



Neighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby eNewsletter #746 - 27 January 2026

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.

🚗 Reading our eNewsletter for the first time? [Click here to subscribe](#).

27 January, from NSW Police Force: Long Weekend News Update

Good morning NSW 🌞

Here are the long weekend's news headlines:

- ◆ A teen will face court charged over an alleged pursuit in Sydney's south-west.
 - ◆ Police have charged a man over the alleged glassing and assault of two people on Sydney's Northern Beaches.
 - ◆ Police are appealing for public assistance to assist with an investigation into an alleged assault in the state's south.
 - ◆ A man has been charged after allegedly inciting violence through online social media posts.
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- ◆ A man has been charged after he allegedly posted a threatening letter to a mosque in Sydney's south-west.
- ◆ Police have seized \$90,000 cash and drugs during the arrest of a man whose dog allegedly attacked a pre-schooler at a park in the state's south.

Want to read more? ➡ Visit our website police.nsw.gov.au/news



26 January, from NSW Police:

An APM is more than an award - it's a testament to the officer's character, their service to the people of New South Wales, and their commitment to public safety 🏆💙

"Officers awarded an APM have demonstrated remarkable dedication over many years in various operational, proactive and corporate sides of policing, and I thank them for their ongoing contribution to NSW Police Force,"

Commissioner Lanyon said.

Congratulations to all 🏆

MORE INFORMATION [here.](#)

Nine officers honoured with

Australian Police Medals



Nine NSW Police Force officers have been honoured with an Australian Police Medal (APM) in recognition of their exceptional service and commitment to the community.

The Australian Police Medal was instituted in 1986 to recognise those who have rendered distinguished service as a member of an Australian police force.

Nominations for the awards can be by an officer's peers, commander or a member of the community, and are announced twice a year, in January (Australia Day) and June (King's Birthday).



Detective Superintendent
Darren Beecher APM
South Coast District



Detective Chief Inspector
Stuart Bell APM
Western Region Suburban District

The other APM recipients are:

Inspector Gregory Donaldson APM
Traffic and Highway Patrol Command

Detective Inspector Rachel Favicetti APM
State Crime Command's Sex Crime Squad

Detective Chief Inspector Matthew Kehoe APM
Tweed-Byron Police District

Superintendent Christopher Schilt APM
Tweed-Byron Police District

Chief Inspector Rodney Pratt APM
Professional Standards Command

Chief Inspector Scott Russell APM
Murray River Police District




24 January, from NSW Police


Police have released images of a wanted vehicle as the search continues to locate the wanted man from Lake Cargelligo.

- ◆ Dual Cab Ford Ranger Ute
- ◆ Registration DM-07-GZ
- ◆ Lachlan Shire Council magnet in front of the driver's door, as well as the numbers 1947 above the magnet.
- ◆ Emergency orange light bar on the roof
- ◆ Tray may contain work tools and a silver toolbox

Anyone with information into Julian Ingram's whereabouts is urged not to approach him, but to call Triple Zero (000) immediately.

MORE INFORMATION [here.](#)



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JULIAN INGRAM

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



22 January, from NSW Police: Observing National Day of Mourning for Bondi victims: Light will win!



27 January, from NSW Food Authority



Find out which food businesses have allegedly breached food safety laws in NSW on the NSW Government's name and shame register:

- 13 premises added this week
- 2 premises removed (publication period expired).

See: www.foodauthority.nsw.gov.au/offences/penalty-notice/week

26 January, from Northern Beaches Police Area Command



For more, head to:

<https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/.../schools/school-zones>

26 January, from Neighbourhood Watch - Wahroonga

A resident wanted us to share this as a warning:

Hi, I want to share an intruder alert with you. Our security camera captured a person entering our property in Wahroonga at around 1:50am this morning. Please do share to warn others in the area. I've lived in Wahroonga for over 30 years and this is the first time I have been concerned about my security and safety. This is the second incident in 3 months of someone intruding into our property.

We're located at Woonona Ave near Fern Ave. The male this morning was dressed in all black and wearing a black backpack. He entered from the side of our property. He appeared to look at the back of our house then walked to our garage and carport. Not sure what he did after he walked to our carport as we don't have cameras out at the back. No cars were parked in the carport or garage. The small gardening tools look to all still be there. After around 20 minutes, the camera captured him again, walking out from the carport area. I had turned on the alarm on our security camera but he didn't seem phased by it when it was triggered.

26 January, from Neighbourhood Watch - Normanhurst

Thanks to a new volunteer, we now have a kerb-numbering kit held in Normanhurst. You can borrow a complete kit, with digit stencils, background stencils, paints, brushes, safety equipment, turps etc. The kerb is chosen to enable emergency services to look to a common place, away from the physical structure of the house, to identify an address.

All the information is on our website: <https://au-nhwkuringgaihornsby.org/kerb/>

We ask for a pay-it-forward contribution - see here: <https://au-nhwkuringgaihornsby.org/pay-it-forward/> .



26 January, from Neighbourhood Watch: St Ives Area

A warning from a resident whose car was scraped in the St Ives Shopping Village car park:

"to raise awareness of the legal requirement to leave a note in these circumstances (as there appears to be a little ignorance about this, on the part of some!). My insurers advised me to report to the police. Gordon police have been amazing and are on the case, liaising with centre management to obtain the CCTV footage - given the location in which the damage occurred is likely to have captured the registration number of the car that caused the damage. In case it assists others in future, the email address to use in these circumstances is cctv@stivesvillage.com.au. You will need the assistance of the police and insurers to access the footage. Huge thanks to you and those others who have provided helpful input!

24 January, from Muogamarra Rural Fire Brigade

Just after midday today we responded both our trucks to assist [Brooklyn Rural Fire Brigade](#) and NSW Ambulance with a patient suffering cardiac symptoms on the Great North Walk near Brooklyn. Fortunately crews were able to drive 7km in to meet the patient where a stokes litter was used to carry the patient around 200 meters to a waiting 4WD ambulance. We wish the patient best wishes in

their recovery.



24 January, from NHW K&H: Focus on a postcode - 2120 THORNLEIGH & WESTLEIGH

The following crime stats were taken from the Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) website [here](#). The figures are for the period October 2024 to September 2025. A category with a zero figure isn't included in the list, eg murder, non-DV assault.

Domestic Assault 26

Non-Domestic Assault 18

Assault police 2

Robbery with a weapon not a firearm 1

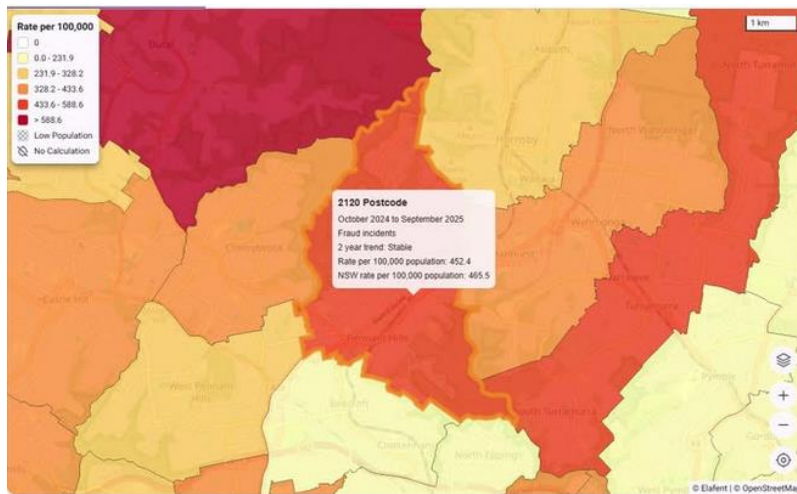
Sexual Assault 9

Sexual touching, sex act & other sex offences 8
Break & Enter dwelling 18
B&E non-dwelling 19
Receiving/handling stolen goods 1
Motor vehicle theft 11
Steal from motor vehicle 29
Steal from retail store 30
Steal from dwelling 11
Steal from person 1
Fraud 97
Other theft 16
Malicious damage to property 39
Breach ADVO 6
Breach APVO 3
Breach bail conditions 7
Resist/hinder officer 1
Other offences against justice procedures 1
Trespass 17
Offensive conduct 1
Offensive language 2
Use/possess cannabis 5
Use/possess amphetamines 1
Use/possess other drugs 2
Deal/traffic amphetamines 1
Other drug offences 2
Intimidation, stalking & harassment 43
Betting & gaming offences 1
Blackmail & extortion 5
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Neighbourhood Watch Thornleigh Facebook page [here](#).



23 January, Shared with permission from the Wahroonga Community Group:

Hi all

I had a man wandering in my Edwards Rd backyard and side access path yesterday. When he saw me, he looked scared and ran into a vacant looking old house across the street.

He looked very disoriented and was wearing old clothes. Was wondering if anyone in the area has experienced something similar?


23 January, from Neighbourhood Watch NSW

January's Neighbourhood Watch NSW eNewsletter for you to view. The main message is that this weekend's Info Sessions have moved to next weekend (because of Australia Day). We'll update the Facebook events to reflect this


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 **Google Meet, Info sessions and Tips**

This edition of our eNewsletter - HNY2026, Bondi, Info Sessions new dates, websites and Q&As. Please do keep in touch. If you...

 Send message

23 January, from Neighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby

From the Legal Topics for Seniors Diary 2026 - Where to go for help with a legal problem.

Diaries can be accessed, along with other information:

<https://www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au/>

Where to get help with a legal problem

Legal Aid NSW

Call 1300 888 529
If you have a legal problem in NSW, Legal Aid NSW is here to help you.
Anyone in NSW can contact our team of LawAccess NSW. Our information officers can provide you with free legal information and identify services in your area who can help you.

You can speak to us using our website's webchat feature or call us on 1300 888 529 from 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays).

If you want to find out about a legal topic or take steps to resolve your problem yourself, the 'My problem is about' section of our website covers most areas of the law.

Visit [legalaid.nsw.gov.au](https://www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au) or scan the QR code with your smartphone:



Community Legal Centres

Call 1300 888 529

Community Legal Centres (CLCs) provide free legal information, advice, referrals and casework with a focus on disadvantaged people in their communities.

There are over 40 specialist and generalist CLCs in NSW including Senior Rights Service. To find a CLC near you visit [elcnew.org.au](https://www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au) or call LawAccess NSW on 1300 888 529.

Seniors Rights Service

Call 1800 424 079 or (02) 9281 3400

Seniors Rights Service provides free and confidential legal advice, advocacy and rights based education for older people. Visit seniorsrightsservice.org.au

Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT)

Call 1800 765 767

The Aboriginal Legal Service (ALS) provides free information, referrals, legal advice and court representation for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in criminal, family, children's care and protection and civil matters. Visit alsnsw.org.au

Find Legal Answers at your public library

Your local public library can help you find easy to understand information about the law on many topics including wills and planning ahead, neighbour disputes and consumer rights. Contact your local public library or visit [legalaid.nsw.gov.au](https://www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au)

The Law Society of New South Wales

The Law Society of NSW has services to help you find a lawyer:

- The Solicitor Referral Service can give you a list of law firms near you that may be able to help you with your legal problem. Call (02) 9124 0333 or email enquiries@lawociety.com.au
- The Pro Bono Scheme can put eligible people in touch with law firms willing to provide their legal services for free or for a reduced fee. Call (02) 9124 0344 or visit www.lawsociety.com.au/pro
- The website [lawfindingservice.com.au](https://www.lawfindingservice.com.au) has legal information and help to find a lawyer

Services

1800Respect - 1800respect.org.au - 1800 737 731
Aboriginal Affairs NSW - www.aa.nsw.gov.au - 1800 219 988
Aboriginal Legal Service - alsnsw.org.au - criminal law, 1800 765 767, family law, care and protection, 1800 723 223

ACORN - acorn.org.au - (02) 9254 2000
Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission - agedcarequality.com.au - 1800 551 822

Aging and Disability Abuse Helpline - agingdisabilityhelpline.com.au - 1800 528 221
Anti-Discrimination NSW - adnsw.com.au - 1800 403 812

Anti-Tax Connect - www.anti-taxconnect.com.au - 1800 403 812
Arts and Culture - www.artsandculture.com.au - 1800 403 812

Australian Financial Complaints Authority - afca.org.au - 1800 931 678
Australian Human Rights Commission - www.humanrights.gov.au - (02) 9294 7600 or 1800 361 711

Australian Islamic Centre - www.aic.org.au - 1800 403 812
Carers NSW - www.carersnsw.org.au - (02) 7481 4144

Catholic Older Australians Line - 131 200
Combined Pensioners & Superannuation Association - [cpsa.org.au](https://www.cpsa.org.au) - 1800 403 812

Community Legal Centres - www.clc.org.au - 1800 888 529
Consumers Credit - www.consumerscredit.org.au - (02) 8584 7777

Council on the Aging NSW - www.councilontheaging.org.au - (02) 9254 3600 or 1800 441 123
Department of Communities and Justice - www.dcj.nsw.gov.au

Department of Social Services - www.dss.nsw.gov.au - 1800 403 812
Department of Veterans' Affairs - www.dva.gov.au - 1800 551 315

Do Not Call Register - www.dncregister.gov.au - 1300 792 958
Energy rebates, grants and schemes - www.energyrebates.gov.au

Energy & Water Ombudsman NSW - www.ewombudsman.nsw.gov.au - 1800 246 343
Fiduciary Complaints - www.fiduciarycomplaints.org.au - 1800 799 675

Financial Rights Legal Centre - www.frlc.org.au - 1800 403 812
Insurance Complaints - www.insurancecomplaints.org.au - 1800 403 812

Find Legal Answers, State Library - www.findlegalanswers.org.au
First Nations Advocates Against Family Violence - www.fnaafv.org.au

GenderAware - www.genderaware.org.au - 1800 403 812
Health Care Complaints Commission - www.hccc.org.au - 1800 545 139

Homes NSW - www.homesnsw.com.au - 1800 403 812
Law Society of NSW - www.lawsociety.com.au - (02) 9124 0333, Pro Bono Scheme: (02) 9124 0344

LawAccess NSW - www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au - 1300 888 529

Legal Aid NSW - www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au - 1300 888 529
Lifestart - 131 114
LinePhone (homelessness information service) - 1800 121 121

Local Councils - www.localcouncils.org.au - (02) 4038 4100
My Aged Care - myagedcare.gov.au - 1800 200 423

National Debt Helpline - www.ndh.org.au - 1800 200 500
National Domestic Violence Helpline - www.ndvh.org.au - 1800 156 250

National Dementia Helpline - www.ndh.org.au - 1800 200 500
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23 January, from NSW DDepartment of Education ... so you can make a note of when the school zones are in force.

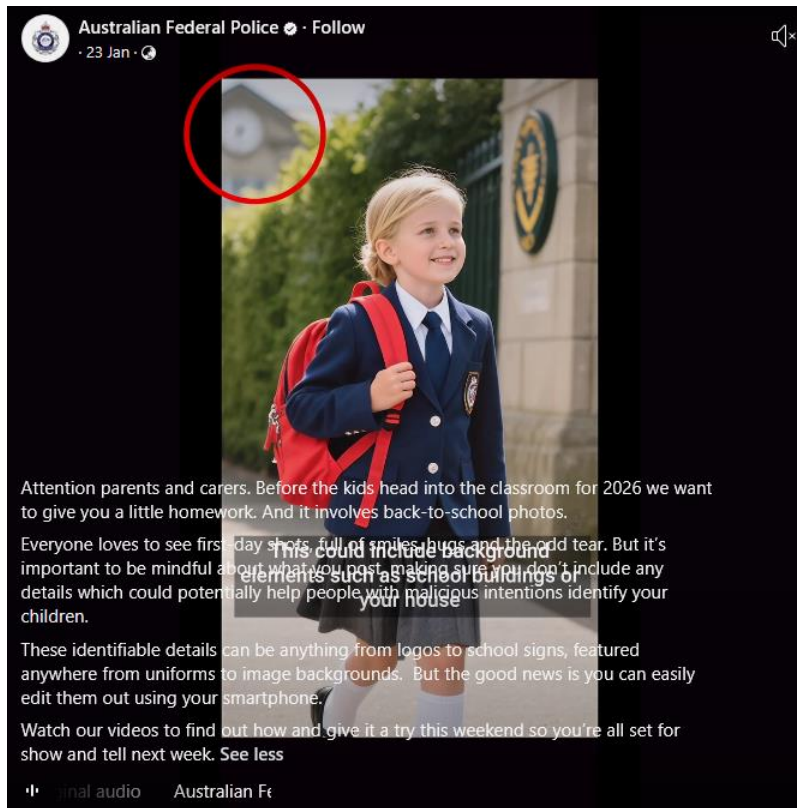
Don't forget, get ready for the school year and download your 2026 school calendar today!

 Details in the comments.

2026 Calendar



23 January, from Australian Federal Police



Read details [here](#).

23 January, from NSW Food Authority

The NSW Government will phase out more single-use plastic items over the next 4 years. Food items in their sights include:

- fruit and vegetable stickers
- plastic bag seals (bread tags)
- single-serve plastic condiment packages
- plastic confectionery sticks
- packaging made from expanded or foamed plastic.

All food service businesses will also be required to accept reusable cups for takeaway beverages from 2028.

Learn more [here](#).



23 January, Shared with permission from the Berowra Community Page group yesterday (Thursday):

Hi, my partner's boat was stolen from Cheero Point (near Mooney) last night. It might get dumped somewhere locally - if you see it please let me know.

Thanks!



22 January, from Neighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby

We have been asked to share this:

Hello

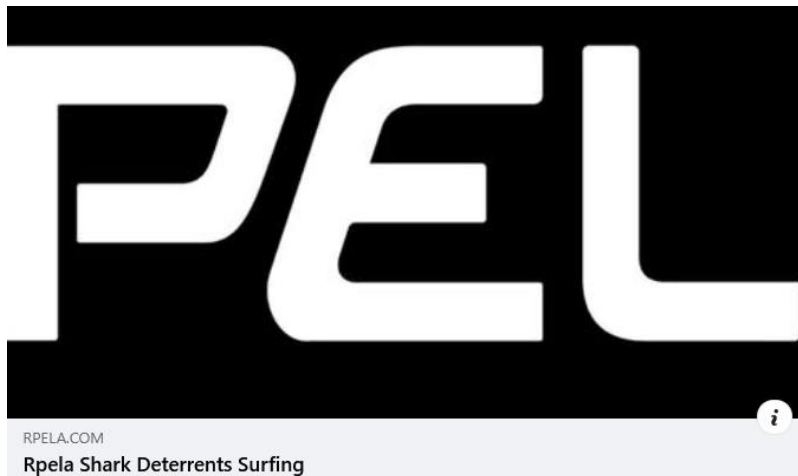
After the recent shark attacks, I am looking for ways to reduce the risk to surfers and have come across a few deterrents with some research behind them. In Western Australia, the government has provided a \$200 rebate to those purchasing this surfboard deterrent (www.rpela.com).

I have started a petition to encourage the Australian government to support the rebate program to extend to NSW, for the shark deterrent technology for surfboards.

Please take a few minutes to sign this petition and share!

Thank you!

Can you add your signature? 🍌



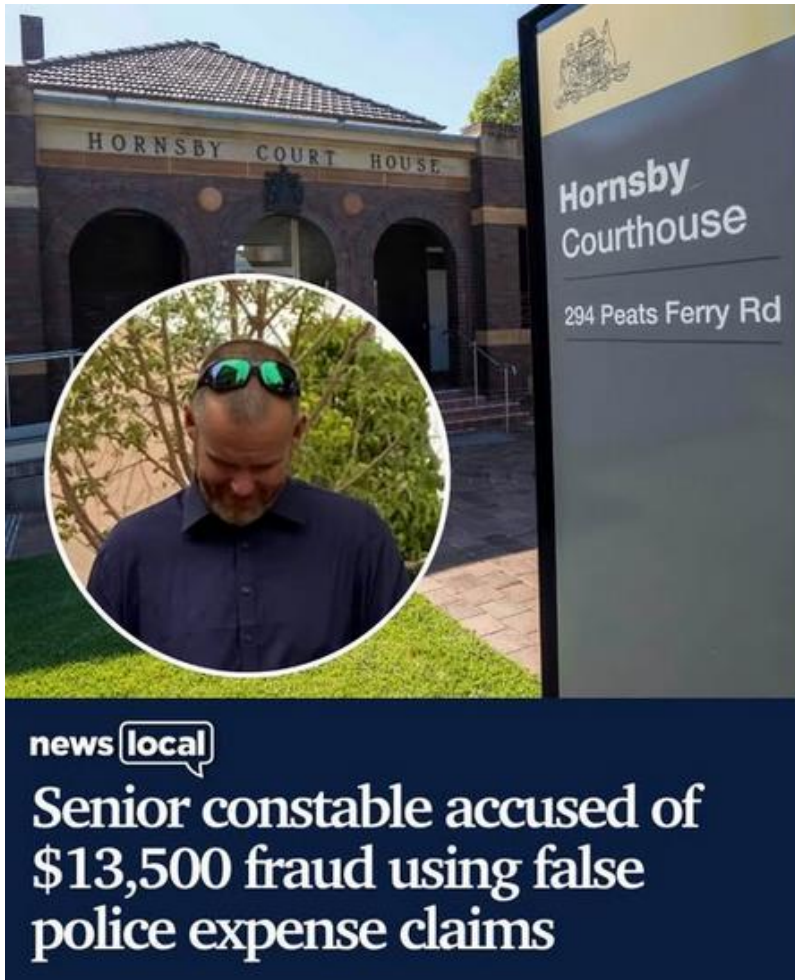
23 January, Shared with permission from the St Ives Community Page and Surrounds group:

Wondering if anyone may have witnessed (have dash cam) the accident at the intersection of Monavale Rd & Woodbury Rd, St Ives last Thursday 15th Jan at approx 12 noon between a white Lexus RX 350 & a grey Mercedes? Would appreciate some information. Thank you.

22 January, from North Shore Times

A Chatswood police officer allegedly put in fraudulent claims so his employer picked up the bill for car servicing, cleaning and fuel for four privately leased cars over a five-year period, a court has heard.

FULL STORY [here](#).



21 January, from NSW Police Force

We all play a part in stopping the spread of misinformation 

By taking a few seconds to verify what you're seeing, you help prevent misinformation from gaining momentum.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 03 February: FREE 计算机简介 - Introduction to Computers

(Mandarin). 10:15am-12:15pm @ Hornsby Library. [Info & booking.](#)

Wednesday 04 February: FREE Tech Savvy Seniors - Introduction to Computers. 10:15am-12:15pm @ Hornsby Library. [Info & booking.](#)

Tuesday 10 February: Safer Internet Day. [Info.](#)

Tuesday 10 February: FREE Be Connected webinar - Can you spot a scam? 3-4pm. [Info & Bookings.](#)

Tuesday 10 February: FREE 互联网入门 - Introduction to Internet (Mandarin). 10:15am-12:15pm @ Hornsby Library. [Info & booking.](#)

Wednesday 11 February: FREE Tech Savvy Seniors - Introduction to Internet. 10:15am-12:15pm @ Hornsby Library. [Info & booking.](#)

Tuesday 17 February: FREE Be Connected webinar - Safer online shopping

and banking. 10-11am. [Info & bookings.](#)

Tuesday 17 February: FREE 智能手机简介 – Introduction to Smartphones

(Mandarin) 10:15-12:15 @ Hornsby Library. [Info & booking.](#)

Wednesday 11 March: FREE Child car seat safety check day 9am-2:30pm @ Wade Lane car park. Bookings open 09 Feb. [Info & booking.](#)

Sunday 01 March: Clean Up Australia Day [Info.](#)

21 January, from 7News Sydney: Motorists from 16 nations will soon be required to complete licence testing in NSW, bringing the state into line with the rest of the country.

Details [here.](#)



21 January, from Neighbourhood Watch Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby

Edited with the 'how'.

Shared with permission from the St Ives Community Page and Surrounds group:

IMPORTANT: Representing registered transport operators in our local area (Booking Service Providers – BSPs), including myself, Greg Fisher and other properly insured transport operators, we wish to advise the following. Don't be misled by people that say they have an ABN, are an Uber driver, etc etc, This information is essential and relates directly to passenger safety. Find an Authorised service provider on the NSW Register [here](#). Thanks to the Point-to-Point Transport Commissioner.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION **FOR PASSENGERS IN NSW**

When booking a private hire vehicle (including rideshare, chauffeur, or transfer services), **always check** that the driver or company has a valid Booking Service Provider (BSP) number.

WHY DOES THIS MATTER?

- ✓ It means the driver is operating legally under NSW Point to Point Transport laws.
- ✓ It ensures you are properly covered by insurance if something goes wrong during your trip.
- ✓ It protects you from unlicensed and potentially unsafe operators

IF YOU BOOK A DRIVER WHO DOESN'T HAVE A BSP NUMBER:

- ⚠ They are operating illegally.
- ⚠ You may not be covered by insurance in the event of an accident
- ⚠ Both the driver and passenger could face serious risks and consequences

HOW TO CHECK?

Ask for the BSP number before you book — responsible operators will be happy to provide it.

21 January, from ACCC Product Safety

Remember:

- ✓ Only put your baby to sleep in a safe environment. Inclined products are not designed for sleep.
- ✓ Always put baby on their back on a flat, firm and level surface with their head and face uncovered.
- ✓ Remove any pillows, soft toys and sleep comforters.

Learn more [here](#).

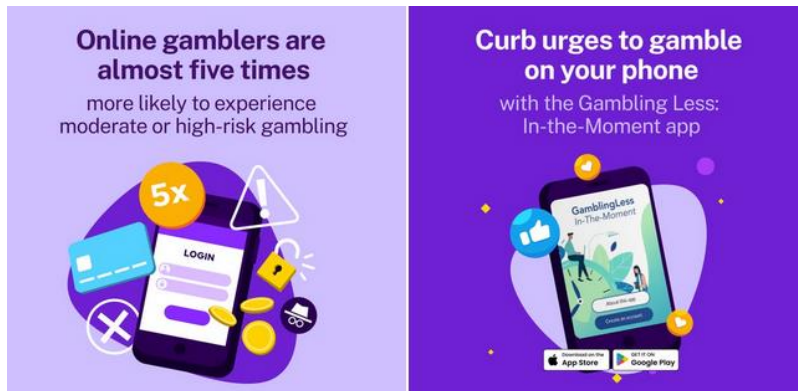


21 January, from GambleAware NSW

Gambling online makes it easier to lose track. 🎰

If you're feeling the urge to gamble, the Gambling Less: In-the-Moment app can help you pause and regain control.

Download [it](#) now.



21 January, from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV: Safety isn't a luxury. It's a priority. When you're buying a used car, always choose the safest option within your budget.

[Pick the car with most stars.](#)

Watch video [here](#).

Find the **safest choice**
for your next car

safevehicles.com.au

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21 January, from Australian Red Cross Lifeblood

Here's the tea..we're throwing in the towel! That's right, you can get your hands on this tea towel with every three blood donations. Sign up for Lifeblood Gifts via the Lifeblood App and be rewarded for saving lives.



21 January, from Neighbourhood Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby



Every online safety conversation matters

The eSafety Commissioner (eSafety) and the Australian Federal Police-led Australian Centre to Counter Child Exploitation (ACCCE) have created this resource to help families have important conversations about online safety.

Having open and honest conversations can help your child confide in a trusted adult when they are faced with unsafe situations online. These cards cover topics about online interests, handling uncomfortable or unsafe situations, getting help and reporting abuse.

The cards are numbered and should be asked in order as they build on the previous questions.

To learn more about online safety or reporting abuse, go to:

- www.accce.gov.au
- www.eSafety.gov.au
- www.thinkuknow.org.au

有关线上安全的每一次对话都很重要

网络安全专员办公室 (eSafety) 和由澳大利亚联邦警察主导的打击儿童剥削澳大利亚中心 (ACCCE) 共同创建了这份资源，以帮助家庭就网络安全进行重要对话。

开展公开对话，可以帮助孩子在面对线上不安全情况时向值得信赖的成年人寻求帮助。这些卡片涵盖了关于网络兴趣、处理不舒服或不安全情况、寻求帮助和报告虐待等主题。

www.eSafety.gov.au

www.thinkuknow.org.au

كل محادثة عن السلامة الإلكترونية مهمة

السلامة الإلكترونية (eSafety) والمركز الفيدرالي لمكافحة استغلال الأطفال (ACCCE) قد أنشيا هذه الموارد لمساعدة العائلات على إجراء محادثة مفتوحة وصادقة مع أطفالهم حول السلامة الإلكترونية.

إن إجراء حوار مفتوح وأصيقل يمكن أن يساعد طفلك على التحدث إلى شخص موثوق به في المواقف غير الآمنة على الإنترنت. تغطي هذه البطاقات مواضيع مثل الاهتمامات على الإنترنت، والتعامل مع المواقف غير المريحة أو غير الآمنة، والحصول على المساعدة والإبلاغ.

www.eSafety.gov.au

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જોડવાઈને સુરોઈલા ઘણે છત ટીસવાઝ માટેને રંધણી છે

સુરોઈલા (eSafety) અને આસ્ટ્રેલિયન સેન્ટર ઓફ કાઉન્ટર ચિલ્ડ એક્પ્લોઈટેશન (ACCCE) દ્વારા આ સંસદો બનાવી છે જે સુરોઈલાની મદદ કરવા માટેના અગત્યના સવાલોનો સમાવેશ કરે છે. આ સંસદો સુરોઈલાની મદદ કરવા માટેના અગત્યના સવાલોનો સમાવેશ કરે છે.

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21 January, from Whittlesea City Neighbourhood Watch

Burglars don't like clean front yards.

Trim overgrown shrubs and trees to reduce hiding spots. Tools left outside can often be used to break into your property.



21 January, from The Hills Police Area Command

🚗 Abandoned vehicles in The Hills – what you need to know

The Hills Shire Council investigates reports of abandoned vehicles in public places. Vehicles on private property are the responsibility of the landowner or occupier.

Before reporting, check if the vehicle is registered via Service NSW:

<<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/.../check-a-vehicle...>>

If the vehicle is unregistered, or is a registered trailer/caravan being stored long-term in a public place, or a vehicle that's undriveable due to damage, you can report it here:

<<https://epathway.thehills.nsw.gov.au/.../index.html...>>

Key points for the community:

- Council focuses on unsafe, unregistered or undriveable vehicles, and those being stored on roads, near parks or ovals.
- Registered cars parked reasonably on the street are generally not an issue.
- It's illegal to leave an unregistered vehicle on a road, footpath or nature strip. Fines may apply.

• Under the Public Spaces (Unattended Property) Act 2021, penalties can be issued for abandoning a vehicle in a public place.

These laws give councils stronger powers to keep public spaces clear and ensure owners take responsibility for their vehicles and trailers.

If you see an abandoned or unregistered vehicle in the Hills District, please report it so Council can investigate. Click [here](#).

THE HILLS
Sydney's Garden Shire

Abandoned Vehicles in The Hills:

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www.thehills.nsw.gov.au/Council/Contact-Us/Abandoned-Vehicles

Report to Council

Report unregistered, undriveable, or long-term stored trailers/caravans in public areas

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Key points for the community:

- Leaving unregistered vehicles in **public places** is illegal and fines may apply.
- Council's powers help keep public spaces clear.
- If you see an abandoned or unregistered vehicle, **report** it to Council.

21 January, from justiceconnect.org.au: [How to stay safe when banking online](#)

🔍 Our newest free resource is for anyone who feels unsure about using banking apps or websites, and wants to keep their money and personal details safe.

Whether you're just getting started or want to feel more confident online, we're here to help you:

🔍 Spot if a banking app or website isn't real

👤 Understand what banks will (and won't) ask you

- 🔑 Create simple, strong passwords
- 🚨 Know what to do if your account is hacked
- ⚖️ Learn your legal rights if something goes wrong
- 📖 Read the step-by-step information today so that you can bank online with more confidence.



20 January, Shared with permission from the St Ives Community Page and Surrounds group:

If you drive a car with the number plate ENM75Z please send me a message. I witnessed someone reverse into your car twice without looking back. I have their number plate recorded.

The Federal Government's Office of the eSafety Commissioner has a 'Be Connected' program.

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

especially for the elderly.

How to use Google Maps

This topic shows you everything you need to know about the Google Maps app and how you can use it to find your way around. You'll learn how to:

- safely download the Google Maps app on your device
- log in to Google Maps using your Google account
- navigate from one place to another
- plan a trip and avoid toll roads.

Topics include:

- [How to sign in to Google Maps](#)
- [How to navigate with Google Maps](#)
- [How to plan a trip with Google Maps](#)
- [Sharing your location with Google Maps](#)

Note: Consider the Emergency+ App for your GPS at all times. It is a free, Australian-developed, government-backed app that helps users call emergency numbers (000, SES, or Police) and provide their precise location using GPS coordinates or What3Words.

FREE Be Connected online learning courses [here](#).

Subscribe to the Be Connected newsletter [here](#) - Get the latest updates on new courses, articles and more straight to your inbox.

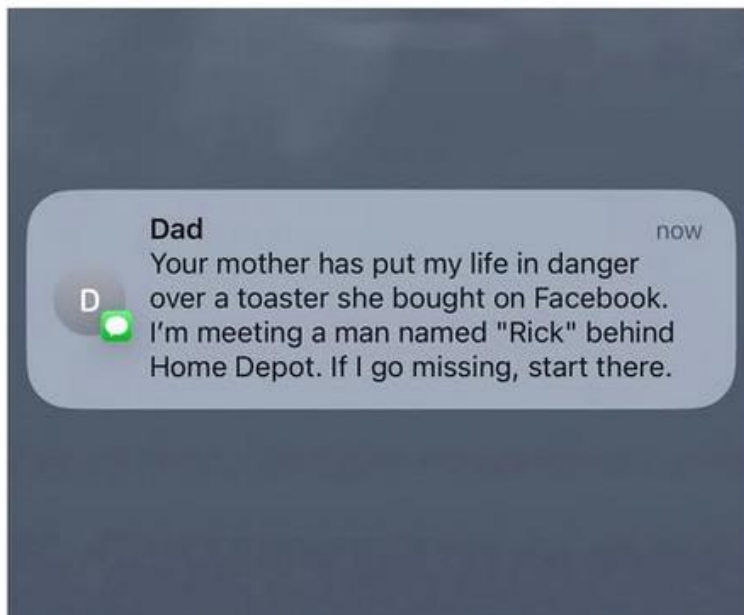


Thanks to Cop Humour Australia



DAVID

My mom recently discovered Facebook Marketplace and today I get this text from my dad 😂



Thanks to Sinem Farha

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 NSW - 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 - Mt Colah (paused)
Neighbourhood Watch - Turramurra (The Chase) (paused)
