



# Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby

**eNewsletter #404 - 09 July 2019**

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 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. Thank you for your support.

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colleagues and neighbours.

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### **09 July, from Ku-ring-gai command: Child drowns - Hawkesbury River, Brooklyn**

A report will be prepared for the Coroner following the drowning death of a child at Brooklyn today. About 12.45pm (Tuesday 9 July 2019), emergency services responded to reports of a child missing from a vessel on the Hawkesbury River at Brooklyn. Officers from the Marine Area Command located the child in the water a short time later and commenced CPR. The three-year-old girl was transported to land and treatment continued by NSW Ambulance paramedics. She was airlifted to The Children's Hospital at Westmead in a critical condition but was pronounced dead after arrival. A crime scene was established and officers from Marine Area Command are investigating the matter.

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact **Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000**. Information is treated in strict confidence. The public is reminded not to report crime via NSW Police social media pages.

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### **09 July, from Ku-ring-gai command: On 27th June 2019, Hornsby Police had the privilege of participating in and welcoming the newest arrivals to our command.**

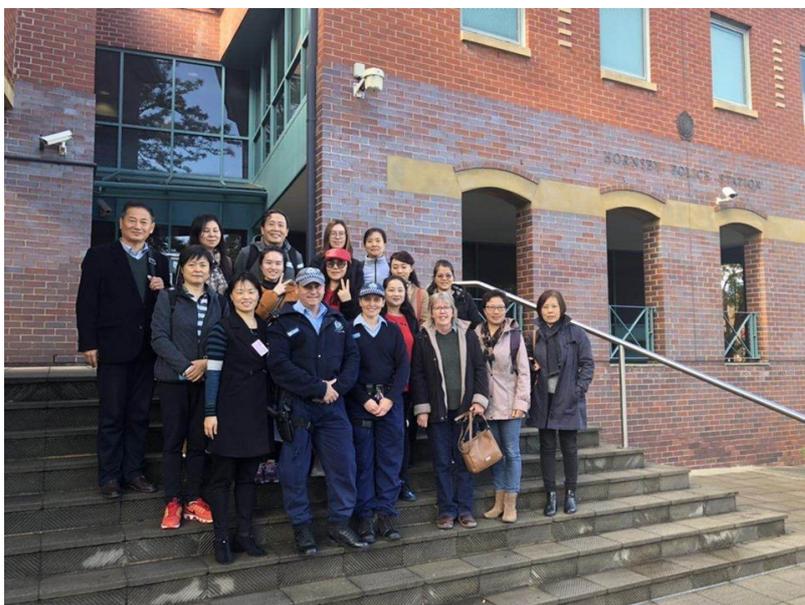
The event we attended is called, "Know your local services". We're very proud of our Multi Cultural Liaison Officer, Fiona, who organised the event. It was held at the Hornsby Council Chambers and attended by around 60 keen and eager folk who had just moved into the area. The attendees came from China, Vietnam, Pakistan, India, Iran and Russia.

The agencies who presented were NSW Police, NSW Health, Hornsby Shire Council and the services they offer, Ability Links, Settlement Service International and Fusion and sponsored by the Community Migrant Resource Centre.

As NSW police, we had a great time telling them the types of jobs we attend, when and how to report crime and suspicious behaviour and encouraging them NOT to be afraid of the police. We showed them the cage in the back of a police truck, the foyer of our police station and a look through our Command bus.

As an aside, a few days after the event, I was walking on the footpath out the front of the police station and a young lady stopped me saying me what a great time she had at the event and that she had just managed to secure a job in the local area. She was like a kid in a lolly shop. I couldn't help but smile as I saw her enthusiasm for the opportunity she had been given in her new country.

We will always say, what a wonderful part of Sydney we work and live in.



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### **07 July, from Little Blue Dinosaur: Going away these school holidays?**

Holiday environments can look very different to what your child is used to dealing

with. These are 'unfamiliar' environments to them. Talk to your child about some of those obvious visual differences on arrival at your holiday destination. See our LBDF infographic below for tips ♥☐☐ and have a safe and happy holiday...PLEASE SHARE!!



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**03 July, from Inner West command: Please save these images to your phone or print them up and refer to them in the event of a car crash.**

Follow the chart below to determine whether police need to attend the accident scene.

[See here for FAQ's in relation to motor vehicle accidents](#) - Information for motorists and other people involved in crashes in NSW.

**NSW Police Force**

## WHAT TO DO AFTER A CAR CRASH

To help reduce danger to road users and manage crashes more efficiently, from October 2014, you may no longer have to wait for police at a crash site in NSW.

Follow the chart below to find out what to do.

**ENSURE YOU ARE IN A SAFE LOCATION AWAY FROM THE TRAFFIC**

Is anyone trapped or injured? **YES** → Call Triple Zero (000). Stop and give assistance to anyone who is injured if it is safe to do so.

**NO** → Are police needed to direct traffic or deal with hazards? **OR** Do any drivers appear affected by alcohol or drugs? **OR** Does a bus or truck need to be towed? **YES** → Call Triple Zero (000).

**OR** Has anyone involved failed to exchange details? (See reverse for legal requirements)

**NO** → **Police DO NOT need to attend the crash site**

Does any vehicle require towing? **YES** →

**NO** →

- Exchange details and leave the crash site. You are NOT required to report the crash to police.
- If anyone is later treated for an injury call the Police Assistance Line on 131 444 as soon as possible.
- Contact your insurer or a towing company of your choice to arrange for your vehicle to be towed (if required). If you cannot arrange a tow and exhaust all other options, call the Police Assistance Line on 131 444.
- Exchange details and leave the crash site.
- After leaving the crash site report the crash to the Police Assistance Line on 131 444 as soon as possible. You will be provided with a report number to assist with any insurance claims.

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Be prepared and download the **Emergency+** app now by using your smartphone to scan these codes. The app can help determine your GPS coordinates to pass onto emergency services if an incident occurs.



iPhone



Android

Record your insurance and preferred towing company details below. Keep this card in your car glove box for future reference.

Registration No.: ..... Insurer: .....  
 Policy No.: ..... Phone: .....  
 Towing Company: ..... Phone: .....

**CRASH DETAILS**

Date: ..... Time: .....  
 Street: .....  
 Suburb: .....  
 Cross St/Landmark/Nearest street No.: .....  
 GPS coordinates (use Emergency+ or car 'SATNAV' to obtain)  
 LATITUDE: ..... LONGITUDE: .....  
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**VEHICLE 1**

\* Denotes minimum legal requirement for exchange of details.  
**Registration No.\*:** ..... **State:** .....  
**Make:** ..... **Model:** .....  
**Driver Name\*:** .....  
**Address\*:** .....  
**Licence No.:** ..... **State:** ..... **Phone:** .....  
**Owner Name\*:** .....  
**Owner Address\*:** .....  
 Insurer: ..... Policy No.: .....

**VEHICLE 2**

**Registration No.\*:** ..... **State:** .....  
**Make:** ..... **Model:** .....  
**Driver Name\*:** .....  
**Address\*:** .....  
**Licence No.:** ..... **State:** ..... **Phone:** .....  
**Owner Name\*:** .....  
**Owner Address\*:** .....  
 Insurer: ..... Policy No.: .....

For more information or to download extra copies of this flyer, visit [www.police.nsw.gov.au](http://www.police.nsw.gov.au)

[Email us here](#) if you would like a pdf sent to your inbox.

**03 July, from Ku-ring-gai command: Police are seeking any witnesses or information in relation to an alleged assault that took place between 1000pm - 1100pm on Friday 3 May 2019 between two (2) Males and a Female along Peats Ferry Road Hornsby in the vicinity of Coronation Pde.**

Please contact **Hornsby Police on 9476 9799** or **Crime stoppers on 1800 333 000** if you can assist with any information

**02 July, from Ku-ring-gai command: BEWARE – THIEVES ABOUT – Pymble and surrounding southern suburbs of the Command!**

Over this last weekend there were several break and enters into shared garage areas with property stolen from the garages and from vehicles within those garages. These occurred predominantly at night but can also happen during daylight hours.

This is a timely reminder to EVERYBODY in our Kuring Gai Command – please keep your property secured as best you can by locking your home doors, garages and your vehicles, even if they are in your garage.

Remember to lock your home doors and windows even if you are leaving your home or vehicle for a short period of time. Be vigilant, lock your vehicles and garages, make it more difficult for those who are intent on taking with isn't theirs. If you have a storage unit, try to keep your property out of sight. Cover your property or better still, close in your storage unit so whatever is inside is out of sight from those outside. Remember:

**DON'T WASTE TIME, REPORT THE CRIME!**  
**SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY, REPORT IT QUICKLY!**

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**How to report crime:**

**“000”** Triple zero for emergency or life threatening situations

**“131444”** Police Assistance Line for non-emergencies

**“1800 333 000”** To provide crime information



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**09 July, from Neighbourhood Watch - Galston, Glenorie, Arcadia & Dural - Rural Areas: Hi all**

Looks like these thieves are back into it! There's been a few reportings over the past 24hrs.

1. Breaking in and stealing makeup and jewellery in under 4 mins. Possibly Dural
2. Break in on cattai ridge Rd
3. Drones now flying over Arcadia today.
- 4 A man turning up in calabash Rd saying he used to live there and wanted to have a walk around property whilst owner not home. Painters were there and must have believed the guy casing property.

So report anything suspicious. Lock up cars, sheds and houses. Consider installing CCTV and lockable gates. Let's make it harder for them.

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**09 July, shared from Galston, Glenorie, Arcadia and Dural group: Just a heads up**

Low flying drone over house and shed in Arcadia that flew off when I took a photo of it and gave them the bird..... police said nothing they can do unless it keeps coming back.

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**09 July, shared from Glenorie Families & Community group yesterday: Be careful everyone!!!**

If anyone reckonise this guy let me know ?!!!☹️ There are two guys in a yellow Hyundai breaking into people's houses today. We've just been done.



[Request to join our Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby Facebook group](#) (remember to answer the 2 questions) and see the post with a video from the home.

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**09 July, from The Hills command: About 9:30pm on Monday 24 June 2019, a man entered the rear entrance of Thai restaurant Red Galangal located at The Terrace shops at 40 Panmure Street, Rouse Hill with a large knife with a blade about 30 centimetres long in his hand.**

The man stated he needed money then forced entry to a cash register and stole a small amount of cash. The man fled the scene on an unregistered red, white and black dirt bike as seen in CCTV. No staff members were injured. No patrons were inside the restaurant at the time of the incident. Officers from The Hills Police Area Command attended and established a crime scene.

Investigators have now released images of a man who may be able to assist with enquiries. The man in the CCTV stills is Caucasian appearance, about 180 centimetres tall, medium build with reddish/brown hair and facial hair. The man was wearing a large fluorescent yellow jacket, black pants, white Nike sneakers with a black tick, a blue and red Armour backpack and a black, yellow and grey Fox motorcycle helmet.

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact **The Hills Police Area Command: 02 9680 5399** or **Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000**.



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**09 July, shared from Neighbourhood Watch - Galston, Glenorie, Arcadia & Dural - Rural Areas group: Received late last night:**

Hi there, our house got broken in today early afternoon. Cattai Ridge Road. All rooms trashed jewellery, cash and alcohol taken. It has been reported to the police.

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**06 July, from GoGet.com.au: Is It Illegal To Honk Your Horn?**

Whether it's an air horn or a novelty horn, your car's beep machine says a lot about you and your car's personality. However, when you honk your horn you need to remember, it's also the driving equivalent of yelling at someone on a train! As a result, there are rules around when you can and cannot use your horn – with some pretty hefty fines for breaking them.

So, when exactly is it illegal to honk your horn? [Here are the dos and don'ts in Australia.](#)

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**From NSW Food Authority: Gordon and East Killara get a mention this week!  
NAME & SHAME LIST**

Weekly update to our list of alleged breaches of NSW food safety standards:

- 28 premises added
- 30 premises publication period expired

[Full list here.](#)

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**04 July, shared from Glenorie Families and Community yesterday: Hi everyone, our next door neighbour's firewood was stolen today in Glenorie.**

A man drove in around midday in a little white ute with a tray on the back. Loaded up. When the owner of the wood opened the front door of the house the man took off very fast down their driveway. He had a blue flannel shirt on, shaved head and blue sunglasses on. It has been reported to the police.

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**Dates for the Diary:**

**Wednesday 10 July:** \$100 Ku-ring-gai Youth Services First Aid Course. 8:45-4:30pm @ Gordon Library [Info.](#)

**Thursday 11 July:** Safer Driver Course @ Hornsby PCYC 9:30-11am [Info](#)

**Thursday 29 August:** Community Safety Precinct Committee meeting.

**Monday 30 September:** Gordon NHW Area 3/4 (Turramurra) meeting. 7:30PM in the lounge area, Turramurra Uniting Church, Turramurra Ave. All welcome.

Tea/coffee & biscuits available.

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### **From the Hills Shire Times Tuesday 02 July: Man 'paid' for teen sex**

A MAN who allegedly sexually assaulted a 15-year-old girl after giving her drugs and money in exchange for sex has been arrested in Kellyville and charged with child prostitution offences. Following inquiries, detectives arrested a 49-year old man at a Kellyville home about 7.30am last Tuesday. He has been charged with two counts of have sexual intercourse with person between the ages of 14 and 16, and two counts of cause child between the ages of 14 and 18 to do act of child prostitution. Police will allege the man gave the girl drugs and money for sex on two occasions last year at Parramatta and **Killara**. He has been refused bail and appeared at Parramatta Local Court yesterday where he was granted conditional bail to reappear at the same court on Thursday, August 22.

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### **03 July, from NHW in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby: Police are encouraging residents to keep their garages and car doors locked after a spike in break and enter incidents on the north shore at the weekend.**

Download Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Apartments for timely reminders, free from the [Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby website Tips page](#).

Also translated into **Simplified Chinese** and **Traditional Chinese**.

[Email us](#) for a copy in your inbox.

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### **03 July, from the DailyTelegraph.com.au: Tools, cash stolen as thieves target garages and homes on Sydney's north shore**

Police are warning residents to keep their garages and car doors locked after a spike in break and enter incidents at homes across the north shore. Power tools and cash were among the items stolen as thieves targeted underground parking and garage areas during six separate incidents at the weekend. Ku-ring-gai Police said the cases included offenders making their way inside secure garages by "shadowing" cars entering and leaving through locked gates and roller doors. In

one incident, an unknown offender then broke into individual garages inside an underground parking area and made away with \$1000 worth of power tools. Other items stolen included cash from inside locked cars and property ranging from torches to a motorcycle helmet.

A Police Local Area Command spokesman said the majority of incidents occurred at night in unit complexes along the Pacific Hwy. “The methodology is the same — shared garages are being targeted and in some incidents we had people shadowing where they wait for a car to come in or leave and then slip in themselves,” he said. “It’s opportunistic — rather than taking a big television or a laptop that can be traced (the offenders) are after cash and property. “It’s a reminder to be vigilant — lock your storage compartments and keep your property secured as best you can even if it’s in a locked garage.”

The incidents come as latest crime figures show there were 591 break and enters reported at homes across the Ku-ring-gai, Lane Cove and Willoughby council regions in the 12 months to March this year. More than half of the incidents (311) occurred in the Ku-ring-gai council area. Police encouraged residents to ensure property is covered and items kept out of sight from those outside.

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**03 July, from the DailyMail.com.uk: Vets issue urgent warning after cat is nearly KILLED from licking a Himalayan salt lamp**

[Article here.](#)

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**From the Hornsby Advocate Thursday 04 July** [\[Online edition here\]](#)  
**Street Watch [Page 10]**

**ASQUITH** An intoxicated man who fell over and hit his head in the carpark of Coles Asquith suffered serious head injuries on Monday about 4pm. Ku-ring-gai police said the 49-year-old Asquith man had been refused service at a liquor outlet after staff found him laying on the floor of the store. He was helped out of the store

and witnesses said he lay down in a garden bed. Police found members of the public helping the man. While police were speaking to him, he took several steps backwards before falling over and hitting his head on the ground. He was in a serious but stable condition at Royal North Shore Hospital on Wednesday after suffering bleeding on the brain and a skull fracture. A critical incident investigation team from Nepean police is investigating the incident.

**GALSTON** A 30-year-old Berrilee man has been given an infringement notice and his licence has been suspended after allegedly breaking the speed limit by more than 60km/h on Bayfield Rd. Police say they detected him driving 122km/h in a 60km/h zone about 8am on Tuesday. Police stopped him and gave him an infringement notice for exceeding the speed limit more than 45km/h.

**DURAL** A man visiting a food outlet on Old Northern Rd left valuables, including a mobile phone and an envelope containing money, inside the store where he was eating about 1.30pm on Wednesday, June 19. He returned to find the items had gone and had not been handed in to staff.

**NORMANHURST** A 36-year-old Hornsby woman has been charged with a long list of offences including driving while suspended, special-range drink driving, use of unregistered vehicle and use of uninsured vehicle after being stopped for a random breath test on Pennant Hills Rd about 12.40am on Tuesday. She allegedly returned a breath analysis of 0.029, which is below the legal alcohol limit for a driver on a full licence. However, because she was found to be driving without a valid licence, she has been charged with special-range PCA (drink driving). She will front court at a date yet to be determined.

**HORNSBY** Three mobile phones worth more than \$2400 were stolen from a Vodafone store in Westfield Hornsby about 11.40am on Saturday. A man can be seen on CCTV footage entering the store and placing two phones into his bag before walking out without paying. He then re-entered the shop and stole another phone by placing it into his bag. He was described as caucasian, in his early 20s,

with a medium build, about 175cm tall, with blond hair. He was wearing a black and white cap, jeans and was also carrying a trolley bag.

**GALSTON** A grey Holden Captiva station wagon was stolen from a property on Arcadia Rd between 6pm and 6.25pm on Monday.

**HORNSBY** Eleven people, aged from 13 to 64, have been charged, fined or cautioned after a police operation targeted shoplifters at Coles and Woolworths on Tuesday at Westfield Hornsby.

**REGIONWIDE** A neighbouring police command, Ryde police, has issued a warning about scams this week following several recent cases across the region. Ryde police said scammers were posing as the Australian Taxation Office and demanding payment.

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**From the North Shore Times Thursday 04 July [\[online edition here\]](#):**



### Feral cat trapping trial

Ku-ring-gai Council is conducting a three month cat trapping trial in urban/bushland interface areas where native wildlife has been killed or injured by feral cats. To report a feral cat sighting call the Council on 9424 0000.

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**ROSEVILLE** A 53 year old Westleigh man has been charged with assault following a dispute at a business in Roseville last week. About 1:30pm, 26/6, the man attended an adult establishment on Pacific Highway, Roseville. He became involved in a verbal argument with a female employee of the business. It will be alleged that as she attempted to get away, the male pulled her and clothing to prevent her from leaving. Police were contacted and the male was arrested and charged with one count of assault.

**TRAVEL SCAM** A Wollstonecraft man reported losing money through an alleged travel agency scam. The person of interest, believed based in Waitara, took two separate payments in 2018 from the Wollstonecraft man, totalling nearly \$4000, for international airline tickets. The tickets have not been provided as promised and the person of interest has been uncontactable. It is alleged the person of interest has scammed many other people in a similar way, particularly in the Sri Lankan community. Police are investigating and encourage anyone with information to speak with Police.

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**03 July, from Crime Stoppers: IDCare is Australia and New Zealand's national identity and cyber support service.**

IDCare offers support to both INDIVIDUALS and ORGANISATIONS who have concerns about identity or related cyber security. If you are worried about Identity Theft, or have become a victim of Identity Theft – it is important you visit their website to register your details.

**VISIT [IDCare here](#)**

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**Taken from "Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Apartments":**

**Tip #3:** Secure your storage cage with a good padlock. Triple hinge the cage, with triple locking points. Have a qualified trades person inspect it and advise how best to improve the security.

**Tip #7:** Consider re-locating expensive items from your storage cage to inside your apartment. eg high-end bikes, surfboards, expensive accessories, alcohol.

**Tip #8:** Ask your Body Corporate to request a Security Audit of all the building (including storage cages) from your Crime Prevention Officer at **Hornsby Police Station: 9476 9799**.

**Tip #9:** Reduce the chances of 'tailgating' by waiting until the doors/gates to your carpark close completely after you, before moving further within.

**Tip #17:** Do not leave your car park remote control or any valuables on view in your vehicle, even if it is locked and in the secure parking area.

[Request a copy here](#). View others in the 20 Tips series on our [website here](#). More being uploaded all the time - this month's - Simplified Chinese versions.

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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: [@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 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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**Twitter** [@NHWKRGHornsby](#)



**Email** [NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com](mailto:NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com)

## **Local Facebook pages:**



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



[Neighbourhood Watch - Berowra](#) (technical issues)



[Neighbourhood Watch - East Killara](#)



[Neighbourhood Watch - Galston, Glenorie, Arcadia, Dural \(Rural Areas\)](#)



[NHW Galston, Glenorie, Arcadia & Dural \(Rural Areas\) Facebook Closed](#)

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