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This weekly update has two sections:

- Project eyewatch: A selection of stories from facebook, as an example of what's been posted for the week (Please note, the detail is no longer timely).
- We always include the Media Release that our Crime Prevention Officer distributes on a Monday morning, covering a few of the incidents from the week before in our Command.

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From the Rural Fire Service: Is your home safe?



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From E-Watch St Ives #1, this advert:

Lifeline Harbour to Hawkesbury - volunteering opportunities are available at our retail outlet and sorting area 375 Pacific Hwy, Asquith. If you have spare time and would like to become part of our retail volunteer team please contact Retail Manager, Aeran Bird 9476 5876 or [opstore@lifelineh2h.com](mailto:opstore@lifelineh2h.com). The income from our retail division supports the many services Lifeline offers to the community.

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Police are investigating the armed robbery of a service station at Carlingford last night.

Shortly after 8pm (Sunday 1 July), a 27-year-old employee was confronted by two males inside the service station on Pennant Hills Road. The men had their faces covered and were armed with a knife. The employee was grabbed and threatened with the weapon before being ordered to hand over cash. The two men... ran from the shop area and drove away towards Jenkins Road in an unknown vehicle. Police from The Hills Local Area Command established a crime scene which was attended by officers from the Forensic Armed Robbery Unit (FARU). At this stage, investigators have only limited descriptions of the two men involved.

Anyone who can assist the investigation is urged to contact The Hills Local Area Command or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

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**The NRMA has today congratulated the NSW Government's move to halve the cost of licence fees for drivers with a good driving record for five years from 1 July.**

NRMA Motoring & Services President Wendy Machin said an NRMA survey found 95 per cent of people supported a reduction in license fees for drivers with a clean record. "The NRMA has been campaigning for a system that doesn't just penalise bad drivers but actually rewards good behaviour on the road," Ms Machin said. "It's great to see that the Government has responded. "The 50 per cent discount in licence fees is a great incentive for drivers to do the right thing and is an important step towards improving road safety. "Recently NRMA launched a Courtesy Driver campaign designed to encourage road users to be more courteous and practice good driving behaviours that may help to reduce risk on our roads. "We ran this campaign because we believe good driving behaviour can potentially reduce incidents of road rage and may save lives - the Government's move today goes some way in encouraging that. "This is a win for drivers in NSW."

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**Are you looking for something to do with the kids the school holidays. I can highly recommend the 150th anniversary of the NSW police display at the Police and Justice museum in Sydney. Located in the old Phillip Street police station at the rocks. Dare I say it there is even a couple of old cells one may be able to drop the kids in..... ;-)**

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**Berowra RSL posted on the Kuring gai Local Area Command facebook page: Could we please get a few more patrols around Berowra in the evenings we seem to be getting a lot of graffitti again.**

**And our local Police replied: Noted. It is imperative that any incident is reported to police, not only for the safety and deterrent factor. But so that we are aware of what is happening and can task our patrols appropriately.**

**How simple is that? Facebook is a great way to communicate!**

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**A great educational video from the ambulance guys, not just about how to react when an emergency vehicle approaches under lights and sirens. It can be viewed on the Blue Mountains LAC facebook page at the June 27th post: [www.facebook.com/BlueMountainsLAC](http://www.facebook.com/BlueMountainsLAC) Really worth a look! If it is made available on Youtube or elsewhere, we will let you know.**

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### **STOP, REVIVE, SURVIVE.....**

If you're planning a road trip in the July school holiday period, remember to take regular breaks from driving to reduce fatigue related crashes on our roads. Driver Reviver Sites will be in operation again this holiday period in various locations - they offer a great opportunity to take a break from driving and enjoy some free refreshments. The best way to prevent driver fatigue is to make sure you have enough sleep before driving, regardless of the length of your trip. The best way to avoid a fatal fatigue crash while driving is to recognise the early warning signs:

- Yawning
- Poor concentration
- Tired eyes
- Restlessness
- Drowsiness
- Slow reactions
- Boredom
- Oversteering

Tips on avoiding fatigue-related accidents:

- Get a good night's sleep before commencing a long trip.
- Do not drive at times when you would normally be asleep.
- Avoid long drives after work.
- Take regular breaks from driving (use Rest areas).
- Share the driving whenever possible.
- Pull over and stop when drowsiness, discomfort or loss of concentration occurs.
- Find out whether any medicine you are taking may affect your driving.

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**Kuring gai residents** don't forget to photograph and log any graffiti on this website. For residents who are not aware of this site and are tired of seeing graffiti in their local area go to this website and register. It makes a difference. Once logged into the system it is a very easy three step process to logging the offensive material. [www.vandaltrak.com.au](http://www.vandaltrak.com.au)

Kuring gai Precinct Coordinator Julia added: People know that they must remove the graffiti on their

own property as soon as possible, but forget to document with a photo the fact that a crime was committed. So, please everyone, let's get all the crimes documented. VandalTrak includes GPS coordinates for each graffiti incident, done automatically if you have a smartphone, or providing googlemaps for you if not. VandalTrak analyses all the 'tags'. VandalTrak logs the jobs and coordinates the appropriate removal, including using teams such as the local Rotary groups. VandalTrak follows the job through the system, keeping you informed of progress. And finally, VandalTrak provides the evidence for charging the offenders. Please give it a go!

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<http://www.thinkuknow.org.au/site/> **ThinkUKnow** is an Internet safety program delivering interactive training to parents, carers and teachers through schools and organisations across Australia using a network of accredited trainers.

Created by the UK Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) Centre, ThinkUKnow Australia has been developed by the Australian Federal Police (AFP) and Microsoft Australia, and is now proudly supported by ninemsn and DATACOM.

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With **School holidays** soon upon us it is now a good time to remind residents who live near our schools to be alert to any activity on the schools grounds. This is a time when damage to schools becomes a major issue in the Command. Don't hesitate to call Hornsby Police on 9476 9799 if you see any suspicious activity. offences.

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Upcoming **Neighbourhood Watch** meetings:

Turrumurra (Gordon Area 3 / 4) Neighbourhood Watch meeting is to be held Monday 27 August at 8pm at the Uniting Church Turrumurra, Turrumurra Ave.

East Killara Neighbourhood Watch meeting is to be held Wednesday July 25th at 7.30pm at the East Killara Uniting Church Meeting Room, Cnr Wentworth and Fairbairn Avenues (access via carpark).

The Cotswolds: Thursday 5th July at 2.30pm

Huon Park: Wednesday 11th July at 10am.

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Do you get **Live Traffic alerts**? We have made changes to our Facebook page to provide you with more relevant information. We will only post major updates on our wall, so that less information will appear in your News Feed. You can find details about all incidents in NSW by clicking on our Twitter tab, or by following @LiveTrafficSyd (Sydney Metro) or @LiveTrafficNSW (Regional NSW) on Twitter.

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From **Ku-ring-gai Council**: Are you new to the hood? We're extending a warm welcome to new Ku-ring-gai residents to come along to a special free morning tea at Council Chambers on Friday 6 July!

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**KEYS 2 DRIVE:**

Funded by the Australian Government, *keys2drive* is providing learner drivers and their

parents/supervisors with a FREE driving lesson, accompanied by an accredited *keys2drive* professional Driving Instructor. The lesson consists of both theoretical and a practical on-road component. *keys2drive* teaches you driving skills for life, not just for the driving test. Research has shown that learner drivers are some of the safest drivers on the road, but the moment they gain their P-plates and begin to drive solo, their risk of serious injury and death jumps dramatically. *keys2drive* aims to reduce the crash risk of P-plate driving by helping learner drivers gain the mental skills they need to stay safe on the road once they are on their P's. *keys2drive* offers parents and supervisors tips and ideas to guide their learner drivers through the process of learning to drive.

To find out more and register for your FREE lesson visit [www.keys2drive.com.au](http://www.keys2drive.com.au).

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[www.facebook.com/#!/KuringGaiLAC](http://www.facebook.com/#!/KuringGaiLAC) is the link to your local Police's facebook page. Look also for Gordon, Mount Colah, **eyewatch** Wahroonga and other Neighbourhood Watch areas.



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Hornsby Police news, 03/07/12. The following relate to local issues in the Kuring gai Local Area Command;

Incident: Steal From Retail Stores

Time/Date: About 9.45am on Wednesday the 27th June 2012

Place: Westfield's Shopping Complex, Burdett Street Hornsby.

Details: About 9.45am on Wednesday the 27th day of June 2012 seven young person's have attended the Hornsby Westfields shopping centre. Whilst inside the shopping centre the young persons attended four stores. They have separated into smaller groups some have entered the Kmart Department Store, The Reject shop, and JB Hi Fi store, items have been taken from the stores with no attempt made to pay for them. Before all meeting up and going into the Top Bargain Store, where they have again taken items without paying for them.

The young persons have then walked into the car parking area and using a can of glow in the dark window spray taken from one of the stores. Proceeded to 'tag' three walls, which was witnessed by an alert member of the community, who has contacted security.

Police were called resulting in all seven young person's being arrested and taken to Hornsby Police station. Due to the age of the offenders they were deemed eligible to be dealt with under the Young Offenders Act and subsequently arrangements were made for the young persons to

be cautioned.

Incident: Single vehicle motor vehicle collision  
Time/Date: About 1.55 am on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2012  
Place: Ryde Road, Pymble  
Driver: 23 year old female

Details: About 1.55 am on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2012 a 23 year old female was travelling west along Ryde Road, Pymble when she appears to have lost control of her vehicle and collided with a power pole. The impact caused the vehicle to slingshot around the pole, which was pushed about one metre, cracked and bent about 3 metres from the ground. The vehicle has come to a rest upside down on the footpath. At which point the vehicle has caught on fire, police found the driver sitting outside the vehicle with lacerations to her leg, she was conveyed to Royal North Shore hospital..

A water main also had been affected by the collision and a large amount of water was being dispersed as a result. Police, with the assistance of RTA traffic management crews closed 2 lanes in both directions as there were low hanging power lines across the roadways. The replacement of the power pole took approximately eight hours affecting morning commuter traffic. Investigations are continuing.

Incident: Drug Detection  
Time/Date: About 11.30 am on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2012  
Place: Redgrave Road, Normanhurst

About 7.00pm Thursday 28 June 2012 a resident of Redgrave Road, Normanhurst noticed a red, black and white chequered bag sitting on their nature strip. The resident contacted Hornsby Council to collect the bag, believing it was rubbish and had been illegally dumped there.

About 11.20am Friday 29 June 2012 a council ranger collected the bag and opened it to check the contents. Located inside was approximately 8 kilograms of cannabis leaf. Police attended the LOC and seized the bag which contained approximately 8 kilograms of cannabis. It is unknown who placed the bag in this area. The neighbours do not recall any unusual activity in the area.

Incident: Strange Smell  
Time/Date: Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2012  
Place: Residence in Albert St, Hornsby

Details: About 7.00pm Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2012 police attended the location after complaints from the local residents about an odour consistent with a possible deceased being present. The

residents also reported the resident of the unit had not been seen for a week or two.

Police attended along with the NSW fire brigade and agreement was reached about entry being required due to the smell. Entry was forced by NSWFB and the odour was found to be coming from a fish tank that had a number of dead fish in it. It appears the resident has gone overseas, as a list was found naming his passport as an item to take, but none advising someone to feed the fish.

Incident: Motor vehicle collision  
Time/Date: About 11.50pm on Friday the 29th June 2012  
Place: Pacific Hwy Wahroonga

Details: Around 11.30pm on Friday the 29th June 2012 a white Toyota four wheel drive was travelling north on the Pacific Highway Wahroonga in the inside lane. With no warning the front driver's side tyre of the vehicle has unattached completely from the vehicle, bouncing in a northerly direction on the road.

The tyre has crossed lanes 2 and 3 northbound, jumped the concrete median strip and entered the southbound lanes of traffic. The tyre has bounced over e a sedan travelling in the outside lane southbound before colliding with the front of another vehicle. The driver of the four wheel drive has managed to bring the vehicle to a stop adjacent to the gutter. Police inspected the tyre on attendance and observed the bolts appeared to have completely shorn off. No persons were injured as a result of the incident.

Incident: Malicious damage  
Time/Date: Between 3.15pm and 3.20pm on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2012  
Place: Hornsby Hospital  
Person: 44 year old male

Details: Around 3.05pm on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> of June 2012 a 44 year old male of no fixed abode attended Hornsby Hospital seeking treatment. Upon his discharged the male has become enraged abusing medical staff, kicking and damaging a door. The estimated damage incurred as a result of the male's actions is \$500.

Court: A 44 year old male will appear before Hornsby Local Court on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2012 charged with malicious damage to property.

Incident: Break, Enter and Steal  
Time/Date: About 1.25am on Thursday 28th June 2012  
Place: Residence in Benaroon Avenue, St Ives

Details: About 1.25am on Thursday 28th June 2012 a young resident at the location woke up and saw an unknown male in her bedroom. The unknown male was dressed in dark

clothing, described as about 6foot tall, slim build, Caucasian, wearing a baseball cap. At no time did the male make conversation with the resident.

The male has run down the stairs out the front door of the house. The male has stolen property to the value of approximately \$6500 which included, jewellery, two laptops, a set of house, car and work keys.

Police are appealing to witnesses who may have information relating to the above incidents 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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Remember to report any suspicious activity in the neighbourhood directly to **Hornsby Police on 02 9476 9799. DON'T DELAY IN REPORTING**

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