



## Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby eNewsletter #496 - 13 April 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!").

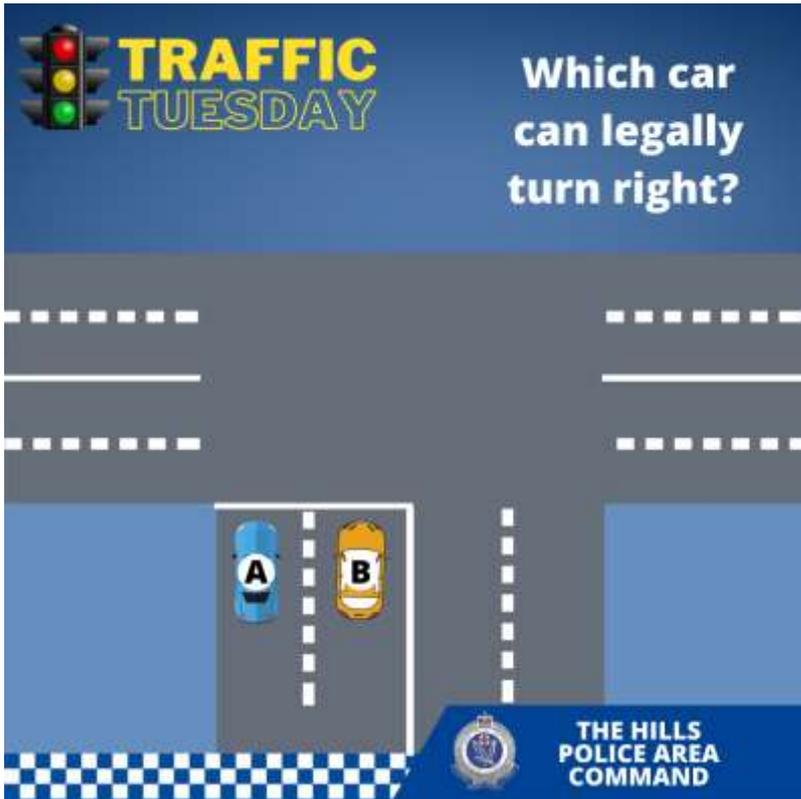
🚗 Have you seen anything we should share with the community? [Please email](#) our NHW in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby volunteers. We do value your contributions and thank you for your support.

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**13 April, from The Hills command: Traffic Tuesday**



**ANSWER: ONLY B.** A can only turn right if there is a right arrow painted on the road

### **Road Rule 32 Starting a right turn from a multi-lane road**

- (1) A driver turning right at an intersection from a multi-lane road must approach and enter the intersection from within the right lane unless--
- (a) the driver is required or permitted to approach and enter the intersection from within another marked lane

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### **13 April, from Traffic & Highway Patrol command: Please remember Safety Ramps are there for a specific purpose.**

They are not designed for picnics, rest stops, or walking your pets.

On Saturday, Police from Illawarra Highway Patrol attended to a vehicle, a white Mitsubishi Mirage, stopped in the arrester bed/safety ramp at the bottom

of Mount Ousley Road, Wollongong. Police attempted to locate the driver as they were concerned for their welfare, but they weren't with their vehicle. A canvass of the area located the driver in the nearby bushland walking their dog, and that they had deliberately parked their vehicle in the middle of the safety ramp to do so. The driver said they did not see any signs indicating that they could not park there. The driver was directed to immediately move the vehicle, and will be issued with an infringement notice. This particular Safety Ramp was the scene of a recent (28/03/2021) truck collision as pictured. Fortunately the driver involved in this collision was able to utilise the Safety Ramp.



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**09 April, from Ku-ring-gai command: Police are appealing for public assistance with information about the identity of the male in the photograph attached, after a wall outside Aldi Thornleigh was maliciously damaged on Tuesday 9th March 2021 about 01:40am.**

Police would like to speak to the male depicted in the photograph as they believe he may be able to assist with enquiries. Anyone with information about the identity of the male is urged to contact Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000 or <https://nsw.crimestoppers.com.au>. or contact **Hornsby Police on 9476 9799** and quote event number **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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**09 April, from NSW Road Safety: What should you do when your car breaks down? These tips will help keep you safe on the road these holidays.**

Find out more: [bit.ly/breakdownsafety](https://bit.ly/breakdownsafety)



**Neighbourhood Watch**  
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**13 April, from Crime Stoppers NSW: ILLEGAL HUNTING affects everyone.**

The damage to farmers' property can potentially run into thousands of dollars and include injury or death of livestock, damage to fences and crops or even straying stock.

What can you do to help prevent, stop or report Illegal Hunting:

- ✓ record all incidents of illegal hunting on your property
- ✓ install quality farm camera
- ✓ lock gates

- ✓ place 'Private Property' or 'No Trespass' signs on gates and fences
- ✓ photograph offenders and vehicles if this can be done safely.

If ILLEGAL HUNTING is 'occurring now' always call Triple Zero (000). If you have information about ILLEGAL HUNTING call **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000** (24/7) or report online at [www.crimestoppers.com.au](http://www.crimestoppers.com.au).



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**12 April, from NSW Police: An investigation is underway after the discharge of a police firearm during an operation on Sydney's North Shore this afternoon.**

About 4.20pm (Monday 12 April 2021), officers from North Shore Police Area Command were conducting a police operation at Neutral Bay when they attempted to stop a vehicle in a carpark on Grosvenor Lane. Initial reports suggest the car was driven at the officers, before police discharged a firearm. The vehicle's windscreen was damaged, before the car hit a bollard and stopped. Two men were arrested at the scene and will be taken to Chatswood Police Station. No one was physically injured during the incident. Inquiries are continuing.

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact **Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000** or <https://nsw.crimestoppers.com.au>. Information is treated in strict confidence.

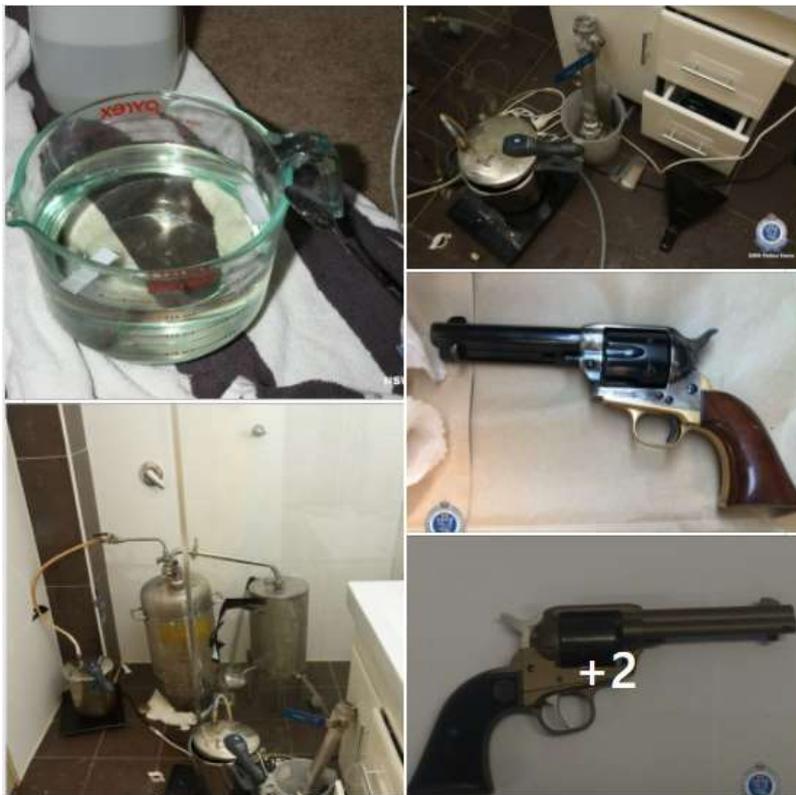
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**12 April, from NSW Police: A husband and wife were among three people arrested as part of an ongoing investigation into the supply of illegal firearms across Sydney.**

In May 2020, the State Crime Command's Drug and Firearms Squad established Strike Force Digil to investigate a criminal syndicate selling illegal firearms across Sydney. Detectives were assisted by Western Australia Police (WAPOL) during the investigation. So far, the investigation has seen detectives seize 14 handguns with a street value of \$200,000.

As part of ongoing inquiries, investigators received information connecting the same criminal group to a clandestine laboratory that was located by police on Thursday 30 April 2020. Officers dismantled the lab and seized 1.9 kilograms of methylamphetamine (ice) with an estimated potential street value of \$1.9 million. Following extensive investigations, strike force detectives assisted by North West Metropolitan Region Operations Support Group (OSG) and the Public Order Riot Squad (PORS), executed three search warrants across Sydney this morning (Thursday 8 April 2021). About 6am, investigators attended a home at Cherrybrook and arrested a 77-year-old man and a 41-year-old woman who were taken to Ryde Police Station. The man was charged with 18 firearm and drug related charges including unlawfully selling firearms, taking part in the manufacture of prohibited drug greater than commercial quantity, and knowingly direct a criminal group. The woman was charged with 45 firearm related offences including unlawfully selling firearms and participating in a criminal group and contribute to criminal activity. They were both refused bail and will appear in Hornsby Local Court tomorrow (Friday 9

April 2021). Simultaneously, police attended a home in Guildford West and arrested a 43-year-old man who was taken to Fairfield Police Station. He was also charged with 45 firearm related offences including unlawfully sell firearms, and supply pistol. He was refused bail and will appear in Fairfield Local Court tomorrow (Friday 9 April 2021). Search warrants were executed at both properties where detectives seized several items relevant to the investigation. About 8am, a third search warrant was executed at a business in Double Bay where further relevant items were seized. Inquiries are ongoing.



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**11 April, Shared with permission from the Lindfield/ East Lindfield/ Killara/ Roseville Community group: We are on Carlyle Rd and had our car scratched last night 🤔😞 Did anyone see or heard anything?**

**And in the comments:**

Thank you guys. We have reported it to police. Apparently quite a few cars

were damaged today. I received this from Ray White agent:

Dear V, if you came to the auction today at 45 Carlyle Road, East Lindfield, please check your car for scratches. We had three police reports of cars being scratched near the property around or after the auction was done. All three incidents are damages done by a key from back wheel to front wheel on the driver side, one car had words carved on it. If your car is scratched as well in a similar manner, please email the photos to [54981@police.nsw.gov.au](mailto:54981@police.nsw.gov.au) Attn: CST Press, Or call Hornsby police station 94769799. If you have a dash cam recorded someone doing it or you saw something suspicious, can you also please contact the police or us. Thank you. Jessica Cao - Ray White Upper North Shore



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**11 April, from Crime Stoppers NSW: Do you have information to give to Crime Stoppers but don't want to call on the phone?**

Visit [www.crimestoppers.com.au](http://www.crimestoppers.com.au) and report your information online. You can even upload images and video to support your information. 👍

You can choose to remain confidential.



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**11 April, from Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC): The ACSC has developed a guide to help organisations protect against cybercrime.** Called the 'Essential Eight', it contains steps that you can take to mitigate your business being compromised. Learn more [here](#).



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**Dates for the Diary**

**Thursday 15 April:** 9:30am-12:30pm PCYC Safer Drivers Course [Book here](#).

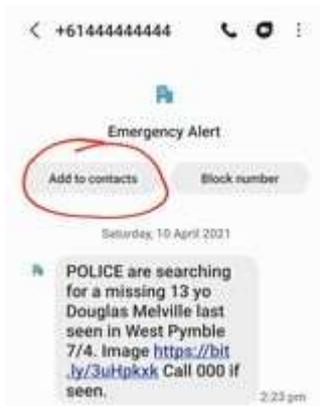
**Wednesday 21 April:** Ku-ring-gai Council 'Everything for Seniors Day' 10am-2pm @ the Turramurra Uniting Church Hall & meeting rooms and the Turramurra Seniors Centre. Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai/Hornsby will have a crime prevention stall at this event. [Info here](#).

**Tuesday 08 June :** Hornsby Shire Council Volunteer Expo 11am-1pm @ Hornsby Mall. TBC if NHW will be participating.

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### 10 April: Was it a scam? NO!

Several residents and business owners in the area have been asking Neighbourhood Watch whether an SMS received was legit or a scam. It came from the phone number **+61444444444** with the title "Emergency Alert". This was the first in our area of the use of a new SMS geo-targeting alert system, as reported in our eNewsletter dated 16 March 2021. We suggest you add that phone number to your contacts, for any future alerts.

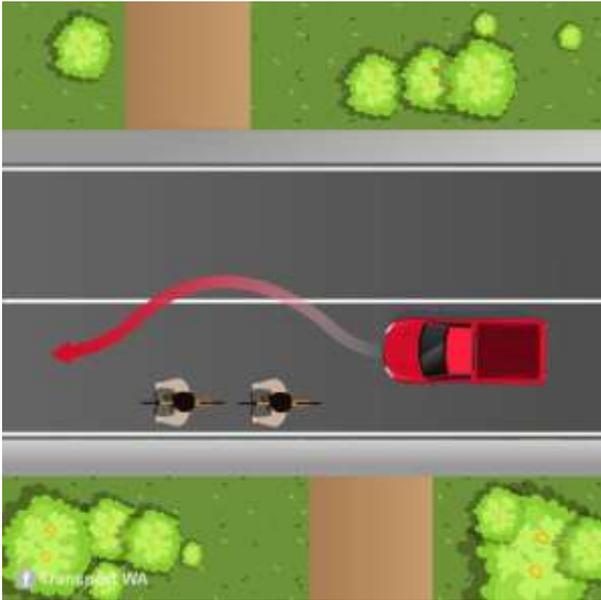


And... good news. The missing 13-year-old boy returned home safely.

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### There seems to be some confusion over this.

So tell us 🙋🏻🚗🚲🚲 Can the red car cross the continuous white line to pass the bike riders? 🤔



### **YES. Overtaking bicycles**

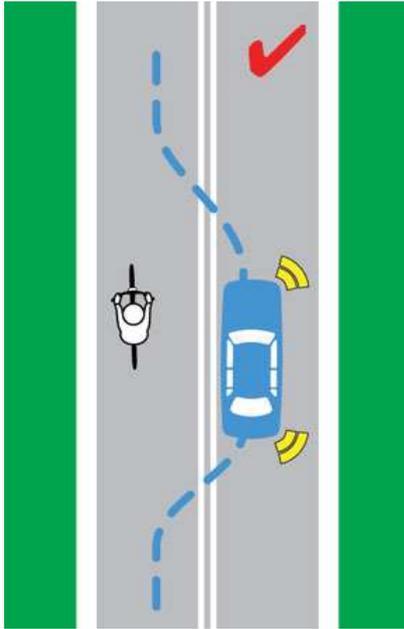
When overtaking bicycles, you must allow a distance between you and the rider of at least:

- 1m when the speed limit is 60km/h or less
- 1.5m when the speed limit is more than 60km/h.

To overtake a bicycle, you should have a clear view of approaching traffic. Only overtake if it's safe to do so. If necessary, when overtaking a bicycle you can:

- drive to the right of the centre of the road
- cross or straddle dividing lines (broken or unbroken, single or double)
- drive on flat painted islands and median strips.

Bicycles can overtake a vehicle on the left.



You can cross double dividing lines when overtaking a bicycle.

Full information the from Roads & Maritime Services (RMS) [here](#).

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### **10 April, from The Hills command: Police Pursuit - Male arrested for serious DV incidents Glenorie.**

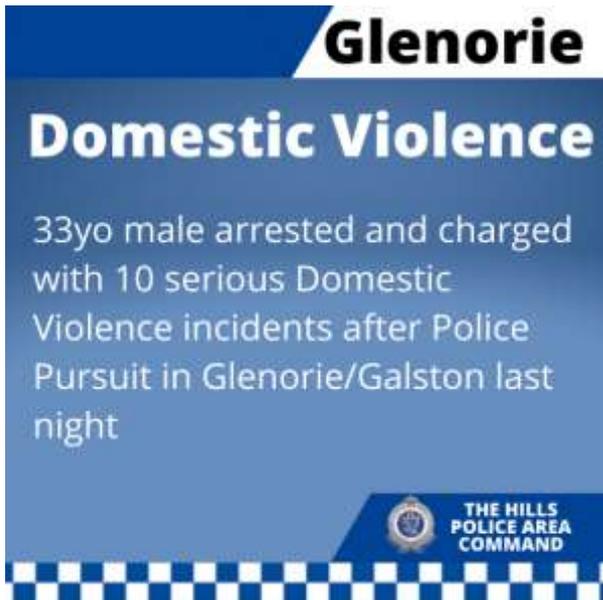
Following concerns for the welfare of a 32yo female allegedly subjected to serious domestic violence offences, police searched the Glenorie-Galston area around 9pm last night (8/4/2021). Around this time Hills Police engaged in a pursuit with a utility driven by her former partner (33yo male). The pursuit ended in Carrs Road, Galston. The female was found in the vehicle and was taken to safety.

The 33yo male was arrested and taken to Castle Hill Police Station, where was charged with :

- Breach AVO
- Drive in a manner dangerous
- Negligent Driving
- Malicious Damage

- Common Assault x2
- Assault Occasioning Actual Bodily Harm x
- Stalk Intimidate
- Armed with intent to commit indictable offence

He was bail refused to appear at Parramatta Local Court 9/4/2021



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**09 April, from NSW Police: A man has been charged after being found with weapons on a train on Sydney's Upper North Shore today.**

About 11am (Thursday 8 April 2021), officers attached to Hornsby Police Transport Command were conducting routine patrols of a train travelling from Turramurra to Hornsby, when they spoke with a 36-year-old man relation to an alleged transport offence.

The man had several bags in his possession. During a search of the man's bags, police discovered an electronic stun device, a large knife in a brown leather sheath and other items of interest. The 36-year-old man was arrested and taken off the train when it arrived at Hornsby Railway Station a short time later. He was taken to Hornsby Police Station, where he was charged with possess or use a prohibited weapon without permit, custody of knife in public

place - subsequent offence and goods in personal custody suspected being stolen (not m/v). The man was given conditional bail to appear at Hornsby Local Court on Wednesday 14 April 20201.



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**08 April, from the Sydney Morning Herald: 'Multiple agencies' failed to prevent John Edwards from killing his children, inquest finds**

The children were cowering under Jack's desk when he found them. Jennifer, 13, was in the foetal position. Jack, 15, was sheltering her with his body.

Full article [here](#).





Email us [here](#) for a copy in your inbox.

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## 07 April, Shared with permission from the St Ives Community group: Hi everyone - I NEED YOUR HELP!

This morning my partner discovered that his mower, leaf blower and other items were stolen from his ute last night that he needs for work. As you can imagine these items are not cheap!!!!!! He was parked opposite the Meriton alcove main driveway and had a silver Ford (see photo) parked behind him overnight. If you own this car and have a dash cam, PLEASE PLEASE CONTACT ME !!! If there is any one that lives on Killeaton street opposite the Meriton Alcove (132-138) that has security cameras on their property or dashcams in their car, PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE contact me!!!!



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**07 April, from Arthur & Co Pet Concierge: ❤️❤️❤️ A PICTURE IS WORTH  
1000 WORDS ❤️❤️❤️**

And once more, for tonight, the world is as it should be = Rikki the stolen poodle and his 81 yr old owner are back together! Thank you to the helpers, the legends. You know who you are xx



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**From 'Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Apartments:**

**Tip #8.** Ask your Body Corporate to request a Security Audit of all the building (including storage cages) from your Crime Prevention Officer at **Hornsby Police Station: 9476 9799.**

**Tip #17.** Do not leave your car park remote control or any valuables on view in your vehicle, even if it is locked and in the secure parking area.

**Tip #18.** Consider replacing the main door lock(s) with high-quality deadlocks. Replace any screws with longer ones to secure any doorchain/doorbar.

**Tip #19.** Fire exits are a risk. Never leave fire exit doors propped open.

**Tip #20.** Natural ladders are a risk. Don't provide easy access to upper level balconies, eg wheelie bins, lattice, trees, nearby fences.

For more tips and translations, look at our website 'Tips' page [here](#). Or try our WatchOut! website [here](#), for links to some great information available on the

internet. Or request a copy in your inbox [here](#).

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Thanks to Matt.

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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)

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**Twitter** [@NHWKRGHornsby](https://twitter.com/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](https://www.facebook.com/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](#)

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**Face-to-Face/printed newsletter groups:**

Neighbourhood Watch - East Killara

Neighbourhood Watch - Gordon (part)/Killara (part)/Pymble (part)

Neighbourhood Watch - Hornsby (Jubilee St)  
Neighbourhood Watch - Mt Colah  
Neighbourhood Watch - St Ives (Lynbara Ave)  
Neighbourhood Watch - Turramurra (The Chase)

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