



## Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby eNewsletter #483 - 12 January 2021

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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**11 January, from Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command**



Police are appealing for public assistance after four persons maliciously damage St Marks Anglican Church in Berowra late December 2020.

Between 1.45am and 2am on Thursday 31 December 2020, three males and one female graffiti satanic symbols on St Marks Anglican Church.

A part of ongoing inquiries, police have released CCTV images of the four person they believe may be able to assist them.

The first symbol is the Leviathan Cross (Cross of Satan) the second symbol is the Anti-Christian sentiment

One male was only wearing pants and a bandana approximately between 16 - 18 years-old, another male was wearing pants and a hoodie the female was wearing jeans and a hoodie.

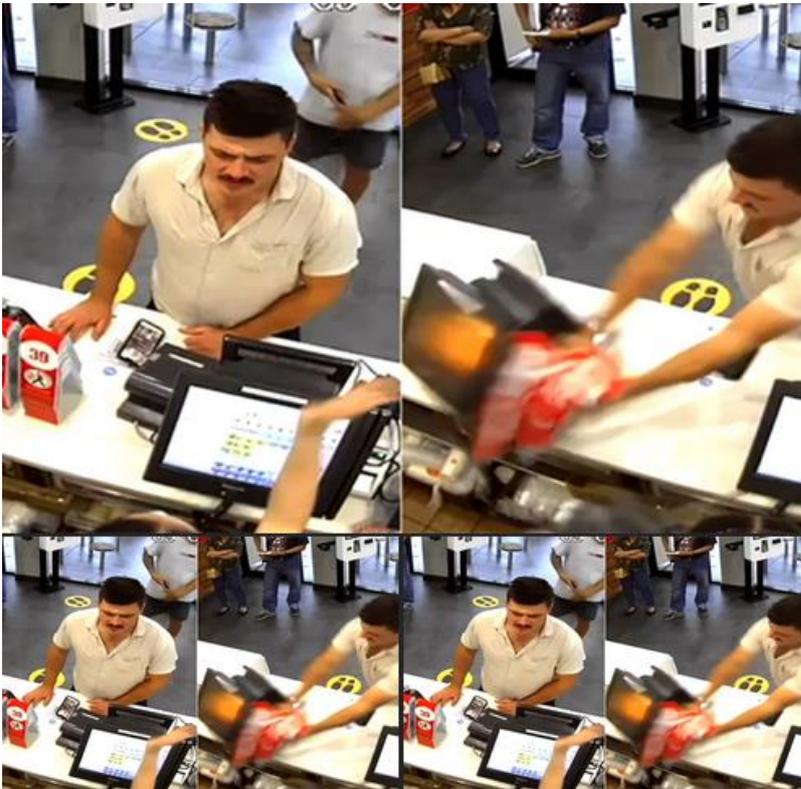
Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000 or visit site [here](#) or contact Ku-ring-gai Proactive Team on 9476 9799 and quote E 350450194. Information is treated in strict confidence. The public is reminded not to report information via NSW Police social media pages

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**11 January, from The Hills Police Area Command**

Quakers Hill Police Area Command would like to speak to the male depicted in the photos below who may be able to assist with inquiries.

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000 or visit site [here](#) and quote E77652432. Information is treated in strict confidence. The public is reminded not to report information via NSW Police social media pages.



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**08 January, from Police Association of NSW: Farewell Chief Inspector Gilroy** 🚔 🚓

Yesterday, Thursday 7 January 2020, Hornsby Police Detective Chief Inspector Frank Gilroy was honoured with a march out to recognise his four decades of service to the people of New South Wales. As reported in the Daily Telegraph some of Frank's career highlights included being part of police operations

during the Sydney Olympics and being the leading commander at the Sydney Opera House for APEC Australia 2007 where he worked alongside the US President's Secret Service.

Watch video [here](#)

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## 07 January, from Crime Stoppers NSW: PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST MAIL THEFT!



- Always install a lockable mailbox.
- Always use a quality lock on your mailbox.
- Never allow your mailbox to become full or overflow. Protect your mail
- Always arrange to collect new credit cards from the bank or post office.
- Always have mail held at the post office or collected by a friend when you're away for

extended periods.

- Always have your mail cleared daily. Protect your identity

- Always beware of 'cold calling' and confirm who you are talking to.

- Never give any of your personal details to people you don't know or trust.

- Always contact your bank, financial institution or service provider if you think you have been contacted by a scammer.

If you are aware of mail being stolen and used to obtain fraudulent identity, please report online at [www.nsw.crimestoppers.com](http://www.nsw.crimestoppers.com) or call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 (24/7).

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**06 January, from [qantas.com](http://qantas.com):** Scam assistance. What to look for if you suspect you've received a scam email, phone or social media post from Qantas.

### **How to recognise authentic Qantas communications**

From time to time we are made aware of email scams and social media posts that claim to be authentic Qantas communications. These may ask customers to visit an external site and download a file or confirm customer details.

We will never ask customers to click a link to download a file about bookings from a website, including our own. We send important documents that relate to your booking as Adobe Acrobat (PDF) files that you can download directly.

Below are some examples of scams that have recently been sent out to customers. If you receive one of these emails we recommend you delete it immediately and do not open it or download the attachment.

For details, click [here](#).

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## 04 January, from NSW Police Force



A woman who died while canyoning in the Blue Mountains has been identified as a serving NSW Police officer.

Senior Constable Kelly Foster, aged 39, died following a canyoning incident at Mount Wilson yesterday (Saturday 2 January 2021).

Snr Cst Foster attested on 27 August 2010, after which she commenced duties as a probationary constable at Newtown Local Area Command. She was confirmed as a constable in May 2012.

In May 2014, Snr Cst Foster joined the State Crime Command working as an intel analyst until May 2020. She was most recently working at Chifley Police District, stationed at Lithgow Police Station.

NSW Police Acting Commissioner Mal Lanyon has extended his condolences to the Foster family on behalf of the NSW Police Force.

“It’s a very sad time for the NSW Police Force and Kelly’s death is a loss to the whole community,” Acting Commissioner Lanyon said.

“To hear reports that Kelly was trying to help another woman when she died demonstrates her commitment to the community she served and the ability to put the needs of others before her own.

“Kelly was a highly regarded and dedicated officer who will be sorely missed by colleagues across the force.

“Her policing career was put on hold when she was diagnosed with breast cancer, however, her strength to survive this and return to work is another testament to her strength and resilience.

“Above all, Kelly was a kind and loving daughter, sister and partner.”

Snr Cst Foster’s family have requested privacy at this time.



**Neighbourhood Watch**  
*Creating Safer Communities*

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**12 January, Recall: Woolworths Coleslaw 110g, 250g, 400g and 800g**



The NSW Food Authority advises:

Woolworths is conducting a recall of Woolworths Coleslaw 110g, 250g, 400g and 800g. The products have been available for sale at Woolworths Supermarkets and Metro stores in NSW and ACT and some Woolworths Supermarkets in regional VIC.

Product details:

Woolworths Coleslaw 110g, 250g, 400g and 800g plastic tubs

All Use By dates from 12 Jan up to and including 21 Jan.

Problem: The recall is due to potential microbial (Salmonella) contamination.

Food safety hazard: Food products with potential microbial contamination may cause illness if consumed.

Country of origin: Australia

What to do: Any consumers concerned about their health should seek medical advice and should return the product to the place of purchase for a full refund.

For further information please contact:

Woolworths

1800 103 515

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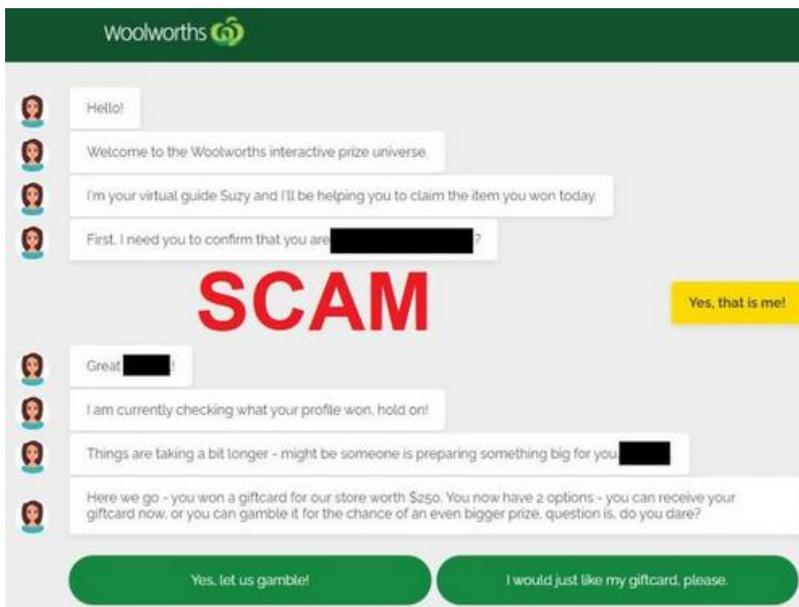
## 12 January, from Australian Cyber Security Centre

QR codes are common for checking-in or ordering food at restaurants. But cyber criminals can also use them to obtain your personal information. Learn how to protect yourself

Read details [here](#).

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## 11 January, from NSW Police Force



SCAM Alert: Scamwatch is warning of a scam impersonating Woolworths that pretends to be a chat bot. Do not provide your address or credit card details. You will not receive the prize or gift voucher.

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## 08 January, from Traffic and Community News - Australia: 🚗 Mobile Speed Camera Update 📹

The NSW Government will soon transition to [OBJ:OBJ] anonymous unmarked Mobile speed cameras cars. They will be removing the bold reflective signage on its mobile speed cameras. This is a further step to curb speeding and reduce the death toll within NSW.

💡 Will this help reduce speeding, what are your thoughts?

Read more [here](#).

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## Dates for the diary

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### 08 January, from NHW Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby



We can't believe this is four years ago! Thank you to The Uniform Exchange for helping us make up the kid's police dress-ups sets. We wonder when we'll get to use them again? 😊 A silver lining of Covid is that it has allowed us time to launder the sets all ready for the next crime prevention stall/event. Please support the businesses who support Neighbourhood Watch.

Neighbourhood Watch NSW is seeking sponsorship partners, starting from \$1000 Community Partnerships. If you (or your company) are interested, please email [admin@nhwnsw.org.au](mailto:admin@nhwnsw.org.au) (or us [NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au](mailto:NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au)) for details of the different sponsorship packages.

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### 07 January, from NSW Public Transport - NSW GOV

You must wear a mask when you're travelling on public transport in Greater Sydney 😊

**You must wear  
a face mask on  
public transport  
at all times**



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### **07 January, from Victoria Police**

A crash can change a life. That's why you're stopped when you speed.

Watch video [here](#).

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### **07 January, from Crime Stoppers NSW: NSW Crime Stoppers is asking the community for two things:**

#### **EDUCATION**

Be fire aware, throwing a cigarette butts from a moving car, leaving a fire unattended or lighting a fire during a high fire danger zone can easily cause a bushfire and are all criminal offences.

#### **REPORTING**

If you see someone throw a cigarette butt, light a fire during a high fire danger zone or carelessly leave fires unattended, report it to Crime Stoppers. The community can report a licence plate associated with throwing cigarette butts from a car window or details of someone who has left a fire unattended or deliberately lit a fire during a high fire danger zone.

Any piece of information, anything you have seen or heard, may be crucial in preventing or solving a crime. We don't want to know who you are; we just want

to know what you know. Call or click Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000/  
crimestoppers.com.au



**YOU DON'T NEED  
A MATCH TO BE  
AN ARSONIST.**

**CRIME  
STOPPERS**  
com.au  
1800 333 000

**Whether it's reckless or deliberate,  
bushfire arson is a crime.**  
See, know or suspect something, **REPORT IT.**

Report reckless or deliberate fire confidentially  
to NSW Crime Stoppers on **1800 333 000** or  
**www.nswcrimestoppers.com.au**

**Save Triple Zero (000) for emergencies**



NSW Police Force

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**07 January,** Recall: Rosella Red Cocktail Onions 150g



4 January 2021

The NSW Food Authority advises:

The Trustee for The Sabrands Australia Mgmt Trust is conducting a recall of Rosella Red Cocktail Onions 150g. The product has been available for sale at independent food retailers including IGA in NSW, Woolworths in NSW and QLD and Coles nationally.

Product details:

Rosella Red Cocktail Onions 150g

Best Before 05/11/2022

Problem: The recall is due to the potential presence of foreign matter (glass).

Food safety hazard: Food products containing glass may cause illness if consumed.

Country of origin: Australia

What to do: Consumers should not eat this product and should return the product to the place of purchase for a full refund.

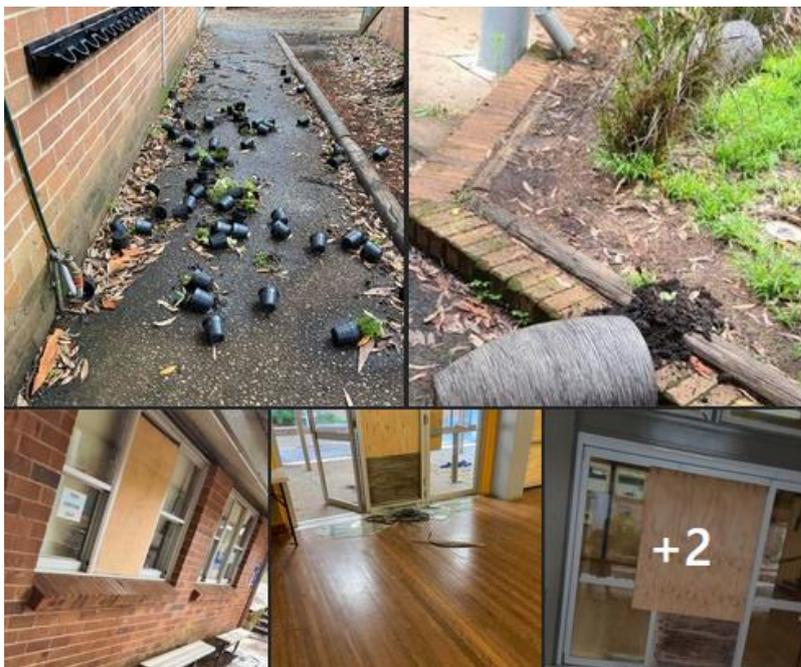
For further information please contact:

The Trustee for The Sabrands Australia Mgmt Trust

1800 667 765 / [enquiries@rosellagroup.com.au](mailto:enquiries@rosellagroup.com.au)

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## 06 January, from TWPS Pand C



NIGHT 2 of Destruction at TWPS. Sadly the vandals have returned and smashed the beautiful vertical garden near the hall on top of smashing uniform shop window, the school hall doors with such force it's smashed windows and other items around the school. PLEASE keep an eye out for any suspicious activity. Call school security on 1300 880 021 or police on 000. 😬 it seems they like to visit under the cover of darkness

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**06 January, Shared with permission from the Thornleigh, Westleigh and Normanhurst Community group:**

Further to the post yesterday, we have had a similar incident this morning. My 12yr old daughter and 11yr neighbour were followed by a grey/silver car with dark tinted windows, around TWPS and Oakleigh Oval. They were also followed into the TWPS car park. We have reported to the police.

And from the comments:

My 17 yr daughter was asked if she wanted a lift Saturday night at normanhurst shops about 9pm

A dark Mercedes.

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**06 January, from 9now.nine.com.au: Scammers fraudulently spending money on your gift cards**



With lockdowns and border closures this festive season, gift cards were again a big hit among family and friends.

But some people have been left upset, angry, and embarrassed after their Australia Post pre-paid gift cards declined despite not making a single transaction themselves.

"There's a scam going on, this is people's hard-earned money and you need to take responsibility," Jamie Furman, who was given a gift card for Christmas, told A Current Affair.

Read more [here](#).

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**“Hey Sarge, yeah I crashed into a fish.”**



**Thanks to Cop Humour Australia**

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#### **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](#)

[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 - Thornleigh](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Turramurra](#)

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