



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.

Please feel free to share/forward this eNewsletter with your friends, family, colleagues and neighbours. **To subscribe, [click here](#).**

09 January: It's getting hot.

During these periods of heat please consider your pets. Make sure they have access to plenty of cool water. Also think about the young and the elderly who may not handle the heat as well as you. Lastly I don't care what your excuse is, NEVER leave children or pets unattended in cars, EVER. The inside of a car can reach 70° in a matter of minutes.

09 January, from Join the Drive: Are you driving blind?



09 January, from Traffic & Highway Patrol command: Can you read the numberplate on this car?

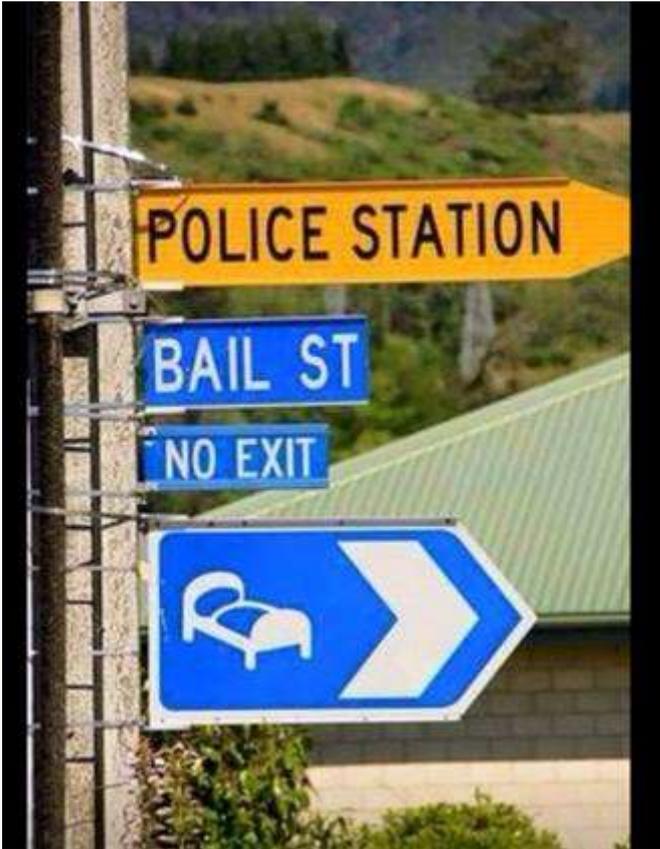
No? We can't either. A reminder to all holiday makers travelling on the roads, if you're fitting a bike rack to your car make sure your numberplate can still be clearly seen and read. If not a special bike rack numberplate is available from the RMS. It is an offence to have the numberplates on your car obscured.



New Year, new me!



07 January, from Albury command:



07 January, from Crime Stoppers: KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE...

With school holidays upon us, chances are your children are spending more time on the internet. Remind your children:

- NEVER give out your personal information online. This includes your name, address, what school you go to, your phone number, and never send a picture of yourself over the internet.
- NEVER write to someone who has made you feel uncomfortable or scared
- NEVER meet someone or have them visit you without permission from your parents.
- TELL your parents right away if you read anything on the internet that makes you feel uncomfortable.
- REMEMBER that people online may not be who they say they are. Someone who says that they are a 12 year old boy or girl who wants to be your friend, may in fact be someone much more dangerous.



06 January: NSW Police Force Community Portal - Intentional Damage

The NSW Police Force Community Portal accepts Intentional Damage reports where a person intentionally or recklessly destroys or damages property belonging to another. It's quick and easy to report, [click here](#).

- [What is Intentional Damage?](#)
- [Is there a minimum financial amount that can be reported?](#)
- [Why should I take a photograph of damaged property and attach it?](#)
- [Can I report any Graffiti I see?](#)
- [Why should I take a photograph of the Graffiti and attach it?](#)
- [How can I stop or reduce the Graffiti in my area?](#)
- [What do I do if I see Graffiti on my property?](#)

Find out more, [click here](#).

[Watch video 'Why Me?' here](#).

04 January, from Daily Telegraph: Transport ban proposal looms for train perverts

PERVERTS caught breaking the law on trains — like grubs who use phones to sneak upskirt pictures of unaware females — would be banned from public

transport under a new police push to protect passengers.

[Full article here.](#)

04 January, from Hawkesbury command: With the tragic drownings over the holiday period, it is important that we all are aware of basic first aid.

It saves lives! Please share this information with family and friends.

RESUSCITATION CHART

D Danger	Ensure the area is safe for yourself, others and the casualty	
R Response	Check for a response ask name, squeeze shoulders NO RESPONSE: send for help RESPONSE: make comfortable, monitor response	
S Send for help	Call triple zero (000) for an ambulance or ask another person to make the call	
A Airway	Open mouth – look for foreign material NO FOREIGN MATERIAL: leave on back and open the airway FOREIGN MATERIAL: clear foreign material with finger, open the airway	
B Breathing	Check for breathing: look, listen, feel NOT NORMAL BREATHING: start CPR NORMAL BREATHING: place in recovery position, monitor breathing	
C CPR	Start CPR 30 chest compressions: 2 breaths Continue CPR until help arrives or casualty recovers	
D Defibrillation	Apply defibrillator If available – follow voice prompts	

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[Email us here, for your copy.](#)



Neighbourhood Watch
Creating Safer Communities

Our newest Neighbourhood Watch group is up and running on Facebook - [Neighbourhood Watch: St Ives Area](#)



We are grateful to volunteers Zoya and Amanda.
Please point it out to those you know in the St Ives area, thanks.

Last week we shared the article from the Daily Telegraph: [5 New laws that could change your year](#)

Apologies. Unfortunately the link was broken. [Here's the link again](#) for what you need to know.

08 January, from one of our Turramurra readers:

"Last Wednesday, 4th January, about 1.15am, my letterbox was blown up. There were three police cars from Hornsby parked around the corner nearby when they heard the bang and were quickly on the scene and ringing my doorbell. It used to be a nice little letterbox in the shape of a house and painted to look like my house."

We've heard of other similar incidents, possibly attributed to end-of-year pranks. Has your letterbox been hit? [Email us here](#).



Thanks to Sh*t Aussies Say

Dates for the Diary:

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

Thursday 26 January: Happy Australia Day!

Thursday 23 February: Statewide 'Coffee with a Cop'. NHW volunteers invited to take part in our local event (tbc).

Friday 03 - Sunday 12 March: Seniors Week

Saturday 18 March: Yet tbc, crime prevention stall at a Harmony Day event in the area.

Tuesday 21 March: Harmony Day

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

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



It may be funny, but it's still graffiti if permission wasn't sought.

From AWM: It Might Not Seem Like Much But Simply Replacing Tiny In-Home Screw Could Save Your Life

Many years ago, just as Mariana Harrison was getting her first apartment, her dad stopped by one day with his tool box. He asked to look at the locks on her front door, and when he saw them, he knew right away that they were useless in stopping a determined intruder. He pulled out the screws that came standard with the locks, and they were only a half an inch long. He quickly and easily switched them out with four inch long screws that would be sure to stop anyone from kicking his daughter's door in.



[Full article here.](#)

From the Sydney Morning Herald 25 December: Man charged over death of young doctor killed in Pymble cycling accident

A man has been charged over the death of a cyclist who was hit and killed at Pymble in Sydney's north on December 18. Police say the man's car hit [33-year-old doctor Ann Formaz-Preston](#) near the intersection of Woodlands Avenue and Mona Vale Road as she was riding on Mona Vale Road with a group of friends.

[Full article and video here.](#)

From the Sydney Morning Herald 30 December: Cocaine syndicate: how the alleged gang bungled five attempted imports [Thanks AFP NSWPF & Australian Border Force! - Ed]

As night fell on Christmas Day, a small dinghy motored into tiny Parsley Bay near Brooklyn on the Hawkesbury River. Fisherman and one-time brothel proprietor Simon Spero, 56, was the only person on board but he allegedly carried a precious cargo: 500 kilograms of cocaine.



One fifth of the 500 kilograms of cocaine is displayed at a press conference on Thursday. *Photo: Kate Geraghty*

[Full article here.](#)

From Lifestyle & Tech: Tiny Device Allows You To Track Your Car Using Your Smartphone

[Note: NHW cannot endorse a product or service; we can only bring it to your attention, for you to do your own research.]

A Brand New Tracking Method That Anyone Can Afford.

Have you ever lost your car on a parking lot? It happens. You park and go shopping. When you get back, you don't have a clue where your car is. Then you start roaming around clicking on the panic button on your car keys so the alarm goes off. It can be frustrating, especially on a hot, sunny day.



[Full article here.](#)

From Crime Stoppers: UNSOLVED CASE...

It has been 35 years since **Lynette Joy Dawson**, a 33-year-old mother-of-two went missing on or around 9th January 1982. A \$200,000 reward remains in place for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for the disappearance and presumed murder of Lynette Dawson. While at home with her husband on the evening of Friday 8 January 1982, Lynette Dawson phoned her mother. After chatting for a while, mother and daughter agreed to meet for lunch at Northbridge Baths the following day (9 January 1982). However, Lynette never arrived.



LYNETTE JOY DAWSON

NAME:
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NO. **UNSOLVED CASES**

Lynette Joy Dawson, a 33-year-old mother of two, went missing on or around Saturday 9 January 1982. While at home with her husband on the evening of Friday 8 January 1982, Lynette Dawson phoned her mother. After chatting for a while, mother and daughter agreed to meet for lunch at Northridge State the following day (9 January 1982). However, Lynette never arrived.
If you have any information that can help police solve a crime please report online at www.nsw.crimestoppers.com.au or call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 (347). You can remain anonymous.

CRIME STOPPERS
1800 333 000

[Click here for full Media Release.](#)

Guide Dog Access Rights

People and their Guide Dogs are legally allowed to enter all public places, including shops & supermarkets, cafes & restaurants, pubs & clubs, hotels & motels, hospitals, medical practices & dental surgeries.

They can also travel on all types of public transport, including taxis.

It is an offence to deny or charge a fee for the entry of a Guide Dog. Police and other authorised officers can issue on-the-spot fines or take further summary action.

Guide Dogs
NSW/ACT



NSW Police Force

Police Assistance Line
131 444

From 'Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Personal Safety':

Tip#1. LIMIT WHAT YOU CARRY WITH YOU. If you carry a bag, keep it close to your body and keep a firm grip. Carry any wallet in your front pocket. If someone does attempt to take your property, do not resist. Throw it away from you.

Tip#2. WHEN RETURNING TO YOUR CAR, HAVE KEYS IN HAND AND READY TO USE. Ask a friend to walk with you. Be aware of people in surrounding cars.

Tip#3. WHEN OUT, STAY ALERT, KEEP YOUR MIND ON YOUR SURROUNDINGS, AND BE AWARE OF WHAT IS HAPPENING AROUND YOU AT ALL TIMES. Don't be distracted. If listening to music, remove one ear bud, or set volume to very low.

Tip#4. WHEN TRAVELING ON A TRAIN, SIT NEAR THE GUARD'S COMPARTMENT. Try not to fall asleep. When traveling on a bus, sit near the driver. When taking a taxi, before getting in, verify the authority card photo matches the taxi driver.

Tip#5. IF YOU FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE WITH A FELLOW PASSENGER ON A TRAIN, IMMEDIATELY LEAVE THE COMPARTMENT. Select a different compartment.

Tip#6. IMPROVE YOUR HOME'S SECURITY BY ARRANGING A 'SAFETY AUDIT' BY YOUR CRIME PREVENTION OFFICER. They can identify changes to make you feel safer.

For your copy of these or any other of the '20 Tips' series, [email us here](#).



Thanks to Cop Humour Australia

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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