



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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27 January, from NSW Police Force

OFFENCES	Break & Enter	Malicious Damage	Stealing	Steal from motor vehicle	Seal Motor Vehicle	Drugs
Suburb						
ASQUITH						2
BEROWRA						
BROOKLYN						
COWAN						
GALSTON						
GORDON						1
HORNSBY		1	2		1	
HORNSBY HEIGHTS						
KILLARA		1				
MT COLAH						
MT KURING GAI						
NORMANHURST						
PYMBLE						
ST IVES	1					
THORNLEIGH			3			
TURRAMURRA			2			
WAHROONGA		2	2			
WAITARA						
WARRAWEE						
WEST PYMBLE						
WESTLEIGH						
Date range	13 Jan to 16 Jan					

Asquith: Drugs 2

Gordon: Drugs 1

Hornsby: Malicious Damage 1; Stealing 2; Stealing from motor vehicle 1

Killara: Malicious Damage 1

St Ives: Break & Enter 1

Thornleigh: Stealing 3

Turramurra: Stealing 2

Wahroonga: Malicious Damage 2; Stealing 2

27 January, from NSW Police Force: Driver caught with cannabis in his system a month after smoking joint



A man who was caught driving with cannabis present in his system, appeared in Orange Local Court last Monday.

It was the first first time Blake Aaron Morgan, 18, of Spring Street had been

charged with the offence.

He was fined \$500 and disqualified from driving for three months after appearing unrepresented before Magistrate Terry Lucas.

“I didn’t expect it to be in my system I just turned 18 not long ago and decided to try it and it was a silly decision,” Morgan said.

“I see more and more people getting caught this way, half my list is these matters,” Mr Lucas replied.

Morgan was caught at 10.10pm on October 8, 2016 after his ute was stopped for a random breath and drug test on Bathurst Road.

He told police he’d smoked a cannabis joint a month earlier.

27 January, NSW Central Coast Incident Alerts, News and Information: Police pursuit from Wahrenonga to Calga ends with driver charged

Police have charged a man with several traffic offences following a pursuit which ended on the Central Coast.

Officers attached to Harbourside Highway Patrol attempted to stop a Toyota Hilux on Fox Valley Road, Wahrenonga, just before 5am yesterday (Thursday 26 January 2017), for a random breath test.

The driver of the vehicle failed to stop, and as a result a pursuit was initiated.

As the driver neared Calga, on the state’s Central Coast, officers attached to Brisbane Water Local Area Command deployed road spikes and the pursuit was terminated.

Police arrested the driver, a 32-year-old man, at the scene and took him to Gosford Police Station where he was charged with police pursuit (Skye’s Law), disqualified driver and disobey direction.

He was refused bail to appear at Gosford Local Court today (Friday 27 January 2017.)

25 January: From Sunrise and NSW Police Force: People aged 55+ most vulnerable to identity theft

More info [here](#).

25 January, from Hornsby Advocate: Roads and Maritime Services fails to install promised safety measures for Galston Gorge

A NUMBER of safety measures including a red light and camera as well as a safety barrier were promised following a tragic year on Galston Rd, but nearly 12 months later, nothing has been done.

On February 28, 2016, the Advocate reported a win for residents following an announcement by the NSW Roads and Maritime Service, that a red light with a camera would be installed at both ends of Galston Gorge.

However, in the year since the promise to fix the issue and a continued push from the local community, the RMS has failed to install the safety measure, which residents believe would help prevent over-length vehicles from entering the Gorge.

“Roads and Maritime Services is working on the installation of a red light and red-light camera at each entrance to Galston Gorge,” the spokesman told the Advocate in February.

For full story, click [here](#).

24 January: From 9News

Drive to the conditions & slow down, light rain / drizzle is one of the most dangerous times to drive.

Dash cam captures NSW couple's terrifying close call with out-of-control vehicle
Read more at <http://www.9news.com.au/national/2017/01/23/11/23/dash-cam-captures-nsw-couple-s-terrifying-close-call-with-out-of-control-vehicle>.

A couple have narrowly escaped a head-on crash after an a car travelling in the opposite direction lost control and almost became airborne.

Eden residents Liam Quinn and his wife were driving in the rain along the Princes Highway at Kiah, just outside of Eden, when an oncoming vehicle rounded the corner and lost control around 12.30pm on January 20.

For full story, click [here](#).



Neighbourhood Watch
Creating Safer Communities

Wednesday 22 March: Neighbourhood Watch Development Day 8am-3pm @ The Great Hall, UTS, 15 Broadway Ultimo. Registration by Fri 24 Feb.

For all CPOs, NHW group coords and active members of NHW groups.

[Email us for more info](#) **and registration documentation etc.**



Neighbourhood Watch Development Day



To all Crime Prevention Officers, Neighbourhood Watch Group Coordinators and active members of NHW Groups.

**YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND
the Neighbourhood Watch Development Day.**

Date: Wednesday, 22nd March, 2017

Time: 8am for registration
Starting at 8.30am until 3pm

Morning tea and lunch will be provided

Location : The Great Hall, UTS, 15 Broadway Ultimo NSW 2007
Registration forms must be received by Friday, 24th February 2017

Please email registration forms to:
nhwinfo@police.nsw.gov.au

For further info please phone: 02 97680723 or 02 97680724

Topics covered

- **Trade fair / Networking NHW Groups** – NHW Groups displaying samples of projects and information sharing (indicate on Registration form if you would like a stall)
- **Mail safe**
- **NSWPF Community Portal**
- **Benefits of promoting the NOK (next of kin) data base**

30 January, Neighbourhood watch within NSW Police



Police are appealing for public assistance to locate a man wanted on several outstanding warrants.

Michael Cook aka Michael Ryan; 34-years-old is wanted by virtue of warrants relating to a number of fraud offences across Sydney.

Officers from Surry Hills Local Area Command are now trying to locate Mr Cook.

Mr Cook is believed to frequent Sydney CBD and Newtown.

He is described as being Caucasian in appearance, 162cms tall, with a medium build with brown hair and brown eyes.

Anyone who sees Mr Cook or knows his current whereabouts is urged not to approach him, but contact Triple Zero (000) immediately.

30 January, Stealing- Westfield, Chatswood. Sat 28 Jan 2017

Chatswood Police would like to speak to the females depicted in the images below

regarding an alleged stealing incident in Westfield, Chatswood. If you know these persons please call Chatswood Police 94148499 or Crime Stoppers 1800333000. Ref.# E 62070310

Please note: Images could be unidentified victims, potential witnesses or alleged offenders.

Dates for the Diary:

Thursday 16 February: FREE Teaching your Learner Driver, Hornsby Shire Council Chambers 6:30-8:30pm Ph: 9847 6616 [Info](#).

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

Thursday 02 March: Child Seat Safety Checking Day @ Brickpit Sports Centre undercover carpark, 1B Dartford Road (east side), Thornleigh 9.30am - 3.15pm FREE for residents & rate payers. Bookings open on **Monday 6 February**. [Info](#).

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

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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.

30 January, ROAD SAFETY - PEDESTRIANS

Pedestrians should take responsibility for their own safety by using crossings, obeying road rules and being aware of their surroundings.

Extra caution should be exercised in areas of high vehicle and pedestrian concentration such as near train stations, bus stops and in CBD areas.

Pedestrians are advised to:

- Obey signals at crossings (penalty applies for failure to do so)
- Always cross at a pedestrian crossing if one is available (penalty applies for failure to do so);
- Never assume a driver has seen you or intends to stop;
- Never cross a road while using headphones or mobile phones;
- Always hold the hands of children when crossing the road.

Motorists are advised to obey all speed and road rules and to pay particular care around restricted speed zones, and to be vigilant with pedestrians - increased penalties apply for offences committed in school zones.

If you know about repeat dangerous driving offender/s please contact Crime Stoppers by reporting online [here](#) or calling Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 (24/7). You can remain anonymous.

29 January, Nightmare in Westfield: How Bernard Gore died after being trapped in Westfield shopping centre stairwell

FOR Bernard Gore, becoming lost and trapped in the stairwell of a Westfield shopping centre proved fatal and his body lay undiscovered for three weeks.

But the nightmare of being lost in a labyrinth of self locking doors and confusing exits at Westfield centres can happen to anyone, the [Sunday Telegraph](#) reports, and management of the billion dollar retail chain has declined to comment.

Sydney woman Loretta Feeney, who was locked in a Westfield stairwell on Boxing Day for a frantic hour before escaping by using a tiny phone signal, said the death was “an accident waiting to happen”.

The badly decomposed body of 71-year-old Mr Gore was only discovered last Friday in the stairwell behind high end stores Chanel and Scotch & Soda on level four at Bondi Westfield.

Mr Gore’s body was found was found exactly three weeks since he was last seen, lost and confused, inside the Chanel store.

Ford details, click [here](#).

26 January, Siren Song

Parking lot attacker didn't see this coming... what she did next had him running like a "bat outta hell!"

It was just a normal day at the mall for Jennifer Dellert... until everything went horribly wrong.

She had just left the mall carrying her shopping bags, and was walking to her car when the unthinkable happened.

"I wasn't parked too far away, and was busy on my phone texting my daughter.

"It was about a 60 second walk or so to my car from the mall," she remembers, "and I kind of had that feeling I was being watched."

Right as she was unlocking her car, a man quickly came up behind her and tried to grab her.

"He told me 'don't fight, you're coming with me!' as he tried to wrestle me towards his car! I was in shock."

"Luckily for me I remembered I had my Siren Song alarm on my purse, and since I was too scared to scream for help, I quickly reached for the alarm and pulled the pin."

"Immediately my Siren Song alarm started just screaming. I mean it was REALLY SCREAMING. He didn't know what to do! He froze for a second, then ran away like a bat out of hell!"

"People heard the alarm and started yelling and running over to help. They said it was the Siren Song that got their attention."

For details, click [here](#)

26 January, Road Rules regarding opening car doors

One of our last week's eNewsletter readers posed the question: "I wonder what the road rules regarding car doors opening and cyclists is ?"

Here's the road rule from the Road & Maritime Services website:

" Check in your rear view and side mirrors to avoid opening your car door into the path of bicycle riders. This can be dangerous and the person exiting a car could be at fault if an accident occurs. "

Further information on bicycle riding can be found on the NSW Government website [here](#).

It also refers to the Transport for NSW 'Go Together' campaign, which outlines the changes that came into effect on 01 March 2016: Click [here](#).

24 January, from 7 News Sydney: 384 new locations for mobile cameras to be rolled-out across Sydney.

A previous post (Jan 24) from Channel 7 referred to a download, detailing all the new locations for mobile speed cameras. Thanks to our NHW elves, we have extracted those in our Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby areas:

Region, Electoral District, Roads, Suburbs.

Sydney Davidson ARCHBOLD ROAD, EASTERN ARTERIAL ROAD EAST
KILLARA,EAST LINDFIELD,KILLARA,LINDFIELD,ROSEVILLE

Sydney Willoughby ARCHER STREET CHATSWOOD,ROSEVILLE

Sydney Davidson, Willoughby BOUNDARY STREET ROSEVILLE

Sydney Davidson, Ku-ring-gai BURNS ROAD, KILLEATON STREET, LINK ROAD
ST IVES,TURRAMURRA

Sydney Hornsby, Ku-ring-gai COLLEGE CRESCENT, MALSBURY ROAD,
MILSON PARADE, SEFTON ROAD HORNSBY,NORMANHURST,THORNLEIGH

Sydney Davidson EASTERN ARTERIAL ROAD, HORACE STREET, LINK ROAD
ST IVES

Sydney Davidson GROSVENOR ROAD LINDFIELD

Sydney Ku-ring-gai GROSVENOR STREET NORTH
WAHROONGA,WAHROONGA

Sydney Ku-ring-gai KISSING POINT ROAD TURRAMURRA

Sydney Davidson, Ku-ring-gai LINDFIELD AVENUE, WERONA AVENUE
GORDON,KILLARA,LINDFIELD

Sydney Hawkesbury OLD NORTHERN ROAD CANOELANDS,FOREST
GLEN,GLENORIE

Sydney Hawkesbury OLD NORTHERN ROAD CANOELANDS,MARROOTA

Sydney Hawkesbury OLD NORTHERN ROAD GLENORIE
Sydney Hornsby PACIFIC HIGHWAY BEROWRA
Sydney Hornsby PACIFIC HIGHWAY BEROWRA,COWAN
Sydney Willoughby PENSHURST STREET CHATSWOOD,ROSEVILLE
Sydney Hornsby SOMERVILLE ROAD HORNSBY HEIGHTS

The full list can be viewed [here](#).

From the Hornsby Advocate 26 January: [\[for online viewer click here.\]](#)

Taxi attack Inner West

Attempt: On January 16 a male and female riding in a taxi tried to steal it, attacking its driver. As a result the cab crashed into several vehicles at Glebe at about 10.15pm.

Indecent assault Blue Mountains

CCTV image: Police want to speak to a man about an indecent assault on a 15year-old girl after a train stopped at Wentworth Falls station on January 13.

WAHROONGA

2 A Wahroonga man, 19, was left with lacerations to his head after four men forced their way into his home on Edwards Rd, Wahroonga on Friday, January 20. A police report said at 9.30pm, emergency services were called to a home following reports of a home invasion. On arrival, police were told a resident had been assaulted by four armed men. It is believed the men were armed with baseball bats and a metal bar. The men stole property before fleeing in a vehicle. Officers from Kuring Gai Local Area Command attended and established a crime scene. The man was treated by paramedics before being taken to Hornsby Hospital.

HORNSBY

4 A drug dog operation was conducted at Hornsby Railway station on Friday, January 20, resulting in a number of cannabis cautions and a court attendance notice.

- At 2.50pm, the drug dog gave a positive indication of a drug present near a 35-year-old male. According to police, the male made admission to carrying a small amount of cannabis. A total of 0.25g was located and the man was given a court attendance notice.

- At 3.20pm, a 32-year-old man was indicated by the dog to have drugs in the vicinity. The male allegedly made admissions to having cannabis in a bum bag, with a total of 2.7g of a drug police will allege was cannabis. The man was given a cannabis caution.

- A 29-year-old man was detected with 1.9g of cannabis. He was given a cannabis caution.

- A 32-year-old woman was also detected with .4g of cannabis and a joint. She was issued a cannabis caution.

- A 23-year-old man was detected with 1.7g of cannabis. He was also given a cannabis caution.

GALSTON

5 A home was broken into at Johnston St, Galston, on January 23 while two people were sleeping. One victim told police she heard a number of tones from her phone which woke her up. Another person in the house found an unknown man crouching in the lounge room of the home before both victims locked themselves in a bedroom. A wallet had been moved in the house and a credit card had been thrown across the room according to the victims. The witnesses did not immediately call police and decided to drive to Hornsby police station to report the matter.

WARRAWEE

7 Between 6pm Sunday, January 22 and 2pm Monday, January 23, the front windscreen of a Toyota Hiace van was cracked in unknown circumstances, while it was parked on Hastings Rd.

COWAN

8 A 52-year-old tourist was involved in an emergency situation while on the Great North Walk on Monday. The man called emergency services after he began to feel an increased heart rate on the Jerusalem Bay track near Cowan. Ambulance, police and Rural Fire Service volunteers met at Brooklyn and drove to the coordinates provided by a next of kin. An air ambulance helicopter was required at the scene and the man was winched to safety before being taken to Royal North Shore Hospital. Emergency services then drove to retrieve the man's next of kin.

From the North Shore Times 26 January: Hit the waves to survive [Edited]

TO stop beach drownings, get schoolchildren out of the classroom and into the ocean — that's the message from some of Australia's most celebrated lifesavers.

Bondi Rescue stars Bruce 'Hoppo' Hopkins and champion ironman Craig Riddington believe the best way to teach swimmers how to survive an ocean rip is expose them to one.

"A lot of programs just go to schools and talk about it with slides. But it's different once you're in the water," Mr Hopkins said.

The pair say education — one of the goals of NewsLocal's Swim Safe campaign — is crucial if NSW's rising toll of drownings is to be halt

They put their theories to work last week, holding a free hands-on session at Bondi Beach. Also helping out was Hoppo's fellow Bondi Rescue lifeguard Dean 'Deano' Gladstone, showing the basics to kids, including his five-year-old daughter.

For more than two hours, dozens of youngsters were shown how to navigate waves, paddle a board and float in the ocean.

Car stolen after threat with syringe [Edited]

POLICE are calling for information after a man allegedly forced his way into an Epping Rd home and used a syringe to threaten residents.

Two women and a man were at the home in Lane Cove around 10.30am on Saturday when a man allegedly approached the front door and spoke to one of the women.

He was refused entry to the house but forced his way in and allegedly grabbed the woman from behind, causing her to fall to the ground.

A police statement said he then demanded money and other items while using the syringe to threaten them.

As the man fled, he allegedly threatened another woman, before stealing her black Volkswagen Golf with NSW registration plates AV59XK. The car was last seen on Epping Rd.

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

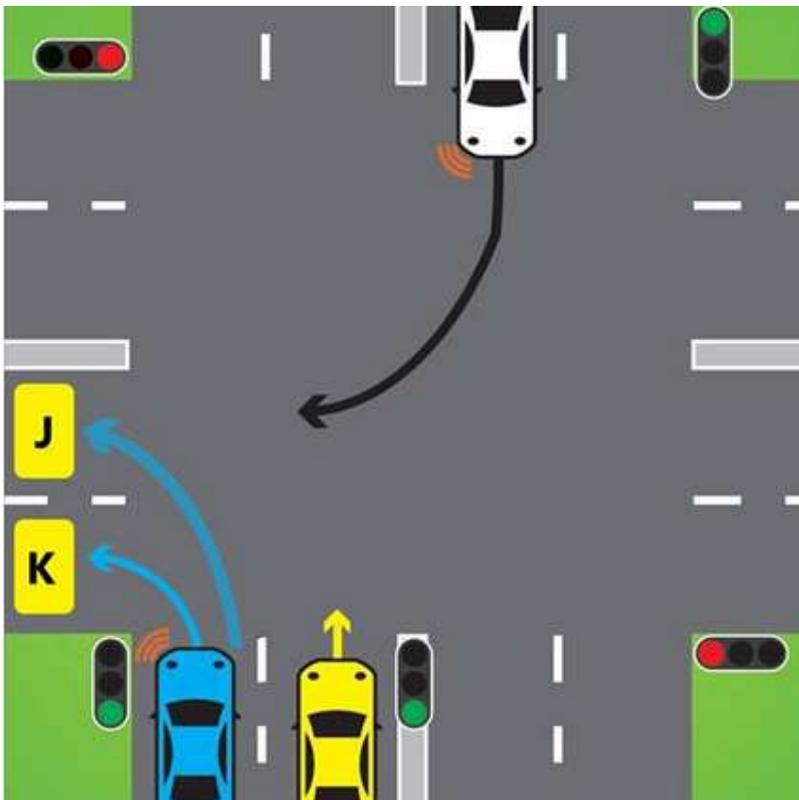
Tip#18. AT AN ATM, IF YOU FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE, CANCEL THE TRANSACTION & LEAVE. Or shout, “What do you mean, No Money?!” Do not display cash in public—put it away discreetly & fast. Get \$50 cash from supermarket EFTPOS.

Tip#19. WHEN DRIVING, LOCK DOORS AND WINDOWS AND DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN VIEW, ESPECIALLY ON THE FRONT PASSENGER SEAT. Where possible, park rear to the curb, giving you a better view of a situation.

Tip#20. KEEP EMERGENCY NUMBERS AS EASY DIAL/MEMORY ON YOUR PHONE. Keep the phone by the bed, and torch for emergencies. Report anything suspicious.

For these and other Crime Prevention Tips, [email us here](#), or visit our [NHW within Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby Tips](#) page.

From the NRMA



TEST TIME: You are the blue car, which lane can you turn into from the intersection?

1. Lane J only
2. Lane K only
3. Either lane J or K

TEST ANSWER: The correct answer is either lane J or K. You can turn into either lane, depending on traffic. For more information on intersections and turning click [here](#)

From NSW SES:

Think you're a pro at the lingo from the land down under? Take the Aussie Slang Challenge

For details click [here](#).

From NSW Good Authority: This week's mentions Hornsby, Hornsby, Pennant Hills, Killara and Lindfield.

NAME & SHAME LIST

Weekly update to our list of alleged breaches of NSW food safety standards:

- 64 premises added
- 35 premises publication period expired

For details, click [here](#).

From the Kuring Gai Local Area Command



Detectives have released computer-generated likenesses as part of an appeal for information into a carjacking and armed robbery on the Central Coast last year.

About midday on Tuesday 14 June 2016, a 41-year-old man was approached by two men as he returned to his car after surfing at Norah Head.

The surfer was assaulted before the two men stole his car – a silver Holden SS Commodore ute.

About 8pm that evening, two men wearing balaclavas and dark hooded tops entered a pharmacy on Wallarah Road, Gorokan.

One of the men threatened the female pharmacist and two assistants with a pistol, demanding cash and drugs.

The pharmacist handed over cash and prescription drugs, before the men ran from the store. It is believed the pair drove from the area in the stolen ute.

Police from Tuggerah Lakes Local Area Command attended both locations and despite extensive searches of the area, no one was located.

Crime scenes were established at both locations and examined by specialist

forensic officers.

The silver Holden ute was recovered on Tristram Close, Lake Haven, on Thursday 22 June 2016, and also examined by specialist forensic officers.

Detectives from the State Crime Command's Robbery and Serious Crime Squad established Strike Force Braithwaite to investigate the incidents.

As part of their ongoing inquiries, strike force investigators have released two COMFIT images of two men who they believe may be able to assist with their inquiries into the carjacking.

The first man is described as being of Caucasian appearance, aged in his 50s, about 183cm tall, with a thin build, grey hair, and a grey beard and moustache.

The second man is described as being of Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander appearance, aged in his late 30s, about 183cm tall, with a chubby build, dark hair, and dark facial hair.

In addition, detectives have released a CCTV image of a man, who they believe may be able to assist with their inquiries into the armed robbery.

He is depicted as being of large build with tanned skin. At the time of the incident, he was wearing a black hooded jumper and tan-coloured cargo shorts.

Detectives are also appealing for anyone who may have witnessed the Holden ute being left in Tristram Close or noticed suspicious activity in the area at the time.

Anyone with information that may be able to assist investigators is urged to come forward.

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](#) 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.

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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