



Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby eNewsletter #504 - 08 June 2021

This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby 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 our local police at the [Ku-ring-gai PAC 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 another 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 and thank you for your support.

🚗 Please feel free to [share/forward this eNewsletter](#) with your friends, family, colleagues and neighbours.

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08 June, from Ku-ring-gai command: In the early hours of Saturday morning three males assaulted another male in Hornsby, with the intent to rob him.

Officers from the Ku-ring-gai Command attended and arrested all three males. All three were refused bail.



08 June, from NSW road Safety: Double demerits are in force Friday 11 to Monday 14 June inclusive.

Get caught speeding, using a mobile phone illegally, or not wearing a seatbelt or motorcycle helmet this long weekend, and you'll face double the points.

More info [here](#).

08 June, from Ku-ring-gai command: Your easy guide as to when to call police

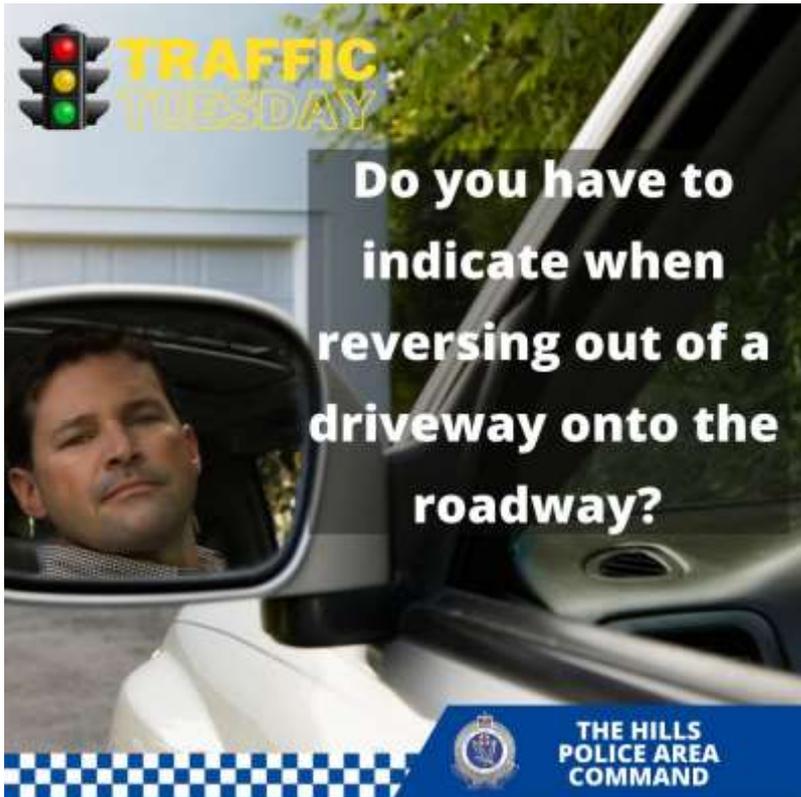
WHEN TO CALL

- 000 (PINK)**
 - Someone is seriously injured or in need of urgent medical assistance.
 - Your life or property is being threatened.
 - You have just witnessed a serious accident or crime.
- POLICE LINE 131 444**
 - If you are the victim of crime other than in life threatening or time critical emergency situations.
 - You can also report online through the Community Portal <https://portal.police.nsw.gov.au/>
- CRIME STOPPERS www.000.com.au**
 - To report information on criminals or criminal activity. You can also report online <https://www.crimestoppers.com.au/>
- Trige Zero**
 - Calling Trige Zero using the EmergencyPlus app allows emergency services to receive critical location details required to render a response. It is an essential tool for regular bushwalkers and hikers in the event they become lost.

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08 June, from The Hills command: Do you have to indicate when reversing out of a driveway onto the roadway?



Short answer - No, as any signal would be misleading and potentially dangerous - as it would be the reverse of what may be the intention of the driver.

ROAD RULES 2014 - REG 48 Giving a right change of direction signal

(1) Before a driver changes direction to the right, the driver must give a right change of direction signal in accordance with rule 49 for long enough to comply with subrule (2) and, if subrule (3) applies to the driver, that subrule. : Maximum penalty--20 penalty units.

Note : "Changes direction to the right" is defined in rule 45(3).

08 June, from Ku-ring-gai command: What should happen in the below

situation?

- A. The pedestrian must stop crossing, move back onto the footpath and wait for the vehicle to drive past.
- B. The driver should use their horn to alert the pedestrian that they are turning, and drive around the pedestrian when safe to do so.
- C. The pedestrian should speed up to cross the road at jogging pace. This is to ensure that the flow of traffic is maintained.
- D. The driver must give way to the pedestrian crossing the road.

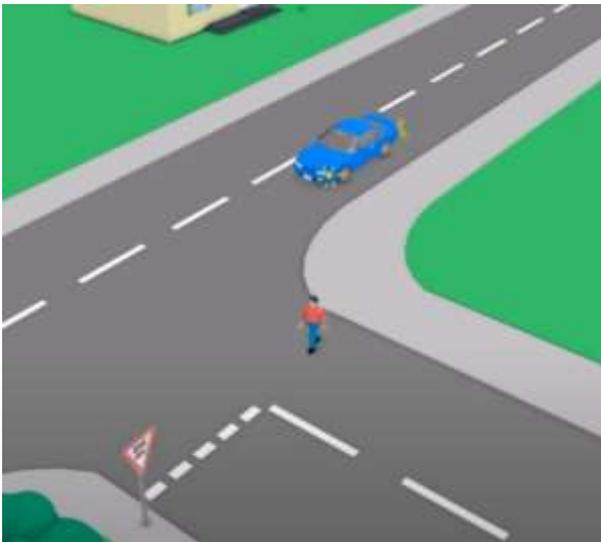


Image via NSW Centre for Road Safety: To find out more about road rules, visit [here](#).

The correct answer is D.

As a driver, you must give way to pedestrians:

- • at pedestrian and children's crossings
- • when turning at intersections
- • when doing a U-turn
- • in shared zones
- • when entering or leaving a driveway.

Always slow down and be prepared to stop if there's any danger of colliding

with a pedestrian, even if they do not have right of way or are jaywalking (crossing the road illegally).

08 June, from Ku-ring-gai command: About 11.50pm on the 4 June 2021, Northern Sydney Highway Patrol and General Duties Police from Ku-ring-gai PAC stopped three modified vehicles on the Pacific Highway Kangaroo Point (near Brooklyn) due to their manner of driving along the stretch of the Pacific Highway between Cowan and Brooklyn.

Police detected a number of defect breaches for non-compliance on all three vehicles. All three drivers received vehicle defect notices and infringements for "use light vehicle not comply with standard - other \$116 and Use light vehicle not comply noise standard \$194.



07 June, from Traffic & Highway Patrol command: There are several ways

to transport a fridge safely.....and then there is this guy

About 3pm on Saturday 29th May 2021, City East Eastern Suburbs Highway Patrol were patrolling the Bondi Junction area when they sighted the fridge.....and car on Oxford Street

Police stopped the vehicle and spoke with the driver. Upon inspection, Police sighted a poorly designed and dangerous load restraint setup with the large fridge perched on the rear boot of the sedan. Police made sure the driver made alternative arrangements for the fridge to be transported another way before he could leave the location. The driver received an infringement notice for an unsecure load.

Dangerous and unsecure loads are a hazard to other road users and pedestrians. When transporting furniture, bulky goods, sporting goods, tools or any other item in a ute or trailer, please ensure they are secured appropriately or covered in accordance with the Road Rules 2014.



01 June, from NSW Police: Know what to do after a car crash?



WHAT TO DO AFTER A CAR CRASH

To help reduce danger to road users and manage crashes more efficiently, you may no longer have to wait for police at a crash site in NSW.

Follow the chart below to find out what to do.

ENSURE YOU ARE IN A SAFE LOCATION AWAY FROM THE TRAFFIC

Is anyone trapped or injured? **YES** → Call **Triple Zero (000)**.
NO → Stop and give assistance to anyone who is injured **if it is safe to do so**.

Are police needed to direct traffic or deal with hazards?
OR
Do any drivers appear affected by alcohol or drugs?
OR
Does a bus or truck need to be towed?
OR
Has anyone involved failed to exchange details?
(See reverse for legal requirements)

YES → Call **Triple Zero (000)**.

NO → Police **DO NOT** need to attend the crash site

Does any vehicle require towing? **NO** → [Left Column] **YES** → [Right Column]

1. Exchange details and **leave the crash site**.
You are NOT required to report the crash to police.

2. If anyone is **later treated for an injury** call the Police Assistance Line on **131 444** as soon as possible.

1. Contact your insurer or a towing company of your choice to **arrange for your vehicle to be towed** (if required).
If you cannot arrange a tow and exhaust all other options, call the Police Assistance Line on **131 444**.

2. Exchange details and **leave the crash site**.

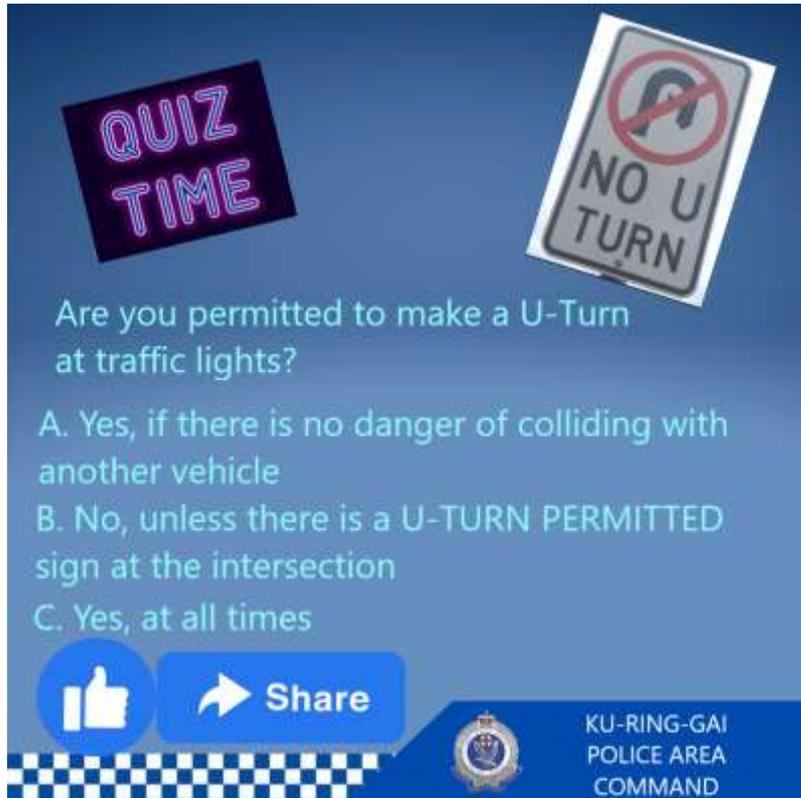
3. After leaving the crash site **report the crash to the Police Assistance Line on 131 444** as soon as possible.
You will be provided with a report number to assist with any insurance claims.

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01 June, from Ku-ring-gai command: Are you permitted to make a u-turn

at traffic lights?

- A. Yes, if there is no danger of colliding with another vehicle.
- B. No, unless there is a 'u-turn permitted' sign at the intersection.
- C. Yes, at all times.



QUIZ TIME

NO U TURN

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- B. No, unless there is a U-TURN PERMITTED sign at the intersection
- C. Yes, at all times

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Answer: B

Penalty for 'Make U-turn at intersection with traffic lights' is \$272 and 2 demerit points. In a school zone, \$349 and 3 demerit points.

01 June, from The Hills command: Can you legally remove your seatbelt when reversing?



ANSWER - In New South Wales, you are exempt from wearing a seat belt when reversing, unless you are a learner driver.

Rule 264 NSW Road Rules. #TrafficTuesday



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Creating Safer Communities

08 June, from Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby: Thank you to Hornsby Shire Council.

We had a successful Volunteer Expo in the mall, recruiting a few more volunteers and sharing crime prevention advice. Today's request was for more information to be available in Farsi. Can anyone help us please? Thank you to

Gay, Graham, Kanak, Jyoti, Julia and David. And we look forward to getting to know our new volunteers ready for the next community event.



07 June, Shared with permission from the Pymble and West Pymble Community group: Heads up: Break and Enter

My house was broken into around 11:30am today. I came home to them still in my house. Two jumped off my veranda onto my carport roof and bolted. The other guy ran down my stairs and straight past me trying to unlock the front door. He managed to unlock the door and run. Keep a look out for a white land

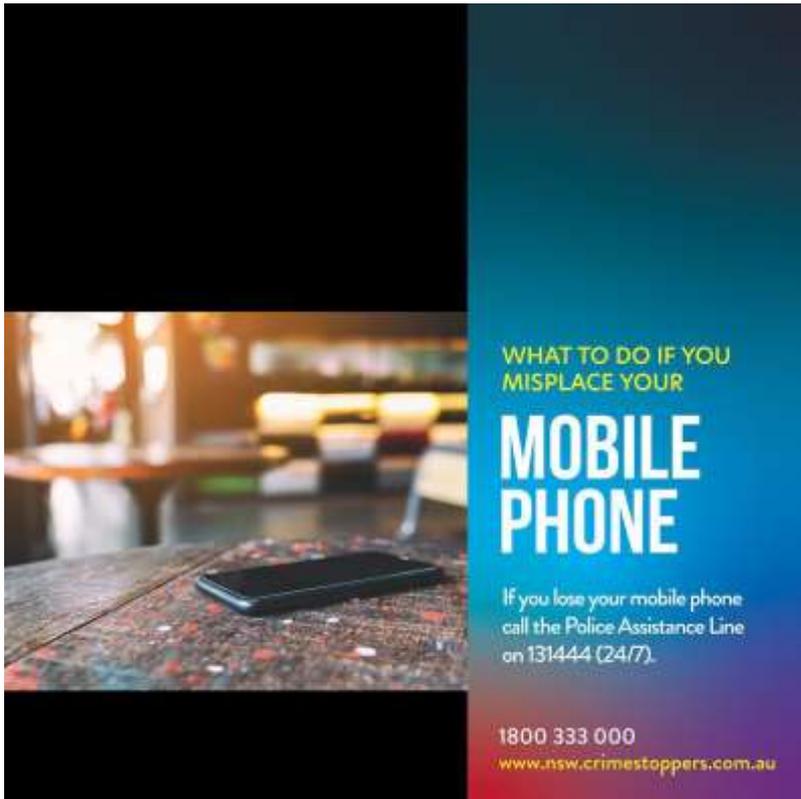
rover with TV on the number plate and they were wearing hoodie tracksuits (one was wearing white, the other a dark colour hoodie). This was on Ryde Road (Cross Street and the Shell service Station). Keep a look out please.

07 June, from Crime Stoppers NSW: WHAT TO DO IF YOU LOSE YOUR MOBILE PHONE...

Losing our mobile phone can be very distressing, especially these days when they are so much more than 'just' a phone. If you lose your phone it is important to report this to the **Police Assistance Line on 131 444** (24/7) as you will need an EVENT NUMBER if you are claiming insurance.

REMEMBER to have your IMEI number ready. This is a serial number specific to your phone and you can find it on the box if you still have it. Otherwise, your service provider can provide this number to you. The IMEI number goes into your police report and is an identifying feature for police if your phone is ever found or recovered.

You can also report online via the Community Portal [here](#).



Dates for the Diary

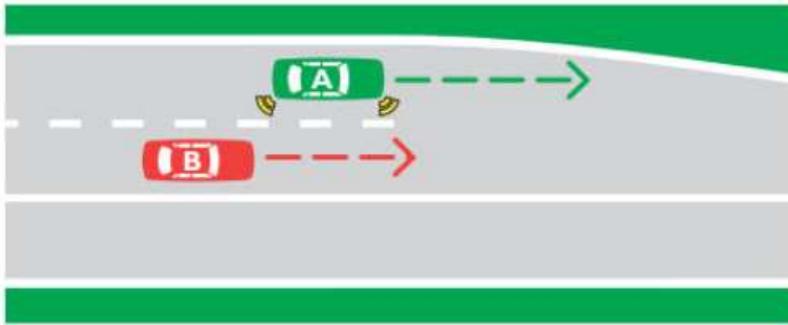
Tuesday 06 July: NightDrive for Learners FREE. Info & bookings [here](#).

Tuesday 03 August: NightDrive for Learners FREE. Info & bookings [here](#).

Tuesday 07 September: NightDrive for Learners FREE. Info & bookings [here](#).

Wednesday 13 October: Turramurra (Gordon 3/4) NHW meeting. TBC

31 May, from NSW Police Force: Last week's question answered



When two lanes reduce to one lane and there are no longer any road markings, what should happen?

- A. Car B should speed up to block Car A moving across
- B. Car B must give way to Car A
- C. Car A should come to a complete stop, and only merge when safe to do so
- D. Car A should slow down and only move across when it's behind Car B

The correct answer is B. When you're driving on a road and the number of lanes or lines of traffic reduces, and there are no longer any road markings, you must give way to the vehicle that's ahead of you. This is called a zipper merge.

06 June, from Bush Tele: NEED FOR SPEED

The Bush Tele related Cowan's Dallas Kelso's story about the speedsters along Pacific Hwy between Cowan & Brooklyn and beyond, and the need for the authorities to do something to stop the onroad carnage (read story online [here](#))

As a direct result of this report, Matt Kean MP has said he would take action. Additionally, Cllr Nathan Tilbury has put up a Notice of Motion for the 9 June Council Meeting.

Do you have a story to tell? Tell us! editor@thebushtele.com.au

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Item 12 **NOM3/21 PACIFIC HIGHWAY BETWEEN COWAN AND BROOKLYN**

COUNCILLOR TILBURY TO MOVE

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the serious accidents and the unacceptable impacts on residents from noisy and dangerous behaviours of motorcyclists and drivers along the stretch of the Pacific Highway between Cowan and Brooklyn.
2. In addition to the Secretary of Transport for NSW, write to the Minister for Transport, local state and federal Members of Parliament seeking a Road Safety Review of the stretch of the Pacific Highway between Cowan and Brooklyn and the implementation of corrective actions



06 June, from 9News.com.au: Masseuse charged with sexual touching of Sydney women

A man has been charged with sexual touching following alleged incidents at a massage parlour in Sydney's north-west.

Full article [here](#).

05 June, Shared with permission from the Turrumurra and Wahroonga Community group: Hey

At 13:55-14:15, 5/6/21 Saturday, I parked my car outside 49 Turrumurra Ave, near Turrumurra Park, someone did a hit and run to my car, on the back right door. If you know of any details about what happened, please let me know



05 June, Shared with permission from the Thornleigh, Westleigh and Normanhurst Community group: PSA...

There has been an increase of phone scams and they are now coming up with the caller ID of Hornsby police station. My boy was scammed out of a fair chunk of money for someone who works casual at a retail store. Please talk to your families and keep up to date with the latest scams that these arseholes that need to get a real job are up to. Police are investigating.

05 June, from 9Now.nine.com.au: This article isn't about our area, but it does make a few generic points, eg the council verge doesn't belong to you - it is public land.

Woman films neighbourhood bin day altercation.

One metre - that's how far management said the garbage bin has to move. Most of us don't give a second thought to where we put the garbage bin out each week.

Video and article [here](#).

04 June, Shared with permission from the Turramurra and Wahroonga Community group: Hi all [edited]

I know this is far reached. But I'm calling out to the person who hit my car on Wednesday to come forward and be honest or ANY witnesses that may have seen my car being hit and the car driving off. I was parked on Stuart street off Cleveland Street in Wahroonga close by to Wahroonga Park on the Wednesday 02/06/2021 between the hours of 8.30am- 3.30pm. I work casually as a Teachers assistant at St Lucy's school down the road. My car is bright blue Toyota Corolla 2006 and I have blue Rims so it's not hard to miss from afar. My car was hit and the mirror has come off and unfortunately no note was left. I want to let the person who hit me know that Covid has been an extremely hard time for me and I am working as much as the work is available too me so this accident is coming out of my own expense when I already struggling. I haven't gone through insurance as the damage is far less than my excess and I have gone through a panel beater.

Please if you were the person who hit my car. I won't hold anything against you but I plead you to be honest and come forward and do the right thing.

04 June, from NSW Police: Do you know a learner driver who would benefit from this program?

The first Tuesday of every month officers from the Traffic and Highway Patrol Command - NSW Police Force, with members of Fire and Rescue NSW, take part in Night Drive for Learners. A free program hosted by Australian Racing

Drivers' Club and Driving Solutions.

The free program gives learner drivers the opportunity to build confidence in their driving by having 2 hours of free driving around the track at Sydney Motorsport Park. As a value add officers setup a mock RBT site where drivers can practice driving through the site and the drivers and their supervisors can ask questions of the officers. Fire and Rescue NSW drive around the track with the learners, randomly engaging their lights and sirens. Another great night last night, with an eager group of learner drivers. For more information visit [here](#).



03 June, from Crime Stoppers NSW: Cyberbullying - A guide to online bullying for parents and carers

Online bullying can have a devastating impact on young people. It can take many forms such as sending abusive messages, hurtful images or videos, nasty online gossip, excluding or humiliating others or creating fake accounts in someone's name to trick or humiliate them.

Signs to watch out for:

- 🖱️ Being upset after using the internet or device
- 🖱️ Changes in personality, becoming more withdrawn, anxious, sad or angry
- 🖱️ Appearing lonelier or distressed
- 🖱️ Unexpected changes in friendship groups
- 🖱️ A decline in their school work
- 🖱️ Changes in sleep patterns
- 🖱️ Avoidance of school or clubs
- 🖱️ Declined in physical health
- 🖱️ Becoming secretive about online activities

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

- Listen, think and pause – try to gauge the scale of the problem. Try to remain calm for your child.
- Collect evidence. Take screenshots including dates and times. The evidence may be useful if the bullying behaviour continues and you need a record of how long it has been going on.
- Consider seeking support from your child's school.
- If your child is being threatened, or if they indicate a wish to harm themselves, you should get professional help. Call **Triple Zero (000)** immediately if their physical safety is at risk.

For more detailed information on bullying – your options and how to deal with your child being bullied, please visit [here](#).

03 June: From the NSW Food Authority: Recall: Community Co Cookies & Cream Ice Cream 1L

3 June 2021 The NSW Food Authority advises:

Metcash Trading Ltd is conducting a recall of Community Co Cookies & Cream

Ice Cream 1L. The product has been available for sale at independent grocery stores including IGA in NSW, ACT, QLD, VIC, TAS, SA and NT.

Product details: Community Co Cookies & Cream Ice Cream 1L

Best Before: 09 MARCH 2023

Problem: The recall is due to the potential presence of foreign matter (rubber).

Food safety hazard: Food products containing rubber may cause illness/injury if consumed.

Country of origin: Australia

What to do: Consumers should not eat this product and should return the product to the place of purchase for a full refund.

For further information please contact: Metcash Trading Ltd 1300 135 690
consumersupport@metcash.com



From Ku-ring-gai Council: Residents urged to look out for dodgy tree loppers

The Council is concerned that vulnerable residents are being coerced to remove trees, which could leave them open to being fined.

Full Media Release [here](#).

From Ku-ring-gai Council: Council successfully prosecutes Roseville developer

Development company Vigor Master has been ordered to pay fines and court costs totaling \$104,000 over breaches involving public safety at a boarding house development in Roseville.

Full Media Release [here](#).

From the June 2021 Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Post [page 20 - view digital edition [here](#).]

Keeping kids safe online

By Senior Constable
Colin Mitchell

THE use of mobile telephones, tablets and personal computers is common in most people's lives.

Children are encouraged to use these devices to assist with their studies and stay connected, but this technology can also be used by online predators to target children. A lot of children use mobile devices to keep in contact with friends via social media. While using these sites, there is a chance they could come into contact with online predators.

Here are some simple steps we all can take to help protect our children when they are online.

Children –

Protect yourselves online

NEVER post personal information, including your name, home address, photograph, phone number or school, anywhere on the internet.

ALWAYS tell your parents or another adult you know of any contact online that makes you feel uncomfortable.

NEVER arrange a face-to-face meeting with someone you have chatted to online without your parents' or carers' full knowledge. Have a parent/carer accompany you.

ALWAYS think before sending. Pressing 'send' is definite and final – you can't get it back.

DO NOT send a picture of yourself to anyone you don't know.

Parents –

Protect your children online

ALWAYS educate your children about the dangers associated with online conversations.

ENSURE that you discuss age-appropriate sites with your children.

TALK to your child about what they do online and their favourite sites to visit.

CHECK with your child's school, public library, and other places they frequent to find out what internet sites they're accessing.

ALWAYS monitor the status of safety settings on devices used by your child.

Protect your home devices

DEACTIVATE settings like GPS from social media sites used by your child.

ENSURE you and your family use strong passwords to secure your devices.

ALWAYS use secure web browsers and active parental control restrictions on your home computer and devices.

PROTECT your passwords so your child cannot automatically purchase apps without your approval.

**DO NOT GIVE
YOUR PASSWORD TO
ANYONE – NO ONE!**

From NHW in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby: 'Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Tradies'.

Tip#1. IDENTIFY YOUR POWER TOOLS USING AN ENGRAVER, AVAILABLE FOR LOAN FROM YOUR CRIME PREVENTION OFFICER (PH: Hornsby Police Station: 9476 9799) OR LOCAL NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH.

Stolen power tools are easily bought and sold at garage and car boot sales.

Tip#7. SAY 'HI' TO NEIGHBOURS AROUND A BUILDING SITE OR JOB.

They are the eyes and ears of the community.

Tip#11. IF BEING PAID IN CASH, GO STRAIGHT TO A BANKING INSTITUTION. Preferably, don't choose to be paid large sums of money in cash.

Tip#12. BEWARE BLOOD ALCOHOL LEVELS THE-MORNING-AFTER-THE-NIGHT-BEFORE. Does your work depend on your licence?

Tip#13. ENSURE YOU'RE PROPERLY INSURED. The builder? Owner? You? Double-check your understanding at all times, especially at handover and mile stones.

For more tips and translations, look at our website 'Tips' page [here](#). Or try our WatchOut! website [here](#), for links to some great information available on the internet. Or request a copy in your inbox [here](#).

05 June, from UK Cop Humour: This is for all those who keep filling out those "What's your stripper name?" or "Which Teletubby are you?" or "Which cheese are you most closely related to?" quizzes on Social Media.

- What school did you go to?
- What was your first pet's name?
- What's your mum's maiden name?
- And whilst you're in full flow, what's your 16 digit debit card number, expiry date and security code? 🙄

Stop being sheep! 🐑 Stop giving your private information away! Take it from us

Destiny Tinky Winky Gorgonzola. 🤪

**YOUR IDIOT NAME IS
YOUR FIRST NAME
AND WHATEVER YOUR
LAST NAME IS.**

IMPORTANT CONTACTS & LINKS

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance): 000
TTY: 106

NSW Police - Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command (PAC): 9476 9799
Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road, Hornsby 2077

Local Police Facebook page: [@Kuring Gai PAC](#)
Non-emergency two-way communication

Police Assistance Line (PAL): 131 444
For non-urgent minor crime (Only victims may report.)

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.

Crime Stoppers NSW: 1800 333 000
Report crime anonymously
Report suspicious activity ASAP

Neighbourhood Watch within Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby:

Website NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au

Facebook [@NHWKuringgaiHornsby](#)

Facebook Group [NHWKuringgaiHornsby](#)

Twitter [@NHWKRGHornsby](#)

Email NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com



WatchOut! - our own one-stop-shop for crime prevention links:

Website WatchOut.org.au

Facebook [@NHWWatchOut](https://www.facebook.com/NHWWatchOut)

Local Facebook pages/groups:

[Neighbourhood Watch - Berowra](#)

[Brooklyn Neighbourhood Watch](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - East Killara](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Galston, Glenorie, Arcadia, Dural \(Rural Areas\)](#)

[NHW Galston, Glenorie, Arcadia & Dural \(Rural Areas\) Facebook Group](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Gordon](#)

[Gordon \(NSW\) Community \(incl NHW\) Facebook Group](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Hornsby](#)

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[Neighbourhood Watch - Mt Kuring-gai](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Normanhurst](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Pennant Hills](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - St Ives](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Thornleigh](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Turramurra](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Wahroonga](#)

[Neighbourhood Watch - Warrawee](#)

Face-to-Face/printed newsletter groups:

Neighbourhood Watch - East Killara

Neighbourhood Watch - Gordon (part)/Killara (part)/Pymble (part)

Neighbourhood Watch - Hornsby (Jubilee St)

Neighbourhood Watch - Mt Colah

Neighbourhood Watch - St Ives (Lynbara Ave)

Neighbourhood Watch - Turramurra (The Chase)



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Our mailing address is:

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