

This email is compiled by **Neighbourhood Watch** volunteers as a service for residents in the **Kuring Gai** Police Local Area Command (LAC), which of course includes Hornsby area also. Anyone may join our distribution list by emailing: NHWGordon@gmail.com. The weekly update usually includes:

- **Project eyewitness:** A selection of 'posts' from the Kuring Gai LAC facebook page, etc.
- **Local Neighbourhood Watch information:** Meetings, relevant tit-bits, crime prevention tips
- **Media Release:** Our Crime Prevention Officer distributes this usually on a Monday morning. It covers incidents from the week before in our LAC.

Weekly stats for Kuring gai LAC

offences	Break & Enter	Malicious Damage	Stealing	Steal Motor Vehicle	Steal from Motor Vehicle
Suburb					
ASQUITH			1	1	
BEPOWRA	1	1	2		
BROOKLYN				1 (boat)	
GALSTON					
GORDON			3		
HORNSEY		4	3		1 (attempt)
KILLARA		1	2		
MT COLAH		1			
NORMANHURST	1		1		
PYMBLE		2			
ST IVES	1	1			
THORNLEIGH					
TURRAMURRA	1	2			
WAHROONGA	4	1			
WAITARA					
WEST PYMBLE	4		1		

Crime stats for week 18 Feb to 26 Feb

25th February, from our neighbours in Eastwood LAC: Police are reminding parents to check windows and flyscreens are secure after a **toddler fell from a window in Eastwood** today. About 9.30am (Monday 25 February 2013), emergency services were called to a block of units on May Street. The two-year-old boy fell from the third story unit through the flyscreen of an open window onto concrete below. He was rushed to The Children's Hospital at Westmea...d with minor abrasions. He is currently in intensive care in a stable condition with possible internal injuries. Police were notified about the incident and officers from Eastwood have spoken with the family. At this stage there appear to be no apparent suspicious circumstances. Police are appealing for parents and anyone caring for children to be vigilant, particularly when the child is near an open window or in high-rise accommodation.

A few safety tips include:

- Ensure windows are secure;
- Ensure windows cannot be opened more than 10cm, except by an adult OR have a securely fitted window guard;

- Window fly-screens are not 'child-proof' and do not prevent a child from falling from an open window;
- Don't place furniture in front of windows. Keep objects that a child can use to stand or climb on away from windows (including beds, cupboards, chairs and other furniture);
- Keep windows locked and closed if a child is left without adult supervision.

24th February, from Westleigh Rural Fire Brigade: Over Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 February 2013, multiple NSW RFS units from the Hornsby / Ku-ring-gai District (including Westleigh 1 Alpha and Westleigh 1 Bravo), assisted the NSW SES with storm damage calls. For assistance during storms and floods, call the **SES on 132 500**. For emergency assistance, call Triple Zero (000).

21st February: A BIKE rider, 30, died on the Hornsby mountain bike trail last Saturday. Police said the Waitara man had previously experienced chest pains and was found collapsed on the southern section of the trail by two riders around 7pm. They noticed minimal damage to his helmet and bike and performed CPR until ambulance paramedics arrived. He was taken to Royal North Shore Hospital where he was pronounced dead. Police are yet to release the man's name, but said there were no suspicious circumstances surrounding his death.

20th February: Keep a look out for vessel 'HODOWN', a 2004 7m Connelly Craft runabout which was stolen from outside a **Dural** residence between Friday 8 February and Monday 11



February 2013.

20th February: Police are requesting the **assistance of the public in identifying** the male depicted in the photograph described as Caucasian, slim build, short dark hair, wearing a long sleeved black jumper with a zipper in the middle. The arms of the jumper have two stripes down the middle, a logo on the upper chest area, jeans and dark sunglasses. It is in relation to a stealing offence that occurred at Dan Murphy's, Thornleigh around 7.20pm on Monday 18th February 2013. If anyone can identify the offender please contact Cst Spence at Hornsby Police Station 9476 9799 or contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000



19th February, from Live Traffic NSW: www.livetraffic.rta.nsw.gov.au

SCHEDULED ROAD WORKS Close

BEROWRA Berowra Waters Rd *between Kirkpatrick Way and Currawong Rd*

Duration: Mon 18 Feb 2013 - Tue 14 May 2013

Scheduled road closures for this week

Mon to Fri (9am to 3pm) Both directions closed

Diversions: Pacific Highway, Galston Road, Aracadia Road and Bay Road.

Advice: Use alternative route
Allow extra travel time

The road will be closed for embankment stabilisation Monday to Friday 9am to 3pm.



19th February: And in a Neighbouring Command police are appealing for the **public to assist in identifying** the male and female depicted in the photographs. Police wish to speak with them in relation to an incident that occurred in the 'Chocolateria Sanchurro' store at the Westfield's in Chatswood. The incident occurred between 8.50pm and 9.10pm on Tuesday 29th January 2013.



If you have information that would assist police please contact Chatswood police on 9414 8499, or Crime stoppers on 1800 333 000

19th February: Over recent months there has been an increase in the amount of graffiti offences occurring in the **Berowra** area.



Police are **seeking the assistance of the public** in identifying the male in the photograph. Although it is of low quality and grainy police believe the shoes worn by the male are quite distinctive and may assist in identifying him.

If you have any information that will assist police please contact Snr Cst Sharpe at Hornsby Police Station on 9476 9799 or contact crime stoppers on 1800 333 000.

19th February: Police are **seeking the assistance of the public** to identify the male depicted in this image. Described as male, approx 60-65 yrs old, 170cm tall, slim build, grey balding hair, wearing a black/white striped shirt and dark 3/4 pants.



In relation to an incident that occurred at the **Hornsby Inn, Hornsby** around 3.30pm on Saturday the 22nd February 2012. If you have information please contact Constable Murchie at Hornsby Police Station on 9476 9799 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000

19th February: Police are **seeking the assistance of the public** to identify the male depicted in this image. Described as male, approximately 20 old, short dark brown hair wearing cream coloured short sleeve button up shirt, with a collar, black shorts and black sneaker style shoes, with sun glasses upon his head.



In relation to an incident that occurred at Dan Murphy's store in Westfield's Hornsby around 3.30pm on Friday the 15th February 2013. If you have information please contact Constable Gulabovski at Hornsby Police Station on 9476 9799 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000

Turrumurra (Gordon Area 3/4) Neighbourhood Watch meeting: was held last night. Thanks for a great talk on scams from our Crime Prevention Officer, Snr Cst Paul Cleary.

All the Neighbourhood Watch groups in the Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby areas get together each quarter, the next meeting being tomorrow night. Anything you would like raised on your behalf? Please email NHWGordon@gmail.com .

FREE talk on Internet Safety at Gordon library meeting room on Tuesday March 19th, 2pm-3pm. Light refreshments provided. Bookings essential 9424 0909

Have you ever wondered whether you are using the Internet safely and securely? Ann Stuckey, a speaker from the Council on the Aging (COTA NSW) will provide you with reliable information on using Internet. She aims to build your confidence when using the Internet and discuss how to create strong passwords. Ann also explores tips to safeguard children and grandchildren who may use your computer.

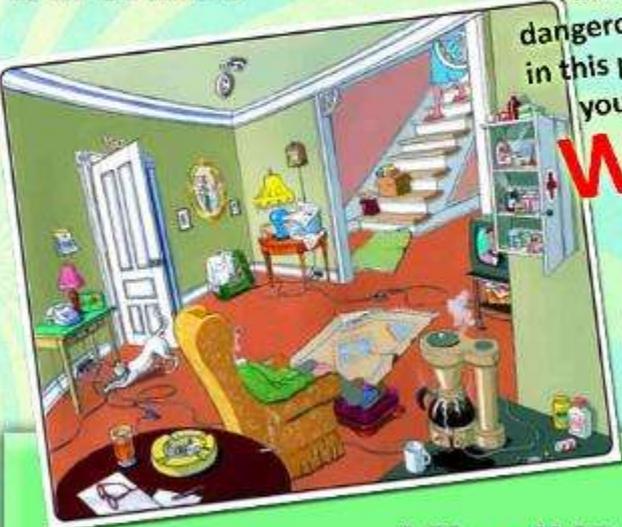
Seniors Security Expo - Feel Safe, Be Safe! Tuesday, 19th March at Turrumurra Uniting Church, Turrumurra Avenue, Turrumurra. Would you please be able to volunteer an hour? Thank you. Our **Crime Prevention Officer** and **Multicultural Community Liaison Officer** will be there to assist and provide information to the local community. Our **Commander, Supt Jeff Philippi**, will be there to welcome everyone. All seniors in the community are invited (those not so senior as well!) and encouraged to attend to receive current information on the many aspects of crime prevention and personal safety inside & outside the home. We hope to see you there! Why not have a try at the fun competition on the poster? Need to know more? Please call Carroll on 0405 558 660.

Seniors Security Expo

FEEL SAFE, BE SAFE!



Find the 14 dangerous things in this poster and you could **WIN!**



Learn to keep yourself safe and secure!
 See a kitchen fire demo by NSW Fire and Rescue!
 Try out a mobility scooter!

9:30am - 12:30pm
 Tuesday, March 19th
 Turramurra Uniting Church
ALL WELCOME! FREE!!

EXHIBITS PRESENTATIONS RAFFLES PRIZES REFRESHMENTS

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Remember School Drop-off & Pick-up Zones: With a no parking zone you can only stop for 2 minutes and must stay within 3 metres of your car. The time limits apply from the moment you arrive, whether you remain in your vehicle or not. An unbroken yellow kerb line is a no stopping line and therefore the same rules apply as for a no stopping sign. You must not stop for any reason other than a medical or similar emergency. **Fine exceeds \$206.** Other behaviours to avoid: double parking, parking in an intersection, parking across driveways, parking too close to corners, stopping on crossings.



Do you always pick up your dog's waste? Fine for failure to remove dog poo is **\$275**. Need bags? Rolls of 100 bags for \$5 per roll are available over the counter at Ku-ring-gai Council, 818 Pacific Highway, Gordon.

Dog attacks: A dog that rushes at, attacks, bites, harasses or chases any person or animal, whether or not any injury is caused, has committed a dog attack. Fine for a dog attack is **\$550**.

Other responsibilities:

Dog not microchipped **\$165**

Dog not registered **\$165**

Dog without identification tag **\$165**

Dog not on a lead **\$220**

Nuisance Cats (Fines under the NSW Companion Animal Act 1998). A cat can be classified as a nuisance if:

- It makes a noise that persistently occurs & interferes with the peace & comfort of a person in a nearby premises.
- It repeatedly damages anything outside the property on which it is ordinarily kept.

Cat not wearing identification **\$110**

Cat found in prohibited place **\$110**

Cat not registered **\$165**

Nuisance order breach **\$165**

From Councillor Christiane Berlioz, a request to repeat the recommendation from Ku-ring-gai Council to use the App 'SNAP SEND SOLVE'.



'Snap Send Solve' is a free app for your mobile that lets you report issues and provide feedback to councils in under 30 seconds. Whether it's a pot hole, fallen tree or an illegally parked car - download the app and report it! It's easy, give it a go! <http://www.snapsendsolve.com/>

Snap Send Solve determines the correct council using your smartphone's GPS location. Once your GPS location has been determined the server sends back all relevant council details, including contact information, location, and email contact. Snap Send Solve allows you to easily capture and report on common issues including Litter, Dumping of Hard Waste, Parking, Street

Cleaning, Trees, Noise, etc and also provide a general request or general feedback. All reports from Snap Send Solve are sent from the app using your email address so that the council can communicate directly with you to fix the issue.

However, please remember **graffiti can be reported via VandalTrak**. Upload your photos using either the VandalTrak app, or via the website at www.VandalTrak.com.au. VandalTrak not only coordinate clean-up (whether it is private property, Railcorp, Post Office, council property, etc) but also work with the NSW Police to identify and match tags, documenting all the evidence used by the courts for conviction purposes.

FIRST STEPS



Ambulance has specifically designed this campaign for new parents to assist them to call Triple Zero (000) in a medical emergency. When a parent is confronted with an unresponsive child - not breathing or unconscious - the situation and fear is heightened when the patient is a newborn or toddler. First Steps is an emergency phone card that outlines the information that's required by our Control Centre staff so an ambulance can be dispatched quickly. It also gives parents and carers the information they need to give to attending paramedics.

The first steps program phone card can be downloaded from this link:

[http://www.ambulance.nsw.gov.au/Community-Info/
Community-Education-Programs/
First-Steps-a-campaign-to-assist-new-parents-in-a-medical-emergency.html](http://www.ambulance.nsw.gov.au/Community-Info/Community-Education-Programs/First-Steps-a-campaign-to-assist-new-parents-in-a-medical-emergency.html)

And some advice from one of our new subscribers: Beware ice from a non-reputable source. It can contain viruses such as *Salmonella*, *typhoid fever*, *Hepatitis A*, *E. coli*, and *Shigella*. Mishandling ice is a common source of contamination. The bagged ice

manufacturing company must follow good manufacturing practices, packaging and storage procedures. Do you trust your source?

This appeal yesterday from Turramurra Vet Hospital: Hi This cutie came into us here at TVH LOST in the storm, if you know this Gallah please contact us 99880198.



www.facebook.com/#!/KuringGaiLAC is the link to your local Police's facebook page. Also look on Facebook for Gordon NHW, Mount Colah NHW, eyewatch Wahrenonga, East Killara NHW, Berowra and other Neighbourhood Watch areas.





Incidents in the Kuring gai Local Area Command dated Monday 26th February 2013:

Incident: High Range Drink driving
Time/Date: About 9.50pm on Saturday the 22nd
Place: George street x Florence street, Hornsby
Vehicle 1: Honda Civic
Driver 1: 34 year old male from a Pennant Hills address.

Details: The driver was stopped for a random breath test which was allegedly positive for alcohol. The male was arrested and a further test gave a result of .194. The driver had his license suspended by police and charged.

Court: The driver is to face Hornsby Local Court on the 28th of March charged with Driving with a High Range Prescribed Concentration of Alcohol.

Incident: P plate drive caught doing donuts
Time/Date: Between 2.40 am and 2.55 am on Saturday the 23rd
Place: Koola oval, Koola Ave, KILLARA
Vehicle 1: Grey Mazda 3 sedan
Driver 1: 17 year old P1 male from a North shore address.

Details: The 17 year old with 2 'mates' in the car have allegedly decided to have some fun by entering the oval in the Mazda 3 and for about 10 minutes have allegedly performed numerous 'donuts' ripping up the grass field.

Soon after Kuring-gai Highway patrol officers have attended and seen the Mazda as it was attempting to leave the field. The driver was stopped and spoken to and a breath test gave an alleged positive result for alcohol. A further test returned a result of .126. The driver had his license suspended by police and charged. Officers are in contact with Kuring-gai council where an assessment of the damage will be obtained.

Court: The male is to appear at Hornsby Court at a date yet to be set where a number of charges are expected to be laid.

Incident: Shop stealing
Time/Date: About 1.10pm on Friday the 22nd
Place: David Jones (display counter).

Details: Unknown person/s have stolen 5 bottles of Marc Jacobs brand male fragrance

from a display counter they were valued at \$700. 2 males were seen to exit the store at the time and investigations are continuing.

Incident: Graffiti attack
Time/Date: sometime during February
Place: An apartment complex in Woolcott Ave, WAHROONGA,

Details: Unknown person/s have used blue and black spray paint to graffiti a bus shelter within the complex. The 'tags' used are ("fxz", "pneh", "moks" "extse", "suek", "kesp"), damage (cleaning cost) is estimated to be approximately \$900. Any knowledge of the authors of these tags are encouraged to call crime stoppers.

Incident: Steal from motor vehicle
Time/Date: Between 6pm on Friday the 22nd and 9am on Monday the 25th
Place: Westfield Hornsby

Details: The owner of a Mazda CX7 has left a laptop computer in the locked car. Unknown person/s have broken into the car and stolen the laptop.

Incident: Attempted shop stealing
Time/Date: About 2.26pm on Monday the 25th
Place: Dan Murphy's Westfield, Hornsby
Person 1: is described as MALE, 5'10" TALL, THIN BUILD, IN HIS MID TO LATE 20'S, CAUCASIAN APPEARANCE WITH SHORT DARK HAIR AND WEARING A BLACK T-SHIRT, WHITE BOARDSHORTS, WHITE RUNNING SHOES AND CARRYING A BUMBAG

Person 2: is described as MALE, 5'10" TALL, THIN BUILD, IN HIS MID TO LATE 20S, CAUCASIAN APPEARANCE WITH SHORT DARK HAIR AND WEARING A BLACK T-SHIRT, CAMOFLAGE SHORTS, BLACK SHOES AND CARRYING A BLACK BACKPACK.

Details: The males described above have attempted to steal two bottles of champagne from the liquor store, There is CCTV footage of the incident investigations are continuing.

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.

About 3pm on Monday the 26th of February, Police conducted a **Patrol of the Hawkesbury River** specifically around the main channels leading in/out of Brooklyn. Over recent days the area has been subjected to extensive rain and storm/tempest related jobs including trees down within the area. As a direct result the Hawkesbury River has a large amount of debris in the main channels and waterways. The Kuring gai Launch Brooklyn was utilised to remove 3 large trees that were floating in the main channels of the water ways. Some of these trees were semi

submerged and not easily visible. In times of night these trees could have caused significant damage if struck by marine vessels.

One of the trees was the size of a power pole, this tree was towed and beached in the area of dead horse bay. Trees removed from the waterway without incident. No damage has been reported.





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Remember to report any suspicious activity in the neighbourhood directly to Hornsby Police on 02 9476 9799. DON'T DELAY IN REPORTING

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