



# Kuring-gai NSW Police Local Area Command (LAC)

## eNewsletter # 241 - 16 May 2016

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.

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**16 May: Today is the beginning of the 2016 National Consumer Fraud**

**Week.** The goal this year is to reduce scam victimisation amongst the 55+ age group. This year's campaign motto is 'Wise Up to Scams'.

[More info here.](#)



### How to avoid being scammed

- ⚠ Don't be pressured into making a decision on the spot.
- ⚠ Be suspicious of requests for money—even if they sound or look official.
- ⚠ Do your own research on investments and check the provider is licensed.

### Where to get help

- If you sent money or bank details to a scammer: contact your bank immediately.
- For advice or to report a scam: [scamwatch.gov.au](http://scamwatch.gov.au) or call **1300 795 995**
- For guidance on investing: [moneysmart.gov.au](http://moneysmart.gov.au) or call ASIC on **1300 300 630**
- To recover your stolen identity: [idcare.org](http://idcare.org) or call **1300 432 273**



[Wise up to scams magnetic card.](#)(link is external) As part of the 2016 Fraud Week campaign, the ACCC has produced a magnetic card to help consumers avoid scams. The card is sized A5 with large print and is available to order for **FREE** for a limited time.

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**15 May: Easy English Victim of Crime Fact Sheets - Using the National Relay**

## Service pages 1 to 3

More info can be found at the [Victims of Crime webpage here](#).

 <p><b>Use the National Relay Service to call Triple Zero (000) in an emergency</b></p> <p>For people who are Deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech difficulty</p> <p>Call Triple Zero (000) with TTY or Speak and Listen. Your call gets answered fast.</p>  <p>TTY users call 186. To ask for police type 999. TTY users must register with the National Relay Service.</p>  <p>Speak and Listen users call 1800 565 622. Ask for Triple Zero (000).</p>	 <p>Internet Relay users call Triple Zero (000). This call is not a priority over other calls. This means we do not know you have an emergency.</p>  <p>For information about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- what is an emergency</li><li>- what you will be asked when you call Triple Zero (000)</li></ul>  <p>see the factheet Call Triple Zero (000) in an Emergency.</p>
 <p>Call the National Relay Service Help Desk to get help to register or with a question about the National Relay Service.</p> <p>TTY 1800 565 622 Voice 1800 565 600 Fax 1800 565 690</p> <p>The Easy English is from information in Reporting Crime Contact Triple (000) to report emergencies people who are Deaf or hard of hearing or who have a speech impairment. Scope's Communication Resources Centre wrote the Easy English. July 2015. <a href="http://www.scopevic.org.au">www.scopevic.org.au</a> To see the original book, contact the NSW Police Force. Meyer-Johnson LLC says we can use the Future Communication Symbols © 1981 - 2015. We have permission to use all logos.</p>	

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## 15 May: Police appeal for information after child approached - Berowra Heights

Police are investigating after a girl was approached twice this week in Berowra Heights. The first incident occurred about 3.50pm on Thursday 12 May 2016, when the 12-year-old girl was walking near the intersection of Hillcrest Road and Koorong Street. Police have been told an unknown man approached the girl and

spoke to her. The girl ran from the scene, uninjured... [Full Media Release here.](#)

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**13 May, from Brisbane Water command: MAN WANTED ON WARRANT**

Police are appealing for information to locate a man wanted on an outstanding arrest warrant. Beau Marshall, aged 25, is wanted on an outstanding arrest warrant for a number of drugs, firearm and property offences.... [Full Media Release here.](#)



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**13 May, from NSW Road Safety: Trucks and buses take a lot longer to stop than cars and motorbikes.** Here's the distance it takes for a B-double truck to stop on a dry road. If the road was wet, the distance would be even longer. [More info here.](#)



72,894 Views

NSW Road Safety  
May 12 at 8:00pm

Trucks and buses take a lot longer to stop than cars and motorbikes. Here's the distance it takes for a B-double truck to stop on a dry road. If the road was wet, the distance would be even longer. <http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/>

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**12 May: Some worthy advice, please lock your vehicles anytime you leave it, this includes your own driveway.** Thieves are normally opportunistic in nature. So please don't make it easy for them. Keep your vehicle secure with these simple but effective tips:

- - Never leave keys in the ignition.
- - Never leave valuables in your vehicle. Anything that can be removed is of interest to a thief.
- - Park smartly – park in a safe, well lit area close to your destination.
- - Lock up every time!

More useful [crime prevention advice here](#).

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**12 May, thanks to the Road Safety Commission: This clever ad isn't all it seems to be...**



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**12 May, from Stay Smart Online: Major technology vendors update their products to address security flaws - ALERT PRIORITY HIGH**

Adobe, Microsoft and WordPress have all released security updates for products used on computers, smartphones, tablets and other systems. These updates are important as online attackers may be able to exploit vulnerabilities remotely to take control of computer systems, and gain access to sensitive personal information.

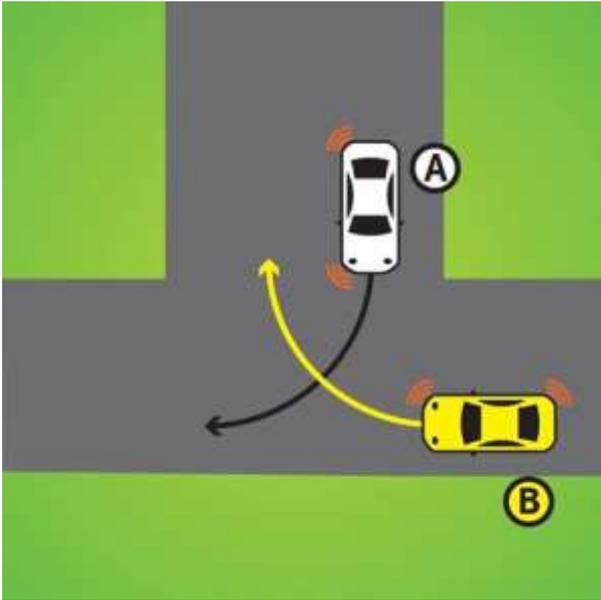
[Full Alert here.](#)

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**12 May, from NRMA: TEST TIME: In what order do the vehicles go?**

Vehicle B then A

Vehicle A then B



ANSWER: Vehicle B goes first then vehicle A. Vehicles A is turning right from the terminating road at a T-intersection; a driver turning from the terminating road at a T-intersection must give way to all vehicles on the continuing road (except those performing a U-turn). Vehicle A must give way to vehicle B.

You can find more information about the [NSW road rules that govern intersections and turning here](#).

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**11 May: Police are appealing for information to locate a man wanted on an outstanding warrant.**

**Fawaz Mohammed Elmir**, aged 48, is wanted by virtue of an outstanding arrest warrant in relation to a shooting incident last month.



43,554 Views

[Full request for assistance and video here.](#)

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**11 May: Ride to survive, not all of us have the skill level to ride a motorbike or scooter in traffic.** Take care on the roads and please make sure you're using a full face helmet, or in this case any type of helmet would have been an advantage. Watch all the way to the end, it only gets worse.



7,061,451 Views

[Watch video here.](#)

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## 10 May: Think you've been scammed?

Be sure to report it. Here's a handy list of who to contact:

### Where to report different scams

Type of scam	Who to report the scam to
<b>Financial and investment scams</b> - including those involving superannuation, managed funds, financial advice, financial products, insurance	Australian Securities and Investments Commission <a href="#">Report misconduct to ASIC</a>
<b>Banking and credit card scams</b>	Your bank or financial institution Your local police
<b>Tax scams</b> - or identity theft involving tax file numbers	Australian Taxation Office <a href="#">ATO, how to report a scam</a> or phone 1800 060 062
<b>Scams from overseas or interstate</b> - including false billing or chain letter scams	Australian Consumer and Competition Commission <a href="#">ACCC, Create a SCAMwatch complaint</a>
<b>Scams from your state or territory</b>	Your state's fair trading or consumer affairs office
<b>Spam emails</b>	Australian Communications and Media Authority <a href="#">ACMA, how can I report spam</a>  Spam emails that request your personal or banking information should also be reported to your bank (only use contact details that do not appear in the email).
<b>Fraud, theft and other crimes</b>	Your local police station or the <a href="#">Australian Federal Police</a>
<b>Not sure what type of scam it is?</b>	Australian Consumer and Competition Commission <a href="#">SCAMwatch, Report a scam</a>
<b>Cybercrime</b>	Australian Cybercrime Online reporting network <a href="#">ACORN.gov.au</a>

[Email us here for your own copy.](#)

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## 10 May: Traffic and Highway Patrol Command Officers working alongside Roads and Maritime Services officers have intercepted 13806 trucks and trailers in the first week of Operation StateTrans.

As a result, 1609 defects have been applied to trucks and trailers for issues such as braking, fuel and oil leaks, steering, and other mechanical issues. Officers have also issued 888 infringements and 317 breaches for a range of licence, registration, fatigue, loading, and other offences.



[Full Media Release here.](#)



**Neighbourhood Watch**  
*Creating Safer Communities*

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**Random notes from the NSW Police Kuring Gai Local Area Command's Community Safety & Precinct Committee meeting, Wednesday 20 April 2016. Neighbourhood Watch are represented at this meeting.**

- We have a temporary Police Commander in place since the transfer of Supt David Jones - Detective Acting Superintendent Damian Henry.
- A reminder to record information on all items, including power tools - the serial number & model number. Consider engraving\*. Record your phone's IMIE\*\*. If an item is pawned, serial numbers are recorded on a computer system that the police can access.

- The community is encouraged to report everything. Use Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000 for anything suspicious. It's your information that helps to solve crime.
- A compliment for the handling by police of the Hornsby murder. 15 hours to record the crime scene! Unfortunately the viral activity due to people recording with their mobile phones made certain that the incident continued for much longer than that.
- 'Steal from Dwelling' is different to 'Break & Enter' because no seal is broken; eg an open garage, bike on balcony, party.
- Mail theft is for the purpose of Identity Theft and fraud. Warning: New Driver's Licences are now sent in the mail.
- Tradie tools are being targeted. Consider a robust cage for on the back of a ute. Often cheap ineffective ones are used to store expensive tools.
- There is currently a significant spike in 'Steal from Motor Vehicle' incidents. Always lock your vehicle. Leave nothing. Consider leaving the console and glove box open to show they are empty. All 'Steal from Motor Vehicle' incidents are currently being fingerprinted.
- Have CCTV put in. Or request CCTV to be put in. Facial recognition systems these days can help identify a suspect.
- Domestic Violence is still under-reported.
- A Retirement Village in Turrumurra had an incident that needs to be shared as a warning. Purses and wallets are targeted. The thief will then phone the victim posing as the bank, stating the cards have been handed in and the **ID and PIN** numbers need confirming by the victim. Never give out your PIN number.

\* Gordon Neighbourhood Watch donated 8 engravers which are available to borrow **FREE** of charge from the **Crime Prevention Officer at Hornsby Police Station 9476 9799**.

\*\* A phone's International Mobile Equipment Identity (IMIE) Number can be accessed by typing **\*#06#** into your device (like you would make a call), press send and the IMIE will appear.

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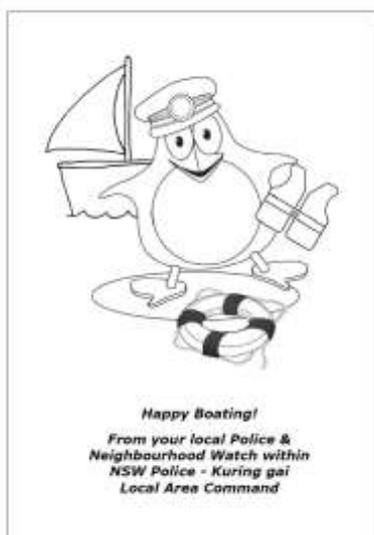
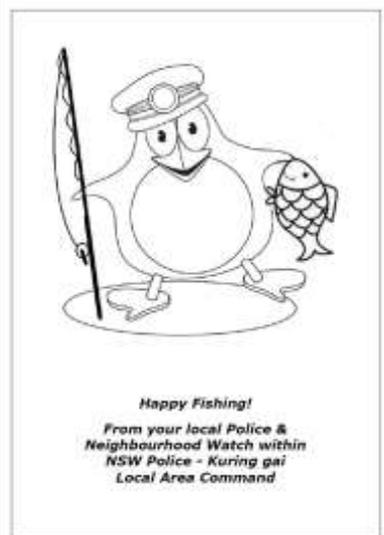
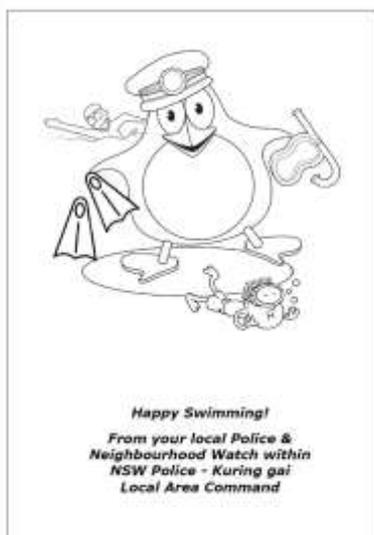
**PLEASE MAY WE HAVE AN HOUR OF YOUR TIME?**

On **Sunday 22 and 29 May 2016** there are **Safety when Fishing & Swimming workshops** for the Chinese and Korean communities to be held from **10 til**

**3:30pm at Orchard Park, Bobbin Head, Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park.** This is organised by NSW Department of Primary Industries in partnership with Hornsby Police, Community Migrant Resource Centre, Recreational Fishing Alliance of NSW, Ku-ring-gai Council, Surf Life Saving NSW, Roads and Maritime Services, Marine Rescue NSW, NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service.

The Police are providing a crime prevention stall and activities for the kids, and it's help with these that we're looking for. The main role of Neighbourhood Watch is to support the Police. This is one way we can easily do that. No previous experience required. It's fun. It's educational. It's giving back to the community.

If you can assist us, [please email us here](#), prior to Sunday 22 May.



Constable Charlie colouring-in for the children. If you'd like a copy of these, or others, for your children, [email us here](#).

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View the [local Kuring-gai police Facebook page here](#). You don't have to know anything about Facebook to have a quick squizzy. The NSW Police - Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC) covers most of the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai suburbs.

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**WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY - 15 JUNE 2016**

[More info here](#).

# World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

15 JUNE 2016

## It's TEA time!

### About the day

June 15 marks the annual, internationally recognised **World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD)**. WEAAD encourages community participation on a broad scale to draw attention to elder abuse.

### What you can do to support WEAAD

**What:** It's TEA time! TEA stands for: Talking Elder Abuse. We encourage you to participate by holding morning tea events.

**When:** 15 June 2016.

**Why:** Use the occasion to celebrate positive ageing, and discuss ways to keep older family, friends and members of your community safe and connected.

**How!** Invite your friends around for tea, or perhaps your activity or social group, library or local council could act as host for a larger event.

Promote your TEA event via friends, family and colleagues, Facebook and Twitter, or your local community newsletter or newspaper. Be sure to engage as many people as possible.

Ask businesses in your community to provide support and sponsorship of the event, e.g. an organisation could provide a space for your TEA tea, a local bakery provide cakes, and a supermarket provide the tea.



TEA, Talking Elder Abuse means much more than sharing a cuppa. The day reminds us all that every older person has a wealth of lived experience to share, and that they should be active participants in their community. In turn, we can show our shared respect, value and love for our older family and friends.

Check the Helpline's website for information, and keep an eye on our Facebook and Twitter pages for updates. We'd love to hear about your plans for WEAAD – we can promote your event via our social media.

Decorate your TEA tea with our positive ageing posters. Download these from our website or email us at [help@elderabuse.com.au](mailto:help@elderabuse.com.au) for printed copies. We also have great KeepCups you could use as prizes for your event, so get in touch! And be sure to post photos of your event on social media with the hashtag **#WEAADNSW2016**.



### Dates for the Diary:

**Monday 16 - Sunday 22 May:** 2016 National Consumer Fraud Week

**Tuesday 17 May:** Ku-ring-gai Council's Law Week Check-ups. [Info.](#)

**Wednesday 18 May:** Ku-ring-gai Council's Family Life & the Law Info Session. [Info.](#)

**Thursday 19 May:** Hornsby Shire Council's Retirement Villages Law Seminar. [Info.](#)

**Friday 20 May:** Hornsby Shire Council's Enduring Powers of Attorney, Enduring Guardianship and Personal Guarantees Law Seminar. [Info.](#)

**Sunday 22 May:** Fishing Safety Workshop for Chinese community @ Bobbin

Head 10am-3:30pm With Police/NHW crime prevention stall - [volunteers needed please](#)

**Sunday 29 May:** Fishing Safety Workshop for Korean community @ Bobbin Head 10am-3:30pm With Police/NHW crime prevention stall - [volunteers needed please](#)

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

**Wednesday 15 June:** World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

**Monday 20 June:** KPCSC FREE Seminar 'Parent Survival Strategies for Teaching Young Drivers' 6-8pm @ Gordon Library Meeting Room 2. **Book: Carroll 0405 558 660.**

**Monday 19 September:** KPCSC FREE Seminar 'Parent Survival Strategies for Teaching Young Drivers' 6-8pm @ Gordon Library Meeting Room 2. **Book: Carroll 0405 558**

**Monday 26 September:** Turramurra NHW meeting @ Turramurra Uniting Church, 8pm.

**Monday 03 - Sunday 09 October 2016:** NHW Week

**Wednesday 05 October:** NHW Roadshow @ Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers. Draft theme - "Bring Back Community!"

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### **A great booklet from NRMA called 'Staying on the Move with Dementia'.**

Why is this guide necessary?

At some point all people with dementia must stop driving although many people with dementia can continue driving safely for some time. Working out when a driver with dementia should give up driving can be traumatic for the driver, carers and health professionals. The need to balance safety with independence and mobility often means that the decision to stop driving is an emotionally charged and difficult topic.

This guide has been developed by The National Roads and Motorists Association (NRMA) and Alzheimer's Australia NSW for people with dementia, carers, family and friends and health professionals. It provides a summary of the key issues surrounding driving and dementia and describes other mobility options that exist for people who can no longer drive.

[To download your copy click here.](#)

## FREE Australian Police Child ID Safety App Available Now

The Australian Police Child ID App is a smartphone application which has been developed to help Australian parents provide information to police in an attempt to locate their children if they go missing. The Australian Police Child ID App was adapted from the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Child ID App in the United States. This collaborative effort has seen the Australian Federal Police (AFP) create a tool that will help parents and guardians more easily collect and send important information about their child/children to authorities in the event of a disappearance or abduction. The application allows families to store photographs and vital information about their children on their mobile phone. In the devastating event that a child goes missing, this information can be immediately provided to authorities.

[More information and download the FREE App here.](#)

## Some Crime Stats from March 2016 for Wairoonga:

INC. CATEGORY	FURTHER CLASS	ADDRESS	START DATE	START TIME
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	FOX VALLEY RD	4/03/2016	2300
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	WATER ST	7/03/2016	1800
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER INTENT STEAL	MUNDERRAH ST	6/03/2016	2300
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	CLEVELAND ST	22/03/2016	2300
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	STUART ST	22/03/2016	1600
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	WAUROONGA AVE	28/03/2016	2000
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	REDLEAF AVE	31/03/2016	1800
ASSAULT	GRIEVOUS BODILY HARM(ING. MAN. WOUND)	MAURATEA AVE	4/03/2016	2130
ASSAULT	ASSAULT COMMON	RUSSELL AVE	14/03/2016	1830
ASSAULT	ACTUAL BODILY HARM	MC MITWY & CUMBERLAND HWY	26/03/2016	1850
STEALING	OTHER STEAL	KODODA AVE	2/03/2016	800
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	CLEVELAND ST	6/03/2016	2030
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	BILLYARD AVE	6/03/2016	1700
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	CLEVELAND ST	6/03/2016	1500
STEALING	OTHER STEAL	JUNCTION LN	5/03/2016	1700
STEALING	OTHER STEAL	REDLEAF AVE	8/03/2016	900
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	INGRAM RD	8/03/2016	1530
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	WOCODONA AVE & PACIFIC HWY	18/03/2016	1800
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	HALCYON AVE	21/03/2016	2230
STEALING	STEAL FROM DWELLING	MUNDERRAH ST	21/03/2016	2300
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	WATER ST	21/03/2016	2000
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	HALCYON AVE	21/03/2016	1800
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	WATER ST	21/03/2016	2314
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	MUNDERRAH ST	22/03/2016	630
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	WAUROONGA AVE	28/03/2016	2000
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	STUART ST	31/03/2016	1900
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	RAILWAY AVE	3/03/2016	1800
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	GRAFFITI	JOHN HUGHES PL	12/03/2016	800

**WARNING:** Despite last week's warning of the targeting of 'Steal from Motor Vehicles' in the West Pymble area, the local police say this week there have been many more reported.

Here are a few tips from "**Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for Car Owners**":

**Tip#1.** WHEN YOU LEAVE YOUR CAR UNATTENDED (even short periods), CLOSE ALL WINDOWS, REMOVE KEY FROM IGNITION & LOCK ALL DOORS. Remember, it's an offence under the Aussie Road Rules to leave your car unlocked.

**Tip#2.** DON'T HIDE SPARE KEYS ON YOUR VEHICLE. Don't kid yourself – thieves know ALL the best hiding places!

**Tip#3.** ENSURE YOU HAVE REMOVED ALL PROPERTY FROM VIEW [mobile phone, sunglasses, CDs (burn copies?), bag, wallet, loose change, clothing, laptop, ipod]. EITHER TAKE IT WITH YOU, OR LOCK IT IN THE BOOT. REMOVE ALL SIGNS THAT PROPERTY MAY BE IN THE CAR. eg no blankets covering tempting lumps on the back seat, no carrier bags.

**Tip#6.** PARK IN WELL-LIT, HIGH PEDESTRIAN AREAS, PREFERABLY WITH CCTV. AVOID CAR PARKS WITH A HISTORY OF BREAK-INS.

**Tip#8.** CONSIDER INSTALLING A HIGH QUALITY ALARM, TRACKING/SECURITY SYSTEM and/or LOCKING DEVICES ON THE STEERING WHEEL OR TRANSMISSION SHIFT – all good deterrents. The most effective car alarms are switched-on people!

**Tip#11.** LOCK VEHICLES IN FRONT OF HOME, ON THE DRIVEWAY, IN THE GARAGE - easily forgotten if you're in the garden.

**Tip#20.** IF YOU LEAVE A KEY WITH A VALET ATTENDANT OR MECHANIC, LEAVE ONLY THE IGNITION KEY.

[Email us here for your own copy](#) or view/download them and others at our [Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby website](#).

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## GRAFFITI REPORTING

In Ku-ring-gai:

- On Council property - VandalTrak is a free phone app that enables you to report graffiti on Council premises and equipment. Alternatively, contact Council directly on 9424 0000 or go to [vandaltrak.com.au](http://vandaltrak.com.au).
- On public property not owned by Council - Council does not have the authority to remove graffiti on property that does not belong to Council.

- Report directly to the NSW Graffiti Hotline on free call 1800 707 125.
- On private property - If graffiti occurs on your own property or a property you are responsible for, you should report the incident to the Police Assistance Line (PAL) on 131 444. It is the responsibility of owners to remove graffiti from their private property. Your local Rotary Club may be able to assist you. Police recommend the rapid removal of graffiti - it takes away the glory!

[More info from Ku-ring-gai Council here.](#)

In Hornsby:

- On Council property - phone Council's Graffiti Hotline on 1800 199 282.

[More info from Hornsby Shire Council here.](#)

### **GRAFFITI REMOVAL (Thanks to Rotary Club of Turramurra Graffiti Removal Project Team)**

- Porous surfaces, eg brickwork
  - - apply appropriate graffiti solution onto surface with a small brush
  - - wait 10-20 minutes, then use a water-blaster
- Painted surfaces
  - - Using a brush or roller, apply PrepLock to the graffiti area
  - - Using a brush or roller, apply colour-matched paint
- Non-porous surfaces, eg metalwork, plastic, etc.
  - - Apply appropriate graffiti removal solution with a rag or pad, then rub using light pressure.

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**From the Hornsby Advocate, 12 May** [This StreetWatch news is included for the benefit of those in the command who receive the North Shore Times, not the Hornsby Advocate. The NST StreetWatch usually only includes news from the North Shore command based at Chatswood Police Station.]:

## WAHROONGA

**1** A MAN who had allegedly robbed a shop, was hit by a car after running directly into traffic. At 9.30pm on Friday, May 6, officers from Ku-ring-gai Local Area Command were called to the Pacific Hwy at Wahroonga, near the corner of Redleaf Ave. Witnesses told officers that a man had run onto the highway and into the path of a car. It is alleged the man had robbed a convenience store nearby and was stopped by a member of the public, who he then assaulted. It is claimed he ran through a car park and onto the road after the altercation. Members of the public stopped him from leaving after the accident and detained him until officers arrived. A 30-year-old man was treated by paramedics for minor injuries before being taken to Royal North Shore Hospital under police guard. He was charged with stealing and assault, and will appear before Hornsby Local Court on Wednesday, June 8.

## HORNSBY

**3** Hornsby Police officers arrested a 19-year-old Blackett man at Hornsby Railway station at 11.50am on Tuesday, May 10. It is alleged he failed to appear at Mt Druitt Court on malicious damage charges. The man will appear at Mt Druitt Court next week.

## HORNSBY

**2** A 21-year-old Hornsby man had a short joy-ride when the stolen car he'd been driving was pulled over by Hornsby police officers just 45 minutes after the vehicle had been reported missing. The car had been taken from a Hornsby address at 10.30pm on Monday, May 9, and was stopped by officers in Telegraph Rd, Pymble at 11.15pm. Although the man gave a Hornsby address, it was later found he was of no fixed abode. He was charged with stealing the car and appeared at Hornsby Court on Tuesday, May 10, where he was fined.

## BEROWRA

**4** Hornsby Police officers carrying out an RBT stop at Berowra arrested a 24-year-old man from Asquith at 9.40pm on Saturday, May 7. He was charged with mid-range drink driving after he failed a breath test. He has been bailed to appear at Hornsby Court on June 16.

## SHIRE-WIDE

**5** Hornsby Local Area Command officers are focusing on drink and drug drivers over the next few weeks, as well as standard traffic infringements. Detective Inspector Neil Higgins stressed that officers had access not only to drink driving test equipment but also drug testing equipment. "We have a daily focus on these issues," DI Higgins said, "But it is equally important to remind motorists that they need a Plan B. Don't take drugs and only drive if you haven't had a drink."

## PYMBLE

**6** A young homeless man found camping in the bush at Pymble has been charged with 26 offences, including stealing from parked cars, fraud, and entering buildings with the intention to steal. Hornsby Police had been investigating thefts from vehicles in the area and made the arrest on Wednesday, May 4 after finding several of the reported stolen items in the man's possession. The 19-year-old appeared at Hornsby Court for the charges to be laid and will be appearing again on June 16.

## theburningissue

### Legal talk

Local solicitor Bruce Hamer, will discuss a wide number of common legal issues at a free chat with residents at Gordon Library next week as part of Ku-ring-gal Library's Law Week. From 10.30am until 11.30am on May 16, bookings are essential, call 9424 0120 or email [gordon.library@kmc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:gordon.library@kmc.nsw.gov.au). Head along and take the opportunity to ask your own questions.



## PLEA FOR WITNESSES TO STEP UP

WITNESSES are being sought to an accident which brought down power lines and destroyed a power pole in the early hours of this morning.

Just after midnight police were called to the northbound lanes of the Pacific Highway at Warrawee, near the corner of Fox Valley Rd, and found a seriously damaged telegraph pole which they believe had been hit by a car.

The accident had brought down power lines across the road.

Police closed the northbound lanes and established a contra-flow. One of the lanes remained closed as Ausgrid employees conducted repairs.

Ku-ring-gal police are appealing for any witnesses to the incident to come forward and believe it would have involved a heavy vehicle.



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### From Ku-ring-gai Council: Law Week at Ku-ring-gai Library

- FREE Law Week check-ups with Nerida Knott Tuesday May 17, Make an appointment between 2pm – 4.30pm @ Gordon Library - Meeting room 1. Bookings essential: 9424 0120 or [gordon.library@kmc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:gordon.library@kmc.nsw.gov.au)
- FREE Family Life and the Law Info Session with Ingrid Brown Wednesday May 18, 2pm – 3pm @ Lindfield Library - 265 Pacific Highway, Lindfield. Bookings essential: 9424 0224 or [lind.library@kmc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:lind.library@kmc.nsw.gov.au)

[More info here.](#)

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### 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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