



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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colleagues and neighbours.

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2 July, from Crime Stoppers Australia

WHAT TO DO IF YOUR CAR IS BROKEN INTO...

Sometimes we forget to lock our car despite our best efforts and sometimes we lock our cars and thieves break into them anyway. Below are steps you should take if someone breaks into your car.

1/ AVOID TOUCHING – sometimes it is not until you have gotten inside your car that you realise the glove box is open and things are missing. However, if you can avoid touching anything until you have reported the incident to police, this is best.

2/ DETERMINE if there are any witnesses, or CCTV cameras in the area where the incident occurred.

2/ REPORT the incident to the Police Assistance Line on 131444 (24/7). You can also report via our online Community Portal at: <https://portal.police.nsw.gov.au/>
This is the quickest and easiest way to get the report in the system for police to be able to conduct any further investigation.

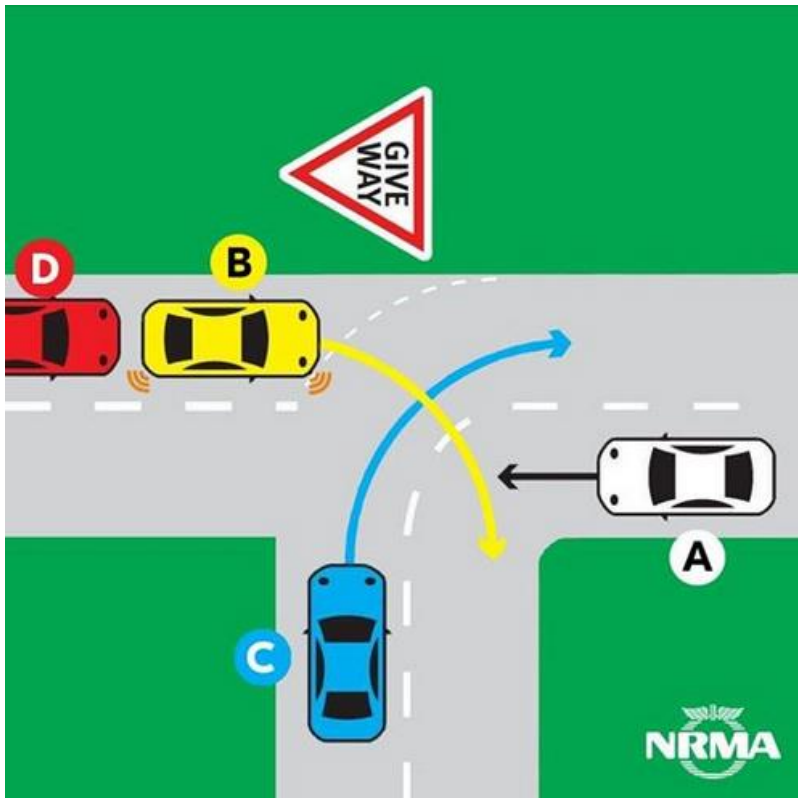
3/ RECORD your event number. You may need your event number for insurance purposes, so make sure you have a pen and paper ready to write it down.

4/ ASK. Sometimes police in certain PAC's will be conducting targeted fingerprinting exercises in your area, but if this is not offered to you, you can request police to attend to conduct a fingerprint assessment if resources are available.

Do you have information about STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE crimes that

would help police? You can report online at www.nsw.crimestoppers.com.au or call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 (24/7).

2 July, from NRMA Driver Training



TEST TIME: In what order do the vehicles go?

1. Vehicle C, B, A and then D
2. Vehicle C, A, B and then D
3. Vehicle B, A, C and then D

TEST TIME ANSWER: Vehicle C would go first, vehicle A second, vehicle B third, and vehicle D last. Vehicles B and D are facing a give way sign; when a driver faces a give way sign at an intersection they must give way to all other vehicles entering or approaching the intersection. Vehicles B and D must give way to vehicles A and C. Vehicle A is travelling on the terminating road at a T-intersection (the continuing road marked with broken white lines goes around the corner); a

driver travelling on the terminating road at a T-intersection must give way to all vehicles on the continuing road (except those performing a U-turn). Vehicle A must give way to vehicle C.

Know someone learning to drive? NRMA offers driving lessons for learners, seniors and businesses. Click [here](#).

30 June, from NSW Police Force

The NSW Firearms Amnesty starts on Sunday. You have three months to register or hand in any unregistered firearms without penalty.

Watch message from of Minister for Police and Emergency Services [here](#).

30 June, from 7 News Sydney

Police have warned motorcycle hooners performing illegal stunts for social media videos that they will be caught and prosecuted.

Watch video of the stunts [here](#).

30 June, from 7 News Sydney

“Don’t be bloody idiots. Take responsibility for yourselves. The police can’t save you. You need to save yourselves. What have we got to do? It’s so frustrating... A lot of lives have been affected tonight and I just don’t know what to do anymore.”

Queensland Police Sergeant Steve Webb sends a strong message to drivers after two people were killed in a crash in Queensland yesterday afternoon.

[Watch](#) message from Crash Investigator Steve Webb.

29 June, from Dash Cam Owners Australia

Pro Tip: If you aren't engrossed in your phone you will notice the Traffic and Highway Patrol Command - NSW Police Force Motorbike beside you.

[Video](#) thanks to Peter.

28 June, from Traffic and Highway Patrol Command - NSW Police Force

SCHOOL ZONE OFFENCES WHAT ARE YOU RISKING?*

FACT Children are small, harder to see, behave unpredictably and are extremely vulnerable. They need **YOU** to take extra care when driving and parking around school zones.

 No Parking You have 2 minutes to drop-off or pick-up and must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.	PENALTY \$183 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS	Pedestrian Crossings Do not stop on or near a marked crossing.	PENALTY \$439 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS
 No Stopping Under no circumstances are you permitted to stop on a length of road to which a No Stopping Sign applies.	PENALTY \$330 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS	Driveways Do not stop on or across a driveway.	PENALTY \$183 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS
 Bus Zone You must not stop your vehicle in a Bus Zone unless you are driving a public bus.	PENALTY \$330 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS	Lane Filtering /Overtaking Motorcyclists must not overtake or lane-filter in an active school zone.	PENALTIES AND DEMERIT POINTS APPLY
 Mobile Phone Use Do not use a hand held mobile phone while driving.	PENALTY \$439 + 4 DEMERIT POINTS	Double Parking Do not double park in a school zone.	PENALTY \$330 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS
Speeding Offences The fines and demerit points for speeding offences in school zones have been increased.	MAX. PENALTY \$3740 + 7 DEMERIT POINTS	Footpath and Nature Strip Do not stop on a footpath or nature strip.	PENALTY \$183 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS

 **SCHOOL ZONE**
8-9 AM
2 PM-4 PM
SCHOOL DAYS
 **40**

*Fines current as of July 2017. Fines and demerit points are subject to change.

 **blue MOUNTAINS City Council**

28 June, from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV

Pedestrians make up almost half of bus-related fatalities. When you get off the bus, wait for the bus to stop and find a safe place to cross, such as a zebra crossing or traffic lights.

Watch video [here](#).

26 June, from NSW Maritime

One of the most common situations when a lifejacket must be worn includes when you're operating a canoe or kayak on all waters.

Remember, a lifejacket can't save your life unless you're wearing it. Get the full details [here](#).

Watch video [here](#).



2 July, from Graffiti Removal Day

Graffiti Removal Day is a great opportunity to show you love where you live on Sunday 21 October. Check out and share this year's video with your friends.

Please add this date to your diaries. There are several community groups involved in our command. Please join in!

Watch video [here](#).

1 July, from Neighbourhood Watch: St Ives Area

We were messaged today. Can you help?

House in Womerah St robbed this morning (Sun 1st July). Anyone have any video footage of the street or nearby, please? Or see anything unusual?

Dates for the Diary:

Sunday 01 July - Sunday 30 September: NSW Firearms Amnesty

Tuesday 10 July: 10am FREE eSafety Shopping & Banking webinar. [Info & Booking.](#)

Wednesday 11 July: 2pm FREE eSafety Shopping & Banking webinar. [Info & Booking.](#)

Thursday 12 July: 2pm FREE eSafety Shopping & Banking webinar. [Info & Booking.](#)

Friday 13 July: 930am FREE eSafety Shopping & Banking webinar. [Info & Booking.](#)

Thursday 19 July: 930am FREE eSafety Shopping & Banking webinar. [Info & Booking.](#)

Monday 23 July: 11am (4 weeks) Self Defence Short Course for Women @ FunFit, Gordon. [Info & Booking.](#)

Sunday 09 September: St Ives Rotary Food & Wine Festival 10am-4pm. [Info.](#)

Friday 21 September: Colour of KYDS Fundraising Lunch 2018. [Info](#)

Friday 05 October: Walk to Work Day

Sunday 21 October: Graffiti Removal Day

2019:

Friday 08 March: Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter fundraiser - Strength is her Superpower. International Women's Day 2019.

Sunday 07 April: Lindfield Rotary Fun Run.

From the North Shore Times Thursday, 28 June [\[Online Edition here\]](#)

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KILLARA

3 A male offender broke into a home in Killara Ave while the owner was asleep. Around 9pm on June 23 the resident woke to find the offender asleep in the lounge room. The owner yelled in shock and the offender fled the house. Police attended the scene but were unable to locate the man. The offender is described as 180cm tall and of slim build.

CHATSWOOD

5 A 27-year-old Melbourne man has been charged after he allegedly sent explicit images of himself to a NSW Police phone. Around midnight on June 26 a call was made to Chatswood Police, alerting them of a lewd act in Havilah St. Officers attended but did not locate the alleged offender. After connecting with the witness via mobile, he hung up. Police said that, a short time later, he confessed he was the offender and sent a number of explicit images to police. Police later located the man and he was charged.

CHATSWOOD

6 A removalist truck was stolen while the driver was asleep in the back. Around 11.30pm on June 24 the driver parked in Cathedral St with the keys still in the ignition and went to sleep in the rear cargo space. At 6am the next day he woke when he heard the sound of the engine starting and felt the vehicle moving. The truck later stopped and the driver confronted the offender. After a scuffle, the offender sped away. The owner was taken to hospital.

Back in Prison

Arapist has lost his appeal against the length of his jail term for being caught “red-handed” hiding an intimate relationship with a prostitute. Graham James Kay (pictured) had been sentenced to four months behind bars for breaching his extended supervision order. More than 40 conditions were put in place because he poses an unacceptable risk to the community without proper checks and

monitoring. The serial rapist was released from prison in 2015 after serving 18 years for sexually assaulting several women at knifepoint on the north shore.

30 June, Vet locks himself in car.

Watch video [here](#)

From the Hornsby Advocate Thursday, 28 June [Online Edition here]:

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WEST PENNANT HILLS

1 A school and supermarket in West Pennant Hills were placed in lockdown on Monday when a knifewielding man was seen outside Coles. Paramedics were called about 10.45am and attended with police to the supermarket off Castle Hill Rd. One man, aged 46, displaying erratic behaviour, was taken to Hornsby Hospital for a mental health assessment following the incident. He was the only one treated by paramedics.

Brownie Cafe staff member David La Spina said Coles staff came into the nearby cafe after the incident and said the supermarket went into lockdown as a precaution after a man was seen with a knife. Brownie Cafe worker Kippy Stedman said she walked past a man about 15 minutes before and he appeared distressed standing near the supermarket entrance. "I walked past maybe 10 or 15 minutes before it happened," she said.

"A man was having a conversation with someone that was not there ... like you would expect to see if two people were having a heated argument, but he was the only one there." Staff said three police vehicles, including two paddy wagons, arrived at the supermarket during the incident. A school next to the supermarket, West Pennant Hills Public School, was also placed in lockdown during the incident.

The school was in lockdown for about 30 minutes with students staying in classrooms.

HORNSBY

2 A 28-year-old woman driving along Edgeworth David Ave was assaulted by another woman who was crossing the street near Hornsby Girls' High School on Monday about 4.45pm. A woman described as being in her 40s, caucasian, with straight, blonde hair approached the victim's car while crossing the road. The woman opened the passengerside door while the car stopped. The woman yelled at the driver before grabbing a handbag and threw it at the driver's face. She then left the scene. The victim suffered a bleeding and swollen nose.

HORNSBY

3 A 15-year-old boy who was approached while walking home from McDonald's on Friday night has prompted police to ask parents to remind their children about safe people, safe places messages. The boy was walking home near Fuller Ave about 9.40pm when a car pulled up next to him without its headlights on. The driver asked for directions to get to Hornsby and then asked the boy to physically show him how to get to the destination. The boy said no and ran away. Police are reviewing CCTV footage.

ASQUITH

4 A man was found naked and intoxicated outside a Jersey St North unit block after police were called to a disturbance there on Sunday about 10.40am. The 43-year-old man managed to dress himself. He did not live at the block of units.

HORNSBY

5 A P-plater has been charged with drink driving after running a red light on Peats Ferry Rd. Police stopped him on Saturday about 5.55am after he was spotted driving through a red light. He failed a roadside breath test and was taken to

Hornsby police station where he returned a blood-alcohol level of 0.059. He will face Hornsby Court on July 12.

HORNSBY HEIGHTS

6 A 21-year-old man was issued a cannabis warning after the drug was found in his car. He was stopped for a random breath test on Galston Rd last Thursday about 8.50pm. The car was searched and a small amount of cannabis was seized.

HORNSBY HEIGHTS

7 A 45-year-old man has been charged with drink driving after returning a blood-alcohol level of 0.146. He was stopped on Galston Rd about 11.50pm on Friday for a random breath test. He failed the test and was taken to Hornsby police station. He will face Hornsby Court on July 12.

PENNANT HILLS

8 A woman's body was discovered at Vaughan Ave on Tuesday at 2pm. Officers were called to the home at 2pm following the discovery of a woman's body. Ryde police established a crime scene and started an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death," A NSW Police spokeswoman said. "It is not yet known if the death is suspicious."

30 June, from Neighbourhood Watch: St Ives

From the St Ives Community group yesterday.

Just want to warn all residents of St Ives... thief and accomplice (probably in a black car) broke into one of my family member's house today in Collins Rd. Cased the house last night in a small black sedan at 10.30 Thursday night.

29 June, from NSW Food Authority



From Sunday 1 July, domestic kitchens that sell direct to the final customer (e.g. from the premises or from a market/school canteen etc.) will be regulated by local councils.

Learn more [here](#).

29 June, from acmadotgov: Betting

Betting with an illegal wagering service during the #WorldCup is a risky move. Don't score an own goal by betting with an illegal wagering service during the World Cup. Go with a registered service on our list. [Click here](#).

28 June, from Stay Smart Online: Alert Service

This is a free service for Australian internet users, to explain recent online threats and how they can be managed. Sign up to the service [here](#).

Stay Smart Online Alerts provide easy to understand online safety and security information and solutions to help protect internet users at home, at work and on

mobile devices. The resource also informs users about the latest threats and vulnerabilities within an Australian context, and how to address any risks to their devices or computer networks.

All alerts are published here.

28 June from NSW Police Force, Email Scam [Edited]

A man and woman will face court next month after being charged over alleged email scams netting more than \$70,000.

Detectives from the State Crime Command's Cybercrime Squad established Strike Force Cabernet to investigate organised criminal groups committing large scale business email compromises.

Earlier this year, strike force investigators received two referrals from Australian Cybercrime Online Reporting Network (ACORN) relating to fraudulent emails from company directors requesting payment of invoices or other fees.

The first report stated the company's finance department received an email from a person purporting to be the company's Managing Director requesting payment of an invoice for more than \$50,000, which was subsequently paid.

Police will allege the account was accessed twice, with a total of \$10,000 withdrawn, before it was frozen by the financial institution.

Following extensive inquiries, strike force investigators arrested a 29-year-old man at Newtown on Thursday 21 June 2018.

28 June, from the Office of the eSafety Commissioner: Social engineering: a very human problem

[Please read this blog.](#)

Where it says "familiarise yourself with the tactics" there's a link to a comprehensive document ASCS Threat Report 2016 that we feel is really worth reading. Thank you to the Office of the eSafety Commissioner for sharing this blog.

27 June, from Neighbourhood Watch: St Ives Area

Thank you to Robyn at Fernbank for sharing this information with us.

I just wanted to update you on a Scam currently targeting elderly residents in the St Ives area.

The caller claims to be from the NBN and advises the resident their phone will be disconnected the next day.

They are advised to press a button on their phone to stop this from happening.

Luckily the residents here have been well informed over the years to be aware of scams and usually they will hang up straight away.

The NBN is aware of this scam and advises anyone who receives the call to contact Scam-watch.

27 June, from FACEBOOK.WATCH: Dubai Police Officers will soon ride hoverbikes to fight crime

Watch video [here](#).

26 June, from NSW Police Force

An investigation is underway after two vehicles were stolen from a home on the Northern Beaches while the owner was sleeping.

Shortly before 2am (Tuesday 26 June 2018), the occupant of a home on Richmond Road, Seaforth, was woken by the sound of his dog barking.

He got out of bed to investigate and noticed his back door open and two sets of car keys missing.

As he looked outside he noticed his 2017 red Mercedes Station wagon, registration number DSG39X was missing, along with his 2018 grey Volkswagen sedan DWT88W.

The owner reported the matter to police and officers from Northern Beaches Police Area Command attended the home and commenced inquiries.

A description of the stolen vehicles was broadcast over police radio and both vehicles were spotted by police on The Spit Bridge.

A pursuit was initiated however due to the dangerous manner of driving officers terminated the chase.

Police are now searching for the stolen cars and are appealing for anyone who may see either of the vehicles to contact Triple Zero.

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, [click 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.

From Cop Humour Australia

Budget cuts are getting pretty serious in Northam!



IMPORTANT CONTACTS & LINKS

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance): 000

NSW Police - Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command (PAC): 9476 9799

Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road, Hornsby 2077

Ku-ring-gai Crime Prevention Officer: 9476 9723

Local Police Facebook page: [@KuringGaiPAC](#)

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 Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby council areas:



Website nhwkuringgaihornsby.org.au



Our Crime Prevention website WatchOut.org.au



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