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DIARY NOTES

NEIGHBOURHOOD
WATCH AREA 153/4

NEXT MEETING:

6.00pm 5th June 2025

WHERE:

The Box Factory
Community Centre

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FUTURE MEETING

Thursday 4th September 2025

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City South East NHW Area News

At the last City South East Area meeting it was noted that theft/receiving offences remain a concern in the community.

In an effort to reduce these offences, SA Police would like to remind members of the public of a few tips they can implement to keep their property safe and reduce opportunities for criminals. This is a CBD wide issue and includes personal property and businesses. Home safety and bikes have been targets.

To reduce the opportunity for thieves to gain entry into your home, consider the following crime prevention strategies.

Your home is important

Four simple ways to help keep it secure are by locking all doors and windows, installing a fence around your property, installing a doorbell camera or security camera and by keeping car keys out of sight.

Doors and windows

- Lock external doors. This includes the door between your garage and house, which becomes an external door when your garage is open.
- Keep your garage, shed and gates shut – and locked if possible.
- Fit good quality, keyed locks on doors and windows.
- Remove valuables and keys or remotes and keep them out of sight, not in the hallway, bedside drawer or the kitchen counter.
- Keep cars locked, even in the driveway or garage.
- Keep bikes out of sight, in a shed, garage or inside the house. Secure with a quality U or D lock.

Outdoors

- Any fence, even a low fence or hedge around your property, acts as a physical barrier to intruders.
- Put away garden tools, ladders and wheelie bins. They can help thieves enter your house.

Security cameras

- Consider installing a doorbell camera or security camera. These are widely available and reasonably priced.

Car keys

- Most newer vehicles can't be started without the keyless remote, so offenders need these to steal your car.
- Keep vehicle keys or remotes out of sight. Obvious places thieves look are hallway tables, kitchen counters and key hooks, bedside tables and drawers.

Home security audit

Take a fresh look at home security. Visit the SAPOL web site and take the short home security audit for tips on key home security habits and home security areas to help keep your home safe from thieves.

A Reminder

Several community members have shared stories about the safety place of parcels left at their homes. This is an opportunistic crime and if you regularly receive parcels it may be beneficial to install a secure place for them to be left. If you are a victim of this type of crime please report it to SAPOL 131 444 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Community Connections

The City South East NHW committee has agreed to hold a second '**Community Connections**' event on Thursday 4th September 6pm at The Box Factory Community Centre. We invite all members of the community to come along and hear about the work of NHW and share some free pizza with us. More details will be published in the next newsletter.

The June 5th meeting will be the **AGM** and as our long term Treasurer has left the area we will be seeking a replacement also other positions that need to be filled include Area Coordinator and Newsletter Coordinator.

If you have some time please consider volunteering so that we can maintain the City South East Area NHW. If you would like more information about the group or the positions please email us nhwadelaide@gmail.com

We invite you to come along to the next meeting on **Thursday 5th June at 6pm** in The Box Factory Community Centre and if you have anything you would like to contribute to the group you can contact us via email on nhwadelaide@gmail.com.

Regards , Tim Young (Area Coordinator)



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Operation Eclipse

Police have seized more than \$1.7 million worth of vapes and illegal tobacco and more than \$80k cash following a truck stop on the states Far North last week.

On 25 April, police at Far North Local Service Area, Traffic Services Branch and Serious and Organised Crime Branch stopped a refrigerated truck at Port Augusta at a drug transit route operation at Port Augusta.

Police spoke with the occupants of the truck and searched the truck where they located and seized in excess of \$1.74 million in vapes, \$26,000 in loose tobacco and \$80,100 cash.

The seizure resulted in the arrest of a 32-year-old man and a 62-year-old man both from New South Wales, they were charged with unlawful possession and possession of tobacco products for sale.

ILLEGAL TOBACCO

Operation Eclipse have taken carriage of the investigation which is ongoing.

Operation Eclipse Commander, Detective Chief Inspector Brett Featherby said, "The seizure demonstrates the risk to syndicates should they seek to transport illicit tobacco through South Australia to other states.

"Organised crime syndicates transporting illicit tobacco through transit routes in regional areas will be subject to a whole of SAPOL response to disrupt their criminal activity and financial operations," he said.

Operation Eclipse has so far resulted in 35 arrests for offences including blackmail, possess tobacco products for sale, arson, money laundering and serious criminal trespass.

There have been 184 premises searched – 47 residential, 123 businesses and 14 storage facilities – in excess of \$2.2 million in cash, three firearms and \$17.97 million in tobacco products.

Significantly, there have been 394 calls to Crime Stoppers since 2 October that have resulted in information being provided to police.

SAPOL 30 Apr 2025



VAPES

Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Andrea Michaels MP said, "This is a significant win in our fight against illicit tobacco and vapes with the biggest seizure of illegal vapes to date.

"As a result, we now have 35,000 less vapes headed to illegal tobacco stores to damage people's health and line the coffers of criminals.

"No matter where you are operating in South Australia, if you are selling or importing illicit tobacco and vapes, you will be caught and subject to some of the toughest penalties in Australia," she said.

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Anyone with any information on criminal activities surrounding the sale of illicit tobacco is urged to call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or visit crimstopperssa.com.au - You can remain anonymous

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PREVENTING CRIME

DATING/ FIRST DATE

If you're connecting online, it's important to be aware of the risks. Learn about dating apps and set up your profile for safety. Check out eSafety.gov.au to get started. When it's time for the first date, these tips can help keep you safe. Keep the first date brief. Stay sober/alert. If in doubt, get out!

Location

- When meeting someone for the first time, head to well-lit, busy public places.
- If it's a long-distance date, let them come to you first (you are in familiar places). Have them stay in a hotel, not with you.
- Always arrange your own transport to and from the date, don't rely on them.
- Share your live location with friends/family. Think! If anything goes wrong, does someone I trust know where I am?

Tell someone

- Plan and share details of your first date with someone you trust; send a profile picture and the name your date is using. Advise your trusted person when they can expect to hear from you and keep them informed of any changes.
- Have a friend call you at a specific time so that you have an 'out' if you need one.

Be cautious

Before the date

- Not everyone you connect with will be honest, even if they are a 'friend of a friend'.
- Learn how your dating app verifies members' identities and how to tell which profiles have a verified identity if it's voluntary.

- Do a Google reverse image search on your date's profile picture or photo to check for authenticity.
- Consider installing and using a personal safety app on your phone.
- Make sure your phone is fully charged.

When you're on a date

- Keep the first meeting short and simple; a café meet up is ideal.
- Stay clear-headed so you can think, plan and react if you have to.
- Keep an eye on your drink. Drink spiking can happen to anyone.
- Don't over share information about yourself, family or friends on the first date.
- Don't have them back to your place or let them drive you home afterwards.

If in doubt, get out!

- If something doesn't feel right, then it's probably not. Trust your instincts.
- It's OK to leave. You do not have to stay or provide personal details.
- Report suspicious behaviour to police on 131 444 or anonymously through Crime Stoppers. Call Triple Zero (000) in an emergency.

If you or someone you know needs help because of domestic violence contact police, or if you don't want to talk to police, talk to someone else like 1800RESPECT

**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

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

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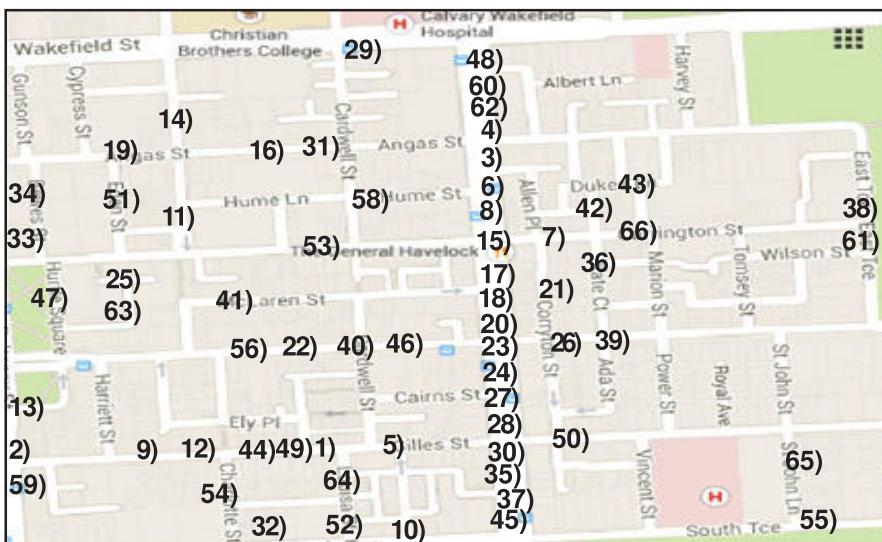
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LOCK IT OR LOSE IT!

Don't give thieves a chance

- Park in well-lit areas
- Close all windows
- Remove all valuables from your vehicle
- Conceal valuables before you park – if they cannot be removed
- Do not leave personal documents in your vehicle.
- Always lock your vehicle if leaving it unattended.
- Carry your keys with you at all times.



Limit the opportunities for offenders to target your vehicle or belongings.

PROPERTY DAMAGE

- 20/01/25 Gilles St
- 24/01/25 Pulteney St
- 27/01/25 Hutt St
- 26/01/25 Hutt St
- 03/02/25 Gilles St
- 20/02/25 Hutt St
- 22/02/25 Carrington St
- 22/03/25 Hutt St
- 09/03/25 Gilles St
- 26/03/25 South Tce
- 30/03/25 Frome St
- 23/02/25 Gilles St
- 11/03/25 Pulteney St
- 19/03/25 Frome St
- 03/04/25 Hutt St
- 22/04/25 Angas St

THEFT

- 22/01/25 Hutt St
- 24/01/25 Hutt St
- 30/01/25 Angas St
- 02/02/25 Hutt St
- 06/02/25 Angas St
- 09/02/25 Halifax St
- 12/02/25 Hutt St
- 14/02/25 Hutt St
- 16/02/25 Pope Ct
- 21/02/25 Gilles St
- 22/02/25 Hutt St
- 23/02/25 Hutt St
- 24/02/25 Wakefield St
- 27/02/25 Hutt St
- 28/02/25 Angas St
- 28/02/25 South Tce
- 01/03/25 Pulteney St

- 01/03/25 Pulteney St
- 04/03/25 Hutt St
- 12/03/25 Kate Ct
- 17/03/25 Hutt St
- 17/03/25 East Tce Car theft
- 18/03/25 Halifax St
- 21/03/25 Halifax St
- 25/03/25 McLaren St
- 27/03/25 Gladstone St Theft from vehicle
- 31/03/25 Dukes Lane Theft from vehicle
- 04/04/25 Gilles St
- 07/04/25 Hutt St
- 08/04/25 Halifax St
- 09/04/25 Hurtle Sq
- 11/04/25 Hutt St
- 15/04/25 Gilles St
- 24/04/25 Gilles St Theft from vehicle
- 25/04/25 Eden St
- 24/04/25 South Tce
- 24/04/25 Carrington St Car theft

TRESPASS/BREAK-IN

- 01/10/2024 Charlotte St Break-In
- 22/02/25 South Tce Trespass
- 14/03/25 Halifax St Trespass
- 10/03/25 Hurtle Sq Trespass
- 23/02/25 Hume St Break-In
- 07/03/25 Pulteney St Break-In
- 17/03/25 Hutt St Break-In
- 18/03/25 East Tce Break-In
- 06/04/25 Hutt St Break-In
- 06/04/25 Pope Ct Trespass
- 12/04/25 Louisa St Trespass

FRAUD//DECEPTION/DISHONESTY

- 29/01/25 St John Lane
- 16/03/25 Carrington St

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