



Neighbourhood Watch SA

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Vale Neil Baron

Neil Baron, the husband of Carla Baron, one of our NHW Supporters, passed away on the 10th Dec 2025. Neil was a founding member, spokesperson and coordinator of the Panorama/Clapham Community Group.

Ably supported by Carla, the Group actively advocated for many Community infrastructure changes which included the upgrade of Springbank Road, the realignment of Springbank, Daws and Goodwood Roads, retention of 'The (Daws Road) Repat' and, over some time, had input into the upgrading of CC Hood reserve to the young, family-orientated, Community Hub that it now is.

Neil Baron was a committed community-minded person in our area who will be missed.

CAN YOU HELP?

We have recently had some of our newsletter delivery volunteers leave our zone and thus need replacements.

If you receive this Newsletter then you live in our zone.

If you can spare an hour or so every quarter please contact us by email at 'panoramaneighbourhoodwatch@gmail.com'

For a small amount of your time every 3rd month you can help Panorama be a better place - while getting some healthy exercise.

PANORAMA NHW AREA 64/193

NEXT MEETING

Trinity Church Hall,
Pasadena

**Monday 7pm
15th June
ALL WELCOME**

Bringing local residents & police together for a safe & connected community

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YOUR ZONE REP

Ph: _____

Tackling 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

Council property

City of Mitcham 1300 133 466

Stobie poles / ETSA boxes

SA Power Networks 131 261

Payphones 132203

PublicTransport /

Private property

Sturt Police 8207 4700

SAPOL 131444

LOCK IT OR LOSE IT!

- Park in well-lit areas
- Remove all valuables
- Lock your vehicle

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HERE'S SOME TIPS

from Neighbourhood Watch on how to secure your home.

THIEVES HATE ROSES!

Plant prickly bushes under your windows to deter thieves from breaking in.



TIDY UP YOUR TOOLS!

Wheelie bins, ladders and garden tools can help thieves enter your house.



CHANGE YOUR HABITS!

Complete our home security habits quiz to find free and easy ways to improve your home security.



Complete the Quiz!



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KEEP YOUR PHONE SAFE

Source: www.police.sa.gov.au

You like (or love!) your phone...so do thieves! Follow these tips to help keep your phone safe.

Put it away

- When you're out, don't leave your phone lying on a café table, bar or shop counter. It takes just seconds for someone to grab it.
- Keep it in a pocket or closed bag.
- If you're not using it, don't put it down, put it away.
- Be aware of your surroundings if you're using your phone or carrying it in your hand.
- If you're distracted, it's an easy target for thieves.

Lock it

- Lock the screen. Use biometrics (fingerprint or face) or a strong PIN, password or pattern.
- Consider setting up contact information in case your phone is lost. Usually this displays a mobile number on your locked screen for a trusted person who can be contacted by the finder.
- Set up "ICE" (In Case of Emergency) details that can be accessed with the screen locked. This keeps your phone safe but still allows access to vital information in case of emergencies.
- Educate yourself, know your phone's capabilities and utilise security features to help keep your phone safe
- See further information at Apple help or Android help.

Track it

- Both Apple and Android phones have built-in tools and features you can set up to help you find, lock or erase your phone remotely. Learn how to use these.
- Your phone's 15-digit IMEI (International Mobile Equipment Identity) number can help track it if it's lost or stolen.
- Record your phone's IMEI number somewhere other than on your phone.
- You can find the IMEI number of your phone by typing *#06# on the keypad.

If it gets stolen...

- Use tracking apps as soon as possible, before thieves have a chance to disable it.
- Contact your service provider to suspend your service.
- Report the theft to police and provide the IMEI and serial number if you can.
- If you're tracking your phone and believe you know where it is, immediately report this information to police on 131 444.
- Do not attempt to recover it yourself.

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

Cybercrime

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

SAPOL: www.police.sa.gov.au/scams

AUSTRALIAN CYBER SECURITY CENTRE

Website: www.cyber.gov.au

IDCARE Phone: 1300 432 273

Web: www.idcare.org

SCAMwatch:

www.scamwatch.gov.au

SCAM TRICKING AUSTRALIANS INTO DOWNLOADING MALWARE

Source ABC News 15 Mar 26

Scammers are targeting Australians with advertisements for 'free' tai chi classes to trick them into downloading malware capable of stealing money off their devices.

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) has issued a nationwide scam alert after dozens of people reported losing thousands of dollars over the past few months.

The ACCC said scammers were advertising 'free' tai chi classes on fake

The Adelaide-based woman said within minutes more than \$5,000 had been wiped off all her bank accounts.

"It all happened within the span of 15 minutes, so they knew what they were doing," she said.

"It was dreadful, my phone was essentially cloned somehow for them to get access to my accounts, it was just terrible."

National Anti-Scam Centre general manager Jayde Richmond said Scamwatch had received an uptick of



Above: Fake Facebook page

social media pages where people received a call or message after joining, telling them to download an application to register for the sessions.

But once the app was downloaded from a website, malware was immediately installed onto their device, which allowed scammers to access and steal their money.

There were also reports of scammers advertising fraudulent classes for other types of activities, including dancing, walking and hiking.

Pensioner Heather Janine said she was caught up in the scam after she contacted a group called 'Aussie Tai Chi Community' through a sponsored post on Facebook.

Ms Janine said she then received a call from a woman who identified herself as Ivy Lunar who "pressured" her to download an app to view the timetable for local classes.

reports about this type of scam, with people reporting losses of \$5,000 on average.

"That's well above what we would see in average loses for these types of scams, so once they get access it can be particularly damaging," Ms Richmond said.

"Part of this strategy is really targeting the types of activities that some of our older Australians might be interested in."

Ms Richmond warned scammers could be anywhere and advised people that if it seemed too good to be true, it probably was.

"The victims are going to find it incredibly difficult to think there's anything unusual about it," she said.

"If you do happen to have downloaded that link or given any personal information, take quick steps to protect yourself, contact your bank to secure your accounts and report the scam to Scamwatch."



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WHAT IS NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCHSA?



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.



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.

See Something,
Say Something,
Call Crime Stoppers

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000 EMERGENCY
THINK FIRST THEN DIAL
POLICE ASSISTANCE 131 444

Police Incidents 1 February - 30 April 2026



Date **Location** **Details**

PROPERTY DAMAGE

1. 3/2/26 Barretts Road Clapham Soccer goal damaged. Value \$4000

ILLEGAL INTERFERENCE AND THEFT

2. 16/3/26 Panorama Dr Goodwood Entry forced into work vehicle parked at construction site. Tools and machinery stolen. Value \$12,133

SERIOUS CRIMINAL TRESPASS

3. 10/2/26 Hillrise Road Panorama Entry forced entry to vacant house. Nil stolen but signs of disturbance.

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Do they have to break in BEFORE you think about it?

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