



Kuring-gai NSW Police Local Area Command (LAC)

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This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in the NSW Police Force Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC), which includes most of the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai 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 the Kuring Gai LAC Facebook page [click here](#) (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 an other Police command ("Crooks know no boundaries!"). Have you seen anything we should share with the community? [Click here](#) to email NHW in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby. We do value your contributions. Thank you for your support.

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Hornsby Police news,

26/9/16

The following relate to local issues in the Kuring gai Local Area Command.

Incident: Stealing

Time/Date: About 1.30pm Sunday 25th

Place: David Jones store Hornsby

Details: A 43 year old female whilst in the David Jones store was seen by security lingering near a display stand. It is alleged the female has placed several wallets and perfumes into a bag and left the store without paying for the items. Security have stopped the female and called police. The female was arrested but refused to be interviewed. The items were returned to David Jones staff. The female is to face Hornsby Local Court at a date yet to be fixed.

Incident: Bush walker rescued.

Time/Date: About 5.50pm Saturday 24th

Place: Waratah walking track between Berowra and Apple Tree Bay.

Details: A 37 year old male has commenced a bushwalk from Berowra, during the walk the male has aggravated an old ankle injury and could not continue. Emergency services responded as well as Polair to locate the male due to darkness. The male was found by ground crews after being located by Polair and taken to Apple tree bay, he did not need hospitalisation and was returned to his car.

Incident: Rocks thrown at house.

Time/Date: Between 5pm Friday 23rd and 2am Saturday 24th

Place: Rosamond Street, Hornsby

Details: Several large rocks were thrown at a house in Rosamond Street. 2 large plate glass windows were smashed; damage value is estimated to be \$1,000.

Incident: Steal from motor vehicle

Time/Date: Between 7.45pm and 8.15pm Sunday 25th

Place: Killeaton Street, St Ives.

Details: A BMW was parked and locked on the street. The car was broken into by unknown means with a handbag and 'lunch bag' stolen.

Incident: Malicious damage

Time/Date: Between 9am Thursday 22nd and 9am Friday 23rd.

Place: Mt William Street, Gordon

Details: A Toyota Hilux had 3 of its tyres slashed while parked at the location.

Incident: Break, enter & steal

Time/Date: Between 7pm Friday 23rd and 3.30pm Sunday 25th

Place: Shop in Florence Street, Hornsby.

Details: A shop in Florence Street was broken into, an alarm appears to have been activated during the incident, almost \$2,000 cash was taken out of a cash box as well as several cheques.

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.

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MEDIA RELEASE

For immediate release

29 August, 2016

Crim-proof the whole family at the Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) turbo-charged event of the year!

Monday October 3 – Sunday October 9 marks Neighbourhood Watch Week – a Neighbourhood Watch Australasia initiative, aiming to bring focus onto Neighbourhood Watch in the 21st Century. Jointly with the New South Wales

Police Force, various events will be held around Sydney to mark this important campaign.

Neighbourhood Watch within the NSW Police - Kuring Gai Local Area Command, together with the local Police, are putting on a NHW Roadshow full of short, engaging, punchy presentations. The one-of-a-kind event, with the overall theme of "Bringing Back Community", will be held on Wednesday October 5 at Ku-ring-gai Town Hall.

Using a 'speed dating' type format, the fast-paced program aims to showcase to the public attending what has changed since they last took a look at their crime prevention measures – and how they can help protect themselves, and even get involved with local crime solving!

The day will consist of short, informative talks by various law enforcement officers – nothing over 10 minutes long each - as well as specialty speakers, delving into the subjects that matter most to our community members - such as the rise in identity theft and fraud, what to do if your home is broken into, how to report domestic violence and how anyone can assist with provincial issues such as graffiti removal. A range of the latest security products will be show-cased, with a focus on RFID* protection.

The public can choose to attend either of two separate sessions on the day - one in the morning and one in the afternoon, with lunch provided in between for anyone who wants to stay back late or arrive early.

Our local NSW Police Force Youth Liaison Officer will be on hand to give little ones a safety talk, but it's not all serious business - there are also plenty of fun activities to keep the kids busy including kiddy police car rides, colouring-in, sniffer dog puppies, police dress-ups, finger-printing and a special appearance by the New South Wales Police Force Highway Patrol.

It's a turbo-charged event in so many ways!

There will be numerous FREE goodies, and fantastic Lucky Door Prizes on hand thanks to Strandbags, in keeping with the RFID* focus.

Details of the Event, are as follows:

Date:

Wednesday 05 October, 2016

Time:

9:30 – 11:30am – Morning Session

11:30 – 1:30pm - Lunch provided by Ku-ring-gai Council

1:30 – 3:30pm – Afternoon Session

Location: Ku-ring-gai Town Hall 1186 Pacific Highway, Pymble 2073

For more information contact:

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Further information:

Neighbourhood Watch Australasia is the overarching organisation of member Neighbourhood Watch programs in Australia and Neighbourhood Support in New Zealand.

Neighbourhood Watch Australasia is the largest community based, crime prevention activity of its kind in Australasia.

NSW Police – Kuring Gai Local Area Command (LAC) covers most of the Ku-ring-gai Council and Hornsby Shire Council areas.

Neighbourhood Watch has been in the Kuring Gai LAC since inception in 1986/87 and the groups have more recently taken the initiative to help one another, join together and to support the local police Crime Prevention Officer.

*RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) refers to the technology used in credit cards for PayPass, Tap & Go etc.

[Yes, Ku-ring-gai is the council spelling. Kuring Gai is the NSW Police spelling.]

23 September: NSW Police Force

With school holidays about to start, the NSW SES and Police are urging people to be aware of flood affected areas in their travels and not to drive through floodwater.

Several inland regions in New South Wales have been affected by flooding and there are several roads closed right across the state.

With more rain forecast, motorists are advised to reconsider travelling to flood affected areas, plan their trip, and stay up to date with www.livetraffic.com or check with their local council on road closure information.

People are being encouraged to avoid holidaying near flood-affected rivers and creeks because these waterways could rise rapidly and put lives at risk.

Members of the public are encouraged to regularly check the SES and Bureau of Meteorology websites for updated flood information.

21 September: NSW Police Force

A ride-sharing service driver has been charged following an alleged sexual assault of a passenger in Sydney's North Shore over the weekend.

Shortly after 11pm on Saturday (17 September 2016), a 26-year-old woman got into a red Nissan Micra driven by a man in West Pennant Hills, after ordering a ride from a ride-sharing service.

During the drive home, the driver allegedly pulled the car over in Carlingford and sexually assaulted the passenger, before taking her home.

The woman reported the matter to police from North Shore Local Area Command and an investigation commenced.

About 9.20am today (Tuesday 20 September 2016), following investigations, officers arrested a 30-year-old man at a home on Acropolis Avenue, Rooty Hill.

Following his arrest, officers executed a search warrant at the home, seizing items that will undergo forensic examinations.

The man was taken to Mt Druitt Police Station where he was charged with sexual assault and indecent assault.

He was refused bail and is due to appear at Mt Druitt Local Court today (Tuesday 20 September 2016).

20 NSW Police Force: BIAS RELATED CRIME - ST.IVES

There have been a number of incidents of damaging items within the St.Ives area which are of meaning to its local Jewish community. Furthermore, the items which have been the subject of these inane and meaningless attacks are in place legally.

Damage to those items is not only a criminal offence, it is it would appear to be Bias Motivated Crime, and shall be treated as such by Kuring-Gai Local Area Command. The offences are presently the subject of investigation and other Policing activities.

20 September, from NSW Police Force



Great information here from the Little Blue Dinosaur Foundation's school holiday safety campaign, reminding us that it's school holidays soon and children will be around. Please drive safely.

[Full information here.](#)

20 September: NSW Road Safety

Safety Town is part of our Road Safety Education in Schools Program, which has for 30 years supported road safety education in all NSW schools. The website features interactive resources to help children, teachers and families learn more about road safety

For more click [here](#)

19 September, NSW Police Force: Never reveal your PIN to anyone [Edited]

A series of incidents have been occurring within the Ryde LAC where victims have had their wallets/purses stolen, sometimes from the home. The offender then contacts the victim a short time later and states that they are from the victims banking institution.

The offender states that they would like to cancel their credit cards but require the PIN to do so. The offender has then gone on to defraud the victim by withdrawing funds from their account.

Learn more [here](#).

19 September, from NSW Police Force: Can you help?



Police are appealing for public assistance as they try to piece together the final movements of a man found dead on Sydney's northern beaches at the weekend.

The body of Ryan Foster, 26, from Avalon, was discovered at the bottom of a cliff at Careel Headland Reserve, about 10.15am on Saturday 17 September 2016.

Detectives from Northern Beaches Local Area Command are investigating his death and believe Mr Foster (pictured below) was with two other men shortly before he died.

Police have identified and spoken to one of the men; however, they would like to speak to the third man as part of their inquiries.

He is described as being of Caucasian appearance, about 183cm tall, aged 30 to 40-years-old and was seen travelling in a light coloured green hatchback, not

further described.

Police are still investigating the full circumstances surrounding Mr Foster's death; however, it's not believed to be suspicious at this time.

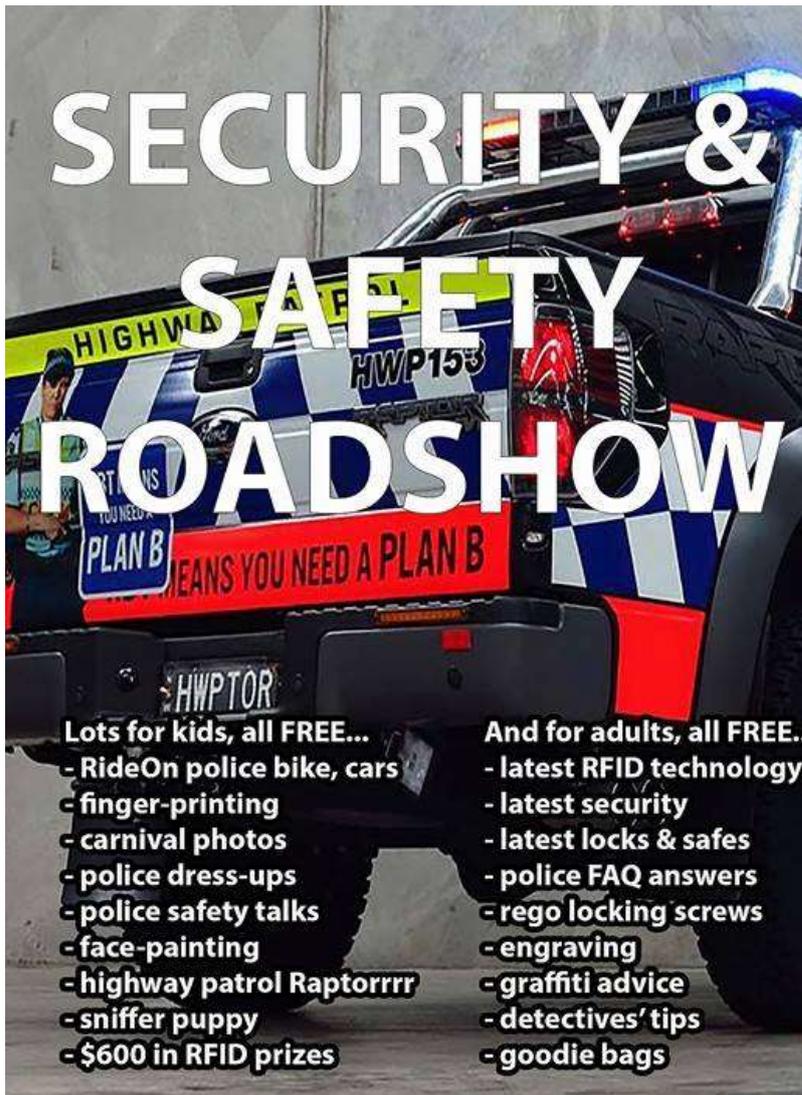
Anyone with information about his movements or knows the whereabouts of his motor vehicle, described as a white Nissan Nivara utility with registration CF35FN, is urged to come forward and contact Manly Police Station or Crime Stoppers.

Police are urging anyone with information in relation to this incident to call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or use the Crime Stoppers online reporting page [here](#): Information you provide will be treated in the strictest of confidence. We remind people they should not report crime information via our Facebook and Twitter pages.



Please would you promote our upcoming big event? The Security & Safety Roadshow

It's being arranged by volunteers from all the Neighbourhood Watch groups within the NSW Police - Kuring Gai Local Area Command. This command is us! Please show your support and come along to either the morning 9:30-11:30am or afternoon 1:30-3:30pm sessions. We've copied the flyer below. If you'd like to view the Draft Programme and Media Release, please have a look at the [website page set up specifically for the Roadshow](#) - we will be keeping it updated with the latest information, or email us at NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com. Thank you to all the people and companies supporting us that we've listed on the webpage.



Lots for kids, all FREE...

- RideOn police bike, cars
- finger-printing
- carnival photos
- police dress-ups
- police safety talks
- face-painting
- highway patrol Raptorrrr
- sniffer puppy
- \$600 in RFID prizes

And for adults, all FREE..

- latest RFID technology
- latest security
- latest locks & safes
- police FAQ answers
- rego locking screws
- engraving
- graffiti advice
- detectives' tips
- goodie bags

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH ROADSHOW

9:30-11:30am or 1:30-3:30pm, Wed 05 October 2016
 Ku-ring-gai Town Hall, 1186 Pacific Highway, Pymble
 NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com ph: 0410687412
 nhwkuringgaihornsby.wix.com/nhwkuringgaihornsby



Dates for the Diary:

Monday 26 September: Turramurra NHW meeting @ Turramurra Uniting Church,

8pm. "Recovering Stolen Property"

Thursday 29 September: Police Remembrance Day

Monday 03 - Sunday 09 October 2016: NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH WEEK

Wednesday 05 October: NHW Security & Safety Roadshow

#bringbackcommunity @ **Ku-ring-gai Town Hall, Pymble**. Choice of session: 9:30-11:30am or 1:30-3:30pm. Think 'speed-dating' for NHW. Fast punchy speakers, with up-to-date security products and information. Lots for the kids, including Highway Patrol motorbike, NHW cookies, colouring-in, and Police dress-ups for photo opportunities. \$600 Lucky Door prizes in RFID wallet/satchel products. [Full Info](#).

Thursday 24 November: Gordon NHW meeting 6pm @ Gordon Bowling Club - "Personal Safety"

21 September, Bullying Awareness and Cyber Safety Parent Webinar



\$10

**Bullying Awareness and
Cyber Safety Parent Webinar**

**From the comfort of your home or office
understand more about the nature of
bullying & cyber safety and learn tips to
keep your kids safe.**

**Tuesday, 18 October 2016
12:00pm-1:00pm**

**Bookings Essential
Call 02 8882 7850**

Do you want to learn how to help keep your kids safe? Register for our webinar on bullying awareness and cyber safety for parents. Only \$10 - you don't even need to leave your house!

From the Hornsby Advocate, 22 September: To view online edition, [click here](#), and choose the newspaper name and date top-left.

Lessons for kids in pool

NORMANHURST, Thornleigh and Hornsby swim schools have thrown their support behind an initiative to stop childhood drownings by offering free lessons for kids under five during national Learn to Swim Week.

Poolwerx owners Anthony Whitelaw and Andrew Hoolahan said Aquabliss Normanhurst, Aquabliss Thornleigh and Hornsby Aquatic Centre urged parents to take part.

To sign up for the lessons, parents should visit learn-toswimweek.com.au.

WEST PENNANT HILLS

1 Two women escaped injury after the car they were travelling in left the road, slammed into a garage and landed on top of a car in a driveway shortly after midnight on Sunday. The driver of a white Mitsubishi Magna allegedly ran from the scene, leaving his two female passengers — a 25-year-old from West Pennant Hills and a 25-year-old from Surfers Paradise. The Magna mounted the kerb on Aiken Rd, smashed through an electrical box, and destroyed a fence. It became airborne after hitting a garden retaining wall, bounced in a front yard, before landing on top of the Honda sedan. The two female passengers could not remember how the car had caused so much damage. Firefighters attended the scene and stabilised the garage wall. Police are waiting to speak to the alleged driver.

HORNSBY

2 An investigation is underway into the cause of a fire in a basement car park of a unit block in Hornsby early on Monday morning. Police and fire crews were called to a three-storey block on May St about 1.15am, and found a fire in the basement car park. Residents were evacuated from the building as a precaution while officers from Fire & Rescue NSW worked to contain the blaze. The fire was extinguished within 15 minutes however, there was some damage to the building's utilities system and two cars were also damaged. A crime scene was established and investigations into the cause of the fire are continuing. Anyone with information is urged to contact Hornsby Police on [9476 9799](tel:94769799).

HORNSBY / RYDE

4 A spate of fraud in the area has victims called by people posing as bank staff after their credit card is stolen asking for a PIN number. Banks do not ask for a PIN to cancel credit cards.

21 September, Family Online Safety Contract [Edited]

It's important to remember that many of the behaviours and issues we experience online, are no different to those we experience in the 'real' world. This means our expectations around behaviours should also apply online.

It's a good idea to speak with your child about your family values and how this extends to behaviour online. One way to encourage this discussion, is by creating a family internet safety contract together so that everyone knows what is expected of them when they're online.

For details, click [here](#).

20 September, US politicians are trying to force carmakers to install sensors to remind parents about infants left in child restraints after a series of deaths.

The introduction of the Helping Overcome Trauma for Children Alone in Rear Seats (HOT CARS) Act to the US Congress could lead to the mandatory fitting of an alert system in all new vehicles within two years.

This could lead to the introduction of similar technology locally in coming years, but the story behind the legislation serves as a timely reminder for Australian parents.

for details, click [here](#).

20 September, Police officer who saved boy from drowning meets him as a grown man



Christopher Jones walked into the Columbus Police Academy on Friday and tapped an officer on the shoulder.

Since Jones was 5 years old, he has never forgotten the name of Officer James Poole.

“Do you remember me?” Jones asked Poole.

for details, click [here](#)

What do you think about the NHW cookies we will have for the kids at the Roadshow? Thanks to the Well-read Cookie.



Important Contacts

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance) 000

Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC) 9476 9799

Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road (ex-Pacific Hwy), Hornsby 2077

Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000

Report crime anonymously

Report suspicious activity asap

Police Assistance Line (PAL) 131 444

For non-urgent minor crime

Kuring-gai Crime Prevention Officer 9476 9723

Local Police Facebook page: [Kuring Gai LAC](#)

Non-emergency two-way communication

Interpreting & Translating Services 131 450

Never be afraid or embarrassed to report a crime, concern or fear you have to the Police. The Police are here to help you.

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