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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. The weekly update usually includes:

- **Project eyewatch:** A selection of 'posts' from the Kuring Gai LAC facebook page. This includes the Media Release from our Crime Prevention Officer.
- **Local Neighbourhood Watch information:** Meetings, relevant tit-bits, crime prevention tips, etc.

1st July, here's some crime stats from last

OFFENCES	Break & Enter	Malicious Damage	Stealing	Street Motor Vehicle	Steal from Motor Vehicle	Robbery	Drug Offences
Suburb							
ASQUITH				1			
BEROWRA					1		
BRIGGLYN							
BAI STON	1						
GORDON			1				
GORNBY			1		1		
KILLARA							
MT COYAH							
MT KURRINGAI							
NORMANBY							
PANLE							
ST IVES		1					
THORNLEIGH	2			1		1	
TURRAMURRA							
WARRIEWEE	1 (Attempt)						
WARRIATA							
WARRIWOOD							
WEST PYMBLE							
WILLSLEIGH							
weekend:	Case range:	12pm 26 June to 12pm 1 July					

1st July: Hornsby Police news, 1/7/13. The following relate to local issues in the Kuring gai Local Area Command:

Incident: High range drink driving charge

Time/Date: About 4.45pm on Saturday the 29th

Place: Excelsior road, Mt Colah.

Vehicle 1: Ford Fairlane

Driver 1: 39 year old male

Details: Police have attended the location due to a car collision. Police have seen the ford with extensive front end damage from an apparent collision with a power pole. Police spoke to the driver and a roadside breath test gave an alleged positive result for alcohol. A subsequent test gave a result of .182. Police have suspended the driver's licence.

Court: The male is to appear at the Hornsby local Court on the 25th of July charged with Driving with a High Range Prescribed Concentration of Alcohol

Incident: Middle range drink driving charge

Time/Date: About 9.55pm on Saturday the 29th

Place: Pacific Highway, Hornsby.

Vehicle 1: Toyota Hilux

Driver 1: 52 year old female.

Details: Police have seen the Hilux travelling along the Pacific highway and have noticed it did not have its headlights turned on. Police have eventually stopped the car in Mt Colah and spoke to the driver. A roadside breath test gave an alleged positive result for alcohol. A subsequent test gave a reading of .145. The female driver had her licence suspended by police.

Court: The female is to appear at the Hornsby local Court on the 18th of July charged with Driving with a High Range Prescribed Concentration of Alcohol.

Incident: Car crash

Time/Date: About 9.50pm on Saturday the 29th

Place: The Esplanade, Thornleigh.

Vehicle: Commodore.

Driver: 18 year old male

Details: 2 cars had stopped at a red traffic light on The Esplanade Thornleigh. The Commodore driven by an 18 year old P plate driver has not seen these and has collided with the rear of one car pushing it into the car in front of it. No person/s were injured in the collision. Both these drivers were concerned as to the 18 year olds' sobriety and have called police. A roadside breath test was negative for alcohol but observations led police to arrest the male and have a blood and urine test at Hornsby hospital.

Court: Police will wait the result of these tests prior to taking any action.

Incident: Attempted Break and Enter

Time/Date: Between 8.15pm and 9.55pm on Friday the 28th

Place: Galston Newsagency Galston road, Galston.

Details: Unknown person/s have forced a ground floor rear door at the newsagency, they were unable to gain entry and have left the area.

Incident: Shop stealing.

Time/Date: Between 11am and 3pm on Thursday the 27th

Place: Rebel Sport Westfield Hornsby

Person 1: Described as being Caucasian in appearance, late 30s to early 40s. He had balding hair and was wearing a blue hoody.

Details: The male described above has entered the store and is seen on CCTV to allegedly force open a glass display cabinet and remove 2 heart rate monitors before leaving the store. The retail value is \$1,200.

Incident: Break and Enter with intent.

Time/Date: Between 4pm on Wednesday the 26th and 7.45am on Thursday the 27th

Place: A café in Kendall St, West Pymble.

Details: Unknown person/s have forced open a ground floor front door at the café. Once inside they have smashed open a cash register, which was empty. The offender has then left the store without any property. Damage to the cash register is estimated to be \$2,000.

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.

28th June: With the school holidays starting, take care when travelling, plan your trip, have plenty of breaks, and be patient with other road/transport users. Have a safe and relaxing break, if you are lucky enough to have the holidays off work!

26th June: The latest articles to be featured on SecureNSW:

Anti-terror police in France have arrested six people accused of belonging to a radical Islamist cell and preparing attacks in the country - BBC

German police are reported to have carried out a series of raids against a suspected Islamist militant network - BBC

<http://www.secure.nsw.gov.au/Media-centre/Current-events/Current-Events.aspx>

26th June: A woman will face court in August after she allegedly verbally abused a school student on a bus at Burwood.

About 3.30pm on Wednesday 17 April 2013, a male school student boarded a bus at the intersection of Burwood Road and Railway Parade, and placed some items on a seat. A woman,

who boarded at the same time, allegedly verbally abused the boy using offensive language and racial undertones. The woman continued the verbal abuse until getting off the bus at Balmain. A passenger on board the bus filmed the incident and uploaded it onto YouTube.

Following an appeal for public assistance to find the woman, her identity was made known to police. Shortly after 5pm yesterday (Tuesday 25 June 2013), officers from the Police Transport Command attended a unit on George Street, Balmain. A 55-year-old woman was issued a field court attendance notice for offensive language to appear at Burwood Local Court on 6 August 2013.

"This type of racial abuse, especially where young children are involved, is completely deplorable and will not be tolerated. With the communities support, we will put a stop to these unacceptable acts," Commander, Police Transport Command, Assistant Commissioner Max Mitchell said.

26th June: Malicious damage incidents.

Three homes in **Gilroy road**, Turramurra were damaged during the night of Monday the 24th. A neighbour heard load banging in the street about 2am. The next morning neighbours discovered one fence had 3 meters of panelling ripped out. Another fence had palings ripped off. The third house had plants ripped from the ground and solar garden lights pulled out and thrown about the yard.

Anyone with information can ring the police or crime stoppers on 1800 333 000.

26th June: Latest in Hornsby Kuring gai.

About 11am on Tuesday the 25th a tree has fallen onto a house in **Lockinvar place**, Hornsby. The tree, a rather large gum, has fallen from a house on one side of the street across power lines bringing them down. The upper tree canopy has then landed on the roof of a house across the road from it. Power was cut for some time, with Ausgrid cutting the tree away from the house and the downed power lines. Power was restored soon after.

26th June, just a reminder about ATM security. "The day I caught an ATM card catcher" - A link to a Naked Security article followed by a video with some useful advice:
<http://nakedsecurity.sophos.com/2013/06/23/the-day-i-caught-an-atm-card-catcher/>

A reminder: PLEASE GIVE WAY

If an emergency vehicle approaches you with its light and sirens on chances are that we either want to get past you or pull you over. Simply slow down and move to the left when it is safe, DO NOT STOP as the vehicle may be travelling at high speeds.

If the emergency vehicle continues to follow you then pull over to the side of the road and stop.

It is an offence to obstruct or fail to give way to an emergency service vehicle in the case of an emergency. For more information, Sections 78 and 79 of the Australian Road Rules provides the legislation in regards to keeping clear of police and emergency vehicles and giving way.

From our neighbouring The Hills Command: WHEN SHOULD I REPORT A COLLISION TO POLICE?

There are two types of collisions that police deal with: Major and Minor. In the event of a major collision - **SOME FORM OF POLICE ACTION WILL BE TAKEN**. Be this by way of a ticket, a court attendance notice or a question of fitness (where police recommend to the RMS that a persons licence status and ability to drive be reviewed).

A major collision is where ANY of the following criteria apply:

- One or more vehicles are required to be towed away from the scene. If any vehicles cannot be safely driven from the scene and require a tow truck - police **MUST** be contacted, however if you can still start the car and drive it from the collision scene safely, you may. When in doubt - call police who will come out and make an assessment.

- Any of the driver's appear to be affected by alcohol or some other drug. Police will make this determination when they arrive on scene, either by way of a breath test or assessment of sobriety/blood/urine test at a hospital. When in doubt - call police anyway.

- Any vehicle has left the scene without exchanging details. This is a common one and proves to be the most frustrating for investigating police as details often are either not exchanged at all or very poorly - leaving investigating police unable to identify a vehicle and unable to investigate. If you are **EVER** involved in ANY collision, you must provide to the other driver:

- 1) your contact details (name, phone number, licence number etc), 2) registration of your vehicle and who you are insured with.

If you have a collision with a vehicle and are unable to locate the owner (in a car park for example), it is acceptable to immediately notify police and report the matter. Police will locate the owner of the other vehicle after speaking with you. Provided you have made reasonable attempts to report the accident - action will not be taken against you. If you are involved in a collision and a vehicle immediately leaves - if you get nothing else - record the registration plate. This is a unique number and is essential for police when investigating. Police have access to the RMS system and can very easily track down the owner, and have the ability to demand an owner of a vehicle to inform police who was driving the car at the time.

- Anyone is killed or injured. If an ambulance is required to transport someone to hospital from the scene due to injury, or if someone is tragically killed in a collision - police must be called immediately.

If the situation is urgent, ie - someone has been killed or injured, people are trapped in the vehicle, there are significant traffic issues, fuel or fluid leaking and an immediate police response is required - please contact 000. In all other instances, please call the Police Assistance Line (PAL) on 131 444 or Castle Hill Police on 9680 5399. You will always be asked the above questions when you call any of these three numbers.

A minor collision is any collision where NONE of the aforementioned criteria apply in any way. These collisions will NOT be investigated by police and do not even need to be reported unless you wish to do so. You can report the matter over the phone by calling the PAL, or attend any police station.

When in doubt - contact police, remembering that 000 is for emergencies only.

From Barwon Command: Going out tonight? So are we, so make sure you know your limits. If you're asked to leave a licensed venue when asked by the club or hotel due to violent, drunk or disorderly conduct Police will be called and you will be fined \$500. And at the end of the night make sure you don't drink and drive.

how many **standard drinks** to help stay under .05?
This is a **guide** only. Some people can manage **less**.

men	Women
first hour 2	1 first hour
every hour after that 1	1 every hour after that

ALCOHOL GO EASY. FEDERAL OFFICE OF ROAD SAFETY

These are **standard drinks**
Any drink containing 10 grams of alcohol is a standard drink.

1 middie/pot/285 ml of full strength beer	1.6 middies/pots of light strength beer	1 small glass/100 ml of wine
1 nip of spirits	0.7 bottle of alcoholic soda	one standard drink

Check for standard drink information on bottles and cans

Westleigh and Hornsby Heights Rural Fire Brigades crews form up a five-man fog attack (or

as affectionately called on the day the 'ten-man' fog attack). This firefighting technique is typically



used to fight gas cylinder fires.

Rule Change For Learner Drivers allowing faster speeds from 1st

July: <http://www.irrigator.com.au/story/1601675/rule-change-for-learners/?cs=1524>

A reminder from Quakers Hill Command:

**WILL YOUR VEHICLE GET BROKEN INTO?
Don't tempt a thief!!!!!!**



Never leave your GPS on your windscreen, inc mounts. Take it with you!!

Ensure you remove **ALL** your property (especially phones, handbags, clothes & electronic devices)

Never leave coins in plain view

-Always park in your garage, driveway or in a well lit area
-Use a locking device on the steering wheel / install an alarm or immobiliser or cut-out switch
-Don't leave personal papers in your vehicle

ALWAYS ENSURE YOUR VEHICLE IS LOCKED AND SECURED

F3VoiceAlerts - F3 Freeway Voice Alerts: NEW FEATURES!

(1) If our system issues an automatic traffic delay alert:

(eg. There is currently a 7 minute delay Southbound between Gosford & Wahroonga)

Our system will let you know automatically once the delay is cleared:

(Eg. The earlier reported delay Southbound between Gosford & Wahroonga has cleared. This

section is back to normal.)

(2) ALSO: Check out the new travel time GRAPHS at www.f3traffic.info

Accommodation for MEN: If you leave your home voluntarily or you are removed by the police after a violent incident at home, this list of services can help you with your accommodation needs:

Homeless Persons Information Centre: 1 800 234 566 (9am-10pm 7 days, all year)

Youth Accommodation Line (up to 18yrs) 02 9318 1531

Housing Department: 02 8753 8000

Sydney Hostels for Men (crisis accommodation):

Edward Eager Lodge 02 9361 0981

Foster House 02 9212 1065

Matthew Talbot Hostel 02 9357 1533

Mission Australia Centre 02 9356 0600.

Email NHWGordon@gmail.com with any crime prevention questions you may have and we can share the answers with the community.

Your local Police have a facebook page. Have you had a look? The page can be accessed without logging in to facebook. Simply click on the link: www.facebook.com/KuringGaiLAC. This page is where our volunteers copy and paste the posts from in order to create the email content above.



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

Please encourage your neighbours, family, colleagues and friends to join our NHW Gordon Mailing list at NHWGordon@gmail.com.

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

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