



Kuring-gai NSW Police Local Area Command (LAC)

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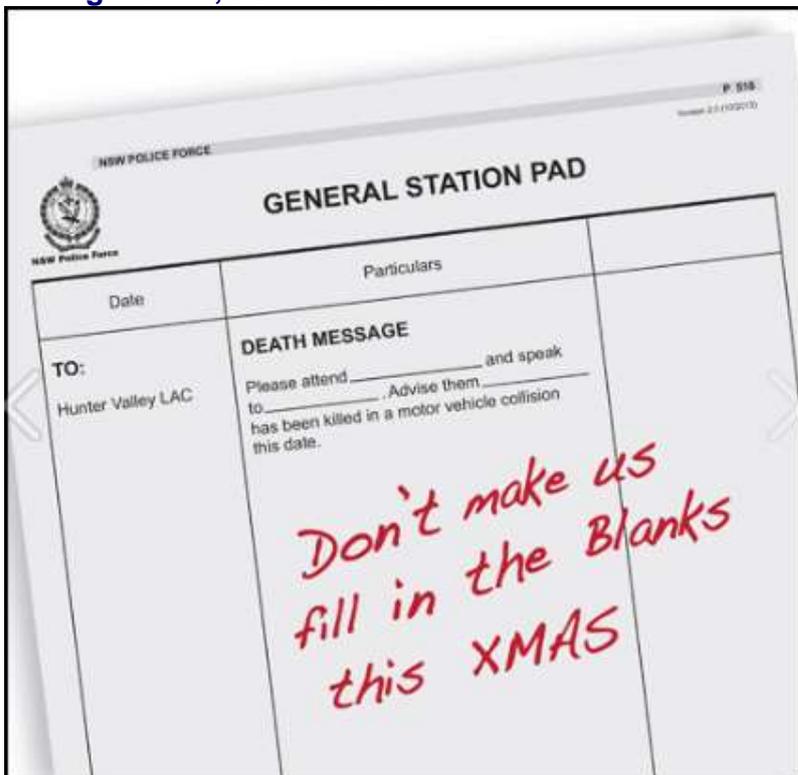
This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in the NSW Police Force Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC), which includes most of the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai council areas. The eNewsletter is a new type of Neighbourhood Watch; utilising the available 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 [click here](#) (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? [Click here](#) to email NHW in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby. We do value your contributions. Thank you for your support.

Please feel free to share/forward this eNewsletter with your friends, family, colleagues and neighbours. **To subscribe, [click here](#).**

14 December, This is the last thing that police officers want to fill out this

Christmas. Please stick to the speed limit, don't drive tired and if you're having a drink, don't drive.



14 December, Here's some crime stats from over the weekend.

OFFENCES	Break & Enter	Malicious Damage	Stealing	Steal from motor vehicle	Steal Motor Vehicle	Drugs	Other
Suburb							
ASQUITH							
BEROWRA		2		1			
BROOKLYN							
COWAN							
GALSTON							
GORDON	1						
HORNSBY	2		3				
HORNSBY HEIGHTS							
KOLLARA			2	1			
MT COLAH							
MT KURRING GAI							
NORMANHURST							
PYMBLE							
ST IVES			1	2		1	
THORNLEIGH		2	2				
TURRAMURRA							
WAHROONGA	1	2	1	1		1	
WAITARA							
WARRAWEE							
WEST PYMBLE				2			
WESTLEIGH							

St Ives Chase: Solar power christmas display (Reindeer) stole from front yard
 Pymble: Middle range drink driving
 Data range 11/12 to 4pm 14/12

Berowra: Malicious Damage (Mal Dam) x 2, steal from motor vehicle

Gordon: B&E

Hornsby: B&E, stealing

Killara: Stealing, steal from motor vehicle

St Ives: Stealing, steal from motor vehicle X 2, drugs

Thornleigh: Mal dam X 2, stealing X 2

Wahroonga: B&E, Mal Dam X 2, Stealing, steal from motor vehicle

West Pymble: Steal from motor vehicle X 2

14 December, From Australia Post: What you should do if you receive these emails



For full story, click [here](#)

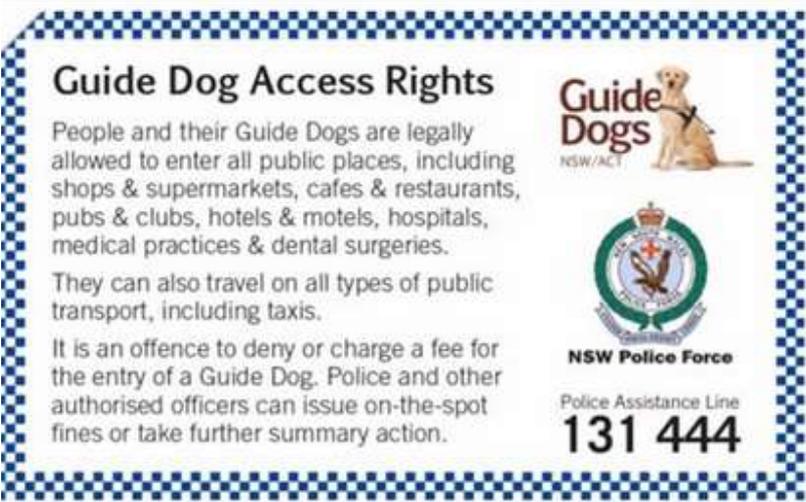
10 December, Product Safety



Choose safe products this Christmas. If you are purchasing a hoverboard this

Christmas, ensure that the packaging is marked with the Australian regulatory compliance symbol or RCM – a tick surrounded by a triangle. The RCM signifies that a supplier has taken the necessary steps to ensure the product complies with electrical safety requirements.

For more, click [here](#).



Guide Dog Access Rights

People and their Guide Dogs are legally allowed to enter all public places, including shops & supermarkets, cafes & restaurants, pubs & clubs, hotels & motels, hospitals, medical practices & dental surgeries.

They can also travel on all types of public transport, including taxis.

It is an offence to deny or charge a fee for the entry of a Guide Dog. Police and other authorised officers can issue on-the-spot fines or take further summary action.

Guide Dogs
NSW/ACT



NSW Police Force

Police Assistance Line
131 444

8 December, Electronic Cigarettes

From today you could face a \$250 fine from NSW Police if you use an e-cigarette while in the same car as a child under 16.

This is to protect children from the potential harms associated with e-cigarettes.

For further information click [here](#) or call 1800 357 412.

8 December, Keep left unless overtaking

On roads of two or more lanes where the speed limit is greater than 80km/h (M1 Motorway), motorists must not drive in the right-hand lane unless they are overtaking, turning right, avoiding an obstacle, driving in congested traffic or are otherwise instructed by road signs.

Fine for 'Disobey keep left unless overtaking sign-motor vehicle' \$319 2 points.

8 December, Protect yourself from holiday scams



A reminder to watch out for fake charities –
Scammers exploiting your generosity during the 'giving season'.

7 December, Yes to a drink doesn't mean yes to sex. At the end of the night, do what's right - look after each other.

One from our counterparts in England that is just as relevant here. Remember our emergency number is different: Triple 000 in an emergency.

7 December, Get Home Safely Campaign



The NSW road toll has risen this year in comparison to 2014, prompting the NSW Police Force to once again urge road users to display responsible driving behaviours. The “Get Home Safely” campaign is being launched today and will initially focus on pedestrian safety.

There has been a 57% increase on pedestrian fatalities in 2015, and many of these accidents have been due to risky pedestrian behaviours. Remember to use dedicated crossings, stay alert and don’t look at your phone when crossing. The Get Home Safely campaign reminds road users to slow down, stop risky behaviours and be mindful of other road users leading into the holiday season. Each week, the campaign will promote safety messages for key groups who have been identified as high risk road users.

We must all take responsibility for our actions, whether we’re drivers, passengers, riders or pedestrians. The NSW Police Force is pleading for road users to slow down, obey the road rules and look out for each other as we head into the holidays.



Neighbourhood Watch
Creating Safer Communities

All clothing made from old police uniforms



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old police uniforms.

Something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue... No we are not talking about Weddings but a new project currently run in Meekatharra.

Borrowing the idea from our Queensland counterparts Mid-West Gascoyne Superintendent Kylie Whiteley has embraced turning old police uniforms into fashionable clothing for young people.

It's hoped by the kids wearing which were once police uniforms that they feel confident to engage with officers in their local community, because "Hey we are wearing the same thing!"

Many children in Meekatharra are faced with challenges associated with family and domestic violence, the clothing opens the door to positive long term police and community relationship.

More than 60 items of clothing were received & showing their appreciation the community held a concert for Sgt Jodie Mills who has made it possible.

12 December: North Yorkshire Police



History was made last night as our first ever Volunteer Police Cadets were officially welcomed to North Yorkshire Police at their passing out ceremony.

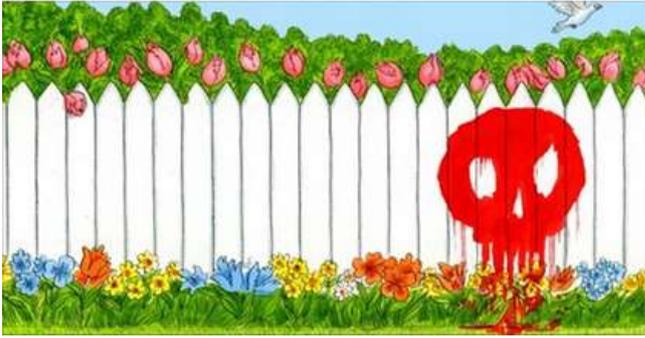
The cadets are aged 14 to 16 and joined us in September. Since then they have been getting to know each other, learning about policing duties and basic law as well as taking part in physical activities and drills before taking their Cadet Oath in front of proud family and friends.

The cadet unit is run in partnership with Askham Bryan College and is a pilot scheme that will run for two years in the York area, with training nights taking place at the college on school term nights.

Now they are fully fledged police cadets, in addition to their weekly training nights, the cadets will contribute at least three hours each month to cadet duties. These range from assisting with local community events, helping their local police teams with leaflet drops, crime prevention and community safety events, street surveys, and as role play volunteers in the training of student officers.

They can be very proud of what they have achieved so far and we look forward to seeing them out and about, helping us to keep our communities safe.

**8 December, from Sydney Morning Herald : We need to harden up:
unreasonable fear of terrorism serves the enemy**



Why do political movements use terrorism? Because it works, at least initially, as recent events show. Not in the scale of its killing, which is very small.

"The success of these atrocities lies in the way they compel our attention," says Conor Gearty of the London School of Economics in his book *Terror*, published in 1991, long before so-called Islamic State or Daesh had been conceived.

Terrorists prey on our fears, and our fears exaggerate the dangers beyond any rationality. That's why it's called terrorism – it's the clinical deployment of terror to produce a specific behavioural response.

Read more [here](#).

From the Hornsby Advocate, 10 December:

2 WAITARA A number of letterboxes at a unit complex in Waitara Ave were tampered with on Friday. About 11.50am two women of Middle Eastern appearance were seen tampering with letterboxes at the front of the complex. CCTV footage showed one of the women using what appeared to be a master key to open a letterbox. She removed a package and placed it under her arm. The other woman was seen removing a number of items from another letterbox. The complex's building manager confronted the women who handed the mail to him before getting into a white Hyundai Getz and driving away. Police inquiries are continuing.

8 WAITARA The credit card of a 70-year-old woman was used at various stores to make about \$370 worth of purchases over the past fortnight. The woman told police she had left the card in an eftpos machine at Coles Hornsby. Purchases were made at Aldi, Coles and Bunnings.

Dates for the Diary:

Tuesday 02 February 2016: 'All Areas' Neighbourhood Watch meeting #19, 6pm, venue tbc.

Thursday 17 March 2016: Neighbourhood Watch Information Day at NSW Teachers Federation Conference Centre, Surry Hills.

Friday 01 - Sunday 10 April 2016: Seniors Week

Friday 08 - Sunday 17 April 2016: Youth Week

Saturday 11 & Sunday 12 June 2016: Ku-ring-gai Council Chemical CleanOut, 9-330pm @ St Ives Showground. [Info](#).

From Ku-ring-gai Council: Litter free Ku-ring-gai

Ku-ring-gai residents value a clean, green environment around them. We love spending time in the great outdoors, in shopping villages, at cafes and restaurants. Ku-ring-gai has a strong sense of

community and want our environment to be clean and safe.

Litter makes an area look dirty and uncared for.

For more, click [here](#)

From Hornsby Shire Council:

A red banner with white text. At the top right, there are five small white circles and a double vertical bar icon. The main text is in a bold, sans-serif font.

CHRISTMAS OPENING HOURS

Hornsby Shire Council offices will be closed from 1pm 24th December and will reopen for business at 8.30am Tuesday 29th December.

Its offices will be open from 8.30am to 5pm each day between Christmas and New Year and closed on public holidays.

For urgent enquiries when Council is closed, please call 9847 6666 and your call will be transferred to its out of hours service.

Want to know about Scheduled Roadworks near you?

View the Live Traffic NSW website [here](#).

Download the Live Traffic App: Android, [click here](#). Apple, [click here](#).

Important Contacts

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance) **000**

Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC) 9476 9799

Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road (ex-Pacific Hwy), 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

Interpreting & Translating Services 131 450

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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Our mailing address is:

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