediately and let the faster vehicle overtake?
  - b) Keep at least 60 metres behind heavy vehicles or other vehicles towing caravans?
  - c) Drive at least 25kph below the speed limit?
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## TRAFFIC TUESDAY

FOR ALL OUR  
'GREY NOMADS'  
OUT THERE  
TOWING A CARAVAN



## NEPEAN POLICE AREA COMMAND



### UPDATE:

Yes, the answer is b). You must keep at least 60 metres behind heavy vehicles or other vehicles towing caravans?

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What must you do when towing a caravan to help other drivers overtake?

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**20 March, from NHW - Killara**



Shared with permission from the Lindfield/East Lindfield/Killara/Roseville Community group yesterday (Wednesday):

Hi Community

Hoping for your help in locating a box that was unfortunately left by the fence at Koola oval on Sunday 10th March around 9.30am.

This box held a HeartSine DEFIBRILLATOR that is emergency support for the Touch Footballers you see here early on Wed, Fri & Sundays.

If you picked it up or saw it after that time, please call:

0433 225 809

We have players up to the age of 83 & desperately need it back. Picture of box below.

Thank you !

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**From NHW in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby: 'Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Businesses' (Simplified Chinese):**

**我们的 20 个最常用的犯罪预防提示：商业**

1. 在每天生意结束时，拿出收银机中的所有的钱并有意展示抽屉已清空，使窃贼

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不会将您不会成为窃贼的潜在

目标。

2. **不要将手提包、手机** 钥匙等物品放在柜台后面。 **盗贼**会分散您的注意力，然后从柜台后面拿走您的财物。

3. 请实时确保您的储藏间的安保措施。否则， **盗贼**会分散您的注意力，从而获得进入的机会。

4. 请确保所有的栅栏、大门和房门都处于完好状态。在不营业时，关闭大门并锁好大门（使用挂锁或类似安全

**性高的锁**），以防有人未经许可进入您的物业。

For more FAQs, 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.

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## UK Firefighter Humour have been busy again...



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### 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**

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[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](http://au-NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org)

**Facebook** [@NHWKuringgaiHornsby](#)

**Facebook Group** [NHWKuringgaiHornsby](#)

**Twitter** [@NHWKRGHornsby](#)

**Email** [NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com](mailto:NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com)



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

**Website** [WatchOut.org.au](http://WatchOut.org.au)

**Facebook** [@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)

\*These NHW groups have joined together for the purpose of committee, shared meetings and printed newsletters.

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