



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](#).**

31 January, from Hornsby SES: When preparing for a storm, it is important to

secure loose items around a home.

Yesterday, this trampoline was blown in the wind and landed next to a fallen tree in the Arcadia area. Hornsby SES Volunteers cut the tree off the road last night. Loose items around a home can become projectiles in a storm and cause damage to property. This morning is a good opportunity to clean up around the home and check for any storm damage. Clean gutters and downpipes as blockages can cause water damage into homes. During and after a storm, if you need assistance, please contact **SES on 132 500**. For life threatening matters, contact 000.



31 January, from Seven News Sydney: Sydney Cinema Holdup Crim Jailed [Remember Roseville Cinema in September 2013? - Ed]

He carried an axe, she was armed with a walking stick, and the young lovers knew they would soon be back behind bars. But Amanda Ridden - who in September 2013 became one half of the drug-fuelled couple dubbed Sydney's Bonnie and Clyde - "simply did not care", a judge declared on Friday.

[Full story here.](#)

30 January, from NSW SES - Hornsby Unit: **Alert to residents and home

owners in the Hornsby LGA **

NSW SES Hornsby Unit has received information from concerned residents that tree loppers/arborists have been doorknocking storm damaged homes in the Dural area tonight. There is a report that one of these companies claim that they are authorised by the SES to conduct this work. **THIS IS NOT CORRECT.** The NSW SES does not endorse any contractor to go 'door-to-door' to find work. The NSW SES may from time to time engage contractors to make a dangerous situation safe, however those contractors are specifically tasked to incidents by the NSW SES Incident Controller. If you have any concerns on this matter, contact the **NSW SES on 132 500** at anytime.

29 January, from 702 ABC Sydney: Sydney cyclists stage mass ride in protest against new fines, ID laws

Scores of cyclists vented their anger this morning at the compulsory identification of adult riders and new fines that are being introduced across New South Wales from March.



[Full story here.](#)

29 January, from the Hornsby Advocate: Park responsibly or walk to school, parents urged.

The irony of parents dressed in gym gear being too lazy to walk a few blocks to school is enough to drive some mums and dads crazy. Hornsby Council road safety officer Lesley Tipping said school drop off and pick up can be dangerous if parents aren't responsible drivers, while in some cases they become violent.

[Full story here.](#)

[Hornsby Shire Council Media Release here.](#)

29 January, from the Police Transport command: Police from the Police Transport Command and staff from OPAL ([Transport NSW Info](#)) are conducting a joint Operation under the banner PTC Connect.

This operation will be held on **Tuesday 9th February 2016 between 6am to 9am.** Both OPAL and police from the Police Transport Command North Central and South West Sectors will be hosting information stalls at Numerous locations.

The North Central locations will be

- Central Railway Station
- Bondi Junction bus interchange
- Manly Ferry Wharf
- **Hornsby Railway Station**
- Gosford Railway Station
- Broadmeadow Railway Station

South West locations will be

- Wollongong Railway Station
- Sutherland Railway Station
- Holsworthy Railway Station
- Cabramatta Railway Station
- Wollli Creek Railway Station

This Community engagement operation is to develop and maintain open communication between the NSW Police Force and the Commuters using our transport network. Police look forward to building on existing partnerships with Transport for NSW and Sydney and NSW Trains. To locate us look for the NSW Police Transport branded marquee which will contain police promotional material and information pamphlets that you can take with you and learn more about us.

OPAL will also be there to answer any of your questions that relate to the new transport travel card.

29 January, from ABC News: Apple issues worldwide charger AC wall plug adaptor recall amid electric shock risk

- Australia included in mass Apple adaptor recall
- Adaptors with four or five characters or no characters on inside slot should not be used
- Adaptor can break and may cause electric shock
- Customers can take faulty AC wall adaptors to Apple store or authorised supplier

[Full story here.](#)

28 January, from Police Transport command: Three charged after train carriages allegedly damaged - Police Transport Command

Three men will appear in court after allegedly damaging train carriages at a northern Sydney railway station this month. Just after 4pm on Sunday (24 January 2016), it will be alleged three men entered Berowra Railway Station and proceeded to graffiti two carriages of a stationary train, before leaving the area.



[Full story here.](#)

27 January, from neighbouring North Shore command: North Shore Police

are seeking assistance from the public in identifying the male in the images below.

This male may be able to assist police with information relating to recent break and enter offences in **Roseville**. If you have any information call **9414-8499**.



25 January, from NSW Police Force Airwing: PoIAir 2 was active today over many parts of Sydney, here is an example of the incident PoIAir 2 was involved in during various patrols today. [edited]

Berowra - PoIAir 2 attended the vicinity of the Berowra Railway Station to assist local police with two males wanted for allegedly committing offences in the area. PoIAir 2 has located the wanted persons hiding behind a tree near the RSL and guided local police to the location. The two males ran away as police approached and PoIAir 2 provided directions for police to take them into custody.



Neighbourhood Watch
Creating Safer Communities

eWatch St Ives #3

eWatch St Ives #3 is being launched again. Shawn, our volunteer Area

Coordinator, has asked if anyone could make contact if they live in the area defined as:

Will be bounded by (but not including) Memorial Av, Killeaton St & Mona Vale Rd including: Kenthurst Road; Lincoln Rd; Garrick Rd; Douglas Street (from Kenthurst Rd up to Mona Vale Rd); Bundabah Av and Warrabina Av.

An eWatch is a Neighbourhood Watch group linked via regular emails, or via NABO, a Facebook group, or similar.

Please email us at NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com if you are interested in making your area more safe and secure. Thank you to Shawn for volunteering his valuable time.

Dates for the Diary:

Tuesday 02 February: 'All Areas' Neighbourhood Watch meeting #19, 6pm, at Hornsby Police Station.

Monday, 8 February: NSW Justices Association Hornsby Branch meets 7pm Asquith Rugby League Club. JP&™s welcome. **Enq John 9875 1383 or 0408 289 203.**

Tuesday 09 February: Police Transport command 'PTC Connect'. 6-9am @ Hornsby Railway Station.

Thursday 18 February: **FREE** Parents and Carers Of Learner Drivers Workshop. 630-830pm Hornsby Shire Council Chambers.

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

Sunday 20 March: Bobbin Head Cycle Classic. Info. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Sunday 27 March: Neighbour Day

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 the Hornsby Advocate 28 January:

BIG NIGHT? BE WARY IN THE MORNING



Your police conduct random breath testing 24 hours a day as drivers are discovered over the limits at all hours.

If you drive after a late drinking night out, you are still likely to have some alcohol in your blood.

When you consume a standard drink (a middy or small glass of wine) your blood alcohol rises on average 0.02.

That standard drink roughly takes one hour to be processed by your body and out of your blood.

If you have a big night out with a late finish, you are likely to be still over 0.05 for some time when you wake up.

So, plan your night out and the next day as well to be safe on the road.

Detective Inspector Jon Gross
Ku-ring-gai Local Area Command

2 WAHROONGA A 39-year-old man was admitted to the Sydney Adventist Hospital after a violent robber bashed him with a metal bar last week in Gordon. About 3pm on Monday January 18, the victim from Stanmore – who was going to meet a friend at St Ives – was dropped off by a taxi in Gordon. The 39-year-old was approached by a man described as caucasian of a medium build and height with short brown buzz-cut hair, wearing a yellow shirt. The robber said 'how are you?' and before the victim could speak he asked for money and produced a metal bar. The robber hit the man over the head and arms before the victim threw \$350 at the attacker. The victim woke up bleeding from the head after his friend found him on Rosedale Ave in Gordon and took him to the SAN hospital. Hornsby police spoke to the victim and would like to hear from anyone who has information that may be able to assist them.

Investigations are continuing. Witnesses should phone 9476 9799.



3 GLENORIE Police are calling for witnesses after a spate of thefts around the Glenorie area over the weekend. Two white vans, a motorbike and bicycle were stolen from four properties sometime between 6pm on Saturday and 7.30am on Sunday. One Nissan van from Dobbie place and another one from Tecoma Dr were stolen on Saturday. Also on Tecoma Dr, a 2013 Yamaha yz250s dirt bike was stolen from a garage that had its lock forced open, and a \$1000 hybrid bike was stolen from a garage on the same street. Police are investigating and would like to speak to any witnesses.

5 HORNSBY Police were alerted to suspicious activity at the Les Shore Reserve in Glenorie on Saturday. When they arrived at 2.20am, they found two people asleep. A 20-year-old man from Hornsby was given a cannabis caution.

6 HORNSBY Police are urging people to be careful in warmer weather as there is a tendency to leave car windows slightly open. When parking on hot days - whether in a street, at the park or the beach - make sure all windows are closed and doors are locked. Don't provide easy access to your car. If you park in a garage make sure you lock it. Make sure all valuables are out of sight.

Consider using a high-quality steering wheel lock, install a high-quality electric alarm or install an engine immobiliser. Keep your keys safe, keep them secure. Don't have your name or home address on the keys - a mobile phone number is best. For more crime prevention tips go to: crimeprevention.nsw.gov.au.

Website of the Week: NSW Environment Protection Agency (EPA)

Report Littering from a Vehicle

If you see someone littering from their vehicle, you can report them to the EPA. Fines from \$250 can now be issued from your reports. To report littering from a vehicle you need to:

- be 18 years of age or over
- have actually seen the litter being thrown (or blown) from the vehicle
- be able to provide details of the vehicle registration and the location the littering took place
- report the incident within 14 days
- make the report through the [EPA website](#) or the report to [EPA mobile app](#).

[Click here to view](#) the EPA website.

From Hornsby Shire Council: Parents and Carers Of Learner Drivers Workshop

A workshop that offers practical advice and information to parents, carers and supervisors on how to help Learner drivers become safer drivers.



Thursday 18 February, 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Venue: Hornsby Shire Council Chambers Building

Location: 296 Peats Ferry Rd, Hornsby

Time: 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Cost: free

Contact: Hornsby Council

Phone: 9847 6856

Want to know about Scheduled Roadworks near you?

Galston Gorge: Sun 7 Feb 2016 - Wed 10 Feb 2016

There will be two shifts of night work on Sunday 7 and Wednesday 10 February and this work will require a full closure of the bridge. Working hours will be from 8pm to 5am.

There will be three shifts of day work from Monday 8 February to Wednesday 10 February. The bridge will be open during this time. Our working hours will be from 7am to 6pm.

Diversions: Old Northern Road, New Line Road, Boundary Road, Pennant Hills Road, Pacific Highway and George Street. The detour will add up to 30 minutes.

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

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

From our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Car Owners:

11. LOCK VEHICLES IN FRONT OF HOME, ON THE DRIVEWAY, IN THE GARAGE - easily forgotten if you're in the garden.
12. DISPLAY A SIGN "ALL VALUABLES HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THIS VEHICLE". CONSIDER LEAVING THE GLOVE BOX AND/OR CENTRE CONSOLE OPEN. This proves to thieves there is nothing worth taking.
13. BEWARE BLOOD ALCOHOL LEVELS THE-MORNING-AFTER-THE-NIGHT-BEFORE. Does your work depend on your licence?
14. REMEMBER TO TAKE YOUR PARKING TICKET WITH YOU. This makes it difficult for the thief to steal your car.
15. USE A HANDS-FREE KIT FOR YOUR PHONE. Preferably, keep phone calls & messaging for later.
16. CHECK THE PERSONAL PROPERTY SECURITY REGISTER www.ppsr.gov.au TO SEE IF A VEHICLE HAS AN OUTSTANDING DEBT. (You can also check machinery, crops, livestock & accounts. It accesses the NATIONAL EXCHANGE OF VEHICLE & DRIVER INFORMATION SYSTEM (NEDVIS) ie whether the car has been written-off, stolen, its make, model, colour etc.
17. CONSIDER NOT INCLUDING "HOME" IN YOUR GPS, BUT A NON-EXISTANT ADDRESS NEARBY. If your car is stolen & you have a garage door opener, the thief won't have easy access to your house.
18. KEEP YOUR CAR KEYS BY YOUR BED AT NIGHT. The remote control can be used as a panic button in an emergency, setting off the car alarm. DON'T BE TEMPTED TO LEAVE KEYS ON THE TABLE BY THE FRONT DOOR.

[Email us](#) for your own copy of the Car Owners, or any others in our 20 Tips series.



Thanks to UK Cop Humour.

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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