



# 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 [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 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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### From Ku-ring-Gai PAC



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### 29 December, from NSW Police Force [edited]

As New South Wales prepares for a wave of hot weather over the next week, police are urging residents and visitors to keep informed on the conditions and look after their health.

The Bureau of Meteorology is forecasting temperatures in the 30s and increasing across the state from today (Thursday 27 December 2018) and peaking in the low-to-mid 40s on New Year's Eve (Monday 31 December 2018). Visit [BOM website](#) for updated weather forecasts and warnings.

With these conditions expected, police and emergency services are urging everyone in NSW to remember the four key messages to keep healthy in the heat:

1. Drink plenty of water (limit hot, sugary, or alcoholic beverages)
2. Keep cool (stay in the air conditioning, if possible)
3. Take care of others (visit or contact those at risk of heat-related illness)
4. Have a plan (know who to contact if you need assistance and seek medical advice if you feel unwell).

For more information on staying healthy in the heat, please visit NSW Health's ['Beat the Heat' website](#).

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### **29 December, from NSW Police Force [Edited]**

Road users are running a high risk gauntlet by taking control of a vehicle after a few drinks, police have warned after Day 7 of Operation Safe Arrival.

Operation Safe Arrival, the State's Christmas/New Year road safety operation, started at 12.01am on Friday 21 December 2018, and will continue until 11.59pm on Tuesday 1 January 2019.

Double demerits will be in place over the entire long-weekend for all speeding, mobile phone, seatbelt and motorcycle-helmet offences.

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### **29 December, from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV**

Last year we lost 392 lives on our roads. Any death or serious injury on our roads is one too many. We all need to work together towards achieving a zero road toll.



### **29 December, from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV**

Do you know the signs of driver fatigue? Don't trust your tired self, visit [this site](#). Watch video [here](#).

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**29 December, from Traffic and Highway Patrol Command - NSW Police Force**



About 6:30 on Friday the 28th of December officers from North Shore Highway Patrol observed a blue GSX R1000 travelling north on the Warringah Freeway North Sydney well above the posted 80km/h speed limit. They attempted to check the speed of the cycle but were prevented from obtaining its speed on their speed measuring device.

Police caught up to the motorcycle on Willoughby Road, Willoughby where they followed it, checking its speed at 106km/h in the sign posted 60km/h zone.

The motorcycle was stopped a short time later and they spoke to the 26 year old male rider from St Ives. An inspection of the vehicle revealed prohibited speed measuring evasion devices fitted to the front and rear of the vehicle, with alert lights fitted near the instrument panel.

The rider was subsequently issued with penalty notices for “Exceed speed limit - over 30km/h” (\$903 and 10 demerit points) and “Drive motor vehicle with speed measuring evasion article fitted” (\$1757 and 9 demerit points). A notice to produce the devices will be served on the driver at a later date.

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**Dates for the Diary:**

**Wednesday 23 January:** Ku-ring-gai Council First Aid Course for young people. \$90. [Info](#). Bookings youth services team on 9424 0981 or [youth@kmc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:youth@kmc.nsw.gov.au).

**Tuesday 05 February 2019:** Safer Internet Day [Info](#)

**Tuesday 12 February:** Community Safety Precinct Committee (CSPC) meeting. [Email us any issue you'd like discussed.](#)

**Tuesday 19 February:** Ku-ring-gai Council's Everything for Seniors Day 10am-3pm @ St Ives Village Green & Community Hall. NHW Crime Prevention stall, with kids photo booth, dress-ups, info and goodie bags.

**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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1 January 2019, from Burwood Police Area Command



Police Dogs are out in force tonight 🐕.

Have a safe and enjoyable New Years Celebrations 🎉.

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## 30 December, from prevention.com: Scam Alert! Police Warn: Taking Facebook Quizzes Could Get Your Identity Stolen



Those quizzes you see popping up on your Facebook Newsfeed may seem like a harmless guilty pleasure, but if you're not careful they could leave you victim of identity theft.

The Sutton Police Department in Massachusetts shared a scary post on their Facebook page last week warning social media users that those fun questionnaires could actually be revealing personal information to scammers. Read details [here](#).

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## 28 December, from NSW Police Force [Edited]

Eight people have been arrested over allegedly stealing \$1.2 million worth of luxury items from homes across Sydney, prompting police to remind the community to properly secure their homes and cars this holiday season.

In November 2018, detectives from the State Crime Command's Robbery and Serious Crime Squad established Strike Force Merengue to investigate 80 aggravated break-ins across Sydney throughout September and October.

Inquiries led investigators to examine the activities of an organised theft syndicate, which also included shoplifting at designer stores across Sydney.

Following inquiries, a 23-year-old man was arrested at Sydney International Airport on Wednesday 21 November 2018.

He was taken to Mascot Police Station, where he was charged with 12 offences, including make false statement to officer for purposes of Migration Act, aggravated break and enter, and knowingly deal with proceeds of crime.

A second man, aged 27, was arrested at Sydney International Airport the next day and was charged with 16 offences, including make false statement to officer for purposes of Migration Act, aggravated break and enter, and knowingly deal with proceeds of crime.

Both men were refused bail and appeared at Central Local Court on Friday 23 November 2018, where they were both formally refused bail to appear before the same court on Tuesday 22 January 2019.

Following further inquiries, a 22-year-old man, a 36-year-old woman and a 29-year-old man were arrested at a unit in Sydney Olympic Park on Wednesday 28 November 2018.

All three were charged with 11 offences, including make false statement to officer for purposes Migration Act, aggravated break and enter dwelling in company intend to steal, and knowingly deal with proceeds of crime.

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**28 December, from sosoclip.com: How to catch a Funnel Web spider - Aust Reptile Park**

[Click here to watch video.](#)

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**27 December, from Hornsby Shire Council: WEEKLY WASTE TIP**



Is your yellow lid recycling bin overflowing from paper and cardboard packaging after Christmas?

Large cardboard that doesn't fit into your recycling bin and plastic bags can be taken to Council's Community Recycling Centre at 29 Sefton Road, Thornleigh. The CRC re-opens after the Christmas break on Wednesday 2 January.

Please remember to separate your ribbons from the wrapping paper, as ribbons should go into the mixed waste red lid bin.

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## 27 December, from Neighbourhood Watch St Ives Area



Shared from St Ives Community group:

IGA Plus Liquor St Ives: Unfortunately we were broken into early this morning between 12.20-1.20am 27th Dec. If anyone saw anything suspicious or someone driving in a silver sedan around this time, please private message. Shop owners please be alert.

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## 27 December from abc.net.au: What a century of bushfire data teaches us about how to save lives this summer

What can we learn about saving lives from studying more than a century of bushfires?

A lot — but experts warn too many Australians still do not properly understand the risks and new research suggests nine in 10 Victorians in high risk areas would not follow the prevailing advice to leave early on days of high fire danger.

Most lives have been lost on a few horror days — and in one state

Between 1901 and 2011, 825 people lost their lives in more than 260 bushfires. Of those killed, 92 were firefighters.

More than 80 per cent of the deaths were in January and February, and 61 per cent happened in Victoria.

Read details [here](#).

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**27 December, from Neighbourhood Watch - Normanhurst: Shared from Thornleigh, Westleigh and Normanhurst group. Did anyone see anything please?**

Broad day-light burglary at our home in Corang Road, Westleigh yesterday. We were out enjoying the luxury of a public holiday, and on our return in the evening, discovered, to our absolute horror, our home in a state of complete disarray.

We are shocked, hurt and feel very, very vulnerable. Our private space has been rudely violated, and that is a very disturbing feeling. It appears that we have been living in a false sense of security!

We think the robbery occurred between 12pm-2pm on Boxing Day. If anybody has information or has seen something suspicious on Corang Road, please PM me.

Please stay safe, and secure your houses during the holiday period.

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**27 December, from snopes.com**

Remember to use Snopes or Hoax Slayer websites to fact check those circulating emails etc. Here's a great one about the humble banana. These links can be found

on our WatchOut website Scams page [here](#). Also check [here](#).



INGREDIENTS: WATER (75%), SUGARS (12%) (GLUCOSE (48%), FRUCTOSE (40%), SUCROSE (2%), MALTOSE (<1%)), STARCH (5%), FIBRE (3%) (E460, E461, E462, E464, E466, E467) AMINO ACIDS (GLUTAMIC ACID (19%), ASPARTIC ACID (16%), HISTIDINE (11%), LEUCINE (7%), LYSINE (5%), PHENYLALANINE (4%), ARGININE (4%), VALINE (4%), ALANINE (4%), SERINE (4%), GLYCINE (3%), THREONINE (3%), ISOLEUCINE (3%), PROLINE (3%), TRYPTOPHAN (1%), CYSTINE (1%), TYROSINE (1%), METHIONINE (1%)), FATTY ACIDS (1%) (PALMITIC ACID (30%), OMEGA-6 FATTY ACID: LINOLEIC ACID (14%), OMEGA-3 FATTY ACID: LINOLENIC ACID (8%), OLEIC ACID (7%), PALMITOLEIC ACID (3%), STEARIC ACID (2%), LAURIC ACID (1%), MYRISTIC ACID (1%), CAPRIC ACID (<1%)), ASH (<1%), PHYTOSTEROLS, E515, OXALIC ACID, E300, E308 (TOCOPHEROL), PHYLOQUINONE, THIAMIN, COLOURS (YELLOW-ORANGE E101 (RIBOFLAVIN), YELLOW-BROWN E160i), FLAVOURS (ETHYL HEXANOATE, ETHYL BUTANOATE, 3-METHYLBUT-1-YL ETHANOATE, PENTYL ACETATE), E1510, NATURAL RIPENING AGENT (ETHENE GAS).

## IMPORTANT CONTACTS & LINKS

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

**NSW Police - Kuring-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:**



**Website** [NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au](http://NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au)



**WatchOut!** [WatchOut.org.au](http://WatchOut.org.au) - our one-stop-shop for crime prevention



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### **Local Facebook pages:**



**WatchOut!** Our Crime Prevention [WatchOut! Facebook page](#)



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[Neighbourhood Watch - Hornsby](#)



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