



Neighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby

eNewsletter #674 - 10 September 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.

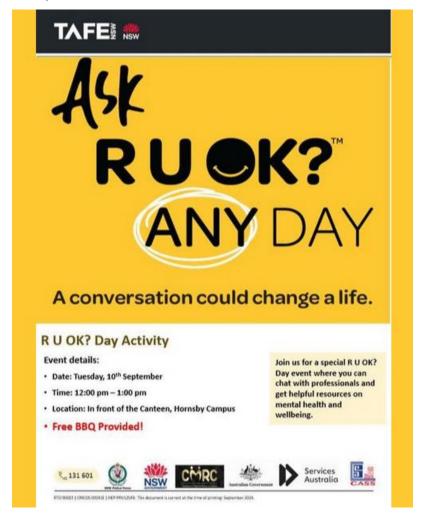
The eNewsletter includes a selection of posts from our local police at the <u>Ku-ring-gai PAC Facebook page</u> (also known as 'eyewatch'), primarily for those not familiar with Facebook. We add anything interesting from a Neighbourhood Watch point-of-view - this could be a local newspaper article, a 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.
- A 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.

10 September, from Kuring Gai Police Area Command

Join us for R U OK? Day at Hornsby TAFE Campus today between 12pm-1pm! Free BBQ provided! Come chat to your local police and mental health professionals to get helpful resources on mental health and well being.

See you there!



08 September, from NSW Police Force

Police are appealing for witnesses following an incident at Central Railway Station last week.

About 11:40pm on Thursday 5 September 2024, officers attached to the Police Transport Command were told that a man wearing a costume similar to that worn by characters in the TV series The Squid Game, was on Platform 24. A few minutes later, a train arrived on Platform 24 and the man entered one of the carriages.

Officers entered the carriage and approached the 38-year-old man.

Police will allege the man was in possession of a knife and advanced towards an officer.

The officer deployed her taser, and the man was arrested without further incident.

There were no injuries to police or passengers.

The man was taken to Prince of Wales Hospital for assessment.

As investigations continue, police area appealing for anyone who was in the area at the time and may have witnessed something to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

The public is reminded not to report information via NSW Police social media pages.

MORE INFORMATION here.

07 September, from NSW Rural Fire Service

With the bush fire season on our doorstep, it's important you and your family are prepared for the threat of fire. We are now just two weeks away from our Get Ready Weekend, which is being held on 21-22 September.

With more than 450 events being held across the state, it's the perfect time to speak with your local brigade about your bush fire survival plan, fire danger ratings or preparing your home.

To find an event near you, visit the #RFS website <u>here.</u>
Watch video <u>here.</u>

07 September, from NSW Police



A man has been charged over an alleged child grooming offence in the Kuring Gai region.

In September, officers attached to Kuring Gai Police Area Command commenced an investigation into allegations a man groomed a child online. Following inquiries, a 27-year-old man was arrested today in Wahroonga. He was charged with one count of procuring or grooming child under 16 for unlawful sexual activity.

The man was refused bail to appear at Parramatta Local Court tomorrow.

MORE INFORMATION here.



10 September, from NSW Food Authority

Find out which food businesses have allegedly breached food safety laws in NSW:

- 12 premises added this week
- 6 premises removed (publication period expired).

See site here.



10 September, from Burwood Police area Command

Burwood Police, Burwood Council and Lithium Bicycles Burwood have joined forces to create an E-bike Safety Seminar!

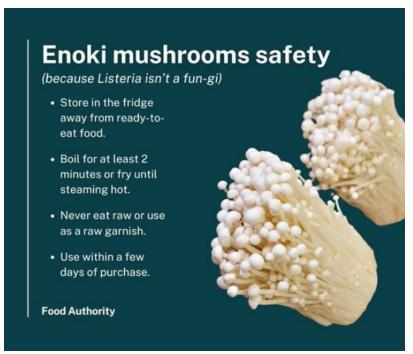
Come on down and meet your local police, council and e-bike expert for all things E-bike. We hope to see you there!



10 September, from NSW Food Authority

Fresh enoki mushrooms can contain Listeria bacteria. Anyone can get sick from Listeria, but it is more dangerous for pregnant women and their unborn babies, the elderly and people with weakened immune systems.

Learn more about enoki mushrooms here.



10 September, from Neighbourhood Watch Ku-Ring-Gai Hornsby

This month the 80th person requested a KerbWatch kit AND we broke even on the cost of our original kits. It is one year since we started loaning out the kits. The Pay-it-forward contributions are now paying for the replacement paints, turps etc, stocking the kits with supplies for future residents' use.

Thank you to everyone who has supported this project - from the donation of plastic containers, to the giving of their time.

Details about the KerbWatch (DIY painting of your house number on the kerb) can be found on our website.



09 September, Shared with permission from the Pymble and West Pymble Community Group:

Two extremely loud bangs be Lady Game Dr just now. Anyone know the source?

And from the comments:

I heard it! I called my daughter as she was driving home at that time and said be careful I heard cars speeding around and then large bangs sounded like an accident.

10 mins later she was coming down Congham towards Wallalong and 5 police cars with Operation Mercury going across the police car and what looked like a tyre was shot out and police everywhere with 2 men. She had to turn around and go another way.

09 September, Shared with permission from the Thornleigh, Westleigh and Normanhurst Community group:

Hi everyone,

My dad was mowing the lawn out the front of our house on Hampden road Pennant Hills, he went inside for some water and has returned and it's missing. It's possible someone thought it was left out to be collected but he really needs it for work so if this is the case, hopefully someone here sees this and knows something and can have it returned to us

08 September, Shared with permission from the Asquith Community Australia group:

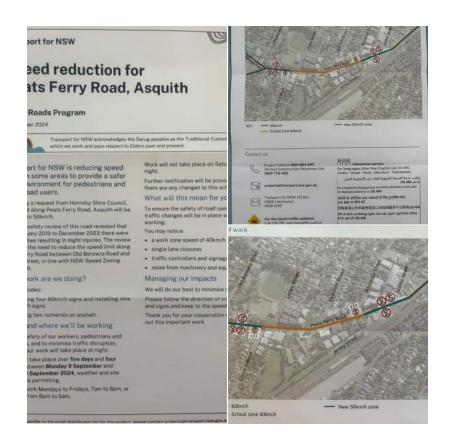
Good Morning

Work will commence on speed reduction on Peats Ferry Road

From Monday 9-13 September

7am-6pm or 8pm-5am

Questions: projects@transport.nsw.gov.au



08 September, from Northern Beaches Police Area Command

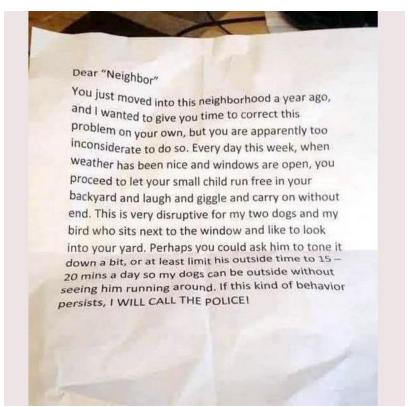


08 September, Shared with permission from the Turramurra and Wahroonga Community group yesterday (Saturday):

Hi All, my daughter and boyfriend experienced a hit and run last night. They were driving straight across lights from Ada Ave to Wahroonga village, and a car turned right oin front of them heading towards M1.

It was a dark blue Toyota Yaris occupied by two youths of Asian background. They were expected to pull over to discuss damage but drove away from the scene. Their car would have considerable damage to the passenger side. It has been reported to police, who are reviewing camera footage for rego details. If you saw the accident or have a newly damaged blue Toyota Yaris in your street please message me. Thanks!

08 September, from Ranker: 22 Times Entitled People Acted Out And Took It A Little Too Far



08 September, from abc.net.au: Knox Grammar teacher arrested after allegedly grooming child online

In short:

A teacher at Sydney's Knox Grammar has been charged with grooming a child online.

English teacher William Gulson, 27, was arrested on Friday and granted conditional bail.

What's next?

Mr Gulson has been banned from dating apps and from entering Knox Grammar while the matter is before the court.

Read full story here.



08 September, Shared with permission from the Lindfield/ East Lindfield/ Killara/Roseville Community Group 2 days ago (Thursday):

Lost a beautiful bracelet last few days. 25 year wedding anniversary present. Extremely devastated. Reward given. Tiffany & Co rose gold with diamonds. May have been lost at tennis courts Willis Park, Castle Cove. Please contact

me if found, thank you.



07 September, from Australian Signals Directorate

Working from home or remotely is often not as secure as working from an office. It carries different risks, and it's likely that the same security measures you have in place at home are not as robust or secure as what would be in place in an office environment. This could make you vulnerable to cyber attacks and info stealer malware.

Learn how to protect yourself and your organisation with our 'Security tips for remote working' publication <u>here.</u>



07 September, from Nepean Police Area Command

STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENCES ARE STILL OCCURRING THROUGHOUT THE COMMAND

WHAT DO THEY STEAL FROM YOUR CAR?

They steal coins from the console, sunnies, documentation showing your personal details, mobile phones, laptops, wallets, tools, GPS units. Anything they can see, they'll steal.

Your bank cards are then used to steal your money.

You are left with the inconvenience of cancelling the cards, making a police report, applying for a new licence and waiting for the new licence and cards to be activated.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Remember to lock cars, windows and doors – even when parked on your property in your driveway.

In many of the steal from motor vehicle incidents, the cars have been unlocked at the time.

Just take that extra few seconds to ensure your vehicle is locked. These criminals always prefer an unlocked vehicle as to gain entry means less noise.



07 September, from Neighbourhood Watch Glen Eira

Snap-map on Snapchat: It sees everything.

What can a random person see about your child on Snap-map?

- Where they go to school
- What classes they have
- Class Schedule
- Where they go after school
- What sports they play
- What friends house they visit
- Where they live
- What bedroom they sleep in
- Where they work
- What times they work
- What car they drive
- What route they take to and from school
- What concerts they go to

- Where they go on weekends
- Much, much, much more

If a predator got a hold of a nude photo of your child they would have unlimited information about them and where to find them in person just by adding them as a friend on Snapchat.

How many of your kids personally know every single person on Snapchat? Happy Parenting,

Source: Officer Gomez



07 September, from NSW Police Force

Two males have been arrested following an attempted break-in and pursuit with a stolen vehicle in Sydney's north.

About 1.15am (today Friday 6 September 2024) two males were allegedly disturbed during a break and enter at a home on Seaforth Crescent, Seaforth where they fled the scene in a Toyota Camry.

A short time later officers from the Traffic and Highway Patrol Command sighted the vehicle travelling east along Military Road, Mosman, in excess of the 60km/h posted speed limit.

When the vehicle failed to stop as directed a pursuit was initiated.

It will be alleged that speeds of over 90kph in a 60km/h zone were reached, before the driver stopped the vehicle along the Warringah Freeway, North Sydney, and ran from the scene.

After a short foot pursuit, the 19-year-old man was arrested with the assistance of the Dog Squad.

He was treated at the scene for a dog bite to the right leg and taken to Royal North Shore Hospital in a stable condition where he remains under police guard.

A male passenger was arrested in the vehicle. The 17-year-old was taken to Manly Police Station and is assisting with inquiries.

As detectives from Northern Beaches Police Area Command continue with investigations, anyone with information about the matter – or has any available dashcam/mobile phone footage – is urged to contact Manly Police Station or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

06 September: Shared with permission from the Thornleigh, Westleigh and Normanhurst Community group:

Please don't let your children walk your dog if they can't control him or keep a good hold of them, yesterday I was at ruddocl park with my dog, a little boy and his dog approached us and my dog with out asking, then when his dog started to show aggression he could barely pull the dog back lucky I had someone with me to help the little boy and his dog be redirected but it could of turned very dangerous! Please please if your kid can't control your dog don't let them walk it!

06 September, from Neighbourhood Watch - Hornsby

Shared with permission from the Hornsby and Surrounds Community Noticeboard:

Hi all.

I am wondering if anyone witnessed a collision today at around 5pm on James st Hornsby. I was reversed into on the road and I am wondering if there were any witnesses or dash cam footage. Thanks!!

05 September, from Hornsby Shire Council

The Child Car Seat Educational Voucher Program is open again —

The voucher will allow you to book in with an accredited child car seat company to have your child car seats installed or be checked for safe installation.

- The voucher is valid at Bubba Snug, 2/29 Leighton Place, Hornsby

Be sure to read the terms and conditions at the webpage below. Vouchers must be redeemed by 28 October 2024.

To find out more and to apply, visit site here.



05 September, Auburn Police Area Command

This week is National Child Protection week.

We ask that all parents monitor their child's online activity to limit any online harm.

"TakeItDown" is a free online service that can be used to help limit the spread of nude images online. TakeItDown provides participating online platforms with

a unique code that identifies the image and then action can be taken to have that image removed.

Many other online websites such as ThinkUknow, the Esafety Commissioner and the Australian Centre to Counter Child Exploitation (ACCCE) websites are useful websites for everyone to also be aware of.

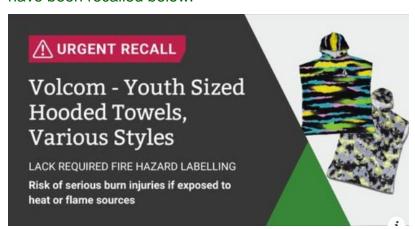


05 September, from Apostle Alex Selorm: Some drivers just need this posted in their head!



05 September, from ACCC Product Safety

If your kids are rocking a hooded towel from Volcom as they ride out the last of the cold weather, check if it's been recalled, and stop use immediately if they are. Recalled towels lack required fire hazard labelling and, if exposed to a heat or flame source, pose a risk of serious burn injuries. Check which products have been recalled below.



More information here.

04 September, from NSW Maritime

Boating maps! Grab 'em online —Don't forget your printed or digital version for open waters is mandatory

Find more info here.



04 September, from Whittlesea City Neighbourhood Watch: The Neighbourhood Watch mentality and what we stand for.



04 September, from Hornsby Advocate: 'Psychological abuse': Former cop allegedly shared intimate images

Ex-cop Duncan Gray of Asquith, accused of recording and sending intimate images of a woman, allegedly used 'coercive control' before he was hit with

fresh charges and taken into custody.



04 September, from Neighbourhood Watch - Hornsby

Shared with permission from the Hornsby and Surrounds Community Noticeboard group yesterday (Tuesday):

To the kids that went through the belongings of my god sister's late mum, dad, and uncle, before splaying them all over the park and writing "thanx" in their complex garage, don't think I won't find you

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 09 May - Thursday 14 November: LifeLine Connect 1.00 pm - 5.30 pm @ Hornsby Library. FREE. Drop-in or make a booking: **8287 1142**.

Monday 16 - Sunday 22 September: Dementia Action Week [NHW is part of the Dementia Alliance.]

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Friday 20 September: Let's talk about Dementia 2-3pm @ Hornsby Library. Info & bookings.

Sunday 22 September: Party @ the Park 9:15am-2:15pm. NHW will have a crime prevention stall and kids activities.

Tuesday 08 October: FREE Tech Savvy Seniors - Introduction to Computers 10:15am-12:15 pm @ Hornsby Library. Info & Bookings.

Wednesday 09 October: FREE 计算机简介 - Introduction to Computers

(Mandarin) 10:15am-12:30pm @ Hornsby Library. Info & Bookings

Saturday 12 October: St John's Anglican Church Fete 9am-2pm NHW crime

prevention stall & kids activities.

Tuesday 15 October: FREE Tech Savvy Seniors - Introduction to Internet

10:15am-12:15pm @ Hornsby Library. Info & Bookings

Wednesday 16 October: FREE 互联网入门 - Introduction to Internet

(Mandarin) 10:15am-12:30pm @ Hornsby Library. Info & Bookings

Tuesday 22 October: FREE Tech Savvy Seniors - Introduction to Tablets

10:15am-12:15pm @ Hornsby Library. Info & Bookings.

Wednesday 23 October: FREE 电子邮件简介 – Introduction to Email

(Mandarin) 10:15am-12:30pm @ Hornsby Library. Info & Bookings

Tuesday 29 October: FREE Tech Savvy Seniors - Introduction to

Smartphones 10:15am-12:15pm @ Hornsby Library. Info & Bookings

Wednesday 30 October: FREE 智能手机简介 – Introduction to Smartphones

(Mandarin) 10:15am-12:30pm @ Hornsby Library. Info & Bookings

Sunday 03 November: FREE Motorcycling Safety Workshop – Survive the

Ride 10:30am-2pm @ Storey Park Community Centre (Fowler Hall), 12 Old

Berowra Road, Hornsby. Info & Bookings

From NHW in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby: 'Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Car Owners (Traditional Chinese):

Tip #2. 不要藏備用鑰匙在車上。不要欺騙你自己 - 盜賊知道所有最好隱藏之處!

Tip #6. 選擇在光線充足、行人多、最好有用監視器(CCTV)的地方停放車輛。

避免有被破車門歷

史的停車場。

Tip #12. 顯示「所有貴重物品已從車輛上移除」的告示。 考慮打開前座置物箱 (glove box) 和車中

置物箱(centre console),顯示給盜賊者沒有什麼值得偷的。

Tip #17. 考慮不要在自有的 GPS 設定住家位置,而是設定住家附近一個不存在的地址。如果你的車

被盜、且小偷沒有你車庫的開門器,那小偷就不能輕易進入你的房子。

For more FAQs, tips and translations, look at our website 'Tips' page <u>here</u>. Or try our WatchOut! website <u>here</u>, for links to some great information available on the internet. Or request a copy in your inbox <u>here</u>. Other languages are available.

From Insane Asylum: I'll allow it

I haven't met my new neighbor yet, but her dogs love me



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

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 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.