



Kuring Gai Police Local Area Command (LAC)

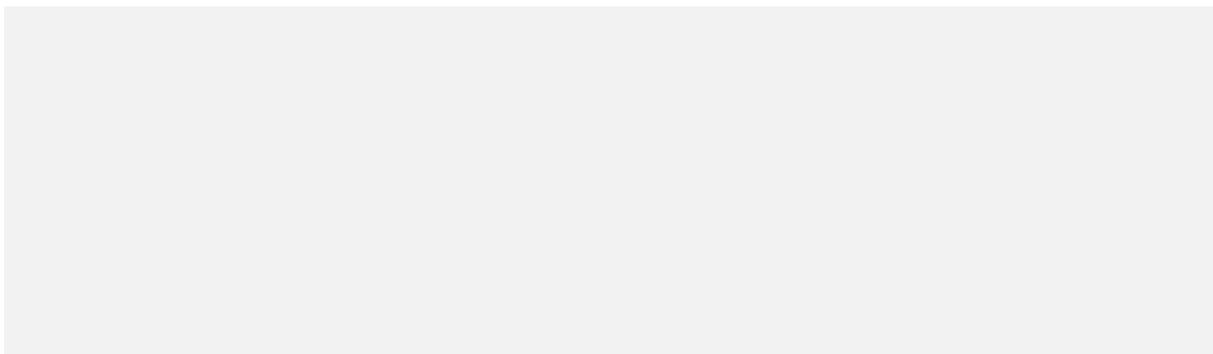
Newsletter # 116 - 16 December 2013

This email is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in the Kuring Gai Police Local Area Command (LAC), which includes the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai areas. Anyone may join our distribution list by emailing: NHWGordon@gmail.com.

Each weekly update includes a selection of 'posts' from the Kuring Gai LAC facebook page (also known as 'eyewatch'). One important post on the Monday is the Media Release from our Crime Prevention Officer.

We add to this all the other stuff we find interesting from a Neighbourhood Watch point-of-view. It could be local newspaper articles, roadwork warnings, crime prevention tips, Neighbourhood Watch meetings and relevant tit-bits gleaned from residents, or other Commands. Have you seen anything we should share with the community?

Load fail!





16 December: Michael McEwan, 23 from Turramurra is in an induced coma following an attack at Bondi on Friday night.

"Detective Superintendent Gavin Dengate described the violence as "unacceptable".

Full article can be viewed [here](#), or

use: <http://www.dailytelegraph.com.au/news/nsw/alcoholfuelled-violence-on-our-streets-two-nights-of-living-hell-in-nsw/story-fni0cx12-1226783631106>

16 December: Indonesia warns of Christmas terror attack threat.

For the media release and more information on NSW counter terrorism arrangements visit: <http://www.secure.nsw.gov.au/Media-centre/Current-events/>

16 December: Link to the latest [Attestation ceremony video](#).

More than 155 new probationary constables were officially welcomed into the NSW Police Force during an Attestation ceremony today (Friday 13 December 2013).

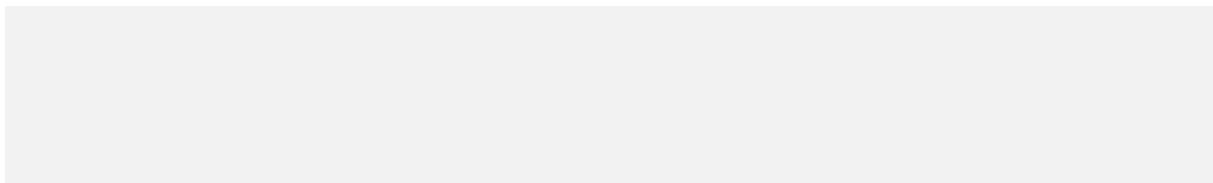
The Attestation ceremony at the NSW Police Academy in Goulburn was the culmination of hundreds of hours of study and countless exams for the 157 recruits

from "Class 320" of the Associate Degree in Policing Practice. The newly-attested officers will begin work at Police Stations across NSW on Monday (16 December 2013).

The students attested today with the rank of probationary constable. They will then complete 12 months on-the-job training and study by distance education with Charles Sturt University before they officially graduate with an Associate Degree in Policing Practice. The officers will then be confirmed in the rank of constable.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LlcPqiBO_Wo&feature=youtu.be&desktop_uri=%2Fwatch%3Fv%3DLlcPqiBO_Wo%26feature%3Dyoutu.be&app=desktop

12 December: Hornsby police are investigating a stealing incident which occurred outside a shop within Westfield Hornsby on Monday the 2nd of December. About 4.15pm a shopper who had just finished grocery shopping attended a store nearby (The Shingle Inn), leaving her trolley of groceries outside. A short time later the shopper notice a female walking away with her trolley. Security and police were called to investigate the matter. Hornsby police believe the females in the photos may be able to assist with their inquiries into the incident. If any person has information about the stealing incident or the identity of the females please call Hornsby police.

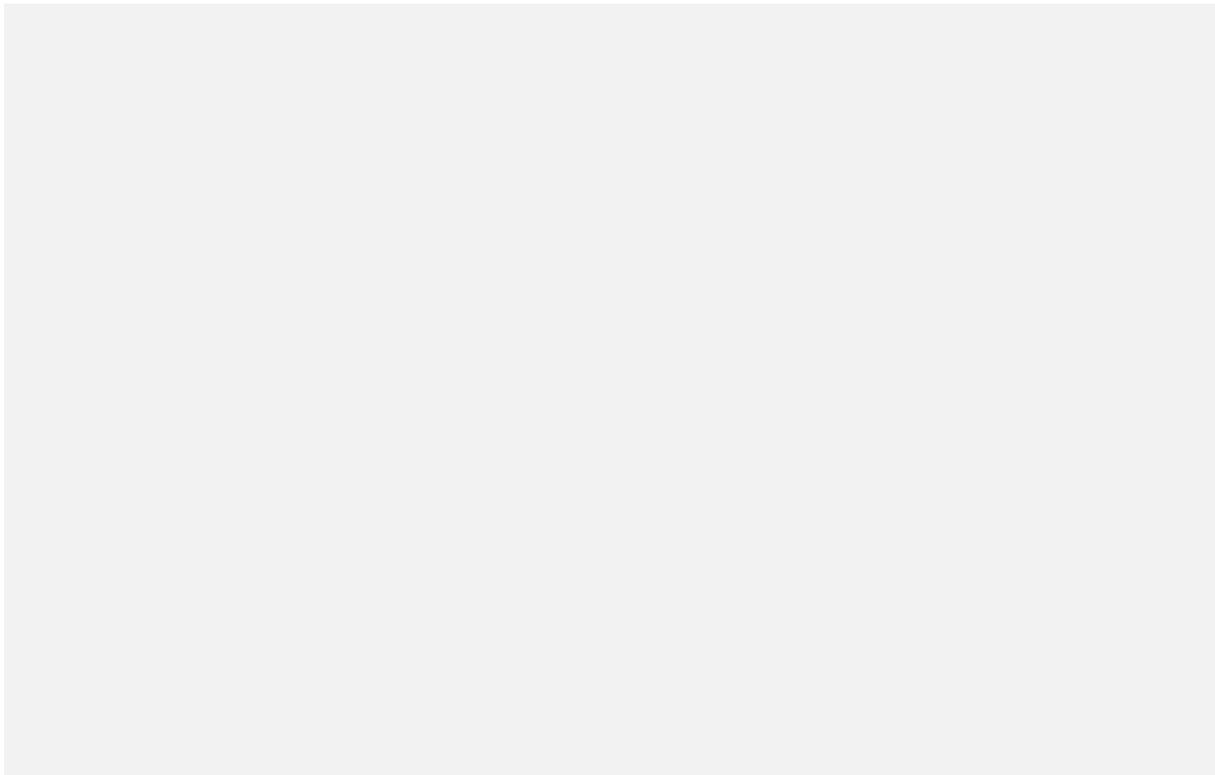




Police are appealing to witnesses who may have information relating to the above incident to contact **Hornsby police on 9476 9799, or phone Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000** to report any information relating to the matter anonymously.

END [2586 people saw this post.]

12 December, from the Hills Shire Times: FOUND: If you lost a wedding dress yesterday (10 Dec) in Castle Hill it's being held in protective custody at Castle Hill police station. It was found on Showground Rd in a large box yesterday morning. If you think you know who it belongs to, call **Castle Hill police station on 9680 5399**. Please SHARE so that the dress can be reunited with its rightful owner.





12 December: Have you seen missing man Nick Eade?

Police are appealing for information to locate a man last seen leaving his home in Dee Why two weeks ago. Nick Eade, aged 37, left his Dee Why home on the morning of Tuesday 26 November 2013 to go to work and failed to return home. He is described as being of Caucasian appearance, about 170cm tall, with a stocky build, shaved head and a large tattoo on his left arm.

Police are appealing for anyone with information about Mr Eade's whereabouts to come forward.

Police are urging anyone with information about this incident to call **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000** or use the **Crime Stoppers online reporting page: <https://www.police.nsw.gov.au/>**. Information you provide will be treated in

the strictest of confidence.



12 December: This video shows the newer **life jackets that are worn as a bumbag** ['new generation slimline lifejackets' - ed] and can simply be manually inflated when needed. Shane has a great way of sharing the safety message this summer for those going out on the water. Just in time for a life-saving christmas gift?

View the "No lifejacket? That's not on! with Shane Jacobson" video here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p4tm8StDEqw&list=PLGpdrSkOiwEld6dGuT0VGMzmsgqi8AYIN&index=3>

11 December: OPERATION UNITE: Hornsby Police join the national blitz on alcohol-related crime Press release 11am, Wednesday 11 December, 2013

Police from the Kuring gai Local Area Command warn there will be little tolerance for troublemakers this weekend during a **blitz on alcohol-related crime**. Operation Unite is an annual crackdown on booze-fuelled anti-social behaviour across all Australian states and territories, and New Zealand. Additional officers will hit the streets throughout New South Wales this Friday and Saturday night (13 and 14 December), particularly targeting anyone who drinks too much and breaks the law.

Superintendent Jeff Philippi Commander, Kuring gai LAC, said Operation Unite is just the first of a number of policing initiatives earmarked for (The Kuring gai Local Area Command) this summer. "We're putting potential troublemakers on notice," Superintendent Philippi, said, "if you over indulge and harm others, you'll end up behind bars. "People tend to drink more during the summer months, whether it's at home or at licensed premises, and that's when some get a bit hot under the collar," he added. "But there's no excuse for breaking the law and hurting others;if you go down that path you can expect police to act."

Police will focus on known trouble-spots, transport hubs, licensed establishments, parks and roadways during Operation Unite and subsequent local operations. Superintendent Philippi said under-age drinkers will also be in police cross-hairs. "It's heartbreaking when we see young teens out of their minds on alcohol. They're most at risk when they're in that condition and we will step in to stop that where possible."

He also encouraged parents to play a responsible role over the summer months as their under-age children attend parties promoted through social media sites. "If your teens are hosting such a party, set limitations, review your security, ensure there is no under-age drinking and consider registering the event with your local Police Station. Police can also provide you with an official **party pack** to help you plan the process." Information can also be downloaded from the **mynite website**: <http://www.mynite.com.au/>

"Play Safe, Stay Safe"we are not the party police this summer but we will take action and you don't want to spend Christmas in a cell."

11 December: A friendly reminder about car security which includes the items inside. Every week Hornsby police receive reports of cars being broken into and property being stolen. The usual items taken are GPS units, cash from the centre console or from bags left on seats etc. Bottom line is, if it can be seen inside a car (bag, GPS or other) then it is a target for a thief to steal it. So either hide it in the boot or glove box, or take it with you when you leave the car, this is especially so in commuter car parks.



Neighbourhood Watch sends the best of wishes to Supt Jeff Philippi, who is leaving the Kuring Gai Local Area Command to take up the position of **Commander at Mount Druit LAC**. Thanks must go to Jeff for his considerable help and support with Neighbourhood Watch over the last two years. Good luck, Jeff!



Please always refer to the local police facebook page as your primary source of information: <https://www.facebook.com/KuringGaiLAC>

Did you know? Door-to-door sellers can only call between 9am-8pm on weekdays and 9am-5pm on weekends, unless a prior appointment has been arranged. No calls are permitted on Christmas Day, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Here's some useful advice found on an old 'Family Safety' leaflet:

- Teach your kids to say 'no' if someone tries to hurt them or touch them in any unusual way.
 - Tell your kids not to talk to strangers and to never go with anyone, a stranger or a friend, without your permission.
 - Never leave children alone in the house. Always arrange for a babysitter to look after children when you go out.
 - Make sure your children know they can talk to you about anything they're worried about.
 - Young children are quick learners. Teach them how to make emergency 000 calls. You can also teach children their full name, address and phone number - in case they get lost.
 - You should get to know who your child plays with as well as their parents and where they live.
 - Have a list of phone numbers of friends and family who can be contacted in an emergency.
 - Keep an eye out for any major changes in your child's behaviour. This could include not wanting to walk to school or be looked after by a certain person.
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Scheduled Roadworks (thanks to the LIVE TRAFFIC App, and Ku-ring-gai Council)

Killara, Pacific Highway (opposite 585-587). Downer EDI, on behalf of RMS, will carry out road maintenance on Pacific Highway. Work is scheduled to be completed in two night shifts between Wednesday 25 November and Friday 20 December, except Saturdays, weather permitting. For additional information contact Downer EDI on 1300 776 069.

Lindfield:

Milray St - Road resurfacing scheduled for Thursday 16 January.

Russell Ave - Road resurfacing scheduled for Friday 17 January.

Havilah Rd - Road resurfacing scheduled for Monday 20 January.

Northcote Road (between No. 46 and Mackenzie Street) - Road resurfacing scheduled for Tuesday 21 January.

Turrumurra:

Fox Valley Rd between Ada Ave & Pac Hwy. Mon 16 Dec to Fri 10 Jan 2014.

(Mon to Fri 10am to 3pm, Sat to Sun 7am to 6pm) Both directions affected.

Diversions: Southbound, turn right into Finlay Rd from the Pac Hwy, then right into Mildred St, right into Roland Ave and then right to access Fox Valley Rd.

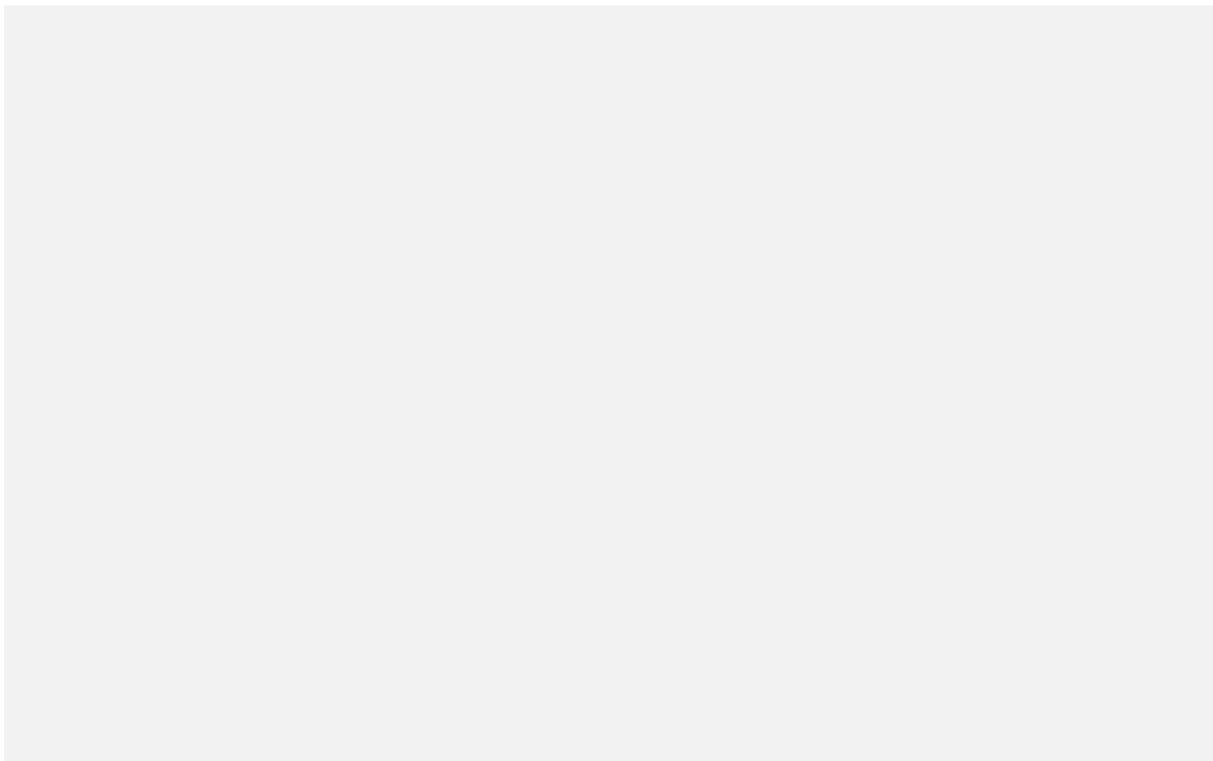
Northbound: Turn left onto Gilda Ave from the Pac Hwy, then left onto Ada Ave, then left onto Fox Valley Rd. Advice - check signage. Use alternative route. Work will not take place between the 20 Dec and 01 Jan 2014.

Fox Valley Rd between Lucinda Ave & Ada Ave. Tue 10 Dec to Tue 11 Feb 2014. (Mon to Sun 8pm to 5am). Both directions affected. Diversions: Detour via Lucinda Ave, Pac Hwy and Ada Ave. Advice: check signage. Allow extra travel time. No works will be conducted from 23 Dec to 12 Jan 2014.

Gilroy Road (between Eastern Road to bend) - Road resurfacing scheduled for night of Wednesday 18 December.

King Street - Road resurfacing scheduled for night of Thursday 19 December.

Phone 132 701 or visit [Live traffic](#) for further road works information





Transport
Roads & Maritime
Services

Night work M1 Motorway, Normanhurst and Pennant Hills Road, Thornleigh

Roads and Maritime Services will carry out road maintenance on the M1 Motorway (formerly the F3 Freeway) between Pennant Hills Road and the Pacific Highway overpass at Normanhurst and on Pennant Hills Road between Duffy Avenue and Pacific Highway at Thornleigh.

Work will be carried until **Thursday 19 December, from 8pm to 5am, except Saturday**, weather permitting.

Work involves milling, replacing the asphalt road surface and line marking to provide a more durable and safe road surface. There will be noise associated with this work. Every effort will be made to minimise impact.

Minor delays are expected. Detours will be in place for the M1 Motorway. Partial lane closures will be in place on Pennant Hills Road.

Please follow the signs and allow extra travel time.

Up to date information and date changes will be displayed on electronic message signs along the road.

Roads and Maritime apologises for any inconvenience and appreciates your patience.

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**For more information contact
the project information line on: 1300 776 069 (toll free),
email: CommunityRelations.PSMC@downergroup.com,
visit rms.nsw.gov.au/roadprojects or livetraffic.com**

From Naked Security, Dec 12: For nearly 20 years, the launch code for US nuclear missiles was 00000000.

Full article click [here](http://nakedsecurity.sophos.com/2013/12/11/for-nearly-20-years-the-launch-code-for-us-nuclear-missiles-was-00000000/), or at: <http://nakedsecurity.sophos.com/2013/12/11/for-nearly-20-years-the-launch-code-for-us-nuclear-missiles-was-00000000/>

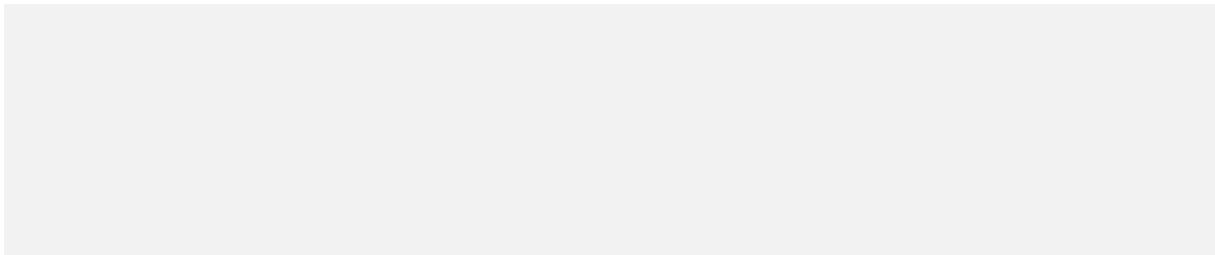
From the Hornsby Advocate, Dec 14: Police are looking for Kevin Elson, who left his home on Telopea St, Mt Colah at 8.20pm on Friday and hasn't been seen since. He's 82 and suffers dementia and so far a helicopter search of Asquith, Bobbin Head, Ku-ring-gai Chase and Mt Colah has been unsuccessful. Please

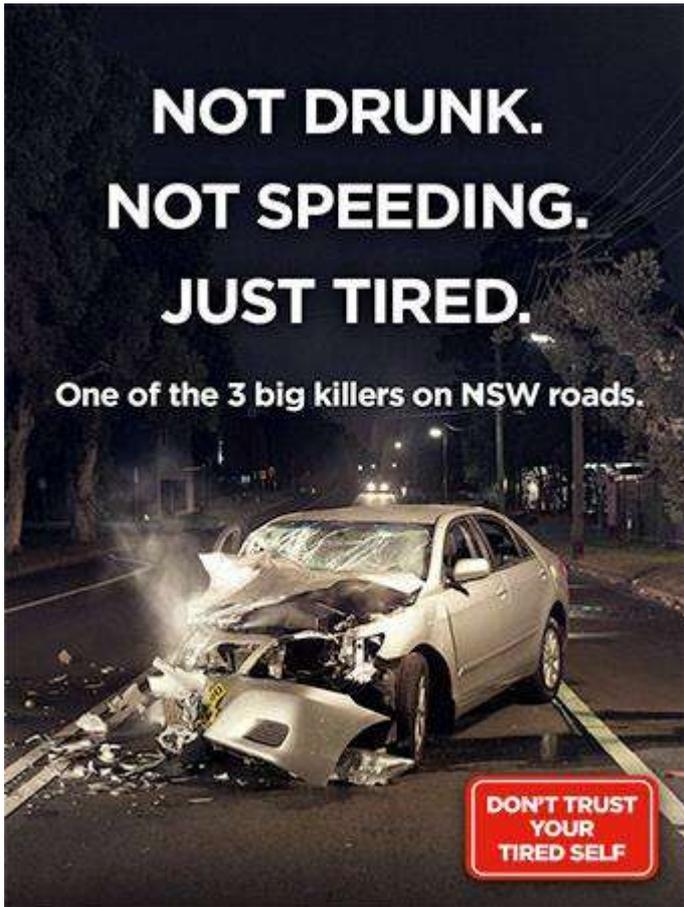
share and if you've seen him contact police on 1800 333 000.



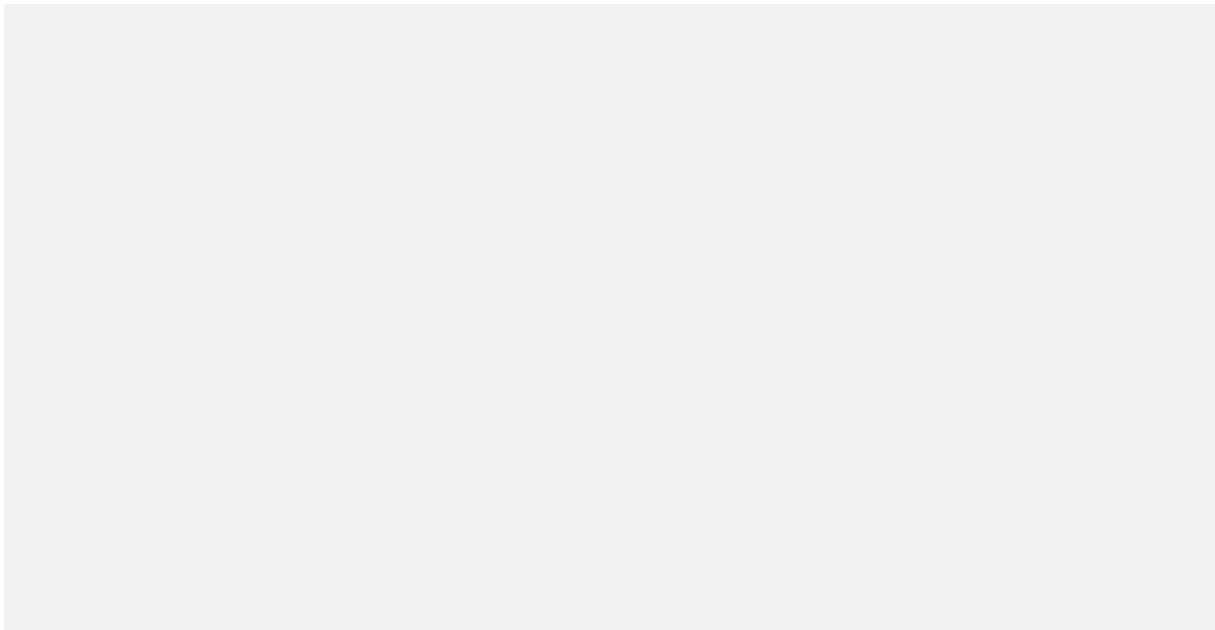
Good news: Kevin Elson has been found safe and sound near Morriset. A member of the public saw him close to the railway station and he's been taken to Wyong Hospital.

Dec 16: Try the test on this interactive website? You can't brake while you're asleep. Don't trust your tired self. Find out more at - www.testyourtiredself.com.au



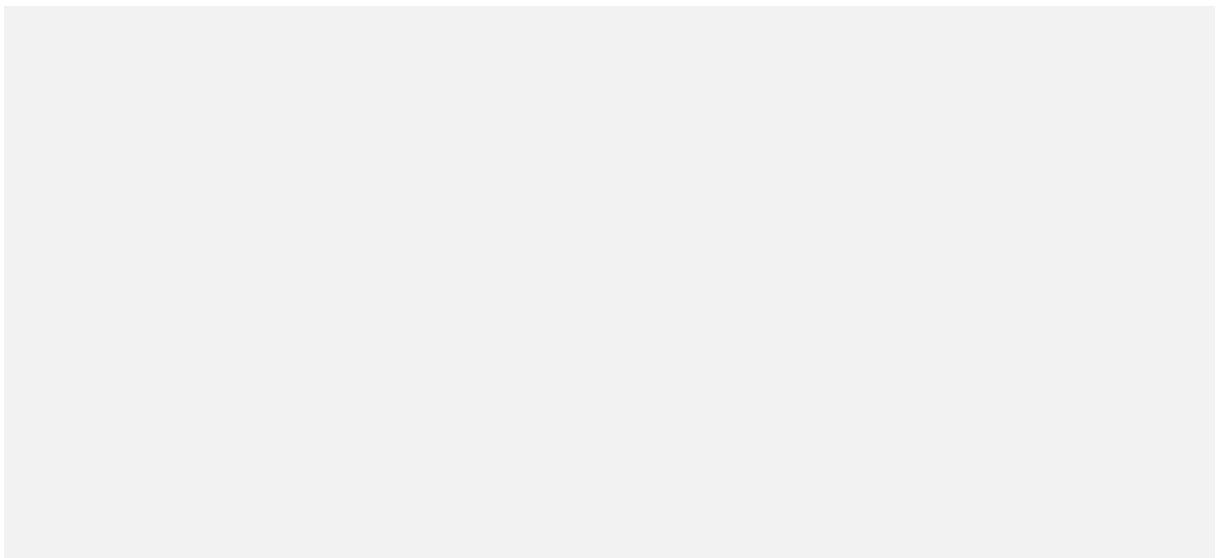


Dec 16, from the Hornsby Advocate: This little rabbit was found sitting on a letterbox near Wahroonga Park over the weekend. It looks well loved. Do you know who it belongs to?





From the North Shore Times, Dec 13:



EAST LINDFIELD

Classes keep savvy seniors up-to-date



COMPUTER Pals for Seniors Ku-ring-gai, based in East Lindfield, will continue to help residents.

President Bev Weeks said there was a continuing need for seniors to learn about new technology.

Details: 9416 9049 or computerpals.org

From the Hornsby Advocate, Dec 12: Police pleased by crime rate fall

MUCH of the high crime across Kuring-gai and Hornsby has reduced in the past 12 months, according to new figures. And Commander Inspector Jeff Philippi believes it is a **result of proactive policing**. The NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research released figures up to September 2013, comparing them to the same time last year. Malicious damage to properties, stealing from dwellings, assault, robbery, break and enters as well as stealing from motor vehicles are all down.

“I’m very happy because our team have been working hard on being proactive,” Insp Philippi said. “I think that accounts for some of the results. We have had the State Crime Command doing operations in the region on break and enters and this shows in these results.”

The biggest major increase was, once again, in fraud. In the year to September 2012, there had been 304 reported cases in Kuring-gai Local Area Government and 592 in Hornsby. This year that had increased to 407 in Ku-ring-gai and 650 in Hornsby. Fraud generally relates to cybercrime, stolen credit cards, skimming and people failing to pay for petrol.

From the Hornsby Advocate, Dec12:

GO AWAY FOR A HOLIDAY, BUT KEEP YOUR HOME SAFE



Many break and enter offences occur during the holiday season. A large number of them occur when your home appears unoccupied or it is obvious that no one is home. If you are planning a holiday ask a friend or neighbour to park in your driveway. Ask them to clear your mailbox and

check on your home occasionally while you are away.

When packing for a holiday, avoid loading the car the night before as it will become an attractive target.

Pay essential bills such as electricity, gas and water in advance so these services continue while you're away.

Inspector Ian Mitchell

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From the Hornsby Advocate, Dec12: COUNCIL TAKES LEGAL ACTION

HORNSBY Council has its hands full with the owners of a rogue dog boarding kennel who refuse to adhere to orders to shut down operations. Now, after two years of fighting, the council has foreshadowed court action. **Sydney Pet Resort at 669 Old Northern Rd, Dural**, has been operating unlawfully and against council's wishes for almost two years. The council has attempted to shut down the kennel on a number of occasions, citing a lack of animal supervision, proximity to a preschool and disturbance to neighbourhood amenity. The owners say eight dogs are on site at any one time and one person, not employed to care for the animals, is at the facility 24 hours a day.

Councillor Antony Anisse, who spoke against the kennel's wishes to develop the site in October, said it was time the kennel was closed. "To know the applicant is operating despite not being authorised to do so is a concern," Mr Anisse said. Any court action would need to wait until the conclusion of a Land and Environment Court hearing, which the owner recently lodged. Sydney Pet Resort was contacted and has yet to respond to the Advocate's request for comment.

From Hornsby Shire Council:

E Waste Collection recommences

Council's E Waste collection service has recommenced. Please note the drop off location is the new waste depot at 4 Chilvers Road, Thornleigh (entry via Sefton Road near the vacant block).

Items that will be accepted include: televisions, PCs, laptops, monitors, scanners, printers, keyboards and peripherals, hard drives, CD drives, joysticks and gamepads, web cameras, DVD and VCR players, set top boxes, DVDs and CDs.

Opening times are Monday to Friday, 9am-4pm and late night Tuesday till 7pm. The service will run to June 2014.

Important Contacts

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance) 000

Kuring Gai Local Area Command (LAC) 9476 9799
Hornsby Police Station 292 Pacific Highway, 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

Never be afraid or embarrassed to report a crime, concern or fear you have to the Police. The Police are here to help you.

This email has been forwarded to you by Neighbourhood Watch within Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby. Please share the information with anyone you think may be interested, and encourage them to join our Distribution lists. Thank you. If you live outside the Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai area, please contact your local Crime Prevention officer for similar information for your locality. If you are unaware of an active Neighbourhood Watch group in your area, please consider starting one.

Our mailing address is:

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