



Ku-ring-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 - Ku-ring-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](#) (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? [Please email](#) our NHW in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby volunteers. We do value your contributions. Thank you for your support.

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28 August, from Crime Stoppers NSW:

USING HEADLIGHTS: Road Rule Tip #6

We encourage you to take the time to watch these very short [clips](#) to brush up on your road rules knowledge and to share these posts with your friends.

MOBILE PHONES: Road Rule Tip #3

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27 August, from acmadotgov

Scammers aren't picky! They target people of all backgrounds, ages and income levels across Australia.

There is now info in 12 different languages on how people can protect themselves from scams.

Read more [here](#).

Do you use Wi-Fi hotspots to help you manage your data allowance?

Before you join a public Wi-Fi network, get informed about how to safely and securely use these services. Check out our handy tips for using hotspots.

Read more [here](#).

24 August, from NSW Police Force [Edited]

The NSW Police Force today reminded the public there is less than one month remaining for explosives to be legally surrendered under the Commercial Explosives Amnesty.

The amnesty commenced on 15 March 2017 and will end on 14 September 2017.

24 August, from NSW Road Safety

Major traffic changes and diversions are ongoing around Central Station. Be sure to look out before you step out.

24 August, from Traffic and Highway Patrol Command - NSW Police Force



About 11:57am on Wednesday 23rd August, 2017 a Learner driver was detected driving a white Holden Commodore with their number plate obscured. He was issued a \$439 Infringement including 3 demerit points. A caution was issued for failing to display 'L' plate on the front of the vehicle as required.

The supervisor of the learner driver failed to ensure Road legislation not breached. He was issued a \$110 infringement.

23 August, Hornsby Police News

Hornsby Police were called to thefts, reports of an intoxicated man in the women's toilets at Berowra and a houseboat near Bobbin head where a Bulldogs fan may have broken his shoulder celebrating a rare win for the team.

Berowra: A 32-year-old man was detained by police after two visits to the female toilets at Berowra village shopping centre at 8.40pm and 10.40pm on Sunday, August 20. When police entered the female toilets the man closed the door and locked it. After numerous requests to come out, he allegedly abused police and appeared intoxicated. He then allegedly struggled with police before being put in a caged truck and detained as an intoxicated person.

Cherrybrook: A 47-year-old woman was fined and given a banning order after

allegedly taking four bottles of vitamins worth \$25 each from a Castle Hill shop on July 24. Police were called when the Cherrybrook woman returned to the store on August 18.

Hornsby: A white parrot brand drone, worth about \$600, was found in the backyard of William St home a few weeks ago and handed into police this week. The resident found it in the backyard, and left a note on the front fence about it but no one claimed it. Contact Hornsby police on 9476 9799 with proof of purchase and identification to claim it.

West Pennant Hills: Jewellery and a small amount of cash worth a total of \$7500 were taken from a home on Bellamy Farm Rd between 7.30am and 4pm on August 14. Entry was gained via a ground floor rear door.

Hornsby: Four youths from western Sydney were allegedly found with more than \$7500 worth of stolen clothes and electronic items, from Hornsby Westfield last week. A 12-year-old boy from a Colyton address was allegedly found with \$575 worth of items with David Jones security tags and \$7140 worth of Apple items with security tags attached. The boy was found with other youths in a Mazda 323 sedan.

Dangar Island: A 61 year old man returning home from the local bowling club alleged he was assaulted about 8.30pm on Saturday, August 19. The man told police he was walking through a laneway when he heard dogs barking, kicked a fence and told them to shut up. A resident, aged 36 heard this and then argued with the man. There was a scuffle and due to the slope of the land the pair fell to the ground and wrestled. The 61 year-old contacted police about the matter and allegedly made admissions to drinking alcohol on the night. He also did not want to pursue the matter and no one was injured.

Bobbin Head: A 60-year-old man suffered a suspected broken arm after he slipped on a houseboat while celebrating a rare Canterbury Bulldogs win about 6.45pm on Sunday August 20. The man was on a Holidays afloat vessel in the Bobbin head area with family celebrating a victory, when he slipped and fell on his right shoulder. Police were called because the hiring contract said the boat was not to be driven at night. Police from the Ku-ring-gai launch and Broken Bay area command attended the boat, where they were told he had “celebrated a little too hard”, due to the team’s poor form this year. The man was taken to Hornsby hospital.

Thornleigh: A grey plant trailer worth \$1000 was stolen from a business at Childers Rd between 10am on Wednesday, July 19 and Saturday, August 19.

Hornsby: Sporting and camping gear was stolen from an underground garage storage area at a unit complex on Pound Rd between 10am and 6pm on Sunday, August 20. A resident was moving house and left items including a bike, a helmet, a tent, a backpack and snorkelling gear in a car space which, were taken. Anyone with information is urged to call Hornsby Police on 94769799 or Crime stoppers on 1800 333 000.

23 August, from Crime Stoppers NSW: U-TURNS: Road Rule Tip #7

We encourage you to take the time to watch these very [short clips](#) to brush up on your road rules knowledge and to share these posts with your friends. Brush up on your road rule knowledge by viewing the top ten misunderstood road rules animations.

The animations outline some of the rules the NSW community have said they need more clarification on, like mobile phone laws, roundabout rules and how and why we enforce in school zones.

Road safety largely depends on road users being able to understand and follow the road rules, so share the animation links with your friends and colleagues and refresh your memory!

For more information on road rules download the Top 10 misunderstood road rules in NSW guide [here](#).

23 August, from acmadotgov



Have you had a phone call from the NBN offering cheap connections or a new router? These are scammers after your personal information or money!

The ACCC warns that scammers impersonating the NBN have cost Australians \$28,000 this year. The NBN will never phone you out of the blue to sign you up to a service over its network.

If you suspect the call is a scam, hang up.

More [here](#)

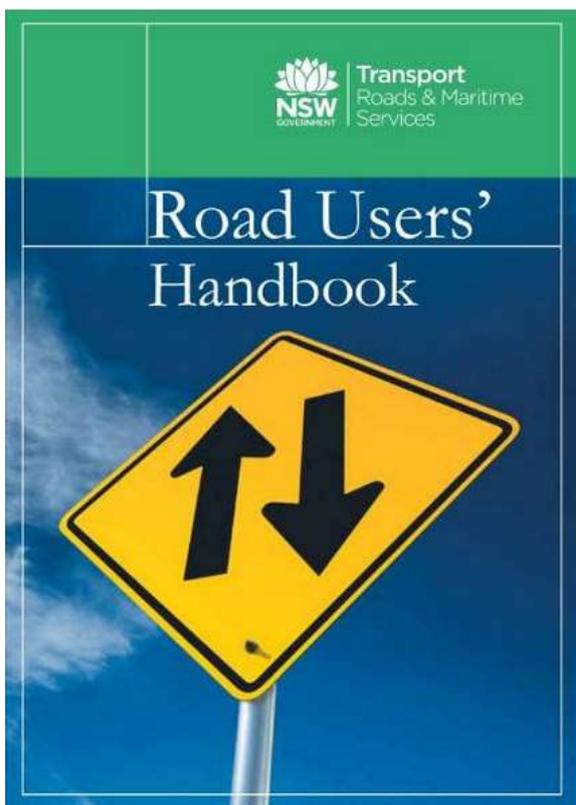
23 August, from NSW Police Force: First digital driver's licences to be trialled



Read details [here](#).

22 August, from NSW Police Force

Click [here](#) for Road Users' Handbook.



22 August, from the Office of eSafety Commissioner

Social engineering can be used to steal identities, violate people's privacy and to obtain 'high-value' information.

Decrease the chances of this happening to you.

Learn how [here](#).



Neighbourhood Watch
Creating Safer Communities

Dates for the Diary:

Wednesday 06 September: Waitara Public School & Community Expo 3:30-4:30pm. Assisting MCLO* with a Crime Prevention stall.

Thursday 17 September: Hornsby Council FREE Child Car Seat Safety Checking Day 9:30-3:15 @ Thornleigh Brickpit Sports Centre - **FULLY BOOKED.**

15 March to 14 September 2017: Commercial Explosives Amnesty

Tuesday 19 September: Ku-ring-gai Council FREE Seniors Seminar - keeping yourself safe in this cyber age 10:30-11:30 @ Council Chambers [Info & booking.](#)

Wednesday 20 September: Hornsby Shire Council Family Services Expo @ the mall, Hornsby 11am-2pm. Assisting MCLO* with a Crime Prevention stall.

Wednesday 20 September: Ku-ring-gai Council Helping your learner driver - workshop for supervisors 6:30-8:30 PM Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers **ph: 9424 0000**

Thursday 21 September: Hornsby Council Teaching your Learner Driver 6:30-8:30pm @ Council Chambers. [Info & booking.](#)

Saturday 07 October 2017: 10am-12noon @ Ku-ring-gai Neighbourhood Centre, St Ives Shopping Village. Prize-giving Ceremony for crime prevention colouring-in and essay competition, as part of NHW Australasia's NHW Week. Joint event with KNC. NHW Crime Prevention stalls.

Saturday 14 October: St Johns Anglican Church Annual Fête, Gordon. NHW crime prevention stall.

Sunday 29 October: Graffiti Removal Day. [Info](#)

Wednesday 01 November: 10am @ Hornsby Police Station - Community Safety Precinct Committee (CSPC) [Email us any issue you'd like discussed.](#)

Friday 01 December: Walk the Talk @ the mall, Hornsby. Assisting MCLO* with a Crime Prevention stall.

Saturday 09 December: Ku-ring-gai Council Xmas Carols @ Bicentennial Park, W. Pymble 5-9pm. Joint NHW/Police Crime Prevention stall. TBC

* MCLO = Multi-cultural Community Liaison Officer, Fiona Zhou

Marine Rescue NSW: Hazardous Surf Warning

Surf and swell conditions are expected to be hazardous today for coastal activities such as boating, swimming and rock fishing on the Byron Coast, Coffs Coast, Macquarie Coast, Hunter Coast, Sydney Coast, Illawarra Coast, Batemans Coast and Eden Coast.

Boaters already on the water should remember to wear a lifejacket and Log On with their local Marine Rescue radio base by marine radio, phone or the free MarineRescue App.

The NSW Police Force, Marine Area Command advise that boaters planning to

cross shallow water and ocean bars should consider changing or delaying their voyage.

Last week Killara was hit with several Break & Enters and Steal from Motor Vehicles. Please be reminded:

- Lock all doors and windows.
- Set your burglar alarm, if you have one.
- Lock your car in your driveway/garage.
- Don't leave any valuables on view in your car.
- Remind your neighbours.

Crime Stats for July - Gordon

INC. category	Further Class	Address	Premis Type	Start Date	Start Time
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	CECIL ST	EDUCATION	08-07-17	1700
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	PARK AVE && WADE LN	OUTDOOR/PUBLIC PLACE	17-07-17	1225
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	GRAFFITI	CHURCH HILL LN && HENRY ST	PUBLIC TRANSPORT	22-07-17	643
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	GRAFFITI	PACIFIC HWY	BUSINESS/COMMERCIAL	23-07-17	555
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	KHARTOUM AVE	RESIDENTIAL	23-07-17	1900
STEALING	OTHER STEAL	PACIFIC HWY	INDUSTRIAL	09-07-17	1030
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	WERONA AVE	CARPARK	16-07-17	1100
STEALING	OTHER STEAL	ST JOHNS AVE	BUSINESS/COMMERCIAL	19-07-17	1604
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	DUMARESQ ST && PACIFIC HWY	CARPARK	21-07-17	2200
STEALING	OTHER STEAL	MCINTYRE ST	RESIDENTIAL	07-07-17	851
STEALING	OTHER STEAL	CECIL ST	EDUCATION	25-07-17	1525
STREET OFFENCE	OFFENSIVE BEHAVIOUR	PARK AVE	LAW ENFORCEMENT	01-07-17	2220
STREET OFFENCE	OFFENSIVE BEHAVIOUR	MT WILLIAM ST	INDUSTRIAL	18-07-17	1320

Reminder: Select <ctrl> and <+> to make the screen bigger, and <ctrl> and <minus symbol> to make it smaller again.

For crime stats relating to your suburb, email us at NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com

NSW Police Force



The NSW Police Force is supporting 'Wear it Purple' 2017, a student-run event that promotes the well-being of all young people, and the prevention of bullying and youth suicide by encouraging people to be proud of who they are.

From the Hornsby Council

Sat 29 & Sun 30 July the NPWS, @NSWRFS & @FRNSW will undertake Hazard Reduction Burning at Provest Creek and Berowra National Valley Park.

From the Kuring-gai Council Seminar - keeping yourself safe in this cyber age event details

Council Event

For :	Seniors	When:	Tue 19 Sep 2017 at 10:30 AM -11:30 AM
Where:	Ku-ring-gai Council 818 Pacific Hwy, Gordon	Contact details:	Contact Person: Ku-ring-gai Council Telephone: 9424 0000 Email: jmayne@kmc.nsw.gov.au Website: N/A
Cost:	Free		

SCAM ALERT!

Latest scams trying to steal money from Jetstar customers



Jetstar Australia are NOT giving away 232 free tickets to people who fill out a survey!

Read details [here](#)

Office of eSafety Commissioner

Watch now: Secure your online accounts & devices with two-factor authentication

Learn more [here](#).

From Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips concerning Fire issues:

Tip #1. MAKE A MENTAL NOTE IF THERE HAVE BEEN REPEATED BUSH FIRES IN YOUR AREA RECENTLY. 70% of NSW bush fires are lit deliberately.

Tip #2. BE AWARE OF PEOPLE ACTING SUSPICIOUSLY IN YOUR AREA.

Record details such as their appearance, car descriptions & registrations. Contact Crime Stoppers: 1 300 333 000.

Tip #3. CONTACT THE LOCAL FIRE SERVICE FOR HELP ASSESSING YOUR OWN PREMISE'S FIRE RISK AND KNOW HOW TO PROTECT IT. Prepare your BUSHFIRE SURVIVAL PLAN, EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN and EMERGENCY SURVIVAL KIT for you and your animals. Download the 'Bush Fire Emergency Plan' App.

Tip #4. CONTACT YOUR LOCAL CRIME PREVENTION OFFICER FOR FURTHER STRATEGIES TO REDUCE CRIME. [A Safety Audit of your home is

available FREE on request—phone: 9476 9723 or visit www.police.nsw.gov.au.]

Tip #8. KNOW ABOUT TOTAL FIRE BANS: X CHECK THE RFS WEBSITE, OR PHONE RFS INFORMATION LINE ON 1800 679 737 TO FIND OUT IF THERE IS A TOTAL FIRE BAN IN PLACE. X BEWARE SPARKS: BBQs, incinerators, welding, angle-grinders, cigarettes, etc. X KNOW THE LAW: eg, to use an the electric/gas BBQ you must have available “an immediate and continuous supply of water”. X TOTAL FIRE BAN & CURRENT FIRE DANGER CAN BE FOUND AT: www.rfs.nsw.gov.au.

The **20 Tips series** is available to download from our website: <http://nhwkuringgaihornsby.wixsite.com/nhwkuringgaihornsby/tips> or email us at NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com.

The current issues are: Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for... **Apartment Security, Businesses, Car Owners, Fire Issues, Mailboxes, New Neighbours, Personal Safety, Retirement Communities, Seniors, Socially Isolated, Staff in Aged Care, Tradies.**

From the Hornsby Advocate, Thursday, 24 August

THIEVES CAUSE WATER HAVOC

Nigel Gladstone

The community of Berowra Waters had their water supply cut off last Saturday after what has been described as “a ridiculous theft”.

The marina and 98 households lost access to water after thieves pilfered water pipes and meters.

Hornsby Council Acting General Manager Steve Fedorow slammed the selfishness of crooks who stole the pipes.

“This was a ridiculous theft, particularly considering the low monetary value of the equipment that was stolen,” Mr Fedorow said. “It takes an especially callous and

foolish criminal to cause such widespread inconvenience for such minor gain.”

The council was alerted to the theft on Saturday morning and had all homes reconnected to water by late on Saturday afternoon.

“I would like to thank the Council staff who gave up much of their weekend to return water to the households that were without,” Mr Fedorow said. “Without their quick actions and tireless effort this could have been much worse than it was.”

Anybody with information about the theft of the pipes and meters is urged to contact Hornsby police on 9476 9799 or call Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000.

Cowan road works

LANES of the Pacific Hwy in Cowan, between Brooklyn Rd and Point Rd, will be closed for scheduled road works in both directions until September 14.

This week lanes may be closed daily between 7am and 5pm in both directions with traffic likely to be reduced to a speed limit of 40km/h as well as alternating stop/slow traffic conditions.

To find out more information about the latest traffic conditions visit livetraffic.com

From the North Shore Times, Thursday 24 August: [View Digital Edition here.](#)

Junior football manager charged with sex crimes [Edited]

LINDFIELD Football Club has sent letters home to its junior players and parents after a club manager was charged with the sexual assault of a three-year-old girl earlier this month.

The *North Shore Times* revealed earlier this week that David Carl Ewen, 50, was an under-8s team manager at the club and was arrested and charged with sexual intercourse with a child under 10 and an alternative charge of indecent assault of person under 16 years of age as well as a separate charge of indecent assault for a second incident on August 11.

PYMBLE

1 Police are appealing for information after an unknown man allegedly took unsolicited photos of a group of girls on a train headed from Pymble to Chatswood about 3.15pm, Friday. The young girls allegedly heard clicking from his phone before alighting at Lindfield. On Monday, the same man appeared on the same train and sat near the girls again and allegedly took photos. Anyone with information can call Hornsby Police.

LINDFIELD

3 Between 8.30am and 4.15pm on Tuesday an unknown person/s gained entry to a Bent St home by jemmying open a locked ground-floor window. Police said the offender/s made off with a diamond engagement ring and cash. Anyone who noticed any suspicious activity at the location is urged to contact Chatswood Police on 9414 8499 or Crime Stoppers, 1800 333 000.

CHATSWOOD

2 Police conducted an operation targeting the possession of prohibited drugs within Chatswood CBD on Friday night with the help of the force's drug detection dog, Belle. Throughout the evening, nine people were allegedly found to be in possession of prohibited drugs, including cannabis, cocaine and heroin. Police handed out cannabis cautions, youth cautions and laid several charges.

GREENWICH

4 A 22-year-old male driver lost control of his vehicle on Pacific Highway in Greenwich and crashed into a power pole last Thursday, before continuing to drive to nearby Innes Rd. Police were called and located the driver, who allegedly smelt strongly of alcohol. He was charged with mid-range drink driving and is due to face Hornsby Local Court next month.

LANE COVE NORTH

5 Police have charged a woman, 23, of Cranebrook, over an aggravated break and enter that allegedly occurred last month. Occupants of a home in Johnston Cres woke to find their front door open and property missing from their house, including their black Volkswagen Passat. Investigations led to a search of a Cranebrook home where a woman was arrested. Police allegedly located many items bought fraudulently with a stolen credit card. She was refused bail and will appear in Penrith Local Court soon.

ST IVES

6 Police attended an address in Tores Pl where they saw two men working in a backyard. They said that, on seeing police, both fled. After a chase, capsicum spray was used and the men apprehended. Police said checks revealed one was in the country on a visitor's visa while there was no record of the other, who had \$2000 cash on him, entering the country. Officers said they were investigating if one of the men obtained an illegal NSW driver's licence after finding a Chinese licence in a van the duo travelled in.

Intruder attacks



A 50-year-old woman and 62-year-old man were allegedly assaulted in Turrumurra on Wednesday morning. Police said the woman and a 10-year-old relative arrived at their Eastern Rd house when the child ran inside and was confronted by an intruder. A man grabbed the child, who escaped and ran into the garage. The intruder allegedly followed and stood over the woman and child, demanding her watch. The woman struck him in the face with her keys. A neighbour who came to help was punched in the face. Police are calling for witnesses. The man is described as caucasian, about 30, with sandy hair and beard.

Criminals and Fugitives living among us



These are the faces of some of the most wanted men and women living among us in Australia.

Wanted for murder, armed robbery, sexual assault and a string of sickening crimes, police and Crime Stoppers fear some of the most wanted criminals in Australia could be hiding in plain sight.

for details click [here](#).

From NSW Police Force

Daffodils are yellow 🌼🌼

The sky is blue

If you stop speeding

We won't roast you 🔥

IMPORTANT CONTACTS & LINKS

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance): 000

NSW Police - Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC): 9476 9799

Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road, Hornsby 2077

Kuring-gai Crime Prevention Officer: 9476 9723

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

Non-emergency two-way communication

Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000

Report crime anonymously

Report suspicious activity asap

Police Assistance Line (PAL): 131 444

For non-urgent minor crime

[NSW Police Community Portal](#)

Online reporting of non-emergency minor crime: lost property, intentional damage, graffiti or theft.

Interpreting & Translating Services: 131 450

[NSW Police - website](#) for crime prevention advice

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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