



# Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby

**eNewsletter # 361 - 10 September 2018**

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 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 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.

🚗 Please feel free to [share/forward this eNewsletter](#) with your friends, family, colleagues and neighbours.

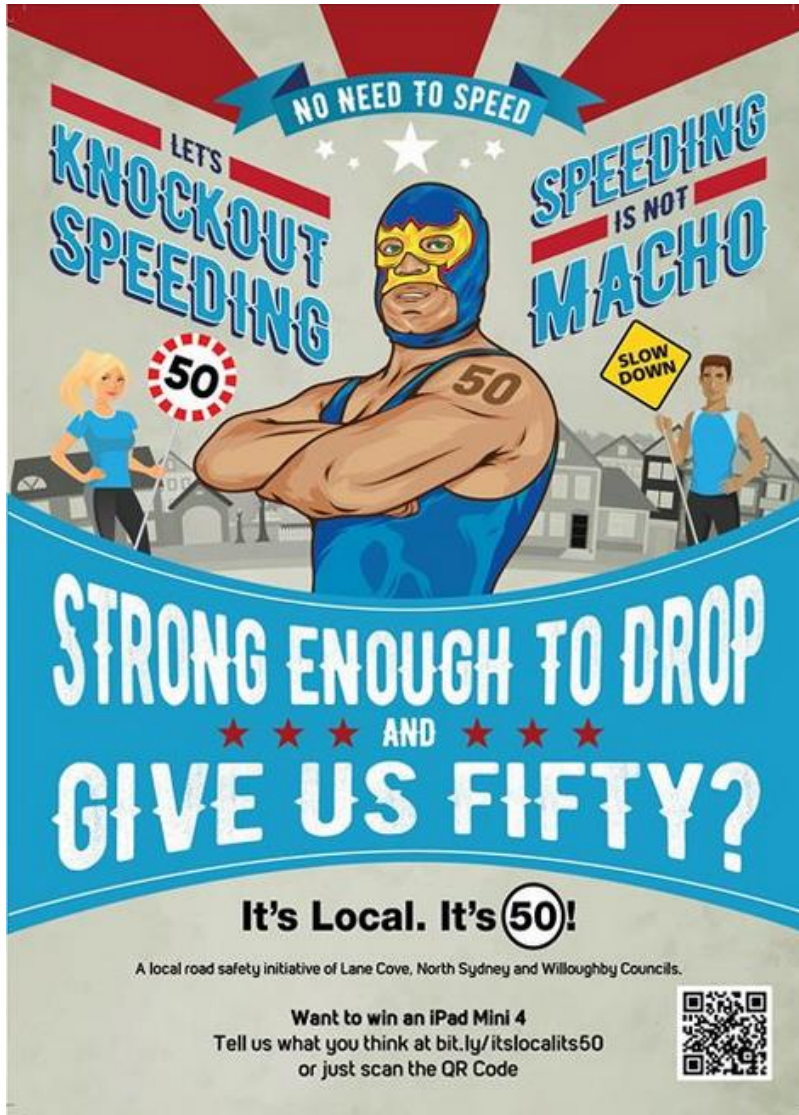
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**10 September, from North Shore Police Area Command**

Por favor, amigos, no aceleren rápido! Conduce a la policía muy loco!

( Please, friends, don't speed up fast! Drive the police crazy! )



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**7 September, from Canberra Times: Police slam 'senseless' man over alleged drug driving**

Police have blasted a "senseless" man who was allegedly caught driving under the influence of drugs twice in under two hours.

Officers stopped the 47-year-old man on London Circuit about 10.30am on Monday.

Police said the man returned a positive result for cannabis and methylamphetamine in a roadside drug test before being arrested and taken to City Police Station for further tests.

He was released about 11.30am and ordered not to drive for at least 12 hours.

Just 45 minutes later, at 12.15pm, police said they stopped the man again on Cooyong Street in Braddon.

He was driving the same vehicle and allegedly returned another positive result for cannabis and methylamphetamine in a roadside drug test.

The 47-year-old was taken for a second time to City Police Station, where he was charged with five traffic offences including two counts of drug driving.

He was bailed to attend the ACT Magistrates Court.

Acting Station Sergeant David Wills, ACT Policing's officer in charge of traffic operations, said the man showed a lack of regard for everyone else on the road.

"This driver's actions are senseless," Acting Station Sergeant Wills said.

"He has endangered other road users by driving with not one but two illicit drugs present in his system.

"After being served a direction not to drive a vehicle for 12 hours by police, this man was detected less than an hour later driving a vehicle.

"It is well known that impaired driving can significantly contribute to serious collisions and deaths on our roads."

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## 7 September, from Dash Cam Owners Australia

Not quite ready for Tokyo drift

[Video](#) thanks to Tobias

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## 5 September, from Burwood Police Area Command

Do you live alone? 🧑🏻 👤 🧑🏻 🧑🏻 🧑🏻 🧑🏻



You can now register your details and nominate two persons as your preferred contact, through the NSW Police Next of Kin program.

Your details are then updated into the Police Computer System with contact numbers for all nominated persons in case of an emergency.

In addition to the next of kin, you can register your doctor, dentist or any other medical alert contacts that could help you in an emergency.

This information can assist the ambulance and police to contact a relative or other nominated person to inform them of your situation.

The NSW Police will give you a registered number along with a keyring and sticker to be placed near your home phone.

Register your details today!

Download and return the form to your local station. Click [here](#).

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**3 September, from Brisbane Water Police District**



**3 September, from 9News.com.au: Overdosing man dies after 'stupid' family members attacks paramedics**



A man has died after paramedics were attacked by dozens of angry men in Sydney's west while trying to save a patient from a drug overdose.

Paramedics were called to a Riverwood unit block at about 8am yesterday for a 25-year-old man suffering a suspected drug overdose, the Australian Paramedics Association said in a statement.

Read full story [here](#).



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*Creating Safer Communities*

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**From the Hornsby Advocate Thursday 6 September:** [\[online edition here\]](#)

**Fastlane** [Page 10]

### **Truck fells power lines**

A truck ploughed into some low-hanging power lines on the Pacific Hwy at Mt Colah, leaving sparking power lines across the busy road last Wednesday. The incident happened about 12.30pm. Fire and Rescue NSW said the southbound lanes were closed while the wires were cut and cleared. Kuring-gai police said there were reports a Bobcat on the back of the truck clipped the power lines.

### **Burglars hit suburb twice**

Cash and mobile phones valued at \$200 were stolen from West Pennant Hills home on Blue Crane Close between 6pm and 8pm on Saturday. Entry was believed to be through a rear sliding door. A watch and jewellery were stolen from a home on nearby Sanctuary Point Rd on the same night. Entry was believed to be through a rear window on the first floor. Police are investigating.

## **REGIONWIDE** [Page 13]

Make fire survival plans now

WITH the bushfire danger period now in place, residents across the Hornsby region are being reminded to prepare a bush fire survival plan.

The bush fire danger period started on September 1 and runs through until March 31 which means landholders across the Hornsby region need a permit to burn certain fires.

Ku-ring-gai state Liberal MP Alister Henskens said it was also critical for residents to create or update their bush fire survival plan during this period.

“Whether or not you live near bushland, it is absolutely essential you plan ahead and safeguard your property by doing things like clearing gutters of leaves, maintaining gardens, and checking that your garden hoses can reach all corners of your property.”

Residents can learn more about bush fire preparation by visiting [here](#).

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### **Dates for the Diary:**

**Thursday 13 September:** R U OK? Day

**Friday 14 September 2018:** White Card training \$105 pp @ PCYC Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai, 1 Park Ln Waitara **Info: 8998 5400**

**Friday 14 September:** FREE Hornsby Shire Council Library 'Be Scam Aware' Presentation by Dept of Fair Trading @ 1pm. [Info](#).

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

**Saturday 22 September:** Westleigh Rural Fire Service Annual Open Day from 10am - 3pm @ Warrigal Drive, Westleigh. Live fire demonstrations, kids activities, famous BBQ, bush fire safety information and much more!

**Sunday 23 September:** Get Ready Weekend & RFS Open Day 10am - 2pm @ Ku-ring-gai Bush Fire Brigade, 7 Esk St, Wahroonga

**Monday 24 September:** NHW Area 3/4 (Turrumurra) meeting @ 7:30pm in the lounge area at Turrumurra Uniting Church, Turrumurra Ave, Turrumurra.

**Friday 05 October:** Walk to Work Day

**Saturday 06 - Friday 12 October:** NHW Australasia Week

**Saturday 13 October: Day for U** 8:30 am – 4:00 pm @ Warrawee Public School, 1452 Pacific Hwy, Turrumurra. NHW Crime Prevention stall run by our NHW volunteers.

**Sunday 21 October:** Graffiti Removal Day

**2019:**

**Tuesday 05 February:** Safer Internet Day [Info](#)

**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.

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**From The North Shore Times, Thursday 6 September [Online edition [here](#)]  
Street Watch [Page 16 ]**

## **PYMBLE**

6 MONA Vale Rd in Pymble was thrown into traffic chaos on Monday following a multi-vehicle crash and truck fire. Emergency services were called to the scene and firefighters extinguished the fire. A large diesel spill was on the road and several power lines were down as a result of the accident. Paramedics treated several drivers involved in the crash. Nobody was seriously injured. The road was closed in both directions while crews were at the scene.

## **VIOLENT ATTACK**

POLICE have charged a 41-year-old man with a raft of offences following an alleged violent altercation. Around 3.15pm on August 30, they said, a man was walking in Dalleys Rd, Naremburn, when he turned to see a man swinging a large stick. They said the man dropped the stick, grabbed hold of the victim and yelled incoherently at him. The victim fled and phoned triple-0. Police said they found the



alleged offender at a home in Dalleys Rd, brandishing a bottle above his head. Police entered the home and subdued the man. He was arrested and will face Hornsby Local Court.

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### **From Neighbourhood Watch Area 3/4 (Turramurra): Hello Everyone**

Our next NHW meeting will be held on **MON 24SEP at 7:30pm in the Lounge Area at Turramurra Uniting Church, Turramurra Ave, Turramurra. Crime Prevention Officer, Snr Cons Colin Mitchell** will give a presentation on **'SCAMMERS IN THE AREA'** just to remind everyone to stay alert and not be enticed into something that you haven't asked for and will end up costing you much more. Please spread the word and we'll look forward to you joining us on MON 24SEP at 7:30pm. Light refreshments available.

Stay safe. Regards Carroll Howe OAM, JP, Area Coordinator, NHW Area 3/4 [Turramurra] [carroll.howe@gmail.com](mailto:carroll.howe@gmail.com)

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### **9 September, Shared from NABO: Bandalong Ave, West Pymble**

Two houses broken into on Friday 7 September between 10 am to 12 pm. Seems that the thieves were after cash or jewellery. Likely a crowbar was used to open a front window and a front door to gain entry at the properties. Locks and deadlocks were broken. Report anything unusual if you witnessed it to Gordon Police.

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**8 September: We have been requested to share this in case anyone can help please:**

Hi I'm hoping to be able to post in regards to a missing person. Cecilia Devine (formerly known as Kristen Pearson). Cecilia was last seen at her residence (Waratah, Newcastle NSW) on 5th September and has not been in contact with friends or family since. She may be improperly dressed (barefoot) and without any food, clothing or supplies. Cecilia suffers from a medical condition, and her friends and family hold fears for her safety. She is mostly likely travelling on foot, however has close friends in Melbourne, so could be making her way there. Attached is a photo of Cecilia - her friends and family would like to begin posting notices wherever it may assist in finding her.

Cecelia has previously been located in the Hornsby area, so anyone who may have seen her is urged to contact local police. Thankyou.

Or please phone Crime Stoppers if you have any information. You can remain anonymous.

1 800 333 000



We thank everyone for their help sharing the post. 435 people have shared, 78,024 have been reached, 2,446 engagements and 23,208 clicks...

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## 8 September from au.news.yahoo.com: Urgent recall on thousands of eggs after salmonella outbreak



Eggs are being recalled from shops in Sydney after a cluster of salmonella cases were uncovered.

NSW Food Authority on Saturday said 23 cases of salmonella enteritidis had been confirmed in the city, leading to egg supplier Eggz on the Run to voluntarily recall some products sold under the Glendenning Farm brand.

Consumers are advised not to consume any Glendenning Farm whole shell eggs sold in NSW with best before dates of September 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29 or October 1.

The products were sold in small independent supermarkets and retailers.

Click [here](#) for full story.

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## 8 September, from The Australian Story

A young mother disappears. A husband insists she's abandoned the family then days later moves in with his teenager lover. While two coroners concluded Lyn Dawson was murdered by a known person, her husband Chris Dawson has never been prosecuted.

Featuring exclusive interviews, we revisit the story of Lyn Dawson and go behind the podcast phenomenon that's gripped listeners worldwide.

Watch video [here](#).

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### **8 September, from NSW Government**

Environmental crime is a serious offence and the EPA is cracking down on polluters who are profiting from it. 🚫

A new robust method for calculating and recovering illegal profits has now been introduced in NSW – read about how it works [here](#).

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### **8 September, from Daily Mail, UK**

'I feel like I've failed him': Daughter of dementia patient, 82, 'bashed by his 35-year-old carer' says she saw his bruises but thought he'd fallen over

- The daughter of the 82-year-old patient attacked by his carer has spoken out
- Ayda Celine feels like she 'failed' her father for not stepping in sooner
- Celine said she noticed bruising several months ago but thought he'd fallen over
- She installed a secret camera in her father's room which captured the attack
- The carer was charged with common assault after being arrested on Wednesday

For full story, click [here](#).

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### **7 September, from NSW Police Force [Edited]: Body Worn Video**

NSW Police are rolling-out Body Worn Video to about 500 sites across the state. Body Worn Video is a valuable tool for operational policing, and has been shown to:

- \* Decrease the use of force.
- \* Increase community confidence in policing.
- \* Strengthen legal cases.
- \* Ensure the quality and integrity of evidence and information

There is always two sides to a story, but pictures tell a thousand words and often capture the emotion of an event. Body Worn Video assists with corroborative material, minimising conflicting narratives, and providing decision makers with the best possible evidence. Body Worn Video provides reassurance to communities across NSW of our improved ability to support victims, prevent, disrupt and respond to crime by directly recording criminal behaviour as close as possible to the time of it occurring.

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**7 September, Shared from Pymble and West Pymble Community group:**

Council rangers are seeking details of the owner of two dogs involved in an incident at 9:15 this morning in West Pymble. He was walking them off-leash in bushland along the Wallalong Crescent fire trail when they attacked a leashed dog walking with its owner. One was a big red heeler named Reg, the other was a smaller black and white crossbreed. Their owner carried a rainbow-coloured umbrella with which he beat his dog.

The other dog is uninjured but its owner is concerned about future incidents. If anyone knows these dogs or their owner, please contact Ku-ring-gai Council on 9424 0000 or [kmc@kmc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:kmc@kmc.nsw.gov.au)

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**6 September, Shared from Mt Colah/Kuring-gai Families group:**

Anyone on the east side of Mt Colah, particularly around Ku-Ring-Gai chase Rd, have anything taken from their car last night? We had someone go through ours last night. Fortunately not much was taken. Its just a reminder to lock up our vehicles even when we think they are safe at home! First time this has ever happened to us here 😞😓

And in the comments: That has happened to us in Colah rd. Ive had my purse emptied of money but they didn't take my cards.

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### 5 September, from Ku-Ring-Gai SES



You are invited to the annual Open Day being held by the Ku-ring-gai SES and the Ku-ring-gai Bush Fire Brigade on Sunday September 23 from 10:00 AM to 2.00 PM at our headquarters in North Wahroonga.

This will be a fun and entertaining day for all the family and a great opportunity to "Get Ready" for the bushfire and storm events that often threaten the Ku-ring-gai community over the following months - the Open Day is also an opportunity to inspect your local Emergency Services headquarters and meet the volunteers who serve our community.

There will be heaps of informative displays, interactive activities and fun for the kids including:

- Fire Drill & Over-run Demonstration
- Tanker and equipment demonstrations
- Ku-ring-gai Kids Fire Unit
- Fire extinguisher demonstrations
- Bushfire safety advice & Hazard reduction talks
- SES Rescue Truck and Flood Rescue Boat
- Chainsaw demonstrations
- Hands on First Aid
- Meet the SES mascot "Paddy the Platypus"
- Enjoy a sausage sizzle at our fund-raiser BBQ

Please bring all the family along for a fun and interesting day out.

Location: Golden Jubilee Field, 7 Esk Street, North Wahroonga

Date: Sunday September 23 from 10:00am-2pm

For emergency assistance during storms, floods or tsunamis, call NSW SES on 132 500

For urgent, life-threatening situations, call Triple Zero (000) immediately

For information about volunteering with NSW SES visit [here](#) or call 1800 201 000

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5 September, from Crime Stoppers Australia

**So you got  
naked  
online?**

**It is not the end  
of the world.  
Take control now.**

So You Got Naked Online helps you deal with the fallout  
if a naked photo or video has been shared online.  
Visit **cybersmart.gov.au**

Counselling:  
**Kids Helpline** www.kidshelp.com.au Ph 1800 55 1800  
**Headspace** www.headspace.org.au  
**Lifeline** www.lifeline.org.au Ph 13 11 14

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While sharing suggestive images or text messages may seem like innocent flirting or be considered funny for young people, sexting can have serious social and legal consequences.

#### WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

\*Stay CALM, DELETE and REPORT – If you have sent a picture or video you regret to someone, ask them to delete it immediately. If it is posted online, untag yourself and report the post to the social media site so it can be removed. Ask friends you trust to help hunt down images and also report those images.

\*Try to relax and talk to someone – If the video or image has spread, try to stay calm. You might like to talk to Kids Helpline on 1800 551 800 for advice to how to handle the situation.

Sometimes the Police need to become involved as with minors it may constitute the production and/or distribution of child pornography. If Police get involved, it's best to be honest. Tell them how the video or image was made and where it might have been sent/posted. They will want to know who was involved and whether there was consent from all involved. Their concern is preventing any harm to you and other young people.

For more information visit [here](#).

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**Welcome to our new Crime  
Prevention Officer,  
Snr Cst Colin Mitchell!**

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**4 September, Shared from Mt Colah/Kuring-gai Families group:**

So just a shout out to the person/persons who stole ALL the pallets from The Plant Bug at Mt Colah last night ... no.1 if your planning on burning them for wood they are painted with a highly toxic paint and no.2 we have to PAY for those pallets no.3 if you get caught selling them ... your in BIG trouble from the companies who own

them. They are worthless to you but have now just cost us a lot of money so thanks a lot ... feel free to return them in the dead of night just as you took them ... also we have been checking our cameras so more than likely you will be caught .

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#### **4 September, from 7 News: Target recalls baby onesie over choking fears.**

Target has been forced to recall baby clothes over choking fears.

The store issued a recall of its \$10 two-way zip baby coveralls on Tuesday amid fears the zipper might detach.

The recall is for all sizes, ranging from new baby to 12-18 months, with the coveralls sold at Target Australia and Target Country stores. It was also available online.

Click [here](#) for full story.

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#### **4 September, from Stay Smart Online: Did you do a spring clean over the weekend?**

Don't just stop with the house! Why not tackle the clutter in your digital life. Here are some tips to get your digital spring clean started, Click [here](#).

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#### **From "Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Fire Issues"**

**Tip #2.** BE AWARE OF PEOPLE ACTING SUSPICIOUSLY IN YOUR AREA.

Record details such as their appearance, car descriptions & registrations. Contact Crime Stoppers: 1 300 333 000.

**Tip #3.** CONTACT THE LOCAL FIRE SERVICE FOR HELP ASSESSING YOUR OWN PREMISE'S FIRE RISK AND KNOW HOW TO PROTECT IT. Prepare your BUSHFIRE SURVIVAL PLAN, EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN and EMERGENCY SURVIVAL KIT for you and your animals. Know: When, Where,

Who, What to take? Download the 'Bush Fire Emergency Plan' App.

**Tip #5.** PLEASE BE ALERT AROUND SCHOOLS DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PERIODS AND AT WEEKENDS. Report any suspicious activity or groups of youths. Phone School Security Unit: 1300 880 02.

**Tip #6.** FOR BUSINESSES, INCLUDE ARSON IN YOUR BUSINESS RISK ASSESSMENT PLAN AND INCLUDE ARSON RISK REDUCTION STRATEGIES IN YOUR RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN.

**Tip #7.** FOR BUSINESSES, ARE ALL YOUR FIRE EXITS IDENTIFIED, ACCESSIBLE, UNLOCKED, CLEAR OF BOXES?

**Tip #8.** KNOW ABOUT TOTAL FIRE BANS:

- CHECK THE RFS WEBSITE, OR PHONE RFS INFORMATION LINE ON 1800 679 737 TO FIND OUT IF THERE IS A TOTAL FIRE BAN IN PLACE.
- BEWARE SPARKS: BBQs, incinerators, welding, angle-grinders, cigarettes, etc.
- KNOW THE LAW: eg, to use an the electric/gas BBQ you must have available "an immediate and continuous supply of water".
- TOTAL FIRE BAN & CURRENT FIRE DANGER CAN BE FOUND AT: [www.rfs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au).

**Tip #10.** KNOW YOUR LOCAL... [Why not google them?]

- COMMUNITY 'Farm FireWise' GROUPS (CFGs) supported by NSW Rural Fire Service. CFGs have planned strategies, build knowledgeunderstanding, are locally specific, establish 'telephone trees' and "build strong social networks with neighbours".
- COMMUNITY FIRE UNITS (CFUs) supported by Fire & Rescue NSW. "Being a CFU member is about preparation, prevention and protection from bushfires".
- NEIGHBOURHOOD SAFER PLACES (NSPs) (NSW Rural Fire Service). "An NSP is a place of last resort for people during a bush fire & is an identified building or space within the community that can provide a higher level of protection."

These tips and others in the series can be downloaded from our Neighbourhood Watch website Tips page: [NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au](http://NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au). We have recently uploaded some versions in Simplified and Traditional Chinese - thank you to our volunteer translators and proof readers. More to come! Or [email us here](#) and we'll send you a copy.

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#### **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](http://NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au)



Our Crime Prevention website [WatchOut.org.au](http://WatchOut.org.au)



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