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This email is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers within the Kuring Gai Police Local Area Command (LAC). Thank you for all your encouraging remarks. Please encourage your neighbours and friends to join our NHW Gordon Mailing list: NHWGordon@gmail.com. Project 'eyewatch' interesting posts since last week's email:

POLICE have released a sketch of the man they believe responsible for attacks on two girls and are calling on the community to help locate him.



They man is described as 180cm tall, medium build, of Caucasian appearance and aged between 40 and 50 years old.

Police say they are concerned the man is becoming more aggressive and are urging parents to remain vigilant, stating he is very “determined.”

“There is concern that the second incident was more aggressive than the first.”

Detective Superintendent John Kerlatec of the Sex Crimes Unit said police are concerned he may strike again.

“We’re certainly concerned that he may have an attack on another person.

“It’s concerning as a parent and as a police offer and it’s concerning that anyone has the audacity to attack children.”

The image comes after a man attempted to abduct a six year old girl at [South Turramurra](#) in February, and a 14 year old girl was attacked last month in [Westleigh](#).

Police say both victims described a similar man and they have information that both incidents are linked.

Police are asking parents to remind children of the importance of staying safe and what to do if they feel unsafe or uncomfortable.

“Both matters are concerning to police, and also the parents.

“We’re seeking the assistance of the community in locating this man.

From NSW RFS volunteers:

NSW RFS volunteers from Warringah responded this afternoon to a car into a shop at Terrey Hills. NSW RFS Volunteers assisted Ambulance Paramedics on arrival. Fortunately no one was seriously injured at the incident.



OPERATION IGNITE - Hills Highway Patrol officers had a busy weekend. In addition to the street racing offences etc. A number of drivers were issued notices in relation to a wide range of traffic offences. Including a male driver from Wetherill Park who was stopped on Samantha Riley Drive Kellyville at 1:40am on Sunday for travelling at 95km/h in the 60km/h zone. He failed a roadside breath test which resulted in his arrest. At Castle Hill Police Station he returned a reading of 0.132. He was charged with Mid Range PCA, exceed speed over 30km/h and Negligent driving. He is to appear at Parramatta Local court in June.

Operation Ignite is a proactive traffic enforcement operation which is running till the end of June. It primarily targets speeding and drink driving. The operation is focused on targeting traffic blackspots at ALL times of the day and night, any day of the week.

From Harbourside LAC:

A party in Mosman on Saturday night required Police attention after a number of gate crashers attempted to gain entry. It should be pointed out the parents did all the right things, by advising local Police of the party, hiring security and arranging fencing, how ever the birthday boy sent out his invitations on "Facebook" but failed to send them privately. Police had to move on some 300 young people through the streets of Mosman. During the incident a bottle of Italian sparking mineral water was thrown at the windscreen of a police vehicle causing it to crack...Only in Mosman would the police have sparkling mineral water thrown at them!!

Friday and Saturday night saw the usual issues with alcohol in and around some of our licensed premises. If you intend on going out for drinks with friends, look out for each other, if you see a friend who has had too much to drink, take them home or put them in a cab. Spending your night in the Police cells for offensive behaviour or because you are so intoxicated your a danger to your self or others is no way to spend a weekend.

And from Ku-ring-gai Council: You can recycle old computers, mobile phones, game consoles, dvd players/VCRs at our free recycling weekend, 26-27 May at the Belrose Waste Management Centre.

Bought any new stuff lately? Then consider marking your valuable items either with an engraver, or with a UV marker pen. Neighbourhood Watch groups have them to borrow. Please email NHWGordon@gmail.com if you'd like to use one, and if you need instructions on the best way to mark the different kinds of property, eg music systems - mark inside the player where you insert the disc. Mark with your drivers licence number. Anything else you'd like advice on? Please email NHWGordon@gmail.com.

Early notice:

A Project eyewitness Community Training Day is to be held at the Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers, Pacific Highway, Gordon, on Friday August 24th at 10-12am. FREE. Places limited. Bookings necessary: NHWGordon@gmail.com This is ideal for anyone in the community wanting to see how the Police use facebook for Crime Prevention. Especially

recommended for Neighbourhood Watch volunteers. Morning tea available from 9.30am.

TRUCK COLLISION - A lucky escape for a truck driver late last month on Old Northern road, Baulkham Hills. The driver only received minor injuries in the crash. Drivers need to be careful when changing lanes in front of heavy vehicles as it take them longer to stop. All drivers need to make sure they keep at least a **three second gap** from the vehicle in front of you.



May 1st: Today was the first day of **Snr Con Malcolm Baker as Acting Crime Prevention Officer**. Great to have you on board, Mal. (Snr Con Paul Cleary is off for 3months following shoulder surgery. Get well soon, Paul!)

Children approached - Thornleigh and St Ives

Saturday, 05 May 2012 05:40:20 PM

Police are investigating two separate incidents where children were approached in Sydney's north last night.

The first incident occurred about 3.15pm (Friday 4 May) on Yarrabunga Road at St Ives.

An 11-year-old boy and his 8-year-old sister were approached by a man driving a white van who offered them a lift.

The pair ignored the man and ran to their nearby home and reported the incident.

The man involved is of Caucasian appearance, 50 to 60 years of age, grey hair with a bald patch, fat build, clean shaven and with two missing front teeth.

He spoke poor English and was wearing a fluorescent orange and black work shirt.

The second and unrelated incident occurred about 9.50pm (Friday 4 May) when two boys were followed by a man driving a blue sedan.

The boys, aged 12 and 13, were walking along Eddie Avenue near a fast food restaurant when a blue sedan pulled into a driveway in front of them.

The boys ran down a laneway towards Janet Street. The same vehicle then drove along Janet Street before the boys ran into a nearby home. The car sped off.

The man is described as being of Caucasian appearance, aged in his 40s or 50s, with grey short hair, full beard and glasses. The car he was driving is a dark blue four door sedan.

Police from Kuring-Gai Local Area Command are investigating both incidents and at this stage do not believe they are linked or connected to any other recent incidents in the area.

Anyone who can help police is urged to contact Hornsby Police or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 .

Meanwhile, the incident has prompted police to again encourage parents to reinforce the 'Safe People, Safe Places' messages with their children, including:

- Walk near busier roads and streets, or use paths where there are lots of other people;
 - Make sure your parents or another adult you know knows where you are at all times;
 - Always walk straight home or to the place you are walking to;
 - Know where safe places are – a shop, service station, police station, library or school. If you are ever frightened, you should go to one of these places and ask them to call the police;
 - Learn about safe adults you can look for and talk to if you need help – police officers, teachers at school, adults you know and trust;
 - Don't talk to people you don't know and never get into a car with someone you don't know. If a car stops on the side of the road and you don't know the person inside, do not stop; and
 - If you are scared, call Triple Zero (000) and tell them you are scared.
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Hornsby Police news,
06/05/2012

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

Incident: Residential fire
Time/Date: Between 10.00 pm and 10.30 pm on Friday the 4th May 2012
Place: Residence in Dawson Avenue, Thornleigh

Details: An alert passerby has heard an alarm activation and observed smoke coming from the front window at the location. Fire brigade units from Beecroft station attended and discovered an alight bookcase in the front room. This has been extinguished and removed to the front porch. Although water damage is minimal there is smoke damage to the walls, floor and ceiling of the front room, and partial damage to the remaining rooms in the home. The tenant was not at home at the time of the incident. The cause of the fire is unknown at this point although it is not considered suspicious.

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Incident: Domestic Assault
Time/Date: 11.30pm on Friday the 4th May 2012
Place: Unit in Bellbrook Avenue, Hornsby
Person 1: 25 Year old male
Person 2: 22 Year old female

Details: Police attended in response to a call from the 22 year old female when the 25 year old male refused to leave. The male has resisted attempts by police to remove him from the location. Resulting in the male being charged with Common assault and resisting officer in the execution of his duty.

Court: The male was charged with domestic related assault and Resist officer in the execution of his duty, and will appear in Hornsby Local Court on Tuesday the 15th May

2012.

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Incident: Break, Enter and Steal

Time/Date: Between 7.00 am and 5.00 pm on Wednesday the 2nd May 2012

Location: Residence in Knox Place, Hornsby

Details: Person or persons unknown have gained entry by removing a flyscreen and smashing a secured ground floor rear window. Cash to the value of \$1200 in Australian and international currencies were taken.

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Incident: Attempted Break and Enter

Time/Date: Between 7.45 pm and 10.00 pm on Saturday the 5th of May 2012

Location: Residence in Fairburn Avenue, East Killara

Details: Person or persons unknown have attempted to gain entry to the location by jemmying a ground floor front window. As a result an alarm has been activated resulting in the offenders leaving the location.

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Incident: Break Enter and Steal

Time/Date: Between 9.00 am and 9.30 pm on Friday the 4th of May 2012

Location: Residence in Yarabah Avenue, Gordon

Details: Person or persons unknown have gained entry to the location by a ground floor rear window. Property to the value of \$4500 including jewellery and imported French red wine has been taken.

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Incident: Malicious Damage

Time/Date: Between 11.00 pm and 11.15 pm on Friday the 4th of May 2012.

Place: St Ives High School, Yarrabung Avenue, St Ives

Details: Person or Persons unknown have entered the property and gained entry to the

Administration and Hospitality blocks. Smashing fourteen windows on the southern side of the administration block, plus a door to the hospitality block. Inside the building, items of equipment had been thrown about the hallway, pictures removed from the wall and smashed, and a photocopier tipped over. The person or persons unknown has left the location upon activation of an alarm. The damage is estimated to be approximately \$3000.

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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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And an extra warning from our Acting Crime Prevention Officer, Snr Con Mal Baker:

Police have observed a rise in the number of reports of person or persons [tampering with letterboxes](#). On occasions mail has been removed and tampered with, or taken from the location. The concern being identity theft in relation to credit cards, PIN numbers and information that can be ascertained by opening the mail, such as names, dates of birth as well as the removal of cheques and other valuables.

Police advise residents to ensure the letterboxes are secured with a lock and checked on a daily basis. It is also ideal to observe the delivery times for your local postal worker; they usually keep to a reasonable similar timetable daily. If you are expecting a larger than usual package through the mail advise the postal worker, or contact the delivery centre and advise that if no person is home a card should be left for pickup at a post office at your own convenience. If the situation arises where the residence is receiving larger items on a regular basis, a larger secure letterbox is also an option to consider. Be alert for missing bank and credit card statements remember your mailbox content is perfect for identity theft.

If observation is not possible, and the residence receives a considerable amount of mail, consider a post office box at your local Post office.

On occasions when the residence will be vacant for a number of days arrange with neighbours to collect the mail and remove any unsolicited items. If this option is not suitable, contact the local post Office and arrange to have the mail 'held' for the duration of absence from the residence.

Residents of unit boxes should remove any mail that is accumulating near the letterboxes and return any mail not claimed to the post office with 'return to sender' written on the envelope. This will assist in resisting the accumulation of unwanted mail. Unsolicited mail should be removed from the letterbox, if not wanted, placed into the correct disposal bin.

Arrangements should be made through strata to arrange secure letterboxes.

If any person observes person or persons acting suspiciously report the matter to police or your local [Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000](tel:1800333000).

Get up to date information from the website www.facebook.com/kuringgailac and support your local Neighbourhood Watch.

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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