



Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby

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This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch 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 the [Kuring-gai LAC 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 an other 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. Thank you for your support.

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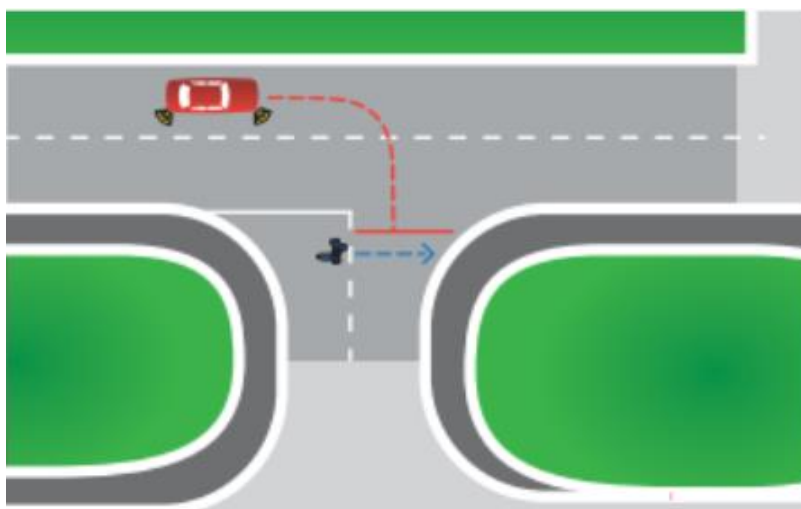
9 April, from The Daily Telegraph:

Motorists must now slow down to 40km/h when passing 'blue or red' flashing lights
MOTORISTS will be forced to slow down to 40km/h when passing police, ambulance or other emergency service vehicles under a State government "flashing light" trial to stop roadside carnage.

Read details [here.](#)

08 April, from Burwood Police area command

TOP 10 MISUNDERSTOOD ROAD RULES IN NSW



If a driver is turning left or right at an intersection, the driver must give way to any pedestrian crossing the road the driver is entering.

This applies to intersections with and without traffic lights. However, this rule does not apply

at roundabouts.

For their own safety, pedestrians should always check their surroundings before crossing the road.

07 April, from Hornsby / Ku-ring-gai Rural Fire Service

NOTICE OF PRESCRIBED HAZARD REDUCTION BURNING

NSW Rural Fire Service crews will be conducting Bush Fire Hazard Reduction burning in the following area, to reduce bush fire fuel levels and provide protection to local community assets:

Dilkera Close & Manor Road, Hornsby
Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th April 2018

The operation will depend on suitable weather conditions. Information on Hazard Reductions can be found on the [#NSWRFS](#) website or by calling the Bush Fire Information Line on 1800 NSW RFS (1800 679 737).

Hornsby Shire Council Kuring Gai Police Area Command

07 April, from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV

We've started testing how cars with automation features interact with our and other vehicles.

Watch video [here](#).

06 April, from The Hills Youth Liaison Officer: Spoiler Alert

10 APPS TEENS ARE USING THAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW



Calculator%
This app looks like a calculator but functions like a secret photo vault.

Hot or Not
Strangers rate your profile. Goal is to lead to a hook up.

Omegle
A free online chat website that promotes chatting anonymously to strangers.

Burn Book
Post anonymous rumors about people through audio messages, texts, and photos.

Yellow
This app is designed to allow teens to flirt with each other in a Tinder-like atmosphere.

Wishbone
An app that allows users to compare kids against each other and rate them on a scale.

Whisper
An anonymous app where the creators promote sharing secrets and meeting new people.

Kik
Messaging app. Kik has built in apps and web content that would be filtered on home computer.

Ask.fm
Ask an anonymous question and get an answer. This app has been linked to the most severe forms of cyberbullying.

Instagram
Many kids are now creating fake accounts to hide content from parents. Kids also like to text using Instagram because messages are deleted once a user leaves conversation.

FOR MORE INFO: APPSOLUTELYAPRIL.COM

The latest click bait online around social media apps- this is really hysteria for ill-informed parents.

Most kids don't use any of these. Most kids are quite responsible and have parental rules in place. This is really designed to cause fear and outrage in the community rather than provide real information.

Instagram is used by most kids- Ask FM and KIK died off as popular apps years ago. Omegle and the other hook-up apps are mainly used by kids with absent parents. This generation of young people is becoming more responsible, it is the

parents who need to spend time with their kids and talk to them. Working with thousands of young people, I see and hear what they are doing. Regulation starts with parents- take some responsibility instead of sharing something that is designed to cause fear rather than useful advice.

If not sure, please feel free to attend a Digital Security for Parents presentation at your school when I am next there. I love talking about this stuff from the student, parent and police perspective. I am learning about this daily as well!

04 April, from NSW Police Force



No matter what you do, there are some people who just ignore the message.

04 April, from Crime Stoppers NSW

Is there an unknown visitor at your door?

If someone is at the door and you are alone and feel a bit frightened, pretend there is someone else in the house.

If someone wants to use your telephone for an emergency, don't feel rude not to let them in. Offer to make the call for them – if they are genuine, they won't mind.

Be suspicious of people requesting entry to your home to check appliances or equipment. Ask to see their identify card and take time to look at it carefully before letting them in. If you are still unsure, ring their company to check. If in doubt, keep them out.

Make sure your home number can be clearly seen from the street. This not only helps in emergencies but helps visitors to find your home (and not accidentally going to the wrong address!)

Be discreet if you live alone. It is better not to indicate on house directories or name plates that you are a Ms, Miss, Mrs or Mr. Just use your surname.

If you live alone, make arrangements to have regular contact with someone your trust. Try setting up a code like three rings on a telephone each morning, or simply lifting your blind up at the start of each day so they know you're okay.

ALWAYS call Triple Zero (000) in an emergency.

04 April, from AsapSCIENCE: Weight Distribution Dynamics

This demonstration for trucks and trailers shows how easily a vehicle can become unstable depending on where the trailer weight is distributed.

Watch video [here](#).

03 April, from Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission



The Australian Cybercrime Online Reporting Network is a national policing initiative of the Commonwealth, State and Territory governments. ACORN is helping keep the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games safe from cybercrime through live monitoring. Report cybercrime [here](#).

03 April, from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV



Don't take the risk and drive if you've taken drugs. With 3 times more MDT in NSW, if you take drugs and drive you will get caught and you will face the consequences.



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Creating Safer Communities

09 April, from NTD Australia: How about this warning from UK?



Remember as the weather gets colder to always check for animals attracted by the heat of your car before you set off 😊

From The North Shore Times, Thursday 5 April [\[View online edition here\]](#)

Dance party drug bust

POLICE have carried out a drug detection operation at a music event in North Sydney over the weekend. The operation took place at an electronic dance event held at a licensed premises on Sunday. During the operation, police used the specially-trained dogs, as well as various other detection methods. As a result of the operation, 14 people were found to be in possession of prohibited substances, ranging from low to high risk. Those people caught with the substances have been charged and are due to appear in court on drug-related charges at a later date.

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ROSEVILLE

3 A 28-year old UK man has been caught driving almost two times over the limit on the Pacific Highway in Roseville. Around 12.35am on Tuesday police stopped the driver at an RBT site. A breath test revealed the driver had a blood-alcohol level of 0.092. The man's licence was suspended and he was ordered to surrender his passport.

From the Hornsby Advocate, Thursday 5 April [\[view online edition here\]](#)

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HORNSBY

1 A pack of stolen Pringles chips saw officers in the PolAir helicopter track down a Central Coast man on Monday. The 22-year-old allegedly snatched the chips from a shop in Hornsby Westfield about 1.20pm on Monday and ran off. The alert went out and PolAir officers swooped, spotting him a short time later climbing over the train station fence into enclosed land. Officers on the ground were given the man's location and arrested him a short time later. "PolAir just happened to be in the area," Inspector Tim Winmill, of Hornsby Police, said. "So they gave us a hand." The man has been charged with stealing, trespass and resisting arrest. "You could say it wasn't this bloke's day," Inspector Winmill said.

KU-RING-GAI

2 Ku-ring-gai Police carried out 1100 breath tests over the Easter long weekend as well as 157 drug tests, six of which they said proved positive.

MT COLAH

3 A house fire at Mt Colah last Thursday is not considered suspicious, Hornsby police say. The blaze broke out in a room near the garage about 10pm and when police arrived they saw a young occupant of the house trying to put it out with a

hose. The fire brigade arrived and put out the fire. Fire crews said a lit cigarette caused the fire.

KILLARA

4 A Killara man allegedly driving at 153km/h in an 80km/h zone on the M2 on Sunday will appear in court this month. Police said they saw the motorist near the Windsor Rd junction. He was given blood and urine tests and a drug test which allegedly proved positive. Police suspended the man's licence on the spot and are waiting for further results of the drug test.

Dates for the Diary:

Tuesday, 10 April, Seniors Day, 10am - 5pm (last entry at 4pm). Book online [here](#) or call 02 9762 1301

Sunday 06 May: Ku-ring-gai Council Festival on the Green, St Ives. 10am-4pm. [Info](#)

07 April, from 9News: Man attacked with baseball bat in McDonald's carpark brawl

A man has been hospitalised after allegedly being struck with a baseball bat in a brawl at a Sydney McDonald's carpark.

Police were alerted to the fight at the Barwell Centre on Barwell Avenue, Castle Hill, about 1.30am today.

A 20-year-old man suffered facial injuries in what police believe was an attack with a baseball bat.

Read details [here](#).

07 April, from 9News: Pomegranate recalled after hepatitis scare.

The supplier of imported frozen pomegranate thought to be responsible for seven cases of hepatitis A in NSW is recalling a "relatively small batch" as a precaution.

NSW Health on Friday warned anyone who may have bought the product from Coles not to eat it, after it was established all seven people who contracted the infection across NSW had consumed the fruit.

Entyce Food Ingredients on Saturday issued a statement identifying the potential culprit as Creative Gourmet Frozen Pomegranate (180g) with a best before date up to and including March 21, 2020.

Read details [here](#).

07 April, from NSW Police Force



Police are appealing to the community for information on the whereabouts of a man wanted on an outstanding warrant.

Tufan Karaman, aged 25, is wanted on an outstanding arrest warrant for domestic violence and larceny offences.

He is described as being of Mediterranean / Middle Eastern appearance, 180-185cm tall, with a medium build and black hair.

Police are seeking information from the community about his current whereabouts.

Members of the public are urged not to approach him if sighted, instead, they should contact police immediately by calling Triple Zero (000).

Police are urging anyone with information in relation to this incident to call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or use the Crime Stoppers online reporting page [here](#). Information you provide will be treated in the strictest of confidence. We remind people they should not report crime information via our social media pages.

06 April: Recall: Inghams Sweet Chilli Chicken Breast Tender



Recall: Inghams Sweet Chilli Chicken Breast Tender [Food alerts NSW]

Ingham's has recalled Ingham's Sweet Chilli Chicken Breast Tenders from Woolworths, Coles, IGA and...

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Read details [here](#).

06 April, from NSW Police Force

Don't be caught tossing. Littering from vehicles can be reported to the EPA - contact details [here](#).

Watch video [here](#).

05 April, from CHOICE



Have you bought a pool fence latch from Bunnings Warehouse?

An estimated 80,700 latches, manufactured by SafeTech Hardware, have been recalled following an investigation that found they do not comply with the Australian Safety standard.

The latches were sold for more than four years in Bunnings stores across Australia.

People with affected latches are being urged to treat them with an interim fix as replacements are mailed out.

More details [here](#).

04 April, from Australian Federal Police

Can we get a round of appaws for the newest members of the AFP Family. The AFP K9 team are proud to welcome: Lexie, Maddie and Rosie; three German Shepherd pups who are fur-ociously keen to fight crime.

Luckily the pup-arrazi were on hand to capture all their ruff-housing on their first day. After some time growing up and socialising in foster homes, these pups are off to Police (Dog) Academy – but hopefully they won't eat their own homework.

With these good dogs on our side, anything is paw-sible.

Watch video [here](#).

04 April: Phone app helps witnesses record evidence

Memory experts hope a new smartphone app to help people record information after witnessing crimes will lead to more reliable testimony in future court cases.

iWitnessed, launched on Tuesday, uses guided questioning to prompt users to record facts about an event including its nature, location, whether there were injuries and the witness's emotions at the time.

The content, which can be taken as text, voice recordings or images, is also time and GPS stamped with the option to forward a copy to police or a secure email address.

The app has the backing of former NSW Director of Public Prosecutions Nicholas Cowdery QC, who says the content could be relied upon in court in the same way as contemporaneous notes or recordings to refresh a person's memory.

Click [here](#) for more details.

03 April, from Crime Stoppers NSW: Hunting.

Whether you are hunting on private or public land, you must have permission to hunt on that land.

If you wish to hunt on PRIVATE land, you must have permission from the land owner.

If you wish to hunt of PUBLIC land, once you are licenced with some type of restricted hunting licence, you are able to gain permission to hunt by logging in to the online licence holder services portal found through the Department of Primary Industries.

For more information you can visit [here](#).

Illegal hunting is a CRIME. If you have information on illegal hunting, you can call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 (24/7). You can remain confidential.

ALWAYS call Triple Zero (000) in emergencies.

03 April, Emergency + App



Emergency+ App

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UK Cop Humour

I can't deal with this street and these boy racers any more ... holding meets and ruining the roads 🤔



IMPORTANT CONTACTS & LINKS

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance): **000**

NSW Police - Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC): 9476 9799

Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road, Hornsby 2077

Kuring-gai Crime Prevention Officer: 9476 9723

Local Police Facebook page: [@Kuring Gai LAC](#)

Non-emergency two-way communication

Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000

Report crime anonymously

Report suspicious activity asap

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.

Neighbourhood Watch within the Kuring Gai LAC:



Website nhwkuringgaihornsby.org.au



Our Crime Prevention website WatchOut.org.au



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