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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 of course includes Hornsby area also. Anyone may join our distribution list by emailing: [NHWGordon@gmail.com](mailto:NHWGordon@gmail.com). The weekly update usually includes:

- **Project eyewatch:** 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.

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**19th March:** Police from The Hills Command are appealing for the public's help to find an elderly woman who was last seen in the **Hornsby area yesterday. 90-year-old Ilse Viemeir** was discharged from Hornsby Hospital about 1.30pm yesterday (Monday 18 March, 2013), where she had been treated for a serious cut to her leg suffered during a recent fall. The woman got into a cab at the hospital and was last seen at the Hornsby Railway Station taxi rank later that day. Police and family of Ms Viemeir hold grave concerns for her welfare due to her age, her injury, and her medical conditions that require her to have regular medication. She has been described as Caucasian in appearance, about 165cm tall with short grey/white colour hair, She was last seen wearing black long pants, a white long sleeve shirt and a red button up shirt over the top. Anyone with information about this incident should call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000



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**15 March 2013, marks Bullying, No way! National Day.**

This link provides several National links to bullying. Visit: <http://www.bullyingnoway.gov.au/index.html>

**Cyberbullying can include:**

- abusive texts and emails
- posting unkind messages or images
- imitating others online
- excluding others online
- inappropriate image tagging imitating others online.

**How does it differ from face-to-face bullying?** While cyberbullying is similar to face-to-face bullying, it also differs in the following ways:

- it can give the person doing the bullying a sense of being anonymous, so they may behave in ways they wouldn't offline
- it can occur 24/7 and be difficult to escape
- it is invasive, impacting students' social worlds at school and home, online and offline
- it can have a large audience—readily shared with groups or posted on public forum
- it is very difficult to delete bullying comments and images.

**CYBER BULLYING LINKS:**

**Kids Helpline** is free, anonymous and available 24/7 on 1800 55 1800 or via their website <http://www.kidshelp.com.au/> **Think You Know** - Provides great step-by-step guides on how to keep yourself safe whilst online, on social media sites and mobile phones. Visit: <http://www.thinkuknow.org.au/> More info available from [NHWGordon@gmail.com](mailto:NHWGordon@gmail.com) .

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**19th March:** Hornsby police are investigating a shop stealing offence from **The Chemist Warehouse at Turramurra**, About 1.15pm on Tuesday the 12th of March unknown person/s

have stolen 15 bottles of perfume. Also at the same store unknown person/s have stolen 8 bottles of perfume from a display counter. It occurred about 4pm on Sunday the 17th of March. In both incidents the same male appears to be in the store. Police believe the male depicted in the photo may be able to assist with inquiries into this offence, if you know him please contact Hornsby police on 9476 9799 or call crime stoppers on 1800 333 000 with any information that may assist.



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**19th March:** Hornsby police and Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) volunteers at today's Seniors Security Expo providing senior safety and home security information.



Pictured, Phil Langley (East Killara NHW), Jean Hudson (Gordon NHW), Ursula Tank (Gordon NHW), Dick Whitaker (E-Watch#1 St Ives) and Carroll Howe (Turramurra NHW)

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**19th March:** Hornsby police are investigating a stealing from **Harvey Norman at Gordon**, The stealing occurred about 4pm on Saturday the 16th where a Sony laptop computer was stolen.

Police believe the male and female depicted in the photo may be able to assist with inquiries into this stealing, if you know them please contact **Hornsby police on 9476 9799** or call crime stoppers on 1800 333 000 with any information that may assist.



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**19th March:** Hornsby police are investigating a stealing that occurred at **Liquor land Hornsby Westfield**. About 9pm on Friday the 15th unknown person/s stole a number of premixed drinks. Police believe the male and female depicted in the photo may be able to assist with inquiries into this stealing, if you know them please contact **Hornsby police on 9476 9799** or call crime stoppers on 1800 333 000 with any information that may assist.



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**18th March: Thought about your privacy recently?** Who has your information stored and where? Who do they pass it to? Have a look at the file see if you are at risk? Is your license scanned at a club or pub. Your license has your name, birth date, address, photo and signature. Think about this next time you are asked to have it scanned. Ask to sign in instead. Protect your identity because it is YOUR identity you want to keep it that way. Two useful links: <http://www.scamwatch.gov.au/content/index.phtml/tag/identitytheft> and <http://www.afp.gov.au/policing/fraud/identity-crime>

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**18th March: Sharing this from Eastwood LAC.** As we have a number of multi-story unit blocks all residents and owners should do a review of the windows and balconies to ensure safety for all persons within. If you have children be especially vigilant. Make sure window locks are installed. If you need to open a window for ventilation then no more than 10cm and a window lock must be used. Never leave a chair or have the bed/cot next to the window. <http://www.smh.com.au/nsw/childs-fall-results-in-window-locks-move-20130313-2g0rm.html>

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**17th March: Community Event. Hornsby Council's One World Festival. TODAY Hornsby Mall.** Hornsby police will have a stall with crime prevention material and flyers on Home security, personal safety, business security and Domestic Violence. The police will also be assisted by our Neighbour Hood Watch groups and Volunteers in Policing (VIPs).



Our VIP Julia, and Fiona our Multicultural Community Liaison Officer speaking to our community members.

#### 14th March: Weekly stats for Hornsby police:

OFFENCES	Break & Enter	Malicious Damage	Stealing	Steal Motor Vehicle	Steal from Motor Vehicle	Robbery
<b>Suburb</b>						
ASCUTH						
BERROWRA			1			
BROOKLYN			1	1	1	
GALSTON			1			
GORDON	2					
HORNSBY	2		5	4		1
KILLARA	1				1	
MT COLAH						
MT KURING GAI						
KIRKMANHURST				2		
PYMBLE	2			1		
ST IVES	1		1			
THORNLEIGH			2	2		
TURRAMULRA						1
WAHROONGA			2			
WATARA	2					1
WARRAWEE				1		1
WEST PYMBLE	1					
WESTLEIGH						
Date range	8 March to 13 March					

#### 14th March: Drugs arrest.

As a result of a search warrant Kuring gai LAC detectives **searched a rural property in Canoelands** yesterday the 13th of March. During the search warrant police spoke to a 67 year old male and a number of items were located. These include recently cut green vegetable matter police allege is cannabis which weighed between 20 and 25 kgs. Also allegedly located at the property was a single barrel shot gun and some ammunition.

The male was interviewed and charged with various drugs and firearm offences, He was refused bail to appear at the Hornsby Local Court on Thursday the 14th.

#### 14th March: Unit Fire.

The resident of a **unit in Link road, St Ives** has gone to bed during the early evening about 8.50 pm on Wednesday the 13th the resident was woken by smoke in the unit. On inspection a fire in

a bedroom was seen with a mattress on fire. The resident has managed to throw the mattress out the sliding balcony door and the mattress put out by the resident. Fire brigade officers and police have arrived and assessed the situation. The fire was confirmed as being out but an ambulance was called due to minor burns to the residents hands (from handling the burning mattress) and spoke inhalation. There is an estimated damage of \$20,000. Early investigations point to a laptop being left on a mattress which has overheated because of blocked vents on the laptop. There are no suspicious circumstances.

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#### **14th March, Arrest of 21 year old male.**

Police were called to **Wahroonga village car park** due to a male intimidating members of the public. About 1.15am on Thursday the 14th police attended the location and saw a male without his shirt following 5 other males who appeared to be backing away from this male. Police have spoken to the 5 males and then attempted to speak to the shirtless male. The male appeared to be somewhat intoxicated and allegedly started swearing at police. The male is then alleged to have 'stood up to police' getting close to their personal space. The male was distanced by police from their personal space. The male has again allegedly swore at police again and entered their personal space the male was then distanced again. The male was placed under arrest however he is alleged to have resisted this but was eventually handcuffed. The male was charged and faces Hornsby Local Court on the 10th of April charged with Intimidate police, resist arrest and offensive language.

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#### **14th March, from our neighbouring command, North Shore LAC: NORTH SHORE BIKE SQUAD STRIKES AGAIN**

This afternoon at 2.45pm the North Shore Bike Squad arrested a **33 year old man from Killara**. This arrest followed some great investigation work by the members of the Bike Squad into a series of frauds being committed at various retail outlets on the North Shore allegedly using stolen credit cards. The 33 year old man is currently at Chatswood Police Station and is expected to be charged with 15 Fraud related offences, 1 Break, Enter and Steal offence, 1 count of drug possession and goods in custody.

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**12th March:** Police have issued a warning about a **batch of LSD tabs** printed with an image of **Psy** which are believed to be making teens ill and could result in brain damage or death. "Taking any drug carries with it an unacceptable risk. There is clearly more of this drug circulating in the community and anyone who consumes it carries with them the risk of permanent brain damage or death." For more information about drugs, visit the following websites: [www.saveamate.org.au](http://www.saveamate.org.au) [www.druginfo.adf.org.au](http://www.druginfo.adf.org.au) [www.somazone.com.au](http://www.somazone.com.au) Remember, the best way to avoid problems with drugs is not to use them at all.

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**Galston Gorge** has been in the conversation this week, due to trucks getting stuck. The following link was posted by our **Crime Prevention Officer, Snr Cst Paul Cleary**: Attached is a Fact sheet from the RMS website relating to the Galston Gorge. [http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au/roadprojects/projects/sydney\\_region/northern\\_sydney\\_region/galston\\_gorge/documents/fact\\_sheet\\_galston\\_road\\_hornsby\\_heights\\_and\\_galston\\_july\\_2011.pdf](http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au/roadprojects/projects/sydney_region/northern_sydney_region/galston_gorge/documents/fact_sheet_galston_road_hornsby_heights_and_galston_july_2011.pdf) "Just thought I'd add the

fine and points for this offence: \$2052 and 6 demerit points. One very expensive lesson for this truck driver!"

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**12th March: Home safety.** (Electronic copy of booklet available from [NHWGordon@gmail.com](mailto:NHWGordon@gmail.com).) Here is a home safety booklet offering tips on how best to secure you home. A good idea also is to photograph all your jewellery and electrical items. Catalogue these and store the digital photos OFF SITE, that is somewhere secure like work or a trusted friend/relative. With jewellery place a ruler next to the item for reference to size. With your electronics include a photo of the serial number for insurance purposes. Also if the item is found, we can return it to the rightful owner.

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**11th March, Community reminder,**

This is a just a gentle reminder when out and about in public. Know where your handbag and other personal property is at all time. Once or Twice a month Hornsby police get reports of handbags being stolen from shoppers. They are mainly taken from the seat of a shopping trolley, sometimes they get taken from a the floor or seat while at a Cafe or the like. An opportunistic thief will target someone they think is an easy target (like leaving your handbag in the trolley) then in a matter of seconds while you are distracted they will strike. Either taking the bag itself or your wallet/purse from the bag. Police would like to remind you all that you should (must) always have a physical hold of your handbag. This also goes for when you actually pay for an item. Don't be rushed, take your time put everything away and make sure you have everything safely secured then get your shopping. If you're 'overloaded' with shopping maybe you should make 2 or more trips just to be safe.

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**Seniors Security Expo - Feel Safe, Be Safe! Tuesday, 19th March 9:30am - 12:30pm at Turramurra Uniting Church, Turramurra Avenue, Turramurra.**



**Neighbourhood  
Watch.**

## **Seniors Security Expo Feel Safe, Be Safe!**

Tuesday, 19 March 2013  
Turrumurra Uniting Church  
10 Turrumurra Avenue, Turrumurra

**Neighbourhood Watch** *would like to thank the following  
businesses and organisations for their generous support, donations and  
time.*

Turrumurra Pharmacy	Rapa Japanese & Korean Restaurant
Grace's Florist	tongue teasers Gourmet Delicatessen
Turrumurra Drapery	Turrumurra Uniting Church (TUC)
Chemist on Redleaf	Eastern Road Village Pharmacy
Pastadelli	Wahroonga Village Pharmacy
Avenue Luxe	Golden Grove Fruit & Vegetable
Novella Fine Books	Maison Anthony Hairstylist
Chubb Fire & Security	Kelvin Hall Floral Design
Roland Priestley P/L	Rotary Club of Turrumurra
Culinary Delight	Triple H Community Radio
Urban Spa	Rotary Club of Thornleigh
Bertrand's Cakes	Wahroonga Flower Shoppe
St John Ambulance	Wahroonga Village Pharmacy
SES Ku-ring-gai	Fine Impressions
Hornsby Chinese Seniors Group	The Butchers Block
Ku-ring-gai Council	The Barber Shop in Wahroonga
Seniors Care Guide	Kuring gai Police & Community Safety Committee
Hornsby Advocate	North Shore Times
Heather Koroknay	Nick Goulden
Geoff McBeath	Denice Kelly, Turrumurra & Lindfield Community Banks (Branches of Bendigo Bank)



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### **Waitara Wellness Centre**

28 McAuley Place Waitara

Wednesday March 27<sup>th</sup> 2013

11am – 3pm

Free information sessions and stalls for

Brain health, brain training and mind well being, Thai chi,  
horticulture, massage, occupational therapy and dietary  
advice

Devonshire tea and bbq lunch available for \$2.00

RSVP Kerry Silver – 0448 733 267 / [ksilver@chcs.com.au](mailto:ksilver@chcs.com.au)

Monday March 25<sup>th</sup>

[www.catholiccommunityservices.com.au](http://www.catholiccommunityservices.com.au)

Customer Service Centre 1800 225 474

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**Need Legal help?** Call LawAccess NSW 1300 888 529. [www.lawaccess.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lawaccess.nsw.gov.au)

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### **Did you know?**

A children's crossing is only a part time crossing.

When flags are not displayed on a children's crossing you do not have right of way unless combined with a pedestrian crossing.

Do not loiter and chat on or near a crossing. This is dangerous, can confuse motorists and hods up traffic.

Stop on or near children's crossing - fine exceeds \$353 + 2 demerit points.

Proceed at children's crossing while pedestrian at crossing - fine exceeds \$441 + 4 demerit points.

Pedestrian crossing the road within 20metres of a crossing - fine exceeds \$59.

Pedestrian stays on crossing longer than necessary - fine exceeds \$59.

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[www.facebook.com/#!/KuringGaiLAC](http://www.facebook.com/#!/KuringGaiLAC) is the link to your local Police's facebook page. YOU DON'T NEED TO JOIN WITH FACEBOOK TO VIEW THE PAGE.



### **Incidents in the Kuring gai Local Area Command dated Monday 18th March 2013:**

Incident: Middle Range drink driving  
Time/Date: About 8.30pm on Sunday the 17th  
Place: Alexandria Pde, WAITARA  
Vehicle 1: White Holden  
Driver 1: 38 year old male from a Hornsby address.

Details: The driver was stopped for a random breath test with was allegedly positive for alcohol. A subsequent test gave a result of .103. The male had his license suspended by police.

Court: The is to appear at the Hornsby Local Court on Thursday the 11th of April charged with driving with a middle range concentration of alcohol.

Incident: Single car crash F3.  
Time/Date: About 12.15 pm on Friday the 15th  
Place: F3 Near Hawkesbury river bridge.  
Vehicle 1: Holden Commodore  
Driver 1: 28 year old female from a Gosford address.

Details: The Holden was seen on the F3 allegedly travelling above the speed limit weaving in and out of lanes while doing so. The Holden is alleged to have attempted to change lanes at speed and has spun a reported 2 full 360 deg turns. The Holden has then collided with a concrete barrier near the break down lane, then careering across lane 2 coming to rest in lane 3. The driver was trapped before being released by NSW Fire and rescue. The driver was conveyed to Gosford Hospital and her car was towed from the scene. Police will wait for the results of blood tests before proceeding with any action.

Incident: High range drink driving  
Time/Date: About 8.20pm on  
Place: Brooklyn Rd, BROOKLYN, 50m West of Cowan St  
Vehicle 1: Toyota Hi-ace.  
Driver 1: 53 year old male from Brooklyn.

Details: The Toyota was stopped for a random breath test. Police allegedly smelt intoxicating liquor from within the car. A roadside test was allegedly positive for alcohol. A further test gave a result of .152. The male had his license suspended by police and was charged.

Court: The male is to face Hornsby Local Court on the 11th of April charged with driving with a high range concentration of alcohol.

Incident: Tree falls on road.  
Time/Date: About 3:50pm 16 March  
Place: Horace Street, St Ives

Details: About 3:50pm a branch from a large Eucalyptus tree broke away and landed on to the south bound lanes at the intersection of Amesbury Avenue near the eastern kerb of Horace Street, St Ives; The branch has caused minor traffic delays and a contra flow was set up until the road was cleared.

Incident: Juvenile shop lifter.  
Time/Date: Between 6pm and 8 pm on Thursday the 14th  
Place: Westfield Hornsby  
Person 1: 15 year old female

Details: The 15 year old girl has attended Westfield with a friend and entered various shops. At Myer the girl is alleged to have taken 3 tops and exited the store without paying for them. The girl is then alleged to have entered 2 more shops taking cosmetics and jewellery items from them. At the 3rd store a witness has detained the girl and police were called. The girl is to receive a caution at a future date.

Police would like to remind the community that non urgent reports of crime can be reported by calling the Police Assistance Line on 131444, Suspicious activity or information on crimes by phoning Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 to report crimes anonymously.

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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** Please encourage your neighbours and friends to join our NHW Gordon Mailing list at [NHWGordon@gmail.com](mailto:NHWGordon@gmail.com).

Did you know? You don't have to be on facebook to view the local police's Kuring Gai LAC facebook page? It is set up so that anyone can scroll down and view all the posts from the beginning of time, the photos and crime prevention resources [that'll do us - ed]. To view, please click on this link: <https://www.facebook.com/KuringGaiLAC> or try for yourself and google <Kuring Gai Police facebook>. However, if you would like to communicate with the Police via this page, then you would have to set up your Facebook profile.

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