



# Neighbourhood Watch SA

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Quarterly Neighbourhood Newsletter of Hectorville NHW Area 084

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## HECTORVILLE

NEIGHBOURHOOD  
WATCH AREA 084

### MEETINGS

**7pm Tuesday  
25<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

45-47 REID AVE

Tea/Coffee Supplied

### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

25th February 2025 @ 7:00pm

25th March 2025 @ 7:00pm

22nd April 2025 @ 7:00pm

#### Area Co-ordinator

John Nemcic 0467 621 403

**SAPOL Eastern Adelaide  
Crime Prevention Section**  
8172 5824

*Check out the  
NHW SA website!*

*For the latest news, information  
on what NHW SA does and  
how to join, go to the  
NHW SA website:*

[www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw](http://www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw)

## We Need YOU!

Some of our long-term stalwarts have retired from newsletter distribution due to age catching up with them and a couple of others have moved out of the area. As a result, **we are looking for replacements to help deliver newsletters.**



If you would like to join a dedicated group of like-minded volunteers who have community and resident safety at heart, we'd be very pleased to meet you!

At most its 2 hours every 3 months and a great way to get about your local area. It doesn't matter if you can't make it to meetings, but it is still a very meaningful contribution to crime prevention in Hectorville.

Please contact John on 0467621403 if you can help. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

## Benefits of joining as a NHW SA volunteer

Joining can benefit your local community and provide you with many valuable opportunities.

Whether you want to be a leader for change, develop new skills or simply get to know your neighbours.

There are different volunteer options you can do, each with different benefits.

Find out more on the NHW SA website: [www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw/home/why-join](http://www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw/home/why-join).

## REPORTING CRIME

### Emergencies

**Call Triple Zero (000) in an emergency** Where life or injury is threatened, or danger to people and property.

### Non-Emergencies

**Call 131444 for non-urgent police assistance**

For reporting after a crime, reporting a missing person or making police-related enquiries.

### Crime Stoppers

Report information about criminals and suspicious activities to Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or at [www.crimestopperssa.com.au](http://www.crimestopperssa.com.au)

### Cybercrime

To report cybercrime, or to get further information about frauds and scams, visit:

SAPOL: [www.police.sa.gov.au/scams](http://www.police.sa.gov.au/scams)  
AUSTRALIAN CYBER SECURITY CENTRE

Website: [www.cyber.gov.au](http://www.cyber.gov.au)

IDCARE Phone: 1300 432 273

Web: [www.idcare.org](http://www.idcare.org)

SCAMwatch: [www.scamwatch.gov.au](http://www.scamwatch.gov.au)

### Report Graffiti Crimes & Criminals

#### Public Property

Campbelltown City Council 4645 4000

#### Stobie poles or ETSA boxes

SA Power Networks 131 261

#### Payphones

Telstra 132 203

#### Public Transport

#### Private property

SAPOL 131444

## PHONE INFO

**EMERGENCY 000**

**Police Attendance 131444**

Graffiti Hotline 83653147

Street Light Repair 131366

Traffic Light Out 1800018313

Water Main Burst 82071300

Dog Catcher 83669227



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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH & COUNCIL WATCH



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## Join as a NHW SA volunteer Now!

NHW SA has plenty of volunteer opportunities, whether you're looking to volunteer regularly, or only once a year, there's something to suit everyone.

You could just turn up to our next meeting, you could become a supporter (enabling you to help with the delivery of these newsletters), or you could become a registered police volunteer.

Let us know if you'd like to join and we can help you get your registration started. Find out more on the NHW SA website: [www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw/home/get-involved](http://www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw/home/get-involved)

## WHAT IS NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SA?



NHW SA is a community crime prevention program delivered by the Neighbourhood Watch Volunteers Association of SA Inc. in partnership with SA Police. The vision of NHW SA is to create a safe and connected community.

Local Neighbourhood Watch Areas (like this one) work with local SA Police to help prevent crime. Together we can take action on local issues and help raise awareness of safety and security.

## NEWSLETTER DELIVERY: VOLUNTEERS WANTED

We are seeking more helpers to letter-box our Newsletters every three months. Whether you would like to deliver to 20 dwellings or 200, we welcome your help.

The Newsletters would be delivered to your door for you to distribute. Walking is excellent exercise and most of us need to do more, if we are fit enough to be able to walk in the first place. If you can help, please ring John on 0467 621 403.

## "Mum" SMS text

This scam is continuing to catch parents out. It starts when you receive an SMS message to "Mum" or "Dad" from your 'child' asking for an urgent money transfer. Simply call them on a number you have previously spoken to them on, to confirm the message, even if that is the number of the phone the scammer is reporting lost, stolen or damaged. Be aware.

## Beating Graffiti

**Rapid and Continual Removal** of graffiti is one of the best deterrents to stop graffiti returning to the site.

**Painting over the graffiti** is most effective way to remove the graffiti.

When the graffiti is removed by the "paint out method" be sure to match the colour of paint being used - as close as possible to the existing colour of the fence prior to the graffiti damaged.

Be sure to paint the graffiti over in a "block" formation and DO NOT follow the lines of the tag.

## REPORTING GRAFFITI

**Public Property**  
Campbelltown City Council  
4645 4000

**Stobie poles / ETSA boxes**  
SA Power Networks 131 261

**Public Transport**  
**Private property**  
SAPOL 131444

## OPERATION VULNERABLE

**Operation Vulnerable**, was conducted statewide between Monday 9 September and Sunday 15 September 2024, with a **focus on the safety of pedestrians, cyclists, motorcyclists and e-scooter riders**.

South Australia Police detected 593 road safety offences that put vulnerable road users at risk during this road safety operation aimed at curbing unsafe road behaviours.

Sadly, one life was lost, and three vulnerable road users were seriously injured during the operation period.

During Operation Vulnerable police screened road users for drink and drug driving offences catching 65 drink drivers and 58 drug drivers.

Motorcyclists were detected for 39 offences: including 10 instances of unsafe lane behaviours, 8 speeding offences, and four riders on unregistered motorcycles.

Of note were 315 cyclists found committing road safety breaches, including 178 failing to wear a helmet. Another 113 cyclists were breached for riding with improper lighting and others for using a mobile phone whilst riding.

Eight e-scooter riders were detected offending, including not wearing a helmet.

Also, 72 pedestrians came to police attention, including 30 pedestrians crossing on a red pedestrian light, 10 crossing the road within 20 metres of a pedestrian crossing and 32 other offences. These included staying on the road longer than necessary and not crossing by the safest and shortest route.

Operation Vulnerable also focussed on motorists who put vulnerable road users at risk. Police caught 36 motorists for offences, including 7 who failed to give way to pedestrians whilst turning or conducting a U-turn, and 22 motorists stopping or driving in a bicycle lane.

Traffic Services Branch Officer in Charge, Superintendent Darren Fielke, said all road users play a role in keeping our roads safe.

"The details matter, especially when using the roads. E-scooter riders must wear a helmet, motorists must stay off bicycle lanes and pedestrians must cross safely and quickly.

We encourage you to take heed of this information as Supt Fielke said, "It's the responsibility of each road user to learn the road rules. There are rules for a reason, because the rules work to keep all road users, including vulnerable road users safe".



## Curtains - Blinds - Shutters - Awnings

46 The Parade, Norwood 83633660 [www.bettahomefurn.com.au](http://www.bettahomefurn.com.au)

# MY BUSHFIRE PLAN

This bushfire season, remember to be prepared, make a plan and stay informed. Here's what you can do to keep you and your loved ones safe:

- **PREPARE NOW**

Clear around your property, **pack an emergency kit** and know your closest **Bushfire Safer Place**.

- **PLAN AHEAD**

Do your **5-minute bushfire plan** and **share it** with loved ones today, and **plan for all your pets and livestock**.

- **STAY INFORMED**

Check the **fire danger rating** each day and **stay informed** using more than one source of information in case a fire starts near you.

*Why risk it? Act now to be bushfire ready.*

## CREATE YOUR OWN BUSHFIRE PLAN, IN 3 EASY STEPS

Would you remember a plan that's just in your head if you're surrounded by smoke, heat and flames?

Making a choice when a bushfire threatens is too late. Your safety and survival during a bushfire will depend on how prepared you are and the decisions you make, and a written plan will take the pressure off you and avoid arguments and delays.

So don't wait - create your 5 Minute Bushfire Plan now at:

<https://www.cfs.sa.gov.au/plan-prepare/before-a-fire-be-prepared/make-a-plan/5-minute-bushfire-plan/>

### Think about who your Bushfire Plan will protect:

- Me
- Other Adults
- Children
- People who need assistance
- Pets and livestock

### Consider what you will do if:

- You're at work
- The pets run away
- The children are home alone
- You have guests over
- Your escape route is blocked

### Discuss key decisions with your household:

- Is everyone going to leave early?
- Where will you go?
- What will you do with your pets?
- What will you take with you?
- Who do you need to keep informed of your movements?

See Something,  
Say Something,  
Call Crime Stoppers

**CRIME STOPPERS**  
.com.au  
**1800 333 000**

South Australia



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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## 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.

## Police Incidents August - September 2024



**Date Location Details**

### PROPERTY DAMAGE

1. 23/08/24 Robson Rd Graffiti to school grounds. Damage value \$4000.
2. 28/08/24 Glynburn Rd Graffiti 1.5m x 4m marked on business wall.
3. 28/08/24 Robson Rd Graffiti to school grounds, marking 'TOR' in black and orange paint.
4. 30/08/24 Glynburn Rd Damage to 3 x sensor lights outside business.
5. 13/09/24 McBeath St Graffiti to both side panels of parked vehicle.

### THEFT

6. 25/08/24 Glynburn Rd 3 suspects left store without making payment for goods. Value \$985.
7. 28/08/24 Robson Rd Excavator and trailer stolen. Locks damaged to gain access. Value \$27,000.
8. 06/09/24 Glynburn Rd Suspect stole Dyson fan from shop. Value \$1100.
9. 03/09/24 West St Push bike stolen. Value \$350

### TRESPASS/BREAK-IN

10. 13/09/24 Hectorville Rd Between 11.30am and 1.30pm suspect broke into workplace, found keys and stole vehicle.
11. 18/09/24 Reid Av Home broken into and personal belongings stolen. Value \$15,000.

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**Hon Vincent TARZIA MP**  
Member for Hartley

Please don't hesitate to call my office for information on community grants and other assistance we may provide.

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