



# Neighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby

**eNewsletter #718 - 15 July 2025**

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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**13 July, from North Shore command: North Shore PAC are seeking the public's assistance in identifying the two depicted individuals who were allegedly involved in a break and enter at a unit complex on Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove in the early hours of Monday the 26th of May 2025.**

If you can assist or have any information, please contact **Chatswood Police Station on 9414 8499 or Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000. Ref #E100165812** relates.



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**09 July, from NSW Police: In April 2025, the North West Metropolitan Region established Strike Force Sentinel to investigate ‘Chinese blessing scams’ across Sydney since July 2023.**

Police are appealing for public assistance to locate seven people wanted on outstanding arrest warrants. In April 2025, the North West Metropolitan Region established Strike Force Sentinel to investigate ‘**Chinese blessing scams**’ across Sydney since July 2023.

MORE INFORMATION  [police.nsw.gov.au/news/article?id=119504](https://police.nsw.gov.au/news/article?id=119504)



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



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09 July, from The Hills: Sexual Touching

A blue rectangular poster with white text. The top half features the words 'SEXUAL TOUCHING' in large, bold, sans-serif capital letters. Below this, in smaller white text, it says 'Without consent from the person,' followed by 'IT'S AN OFFENCE' in large, bold, sans-serif capital letters. Underneath that, it reads 'Maximum penalty – 5 years imprisonment'. In the bottom left corner is a square QR code. To the right of the QR code, the text 'Call 1800 737 732 (1800RESPECT) for assistance, or scan the QR code' is written in white. At the bottom center, there are two logos: the NSW Police Force crest on the left and the NSW Government logo on the right.

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**IT'S AN OFFENCE**

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Call 1800 737 732 (1800RESPECT)  
for assistance, or scan the QR code




NSW Police Force NSW GOVERNMENT

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09 July, from Ku-ring-gai command: 🚫 Think before you drink 🚫  
NSW Police is proud to support the DrinkWise campaign - reminding everyone



to make smarter, safer choices around alcohol. Whether you're heading out with mates or having a quiet one at home, know your limits, plan your transport, and look out for each other. Alcohol-related harm is preventable - and your choices matter.

-  Don't drink and drive
-  Know how alcohol affects you
-  Respect those around you

Let's keep our roads and communities safe - make the wise choice. #DrinkWise  
#NSWPolice #PlanAhead #SafeNightsOut



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### 09 July, from DrinkWise

NSW Blues star Zac Lomax reminds fans if you're choosing to have a drink while cheering on your team during the Sate of Origin game tonight, make sure it is in moderation and show respect to those around you. Always respect, always DrinkWise.



Watch reel [here](#).

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**15 July, Shared with permission from the West Lindfield/Killara group:**  
People have been lighting fires and leaving rubbish next to a significant rock carving! 🧑





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**13 July, from NHW K&H:**



# CARAVAN PARK

## CRIME PREVENTION FACT SHEET

Did you know that theft is the most frequently occurring crime in Caravan Parks? A few simple steps can minimise the risk to you!

### WHEN YOU ARRIVE AT A PARK...

- Ask the manager about safety and security in the area.
- Get to know your neighbours and who belongs there.
- Secure your outdoor equipment with a chain and lock.
- Secure your vehicles with wheel and hitch clamps.

**DO...** photograph, video and keep an accurate description of all your vehicles and valuables! (particularly your rego, VIN and serial numbers)

**DO...** mark your valuables with an identification number such as your driver's licence.

**DO...** keep all your doors and windows locked, even when you're nearby.

**DO...** take all your valuables with you when you leave the park or area.

**DO...** get sensor lights for inside and outside! Fit sensor lights outside, under your front door. Have a sensor light inside that turns on when it gets dark to give the impression someone is inside.

**DO NOT...** leave bikes, eskies (particularly with alcohol), surfboards, wet suits, fishing gear or any other recreational equipment unattended outside.

**DO NOT...** leave equipment in boats or on top of vehicles without locks.

**DO NOT...** leave washing, shoes or wet swimmers and towels outside overnight.

**DO NOT...** leave spare keys hidden outside the caravan when going out.

**DO NOT...** leave things of value on display inside your vehicle or caravan, e.g. GPS, phones, tablets, laptop computers, cameras, handbags/wallets and credit cards.

### GOING OUT?

- Leave a light or radio on to try and give the appearance you're inside.
- Make sure you key lock all your doors, windows and roof hatches.
- Turn on your alarm.
- If you can't take your valuables with you, secure them in a safe or ask the Park Office to store your valuables in the office safe for you.

### REPORT THE CRIME ON 131 444

If you have become the victim of a theft or crime immediately contact the Police and your Caravan Park Reception office.

**GATHER** descriptive information on items/vehicles that were stolen, identification numbers and where you last saw the items. When speaking to Police be **HELPFUL** answering all questions as accurately as possible and listen to instructions. There may be **EVIDENCE** present, such as damaged locks, or items that could have fingerprints. Avoid touching the area as best you can until Police arrive.

### MAKE A NON-EMERGENCY POLICE REPORT ONLINE

[www.police.nsw.gov.au/community\\_portal/home](http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/community_portal/home)

### A MESSAGE FROM NSW POLICE FORCE

**000 Triple Zero (000)**  
For emergencies or life threatening situations.

**Police Assistance Line (131 444)**  
For non-emergencies.

**Crime Stoppers (1800 333 000)**  
To provide crime information, it can be in confidence.

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Email us [here](#) for a copy in your inbox.

13 July, from NHW K&H:





each day. It's truly disheartening to see such beautiful plants, nurtured with care are being deliberately damaged. We can't understand what satisfaction anyone could gain from such actions. If the same harm were done to one's own body, the pain would be undeniable. To prevent further damage, we have now installed surveillance cameras. Any further incidents will be reviewed and reported accordingly. We kindly ask for respect and consideration for our shared environment. Thank you



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**12 July, from NHW Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby: A great article from ASK LEO about your choice of passwords**

"Take any password you think is strong and make it stronger."

Read article [here](#)

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**12 July from Ku-ring-gai Council: Proposed 4.5T load limits in Roseville**  
Council is considering a proposal to introduce a 4.5T load limit on four streets in Roseville and is seeking community feedback on the plan. Closes 25 July.

Info and 'have your say' [here](#).

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## **11 July, from 9News.com.au: Is it legal for elderly Australians to keep driving?**

All the rules for older drivers by state and territory

Full information [here](#).

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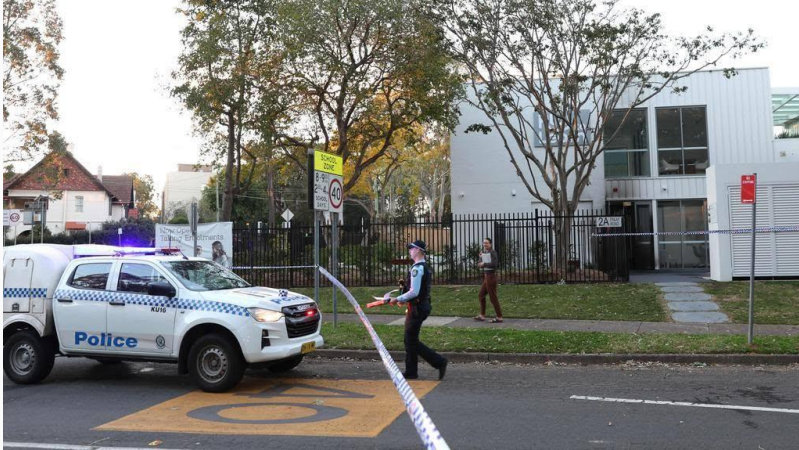
## **11 July, from Fire and Rescue NSW Station 037 Gordon: 🚒 Suspicious Fire – Childcare Centre, Turrumurra 🚒**

At approximately 4:15am today, Gordon A Platoon was dispatched to a reported structure fire at a childcare centre on the Pacific Highway in Turrumurra. Crews from Fire and Rescue NSW Station 050 Hornsby and Fire and Rescue NSW Station 058 Beecroft also responded to the incident. Upon arrival, firefighters discovered that the building's sprinkler system had successfully contained the blaze, resulting in minor damage. Fortunately, no injuries were reported.

Preliminary investigations suggest the fire may have been deliberately lit, with reports indicating that accelerant was used throughout the premises. NSW Police Force have established a crime scene, and the incident is under active investigation. We commend the swift response of all attending crews and the effectiveness of the building's fire safety systems.

If you have any information related to this incident, please contact **Crime Stoppers at 1800 333 000**.





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### **11 July, from Tuggerah Lakes Police District: FAKE MONEY - REAL ARREST**

Police arrested a 47-year-old male from Toukley following a police pursuit yesterday. About 2:24pm yesterday (10 July 2025), Police attached to Tuggerah Lakes Highway Patrol attempted to stop a black Harley Davidson on Evans Road Toukley. The cycle accelerated and failed to stop, engaging police in a pursuit. The pursuit continued through several streets of Toukley before stopping outside a residential address in Pearce Avenue. The 47-year-old male rider was detained and placed under arrest. Inquiries revealed he was disqualified from driving or riding until 2032. A subsequent search his bag located methylamphetamine, \$10,000 in counterfeit \$100 notes and an amount of counterfeit tobacco. The male was taken to Wyong Police Station where he was charged with five offences including Police pursuit - not stop - drive dangerously (2nd+ offence), drive motor vehicle during disqualification period (2nd+offence), possess tobacco products - reckless defraud revenue, possess counterfeit money, and possess drug. He was refused bail to appear before Wyong Local Court today, 11 July 2025. The motor cycle being ridden was also impounded for 3 months under S239(1)(a) of the Road Transport Act 2013.



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### 11 July, from Ku-ring-gai Council: Furrific pet tip of the week 🐱🐶

A reminder if you're away these school holidays and someone else is minding your pet, to update the alternate carer contact details.

It can be done online at [petregistry.olg.nsw.gov.au](https://petregistry.olg.nsw.gov.au) or email Council at [krg@krg.nsw.gov.au](mailto:krg@krg.nsw.gov.au) 🐾

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### 11 July, from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI): Common Frauds and Scams

Learn about some of the most common frauds and scams that the FBI

encounters—as well as tips to help you stay safe and what to do if you're a victim.

Information [here](#).

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### **11 July, from NSW Police: Qantas has reported a cyber incident affecting customer records.**

A third-party platform may have exposed data of 5.7 million customers. No financial, passport, or login details were accessed, and airline operations remain unaffected. The Australian Federal Police are leading the investigation. Authorities are assisting the airline, and additional security measures are now in place.

Qantas has established a dedicated **customer support line (1800 971 541 or +61 2 8028 0534)** to provide the latest information to customers, who can also access information at [qantas.com/au](https://qantas.com/au).

Impacted customers are urged to review available information and seek expert advice on potential required actions for their individual circumstances.

Australians should stay alert to scams and visit [scamwatch.gov.au](https://scamwatch.gov.au) or [cyber.gov.au](https://cyber.gov.au) for advice.



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**10 July, from Choice: These plug-in heaters can catch fire or explode, but they're still available to buy on eBay and other online retailers**

Read more [here](#).



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**10 July, from the Sydney Morning Herald: A redesigned tool for NSW Police to identify the level of risk to victims was found faulty less than a month after its launch**

This tool was designed to identify DV victims at serious risk. It failed.

Read article [here](#). [Behind Paywall :( apologies - Ed]

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**10 July, from Hannah's Blue Butterflies Road Safety Awareness Inc: CAN I BE FINED IF I DON'T HAVE MY DRIVERS LICENCE WITH ME?**

Yes, in most Australian states and territories, you can be fined for not having your driver's licence with you while driving, even if you have a valid licence. While digital licences are increasingly accepted, failing to produce either a physical or digital licence when requested by a police officer can result in a fine.

**State-by-State Breakdown**

- **New South Wales (NSW):** It is illegal to drive without carrying your driver's licence and failing to produce it when requested can result in a fine. The NSW Digital Driver Licence is accepted, but you should still carry your plastic card as a backup.
- **Victoria:** While digital licenses are accepted, it's advisable to carry your physical card, especially for interstate travel or as a backup.

- **Queensland:** You are legally required to carry your driver's licence when driving and produce it upon request. If you fail to produce it, you may receive an infringement notice or be required to appear in court.
- **South Australia:** You must carry your licence when driving and show it to a police officer when asked.
- **Western Australia:** You are required to carry your driver's licence and produce it upon request.
- **Tasmania, Northern Territory, Australian Capital Territory:** Similar to other states, you are generally required to carry your licence when driving and present it when requested by a police officer.

### Key Considerations.

- **Digital Licences:** While digital licences are increasingly accepted, it's recommended to carry your plastic card as a backup.
- **Failure to Produce:** Even if you have a valid licence, failing to produce it when requested can lead to a fine.
- **Time to Produce:** Some states may allow you a grace period to present your licence at a police station after being pulled over.
- **Consequences:** Penalties for not carrying your licence can vary by state and can include fines or other penalties.
- **Whether you have a digital licence,** it may be always advisable to carry your physical licence with you as a back-up.

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**10 July, from NSW Food Authority: 🐔 Tired of using your nest egg to buy eggs, and looking to invest in chooks of your own?**

Learn more about keeping your feathered friends and your family safe in our backyard chickens guide [here](#).





### Backyard chickens 101

- Keep vaccinations up-to-date and know the signs of disease.
- Discard cracked, damaged or heavily soiled eggs.
- Clean lightly soiled eggs with a dry cloth or a tissue. Never wash with water as it makes eggs porous, enabling bacteria to penetrate and contaminate the egg.

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## 09 July, from OneMusic Australia: Could your gym be at risk for unlicensed music use?

Keep the beats pumping and the reps rolling with a OneMusic licence!

If you play music protected by copyright out loud in a public place for a commercial purpose such as a gym, dojo, or Pilates studio you need permission or you need to purchase a music licence. Legally this music use is different to playing music at home or in your car. This is called **public performance** of music.

More info [here](#).

**Note:** Neighbourhood Watch cannot endorse any product or service. You must do your own research.

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## Dates for your Diary

**Wednesday 16 July:** FREE Beyond Blue's 'Beyond Burnout' webinar 12-1pm. Register [here](#).

**Tuesday 22 July:** 11am-noon. FREE BeConnected online presentation, Staying Safe on Facebook. [Bookings & info](#).

**Wednesday 23 July:** RFS & Ku-ring-gai Council's Get Ready Ku-ring-gai Street Meet - 5:30-7pm FREE sausage sizzle @ **TBC location**

🔥 **Monday 28 July:** RFS & Ku-ring-gai Council Street Meet 5.30-7pm @ West Pymble Community Hall

**Wednesday 30 July:** FREE online webinar for parents - Exploring the online experiences of boys and young men (the impact of social media, gaming, and influencers on attitudes, behaviours and sense of identity). 12:30-1:15pm. Info and registration [here](#).

**Thursday 31 July:** 11am-noon. FREE BeConnected online presentation, 'Connecting to Others. [Bookings & info](#).

**Tuesday 05 August:** FREE eSafety Commissioner 'The changing face of cyberbullying - protecting your child in 2025' webinar. 12:30-1:15pm Register [here](#).

🔥 **Monday 18 August:** RFS & Ku-ring-gai Council Street Meet 5.30-7pm @ West Pymble Community Hall.

**Thursday 28 August:** FREE CPR & Basic First Aid workshop' for the Korean community. 10am-12:30pm @ Hornsby Aquatic & Leisure Centre. [Info](#).

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### **09 July, from NHW Australasia: Out and About this week?**

Keep a close eye on your stuff. Whether you're at the shops, in a café, at the park, or just running errands, thieves look for easy targets.

Follow these tips to protect your belongings when you're away from home:

- ☒ Keep your bag zipped and close, not hanging off the back of a chair or left in a trolley.
- ☒ Don't leave your phone or wallet on the table, especially outdoors or near footpaths.
- ☒ Be mindful of distractions. A few seconds' distraction is all a thief needs to strike.

These are simple habits that make a big difference. Stay alert, stay safe and help keep your community crime-free.

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### **09 July, from NSW Police: A reminder to always make sure your number plate is visible. 🚗**

When displaying your P plate, do not obscure your number plate. Our Officers tried O, C and Q with no success before stopping the driver to discover the elusive letter was G. Both front and rear were similarly obscured.

Driving with an obscured number plate carries a fixed penalty of \$448 (in 2018)

and 3 demerit points.



**09 July: We had Neighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby represented at the Community Safety Precinct Committee meeting held on 18 June 2025.**

Mick Lewis from the Highway Patrol spoke about his activities. One item discussed was the displaying of L and P plates.

The Road Rules say: "You must not obscure them (registration plates), for example, with L plates or P plates." More info [here](#).

And from Transport NSW: You must clearly display your L or P plates on the front and back of the outside of your vehicle – the letters must not be hidden. More info [here](#).

Neighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby have seen the successful use of products such as ClipIt On. More info [here](#).

**Note:** Neighbourhood Watch cannot endorse any product or service - you must do your own research. We merely bring products to your attention.

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**09 July, from 9News.com.au: Man to face court over spiritual blessing scam in Sydney**

More info [here](#).



A man will face court after he was charged over a spiritual blessing scam in Sydney. (NSW Police)

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## **The Office of the eSafety Commissioner has the 'Be Connected' program.**

Each week we will share a course that may help you. They are often designed especially for the elderly.

### **Apps for Smarter Travel**

Planning a trip and getting to your destination has never been easier with information and services available with a tap of your smart devices. Discover useful apps that can help you research your next holiday and improve your travel experience. In this presentation we explore apps that provide travel reviews and safety advice, ways to book accommodation and access entertainment, as well as maps, rideshare and transport apps to help you get around with ease.

### **Join our 1-hour presentation to discover:**

- benefits of using apps
- useful apps for traveling in Australia and overseas
- transport apps that help make it easier to get around
- tips to keep safe when using apps.

**Dates: Thursday 11 December** at 3pm AEDT

The 'Apps for Smarter Travel' Summary Sheet is available to download as a pdf in English and 8 other languages FREE online [here](#).

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# DID YOU KNOW

Dog poo can spread infections  
to other dogs



SOM  
TOM

**Police Are Still Looking for the  
Artist Who Painted a Tunnel Under  
a Bridge on a Wall**



## Thanks to SOMTOM: A driver crashed into a wall after mistakenly taking a painted tunnel for a real road.

The hyper-realistic prank, complete with a Road Runner, sparked viral debate over safety vs. street art. Police are calling it vandalism, but online, many are calling the mystery artist a genius.

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09:51 Arrive at the crime scene.

09:51 Find murder victim.

09:51 Cordon off the area.

09:51 Start searching for murder weapon.

09:51 Realise watch has stopped.

Thanks to Cop Humour Australia

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Thanks to GraphicsPedia

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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. For Police to attend non-urgently without lights & sirens.

## **NSW Police Community Portal**

Online reporting of non-emergency minor crime: lost property, intentional damage, graffiti or theft. No emergency/investigation.

## **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](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 - Mt Colah (paused)

Neighbourhood Watch - Turramurra (The Chase) (paused)





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**Our mailing address is:**

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c/o Crime Prevention Officer, Ku-ring-gai NSW Police PAC - Hornsby Police Station  
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