



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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Crime stats for the weekend 2 December - 5 December 2016

OFFENCES	Break & Enter	Malicious Damage	Stealing	Steal from motor vehicle	Steal Motor Vehicle	Drugs
Suburb						
ASQUITH						
BEROWRA						
BROOKLYN						
COWAH						
GALSTON						
GORDON			1			
HORNSEY		1	2			
HORNSEY HEIGHTS						
KILLARA		1	1		2	
MT COLAH	1					
MCZURING GAI						
NORMANHURST						
PYMBLE	1				1 Stolen trailer	
ST IVES		1	1			
THORNLEIGH	1	2				
TURRAMURRA		3				
WAHROONGA		1				1
WAITARA						
WARRAWEE						
WEST PYMBLE						
WESTLEIGH						
Date range	2/12 to 5/12					

Gordon: Stealing 1

Hornsby: Malicious Damage 1, Stealing 2

Killara: Malicious Damage 1, Stealing 1, Steal from Motor vehicle: 2

Mt Colah: Break & Enter 1

Pymble: Break & Enter 1, Stolen Traler 1

St Ives: Malicious Damage 1, Stealing 1

Thornleigh: Break & Enter 1, Malicious Damage 2

Turramurra: Malicious Damage 3

Wahroonga: Malicious Damage 1, Drugs 1

5 December, NSW Police Force

Demerit points now apply for stealing disabled car spaces



From today, anyone caught parking illegally in a disabled car park in NSW will not only receive a \$519.00 fine, they will also receive a demerit point penalty.

5 December, from NSW Police Force

Quite a confronting and scary video of what happened on our roads last week.

Road Safety Tips:

1. Always lock your car doors. Even when travelling inside the vehicle.
2. Place handbags, bags, laptops, or any valuables in the boot of the vehicle, or behind the drivers seat.
3. Keep a notebook and pen in the vehicle as all times.
4. If you are involved in a road rage incident, record the offending vehicle's registration plate number, colour, make and model of the car; and a detailed description of the offender.
5. Do not exit your vehicle.
6. Call Police immediately on 000.
7. Where possible, write down the vehicle registrations of passing vehicles, as they may be a witness to the incident.
8. Consider installing a dash cam. This will greatly assist you with your Police

report.

9. On the motorways; Always keep left unless overtaking.

10. Report dangerous driving immediately to Police.

5 December, The Hills LAC - NSW Police Force

Check out the bike register...

1. Register Your Bike

Secure your bike's identity and ownership by registering your bike in your FREE and private Bike Vault

2. Report a Stolen Bike

Report your bike to SBA and share it on social media so everyone can help find your bike, not just the Police.

3. Search Stolen Bikes

If you're looking to buy a second hand bike we recommend you search here first. We have three ways to search our database, so you can easily find a stolen bike and hopefully avoid buying a stolen one.

4. Police Recovered Bikes

Abandoned stolen bikes are regularly handed in to Police and the Police seize many bikes suspected of being stolen. We have created a dedicated gallery for these bikes so they can easily be found and claimed by their rightful owners.

5. Stolen Bike Alerts

Sign up to receive email alerts for any bikes stolen in your neighbourhood. You can choose which bikes you are interested in or be notified about them all.'

6. Find a Bike

Search bike adverts from major classified sites including Gumtree and EBAY. You can set up daily email alerts to notify you if a matching bike you are chasing comes up for sale. Click [here](#) for details.

Thanks

Senior Constable DESIRA

CPO / GLLO

The Hills LAC

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1 December, Crime Stoppers NSW

CON ARTISTS...

They're friendly and clever. They want to trick you out of your money or property. If they attempt to bully you, call the police. Beware of:

- Something for nothing
- "you have won a contest"
- Cash only "opportunities"
- Home improvement offers
- Get rich quick schemes
- "service calls" you didn't request

If you have crime information to report to police in regards to Con Artists, you can report online [here](#) or call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 (24/7). You can remain anonymous.

1 December, NSW Police Force

If anyone can assist Chatswood Police



Stealing- Westfield, Chatswood. Monday 21st November.

Chatswood Police would like to speak to the persons depicted in the images below regarding an alleged stealing incident from Westfield. If you know these persons please call Chatswood Police 94148499 or Crime Stoppers 1800333000.

1 December, RYDA Road Safety

Today's the day. It is now officially against the law for P1 and P2 holders in NSW to use their phones in any way while driving. If you get caught using a voice-activated GPS app while behind the wheel - even if your phone is secured to a hands-free cradle - you will be suspended from driving for three months. Make sure you know the rules before you hit the road - you've worked hard to get your licence, don't risk losing it. Here's a quick refresher of NSW licence conditions for young drivers. Click [here](#) for all licence conditions.

30 November, from NSW Police Force Fraud and Cybercrime Squad: Be aware of what you share

It's important to know how to identify an illegitimate request for information. Be

aware of what you share. See the attached YouTube video from the Australian Tax Office for more information. Click [here](#) for details.

29 November, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

The Australian Ballistic Information Network helps police across Australia electronically match crime scene ballistic evidence to the weapon used in the crime, or link crimes if the same firearm is used at multiple scenes. This national solution builds on existing ballistic libraries that operate in several states. For more, click [here](#).

29 November, NSW Police Force



29 November, from NSW Police Force

We've received reports of scam phone calls claiming to be from the Australian Cybercrime Online Reporting Network (ACORN). The scammers will request remote access to your PC and then ask you to log into PayPal.

THIS IS A SCAM!

ACORN will never contact you by phone. Contact with ACORN can only be made

through the online Feedback form. If anyone calls you claiming to be from ACORN, please hang up and contact your local police station.

29 November, from NSW Police Force



Online shopping is a convenient way of buying Christmas presents, but it does come with some risks.

- Look out for extremely low prices - If it seems too good to be true, it probably is.
- Only purchase from legitimate sites which offer secure payments.
- Avoid direct bank transfers or use of international money transfer service providers.
- Having an ABN on the website does not necessarily give the site validity of being genuine.

Fallen victim to a scam?

Make a report to ACORN [here](#) or via scam Watch [here](#)

29 November, from 7 News Sydney

Police are shocked by the number of parents caught driving drunk with their children in the car just weeks before Christmas.

More - Boy aged three dies in Mulwala car crash

click [here](#) for details.

29 November, from NSW Police Force

Centrelink scam alert! Be wary of an unexpected phone call from Centrelink or the Department of Human Services.

Scammers will claim that you've been sent a letter about an increase in your benefits and that you need to complete a form to receive your payments. Their main objective is to get your money—they'll claim you need to pay a fee to have the forms sent to you and will ask for payment via wire money transfer or iTunes cards.

The Department of Human Services will never ask you to deposit money in order to receive a payment.

For more information about the scam and how to protect yourself, visit this [address](#).



Neighbourhood Watch
Creating Safer Communities



2 December, NSW Fair Trading

New strata laws start today! If you live in, own or manage a strata property, the new laws affect you. It's now easier for owners to get renovations to their unit or townhouse approved. There are new options for permitting pets, and dealing with nuisance smoking and problem parking.

Find out how else the new laws affect you: click [here](#).

1 December, from Hornsby Advocate

MARCHERS SAY NO TO VIOLENCE

Jake McCallum

HUNDREDS marched on Hornsby Mall last week to send a message to the local community - Walk the Talk in the fight against domestic violence.

To recognise the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, hundreds of residents marched through the streets of Hornsby from 7.30am uniting with thousands of other Walk the Talk marches across the country.

Multicultural Community Liaison Officer from Ku-ring-gai Local Area Command Fiona Zhou said the event was part of 16 days of activism against family violence.

"It is the time to galvanise action to end violence against women and girls around the world," Ms Zhou said.

An Information Expo on family and domestic violence support services was also held in Hornsby Mall throughout the morning, following the march.

Information displays on Family and Domestic Violence, Community Against Violence and Community Connections Hot Desks are currently being held at Hornsby Library, with free appointments available with experts such as police, court and family support.

Phone Hornsby Library Information Desk on [9847 6614](tel:98476614).

HORNSBY

1 Police arrested a 45-year-old woman at a bank in Hornsby after a series of frauds across northwest Sydney, on Friday, November 25. One 42-year-old victim had her bank accounts illegally accessed, with about \$9000, and then \$12,000 taken in two hits. When the woman attempted another withdrawal at a bank in Hornsby about 1pm, staff became suspicious, declined the request and called police. The woman was arrested and inquiries are continuing and charges are pending.

WARRAWEE

3 A wallet, \$650 cash and a Visa card were stolen from a home in Eulbertie Ave between midnight on Tuesday and Wednesday morning. Burglars entered via an unlocked rear window after removing a flyscreen. The Visa card may have been used about 7am on Wednesday in the Ashfield area.

BEROWRA

2 Robbers threatened a service station attendant with a knife before taking about 70 cartons of cigarettes and \$350 from the till between 3.35am and 3.43am on Saturday. A man described as 165-170cm tall, of thin build wearing a white mask, a blue hooded jumper, white shoes and black tracksuit pants, walked into the petrol station with another man described as about 20-30, caucasian, wearing glasses, with blond hair, possibly a wig. The pair threatened an attendant with a knife before fleeing on foot. Police are reviewing CCTV footage and are investigating the possibility a small Ford sedan seen in the area at the time was involved.

BROOKLYN

5 A 61 year-old man was charged with mid-range drink driving about 10.20pm on Sunday at Brooklyn Rd, after police saw him allegedly driving without headlights and well under the speed limit. The man was driving a Renault van and allegedly blew 0.10. His licence was suspended and he will face Hornsby Court at a future date.

BEROWRA

6 A 70-year-old driver was taken to hospital after his foot slipped on the accelerator of his car causing it to crash into a parked car and his letter box about 11.15am on Saturday in Ti Tree Cres. The man's Mitsubishi Magna had entered a steep driveway when his foot slipped causing it to reverse at tremendous speed across the road and hit a Hyundai Santa Fe. The collision caused the man to jolt forward in his seat and then the car hit a letterbox on the other side of the road. He was taken to Hornsby Hospital with pain in his shoulders. Police are waiting for the result of blood and urine tests.

TURRAMURRA

9 A car and a tourist bus collided on the Pacific Highway near Ray Rd about 3.20pm on Thursday, November 24. A Hornsby Police spokesman said no one was injured. One of two southbound lanes, heading into the city, were blocked.

WAITARA

7 A 2003 black Mazda 323 was stolen between 6pm on Saturday, November 26 and Sunday about 3pm from Alexandria Pde.

NORMANHURST

8 More than \$3000 cash, an iPhone 6, iPad and a small sterling silver fob watch were stolen from a home on Pennant Hills Rd on Thursday, November 24 between 6.30pm and 10pm. Burglars forced a lock on the ground floor before ransacking eight rooms.

1 December, Family Information Expo



Yesterday's Family Information Expo at Hornsby Mall. Very successful day, with interest in all sorts of crime prevention advice. Thanks to Fiona, our Multi-Cultural Community Liaison Officer, officers from Kuring Gai LAC - NSW Police Force, and volunteers Stan, Tony, Julia.

From Ku-ring-gai Council: Ku-ring-gai drivers warned to have a Plan B - Northern Sydney Councils are reminding festive partygoers to ensure they have a safe way to get home in December and January.

Ku-ring-gai, Mosman and North Sydney Councils and Roads and Maritime Services are once again promoting the Plan B Drink Drive Campaign this festive season, starting in December.

Local bottle shops and licensed venues have been invited to participate in the campaign. They will be supplied with a range of materials and resources to help promote the Plan B Drink Drive message including bottle bags, breathalysers, coasters, posters and t-shirts.

For more details, click [here](#).

1 December, Department of Justice, NSW

What works in reducing crime and reoffending in Australia? Hear the latest Australian and international research in the areas of policing, offender rehabilitation, crime prevention, corrections, and more over two days: 15-16 February, Darling Harbour.

Click [here](#) for details.

Dates for the Diary:

Monday 27 March 2017: Turramurra (Gordon 3/4) Neighbourhood Watch meeting. 8pm @ Turramurra Uniting Church.

Wednesday 30 November: FREE Intro to the Internet for Mandarin speaking seniors. 10:30am @ Hornsby Library. **Contact: 9847 6614.**

Thursday 01 December: FREE Parents of Learner Drivers workshop. 6:30-8:30pm @ Hornsby Council Chambers. [Info.](#) **Contact: 9847 6616.**

Wednesday 18 January 2017: First aid course for young people 845am-4:30pm @ Gordon Library Meeting Rm 2 \$90. [Info.](#) **Contact: 9424 0994**

Saturday 07 October 2017: Community Picnic @ St Ives Village Green as part of NHWA's NHW Week.

Dumbest criminals compiled by Wendy Lewis

Tug of War – Two men tried to pull the front panel off an ATM by running a chain from the machine to the bumper bar of their pick-up truck. Instead of pulling the front of the machine off, they pulled off their front bumper bar. They panicked and fled, leaving the chain, bumper bar and the number plate all beautifully arranged for police to follow up.

Important Contacts

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance) 000

Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC) 9476 9799

Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road, 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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