



# Kuring Gai NSW Police Local Area Command (LAC)

## Newsletter # 162 - 17 November 2014

This email is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in the Kuring Gai Police Local Area Command (LAC), which includes the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai areas. Anyone may join our distribution list by emailing: [NHWGordon@gmail.com](mailto:NHWGordon@gmail.com).

Each weekly update includes a selection of 'posts' from the Kuring Gai LAC Facebook page (also known as 'eyewatch'). One important post on the Monday is the Media Release from our Crime Prevention Officer.

We add to this all the other stuff we find interesting from a Neighbourhood Watch point-of-view. It could be local newspaper articles, roadwork warnings, crime prevention tips, Neighbourhood Watch meetings and relevant tit-bits gleaned from residents, or other Commands. Have you seen anything we should share with the community?

Please continue to email us anything that others may appreciate: [NHWGordon@gmail.com](mailto:NHWGordon@gmail.com). Thank you.

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**17 November, from The Daily Telegraph: We are losing the war on drugs**  
AS they grieve the death of their beautiful, vivacious daughter Georgina last weekend, I hope the Bartter family isn't harassed by the vultures of the drug legalisation lobby.

[Click here](#) for full article.

**Comment:** What is Kuring Gai LAC doing in the local areas to win the war on drugs?

**Reply by Kuring Gai LAC - NSW Police:** Provide education to young school students at schools and encouraging the community to report information or suspicious behaviour. It is the community who see these things long before police do, see something say something.

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### **17 November: Anti Social behaviour, how you can help stamp it out.**

Anti social behaviour is a term Hornsby police hear a lot. It is also something the community could do without. Those who live near or use parks and ovals all over our LAC can do their bit to stamp it out. In one particular park, **Robert Pymble Park**, it has become a bit of a problem. The park, off Alma street, Pymble, has tennis courts with a day use shelter and other park facilities for all users. The park in recent weeks has become a hangout for youths and older teens who have damaged seats, broken into storage sheds and graffiti-tagged everything in sight. The discarded alcohol containers and rubbish is the end result of their partying, it has become a bit worse probably due to school winding up for the seniors. The locals and park users are fed up and want their parks and oval back, clean and fit to use. Hornsby police are now working with Ku-ring-gai Council to try and address the situation but need the local community to help.

You can report suspicious behaviour such as, loud unruly voices that are heard. Car loads of youths suddenly converging on the area. noises that sound like something breaking or smashing. Finding evidence of their antics like alcohol containers, drug use items and rubbish left behind. You can report these anonymously by calling **Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000**, or calling the **Hornsby police station 9476 9799** preferably as it is occurring. Any information given is treated with confidentiality and your identity stays with police only.

**Parents:** It is worthy to note, older youths or young adults can and do bring alcohol to these gatherings. They supply this to younger teens which is illegal. They drive there, drink alcohol then drive away, sometimes with your kids in the car or drive past you as you are driving home with your family inside your own car, Drug use; do you know who your kids are hanging out with? Do you know, or need to know

what their new friends are like or are up to? Would your kids succumb to peer pressure and take drugs or binge drink? Now is the time to talk to your kids about these issues and that respect talk you may have been putting off.

**Remember:** Anti-social behaviour is not acceptable behaviour, The police and all Councils need your help to stop it, so take control of your community and report it. Not reporting it, is condoning it.

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**16 November: Police are appealing for information after a man allegedly committed an act of indecency at Turramurra.**

About 8.30am yesterday (Saturday 15 November 2014), two ten-year-old girls attended a park near the Comenarra Parkway with their parents. The two girls went to play near cricket nets at the park, where they allegedly saw an unknown man performing an indecent act. The pair ran from the location and informed their parents, before the man fled the scene. Officers attached to Kuring Gai Local Area Command were contacted and launched an investigation into the incident. They conducted an extensive search of the surrounding area; however the man was not found. Police are continuing their investigations into the incident and would now like to speak to a man who may be able to assist with their inquiries.

The man is described as being of Caucasian appearance, about 40-50 years of age, around 178cm tall, with short brown hair, a beard and of a large build. He was last seen wearing a navy blue shirt and dark-coloured pants. Anyone who knows the man's identity or has any information that could assist police is urged to come forward.

Police are urging anyone with information in relation to this incident to call **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.**



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**14 November, from the Australian Taxation Office: Youâ€™re not the only one thinking about your tax refund, scammers are too.**

Watch our video for tips on how to protect yourself. Share if you think your family and friends will find these tips useful too.

[Click here](#) for ATO Video Warning.

[ato.gov.au/identitycrime](http://ato.gov.au/identitycrime)

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about your tax refund



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**13 November: Police are looking for a man following the spate of armed robberies on supermarkets and bottle shops across Sydney over the last two months.**

About 2:15pm today, (Wednesday 12 November 2014), a man with his face covered entered the store on Warringah Road, and threatened the male shopkeeper with a knife. He was handed cash and was last seen running towards the Roseville pedestrian bridge near Arthur Street. Police from Northern Beaches and North Shore Local Area Command attended the scene and conducted a search of the area but were unable to locate the man. A crime scene was established at the store and examined by forensic officers.

Detectives from the Metropolitan Robbery Unit are investigating the robbery and believe it is linked to robberies on supermarkets in Rydalmere, Meadowbank and Guildford; as well as the robbery of a bottle shop at **Lindfield**. Police have established Strike Force Urandangie to investigate the robberies and have released a closed-circuit television image of a man who they would like to speak to.



The man depicted in the image is described as being aged in his 20s with an olive complexion, a thin build, short brown hair and wearing a blue hooded jumper and carrying a black backpack. Police have also released an image of an early 1990 model grey-coloured Holden Commodore sedan believed to be used during the robberies. Anyone with information about the robberies or the identity of the man depicted in the image is asked to contact Crime Stoppers.

Details of the armed robberies include:

- A supermarket on Victoria Road, Rydalmere on Monday 27 October 2014,
  - A supermarket on Bay Drive, Meadowbank on Thursday 30 October 2014,
  - A supermarket on Woodville Road, Guildford on Tuesday 4 November 2014,
  - A bottle shop on Moore Avenue, Lindfield on Tuesday 11 November 2014,
- and;
- A bottle shop on Warringah Road, Forestville today (Wednesday 12 November 2014).

Police are urging anyone with information in relation to this incident to call **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000**.

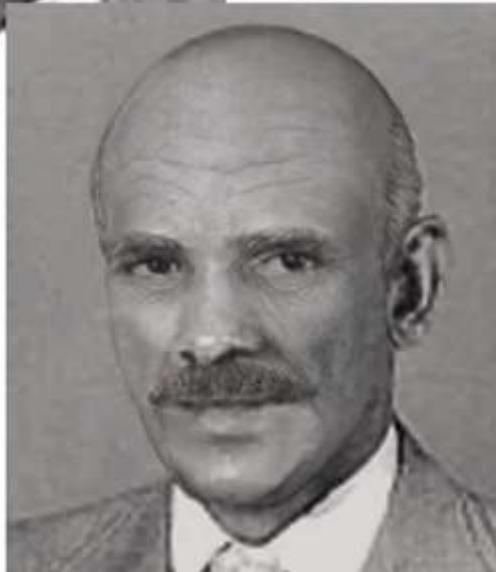
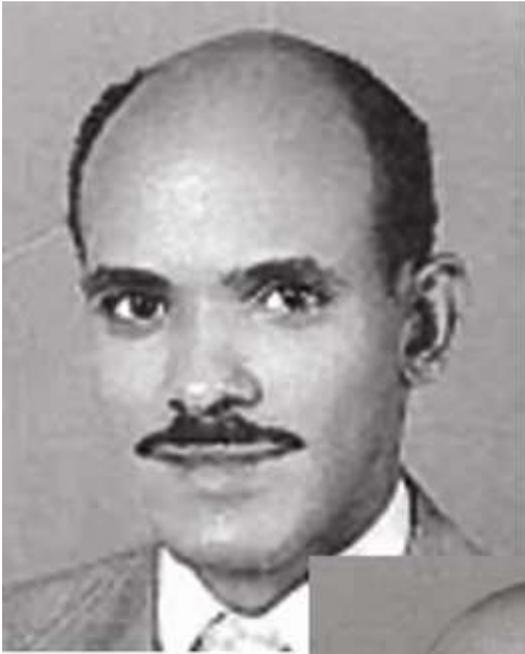
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### **13 November, Issued on behalf of [Victoria Police](#) - Have you seen Abdul Nassir?**

Police in Victoria continue to investigate the disappearance of a man in his 60s who went missing on a trip to Sydney in 1998. Abdul Nassir, 68, was going through a marriage separation and told his wife he was going to Sydney for a few days to relax on 20 April 1998. That night the Greenvale man caught a Sydney bound train from the former Spencer Street Railway Station, now Southern Cross Station. The following day he contacted his wife to let her know he had arrived and was looking for a hotel.

This was the last time Abdul's family heard from him. He was reported missing to police in Broadmeadows on 4 May 1998. Abdul may have been spoken to by police around railway stations in New South Wales in 2007 and 2008 however follow up enquiries revealed the addresses provided by the person were false. Police have checked Abdul's bank accounts which have not been touched and enquiries with other government agencies have proved fruitless. Investigators do not believe Abdul's disappearance is suspicious and believe Abdul may be residing in New South Wales or Queensland.

Investigators have released a photo of Abdul from 1998 and a FACE image of what they believe he may possibly look like now.



Anyone who has any information about Abdul or his whereabouts is urged to contact **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.**

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**12 November: Kuring gai LAC is issuing a warning to females who carry and use handbags.**

Ladies, particularly those a little older, please make sure you know exactly where your handbag is at all times. It is advised to physically hold your bag at all times when in public (never in a shopping trolley). Make sure it is zipped up so the contents can't be lifted (stolen). Hornsby police have taken reports recently where a few female victims have had purses or wallets taken from a handbag that was unzipped or unclipped. To a thief the sight of a purse sticking out of the bag is just too enticing to pass up. They will stalk their prey for that opportune moment, or

they create a distraction and pounce. After the purse is taken the credit and debit cards are used to commit frauds. So please tell all your friends and relatives to be aware, but not alarmed.

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**12 November, from neighbouring Northern Beaches command: P plater hides passengers in the boot.....**

An Avalon man might get the Royal Order of the Boot from a magistrate after he was charged with drink driving and with being a P-plater with more than one passenger under 21 in the car between 11pm and 5am. As well as having one man in the passenger seat, another man was lying on the floor in the back of the car, and a man and a woman were lying in the car's boot. Police were told a young man was driving erratically in Avalon early Wednesday morning and spotted the car in George St at 1am. The Avalon man, 18, returned a blood-alcohol reading of .034 and was charged with special-range drink driving. Further charges are pending in relation to the number of people in the car and the fact that three of them were not restrained by seat belts.

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**11 November, from neighbouring Northern Beaches command: BEACH THIEVES AT WORK ON THE NORTHERN BEACHES.....**

Off to the beach??? If so don't be a victim of beach theft. The Northern Beaches Local Area Command has received a number of reports of beach theft over the weekend. These have occurred at from Manly to Palm Beach. The weather is getting hotter now and the beaches are starting to get busy for both beach goers and thieves. A few tips to take note of:

- \*Do not take valuables to the beach
  - \*If in a group always have a friend stay and mind your property
  - \*Do not leave car keys under the wheel arch of your car
  - \*If lockers are available for hire use them
  - \*Always know where you have left your property
  - \*Leave any belongings that you don't need locked away in your vehicle
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**11 November: Incident: Mail theft and fraud.**

Time/Date: Between 9pm and 5pm Thursday 6th

Place: Pacific Highway, Hornsby.

Details: A unit owner (victim) has noticed his mail box had been broken into and some mail possibly taken. Later that night the owner received a phone call from male person purporting to be from his mobile provider. The victim was asked to clarify his personal details, which he did. Thinking nothing of the call, soon after the victim noticed he had no mobile reception, on checking with his provider it appears the victim was "scammed". By confirming his details the victim inadvertently gave the mail thief access to his accounts. The victim has changed security on several accounts but there are concerns other accounts may be at risk.

Warning, please never give out your personal details to someone you don't know. If you receive a call from someone asking to confirm details about you, don't under any circumstance give any information out. If you believe you have been a victim of this type of scam, report it to police and any businesses or providers accounts you believe are at risk.

Police are appealing to witnesses who may have information relating to the above incident to contact **Hornsby police on 9476 9799**, or phone **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000** to report any information relating to the matter anonymously.

# DON'T THROW AWAY YOUR IDENTITY



If you throw details of your identity in the bin, you could be 'recycled' – meaning, someone can turn those details from rubbish to valuable information to create another 'you'.

Don't throw anything away that can be useful for criminal minds – rates notices, bills, letters, credit card statements etc – because they amount to 'you' – so you are in effect throwing yourself and your identity away.

Good news is, you can EASILY prevent it happening to you.

## The 5 step approach to reducing ID theft

- 1 SHRED**  
all unneeded documents
- 2 SEARCH**  
your car and remove any personal documents
- 3 SECURE**  
your mail in a lockable letterbox
- 4 SEPARATE**  
unnecessary cards and ID from your wallet
- 5 SPEAK**  
to someone if you suspect any ID theft

Report identity theft to local police or phone 131 444

Report identity theft or any misuse of your identity information without delay to the local police.

Report lost or stolen documents to the organisation that issued them. If you are aware of people engaging in identity theft, report to Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

For more information  
Phone: 1300 655 236  
TTY: 9354 1371  
TIS: 13 14 50  
[www.bdm.nsw.gov.au](http://www.bdm.nsw.gov.au)

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**Crime Stoppers**  
1800 333 000

**NSW Police Assistance**  
131 444

[Trouble reading small print? Use the Ctrl and + keys together on your computer keyboard to increase the magnification (Ctrl and - to decrease magnification).]

**11 November: Incident: Lost bushwalkers.**

Time/Date: About 2pm Saturday 8th

Place: Kuring gai Wild gardens St Ives.

Details: Two bush walkers aged 39 and 48 entered the walking track for a planned walk. They had a GPS unit with them but only a small amount of water. After about 3km down steep tracks they realised their water supply was low and they were having a bit of difficulty. Emergency services were called and attended, with the aid of the Kuring gai Wild flower staff the two walkers were located and after a quick health check were walked out of the bush.

Details for planning safe bush walking, great tips, and video can be found on the Think Before You Trek website, [click here](#).

Tips, such as: At the very least, we advise that you carry:

- 1. matches
  2. topographic map(s)
  3. a compass
  4. a space blanket
  5. a first aid kit
  6. raincoats for everyone in the group
  7. plenty of water

Think before you TREK promotes the benefits of planning ahead for your bushwalking trip by using an easy to remember acronym:

**T** - Take adequate supplies of food, water, navigation and first aid equipment.

**R** - Register your planned route and tell friends and family when you expect to return.

**E** - Emergency beacon (PLB's) are available FREE of charge from NSW Police Force and NPWS.

**K** - Keep to your planned route and follow the map and walking trails.

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**11 November: Hornsby Police news, 11/11/14 The following relate to local issues in the Kuring gai Local Area Command.**

Incident: Stealing incident

Time/Date: Between 10am Saturday 8th and 2.45pm Sunday 9th.

Place: Nursery Street, Hornsby

Details: A home owner had left a kayak on a rack inside a car port at the family home. During the above times it was stolen. The kayak was valued at \$1,000.

Incident: Stolen push bike

Time/Date: Between 6pm Friday 7th and 7am Monday 10th

Place: Kissing Point Road, Turramurra.

Details: A pushbike valued at \$2,200 was stolen from the car port of a home in Kissing Point Road. It is unclear if the bike was locked or not.

Incident: Stolen motor vehicle

Time/Date: Between 12midnight and 5.45am Saturday 8th

Place: Bundarra Avenue, Wahroonga

Details: A White Subaru Imprezza was parked on the street. During the early hours of Saturday it was stolen.

Incident: Stolen hot water system

Time/Date: Between Thursday 6th and Sunday 9th

Place: Ayres Road, St Ives.

Details: A hot water system was installed next to a house in Ayres road, an unknown person has stolen the unit as well as the copper pipe work to the house. The total value is estimated to be \$2,000.

Incident: Stolen mobile phone.

Time/Date: About 4.45pm Sunday 9th

Place: Phone store within Westfield Hornsby.

Details: A phone retailer had multiple phones on a display stand, these phones were secured with an alarm system. About 4.45pm and alarm activated and it was found a Sony Xpiria was missing, it had a retail value of \$960.

Police are appealing to witnesses who may have information relating to the above incidents to contact **Hornsby police on 9476 9799**, or phone **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000** to report any information relating to the matter anonymously.

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**11 November: Police believe new details about the number plate of an alleged getaway car may hold the clue to a recent spate of armed robberies across Sydney.**

On Friday 24 October 2014, police released vision and images in relation to 15 armed robberies and attempted robberies in recent months. Since the initial appeal, detectives have received calls from members of the public to report additional details. Of particular note, they believe the Kia Carnival Van that was possibly involved in the incidents, has black and gold number plates and the first digit was "B". Anyone with further information on the vehicle or incidents is urged to contact **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000**.

Between Sunday 24 August and Tuesday 21 October 2014, a series of armed robberies was committed upon newsagencies, service stations, liquor stores and hotels across Sydney. During some of the incidents, two men entered the premises armed with a pistol and demanded cash from employees before fleeing the scene. Officers attached to the Metropolitan Robbery Unit established Strike Force Tuft to investigate the 15 armed robberies and believe they may be linked. Investigators previously released CCTV images of two men who they believe may be able to assist with their inquiries; as well as an image of a vehicle believed to be similar in appearance to the one used during the incidents.





One man depicted in the images is described as being of Pacific Islander/Maori appearance, about 175cm tall with a medium build and wearing high visibility clothing. The second man is described as being of Pacific Islander/Maori appearance, about 180cm tall with a medium/solid build.

Further details of the armed robberies include:

- a service station at Bankstown on Sunday 24 August 2014,
- a service station at Kellyville on Sunday 24 August 2014,
- a bottle shop at Padstow on Sunday 24 August 2014,
- a newsagency at Smithfield on Thursday 28 August 2014,
- a hotel at Rosehill on Thursday 28 August 2014,
- a club at Eastwood on Saturday 30 August 2014,
- a hotel at Fairfield on Monday 1 September 2014,
- The attempted robbery of a hotel at Allawah on Sunday 7 September 2014,
- a hotel at Ashfield on Sunday 7 September 2014,
- a hotel at Villawood on Thursday 9 September 2014,
- a hotel at Warwick Farm on Monday 13 October 2014,
- a hotel at Merrylands on Wednesday 15 October 2014,
- a hotel at Summer Hill on Saturday 18 October 2014,
- a hotel at Greenfield Park on Monday 20 October 2014,
- **a hotel at Waitara on Monday 20 October 2014, and;**
- a hotel at Smithfield on Wednesday 22 October, 2014

Detectives are continuing their inquiries and have renewed their appeals for anyone with further information to come forward. Police are urging anyone with information in relation to this incident to call **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000**.

**11 November, from the government's Stay Smart Online: Website streams video from webcams left with default password : Alert Priority Moderate**

[Click here](#) for full alert.

[Click here](#) for Daily Telegraph article: **Insecam exposes live feeds of surveillance cameras**

"A total of 924 Australian cameras are exposed, along with more than 11,000 from the US."

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**10 November: Five people have been charged following a three-month investigation into an alleged home invasion and kidnapping at Hornsby earlier in the year.**

Strike Force Norwin was established by Kuring-Gai detectives to investigate the

alleged kidnapping and serious assault of a 21-year-old man at a house in Hornsby on Sunday 24 August 2014. Earlier in the week (Wednesday 5 November 2014), detectives executed two search warrants in Hornsby with the assistance of the Hornsby Proactive Crime Team, the Public Order and Riot Squad and officers from the North West Metropolitan Region Enforcement Squad. The search warrants were conducted at premises in Linda and Albert Street, Hornsby, resulting in the arrest of three men. Following further inquiries, a fourth man and a woman were arrested by detectives yesterday (Thursday 6 November 2014).

Three Hornsby men aged 19, 27 and 32, were charged with take/detain person in company with intent to get advantage occasioning actual bodily harm, cause grievous bodily harm to person with intent and reckless grievous bodily harm in company. The 19-year-old man was also charged with possess prohibited drug. All three have been refused bail to appear at Central Local Court on Thursday 18 December 2014. A 21-year-old Pennant Hills man was charged with take/detain person in company with intent to get advantage occasioning actual bodily harm, cause grievous bodily harm to person with intent and reckless grievous bodily harm in company. He was refused bail to appear at Central Local Court yesterday (Thursday 6 November 2014) where he was granted conditional bail to reappear on Thursday 18 December 2014.

A 51-year-old Asquith woman was charged with hinder investigation (serious indictable offence) and granted conditional bail to appear at North Sydney Local Court on Wednesday 26 November 2014.

Kuring-Gai Local Area Commander, Detective Superintendent David Jones, said the arrests were the result of meticulous and dedicated police work by his officers. "These arrests are the result of ongoing, professional investigative work, and I commend each officer who worked tirelessly during the past three months to get these results,"• Det Supt Jones said.



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**GENTLE REMINDER:** 'All Areas' Neighbourhood Watch meeting, at 6pm, Tuesday

18 November at Gordon Police Station. If you would like to take a more active role with Neighbourhood Watch, there is a warm welcome to attend this meeting. It is good to get fresh input each year. What do you think NHW should be doing in 2015? Can't join in? Please [email Gordon NHW](#) with any comments/suggestions. Thank you.

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### From Ku-ring-gai Council: Safe Walking Ruler



[Click here](#) for more info and to download your Safe Walking Ruler.

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**GENTLE REMINDER:** East Killara Neighbourhood Watch meeting, at 7:30pm, Wednesday 19 November at East Killara Uniting Church. **PARTY!** We are saying goodbye and thankyou to Mary Walker, Secretary and current Area Coordinator for all the NHW groups in the Kuring Gai Police command. Another warm welcome to attend this meeting. Can't join in? Please [email E Killara NHW](#) with any comments/suggestions. Thank you.

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### From Crime Stoppers NSW: TIPS FOR ASSISTING EMERGENCY VEHICLES...

Too often it seems that motorists are unsure of what is expected of them when an emergency vehicle is behind them with lights and sirens.

- Do not panic
- Slow down (but do not brake rapidly)
- Use your indicators
- Be aware of other motorists; drivers should not play music at such a volume they cannot hear outside noises
- Do not move suddenly or move into the path of the emergency vehicle
- Move as far to the left of the road as you can and come to a stop
- If you cannot move out of the path safely, keep moving forward until itâ€™s

- Remember, you are required to abide by road rules at all times

An obstructed journey can be the difference between life and death.

### From the Sydney Morning Herald, 16 November: Neighbourhood battles go to the dogs with the odd screeching rooster

If the constant yapping of the dog next door is driving you mad, or loud music and endless parties are keeping you up at night, you are not alone. These are the most common causes of neighbourly disputes in NSW, a new survey reveals.

"In the past financial, year Ku-ring-gai Council received 284 complaints about barking dogs and 136 noise complaints."



[Click here](#) for full article, incl Interactive graphic.

**REMINDER: Check before forwarding. Use a website such as Hoax Slayer or Snopes.**

Here's one of the latest bogus warnings from Hoax layer: '**Dangerous New Known Spider Spreading In Australia**' Circulating message warns you to watch

out for a very dangerous 'new known spider' that is spreading across Australia. The message includes a picture of the spider along with a series of images supposedly depicting a wound caused by a bite from one of the spiders. At least for Australia, the claims in the warning are untrue.

[Click here](#) for full warning.



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### **Have you heard of this App? *Ignore No More***

Few things are more frustrating than your children refusing to answer your calls or respond to your text messages.

When you lock your child's™ phone with Ignore No More your child has only two options - he or she can call you back, or call for an emergency responder. No calls to friends, no text, no games, notta' until they call you back. When they do, you can unlock their phone if you choose to do so. How's that for parental control?

[Click here](#) for info on the App.

[NB: Neighbourhood Watch cannot endorse a product or service.]

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### **From the government's Stay Smart Online: Security updates available from Microsoft and Adobe: Alert Priority High**

Microsoft and Adobe have both released scheduled updates which include fixes for a range of security issues. You should ensure your software is up to date. Advice on the latest updates is available from each of the vendor's™ sites.

- Microsoft released 14 updates which address 33 vulnerabilities in Microsoft Windows, Internet Explorer and Office, including previously disclosed vulnerabilities which are known to be targeted by criminals.
- Adobe released updates to address 18 vulnerabilities in Adobe Flash Player and Adobe Air.

[Click here](#) for more information. Sign up for their alerts, [click here](#).

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Thanks to the Mankind Project.

**From the North Shore Times, 13 November: On the spot fines are on the way to make smokers butt out of non-smoking areas around Royal North Shore Hospital.**

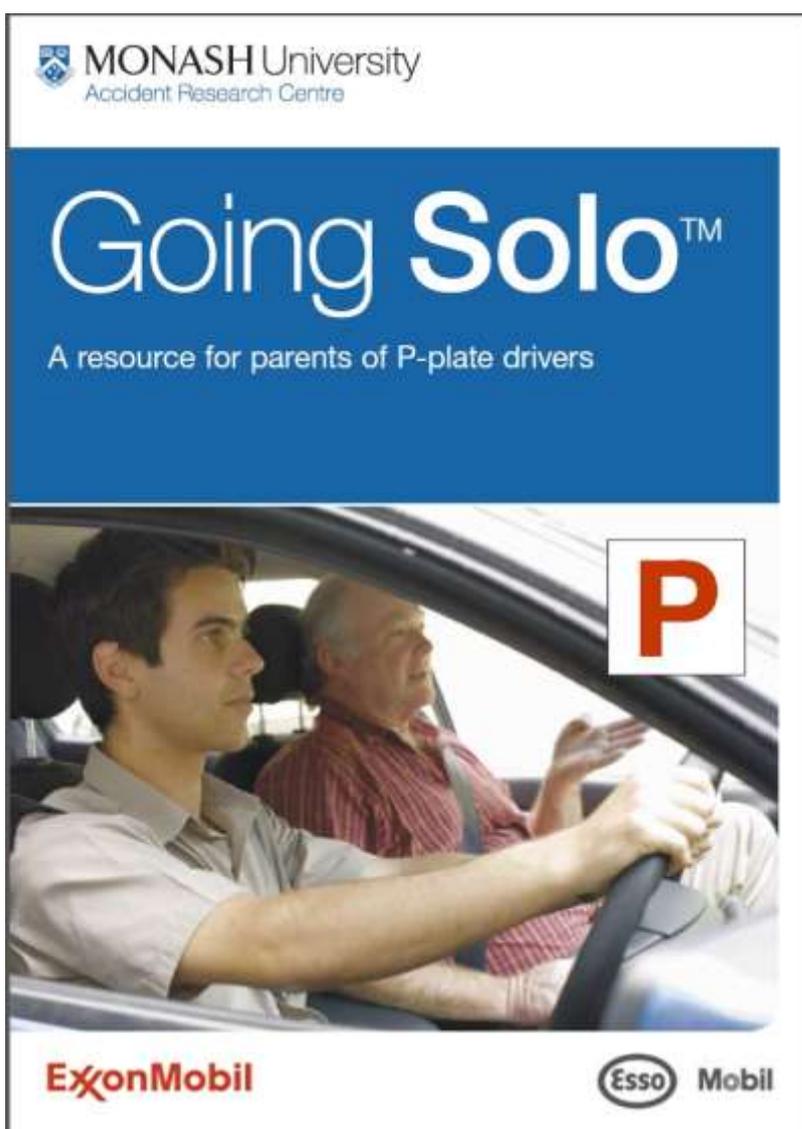
Hospital security staff are now undergoing extra training to become authorised inspectors to issue fines of \$300 to smokers in non-smoking areas.

[Click here](#) for full article.

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## From Monash University: Going Solo: A resource for parents of P-plate drivers

As you may be aware, P-plate drivers are involved in more crashes than any other driving group (including Learner drivers). Parents play a key role in guiding and promoting safe driving habits. This resource is aimed at providing strategies for parents to assist their P-plate drivers as they move into the solo driving phase.



[Click here](#) to access the report.

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**From Royal Lifesaving: Fun, colourful and enticing “ floating toys can make time in the pool an absolute hoot”** but they can also be deadly for young children if they’re not put away after use. Not only can they attract a small child into the water, but they can block them from view and prevent anyone from seeing them drowning. Our friends at Royal Life Saving Society - Australia have tips on safely using pool toys and floatation aids.

[Click here for Fact Sheet #9 Pool Toys Safety.](#)

### **Pool Toys Safety Checklist**

When purchasing and using pool toys you should remember to check:

- The age of child the product is recommended for
- The weight of child the product is recommended for
- The instructions for use
- That floaties have three inflatable chambers and fit snugly against the child’s arms
- Pool toys used for recommended purposes only
- Inflatable toys are checked before use for any wear and tear such as leaks
- Pool toys are stored securely and deflated if necessary after use
- Children always actively supervised when in, on, or around the water

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**How can I compliment a Police Officer?** [Click here](#) for how.

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**From the Hornsby Advocate, 13 November:**

### **PREVENTING CRIME IS AN EASY TASK**

“ Crime prevention can be an involved process using intelligence, strategic policing and attention to environmental factors. It can also be very simple ” just lock up! Your police continue to investigate thefts that occur on unlocked targets. These include unlocked windows and doors in houses, unlocked garages at houses and units and unlocked cars. Criminals are often opportunists. They know they want to steal something, and they know if they look hard enough they will find unlocked premises or cars. That makes it easy for thieves to steal because it does not attract the attention that breaking a window or door will do.” Detective Inspector Jon Gross

**5 BEROWRA** A 36-year-old Wadalba man's vehicle was stopped by Highway Patrol officers on the M1 motorway at Berowra on Saturday. The vehicle was allegedly involved in a police pursuit in the Mt Druitt area the previous day. A police check revealed the man held a learner's driver's licence that had been cancelled in May last year. He has been charged with not stopping when directed to by police, two counts of driving while licence cancelled and reckless driving. He has received conditional bail to appear in North Sydney Local Court on December 18.

**10 NORTH TURRAMURRA** Police allegedly located a small quantity of green vegetable matter, believed to be cannabis, in the centre console of a vehicle parked at St Columbans Green in North Turramurra on Monday night.

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### **From Hornsby Shire Council: Sale of abandoned motor vehicles**

Inspect the vehicles

**When?** Friday, 28 November 2014 1pm-2pm

**Where?** Council's Depot, corner Mid-Dural Rd and Johnson Rd, Galston

- 1996 Holden VS Sedan (White)
- 1999 Mitsubishi Sedan (Green)
- 1998 Toyota Corolla Sedan (Maroon)
- 1996 Hyundai Excel Sedan (Silver)
- 1997 Holden Rodeo (Yellow)
- 1997 Toyota Corolla Sedan (Silver)
- 1999 Ford Sedan (Red)
- 2003 B.M.W 525I Sedan (Blue)
- 1996 B.M.W 3 Series "E36" Sedan (Blue)

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

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**From Hornsby Shire Council: BUSHFIRE AWARENESS STREET MEETINGS**

With summer coming, Hornsby Shire residents can learn how to prepare themselves for the bushfire season with a series of Street Meetings. The meetings will be held in Thornleigh and Hornsby with the evening events including a sausage sizzle. At the meetings, you can learn how to identify risks specific to your local area, learn about the benefits of planning with your neighbours, hear what Council is doing to reduce bushfire risk in your area and learn how to better prepare yourself for bushfires. More details about the event will be provided closer to the date.

RSVP to [knicolson@hornsby.nsw.gov.au](mailto:knicolson@hornsby.nsw.gov.au) before Friday 21 November.

Sunday 23 November, 10am-12pm – Arrionga Place, Hornsby

Tuesday 25 November, 5pm-7pm – Begonia Road, Thornleigh

Thursday 27 November, 5pm-7pm – Clovelly Road, Hornsby

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Next time call a  
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**Dates for the Diary:**

**Tuesday 18 November:** 'All Areas' NHW meeting. 6pm, Gordon Police Station meeting room.

**Wednesday 19 November:** East Killara NHW meeting. 7:30, East Killara Uniting Church meeting room.

**Thursday 20 November:** **FREE** Ku-ring-gai Council's Workshop for Supervisors of Learner Drivers, 6:30-8:30pm. [Click here](#) for info.

**Friday 21 November:** Berowra Christmas Night Market 5-9pm, Berowra

Community Centre (Girl Guides & Scouts)

**Saturday 22 November: FREE** Hornsby Shire Council Pool Party, 10am-7pm.

**Thursday 27 November: FREE** 'Learn How to Teach Learner Drivers'

Workshop 6:30-8:30pm at Hornsby Council Chambers. Bookings: 9847 6856

**Friday 28 November: Walk the Talk, 7:30am** at Hornsby Mall fountain. FREE Sos sizzle.

**Wednesday 03 December: Kuring-gai Police & Community Safety** Committee 5:30 for 6pm.

**Saturday 06 December: Ku-ring-gai Council Chemical Clean-out, at St Ives** Showground 9am - 3.30pm. [Click here](#) for info.

**Tuesday 09 December: Gordon Area 24/12 NHW AGM, 7pm** at Gordon Bowling Club.

**Sunday 01 March 2015: St Ives Food & Wine Festival.**

**Monday 31 March 2015: NOTE DATE CHANGE** Turramurra Neighbourhood Watch meeting.

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

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**Please always refer to the local police facebook page as your primary source of information:** <https://www.facebook.com/KuringGaiLAC>

**NB: THIS FACEBOOK PAGE CAN BE ACCESSED WITHOUT BEING SIGNED INTO FACEBOOK. Scroll down to see more information going back in time.**

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**From the North Shore Times, 14 November:**

**11 ROSEVILLE** A man was charged with low-range drink-driving after allegedly returning a reading of 0.067 at Chatswood police station on Saturday. The man, driving a Holden Astra, was stopped by police about 3.25am on Pacific Highway, Roseville Chase, for a random breath test. He will face court later this month.

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

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

#### **SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Mon 14 Apr 2014 - Sat 20 Dec 2014

- Impact:** Scheduled lane closures for this week  
Mon to Fri (7am to 6pm) Both directions affected  
Sat (8am to 1pm) Both directions affected
- Advice:** Check signage  
Reduce speed  
Road improvement works are taking place, including installation of new traffic signals and road widening. Traffic controllers will be on site.
- Other Info:** Work to upgrade the intersection will not take place during the Christmas and New Year period.

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

#### **SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Thu 6 Nov 2014 - Wed 31 Dec 2014

- Impact:** Scheduled lane closures for this week  
Mon to Sat (7am to 6pm) Both directions affected  
Mon to Sat (9pm to 5am) Both directions affected
- Advice:** Allow extra travel time  
Exercise caution  
Work will be carried out between 7am and 6pm until late December 2014, excluding Sundays.
- Other Info:** There will also be 20 shifts of night work between 9pm and 5am, excluding Sundays, until late December.  
Lane closures will be in place while the work is carried out.  
There will be some noise associated with this work

### **KILLARA Pacific Hwy between Marian St and Stanhope Rd**

#### **SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Mon 8 Dec 2014 - Mon 15 Dec 2014

- Impact:** Scheduled lane closures for this week  
Mon to Mon (8pm to 5am) Both directions affected

Advice: Reduce speed  
Exercise caution  
Other Maintenance works requiring one night shift to complete. There will be no  
Info: work on Saturday.

### **PENNANT HILLS Pennant Hills Rd between Paling St and Albion St**

#### **SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Thu 6 Nov 2014 - Thu 13 Nov 2014

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

Advice: Check signage  
Reduce speed

Other Kerb and gutter replacement work will take place on one night, weather  
Info: permitting. Lane closures will be in place and traffic controllers will be on site.

### **PENNANT HILLS Boundary Rd at Lois Lane**

#### **SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Mon 10 Nov 2014 - Mon 17 Nov 2014

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

Advice: Reduce speed  
Exercise caution

Other Maintenance work requiring one night shift to complete, excluding  
Info: Saturdays.

### **PYMBLE Ryde Rd at Shaddock Ave**

#### **SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Thu 13 Nov 2014 - Tue 18 Nov 2014

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

Advice: Reduce speed  
Exercise caution

Other Maintenance work requiring four night shift to complete, excluding  
Info: Saturdays.

### **ST IVES Mona Vale Rd at Woodbury Rd**

#### **SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Fri 7 Nov 2014 - Fri 14 Nov 2014

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

Advice: Exercise caution

This work will be carried out in one night shift between 8pm and 5am from Friday 7 November to Friday 14 November, excluding Saturdays, weather permitting.

Other Info: Lane closures will be in place while the work is carried out to ensure the safety of road users and workers.  
There may be some noise associated with this work

### **WEST PYMBLE Ryde Rd between Lady Game Dr and Lane Cove River**

#### **SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS**

Date: Mon 27 Oct 2014 - Fri 5 Dec 2014

Impact: Scheduled lane closures for this week  
Mon to Fri (7am to 6pm) Both directions affected

Advice: Allow extra travel time  
Exercise caution

Other Info: Work will not take place on Saturdays.  
Lane closures will be in place during the work.

[Click here](#), for Ku-ring-gai Council Roadworks information.

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### **KEY & VALUABLES CONTROL From 'Suggested Treatments for Prevention of Crime at residential Premises', NSW Police.**

Spare keys should not be hidden outside the home but left with trusted friends or neighbours.

Keys should not be left in locks or in view but should be kept in a safe location, as thieves may use them to gain entry to your home or steal your car.

Try to limit the amount of cash kept at home, as it is often targeted by thieves and is often not covered by your insurance.

Many people still leave their expensive jewellery in plain sight. Secure jewellery away in a safe place or a safe.

**OUR TIP** Beware leaving keys & window lock keys on view or accessible, when a tradesperson uses your bathroom. Walk now from your front door to your toilet - could you spot any keys?

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## **Important Contacts**

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

**Kuring Gai Local Area Command (LAC)** 9476 9799  
**Hornsby Police Station 292 Pacific Highway, 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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