



# Neighbourhood Watch SA

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Neighbourhood Newsletter of City South-East NHW Area 153/154

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## DIARY NOTES

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**6.00pm 14th June**

#### WHERE:

Box Factory Community Centre  
Regent Street, Adelaide

#### ALL WELCOME

Come along and nominate or vote for Committee positions of Coordinator, Deputy Coordinator, Secretary and Newsletter Coordinator

#### Area Coordinator:

Tim Young

Deputy Chair: Rex Langton

Secretary: Lorraine Young

Treasurer: Christine Byrnes

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#### Police Coordinators:

Constable Christian McIntyre

P/C Nicole Finlay

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Sergeant Peter Winter

Ph: 7322 4824

**Police Attendance 131444**

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CrimeStoppers 1800 333 000

## Co-ordinator's Report *by Tim Young, City SE NHW Area Coordinator*

Greetings everyone!

At the March NHW Area 153/154 meeting there was discussion of the Hutt Street crime situation. **Councillor Alex Antic** noted that installing **additional CCTV cameras in Hutt Street** was raised at a recent ACC meeting.

Alex was able to provide some additional information that included the ongoing work of the council to find solutions to what is a challenging situation. Council is considering various measures and these will be going back to council for further work. Information about this will be accessible on the council site.

At this stage there is some discussion of a **possible refurbishment of the area** and also a **security rebate scheme** for businesses and residents in the location.

An **additional police presence has helped** and will continue to help with the resolution of the situation.

The reforming of the Hutt Street Traders group is also being planned.

Councillors supported a motion to install **five additional cameras** around the southern end of the street, and to investigate an incentive scheme for businesses and residents in the area to **operate their own surveillance**.

Council has resolved to establish a Working Party comprising a range of stake holders to investigate the extent and nature of crime and anti-social behaviour

in Hutt Street and find timely solutions to the complex issues. There has been **significant media reports**, however to date I have no further information from ACC to share with you.

### Don't be a victim of home burglary

Information on preventing burglaries appears on page 2 and was recently published on the SAPOL website. It provides excellent advice and strategies to keep you and your home safe.

With the end of school holidays the words 'return to school' may seem a welcome relief, however, while the couch is no longer occupied, family life gets hectic and it is important to be vigilant about home security. A secure home will reduce the chance of getting burgled. **Homes without basic security are five times more likely to be burgled than homes with security.**

Remember that updates relating to the **Eastern Adelaide area** are available on the SAPOL website [www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw](http://www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw)

Also a reminder that if you wish to place **NHW bin stickers** on your council bin there will some available at the June meeting. If you wish to share these with neighbours - please ensure you personally deliver the stickers.

**I look forward to seeing you at the AGM on Thursday 14th June at 6pm at the Box Factory** and if you wish to nominate for Coordinator, Deputy Coordinator, Secretary or Newsletter Coordinator please send your nominations to [nhwadelaide@gmail.com](mailto:nhwadelaide@gmail.com), or at the meeting.

*Regards,*

*Tim Young*

*Coordinator NHW Area 153/154*



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## SAPOL Burglary Prevention Tips

- Always lock up. Intruders often enter through unlocked doors and windows or they take advantage of weak locks.
- If you have a home alarm system use it!
- Sensor lights are an excellent security device because they light up automatically if someone moves nearby.
- Create the illusion that someone is home by using timers on lights.
- Trim shrubbery and trees so doors and windows are visible from the street.
- Draw all curtains/blinds at night to prevent viewing from the street.
- Never leave a house key in an obvious place such as in a mailbox or under plants or door mats.
- Do not tell a stranger that your neighbour is not home or volunteer any personal information about your neighbour.
- Note any unusual activities and unrecognised cars circling the area. Thieves usually scout the neighbourhood and observe people as they are leaving their house to ensure that there is no one at the house when they break in.

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## Reporting theft or burglary

- If you come home and you notice an intruder in your house or burglary taking place, go and ring 000. Do not enter the house.
- If your house gets burgled, call 131444 to report the theft or burglary and leave things as they are until the Police have attended.

## Telephone Scam: Overseas and Premium Numbers

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) reports Scamwatch has found that Australians lost \$48,830 to premium service scam calls and texts in the past 12 months.

ignore calls from country codes you don't recognise and from 19 or 1900 numbers in Australia.

The ACCC received 277 reports of the 'wangiri' scam in one week in February.

Blocking problematic phone numbers and not returning missed calls from unknown numbers can help you avoid becoming a victim.

### How it works

Scammers made their money by enticing people to call back a premium number similar to those used by psychic hotlines and sex lines. The scam is known as a *wangiri* scam, a Japanese word loosely translated to "one cut".

**The best thing you can do to protect yourself during a dodgy call is HANG UP.**

The ACCC says if you call your mobile provider and tell them what's happened, you won't end up having to pay the charge.

### Vicious Cycle

The scammer calls for just one ring then cuts the line leaving a missed call on the victim's phone. When the victim calls the number back they could be put on hold, have music playing or try and chat.

Victims were targeted because they had offered their information freely while signing up for apps or entering contests. That information is collated and sold off.

The *wangiri* scammers want the caller to stay on the line as long as possible, thereby increasing the amount of money they make as the money makes its way back to the scammer.

Once a victim returns a scam call scammers sell contact details to other fraudsters for people who they think might be susceptible to scams.

### What you can do

To avoid extra charges on your phone bill,

*The ACCC encourages victims to report their experiences to its Scamwatch website.*

**PROTECT YOURSELF  
 KNOW THE SCAM**

*"I don't believe everything I'm told, do you?"*

Anyone can be a target for scammers – so be on the look out. Scammers use sophisticated methods to take your money.

To learn how to **PROTECT YOURSELF** and **KNOW THE SCAM** visit [www.scamwatch.gov.au](http://www.scamwatch.gov.au)

Report all scams to the police assistance line by calling 131 444.

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Government of South Australia

# RAA Security Report 2018

People are feeling less safe in their home and at public gatherings, according to RAA's 2018 Security Report.

More than a third of respondents (36%) felt South Australia was not as safe now as it was two years ago, according to RAA's survey of almost 400 members.

On the home front, one-in-five respondents said they felt less safe from intruders during the past 12 months.

This compared to just over one-in-ten who said they felt safer at home, while 68 per cent reported no change.

RAA Secure Services spokesman Ben Nottage said it was worrying that more people felt less secure in their home in the past year.

"This is reflected by a 25 per cent increase in enquiries we have had for home security systems during the same time," he said.

"People are seeking advice about personal alarm systems as well as home and monitored alarms."

The report also found:

- More women (37%) and men (30%) would not attend a public event due to security concerns.
- People also felt the least safe in large crowds (19%) and most safe when out with friends (3%).
- Adelaide residents were more concerned about safety in the community (20%) compared to those living in the regions (14%).

Almost two-thirds of respondents also said they had become more worried about a terrorist attack in SA during the past two years.

Terrorist attacks overseas and interstate in recent years have seen authorities identify potential risks in this state and invest in security upgrades.

This includes greater scrutiny of sports fans attending Adelaide Oval and more than \$1m spent on security measures at the city's top tourist attractions, such as installing bollards at Rundle Mall and the Adelaide Central Market.

While most respondents welcomed extra security measures at public events and at public places, the heightened security levels were causing anxiety, the report showed.

According to the survey, four-in-five respondents said increased security at public events made them feel safer.

However, almost half of respondents said, "increased security at public events makes me worried about my personal safety"

Mr Nottage said terror attacks interstate and overseas had naturally raised people's concerns our state could potentially be targeted.

"Security measures such as installing bollards at Rundle Mall highlight the potential risks and we see that reflected in the survey," he said.



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Thursday-Friday 9am - 6pm  
Saturday 9am - 12noon

**NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY**

**TAKE THE TIME TO PREVENT A CRIME**



**Don't Forget to Lock Up Your House Your Car Your Valuables**

**Statewide Facebook Page**

A new Statewide Neighbourhood Watch Facebook page has been launched. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/NeighbourhoodWatchSA/>

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Remember: See Something, Say something, Call Crime Stoppers



**000 EMERGENCY**

**THINK FIRST THEN DIAL**




**POLICE ASSISTANCE 131444**

**RFID Card Shield Sleeves**

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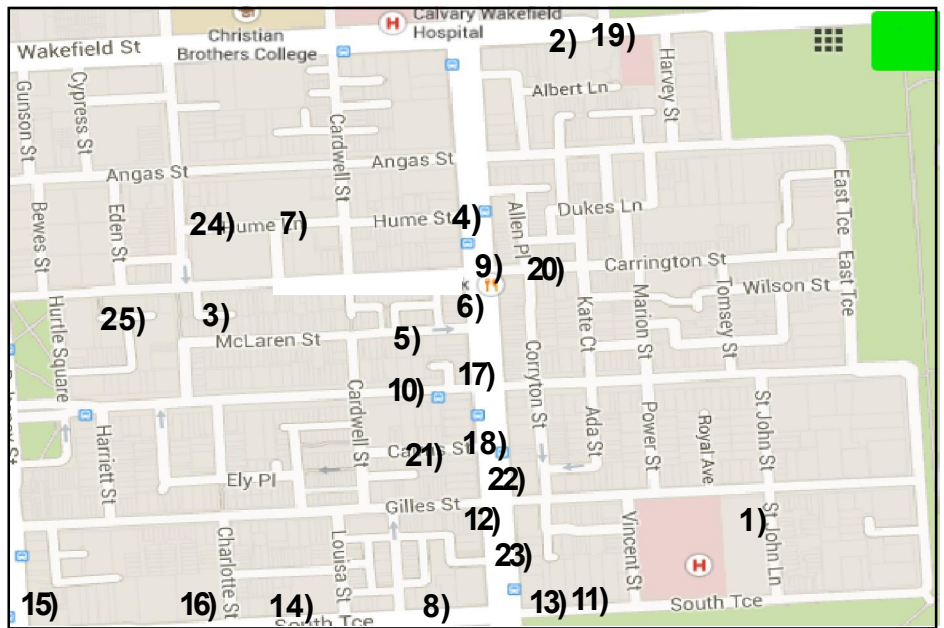
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### PROPERTY DAMAGE

1. 28/03/18 1430h St John Lane Car scratched using keys. Value \$2,500.
2. 18/4/2018 Wakefield St. Windscreen wiper bent while parked in apartment carpark.
3. 20/4/2018 Neales Pl. Sunroof on vehicle broken.

### THEFT

4. 3/3/2018 1200h Hutt St Bicycle stolen from back seat of unlocked vehicle. CCTV.
5. 5/3/2018 1850h McLaren St. iPhone and wallet stolen from unlocked vehicle.
6. 11/3/2018 1130h Hutt St Meat stolen from restaurant freezer. Value. \$700.
7. 13/03/2018 1230h Hume Lane Wallet stolen from pram left in driveway. \$300 cash stolen.
8. 14/03/18 0630h South Tce Air conditioning refrigeration gas siphoned. Value \$2,000.
9. 16/03/18 1830h Hutt St Male known to staff member stole bottle of wine from Hotel.
10. 23/03/18 0700h Halifax St Office door forced open. \$50 cash stolen.
11. 12/04/18 1800h South Tce Purse and phone stolen from car in secure carpark. Credit card used by offender. Unknown if vehicle was locked.
12. 12/4/2018 0515h Hutt St Purse and iPhone stolen from unlocked car secure carpark. Credit card used in two transactions. CCTV available.
13. 18/04/18 2130h South Tce Unsecure bicycle stolen from outside units. Value \$600.
14. 21/04/18 2200h South Tce Locked bicycle stolen from outside unit complex.
15. 25/04/18 1700h Pulteney St Bike stolen while locked to bike rack on street. Value \$1,000.
16. 25/04/18/2130h South Tce Locked bicycle stolen from outside units. Valued at \$300.

### TRESPASS/BREAK-IN

17. 17/03/18 0520h Hutt St Metal plate used to smash front door of bottle shop. Five bottles of spirits stolen. Value \$250. CCTV available.
18. 18/03/18 2100h Hutt St Business windows smashed. \$200 drinks stolen. Damage \$1,000.
19. 27/3/2018 2315h Wakefield St Entry gained to home via unlocked door while occupants asleep. Laptop and handbag stolen.
20. 12/4/2018 Carrington St Two males entered locked elevator room by smashing key safe and using key. Stole CCTV camera from wall.
21. 01/03/18 0710h Cairns St Attempted to enter house by bending front window fly screen. Nil entry gained.

### OTHER

22. 04/03/18 2030h Hutt St Theft & assault: Suspect entered store and stole packet of chips. When confronted, abused & attempted to punch staff.
23. 05/03/18 1420h Hutt St Assault: Male head-butted another male whilst both staying at backpackers' hostel. Cut to victim's nose.
24. 5/3/2018 1900h Hume Lane Assault: Victim sitting on lounge in front yard approached and punched 2-3 times in chest. Nil injuries.
25. 16/4/2018 0445h Pope Ct. Dishonest dealings with documents: Received letter from Virgin Mobile requesting payment from non-existent account. Virgin Mobile investigating.



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