



## Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby eNewsletter #470 - 13 October 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 our local police at 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 another 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 and thank you for your support.

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

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### 12 October, from Ku-ring-gai Command:

Love podcasts? The NSW Police Force Official Podcast series is available now.

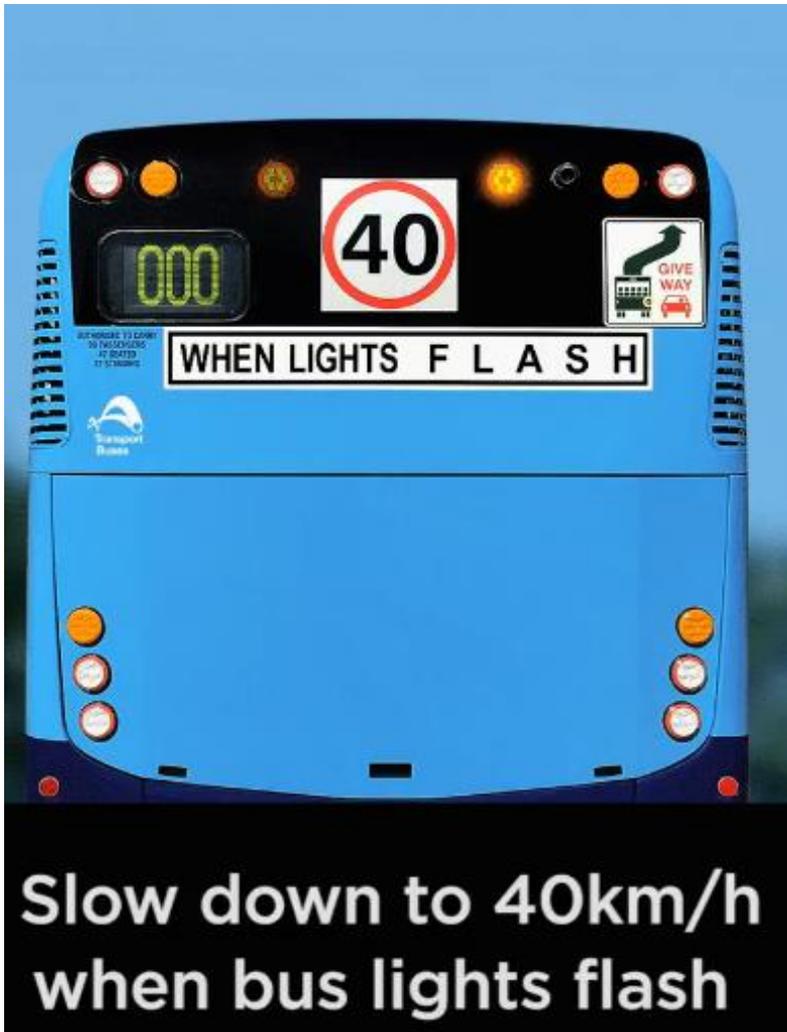
Someone has the answers that may help investigators. Could it be you?

Via Apple [here](#)

Via Spotify [here.](#)

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12 October, from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV : Help keep our kids safe



**Slow down to 40km/h  
when bus lights flash**

Lights flash on the back of buses to warn motorists they're picking up or dropping off kids. Slow down to 40km/h and look out for children crossing. 🚌🚶  
Read more [here](#).

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12 October, from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV

Just a reminder, school zones are back in operation. Slow down and look out for children crossing.



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**09 October, from Ku-ring-gai command:**



The NSW Police Force welcomed 192 new probationary constables at the NSW Police Academy today at a restricted attestation ceremony.

The 130 men and 62 women of Class 343 will undertake 12 months of 'on-the-job' training and will also complete the Associate Degree in Policing Practice with Charles Sturt University before being confirmed to the rank of constable. Well done and good luck on your policing careers.

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## 08 October, from Ku-ring-gai command: Why did Colin Campbell go missing?



Colin David Campbell was last seen in Lane Cove on the 29th of May 2015. He hasn't been seen since and his family members are looking for answers.

Find out more about Colin's mysterious disappearance in a new episode of the NSW Police Force Official Podcast.

Via Apple [here](#)

Via Spotify [here](#)

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**07 October from NSW Road Safety - NSW GOV: What should you do when your car breaks down?**



- ✓ **Activate hazard lights**
  - ✓ **Find a safe spot to pull over**
  - ✓ **Park away from traffic**
  - ✓ **Call roadside assistance**
  - ✓ **Stay in your vehicle or if you have to get out, leave from the safest side**
  - ✓ **Avoid crossing the road**
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06 October, from Parramatta Police Area Command

**Sometimes someone  
unexpected comes into  
your life outta nowhere,  
makes your heart race  
and  
changes you forever.  
We call these people  
cops.**



**Neighbourhood Watch**  
*Creating Safer Communities*

11 October, from [eventbrite.com.au](https://eventbrite.com.au): Youth Mental Forum



**THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY**  
Malinda Centre

*#youthgotthis*

**Youth Mental Health Forum**  
Wednesday | 14 OCTOBER 2020 | 7-8.30PM AEDT

Q&A facilitated by journalist, television presenter and mental health advocate **Jessica Rowe AM**

Join Jessica Rowe and guests on Wednesday 14 October in an interactive online forum that will discuss some of the current complex issues surrounding youth mental health.

The forum will facilitate the sharing of knowledge, research and lived experiences and explore how we can improve the mental health of our youth, as well as the issues that we face as parents as we raise young people and foster positive mental health and wellbeing.

[Read more here.](#)

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### **11 October, from NSW Police Force**



Officers from North Shore Police Area Command are appealing for public help as their search for a man missing from Royal North Shore Hospital continues. Eamonn O'Connor, aged 48, was last seen by staff near the Royal North Shore Hospital at St Leonards about 9.00pm yesterday (Friday 9 October 2020). Police were notified when Eamonn failed to return and have commenced an investigation to locate him.

Concerns are held for his welfare due to Mr O'Connor's health conditions which require ongoing treatment and medication.

Eamonn is described as being of Caucasian appearance, 180cm tall, thin build with a distinctive medium-length grey goatee beard. He was last seen wearing dark coloured tracksuit pants and a grey jumper.

Mr O'Connor is known to frequent the northern Sydney suburbs of Hornsby, Waitara and Ryde areas.

He is known to use buses when travelling, though will travel by train if moving between Ryde and Hornsby.

Anyone who sees Eamonn is urged to contact police.

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000 or visit [site here](#). Information is treated in strict confidence. The public is reminded not to report crime via NSW Police social media pages.

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**11 October, from NSW Police Force: Police are appealing for public assistance to locate a man missing from Lindfield.**



Anthony Clapham, aged 47, was last seen by family members after being dropped off at Lindfield railway station about 3.00pm on Monday 5 October 2020.

Anthony sent a text message to his family around 6.20pm that evening, telling them he was heading to Berkeley Vale on the Central Coast.

Anthony's phone was found later that night at Pennant Hills Railway Station, leaving him with no means to contact his family.

Anthony was last seen about 8.30am on Thursday 8 October 2020 leaving Wyong Hospital.

On Saturday 10 October 2020, his family contacted police to report him as missing.

Officers from North Shore Police Area Command are conducting inquiries and are appealing for public assistance to help locate him as they have concerns for his welfare.

Mr Clapham is described as being of Caucasian appearance, about 165-170cm tall, solid build, fair complexion, with black hair and unshaven appearance and blue eyes.

Anyone who sees Mr Clapham, or knows his whereabouts, is urged to contact police.

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000 or visit [site here](#). Information is treated in strict confidence. The public is reminded not to report crime via NSW Police social media pages.

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#### Dates for the Diary

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

**Saturday 24 & Sunday 25 October:** Ku-ring-gai Council Chemical Cleanout St Ives Showground 9am -3:30pm. [Info](#).

**Saturday 31 October:** Self Defence Workshop for Women by Personal Strength. 1:30-3:30pm @ 1/786 Pac Hwy, Gordon. [Info](#).

**Saturday 31 October:** PCYC Driver Education programs 11-2pm [Info](#)

**Sunday 25 October:** NHW NSW Inc AGM @ Ryde/Eastwood Leagues Club 1-5pm. tbc whether face-to-face or via Zoom.

**Tuesday 03 November:** Crime Prevention Forum 6-8pm @ Berowra Community Centre. Speaker: Snr Cst Colin Mitchell, NHW volunteer(s). Info from Nathan Tilbury at [ntilbury@hornsby.nsw.gov.au](mailto:ntilbury@hornsby.nsw.gov.au) or call **0403 227 560**.

**Thursday 12 November:** PCYC Driver Education programs 4:30-7:30pm [Info](#)

**Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 November:** Garage Sale Trail [Info](#)

**Tuesday 24 November:** Gordon/Killara/East Killara/some St Ives Neighbourhood Watch AGM 7-9pm via Zoom. Email [NHWGordon@gmail.com](mailto:NHWGordon@gmail.com) for details.

**Saturday 28 November:** PCYC Driver Education programs 3-6pm [Info](#)

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## 10 October, from Deniliquin Rescue Squad - NSW Volunteer Rescue Association Inc



Some useful information I found shared by a friend. Worth a read 🧐

That bite of summer has well and truly come early this year and with that heat, comes snakes.

This article was written by Rob Timmings

Rob runs a medical/nursing education business Teaching nurses, doctors and paramedics. It's well worth the read.

3000 bites are reported annually.

300-500 hospitalisations

2-3 deaths annually.

Average time to death is 12 hours. The urban myth that you are bitten in the yard and die before you can walk from your chook pen back to the house is a load of rubbish.

While not new, the management of snake bite (like a flood/fire evacuation plan or CPR) should be refreshed each season.

[Read more here.](#)

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## 09 October, from Australian Centre to Counter Child Exploitation

Knowing where to report is important. If a child is being contacted or groomed by a potential offender, make a report here. Try and collect evidence first, then block the user.

If you see child abuse material online, make a report here, who can help get it removed.

If you believe a child is in immediate danger, call Triple Zero (000) or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 to report anonymously.

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### **09 October, from 7news.com.au: Hundreds of commuters on alert as COVID-infected passenger travelled on several Sydney trains**



NSW Health authorities have expanded their list of COVID-affected venues, as they race to get two coronavirus clusters under control.

A health alert has been issued to diners at Monopole Restaurant in Potts Point after an infected person visited the restaurant on Sunday October 4 from 6-8pm.

Health authorities are working to contact close and casual contacts but anyone who was there at the time is advised to get tested for COVID-19 immediately if they develop symptoms.

[Read more here.](#)

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**08 October, from the dailytelegraph.com.au: Cocaine driving business owner's 'wake up call'**



Apologies, we don't have a subscription.

A Berowra business owner caught driving with cocaine in his system, who was pulled over after police noticed an unsecured load on his vehicle, has told a court it was a “wake up call”.

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**08 October, from smh.com.au: If you live in a 'treat street', you risk an expensive trick this Halloween**

Some streets in Sydney attract more than 1000 revellers on the night, often in tight queues at each house which would breach COVID-19 regulations.

"The community is reminded that outdoor gatherings should be limited to no more than 20 people, including children," a police spokesperson said.

NSW Health is encouraging people to stay away from the popular "treat streets" and has asked would-be trick-or-treaters to keep Halloween celebrations in front yards, rather than at front doors.

[Read more here.](#)

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**08 October, from NSW Police Force**

Organised Crime Squad detectives investigating money laundering syndicates across the state have charged a man after seizing more than \$445,000 cash at Ultimo last month.

Following information received, investigators from the State Crime Command's Organised Crime Squad stopped a 33-year-old man at a shopping centre at Ultimo about 2.30pm on Wednesday 16 September 2020.

In a search of the man and his possessions, officers located \$390,000 cash inside a cooler bag.

The man was arrested and taken to Surry Hills Police Station.

A short time later, officers conducted a search of a vehicle at Ultimo and located a further \$50,000 cash and financial documentation.

A subsequent search warrant was executed at a unit at St Ives, where police seized \$5,695 cash, electronic devices and further documentation.

The St Ives man was charged with two counts of deal with property proceeds of crime.

He was granted strict conditional bail to appear at the Downing Centre Local Court today (Thursday 8 October 2020).

Investigations are continuing.

Anyone with information about money laundering offences is urged to contact Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000 or [visit site here](#). Information is treated in strict confidence. The public is reminded not to report crime via NSW Police social media pages.

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### **Taken from "Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Socially Isolated**

**Tip #1.** In apartment blocks, only 'buzz in' those people you know, even if they seem trustworthy. Ensure the door shuts behind you.

**Tip #2.** Know your immediate neighbours - In front, behind and 2 either side. Feel confident to ask your neighbours for help. Buddy with a neighbour— look for the opened curtains signal that all is OK. Consider joining in with your local Neighbourhood Watch—find out more from the Crime Prevention Officer

(CPO), Hornsby Police Station 9476 9799.

**Tip #3.** Try and stay connected with your community. Use the network of services available, such as from your council, or non-government organisations, such as The Shed. Some organisations can arrange return transport from your home. Ku-ring-gai Shed: 9983 9732, Hornsby Shed: 9634 6037, Berowra Shed: 0490 149 262.

**Tip #4.** Consider joining in with the Safely Home program—wandering persons ID and rapid return program. Contact: Alzheimer's Australia Dementia Hotline 1800 100 500. [fightdementia.org.au](http://fightdementia.org.au)

**Tip #5.** It can be a relief to talk to someone who cares: Lifeline Crisis Support 13 11 14. [Lifeline.org.au](http://Lifeline.org.au)

**Tip #6.** Red Cross Telecross Service 1300 885 698 gives those alone a daily call. It gives the confidence to remain independent via daily human contact. [redcross.org.au/telecross](http://redcross.org.au/telecross)

**Tip #7.** If you live on your own, request details of the Next Of Kin Register from Hornsby Police Station 9476 9799.

More tips and translations can be found on our website 'Tips' page [here](#).

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## 08 October, from NSW Police Force



The NSW Police Force has had a number of people reporting that their Snapchat account has been compromised.

If you believe your Snapchat is compromised, or has been hacked and you're experiencing unusual activity, please contact Snapchat Support via [here](#). You can also get further advice [here](#).

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## 08 October, from Crime Stoppers NSW

Can you help us find out what happened to Andrew Clement?



### Andrew CLEMENT

<b>Missing since:</b> May 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2017	<b>Last seen:</b> Willoughby, NSW
<b>Year of birth:</b> 1956	<b>Age now:</b> 63
<b>Gender:</b> Male	<b>Height:</b> 185cm
<b>Build:</b> Thin	<b>Hair:</b> Grey
<b>Eyes:</b> Blue	<b>Complexion:</b> Fair



**Circumstances:**  
Andrew Clement was reported missing by a colleague after failing to attend work. He was last seen at a Willoughby cafe on 21st May. His silver Holden Astra was later captured on CCTV boarding a ferry at Wiseman's ferry and found almost two weeks later at a camp site on the Hawkesbury River. He has not been seen or made contact with family or friends since this time and there are concerns for his welfare.

**CRIME STOPPERS 1800 333 000**

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If you have any information that may help police and his family find out more, call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or visit [site here](#).

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From Cop Humour Australia



**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

**Local Police Facebook page: [@Kuring Gai PAC](#)**  
Non-emergency two-way communication

**Police Assistance Line (PAL): 131 444**  
For non-urgent minor crime (Only victims may report.)

**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.

**Crime Stoppers NSW: 1800 333 000**  
Report crime anonymously  
Report suspicious activity ASAP

**Neighbourhood Watch within Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby:**  
**Website** [NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au](http://NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au)  
**Facebook** [@NHWKuringgaiHornsby](#)  
**Facebook Group** [NHWKuringgaiHornsby](#)  
**Twitter** [@NHWKRGHornsby](#)  
**Email** [NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com](mailto:NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com)



**WatchOut! - our own one-stop-shop for crime prevention links:**

**Website** [WatchOut.org.au](http://WatchOut.org.au)  
**Facebook** [@NHWWatchOut](#)

**Local Facebook pages/groups:**

[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](#)  
[Neighbourhood Watch - Turramurra](#)  
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