



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](#).**

[Here's some crime and incident stats from the weekend. 24 - 27 February](#)

| OFFENCES | Break & Enter | Malicious Damage | Stealing | Steal from motor vehicle | Steal Motor Vehicle | Drugs | Fraud |
|-----------------|------------------|------------------|----------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------|----------------|
| Suburb | | | | | | | |
| ASQUITH | | | | | | | |
| BEROWRA | | 2 | 1 | | | | |
| BROOKLYN | | | | | | 1 | |
| COWAN | | | | | | | |
| GALSTON | | 1 | | | | | |
| GORDON | | 2 | 2 | | | | |
| HORNSBY | 2 | 3 | 1 | | 1 | | |
| HORNSBY HEIGHTS | | | | | | | 1 |
| KILLARA | | | 1 | | | | |
| MT COLAH | | | | | | | |
| MT KURRING GAI | | | | | | | |
| NORMANHURST | | | | | | | |
| PYMBLE | | 1 | | | | | |
| ST IVES | | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| THORLEIGH | | | | | | | |
| TURRAMURRA | | 1 | | | | | 1 (drug house) |
| WAHROONGA | | | | | | | |
| WAITARA | | | | | | | |
| WARRAWEE | | | | | | | |
| WEST PYMBLE | | | | | | | |
| WESTLEIGH | | | | | | | |
| Date range | 24 Feb to 27 Feb | | | | | | |

Berowra: Malicious Damage 2, Stealing 1

Brooklyn: Steal Motor Vehicle 1

Galston: Malicious Damage 1

Gordon: Malicious Damage 2, Stealing 2

Hornsby: Break & Enter 2, Malicious Damage 3, Stealing 1, Steal from Motor Vehicle 1, Fraud 1

Hornsby Heights: Drugs 1

Killara: Stealing 1

Pymble: Malicious Damage 1

St Ives: Malicious Damage 1, Steal from Motor Vehicle 1

Turramurra: Malicious Damage 1, Drugs 1 (Drug House)

27 February, from Hornsby Advocate



The Pennant Hills Rd offramp from the M2 (eastbound) will be closed tonight and tomorrow night between 9pm and 5am, to build an entry to the NorthConnex tunnel.

Detours will be about 10km via Windsor Rd, Old Northern Rd, Castle Hill Rd & Pennant Hills Rd, or via Lane Cove Rd, Pacific Hwy and Pennant Hills Rd.

27 February, from Crime Stoppers NSW

If your mail gets stolen, thieves can create a false identity in your name.

Make sure:

- Your mailbox is secure
- Clear your mail daily
- Arrange to collect important mail directly or make sure it has to be signed for upon delivery.
- If you are going on holiday, have a friend clear your mail daily or organise with Australia Post to have the mail held for you.

If you are a victim of mail theft please call The Police Assistance Line on 131 444 (24/7) to report the incident to police.

If you know about someone committing mail theft please report online [here](#) or call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 (24/7). You can remain anonymous.

27 February, from Crime Stoppers NSW

Animal welfare AND Road Rules

Every year many crashes involving animals occur on country roads.

- If you see an animal on the road (alive or dead), do not swerve violently to avoid the animal as this can cause you to lose control of your vehicle or to hit oncoming traffic.
- You should stop if you can do so safely or slow down and steer around the animal in a controlled manner.
- If you can't avoid the animal safely you may have to hit it to avoid injury or death to yourself and others.
- If the animal has been killed, remove it from the road if it is safe to do so. Be careful with native animals as they may have babies in their pouches.

- If a native animal has been hurt you should contact the Wildlife and Information Rescue Service (WIRES) on 1300 094 737
 - If the animal is a domestic pet, you must contact the owner, Police or the RSPCA.
 - If the animal is injured (and you deem it safe to do so) you should take it immediately to the nearest animal shelter or vet.
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23 February, Road Rules: U-turns



Ku-ring-gai Local Area Command would like to remind all drivers in relation to u-turns. In relation to unbroken lines it is illegal to perform a 3 point turn or u-turn, Hornsby Police have been informed by various schools that parents or carers, whilst picking up or dropping off their children are performing u-turns over unbroken lines. Most of these have been in close proximity to pedestrian crossings and the schools themselves. Not only is this illegal its also highly dangerous to children and parents. Police from Ku-ring-gai Local Area Command will be targeting various schools for vehicles who are breaking the road rules. Please consider children's safety.

Penalties apply.

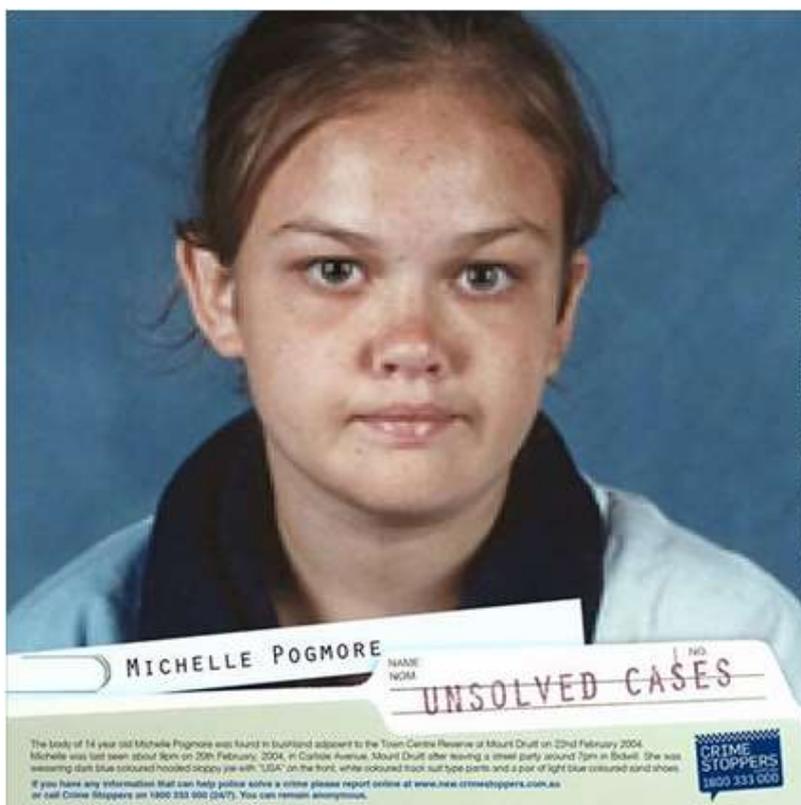
Brush up on your road rule knowledge by viewing the top ten misunderstood road rules animations [here](#).

23 February, from NSW Police Force: Coffee with a cop



Our Coffee with a COP community event was held today at the Blu Water Grill Hornsby and it was very well received by the community. In all about 110 people attended interacting with police. From the police side we had crews from the Police Transport Command, the Crime Management Unit, Multicultural Community Liaison Officer, School Liaison Officer a General Duties car crew, an Inspector and our Commander Superintendent Jenny Scholz. 2 of our VIP's attended and interacted as well. The general response was "what a great idea". We handed out about 90 vouchers for a free coffee. We will be planning another in the coming months. Here's some photos from today's event.

23 February, from Crime Stoppers NSW: Unsolved Case



It has been 13 years today since the body of 14 year old Michelle Pogmore was found in bushland adjacent to the Town Centre Reserve at Mount Druitt on 22nd February 2004.

A \$100,000 reward remains on offer for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those involved in the murder of Michelle.

Michelle was last seen about 9pm on 20th February, 2004, in Carlisle Avenue, Mount Druitt after leaving a street party around 7pm in Bidwill.

At the time Michelle was wearing a dark blue coloured hooded sloppy joe with "USA" on the front, white coloured track suit type pants and a pair of light blue coloured sand shoes.

The Coronial inquest could only establish that Michelle died sometime between the 20th and 22nd of February 2004.

If you have any information relating to this type of crime please report online at or call Crime Stoppers [here](#) on 1800 333 000 (24/7). You can remain anonymous.

22 February, Traffic and Highway Patrol Command

About 9:30am on Tuesday, 21 February, 2017 Hawkesbury Highway Patrol detected a Scania rigid truck, towing a dog trailer, north on the M1 Motorway at Cowan travelling at a speed of 127Kph. A heavy vehicle is restricted to a speed limit of 100Kph.

The combination was stopped at Brooklyn, the driver, a 43 year old male from Horningsea Park, was spoken to. He was directed to attend the Mt White Heavy Vehicle Safety Station. The combination was inspected by RMS Inspectors and a defect notice was issued for a speed limiter compliance inspection and the trailer was defected due to a brake issue. Investigation revealed the driver had failed to present the vehicle for an RMS "directed inspection". As a result of this the RMS had suspended the vehicles registration.

The driver was issued a penalty notice for exceeding the speed limit by more than 20Kph (\$568) and for Using an unregistered Class C motor vehicle on a road (\$1372).

22 February: Hornsby Police news,

21/2/2017

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

Incident: Possess Supply Prohibited Drugs

Time/Date: Between 4pm and 5.30pm Friday 17/2

Place: Thornleigh

Details: A staff member at a local business in Thornleigh noticed a container in the fridge and was advised by a co-worker not to touch it. The co-worker opened the container and noticed 20-25 pink pills and the company manager was contacted. Police were called and interviewed an 18 year old male in relation to said pills. He allegedly admitted to the pills being MDMA and that they were for personal use and on-selling to other people.

The male was charged with 'Possess Prohibited Drug' and 'Supply Prohibited Drug.'

Court: A court date is yet to be set.

Incident: Stolen Motor Vehicle

Time/Date: Between 6pm Sat 18/2 and 3:40pm Sun 19/2

Place: Woonona Avenue, Wahrenonga

Details: A grey Ford Territory station wagon stolen from street. Police are still investigating.

Incident: Motor Vehicle Defect

Time/Date: 9.20pm Saturday 18/2

Place: Mount Kuring-Gai

Details: A Highway Patrol vehicle stationary at traffic lights on Pacific Highway, Mount Kuring-Gai, observed a Black Nissan Skyline turn out of a side street. Once on Church Street, the vehicle allegedly accelerated harshly causing the back wheels to lose traction and a large amount of smoke. The vehicle was stopped in a nearby street and found to have no number plates, and had not been registered for 10 years. An inspection of the vehicle revealed an engine from another vehicle and extensive modifications.

The 20 year old male driver held a P2 licence, making him prohibited from driving such a high powered vehicle. He was issued with five infringement notices and the car defected.

Of note – the interior of the vehicle was completely stripped except for the drivers seat.

Incident: Prohibited Weapon

Time/Date: Monday 20/2

Details: A male attended Hornsby Police Station and handed in an extendable baton he had purchased on the internet from China, after being informed by Customs that the weapon was illegal in NSW. No action will be taken.

Police would like to remind the public that many illegal items are available for purchase on the internet which may be legal in the country they are sold from, however are not legal in the state of NSW or Australia. Please check the Firearms Registry of NSW or contact your local licensing officer before making your purchase.

Incident: Attempted Suicide

Time/Date: 4.45am Saturday 18/2

Place: Hawkesbury River Bridge

Details: Police were called to the Hawkesbury River Bridge on the M1 Motorway after a truck driver found a Dodge Journey stationary in the middle of the road and observed a male of the vehicle jump off the bridge.

Police found the vehicle with the engine running and lights on, and male clothes inside the car, as well as a hand written note. Water Police, Ambulance and Fire & Rescue all attended the scene that was still in darkness, and conducted a search. At 6:10am the Ambulance Rescue helicopter and Marine Rescue joined the search, which was called off at 7am and a local command post set up. At 8:30am police radio were informed a 70 year old male had been located floating in the water near Little Wobby Beach. He was taken on board a rescue vessel and assessed by Ambulance officers before being conveyed to Royal North Shore Hospital where he was treated for his injuries and given a mental health assessment.

Police would like to thank the truck driver and trucking company for staying at the scene and assisting them.

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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21 February: From World Health Organisation

Depression is sometimes referred to as the "Black Dog". Just like a real dog, it needs to be embraced, understood, taught new tricks and ultimately brought to heel.

If you are in difficulty, never be afraid to ask for help. There is absolutely no shame in doing so.

Click [here](#) for video clip.

21 February, from Galston Rural Fire Brigade

Last nights call was called in as a oil spill in Galston Gorge, on arrival it appeared to be a spill on the bridge. It had resulted in a motorbike rider falling, (only minor injuries) and causing his engine sump to crack, resulting in more oil on the bridge.

By the close of this incident we had covered a spill around 120 meters in the east bound lane from one bridge to the other.

The brigade mobilised both heavy appliances and the PC, and consumed 16 bags of spagsorb to render the oil spill safe. The area was handed to NSWPF who were waiting the arrival of the RMS for traffic signs.

Thanks to the attending crew, great job in a tough area to work safely, especially at night .



Neighbourhood Watch
Creating Safer Communities

From 'Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Apartment Security':

Tip #5: .Know when important documents/statements are arriving in the post and report immediately if they don't arrive. Arrange for your next credit card to be collected at the branch.

Tip #6. Don't give out spare sets of keys. Never give out copies of your building or apartment keys to tradespeople or friends.

Tip #7. Consider re-locating expensive items from your storage cage to inside your apartment. eg high-end bikes, surfboards, expensive accessories, alcohol.

Tip #8. Ask your Body Corporate to request a Security Audit of all the building (including storage cages) from your Crime Prevention Officer.

Tip #9. Reduce the chances of 'tailgating' by waiting until the doors/gates to your carpark close completely after you, before moving further within.

Tip #10. Know your neighbours - who should be there, who should not? If in doubt, double-check with others in the building. Challenge those you are suspicious of, or contact Hornsby Police Station: 9476 9799.

For your copy of these or others in the series, see [our website here](#): or [email us here](#).

Dates for the Diary:

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

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](#).

Sunday 26 March: Neighbour Day - This year the annual theme is: **The importance of social connection for the elderly.**

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

Sunday 30th April: "Emergency Service Program" - 10am -12pm, @ Hornsby Park, opp Police Station - Police Crime Prevention stall

Sunday 7th May: Festival On the Green 10am - 4pm @ St Ives Village Green - Police Crime Prevention stall

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

Crime Stats for January 2017 - Gordon

| INC_CATEGORY | FURTHER_CLASS | ADDRESS | START_DATE | START_TIME |
|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|------------|
| ASSAULT | ASSAULT COMMON | WADE LN && ST JOHNS AVE | 10-01-17 | 2317 |
| BREAK AND ENTER | BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL | PACIFIC HWY | 16-01-17 | 2230 |
| BREAK AND ENTER | BREAK/ENTER INTENT STEAL | MCINTYRE ST | 17-01-17 | 820 |
| MALICIOUS DAMAGE | MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY | WADE LN && PARK AVE | 10-01-17 | 2245 |
| MALICIOUS DAMAGE | GRAFFITI | PACIFIC HWY | 19-01-17 | 700 |
| MALICIOUS DAMAGE | GRAFFITI | PACIFIC HWY | 20-01-17 | 600 |
| STEALING | OTHER STEAL | PACIFIC HWY | 10-01-17 | 1920 |
| STEALING | STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE | ST JOHNS AVE && WADE LN | 10-01-17 | 1800 |
| STEALING | STEAL FROM PERSON | PACIFIC HWY | 11-01-17 | 1205 |
| STEALING | OTHER STEAL | MCINTYRE ST | 17-01-17 | 820 |
| STEALING | STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE | PACIFIC HWY | 09-01-17 | 400 |

Crime Stats for January 2017 - St Ives

| INC_CATEGORY | FURTHER_CLASS | ADDRESS | START_DATE | START_TIME |
|------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| ASSAULT | ASSAULT COMMON | CATHERINE ST | 16-01-17 | 1800 |
| ASSAULT | ASSAULT COMMON | MEMORIAL AVE | 08-01-17 | 2110 |
| ASSAULT | ACTUAL BODILY HARM | ACRON RD | 13-01-17 | 1950 |
| ASSAULT | ASSAULT COMMON | MEMORIAL AVE | 12-01-17 | 1555 |
| ASSAULT | ASSAULT COMMON | MONA VALE RD | 01-01-17 | 1735 |
| ASSAULT | ACTUAL BODILY HARM | KITCHENER ST | 21-01-17 | 2300 |
| BREACH AVO | DOMESTIC | KANOONA AVE | 06-01-17 | 1311 |
| BREACH AVO | PERSONAL | CAMBOURNE AVE | 09-01-17 | 1723 |
| BREACH AVO | PERSONAL | CAMBOURNE AVE | 17-01-17 | 741 |
| BREAK AND ENTER | BREAK/ENTER INTENT STEAL | MONA VALE RD | 05-01-17 | 2100 |
| MALICIOUS DAMAGE | MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY | WARRIMOO AVE | 03-01-17 | 40 |
| MALICIOUS DAMAGE | MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY | MONA VALE RD | 17-03-17 | 1630 |
| MALICIOUS DAMAGE | MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY | GILLOTT WY | 28-01-17 | 1600 |
| MALICIOUS DAMAGE | MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY | RICHARD RD | 27-01-17 | 2330 |
| STEALING | OTHER STEAL | COWAN RD & VILLAGE GREEN PDE | 10-01-17 | 915 |
| STEALING | STEAL FROM PERSON | COLLINS RD | 14-01-17 | 2230 |
| STEALING | STEAL FROM PERSON | | 28-01-17 | 1330 |

25 February, from The New Daily: Airport hackers make your smartphone their target

A massive threat which exposes unsuspecting smartphone users to data theft, privacy invasion or worse was revealed this month,

The hack occurs when a user plugs their smartphone directly into a regular USB charging port – the type found in power outlets in airports around the globe – that has been compromised by a malicious device, which then siphons data from the newly attached smartphone.

This includes a variety of user data, such as photos, emails, text messages, app data and any passwords stored locally on the device, and can occur without the user ever being aware.

Think of it like plugging your smartphone into your laptop or computer at home; you can browse everything on the handset from your computer, without ever being alerted by your smartphone.

Full information at [their website here](#).

24 February, from NSW Police Force: Woman hit by car in Chatswood



Police continue to make inquiries after a woman was hit by a car on Sydney's North Shore today.

Just before 8.30am (Friday 24 February 2017), a Toyota sedan was travelling on Victoria Avenue when it left the road and struck a pram, then struck a female pedestrian who was walking along the footpath.

The vehicle then crashed into a nearby pole and flipped onto its side.

Emergency services were called to the location, where they located a woman with serious head injuries.

The woman, believed to be aged in her 30s, was taken to Royal North Shore Hospital in a critical condition. Police do not believe the injured woman has any connection to the child in the pram.

Police have been told that the child in the pram was not injured and has been taken by family to a medical centre to be checked as a precaution. Police are yet to confirm the child's age or sex.

The 67-year-old male driver was treated at the scene for minor injuries and will undergo mandatory blood and urine testing.

Police from North Shore Local Area Command, with the assistance of the Metropolitan Crash Investigation Unit, continue to investigate the incident.

Victoria Avenue is closed in both directions between Neridah Street and Archer Street.

Motorists are strongly advised to delay travel or avoid the area where possible.

22 February, From NSW Police Force



Police are appealing for public assistance to help identify a woman located unconscious in the water south of Bondi Beach yesterday.

About 7.15pm (Tuesday 21 February 2017), emergency services were called to Mackenzie Point at Marks Park Cliff, south of Bondi Beach following reports a woman had jumped into the water.

A NSW Ambulance helicopter retrieved the woman from the water before transferring her to a road ambulance at Marks Park.

The woman was taken by NSW Ambulance paramedics to St Vincent's Hospital where she remains in a critical condition.

Police from Eastern Suburbs Local Area Command are investigating the circumstances surrounding the incident and have not been able to identify the woman at this stage.

The woman is described as being of Asian appearance, aged in her 30s, about 160cm tall with black hair and a thin build.

At the time, she was wearing a pink / salmon coloured dress, black high-heel shoes and was carrying a round, navy-blue coloured bag.

Anyone with information about the identity of this woman is urged to contact Bondi Police or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

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 social media pages.

21 February, From our neighbouring Northern Beaches command.



17/07

Police are appealing for public assistance to locate a man missing from the North Narrabeen area. Tim Couper, aged 48 years old, described as Caucasian in appearance, with grey hair was last seen in the North Narrabeen area on Tuesday 14th February 2107. Police are asking Tim Couper to contact police himself or if anyone with information on Tim's whereabouts is urged to contact Dee Why Police

station on Ph 99713399 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000. Information you provide will be treated in the strictest of confidence. We remind people they should not report crime information via our Facebook page.

From Hornsby Shire Council: Thursday 9 March, 2pm - 4pm Community Connections Hot Desk - Ku-ring-gai Hornsby Volunteer Service

Find out about a range of volunteer opportunities and be matched with a role that suits your interests, skills and availability.

Neighbourhood Watch is looking for people with IT skills in Mailchimp, website design and maintenance, graphic art skills, etc. Or may be willing to learn? Please email us here.

From Ku-ring-gai Shire Council: Night Roadworks to begin in Ku-ring-gai from 27 February, Scheduled roadworks will occur over several night shifts in St Ives, Killara and Roseville.

Beginning Thursday 27 February, RMS will begin work to install a traffic light mast arm on the Pacific Highway near Roseville Train Station.

The work will be carried out over six scheduled shifts between Monday 27 February and Monday 3 April (weather permitting). The hours of work will be from 7am to 5pm and 9pm to 5am, between Monday and Friday.

The NSW Government is funding the \$32,000 project to improve safety for road users.

During the work, lane closures will be in place and may affect travel times.

From February 27, Downer Group will carry out essential road maintenance on behalf of Sydney Water in St Ives and Killara.

The work will be carried out on Mona Vale Road at Richmond Avenue in St Ives, and on the Pacific Highway between Stanhope Road and Killara Avenue in Killara.

The essential work involves road resurfacing and line marking to provide a stronger, more durable road surface, improving road safety.

This work will be carried out in evenings between 8pm and 5am.

Residents should be aware that this work will be noisy, but that every effort will be made to minimise impact on residents and businesses.

For more information about scheduled roadworks in Ku-ring-gai, residents can visit the Roadworks page website [here](#).

Media enquiries: Joel Callen Ku-ring-gai Council Ph: 9424 0897 or email [here](#).

From the Hornsby Advocate, 23 February: Use their [Digital Edition ePaper viewer here](#).

Brooklyn

Police were called to the Hawkesbury River Bridge after a truck driver found a car in the middle of the road with the lights on and engine running on Saturday about 4.45am. The driver told police he saw a man jump off the bridge. Emergency services searched the area for two hours. At 8.30am a 70-yearold man was found floating in the water near Little Wobby Beach. He was taken to Royal North Shore Hospital where he was treated for his injuries and given a mental health assessment. Hornsby Police are calling for witnesses to contact them with any information about this incident on 9476 9799. Police thank the truck driver for staying at the scene and assisting them.

Mount Kuring-gai

An unregistered car was seen doing burnouts about 9.20pm on Saturday in Church St. Police allegedly saw a black Nissan Skyline, which was completely stripped inside except for the drivers seat, had no numberplates, and had not been registered for 10 years cause smoke to come from the tyres. The car had an engine from another vehicle and extensive modifications. A 20year-old P2 licenced male driver was issued with five fines and the car defected.

Berowra

A man in a small boat with four children was harassed by another mariner who did figure of eights around his boat and dropped his pants while yelling offensive remarks on the Hawkesbury River at Berowra Waters about 6.30pm on Sunday, February 12. Hornsby Police have handed footage of the incident to water police who will investigate.

Cowan

A truck driver, 43, was fined \$1940 and his vehicle's registration suspended after he was allegedly caught speeding about 9.30am on Tuesday on the M1 Motorway. A Scania rigid truck, towing a dog trailer was allegedly detected travelling north at 127 Km/h. RMS inspectors issued a defect notice to the driver for a speed limiter compliance and the trailer was defected due to a brake issue. The driver was fined for exceeding the speed limit by more than 20km/h (\$568) and for using an unregistered Class C motor vehicle on a road (\$1372).

Waitara

A Merida Big 7 mountain bike worth \$1000 and 10 fishing rods worth \$700 were stolen from a storage cage at a unit complex on Park Ave between 10pm on Thursday, February 16 and 9am on Saturday, February 18.

Waitara

A man was charged with high-range drink driving after he was seen driving erratically about 1.35am on Monday. Police allegedly saw a Commodore leave the Macdonald's carpark in Waitara and sit stationary for some time before entering the Pacific hwy and then drive well below the speed limit and not stay within the lanes. Police stopped the car at the intersection of the Pacific Hwy and Government Rd where the driver allegedly smelled of liquor and had bloodshot eyes. The man allegedly admitted drinking Johnny Walker scotch and blew .151. His licence was suspended and he will face Hornsby Court on March 30.

Wahroonga

7 A grey Ford Territory station wagon was stolen from Woonona Ave between 6pm on Saturday and 3:40pm on Sunday.

Thornleigh

An 18-year-old was charged with possessing and supplying a prohibited drug after one of his co-workers noticed a container with 20-25 pink pills in a fridge at work. The teen allegedly admitted to police the pills were MDMA, claiming they were for personal use.

From North Shore Times, 23 February. Use their [Digital ePaper viewer here.](#)

MP pleads for safety videos on all flights

A FEDERAL MP has called for migrants and tourists to be shown water safety videos on flights into Australia following two more drownings last week.

Kingsford Smith Labor MP Matt Thistlethwaite said more water safety initiatives aimed at tourists and foreign nationals were needed.

Sudeep Uprety, 26, and Shristi Bhandari, 23, from Nepal, died after heading into the surf at Maroubra Beach on Monday last week, the same day Mr Thistlethwaite called for a national water safety program.

Their deaths bring the number of drownings across Australia this summer to 71.

“Unfortunately this tragic incident is a reminder of the need for greater swimming and surf awareness among tourists and people from a non-English background that live in Australia,” Mr Thistlethwaite said. “We need to do more to provide safety information as soon as they hit our shore.”

He said a water safety video should be mandatory for all flights landing here.

The latest deaths have rocked the Nepalese community, following on from the drowning of two other countrymen on Christmas Day and Boxing Day.

The Non Resident Nepali Association of Australia said it was planning swim safety seminars for members of its tight-knit community.

“We also want to make flyers with water safety information for newcomers when they get their visas,” president Surendra Sigdel said.

21 February: from Australian Federal Police



Don't you just WISH there were rules your child would follow so that you could be confident of their online safety?

Well, there are.

Our ThinkUKnow Australia crew have teamed up with the The Carly Ryan Foundation Inc. to create the Family Online Safety Contract.

You and your child both sign it so that everyone knows what is expected from them when they're online.

Why wait for something to happen before you act? Download it, print it out, and have the conversation.

[Here's](#) where to go.

Dumbest Criminals - Compiled by Wendy Lewis

Here, Take my Money!

A man walked into a convenience store, put a \$20 note on the counter, and asked for change. When the shop assistant opened the register, the man pulled out a gun and told her to give him all the money. She did. The man grabbed the money and fled, leaving his original \$20 behind. His total haul - \$15 minus the \$20 he left behind. Which raises the interesting question: if someone points a gun at you and

gives you money, is that a stick-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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