



Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby Meeting #43
(Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command (PAC))
6pm Tuesday 15 October 2024 @ PCYC, Waitara & dinner @ Magpies
Summary Notes

Present:

Cloris Yang, NHW volunteer
David Beale, NHW volunteer, Gordon
Diana Tyne, NHW East Killara volunteer
Edward Tyne, NHW East Killara volunteer
Gay Balasubramanian, NHW E Killara volunteer, All Areas Jt Coord
Julia Eagles, Gordon 24 Coord, All Areas Jt Coord
Pasquale Vartuli, Coordinator, Jubilee St eWatch, Wahroonga
Steven Saunderson, Secretary, NHW Gordon 3/4 (Turramurra)
Tara Griffiths (via Zoom), NHW Hornsby Facebook page
Wal Knowles, Coordinator, East Killara Area 25/26
Warren Dunn, NHW St Ives, Lynbara

Apologies:

Anne Ridley, NHW volunteer, Gordon
Ben Campbell, NHW volunteer, Turramurra
Eva Ford, NHW volunteer, Gordon
Fiona Zhou, Multi-cultural Community Liaison Officer (MCLO) Ku-ring-gai PAC
Snr Cst Gemma Walker, Crime Prevention Officer (CPO) Ku-ring-gai PAC
Jack Liu, NHW volunteer (Chinese community)
Jyoti Sukhija, NHW volunteer (website)
Helen Booth, NHW volunteer
Kanak Kiran NHW Warrawee Facebook page, translation, driveway stencil
Kerrie O'Brien, NHW Turramurra Facebook page
Mary Walker, NHW volunteer (Ryde area)
Michelle Manera, NHW volunteer
Mick Gallagher, Coordinator, Mount Colah NHW
Phil Smith, Shore Safe Locksmiths
Ralph Stein, Coordinator, NHW Berowra/Cowan/Berowra Heights
Simon Lennon, NHW volunteer
Zoya D'Souza, NHW St Ives Facebook page

Kept Informed:

Anthony Broome, NHW Brooklyn Facebook page (non-attendee)
Bianka Ford, NHW Hornsby Facebook page (non-attendee)

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TO REPORT NON-EMERGENCY/POLICE TO ATTEND NON-URGENTLY (Police Assistance Line) 131 444
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TTY—To ask for Police, type PPP 106
SPEAK AND LISTEN 1 800 555 727

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Dr Bruce McAdam, ex-Roseville NHW (non-attendee)
Chris de Graaf, NHW Berowra (non-attendee)
Eva Ford, NHW volunteer, Gordon (non-attendee)
Evelyn Yeoh, NHW volunteer (non-attendee)
Jayne Donnelly, NHW Brooklyn Facebook page (non-attendee)
Kate & Paul Bizannes, NHW St Ives Facebook page (non-attendee)
Liz Surrest, NHW Brooklyn Facebook page (non-attendee)
Megan Tilley, NHW volunteer (Rotary St Ives) (non-attendee)
Paul Friend, NHW Berowra Facebook page (non-attendee)
Peter Wilkinson, NHW volunteer, Killara (non-attendee)
Stan Wesley, NHW volunteer (non-attendee)
Sue Dunston, NHW Gordon/Killara volunteer (non-attendee)
Trevor Chan (non-attendee)

1. Introductions

- a. [6:00pm] Julia welcomed Cloris, Diana and Ted, and Tara (via Zoom) and introduced everyone.

2. Crime Report

- a. Gemma was unable to attend. Julia to include a link to the Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) website for access to latest stats.
- b. Discussion on current issues involving youths coming into the area from other commands and committing offences such as Break & Enter, Steal from motor vehicle, Steal Motor Vehicle, Malicious Damage etc. Usual messages, such as ensuring property is locked at all times, especially cars on drives, in garages, and hide keys from easy access in the home.

3. What have we achieved since the last meeting (16 July 2024)?

- a. Article in the August NHWA Journal page 18-19. Thanks to Ben.
- b. New 20 Tips for Storage Cages published. Thanks to Phil and various CPOs.
- c. Emergency Services Expo @ Westfield, Hornsby Sun 08 September. Thanks to Gay, Pasquale, Mary, Michelle, Cloris, Noushin, Sarah and Julia.
- d. St John's Anglican Church Fete, Gordon Sat 12 October. Thanks to Paul, Paul, David, Gay, Sue, Kerrie, Cloris and Julia. We were approached and invited to the St Ives North school fete on Sun 03 Nov, but had to decline due to the Bushfire Expo commitment (see 4a).
- e. NHW Gordon/Killara/E Killara printed September newsletter delivered. There will be discussion about future of the groups at their AGM 7pm on Thur 21 Nov. Committee members met on Sun 06 Oct to discuss the way forward:
 - Proposal to close NHW Gordon/Killara/E Killara. This will allow us to morph NHW Gordon/Killara/E Killara into NHW Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby, putting all the volunteer effort into the whole command.
 - Proposal to transfer the NHW Gordon bank account balance to NHW Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby. This may be actioned by a rename of the NHW Gordon bank account to NHW Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby. Julia is in discussion with the ANZ bank.
 - ANZ bank have suggested we apply for an ABN. NHW NSW insurance/Affiliation agreement may in the future require us to be more formal, ie with 5 Committee members, AGM, Constitution and Minutes. ANZ will require meeting documentation.

- Julia & Gay have been listing the Roles & Responsibilities (distributed with these Summary Notes, and have a draft of how they may be allocated – needs discussion in more detail and everyone's feedback at the next meeting.
- f. KerbWatch Project (ongoing) Kits currently with Kanak, Pasquale, Gay & Julia. Have had the 80th request! After helping with 13 numbers in Pymble, we have broken even and are now accumulating funds for new supplies. Requests have slowed. We need more advertising.
- g. Driveway Stencil project (ongoing) Kits currently with Kanak & Gay.
- h. Engraver/UV Pen kits (ongoing) Kits currently with Kerrie & Julia. No borrowers.
- i. Shredders (ongoing) 4 currently with Julia. A few have died. Need to request donation of new shredders.
- j. Two new KerbWatch & NHW flyers using Canva (thanks Anika). We need to access free QR codes. Steven suggested the Vivaldi browser.
- k. NHW K&H Website (ongoing). Waiting on Jyoti. 'Volunteer' webpage published.
- l. NHW NSW Info Session Zoom meetings held Sun 28 July & Sun 29 Sep. Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby volunteers were present (July: Pasquale, Wal, Anne, Gay and Julia; Sep: Gay & Julia). Meetings are to determine the needs of local groups.

4. What are we hoping to achieve?

- a. Bushfire Emergency Expo @ West Pymble green at 10-2 Sat 02 Nov – we will have a crime prevention stall and kids' activities. Warren and Diana offered their help. Julia to enquire about more information available.
- b. Online presence, eNewsletter, articles, loan of equipment – continuing. Julia to ask Simon about writing.
- c. Continued improvement on website, new 20 Tips & FAQs in the making. 20 Tips Crypto being finalised, for review by the police. Thanks to Zoya and Gay.
- d. Continued support of Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command with community events & cocooning of 'Community Alerts' around crime hot spots. Diana and Ted offered their help in the future.

5. Other Meeting Reports:

- a. Treasurer's report: Patrick unable to attend this meeting, so Julia gave a report.
 - Gordon NHW Area 24/12 bank account balance at 15/10/24 = \$6418.73 = \$462.15 (E Killara) + \$3779.10 (Gordon) + \$2177.48 (K&H)
 - Income from KerbWatch, etc since last meeting = \$438.13. This includes \$14 donations popped into the wooden NHW house moneybox (borrowed from NHW Wagga Wagga.)
 - Thank you to Steven for his donation of \$423.50 which represents the balance of the NHW Turramurra (Gordon 3/4) account.
 - Julia's requested reimbursement \$25.25 agreed at meeting #42 is outstanding.
- b. Community Safety Precinct Committee (CSPC) (Organised by NSWPF)
 - Held 19/09/2024. Gay's notes to be distributed with these Summary Notes. Discussion.
 - Pennant Hills Rd/Normanhurst Graffiti Task Force Blitz was held successfully on 17 August 2024. No NHW volunteers participated.
 - Parcel thefts mentioned – Julia to share info encouraging residents in units to utilise free Parcel Lockers, such as Australia Post's - [link](#).
- c. NHW NSW
 - Julia reported the NHW NSW AGM 2024 is to be held at 4pm on 17/11/24 – [link](#).

- Discussion on NHW NSW investigating Deductible Gift Recipients (DGR) status.
- NHW NSW are holding Information Sessions on the last Sunday of each month (exc December) via Zoom at 4pm. Next session on 24 Nov 2024 - [link](#).
- d. Dementia Alliance – no report from Kerrie.

6. Action points from previous meetings:

- a. Steven is resigning from Neighbourhood Watch. Thank you for all your work, Steven.
- b. Name labels project - David to look at creation of name labels for use at community events.

7. Any Other Business

- a. NHW Gordon/Killara/E Killara AGM Thur 21 Nov 2024 – see 3e above. NHW Gordon/Killara/E Killara AGM is at 6pm on Thur 21 Nov at the Garden Rooms, Gordon Baptist Church. Enter via the Garden Square carpark.
- b. Roles and responsibilities – see 3e above.
- c. Ted commented on the previously-reported E. Killara traffic congestion. Wal led discussion about NHW's involvement. Ted suggested more involvement/promotion of NHW in schools.

8. [Meeting ended 7:10pm.] Thank you to PCYC for use of room. **Date of Next Meeting:** 6pm on Tuesday 14 January 2025, followed by meal at approx 7:30pm at Magpies Waitara.

Distributed with these Summary Notes:

- 1. Gay's Notes from CSPC meeting held at Hornsby police station on 19 September 2024 (pdf)
- 2. NHW Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby draft Roles & Responsibilities (pdf)
- 3. Photo from this meeting, standing from left: Steven Saunderson, Pasquale Vartuli, David Beale, Ted Tyne, Warren Dunn. Seated from left: Cloris Yang, Julia Eagles, Gay Balasubramanian, Diana Tyne. Photo taken by: Wal Knowles.



This information was compiled by volunteers with Neighbourhood Watch 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 Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby website: au-NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org/Tips/.

See also the community's one-stop-shop of crime prevention information: WatchOut.org.au.

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