



# Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby

**eNewsletter #460 - 04 August 2020**

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.

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

colleagues and neighbours.

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**04 August, from NSW Police: This driver just paid \$349 for this photoshoot.**



**03 August, from NSW Police:**

## NSW Health recommends wearing a mask when you are:



### **Indoors where physical distancing is hard to maintain**

e.g. public transport or supermarkets



### **In indoor settings with higher risk of transmission**

e.g. hospitality staff working at restaurants, pubs and clubs, or anyone attending places of worship



### **Sick and going for care or to get tested**



[nsw.gov.au/covid-19](https://nsw.gov.au/covid-19)

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**01 August, from Ku-ring-gai command:**



NSW Police Force

With your help, a safer community.

## DRIVING OFFENCES IN SCHOOL ZONES

<p><b>Disobey 'No Parking' Sign</b></p> <p><b>Fine = \$191</b> &amp; Lose 2 Points</p> <p><b>'KISS &amp; DROP' ZONE</b> ONLY stop to drop off or pick up Stay within 3 meters of your car Stay less than 2 minutes</p> <p>Section 165 Road Rules 2014</p>	<p><b>Disobey 'No Stopping' Sign</b></p> <p><b>Fine = \$344</b> &amp; Lose 2 Points</p> <p><b>DO NOT STOP for ANY reason</b></p> <p>Section 167 Road Rules 2014</p>
<p><b>Child or Passenger Not Restrained</b></p> <p><b>Fine = \$344</b> &amp; Lose 3 Points</p> <p>Sections 285, 286, 287 Road Rules 2014</p>	<p><b>Driver Uses Mobile Phone When Not Allowed by Law</b></p> <p><b>Fine = \$457</b> &amp; Lose 3 Points</p> <p>Section 300 Road Rules 2014</p>

For more information see: **Road Rules 2014** <http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/safety-rules/road-rules/index.html>  
\*Fines are current as of May 2010. Fine amounts change regularly. For up-to-date fine amounts see: <http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/safety-rules/road-rules/road-rules-offences/index.html>

**31 July, from NSW Road Safety: Your legal BAC depends on your licence category and the type of vehicle you drive.**

Counting drinks to guess your BAC is difficult and often inaccurate because alcohol affects people differently and alcohol concentrations vary between drinks. If you've been drinking, the best decision is not to drive.

Find out more [here](#).

**31 July, from NSW Health: Following a growing number of COVID-19 cases, NSW Health is asking people across key suburbs to come forward for testing if they have any symptoms of COVID-19 at all.**

Please check [here](#) to see if you live in, or have recently visited, one of these areas for increased testing. Even if you have mild symptoms, such as a runny nose or scratchy throat, get tested immediately and isolate at home.

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**31 July, from NSW Health: CHANGES TO NSW GYMS**

From 12.01am Saturday, 1 August all gyms and fitness centres in NSW must have a dedicated COVID-19 Safe Hygiene Marshal on duty at all times as well as a registered COVID-19 Safety Plan

COVID-19 Safe Hygiene Marshals will play a critical role in maintaining social distancing, cleaning equipment after use, making sanitiser available and ensuring all attendees details are recorded.

For more information visit [here](#).



**NSW gyms to be  
staffed at all times**

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**28 July, Posted on behalf of NSW Health: If you are directed to self-isolate when entering New South Wales from Victoria, you must remain at your place of residence or accommodation for 14 days from the time you entered NSW.**

Breaches of the public health order can result in a maximum penalty of imprisonment for 6 months or a fine of up to \$11,000 (or both). You could also incur a further \$5,500 fine each day the offence continues. Anyone in the community can report public health order breaches via [Crime Stoppers](#).

For more information, visit [here](#).

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**Neighbourhood Watch**  
*Creating Safer Communities*

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**04 August, From our Multi-cultural Community Liaison Officer (MCLO): National Scams Awareness Week online workshop on 19th August - 全国提高防诈骗意识周网络信息会 - 8月19日 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]**

With raised concerns of scams, particularly some types of scams targeting the Chinese communities, an online workshop has been organised by TAFE NSW and NSW Police Force:

Learn about the current common types of scams targeting Chinese communities and key prevention tips.

Conducted in Mandarin with fantastic lucky draw prizes to be won!

Time/Date: Wednesday 10am - 12pm, 19 August 2020

Online users, please log onto : <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84211132281>

For Call in, please dial +61-2-80156011

Meeting ID: 84211132281

Register via QR code.

Please see the attached flyer for more details and help promote through your networks.

随着对诈骗，尤其是针对华人社区的某些类型诈骗的日渐关注，新州TAFE和新州警方合作举办这次网络信息会：

- 了解针对华人社区的当前常见骗局类型和有效预防技巧；
- 用普通话进行并有丰富的幸运抽奖机会！

时间/日期：2020年8月19日星期三，上午10点 - 12点

上网链接，<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84211132281>

致电请拨打+ 61-2-80156011

会议号：84211132281

请通过二维码注册

详情请阅附件，并请帮助进行宣传推广

**NSW TAFE NSW NSW Police Force**

**National Scams Awareness Week**

All are invited to attend this online workshop organised by TAFE NSW and NSW Police Force. Learn about the current common types of scams targeting Chinese communities and key prevention tips. Workshop is conducted in Mandarin with fantastic lucky draw prizes to be won!

**19 AUGUST 2020**  
Wednesday 10am to 12midday  
Join from 9:45am for a 15mins pre-start

Thinking  
Threats to Life, Assets or other  
Online Shopping  
False Billing  
Dating and Romance  
Investments

Online users, please log onto:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8421133281>

For Call in, please dial +61-2-80156011 and enter using Meeting ID: 8421133281

Kindly also register via QR code

For info, please contact Edna (0420455018), Pina (0412477511) or Bing (0412050372)  
Supporting Community Affairs, Hornsby Cst, Parramatta, Rm 31 George & Sydney Sts

**NSW TAFE NSW NSW Police Force**

**全国提高防诈骗意识周**

诚邀您参与这个由TAFE NSW和新州警察局联合举办的网络信息周，了解针对华人社区当前常见的骗局，最有效的防范策略。本次活动以普通话进行，还有幸运抽奖哦！

**2020年8月19日**  
星期三 10点-12点  
请于9点45分进入会议

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8421133281>

致电进入，请先打 +61-2-80156011，再进会议号：8421133281

请扫二维码登记报名：

注册热线：艾丽娜 (0420455018)，胡丽娜 (0412477511) 或王淑芬 (0412050372)  
联络地点：库拉蒙、巴特曼街、悉尼、新南威尔士州悉尼市乔治街31号

Email us at [NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com](mailto:NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com) for your copy of the poster.

**04 August, from Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby: Crime stats for the suburbs within the Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command (PAC) for July 2020.**

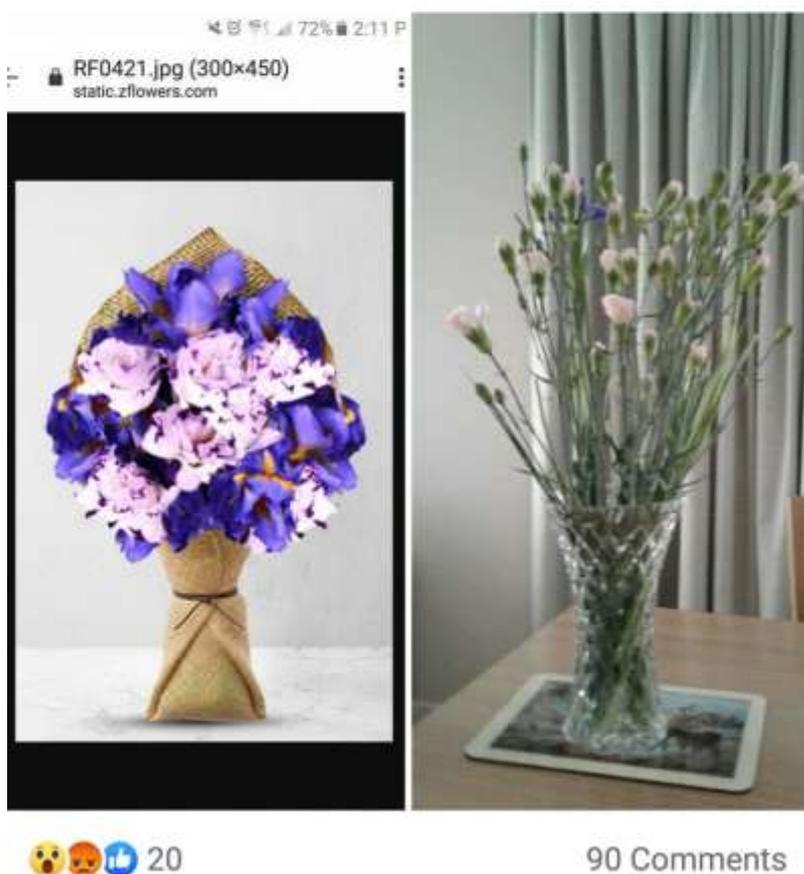
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**NOTE: THE IMAGE OF THE CRIME STATS DID NOT CONVERT PROPERLY (!) INTO THE PDF VERSION – EMAIL US FOR A COPY PLEASE.**

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**03 August, shared from Scam Watchdog Australia:**

This is what happens when you order on line from zflowers. The first picture is what I ordered for mums birthday, the second picture is what she received for \$75. I'm bloody FUMING!!!!



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**03 August, from the AFP: This week is National Missing Persons Week.**

It's a time for us, as a community, to come together and raise awareness of the issue of missing persons. It's an issue that can affect anyone. To find out more, head to

The National Missing Persons Coordination Centre or visit

[missingpersons.gov.au](http://missingpersons.gov.au). I'll see you later...

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**02 August, from Telstra (via Twitter): Our team is looking into an issue impacting some home internet connections including nbn.**

We'll keep you posted as we get on top of it. Sorry to mess with your Sunday plans.

**Update:** We've identified the issue and are working on it. Some of our Domain Name Servers (DNS) used to route your traffic online are experiencing a cyber attack, known as a Denial of Service (DoS). Your info isn't at risk. We're doing all we can to get you back online.

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**02 August, Shared with permission from the South Turrumurra Community group:**

Morning all ... sorry for a downer of a post on a Sunday morning, but the incident I witnessed last week has been bugging me ... after the incident I chatted with the staff who advised there has been a sudden increase in kids from both TPS & THS who seem you think that paying for items @ the local IGA is optional - when challenged as to whether they have "accidentally" forgotten to pay respond with foul and are offensive language or simply run out the door. They are stuffing items into school/sport bags or under their outer clothing jackets etc. If you think your child is involved - please go see the management team - before you get the knock on the door from the police or a call from the schools as video footage is being looked at and still photos taken to identify the kids involved.

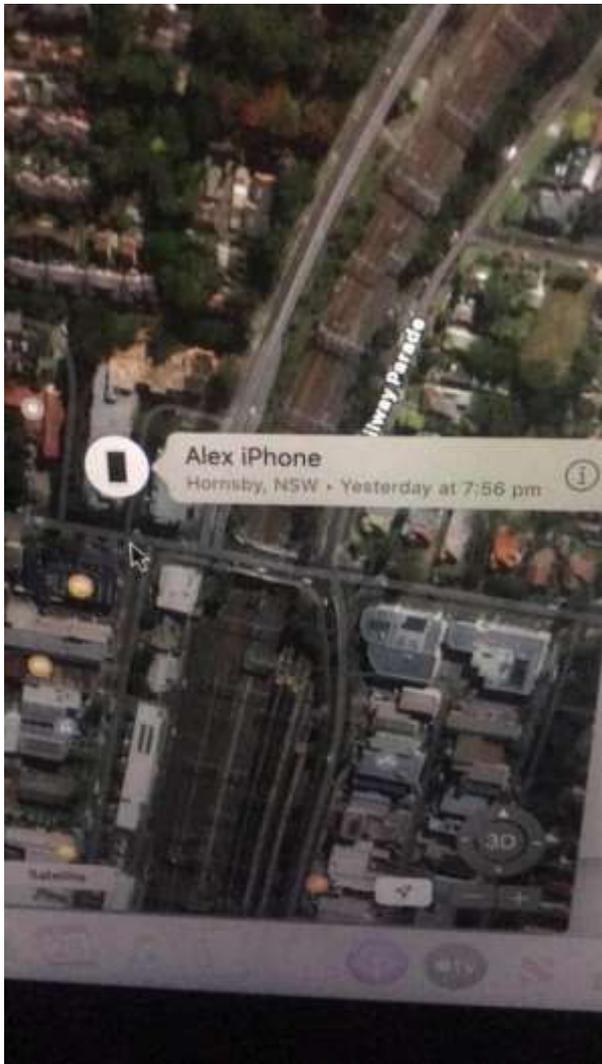
None of us ever want to think our kids are doing the wrong thing... and I would be beside myself if it was one of mine ... however it is our job to parent our kids, not the schools or local businesses.

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**01 August, Shared with permission from the Mt Colah/Kuring-gai Families**

**group: Reward!**

My son lost his phone on a train yesterday. Reward offered for the return. Where else can I share this so people in Hornsby can see this post?



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**Dates for the Diary:**

**Sunday 02 - 08 August:** National Missing Persons Week

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

**Sunday 25 October:** Potential new date for NHW NSW Inc AGM @  
Ryde/Eastwood Leagues Club 1-5pm. tbc

**Tuesday 24 November:** Gordon/Killara/East Killara/some St Ives Neighbourhood  
Watch AGM 7-9pm @ Gordon Library meeting room #2. [3rd attempt! Will we need  
a 4th? 😊]

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### **distance**

Nine News cameras have caught patrons red-handed queuing outside a pub on Sydney's Upper North Shore, sans social distancing. After noticing the camera crew, security staff at the Greengate Hotel in Killara swiftly moved in to distance the crowd.

Watch/Listen [here](#).

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**31 July, from ABC Sydney: Woolworths has issued a statement saying its customers are "strongly encouraged to wear face coverings" in NSW due to increasing numbers of COVID-19 cases in the state. [edited]**

Customers, employees and visitors across all Woolworths Group stores and sites in NSW and the ACT will be "strongly encouraged" to wear face coverings from Monday 3 August.

Read more [here](#).

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**31 July, from Ausgrid: SAFETY ALERT: The heavy rain may have passed but saturated soil and wind can still cause trees to fall on powerlines.**

Fallen trees or branches can hide damaged wires. If you see fallen powerlines always assume they're live, never approach them, stay 8metres away.



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**31 July, from NSW Police: Two men have been charged with a burnout following an investigation by Strike Force Puma.**

About 9am on Saturday (25 July 2020), the driver of a modified bronze Nissan 200sx sedan allegedly conducted a burnout, where the driver maintained a sustained loss of traction and performed numerous drifting manoeuvres on **Cattai Ridge Road, Glenorie**. After a video was posted on social media, officers from Strike Force Puma commenced an investigation. On Tuesday 28 July 2020, officers spoke to the driver, a 20-year-old man, at a Minto home. The man was issued a court attendance notice for committing a burnout and will appear at Parramatta Local Court on Wednesday 9 September 2020. His driver's licence was also suspended and confiscated. Officers identified the owner/publisher of the social media page, a 33-year-old man, who was charged with urge etc view activity contrary to subsection (1), sustained loss of traction. He was issued a court attendance notice to attend Parramatta local Court on Wednesday 23 September 2020. Strike Force Puma was formed 2018 to target drivers with a history of

licence offences and a repeated history of drink and drug driving offences, and drivers with extreme and erratic behaviours.

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**31 July, from NSW Police: Redfern RES detectives have executed 11 search warrants across Sydney and charged 16 people as part of an investigation into the supply of cocaine and MDMA. [edited]**

In December last year, officers from Redfern Region Enforcement Squad established Strike Force Caladenia to investigate the supply of prohibited drugs – mainly cocaine and MDMA – across Sydney. So far during the investigation, detectives have charged five people for drug-related offences. Following extensive inquiries, strike force investigators executed 11 search warrants at locations at Bondi Beach, North Bondi, Maroubra, Chippendale, Randwick, Sydney CBD, Alexandria, Darlington, Earlwood, Balgowlah and **Pennant Hills** from 6am yesterday (Wednesday 29 July 2020).

A 27-year-old man was arrested at **Pennant Hills** and charged with supply prohibited drug (indictable quantity), possess prohibited drug, deal with property proceeds of crime (greater than \$100,000) and possess/attempt anabolic or androgenic steroidal agent. He appeared at Burwood Local Court yesterday, where he was formally refused bail to reappear at the same court on Friday 7 August 2020.

Full Media Release [here](#).



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**29 July, Shared with permission from the Hornsby Heights Community group:**

2 suspicious looking young people wandering along Galston road going through mail boxes early today. No photos as I was on my own... looked like one female, dark hair, blue jacket, taller male, pale clothing with hood up.

**And in the comments:** Police are coming out today to view my CCTV and requested that anyone else that has footage or has been affected to call the **Police Assistance Line (PAL) 131 444** and report it. The more information they have, the easier it will be to find these 2 thieves.



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**29 July, from [ismyairbagsafe.com.au](http://ismyairbagsafe.com.au): Australian Governments are deregistering vehicles fitted with faulty Alpha type Takata airbags.**

This could be extended to all faulty Takata airbags. Visit [ismyairbagsafe.com.au](http://ismyairbagsafe.com.au) because a faulty airbag can kill you.

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**29 July, Shared with permission from the Turramurra and Wahroonga Community group:**

This afternoon whilst on a walk with my dog. I was approached by a young man, approximately 28-35 years, who asked me for directions at the corner of Bangalla and Warrawee avenue. He asked me for directions to a location in Wahroonga. During the interaction, he asked me personal questions such as where I lived, whether I had a boyfriend. He also tried to stop me from leaving the interaction. When I tried to walk away he asked me to help him navigate to his destination. I said, "no, I am not comfortable". I walked away. Further down Hastings road, I noticed he was following me in his older silver/grey Kia Carnival, approximately 1999 year. I thought to share this for the safety of others and our youth as this is near schools.

**And in the comments:** 180-185cm, dark skinned, wearing trackies, brown hair,

slight beard.

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**Did you see this? From 06 July 40km/h speed limits are being introduced on St Ives roads that have lots of pedestrians on and around them.**

- **Cowan Rd between Kanoona Av and Mona Vale Rd**
- **Memorial Av, between Killeaton St and Mona Vlae Rd**
- **Village Green Parade**

Further info from Ku-ring-gai Council [here](#).

**LOWER SPEED.  
SAFER  
COMMUNITY.**

Ku-ring-gai Council and Transport for NSW are introducing 40km/h speed limits on roads that have lots of pedestrians on and around them. The maximum speed limit for these roads will be 40km/h at all times.

40km/h speed limits create a safer road environment for everyone, particularly vulnerable groups such as older road users and children.

**Where do the new speed limits apply?**  
From **Monday 6 July 2020**, 40km/h speed limits will be signposted in the area surrounding the St Ives Shopping Centre, including:

- Cowan Road between Kanoona Avenue and Mona Vale Road
- Memorial Avenue, between Killeaton Street and Mona Vale Road and
- Village Green Parade

The 40km/h speed limit is enforceable and normal enforcement procedures will apply.

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**Taken from "Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips to Protect your Identity"**

**Tip #1:** Consider using a third party payment system for internet transactions, such as PayPal, in order to avoid entering credit card details. Consider having another credit card with a low credit limit to be used specifically for internet purchases, or for overseas.

**Tip #5:** Encrypt and password protect all sensitive files. Consider encrypting your device. Use encrypted messaging systems (such as Signal). Consider using Virtual

Private Networks (VPN). Forget wi-fi networks once used. Browse using 'incognito' mode, in order to stop the logging of browser history.

**Tip #8:** Shred any unneeded document (statements, accounts) that has your personal details (eg signature, birth date), as well as credit cards and loyalty cards. Your local Neighbourhood Watch group may have a shredder to borrow – ask your CPO. For generic letters, simply tear out your name/address, before recycling. Keep receipts & always check statements.

To borrow a shredder from Neighbourhood Watch, contact us through our website [NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au](http://NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au) [Borrow page here](#).

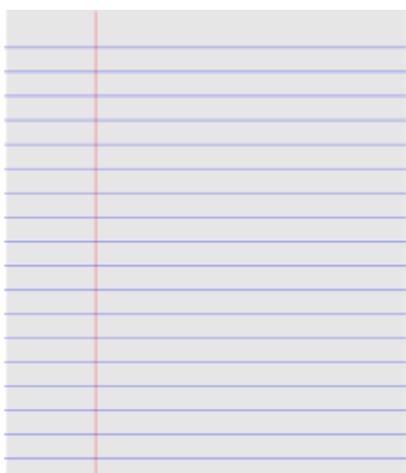
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**03 August, from NSW Police: Check out this very clear list of reasons NOT to wear a mask on public transport:**



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## **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:**



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



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



**Facebook** [@NHWKuringgaiHornsby](#)



[NHW in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby Facebook Group](#)



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



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

### Local Facebook pages:



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



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



[Brooklyn Neighbourhood Watch](#)



[Neighbourhood Watch - East Killara](#)



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



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



[Neighbourhood Watch - Gordon](#)



[Gordon \(NSW\) Community \(incl NHW\) Facebook Group](#)



[Neighbourhood Watch - Hornsby](#)



[Neighbourhood Watch - Killara](#)



[Neighbourhood Watch - Mt Colah](#)



[Neighbourhood Watch - Mt Kuring-gai](#)



[Neighbourhood Watch - Normanhurst](#)



[Neighbourhood Watch - Pennant Hills](#)



[Neighbourhood Watch - St Ives](#)



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**Our mailing address is:**

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