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ALDGATE

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH AREA 249

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 7.30pm 17th October 2018

The Hut Community Centre. 1 Euston Road Aldgate

Everyone is welcome

Meetings: 3rd Wed every 2nd month If you would like to Contact Aldgate WatchSA please call The Hut Community Information & Resource Centre on 8339 4400 and leave a message for us to return your call.

Website & Facebook

www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw www.facebook.com/ NeighbourhoodWatchSA/

Area Coordinator: Colin Fraser **Police Coordinator:**

Const able Alex Fairley Stirling Police 8339 2422 Mount Barker Police 8398 1700

Police Attendance 131444

DIAL 000 to report a crime in progress or has just been committed CrimeStoppers 1800 333 000

Area Coordinator's Report by Colin Fraser

We had a very interesting AGM with the presentation of the SA Ambulance's CPR 30 program by paramedics Rose Coldwell and Chris Taliangis from our Aldgate Ambulance Station.

A great attendance of 14 local residents gained important information and hands on training on how to resuscitate some one who has collapsed from a possible cardiac arrest and isn't breathing. There may be an opportunity to run this program again at a future meeting in 2019 - so keep tuned.

As no other residents volunteered, your existing Committee was elected for the year 2018-19. It would be nice if other local residents came forward and took an interest in keeping your local NHW going – we need new ideas & people - so consider coming to our meetings and taking part in NHW.



SAPOL THEFT ALERT

- LOCK YOUR VEHICLE WHEN LEAVING IT UNATTENDED – especially at night and at work sites
- REMOVE VALUABLES FROM YOUR **VEHICLE**
- IF VALUABLES CANNOT BE REMOVED; CONCEAL THEM OUT OF SIGHT
- REMOVE ALL PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION FROM YOUR VEHICLE
- UTILISE LOCKABLE TOOL CHESTS, SECURED TO/IN YOUR VEHICLE
- WHERE POSSIBLE, PARK YOUR VEHICLE OFF THE STREET IN A SECURE GARAGE OR CARPORT - especially during the hours of darkness.

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The Repair Cafe

The Hut Community Centre welcomes you to get involved in a new initiative - The Repair Café - Saturday November 10th 10am-2pm!

The Repair Café is a pop up event that invites people of all backgrounds to get household items repaired by volunteer repair experts

The Repair Café is a place for the community to come together, to recognise and share skills and to reduce unnecessary household waste.

Volunteer repair experts will take the time to explain the repair process to participants, helping them to learn new skills and understand the benefits of repairing.

The event will include live music and low cost refreshments and a general marketplace vibe.

Our Repair Café is based on the worldwide Repair Café movement that has taken off with great success in creating community connection and promoting sustainability.

Want to get involved? Here are 4 easy ways;

- 1) Save the date in your calendar and collect up your fixable items - Think twice before you throw out a broken or worn out household item! Collect them up and bring them along.
- 2) Become a Volunteer Repair Expert We are looking for Volunteers to join us in the creation of this inaugural event. Volunteer Repair Experts will use their skills in woodwork, sewing, basic electrical, jewellery, bicycle or anything else to help



the public repair small household items they bring along.

The Repair Café ethos recognises that some items will be beyond repair and participants will be made aware of this before taking part.

We see this as a great opportunity for business people to volunteer their time and promote their business within the community.

- 3) Become a General Volunteer We are looking for General Volunteers to assist with logistics and hosting the event.
- 4) Become a Volunteer performer We are looking for volunteer performers to share their talent with the crowd and create a vibrant atmosphere at the Repair Café.

We welcome your help, suggestions or feedback to make this project happen.

Contact Samantha Cooper for more information ph: 8339 4400



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RAA Protect your house to protect your car

Vehicle thefts have seen year-on-year reductions over the past ten years, with better security technology and better awareness of what Australians can do to protect their own property. However, last year there were still 52,000 vehicles stolen nationwide, and some of this could be preventable if we are more mindful of securing our keys within our home.

Vehicle immobilisation technologies have made a major contribution to reducing vehicle crime. By 2017, almost 8 in 10 stolen passenger and light commercial vehicles had an engine immobilizer fitted. However, as the prevention measures change, the behaviour of thieves is also changing – leading them to enter residential properties to find the keys, according to RAA's manager for Secure Services, Ben Nottage. "There is a very real upside for criminals – they are able to access later model cars more easily if they have a key, and without the risk of damaging the car," he said.

"Nationwide industry and police analysis shows that there has been an increase in residential burglaries that have the primary purpose of accessing the keys of these secured vehicles, and some of these are occupied homes. The majority of these thefts were done without the resident's awareness that a burglary was underway, with very few cases where the resident saw the intruder. This indicates that the criminal is attempting to commit the crime without being discovered," Mr. Nottage said.

"There are key things that residents can do to best protect their homes and their cars," Nottage said. "Lock your doors and windows, even when you are at home. There are opportunistic burglars who will notice a front door open and take a look around. It's wise to close all opportunistic avenues, so lock your tools and ladders away so that you aren't aiding them."

"Many families will share a vehicle, and so will leave keys in clear sight of a door or window, such as on a table in the entry-way or hanging on a hook in the common areas of the home. These should never be in-view."

RAA's Home-Car safety checklist

- Check you've locked your car before entering the home
- Lock your door or your screen door
- Keep your tools and ladders in a locked shed
- Never store keys in an area that is visible from a door or window



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Police Report 25 July - 16 September 2018

ALDGATE

1. 20/8/18 10.30pm

2. 3-10/8/18

3. 31/9/18 Surrey Rd

4. 31/8/18 Eton Rd

Person sighted lingering in rear yard. Person left before description could be obtained.

Graffiti marked in public toilets. Photographed. Unlocked vehicle in driveway entered overnight.

Nil items stolen (nothing of value in car).

Bike stolen from side of house during daytime.

BRIDGEWATER

5. 28/07/18 8:30pm

3-10/8/18 Mount Barker Rd Graffiti marked on bus stop. Photographed.

30/8/18

8. 30/8/18 First Ave

9. 30/8/18 Anderson Road

10.30/8/18 Ophir Ave

11.30/8/18 **Dunn Street**

12.30/8/18 Oak Ave Walls and other signage at a business premises marked with graffiti. Photographed for follow up.

Mount Barker Rd Money taken from two unlocked vehicles in driveway.

Entry gained to unlocked vehicle parked in driveway overnight. Earphones stolen. Enquiries continuing. Entry gained to two unlocked vehicles in driveway overnight. Money and clothing stolen.

Entry gained into unlocked vehicle parked in driveway overnight. Money and phone stolen.

Entry gained into two unlocked vehicles parked in driveway. Nil items taken.

Entry gained into two unlocked vehicles in driveway

overnight. Keys taken from within the vehicle.

HEATHFIELD

13.30/7/18 Heather Rd

14.30/8/18 Erica St

15. 1/9/18 Jessica Crt Entry gained to unlocked vehicle in driveway overnight. Clothing items stolen.

Entry gained to two unlocked vehicles in driveway overnight. Sunglasses stolen. Enquiries continuing. Entry gained to unlocked vehicle in driveway overnight. Numerous tradesman tools and items stolen.

STIRLING

16. 27-30/7 Gould Rd 17. 17/8/18 Avenue Road

18. 7-8/9/18 Pomona Rd

Graffiti marked on fence.

Entry gained by smashing the rear door during the daytime. House rummaged. Nil taken. CSI attended. Construction site entered. Numerous building supplies stolen.

Have Your Say – Aldgate Neighbourhood Watch

POLICE AND COMMUNITIES TOGETHER

Aldgate PACT is gathering information about local issues in your neighbourhood, so that we can work with you to take action to tackle them. Please help us by writing down what you feel to be the biggest local issue/concern on this slip and returning it to us, by placing it in the PACT postbox at Aldgate Pharmacy

WHAT is your issue? (please be as specific as you can)

WHERE is this happening? (e.g. street name/specific location)

WHEN is this happening? (please provide times and days)

Please give your name and contact number so we can either talk to you about the problem or advise you of the action being taken. THANK YOU My Postcode is