



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

**eNewsletter # 191 - 8 June 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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**Neighbourhood Watch**  
*Creating Safer Communities*

### 5 June, Emergency calls to Triple Zero – do you know the facts?

**Do you know the facts of life?**

Calling Triple Zero (000) can be the difference between life and death—and it may be your mobile that saves you.

**FACT #1** Your mobile will use any available network to connect to Triple Zero, even if you can't get coverage on your normal service.

**FACT #2** If you're outside network coverage areas, you need a mobile satellite phone to call Triple Zero—your normal mobile can't connect to a satellite.

**FACT #3** You don't need credit on your mobile to call Triple Zero—it's always free.

**FACT #4** When you call Triple Zero on your mobile, it won't automatically give your exact location—smartphone users can get the Emergency+ app, which gives GPS coordinates.

While your phone may be smart, **know the facts** before you call.

Find out what can help you in an emergency and download the Emergency+ app!

<http://www.acma.gov.au/.../Telco/Do-you-know-the-facts-of-life>

### 5 June, No helmet, no lights, decked out in black: Cyclist tempts fate on major Sydney road during 3am ride



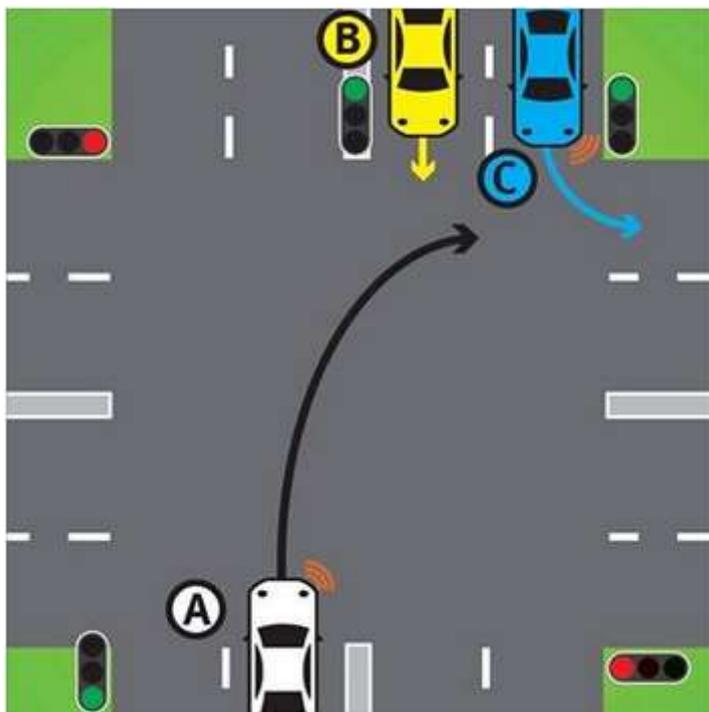
CAN you see the cyclist is in this photo?

Luckily, just in time, The Daily Telegraph did.

For more [click here](#)

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#### 4 June, NRMA Safer Driving School



What must vehicle A give way to?

- 1) Vehicle C only
- 2) Both vehicle B and C
- 3) Vehicle B only

The correct answer is: 2) Vehicle A must give way to vehicles B and C. Vehicle A is turning right at an intersection with traffic lights; a driver turning right at an intersection with traffic lights must give way to any vehicle travelling in the opposite direction turning left or going straight through the intersection.

For more information, please refer to NSW Road Rule 62 (1)(c):

<http://goo.gl/MULz3U>

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**3 June, Report 'ice' - Make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers.**



Don't underestimate the immensley positive impact one anonymous call to Crime Stoppers can make. Information you provide will be treated in the strictest of confidence.

For more, [click here](#).

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**3 June, Smoking within four meters a club, hotel, restaurant or cafe will be banned from 6 July.**



On the spot fines apply. For more, [click here](#)

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### 3 June, 'It's the majority of your shift': How police handle domestic violence.



How do police negotiate the intimate and dangerous domestic violence situations they face daily? [Click here.](#)

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### 2 June, Crime Report for the North Shore :

North Shore Police would like to remind the Community to maintain the security of their valuables particularly mountain bikes. Police have received further reports of bike theft in the area. Ensure that you record the serial numbers of these items, even take a photo of the bike. Police want the community not to make it easy for these criminals by reviewing and updating the security of their cars, homes and garages.

For more, [click here.](#)

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## **2 June, Traffic Tuesday... Road Safety Reminder...**

If an emergency vehicle (police car, ambulance, fire engine) is flashing its lights and/or sounding its siren and quickly approaching you on the road... please... safely pull over or move into another lane to get out of the way - it's the law! But please don't... accelerate, go through red lights, or sound your horn.

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## **2 June, FRAUDULENT TRADESMEN AND UNEXPECTED VISITORS**



Police would like to remind everyone in the community including university students and the elderly about fraudulent tradesmen and other fraudulent individuals who claim to be collecting money for charities and other non-existent organisations

Here are some safety tips to remember if there is an unexpected or unwanted visitor on your door step:

For more, [click here.](#)

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## **2 June, PayWave credit card fraud rife in Sydney suburb**

Hornsby police are seeing an increase in mail theft, particularly in multi story units, with the usual mail item of choice being the credit card. However all personal information is hot property to a motivated mail thief. Stolen mail which contains credit cards or personal information is passed onto crime gangs, who have a way of using that info to commit fraud. Fraud like setting up fake accounts in your name, changing your passwords in online accounts or over the phone at the bank. With the increased use of paypass, paywave or what ever your bank calls it means credit cards that are sent by mail can be used without the PIN and usually before the PIN is even sent from the bank. Please place a lock on your mail box and clear your mail daily. Mail boxes that have generic locks similar to the new unit complex ones are at risk due to being only 4 pin locks, that means there are far less combinations and 'master keys' can be bought or are traded. Consider changing the locks to a different more secure type, if in doubt about your lock seek advice from a qualified locksmith.

For more, [click here](#)

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## **2 June, Drive To Survive**

In today's working environment we are all taught to look for risks and assess these with the intention of reducing this risk. We have designed this basic risk matrix for drivers and it is really easy to follow from left to right. A driver with low experience who has had no proper driver training has a low awareness of how to drive to survive. This leads to a high risk score. It is very simple for we don't know what we don't know... If people who have been driving for years come and take part in our defensive driver training program and declare they learnt a lot, from that day forward they have become safer through knowledge. It is a complete counter argument to the people who insist on saying driver training makes you over confident and a risk taker. We don't teach you to take risks we teach you to look for them and avoid them... Pretty simple really.



## Driver Risk Scale

Experience	Training	Awareness	Competency	Risk Level
High	Yes	High	Excellent	Low
Low	None	Unaware	Poor	High

Inexperience & Lack of Training Creates a **Low** Competency Level & **HIGH** Risk Level

### 2 June, KNOW YOUR LIMIT

NSW has three blood alcohol concentration (BAC) limits: zero, under 0.02 and under 0.05. The limit that applies to you depends on the category of your licence and the type of vehicle you are driving.

Your BAC measures the amount of alcohol you have in your system in grams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood. A BAC of 0.05 means you have 0.05 grams (50 milligrams) of alcohol in every 100 millilitres of blood.

Zero BAC applies to all:

Learner drivers or riders

Provisional 1 drivers or riders

Provisional 2 drivers or riders

Visiting drivers or riders holding an overseas or interstate learner, provisional or equivalent licence

Learner, P1 and P2 drivers and riders are developing their driving skills. They have

a zero alcohol limit because they are more vulnerable to the effects of alcohol than experienced drivers. If you are on a zero alcohol limit then you must be alcohol-free while driving or riding.

This doesn't stop you from having fun, it just means you can't drive or ride after drinking any alcohol.

Zero alcohol limit	0.02 alcohol limit	0.05 alcohol limit
 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>All visiting drivers or riders holding an overseas or interstate learner, provisional or equivalent licence</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Drivers of vehicles of "gross vehicle mass" greater than 13.9 tonnes</li><li>Drivers of vehicles carrying dangerous goods</li><li>Drivers of public vehicles such as taxi or bus drivers</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>ALL other licences (including overseas and interstate licence holders) not subject to a 0.02 or zero limit</li><li>Under 0.05 is the legal limit for most drivers</li></ul>

## 2 June, Hoax eMail:

Can you spot a hoax email? Check out this one which has just surfaced, asking recipients to 'update your profile'. It looks authentic at first glance, but the typos give it away! Plus, we would never ask you to give us your private banking details. Share to help protect your friends and family, and if you receive a copy of this please delete it immediately.

To: [Redacted]  
Subject: Profile information update required.  
Date: Tue, 26 May 2015 12:19:22 +0200  
From: [ib\\_profile@b8075.anz.com](mailto:ib_profile@b8075.anz.com)

**Hoax Email**

**ANZ**

**Message for:** [Redacted]

Due to internet banking updates starting today (26/05/2015) and the Australian laws requiring us to update the profile information of our customers, we need to inform you that some of the Internet Banking features are not available. As a result, we find it necessary that you update your profile to ensure that your internet banking services will be accessible properly.

To start the process, simply click on the button below. It takes a few minutes to complete.

**Start**

Please note: It's strongly advised that you follow this process as soon as possible. Otherwise, we might be required to freeze your Internet Banking account.

You can read more about our privacy and website term of use here:  
<http://www.anz.com.au/auxiliary/help/help/website-security-privacy/privacy/>

Regards,  
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited (ANZ) 2015

**Hoax Email**

**About this email**  
This email has been sent to [Redacted] as you provided your email address as part of your contact details. If you would prefer not to be emailed in the future please unsubscribe. Sent to you by Touchpoint on behalf of our client ANZ Bank Limited.  
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**Connect with us**  


### Dates for the Diary:

**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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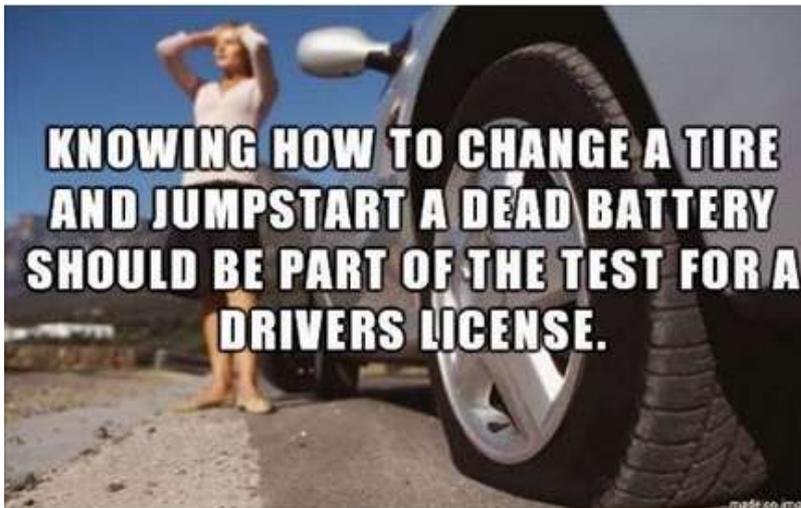
### 8 June, Consumer Rights



Problem with a gift and have the proof of purchase? Consumer guarantees still apply – but not if you just don't want it. <http://bit.ly/ZC7v04>

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### 5 June



Do you agree? [Click here](#)

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### 3 June, Organ Donation

Last year, 378 organ donors gave 1,117 Australians a chance at a new life. It is important that families discuss the issue of organ donations, so that the wishes of our loved ones who choose to donate can be respected.

SHARE to get the message out. [DonateLife](#) [#DonateLife](#)

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### Scheduled Roadworks - thanks to Live Traffic NSW.



**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.



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

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



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



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



**NORTH TURRAMURRA** Bobbin Head Rd at Leura Crescent near National

Park toll booths

### SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Mon 15 Jun 2015 - Mon 22 Jun 2015

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

Advice: Allow extra travel time  
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.



**WAHROONGA** M1 Pacific Mwy (F3) between Pacific Hwy and Edgeworth

David Ave

### SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS

Date: Fri 1 May 2015 - Thu 2 Jul 2015

Impact: Scheduled lane closures for this week  
Mon to Thu (11pm to 5am) Northbound affected  
Fri (11pm to 6am) Northbound affected

Advice: Expect delays  
Exercise caution

Other Info: 2 of 3 northbound lanes will be closed.

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

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### **From the North Shore Times, 5 June: POLICE WORK TO LOWER CRIME**

LESS than five per cent of property crimes on the north shore made it into court over the past 10 years, data from NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research shows, but police have had better results recently.

There were 8567 reports of thefts from cars in Willoughby, Lane Cove and Kuringgai between 2004 and 2014 but just 152 (1.8 per cent) went to court within 90 days, the data shows.

There were 9712 break-ins resulting in 706 court cases (7.3 per cent) and 13790 reports of malicious damage with 584 court cases (4.2 per cent) in the same period.

The latest crime data, released on Tuesday, revealed steal from dwellings in the North Sydney to Hornsby area was up by 38 per cent to 932 thefts.

Historically prosecution for this offence was 2.1 per cent of the 3568 cases since 2004.

North Shore LAC crime co-ordinator detective Inspector Simon Jones said the upward trend in this offence was consistent with the increase in mailbox thefts that have been prevalent across Sydney but the rates of prosecution will rise with better forensics.

“With the improvements in technology and the increase in forensic testing and DNA analysis we have increased our identification of offenders in relation to break enter and steal type matters,” Insp Jones said.

“That’s why we encourage the public when they have a home or car broken into, to not interfere with it, which helps allow us to use our forensics.”

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**8 LINDFIELD** A red, old-model Jaguar was set on fire in Carlyle Rd and reported to police by a passerby at 7.15am on Sunday. North shore police contacted the car’s owner and believe it may have been stolen from a garage in Marian St, Killara. If anyone saw anything suspicious in the Carlyle Rd area or Lindfield Park phone Chatswood police station on 9414 8499 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

**9 WARRAWEE** Two bikes were stolen from garages in an underground carpark in Cherry St on Saturday.

**10 PYMBLE** A home in Kamilaroy Rd was broken into on Friday and a house in Greendale Ave burgled on Saturday. Homes in Beechworth Rd and Loftberg Rd were also broken into on Sunday.

**11 KILLARA** A house in Springdale Rd was broken into on Friday and another home in Killara Ave broken into on Sunday.

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### **3 June, \$20 million plan to improve safety on busy Boundary Street**

A \$20 MILLION upgrade and widening of Boundary St in Roseville began on Friday.

Traffic lights will be installed on Corona Ave at the intersection of the Pacific Highway along with pedestrian crossings at traffic lights at Boundary and Archer streets.

About 37,000 vehicles use Boundary St daily, with average travel speeds as low as 13km/h in peak periods.

For more, [click here](#)

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**From the Hornsby Advocate, 4 June:**

**Council cleans up car parts left at carpark.** IT'S the bag of rubbish that has Hornsby talking.

Locals believe the bag of broken car parts has been hanging near the entrance to Westfield carpark on George St for five months.

Council bosses say their litter pickers are so busy looking at the ground for rubbish, they've failed to notice the bag, which has hung on the fence since February, according to one driver.

Hornsby's Rosemarie Edwards passes it almost daily in her car, on her way to the CBD.

She said she thought it should have been removed by now.

"I thought, 'doesn't anybody care to take it off?' I've been thinking maybe somebody from the council would take it off. Are we going for a record?" she said.

A council spokesman said the bag had now been removed and put in the bin.

"The council does perform litter collection in that area, but if you've ever seen the litter teams in action you'll understand how something like that might be missed," he said.

"Their focus is on the ground and the kerbside, making sure they don't miss any rubbish there, so it would be quite easy to miss a plastic bag hanging on a fence."

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**2 WARRAWEE** A woman has been charged with stealing and goods in custody after an incident in Heydon Ave on Sunday. Police said a car was seen entering a docking area of a block of units about 5.50am. A man got out of the car and was seen ripping out two surveillance cameras. The registration of the car was traced to a Hunters Hill address. About 12.30pm police searched the car and found a number of garage door openers, a set of golf clubs, a push bike and drug utensils. A 31-year-old Hunters Hill woman is due to appear in Burwood Local Court on June 23.

**7 MT COLAH** A home in Parklands Rd was broken into between 7am and 4.30pm Tuesday. Access was gained through a ground floor side window that was forced open. A number of rooms were ransacked and jewellery was stolen.

**3 HORNSBY** Police were called to Valley Rd on Saturday after reports that youths were spray painting a stormwater drain. When police arrived three youths, two aged 17 and one 18, were seen walking out of a bush trail adjacent to the Valley Rd oval. Police said paint residue could be seen on their fingers and

clothes. A drawing pad with sketches of a number of graffiti tags was found in their car. Inquiries are continuing.

**4 GALSTON** Police are urging residents in isolated areas to be vigilant and report any suspicious behaviour after recent incidents in Hornsby shire's rural suburbs. A backflow prevention device was stolen from a watering system at Hayes Oval on Galston Rd between 4pm Sunday and 7am Tuesday. A water meter at the front of Glenorie Public School was pinched between 6pm Monday and 6am Tuesday. At Galston High School, multiple lengths of copper piping from all the fire hydrants was stolen overnight on Monday.

**9 WAITARA** A birth certificate and passport were stolen from a locked letterbox at a unit complex in Leonard St between 7pm Friday and noon Saturday.

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**From Ku-ring-gai Council:**

**13 June, Cooking with Bush Foods:**

Learn about eating bush foods for health, to use in cooking and where you can find them. For more, [click here](#).

**24 June, Solitary Native Bees**

Australian native bee guru Michael Batley will enthral with his observations and fascinating video clips of foraging and nesting behaviour of solitary bees in bushland around Sydney. For more, [click here](#).

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**From Hornsby Shire Council:**

**5 June, Water metre thefts at Hornsby Shire parks**

A series of thefts have occurred in Hornsby Shire parks over the past few weeks, with Council having to replace equipment.

Water metres and backflow prevention devices have been stolen from Council sites including Mills Park, Glenorie Park, Hayes Park, Montview Oval, Storey Park and more.

While these devices would not get much money when sold for scrap metal, they can cost Council up to \$1500 to replace.

Hornsby Shire Council encourages members of the public to report any suspicious activity or thefts they witness in Hornsby Shire parks, by calling the Police Assistance Line on 131 444 or contacting Council on 9847 6666.

**9 June, Inspirational surgeon to visit Hornsby Library**

Pioneering surgeon Munjed Al Muderis is known for being at the top of his field,

and now he will visit Hornsby Library to share his story of travelling to Australia as a refugee.

Munjed is an osseointegration surgeon who was recently in the headlines after he was granted a visit from Prince Harry, who has a keen interest in Munjed's work in rehabilitating injured soldiers. For more, [click here](#).

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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.

This email has been forwarded to you by Gordon Area 12 / 24 Neighbourhood Watch group. Please share the information with anyone you think may be interested, and encourage them to join our Distribution lists. Thank you. If you live outside the Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai LAC, please contact your local Crime Prevention officer for similar information for your locality. If you are unaware of an active Neighbourhood Watch group in your area, please consider starting one.

**Our mailing address is:**

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292 Peats Ridge Road (formally Pacific Highway)  
Hornsby, NSW 2077  
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