



Kuring-gai NSW Police Local Area Command (LAC)

eNewsletter # 213 - 09 November 2015

This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in the NSW Police Force Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC), which includes most of the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai 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 LAC Facebook page [click here](#) (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? [Click here](#) to email NHW in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby. 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. To subscribe, [click here](#).

09 November: Here are some quick stats for incidents since Friday.

OFFENCES	Break & Enter	Malicious Damage	Stealing	Steal from motor vehicle	Steal Motor Vehicle	Drugs	Other
Suburb							
ASQUITH							car crash
BEROWRA							
BROOKLYN				1			
COWAN							
GALSTON							
GLENORIE	1						
GORDON		2					
HORNSBY	1	2	4				car crash x 2
HORNSBY HEIGHTS		1					
KILLARA							
MT COLAH							
MT KURRING GAI							
NORMANHURST	1				1 (motor bike)		
PYMBLE	2						
ST IVES	1		2				
THORNLEIGH	1						
TURRAMURRA	1		1				car crash
WAHROONGA			1				
WAITARA							
WARRAWEE							
WEST PYMBLE							
WESTLEIGH							
Fire lit at Killara scout hall 5 November							
Date range	06/11 to 09/11 4pm						

Asquith - car crash

Brooklyn - Steal from motor vehicle

Glenorie - Break & Enter (B&E)

Gordon - Malicious Damage (Mal Dam) x 2

Hornsby - B&E, Mal Dam x 2, Stealing x 4, car crash x 2

Hornsby Heights - Mal Dam

Killara - fire lit at scout hall

Normanhurst - B&E, Steal motor vehicle (motorbike)

Pymble - B&E x 2

St Ives - B&E, Stealing x 2

Thornleigh - B&E

Turramurra - B&E, Mal Dam, car crash

Wahroonga - Mal Dam.

06 November, from Police Transport command: The Police Transport Command has released images of a male who may be able to assist with inquiries

in relation to a malicious damage offence at Wynyard Railway station in September this year. About 12:50am on 13 September 2015, the male person ripped a red emergency phone off the wall on Platform 3 at Wynyard Railway station before throwing it onto the tracks.

[Read full Media Release](#) and contact details.



05 November, from St John Ambulance (UK): After the tragic death of a two-year-old boy who choked on a grape in Pizza Hut, guidance has been re-issued on how to act when a child has something stuck in their throat.

[Click here](#) to view their video "**How to Treat a Choking Baby - First Aid Training - St John Ambulance**".



A St John Ambulance trainer shows you how to treat a choking baby. If a baby is unable to cry, cough or breathe, you will need to follow these steps to help them. This video will take you through the three first aid steps for a choking baby.

05 November, from Northern Beaches command: SCHOOLIES - Advice for Parents... What support will be available for teenagers during Schoolies? [edited]

Here are some tips and advice for preparing your children for Schoolies.

- Start the conversation about Schoolies early
- Set reasonable expectations for your teenager
- Talk to your children about alcohol and drugs
- Download the **Practical checklist for parents** (PDF, 180 KB) for tips about help your teen prepare for Schoolies
- Encourage your teen to download the **Schoolies checklist** (PDF, 412 KB).
- Providing alcohol to underage children where there is no responsible supervision is not only dangerous, it is illegal. Penalties are high. If you get

caught providing alcohol to your underage child for consumption in an unsupervised environment and you will face penalties of up to \$9424.

BE SAFE AND WATCH YOUR MATES

SCHOOLIES 2015
COMMUNITY SAFETY RESPONSE

Practical checklist for parents

In the lead up to Schoolies:

- Find out where and with whom your child is staying.
- Read through the House Rules, and make sure they are understood.
- Encourage your teen to like SchooliesGC on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.
- Like Schoolies info for Parents Facebook page.
- Have a talk about your teen's expectations of Schoolies.
- Have an honest talk about drinking, peer pressure and risk taking behaviour which all may happen in this new environment.
- If your child has a medical condition, or takes medication, make sure they are able to manage it, and understand how alcohol may affect this.

One week before Schoolies:

- Check to see how social relationships are going within the group.
- Make agreements regarding contact during Schoolies.
- Have a talk about sleep, hydration, nutrition and stress.
- Work together on a shopping list or check the list the group has made.
- Host a menu planning/grocery shopping trip for the group.
- Touch base with the other parents.
- Check their budgets for practicality.
- Suggest some low cost outings they might like to do as a group.
- Offer to deliver/send some home cooked meals or teach them how to make one.
- Encourage your child to download the PoliceLink App to report any non-urgent crimes or incidents, or for general police enquiries during Schoolies e.g. willful property damage, lost property, high risk behaviour.
- Let them know you trust them and will be available to them at any time.
- Acknowledge what a huge transition it is for both of you.
- Make sure they are aware of what support is available.
- Talk one last time about drinking, and the physical and psychological risks intoxication can lead to (aggression, assault, unplanned sexual activity, accidental injury and poor judgment).





[Click here](#) for full Media Release.

[Click here](#) for the Schoolies website page (Queensland Govt) to download the mentioned checklists.

In a rush? [Email us](#) for copies of the checklists.

05 November, from the NRMA: Tips for driving in the rain

[Click here](#) for full blog.

05 November, from the Traffic & Highway Patrol command:

A child can ride **safely**
with**out** a booster
when they pass the 5 Step Test

- 
1 Back against the vehicle seat
- 
2 Knees bend at edge of seat
- 
3 Lap belt low on tops of thighs
- 
4 Shoulder belt between neck and shoulder
- 
5 Sit properly
No slouching, leaning over, etc

(C) TheCarSeatLady.com

Most kids are 10-12 years old before they pass

Choose correct restraint for children's age and size

			
Up to 6 months Approved rearward facing restraint	6 months to 4 yrs Approved rearward or forward facing restraint	4 to 7 years Approved forward facing restraint or booster seat	145cm or taller Suggested minimum height to use adult lap-sash seatbelt

04 November, from the NRMA: Road tripping with pets

[Click here](#) for full blog.

04 November, from Hornsby Shire Council: SAFER SENIOR DRIVERS WORKSHOP

Refresh your knowledge of the road rules with a free road safety presentation for

seniors hosted by Hornsby Shire Council. It will be presented by Tony Wroe from Confident Driver and topics covered will include:

- Older driver licensing
- Pedestrian safety
- Safe driving tips
- Roundabouts
- Road rules
- Responding to hazards
- Vehicle safety

WHEN: Thursday 3 December, 10am to 12pm

WHERE: Hornsby Shire Council Chambers, 296 Peats Ferry Road (formerly Pacific Highway) Hornsby

COST: Free

Bookings are essential. Phone 9847 6856.

04 November, from Traffic & Highway Patrol command: About 8.15am this morning 1/11.15, a 36yr old rider was travelling north on the Pacific Hwy Cowan, he lost control of his motorcycle and was ejected. Suffered serious injuries and conveyed by helicopter to Royal North Shore Hospital where he underwent surgery.



03 November, from Crime Stoppers: Knowing what number to call Police on can be the difference between life and death.

Triple Zero (000)

Calling 000 is free and is the fastest way to get the right emergency service to help you. It should be used to contact Police, Fire or Ambulance in life threatening or emergency situations which are occurring now.

The Police Assistance Line (131 444)

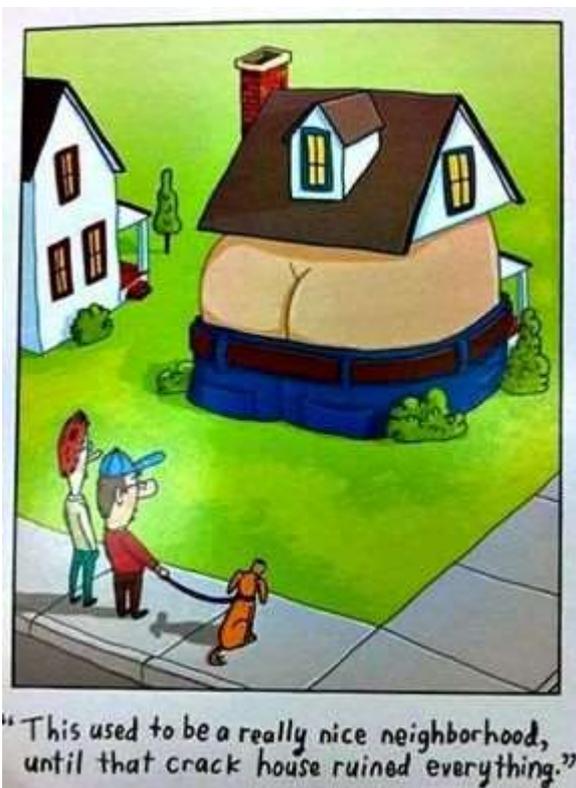
You can also contact police using their non-emergency phone number of 131 444. It is important to note that you should NEVER use this number in an emergency situation. Our operators are highly trained on this line and can still dispatch police to a location, however, it may delay police if you call this number.

You should use **131 444** to report a crime that has already taken place, and where

there is no further threat to life or property. Types of crimes you can report are;

- Break and Enter (where the offenders are no longer on the premise)
- Motor Vehicle/Marine Vessel theft
- Stealing incidents
- Malicious Damage, including graffiti
- Tow Only Accidents (where no persons are injured, everyone exchanged details and nobody is affected by drugs or alcohol)
- Lost Property
- Taxi Fare Evasion
- General enquiries to police

REMEMBER: Always call Triple Zero (000) in an emergency. Calling the Police Assistance Line in an emergency situation may result in police being delayed. It may mean the difference between life and death.



Thanks to UK Cop Humour.

03 November: Protect your children - Safe People, Safe Places



Protect your children - Safe People, Safe Places

Senior police are urging the community to play their part in the safety and wellbeing of children and young people throughout the state. Now in its 25th year...

YOUTUBE.COM

Click here for video.

03 November, from the NRMA: Road rules for pedestrians

Road aren't only for motorists and cyclists - they are for pedestrians too. As with cars, there are a number of rules, some better known than others, that govern how pedestrians use the road - as well as fines for breaking them.

Click here for full blog.



Thanks to Vancouver Police Dept.



Neighbourhood Watch
Creating Safer Communities

HOT PRESS directly from this evening's 'All Areas' Neighbourhood Watch meeting, held at Hornsby Police Station.

It was agreed that for 2016, Neighbourhood Watch volunteers would put all their efforts into providing a Crime Prevention table at other organisation's events, such

as church fêtes, school fairs, etc. If you would like us to be involved in your event, please email with date, time and place details because we'd like to join in with you!

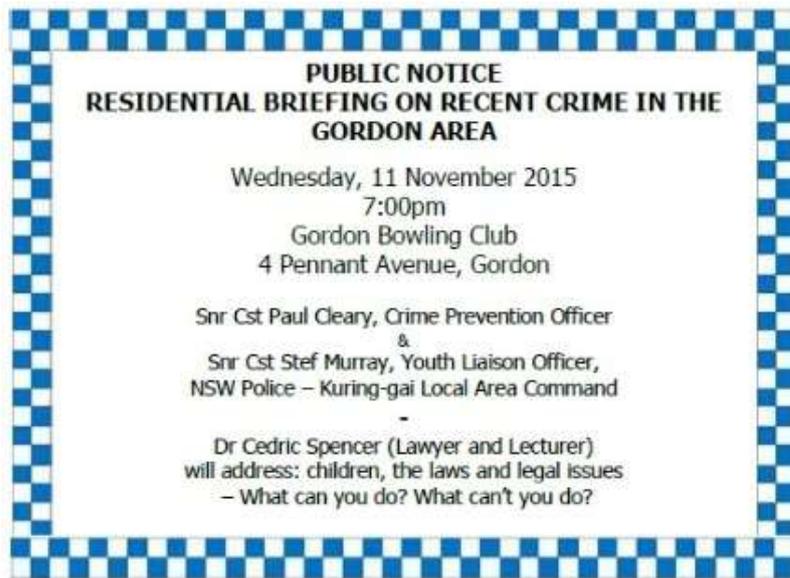
Anyone can view the local Kuring-gai police Facebook page (no Facebook ID or knowledge required). The NSW Police - Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC) covers most of the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai suburbs.

GORDON NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH extend a warm invitation to their upcoming meeting at **700pm on Wednesday 11 November 2015 at the Gordon Bowling Club, 4 Pennant Ave, Gordon.**

The meeting should be especially interesting for parents. It is organised with **child/youth crime/law** as the topics for discussion. Speakers are:

- our Crime Prevention Officer, Senior Constable Paul Cleary
- our Youth Liaison Officer, Senior Constable Stef Murray
- and Dr Cedric Spencer (Lawyer and Lecturer), who will address: children, the laws and legal issues. - What can you do? What can't you do?.

Email any particular concern you would like discussed. Please tell your friends and family! Anyone is welcome to attend, even if they live outside our area - the advice will be pertinent wherever. Light refreshments provided. We look forward to seeing you there.



ABANDONED SHOPPING TROLLEYS?

Download the FREE **Trolley Tracker mobile phone App** and report each abandoned shopping trolley you see.

For Android, [click here](#).

For iPhone, [click here](#).

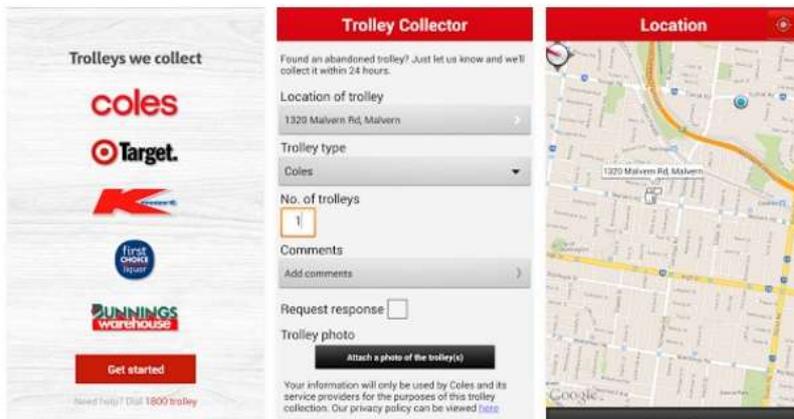


Or go to the Trolley Tracker website, [click here](#) or phone **1800 641 497**.

For Coles trolleys, use the FREE Coles **Trolley Collect Mobile phone App**.

For Android, [click here](#).

For iPhone, [click here](#).



Or go to the Coles Abandoned Trolley website, [click here](#) or phone **1800 876 553**.

For **Harris Farm** trolleys, phone **1800 21 22 23**.

For **Romeo's IGA** trolleys, phone **9488 7344**.

For **ALDI** trolleys, email customersonline@aldi.com.au.

From the Hornsby Advocate, 05 November:

1 COWAN A motorcyclist was taken to Royal North Shore Hospital after an accident on Sunday morning. About 8.10am while travelling with a group of riders on the Pacific Highway he lost control and came off the bike. The motorcyclist, 36, suffered a number of injuries to his buttocks. Inquiries are continuing.

2 GALSTON A window was smashed at Galston High School between Saturday night and Monday morning. A window was also smashed at the Normanhurst Girl Guides hall in Dartford Rd, Thornleigh, between 7pm last Wednesday and 8am Monday. A glass foyer door at a residential complex in Duff St, Turramurra, was smashed between 8pm and 11pm Sunday.

3 WAHROONGA A youth was arrested after he was allegedly found asleep in a stolen vehicle parked in Coonanbarra Rd on Tuesday morning. Police allegedly located a box cutter knife in the Subaru, which had been reported stolen from Kingsford. Police checks revealed that the youth had a number of unresolved court matters from Bidura Children's Court. A 17-year-old St Ives youth has been charged with stealing a vehicle, resisting arrest, possessing a prohibited article, possessing an article in a public place and malicious damage. He was refused bail to appear in Bidura Children's Court yesterday.

5 HORNSBY A woman was arrested after she allegedly left the Coles supermarket with a number of items without paying about 12.40pm last Thursday. The 32-year-old woman is to appear at Hornsby Local Court at a date yet to be set. A man, 60, received a criminal infringement notice after he allegedly stole razor blades and a packet of chocolate-coated licorice, worth \$19, from Woolworths about 3.50pm last Thursday.

7 HORNSBY HEIGHTS A Nissan Pathfinder parked on Galston Rd outside Hornsby Heights RFS had eggs thrown on the bonnet, which damaged the paint, between 7am and 4pm on Sunday.

4 WARRAWEE Four cars had windows smashed over the weekend. A Lexus parked in Hastings Rd had its windscreen smashed on Saturday night. Windscreens of cars in Cherry St and Raymond Ave were also smashed. On Sunday night a Mazda parked in Woodbine Ave, Normanhurst, had its side window smashed. Witnesses who may have information are asked to call Hornsby police on [9476 9799](tel:94769799) or Crime Stoppers on [1800 333 000](tel:1800333000).

6 HORNSBY A woman was charged with stealing after she was allegedly seen by Myer security staff placing several items into a bag and entering the change rooms about 8.35pm last Thursday. She allegedly left the store without paying for them. A police search located a number of items including sheet sets. The woman, 46, from Baulkham Hills, is to appear at Hornsby Local Court on December 9.

8 HORNSBY A box of cakes from the Jamaica Blue cafe in Hornsby Westfield was stolen from a display counter between 8pm last Thursday and 7am on Friday.



Have you had a look at our website? Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby.

View the website [here](#).

Please would you share the website with your friends, family, colleagues and neighbours? The more 'traffic' to the website, the more chance it will come up in Google searches. You can download all the Neighbourhood Watch leaflets from the website, such as the '**Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips**' series.

Please [email us](#) with any particular suggestion, question or criticism.

Please [email us](#) if you can help with optimisation for search engines. We've done a lot, but need your help to make it better, please?

The screenshot shows the website's header with a logo on the left and a navigation menu with links for HOME, ABOUT, SERVICES, CRIME PREVENTION, CONTACT, LINKS, and WHAT'S ON. Below the header is a black banner with the text: "Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby: For all the residents, businesses and visitors in our area. *Caring about Community Safety*".

The main content area features a large photograph of volunteers holding a banner. To the right of the photo is a vertical sidebar with buttons for ABOUT, SERVICES, CRIME PREVENTION, CONTACT US, LINKS, and WHAT'S ON. Below these buttons is a text box stating: "Neighbourhood Watch has a strong presence in the Ku-ring-gai Council & Hornsby Shire Council areas, covered by the NSW Police Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC)."

The footer contains contact information: "Visit: Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road (formerly Pacific Hwy)", "Call: (02) 9476 9723 to talk to your local Crime Prevention", and "Contact: kuringgai@nswpolice.nsw.gov.au". It also includes a copyright notice: "© 2015 by All NSW groups in NSW Police Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC). All Rights Reserved."

Dates for the Diary:

Wednesday 11 November: Gordon Area Neighbourhood Watch meeting. 7pm @ Gordon Bowling Club, Pennant Ave. **Ph: Julia 9499 7412.**

Thursday 12 November: Ku-ring-gai Council Helping your learner driver workshop. 630-830pm at Council Chambers. **Bookings: 9424 0798. [Info.](#)**

Tuesday 17 November: Hornsby Council Parents of Learner Drivers workshop. 630-830pm Council Chambers. **Bookings: 9847 6856. [Info.](#)**

Tuesday 24 November: Hornsby Council Safer Senior Drivers presentation. 10-12 @ Council Chambers. **Ph: 9847 6856.**

Wednesday 25 November: White Ribbon Day.

Thursday 26 November: Child Seat Safety Checking Day. Brickpit Sports Centre car park, 1B Dartford Rd, Thornleigh. **Ph: 9847 6856.**

Thursday 03 December: Hornsby Council's FREE Safer Senior Drivers Workshop 10-12noon at Council Chambers. Bookings essential. **Phone 9847 6856.**

Friday & Saturday 04 & 05 December: Xmas Event. Philip Mall, Kendall St, West Pymble. [Info.](#)

Saturday 05 December: Xmas Spectacular, Hornsby Park in front of the pool. 5-9pm. Kuring-gai Police command & NHW will have a joint crime prevention stall there. [Info.](#)



West Pymble
Chamber of
Commerce Inc

Reg No 9893509

Christmas Event

Friday Night 4th December
Saturday 5th December

2015

Philip Mall, Kendall St., West Pymble

www.westpymbleshops.org.au
chamber@westpymbleshops.org.au

Friday : 6:30pm Open Air Films
Mall lights – Eat and be
entertained!

**ALL
FREE!!**

Saturday – 4pm Mall
Music - 6:30pm Open Air
Films

Saturday – 9am – 1:30pm
. Bush Animals .Combo
Castle .Candle Making
.Plaster Figures, Colouring
In .Face Painting
.SANTA .Target Shooting
(Water Pistols) .Guessing
Competitions .Games
.Music Cathedral Singers,
Turrumurra High School,
West Pymble Public School
Band.

Want to know about Scheduled Roadworks near you?

View the Live Traffic NSW website [here](#).

Download the Live Traffic App: Android, [click here](#). Apple, [click here](#).

We had a fantastic response to last week's YouthSafe leaflets. Thank you to everyone that emailed us asking for copies and for your kind comments. We promised to list the available leaflets pertaining to youths/young

adults/students, produced by the NSW Police and other respected organisations:

- Drink Spiking Myths and Facts
- Personal Safety for Students - Crime Prevention Tips
- Ice. Your call can make a difference
- Helping Teenagers Become Safer Drivers
- Helping Teenagers Celebrate Safely
- Compulsory School Attendance
- Identifying Problems in Youth (headspace - National Youth Mental Health Foundation).

We will add the two schoolies documents mentioned earlier in this email to the list and hope to keep adding more as they become available. [Email us](#) if you'd like your personal copy of any of the above. Please [email us](#) any new documents you have discovered that others may find useful, thanks.

From the North Shore Times, 06 November:

5 LINDFIELD A man, 44, has been arrested and charged with low-range drink-driving on the Pacific Highway on Monday. The man was pulled over after police saw him using his mobile phone and a check of his licence revealed he was disqualified from driving. The driver was arrested and taken to Gordon police station where he recorded a breath analysis reading of 0.063.

We were asked to share this product recall again [edited]. Government recall issued for affected **Samsung top loader washing machines 23 July 2015**

Minister responsible for Fair Trading Victor Dominello today announced a Government recall had been issued to Samsung regarding six top loader washing machine models. The machines, of which more than 144,000 were sold nationally between 2010 and 2013, have been found to pose a fire risk.

Model name and number details can be found on the back of the washing machine. Affected models are:

- SW75V9WIP/XSA
- SW65V9WIP/XSA
- SW80SPWIP/XSA
- WA85GWWIP/XSA
- SW70SPWIP/XSA
- WA85GWWIP/XSA

If people are uncertain whether their machine is one of those in the recall they should contact Samsung to get help. Free inspections of affected machines can be booked by calling **Samsung on 1800 239 655** or [click here](#).

For more [information on the recall or for photographs of the six models](#) visit the NSW Fair Trading or Samsung websites.

Important safety recall information is regularly available, [click here](#).

[Click here](#) for full Media Release.

Important Contacts

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

Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC) 9476 9799

Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road (ex-Pacific Hwy), Hornsby 2077

Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000

Report crime anonymously

Report suspicious activity asap

Police Assistance Line (PAL) 131 444

For non-urgent minor crime

Kuring-gai Crime Prevention Officer 9476 9723

Local Police Facebook page: [Kuring Gai LAC](#)

Non-emergency two-way communication

Interpreting & Translating Services 131 450

Never be afraid or embarrassed to report a crime, concern or fear you have to the Police. The Police are here to help you.

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Our mailing address is:

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