



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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05 May, from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV

Do your bit; avoid non-essential travel. But if you must drive, remember the Police will enforce the road rules - Anywhere... Anytime.

Speeding? You can Stop it...Or cop it.

Watch video [here](#).

05 May, from Brisbane Water Police District

Police appeal for witnesses after passenger seriously injured on M1 crash

Police appealing for witnesses and dashcam vision following a serious crash on the M1 at Mooney Mooney where a female passenger was seriously injured yesterday.

About 9.40am yesterday (Monday 4 May 2020), a blue Volkswagen Golf was travelling south on the M1, when the driver lost control causing the car to rotate and collide with the rock wall.

The vehicle rotated a second time and collided again with the rock wall causing the front wheels and engine to separate from the car.

The 18-year-old male driver was able to free himself from the wreckage.

His 18-year-old female passenger remained trapped and was eventually released by emergency services.

She was taken to Royal North Shore Hospital with serious leg and abdominal injuries. The woman underwent surgery and remains in a serious condition.

A crime scene was established, and Crash Investigation Unit commenced inquiries. The vehicle was seized for forensic examination.

The driver, on a suspended provisional licence, was arrested and taken for mandatory blood and urine testing.

He was taken to Woy Woy Police Station and charged with dangerous driving occasioning grievous bodily harm - drive manner dangerous, negligent driving occasioning grievous bodily harm, drive whilst licence suspended and dangerous driving occasioning grievous bodily harm – drive speed dangerous.

He was refused bail and is due to appear in Gosford Local Court today (Tuesday 5 May 2020).

Police are urging anyone with information about this incident to call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or use the Crime Stoppers online reporting page [here](#).

04 May, from Traffic and Highway Patrol Command - NSW Police Force

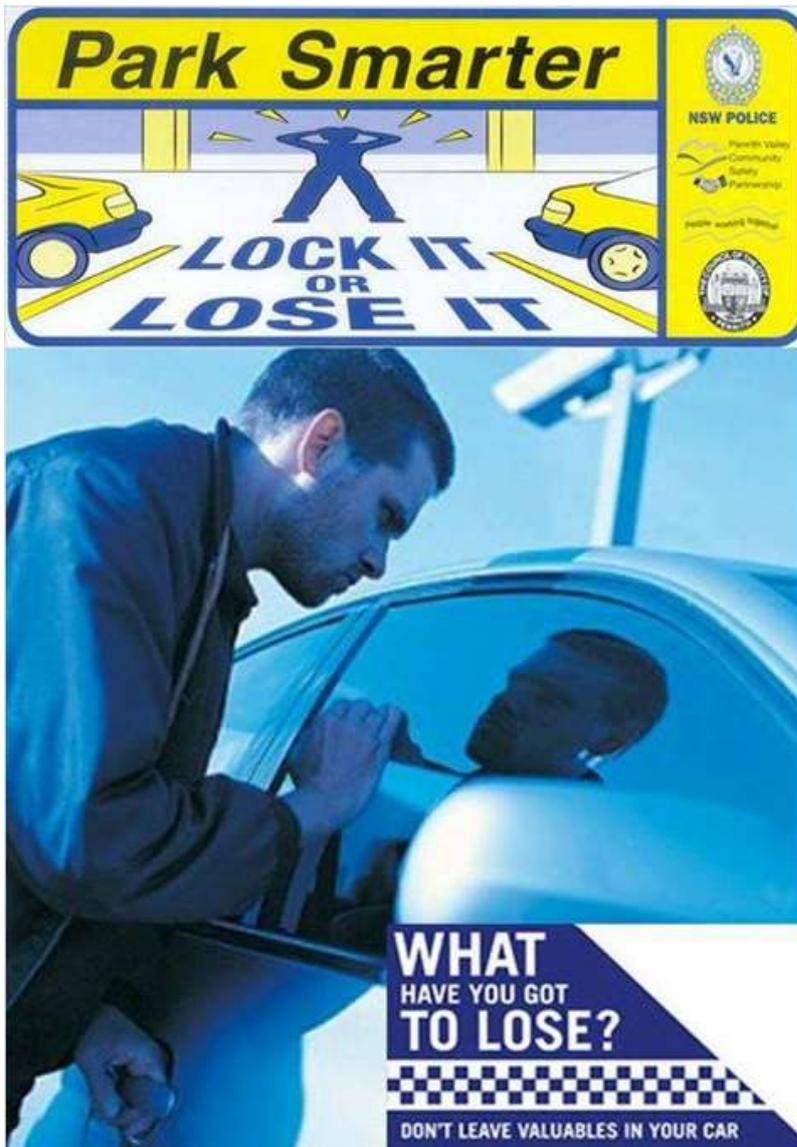
About 10am Saturday 2 May 2020, Kuring Gai Highway Patrol police were patrolling north upon the M1 Mtwy in the vicinity of Berowra. At this time a blue Ferrari Testarossa was observed travelling ahead of the police vehicle changing lanes and driving at high speed. The HWP vehicle commenced a check speed of the Ferrari up to 160kph in the sign posted 110kph area as it moved through light traffic. The vehicle slowed to the posted 110kph limit and was followed with the intention of stopping it in the truck rest area at Hawkesbury River, Mooney Mooney. Prior to initiating the vehicle stop the Ferrari increased speed substantially as it drove through light traffic on the ascent to the Hawkesbury River. The vehicles speed was checked at 201kph and continued to accelerate away from the HWP vehicle. The speed of the Ferrari at one point was estimated at no less than 230kph. Police came to the rear of the Ferrari at the Hawkesbury River bridge and initiated the vehicle stop in the heavy vehicle rest area at Mooney

Mooney.

The 41 year old male driver from Lilyfield was spoken to and replied, "I'm just getting a feel for the car." A penalty notice was issued for exceeding the speed limit in excess of 45kph. (\$2482 & 6 demerit points). The drivers licence was confiscated and suspended for a period of 6 months. The vehicle's registration was not suspended as the driver was not the owner of the vehicle. The driver was also warned about non essential travel as per the Health Ministers Covid-19 order.



04 May, from Ku-ring-gai command: LETTER FROM A THIEF:



Dear resident, please leave your car unlocked in your driveway or on street so it is easier for me to break into. It would help me greatly if you left your garage door unlocked or even open and come to think of it, make sure you don't lock your car doors. This way I can quietly break in and take your things without waking you. I know you're asleep and I'd hate to interrupt that. I really don't like the sound of smashing glass. I'd prefer to get in and get out without any fuss or noise at all.

I love it when you leave your wallet or purse in the centre console, especially where I can see it, because I know they contain your credit cards and cash. It's amazing just how much I can purchase with a stolen credit card before you notice it missing and cancel it.

To those of you of who leave your laptops on the seat, again, thank you – I have a mate who can crack your password.

Although not the most important thing to me, I want you to know that I appreciate your expensive gym gear, shoes in particular, or any other personal items you

leave in your car – I'll take them, as I usually carry a bag with me to store my newly acquired property – I can give them as a gift to someone worse off than you.

Unfortunately, there has been a recent increase of Steal from motor vehicles in and around the Hornsby, Waitara, Turramurra and Pymble areas.

The main property stolen in these were cash, credit cards, laptops and personal items.

Please be vigilant when leaving your vehicles parked overnight, whether in your garage, driveway or in the street. Ensure you lock your vehicles at all times. Don't leave valuables within sight of passers-by – better still, where possible, please don't leave any valuables in your vehicle at any time.

01 May, from Police Association of NSW

The #ThumbsUp4SafeCommunities initiative is already attracting support from the wider NSW community, across NSW Members of Parliament, and the policing community.

Join our call out to say thank you and support all those who are keeping our communities safe. #ThumbsUp4SafeCommunities

More info [here](#).

Watch video [here](#).

01 May, from NSW Health

From May 1
Two adults
will be able to
visit another
household

COVID-19 restriction update

From Friday 1 May, two adults and their children can visit anyone else in their home to:

- Provide care
- Reduce social isolation
- Improve mental health
- Enjoy a meal

The two-person limit still applies in public spaces

Learn more at nsw.gov.au 

Find out more [here](#).

30 April, from NSW Police Force

Two officers have been injured when their fully-marked Highway Patrol vehicle was hit while stopped on the side of a road in the Blue Mountains.

The two officers were driving along Hawkesbury Road towards Springwood shortly before 5.30pm (Thursday 30 April 2020), when they stopped a driver for the purposes of a roadside breath test.

The driver allegedly returned a positive test and both officers were sitting in their HWP BMW, when they were hit from behind by a Land Rover Discovery, which then rolled.

Both male officers sustained bruising and suspected neck injuries and have been taken to Nepean Hospital.

The drivers of the first vehicle and the P-plate driver of the 4WD were not injured.

The driver, who allegedly returned a positive RBT, has been arrested and taken to Springwood Police Station for the purposes of a breath analysis.

Inquiries are continuing.

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000 or visit site [here](#).

Information is treated in strict confidence. The public is reminded not to report crime via NSW Police social media pages.

30 April, from Crime Stoppers NSW: Man charged over alleged abduction and sexual assault of girl near Hornsby

Wednesday, 29 April 2020 10:09:06 PM

EDITORS NOTE: Media are reminded of their obligations under s15A of the Children (Criminal Proceedings) Act 1987 and s105 of the Children and Young Person (Care and Protection) Act 1998.

A man has been charged by the Child Abuse and Sex Crimes Squad over the alleged abduction and sexual assault of a girl in Sydney's north west.

Just before 5.30pm yesterday (Tuesday 28 April 2020), a 12-year-old girl was reported missing to police after she failed to meet her family as pre-arranged.

Police have been told the girl was at a skate park at Dartford Road, Thornleigh, earlier in the afternoon and was seen leaving with an unknown man and his young child.

Detectives from the State Crime Command's Child Abuse and Sex Crimes Squad, with assistance from Kuring-Gai Police Area Command, commenced an investigation under Strike Force Kangoo.

Following extensive inquiries, detectives arrested a 37-year-old man at a home in Dural just after 1.15am today (Tuesday 29 April 2020).

The 12-year-old girl was also located at the property and has been taken to hospital for assessment.

A crime scene was established at the home and a vehicle was seized a short distance away, which will be forensically examined.

The man was taken to Hornsby Police Station and charged with three offences including -

Take and detain with intent to obtain advantage

Aggravated sexual intercourse child between 10 and 14 years

Sexually touch another person without consent

Police will allege in court that the man met the girl at the skate park on Tuesday (28 April 2020), before taking her in his vehicle with the other child to the Dural home.

It will be further alleged the girl was sexually assaulted by the man while in the vehicle and at the home.

He has been refused bail to appear at Parramatta Local Court tomorrow (Thursday 30 April 2020).

The other child remains in the care of family.

Investigations under Strike Force Kangoo are continuing.

The Child Abuse and Sex Crimes Squad is comprised of detectives who are

specially trained to investigate matters against children and adults, including sexual assault, serious physical abuse, and extreme cases of neglect.

Anyone with concerns about suspected child abuse or exploitation should 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. People should not report crime information via our Facebook and Twitter pages



Dates for the Diary:

Saturday 30 May: **Note - CANCELLED due to Covid19 pandemic ** Self Defence Workshop for Women. [Info](#). **Note:** NHW cannot endorse a product or service. You must do your own research.

Sunday 19 July: **Note - CANCELLED due to Covid19 pandemic ** - new date tbc** NHW NSW Inc Inaugural AGM 1-5pm @ Ryde/Eastwood Leagues Club

Wednesday 14 October: Gordon Area 3/4 (Turramurra) NHW meeting tbc.

Tuesday 24 November: Gordon/Killara/East Killara/some St Ives Neighbourhood Watch AGM 7-9pm @ Gordon Library meeting room #2.

02 May, Shared with permission from the Mt Colah/Kuring-gai Families group:

Evening all,

Just a word of warning, my car on Leeming Street was broken into early Friday Morning. Please be vigilant with your cars on the streets!

I rang Hornsby Police and the officer informed me of no previous suspicious activity around the Mount Kuring-Gai/Mount Colah area as of late ☐.

If you notice anything suspicious please call Hornsby Police 9476 9799 or Crime

Stoppers 1800 333 000.

And in the comments:

An old guy was caught inside a car and arrested on Easter Monday in Mt Colah and the same guy was caught on CCTV in Hornsby in July last year, Cowan in December and Berowra.

He gave a false ID and is on the streets again.

He gets into cars and takes what he can get, has been in film around 1am - 3:30am.

Did he take anything? Thankfully no! All the doors were left open and it was obvious it had been searched thru.

The guy caught Easter Monday and seen in all the other footage has been a pest in the area for months. He searches unlocked cars for loose change and anything else of interest, completely brazen in snooping around your property while you're asleep. He was caught red handed and arrested (we personally witnessed) only to be released and the police are now aware that in that instance he gave them a false name and address so will not face any consequences. Looks like he's wasted no time getting back into it! So sad that anyone from Hornsby Police told you there has been no suspicious activity as this is the opposite of the truth, they've fielded and supposedly investigated multiple complaints over the past year!

01 May, Shared with permission from the South Turramurra Community group:

Hi everybody, my son 'lost' his iPhone 8 yesterday at the South Turramurra IGA. It's a little different to most iPhones as it is a distinct red colour in a heavy duty case. We have asked the IGA and had a look for it but cant find it. As soon as he lost it, it was turned off so we cant contact it or use Find my phone. Please, he is very upset about it and if anyone knows its whereabouts please let me know. I am offering a reward for its return. DM if you need my contact details. Thanks Matt.

30 April, from 9news.com.au: Teenager, 13, 'spits on bus driver' in Sydney while out on bail

A woman and a teenager will both face court today over separate alleged spitting

incidents involving frontline workers.

The first instance occurred last Thursday when three girls boarded a bus in Mosman on Sydney's north shore.

As she was getting off the bus a 13-year-old allegedly spat at the bus driver. Yesterday she was arrested at a house in East Killara and was taken to Chatswood Police Station.

The girl was charged with common assault and breach of bail. She was refused bail to appear at a children's court today.

In a separate incident a woman is accused of spitting on a worker at a fast food restaurant at Eagle Vale, in Sydney's south-west.

Police were called to the outlet after the 51-year-old alleged spat at the 18-year-old employee when her card failed while she attempted to pay for her food.

She is also accused of shattering a glass door at the shop.

Details [here](#).

IMPORTANT CONTACTS & LINKS

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance): 000

TTY: 106

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 PAC](#)

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:



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