



# Kuring-gai NSW Police Local Area Command (LAC)

**eNewsletter # 189 - 25 May 2015**

This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in the Kuring-gai Police 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. [Click here](#) to join our distribution list.

The eNewsletter includes a selection of posts from the Kuring Gai LAC 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? [Click here](#) to email Gordon NHW. We do value your contributions. Thank you for your support.

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### **May 22, NSW Police Force**

Officers from the [Police Transport Command - NSW Police Force](#) have arrested a man after he was allegedly found with illicit drugs in North Sydney yesterday. About 9.15pm (Thursday 21 May 2015), PTC officers, with the assistance of the Dog Unit, were patrolling North Sydney Railway Station when they spoke to a man at the ticket barriers.

The man handed police cannabis he was allegedly carrying, before police searched him and seized quantities of methamphetamine, cocaine, oxycodone, alprazolam, scales, and other items.

The 56-year-old was arrested at the railway station, before being taken to North Sydney Police Station, where he was charged with deem supply prohibited drug, and three counts of possess prohibited drug.

He was granted bail, to appear at Downing Centre Local Court on Friday 26 June 2015.

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### **May 22, SCAMS:**

These days, criminals don't necessarily need to meet you in person to steal from you. Scammers can pretend to be from your bank or a service provider, claiming you owe money. On the surface, these claims can appear to be genuine.

Remember:- NEVER send money or give credit card or online account details to anyone you don't know and trust.

- ALWAYS seek independent financial and/or legal advice before making any investment or purchasing decisions.



For more, [click here](#).

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### **May 21, Walk Safely to School**

Parents and carers of primary school aged children are being urged to take part in a special road safety initiative this week.

Police will be showing their support throughout NSW with extra patrols in school zones as part of 'Walk Safely to School Day' tomorrow (Friday 22 May 2015).

National Walk Safely to School Day is an annual event funded by Transport for NSW that aims to promote road safety, health, public transport and the environment by encouraging school children, along with their parents and carers, to walk and commute safely to school.



For more, [click here](#).

## May 21, SAFETY TIPS FOR CHILDREN...

Below are some tips that you can share with your children to help keep them safe when they are out and about.



### 1. Share a secret code word:

You and your parents should agree on a code word that is easy for your to remember. This way, if anyone tells you that you need to come with them because your parents were hurt or can't pick you up, you can ask them the code word. If they are really a friend they will know the code word. If they do not know the code word, you should run away from them to the nearest safe place or person.

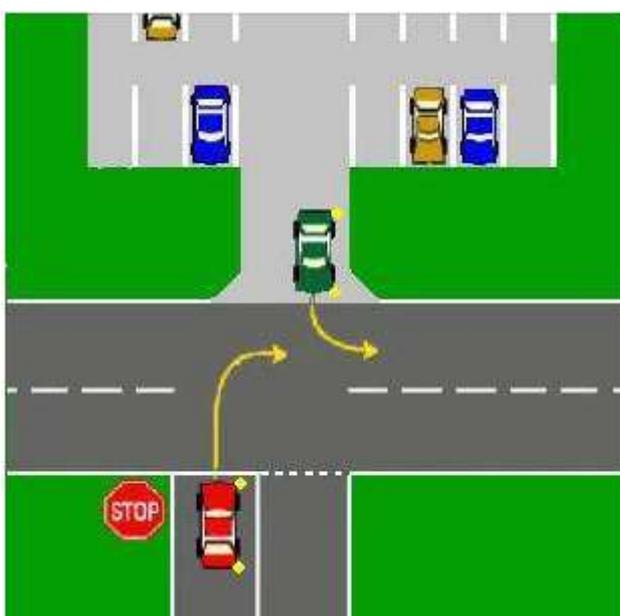
For more, [Click here](#).

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### May 21, NRMA Safer Driving School

Which car must give way?

- a) The green car
- b) The red car



The correct answer is a) The green car must give way to the red car as it is entering a road from a car park (or road related area).

For more info, please refer to NSW Road Rule 74(1)(a):

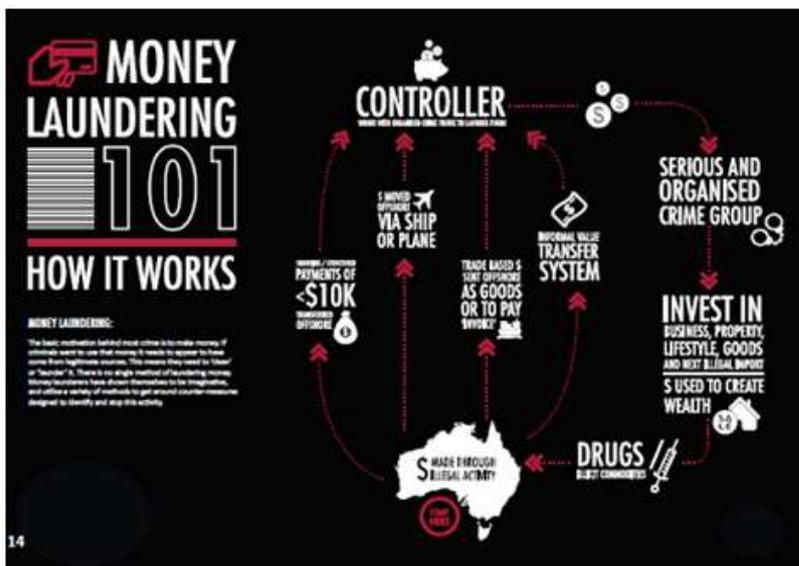
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### May 20, Organised Crime in Australia 2015

The Australian Crime Commission has today released the annual declassified report on Organised Crime activity in Australia.

For details, [click here](#).



**May 20, DEBIT AND CREDIT CARD FRAUD (1/2):** Your debit and credit cards hold highly personal information that can be 'cloned' or stolen if they're not safeguarded. Scammers can use spyware to get your card details. Protect both your card and PIN.

- DON'T lose sight of your debit and credit cards.
- INSIST the transaction be done in front of you.
- DON'T share your PIN with anyone.
- COVER your hand when entering your PIN.
- CHANGE your PIN regularly.

For more information, visit <http://goo.gl/CI70yP>

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**DEBIT AND CREDIT CARD FRAUD (2/2):** Follow these tips to protect your debit or credit card account:

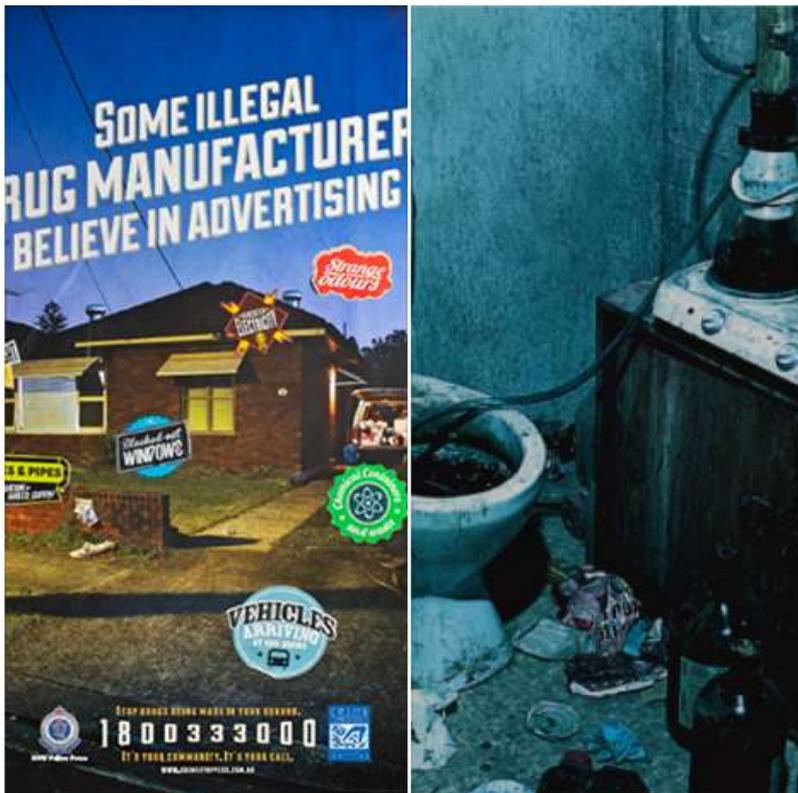
- REQUEST registered mail or pick up from the branch for replacement cards and PIN information.
- SECURELY dispose of banking information, bills and expired/unwanted cards preferably by shredding all documents.
- ALWAYS check your financial statements against your purchases. If you see something that doesn't look right, contact your financial institution immediately.
- USE recommended electronic payment enablers when buying online.
- INSTALL and maintain anti-virus/anti-malware software on your devices.

For more information, visit [www.police.nsw.gov.au/fraud\\_prevention](http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/fraud_prevention)

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**May 20, WHAT A METH LAB LOOKS LIKE FROM THE OUTSIDE AND FROM THE INSIDE**



If you have information about drug crime, you can report it to CrimeStoppers.

You can remain anonymous and your information will be dealt with confidentially.

To report drug crime phone **CrimeStoppers on 1800 333 000** or report online at [www.police.nsw.gov.au](http://www.police.nsw.gov.au)

Police can act on your anonymous information to help make your community safer.

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### **May 20, Woman photographed flossing her teeth whilst driving on busy motorway:**

This woman's behavior has been described by police as a fatality waiting to happen.

Captured by a fellow driver the photograph shows a woman using both hands to

floss her teeth while driving her car.

The commuter snapped the woman driving at a speed of 100 kilometres per hour on one of the Gold Coast's busiest roads, the M1 at 2:40pm on Monday.

The photographer, Derek Flett, said the driver was doing this for about 10 minutes prompting him to beep his horn at her, MSN reports.

For more, [click here](#).



Woman photographed flossing her teeth whilst driving on busy motorway. Photo: Facebook

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**May 19, Assistance sought re identification of suspected stolen ring.** Brisbane Water Police are seeking assistance to identify the owner of a suspected stolen ring located amongst other stolen property, located Pt Frederick earlier this year, which has since been identified.

If anyone can provide information and proof of ownership of the ring please contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333000 or Gosford Anti Theft Unit on 43235499.



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**May 19, Waitara school teacher arrested in Brisbane for alleged child grooming:**

A WAITARA Public School teacher has been charged with online grooming offences after he allegedly flew to Brisbane on the weekend to meet a 14-year-old girl for sex.

Peter Bosma, 50 was intercepted by detectives from the State Crime Command's Taskforce Argos after he arrived in Brisbane on Saturday.

Police allege Bosma used the internet in an attempt to meet the girl for sexual activity but he was unaware that he was in fact engaging with a Taskforce Argos investigator posing as a 14-year-old girl.

For more, [click here](#).

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**May 19,** Embattled doctors thawing out ice addicts with doses high enough to kill a normal person.

DOCTORS under constant threat of attack are forced to sedate out-of-control ice addicts with doses that would kill a normal person.

“The doses are six times what we’d give the average person,” Gosford and Wyong hospitals head of emergency departments Dr Kate Porges said.

“If I gave you this sort of dosage, you’d be dead.”

For more, [click here.](#)



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**May 19,** Elderly pedestrians rarely at fault for crashes:

Figures released destroy the urban myth that old people are to blame when they are killed or injured as pedestrians. Angie Asimus reports.

For more [Click here.](#)



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**May19, IDENTITY THEFT (2/2):** If your identity has been stolen it can take months to reclaim, and the impact can last for years. Scammers will go to great lengths to steal your personal details. This includes fake surveys and job listings, phoney fraud alerts, and hacking into your online systems. Some have been known to pay people to steal mail to collect personal information in letters.

Protect your password

- DON'T use the same password for all your devices or access systems.
- DON'T use names or words easily linked to you (eg: family, pet or school names) in your password.
- CHANGE your password regularly.
- DON'T give your password to anyone.

Protect your computer or mobile device

- INSTALL reliable anti-virus protection for all your computers and mobile devices.
- UPDATE your anti-virus protection regularly.
- DISABLE unwanted applications – if you don't use it, lose it.

For more information, visit [www.police.nsw.gov.au/fraud\\_prevention](http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/fraud_prevention)

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**Dates for the Diary:**

**Saturday 30 & Sunday 31 May:** Ku-ring-gai Council Chemical CleanOut at St Ives Showground. 9-3:30pm. [More info.](#)

**Wednesday 03 June:** 5:30 for 6pm, Hornsby Police station. Kuring gai Police and Community Safety Committee meeting.

**Thursday 04 June:** **FREE** Workshop for supervisors of learner drivers. 6:30pm Council Chambers, Gordon. **Bookings essential:** ph: Diane 9424 0798. [More info.](#)

**Monday 22 June:** **FREE** Parent Survival Strategies for Teaching Young Drivers Seminar, 6 for 6:30-8:30pm Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers, Gordon. **Bookings essential:** ph: Carroll 0405 558 660 or [email](#).

**Thursday 25 June,** 10am-12pm Hornsby Shire Council Chambers Building

**Monday 13 July:** 'All Areas' Neighbourhood Watch meeting. 6pm Hornsby Police Station. All welcome!

**Monday 28 September 2015:** Turramurra Neighbourhood Watch meeting.

**Monday 21 September:** **FREE** Parent Survival Strategies for Teaching Young Drivers Seminar, 6 for 6:30-8:30pm Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers, Gordon. **Bookings essential:** ph: Carroll 0405 558 660 or [email](#).

**Wednesday 21 October:** East Killara Neighbourhood Watch meeting.

**Saturday 24 October:** East Killara Crime Prevention event, 10-12 Koola Ave.

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### May 25, Fake Pages:

Thousands are Sharing a Scam from a fake Facebook page purporting to be Carnival Cruises.

Carnival Cruises is Not Giving away free 'goodie bags' which include first Class tickets!!

Below is a quick snapshot on how to help tell the difference between real pages and fake ones.

I'm conducting another of my Facebook Finesse' presentation this week which covers Facebook scams to highlight how to use Facebook safely. Stay Safe Online all.



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**May 23, School speed zones:** Police warn of danger with more than 19,000 offences in nearly 18 months.

DRIVERS are defying safety messages and continuing to put young lives at risk after racking up more than 19,000 offences in NSW school zones in almost a year and a half.

Those offences include more than 40 drivers caught flying through school zones more than 45km/h over the speed limit during the hours when children are most at risk of being hit.

For more, [click here](#).

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May 21, This advice applies to all genders.

**DANGER**  
**Ladies....Let's change our habit of how we list our contact names on our cell phone**



**Pass it on to your family and friends.  
It may be useful.**

CELL PHONES: This lady has now changed her habit of how she lists her names on her cell phone after her handbag was stolen. Her handbag, which contained her cell phone, credit card, wallet, etc., was stolen. . . .

For more, [click here](#)

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## Protect your account: How do I stop other people from logging into my Facebook Account?

Turn on **Login Approvals**. You'll then need to log in with your password and a code we'll send to your phone.

This adds an additional layer of protection on your account if someone tries to access your account as they won't have your phone with this code.

To turn on **Login Approvals** go to: 'More' and tap 'Settings'



[www.scamwatch.gov.au](http://www.scamwatch.gov.au)



Learn more: [facebook.com/help](https://facebook.com/help)

## Scheduled Roadworks - thanks to Live Traffic NSW.



**BROOKLYN M1** Pacific Mwy (F3) - 400m south of Hawkesbury River

### SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Sun 19 Apr 2015 - Sat 30 May 2015

Impact: Scheduled lane closures for this week  
Sun to Fri (9pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Advice: Allow extra travel time  
Check signage

Other: Work to stabilise the rock face south of the Hawkesbury River will take place every night except Saturday.



**BROOKLYN M1** Pacific Mwy (F3) at Brooklyn

### SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Sun 24 May 2015 - Fri 31 Jul 2015

Impact: Scheduled lane closures for this week  
Sat to Fri (9pm to 5am) Northbound affected

Advice: Reduce speed  
Allow extra travel time

Other: Work will take place at 400 metres and 3.5 kilometres north of the Hawkesbury River.

Motorists are advised to plan their trip and follow direction of traffic controllers.



### **MIDDLE DURAL** Old Northern Rd between Wylds Rd and Galston Rd

#### **SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Sun 24 May 2015 - Fri 10 Jul 2015

Impact: Scheduled lane closures for this week  
Sun to Fri (8pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Advice: Check signage  
Reduce speed

Other Info: Traffic controllers will be on site. There will be detours in place on some nights. Traffic will be diverted onto Mid Dural Rd and Galston Rd. Motorists are advised to expect delays of up to 5 minutes.



### **BEROWRA WATERS** Berowra Waters Ferry

#### **SCHEDULED FERRY MAINTENANCE**

Date: Tue 9 Jun 2015 - Tue 9 Jun 2015

Boundary Road, New Line Road, Galston Road, Arcadia Road and Bay

Diversions: Road.

This route is not suitable for all vehicles.

Advice: Use alternative route

Other Info: Ferry services will not operate on the second Tuesday of each month between 12pm and 2.30pm.



### **DURAL** New Line Rd at Sebastian Dr

#### **SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Tue 31 Mar 2015 - Mon 15 Jun 2015

Impact: Scheduled lane closures for this week  
Mon to Sat (7am to 6pm) Both directions affected  
Mon to Sun (8pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Advice: Reduce speed  
Exercise caution

Other Info: Safety improvement works. There will be no day work on Sundays and no night work on Saturdays.



**GORDON** Pacific Hwy between Merriwa St and Ryde Rd

**SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Fri 29 May 2015 - Thu 4 Jun 2015

Impact: Scheduled lane closures for this week  
Sun to Fri (8pm to 5am) affected

Advice: Check signage  
Exercise caution



**ROSEVILLE** Boundary St between Archer St and Ferncourt Ave

**SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Sat 2 May 2015 - Tue 2 Jun 2015

Impact: Scheduled lane closures for this week  
Every night (10.30pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Advice: Check signage  
Exercise caution



**ROSEVILLE** Boundary Rd between Pacific Hwy and Archbold Rd

**SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Sun 3 May 2015 - Tue 2 Jun 2015

Impact: Scheduled lane closures for this week  
Sun to Wed (9am to 5am) Both directions affected  
Thu to Fri (10pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Other Info: There will be one lane available to each direction of traffic.



**MOONEY MOONEY** M1 Pacific Mwy (F3) near Jolls Bridge

**SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Sun 3 May 2015 - Fri 29 May 2015

Impact: Scheduled lane closures for this week  
Sun to Thu (8pm to 5am) Northbound affected

Advice: Reduce speed  
Exercise caution

Other Info: Safety improvement work.

[Click here](#) for Live Traffic NSW website.

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**From the North Shore Times, 22 May:**

**HELP THE POLICE HELP YOUR COMMUNITY**

**“** While police are out and about responding to incidents and being proactive we cannot be everywhere all the time. We rely on the community to be our eyes and ears. Recently we had some excellent results in arresting break and enter offenders

from information we received from the community. If you see or hear something unusual, suspicious or weird call us. We are happy to check. Most crimes are committed by opportunists.

**Sergeant Scott Horwood**  
North Shore LAC

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**8 LINDFIELD A**, man, 24, was charged with high-range drink driving and had his licence suspended after a car crashed into a telegraph pole at Chelmsford Ave on Thursday about 11.40pm. A resident stopped the man and called police after a four-wheel drive collided with the pole. North Shore officers arrived a short time later and spoke to the resident as the man was walking from the scene. Police stopped the man who they allege was driving the car. He was breath tested and returned a result of 0.164.

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**From the Hornsby Advocate, 21 May:**



Senior Constable Kelly Robertson, IT teacher Colin Wong, TAFE school liaison officer Jenny McNamee and IT teacher Ariane Warnant at the Rotary Pride of Workmanship award night.

### **May 21, Award for crackdown**

#### **ROTARY CLUB HANDS OUT TOP HONOURS**

RECOVERING just under \$1million worth of stolen goods and making an associated eight arrests has earned one police officer a community award.

Senior Constable Kelly Robertson, from the Kuringgai LAC, was awarded a Rotary Pride of Workmanship award for uncovering an international crime syndicate behind numerous thefts and bringing the culprits to justice.

The award was presented by the Rotary Club of Waitara at a presentation night on Monday last week.

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**5 BEROWRA** A man was arrested after he was allegedly found with a shortened shotgun and a flick knife during a police search on Friday night. Two men, aged 48 and 32, were spoken to by officers from the Police Transport Command near Berowra station about 9.45pm. Police searched the older man and allegedly found the shotgun, knife, ammunition and a substance believed to be an illegal drug in his backpack. They also allegedly located more than \$4500 in cash. The man was charged with possessing an unauthorised prohibited firearm, possessing or using a prohibited weapon without permit, custody of a knife in a public place and possessing ammunition without holding a licence.

**8 WAITARA** A man was arrested after he was allegedly found in a drug-affected state in a disabled toilet at Mark Taylor Oval on Saturday. Police searched the 37-year-old man and allegedly located a quantity of the drug ice. He was charged with possessing a prohibited drug.

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### From Ku-ring-gai Council:

#### **May 25, Vivid Festival evening Tour**

Have you always wanted to experience this exciting event? Join us for a wander through the city to enjoy the spectacular light show.

For more, [click here](#).

#### **May 25, Residents invited to drop-in information sessions on Fit for the Future.**

Senior staff will be available to talk to residents about the state government's proposed council reforms.

For more, [click here](#).

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**From Hornsby Shire Council:**

**May 25**



**TELL US WHAT YOU THINK**

**COMPLETE OUR 5 MINUTE SURVEY NOW**

We would appreciate your time to let us know how you find out about your local services, events and activities; your views of Council's communication methods and understand how well you recognise Council in the local community.

**May 25**



**WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY Festival**

**SATURDAY 6TH JUNE**

**HORNSBY MALL**

**10AM TO 4PM | FREE**

MARKET / EXHIBITORS | FOOD | MUSIC  
WORKSHOPS | FREE YOGA CLASS  
GIVEAWAYS | FACE PAINTING

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### **Important Contacts**

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

**Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC) 9476 9799**

**Hornsby Police Station 292 Peats Ridge Road (ex- Pac 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

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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