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ABERFOYLE PARK & HAPPY VALLEY

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH AREA 491

NEXT MEETING

7.30pm Monday
18th November

Aberfoyle Community Centre
(corner of Sandpiper Cr and Jessica St)

Guest Speaker

Ian Buckley JP

(retired SAPol Senior Sergeant)
Hear his experiences in East Timor with the Peacekeeping forces

ALL WELCOME!

Please Note: Sturt Police Station reopened for business as usual on 23rd October

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Sturt Police Station

333 Sturt Road, Bedford Park SA
Ph: 8207 4700 7 days 9am-9pm

Police Attendance: Ph 131 444

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

Area 491 News - Changing of the Guard

Last Meeting

Our last meeting was very special for many of us. It marked 20 years of working to make Aberfoyle Park and Happy Valley a better and safer place.

Superintendent Yvette Clarke congratulated our Area 491 on its efforts in the past 20 years and reinforcing that SAPOL will always be behind these ventures. She presented Jennifer Griffin, Bruce Johns, Richard Keane, Patrick Power and Elana Shaw special awards to celebrate their 20 years of service.

We reflected on our many achievements including:

- 123 meetings that help educate and provide a local community forum
- 104 volunteers that have walked the streets to deliver our newsletters
- Over 330,000 informative newsletters have been folded and put in letterboxes
- 3 Music in the Park community concerts
- Remember 50 stickers on bins
- Hundreds of wheelie bins and kerbs numbered

Special Guest Josie Herman spoke briefly, on her determined efforts two decades ago that led to this Neighbourhood Watch group being formed. She and husband Gary was becoming alarmed at incidents of petty vandalism and small crimes that needing to be reported, at an increasing rate.

After constantly contacting SAPOL on a regular basis, the main contact Sgt. Kym Richardson asked the question: "Why don't you look at establishing a Neighbourhood

Watch group?" Kym offered to help set this up, but there was plenty of groundwork needed by Josie and Gary, doorknocking in the area for signatures / petitions to gauge interest from other residents, and to see if this venture would take off.

Luckily it did, with support from original stalwarts such as George Oram and Richard Keane, and in fact Sgt Kym Richardson was not only the original Police Coordinator but was our longest serving, covering the initial five years. We thank Josie, Gary and Kym for their efforts in 1999 that put us where we are today.

Not only were there the usual biscuits, cake and refreshments but also delicious hot pizzas kindly donated by Cesar's Pizzeria (8270 4460). We thank Cesar for his continued support over many years.

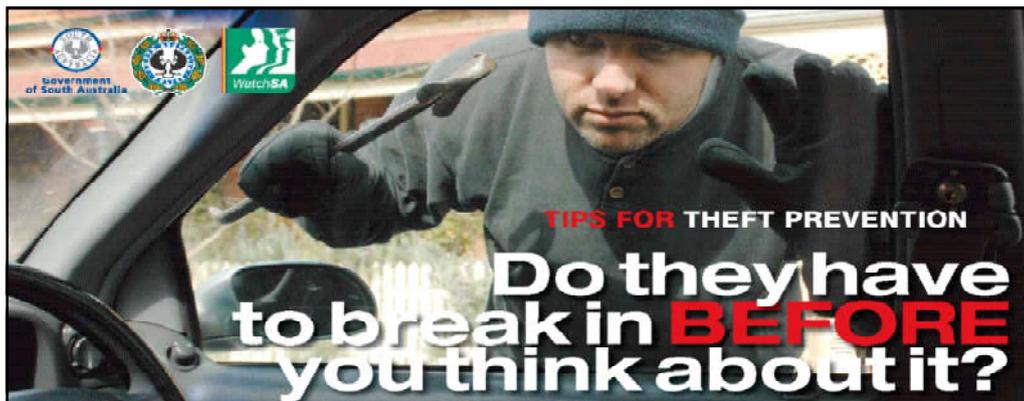
Annual General Meeting

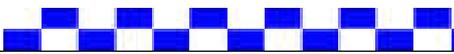
Our September meeting was also our AGM. Superintendent Yvette Clarke presented Certificates of Appreciation to the current serving 36 volunteer Zone Representatives.

After the mandatory reports we elected the people listed below to guide, organise and run NHW Area 491 for the next 12 months.

- David McNabb - Area Coordinator
- Richard Keane - Asst Area Coordinator
- Linda Nott - Treasurer
- Richard Keane - Newsletter Editor
- Bruce Johns - Bin & Kerb Numbering
- Jennifer Griffin - Newsletter Collation
- David McNabb - Delivery Manager
- Linda Maton - Supper Manager

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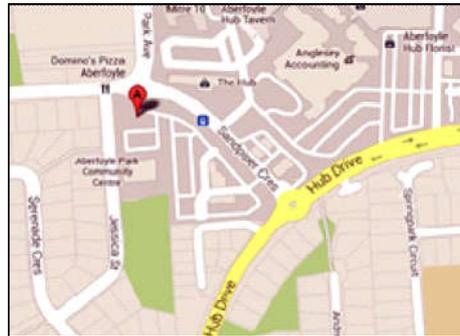
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Area Coordinator's Report (continued)...

Next Meeting - Mon. 18 November

At our November 18 meeting we're delighted to have Ian Buckley JP (retired SAPol Senior Sergeant). He will talk about his experiences in East Timor in his role with the Peacekeeping forces.

Our friendly and relaxed NHW meetings are held on the third Monday of the odd numbered months. Meetings also include a light supper and time for an informal chat as a group. Our meetings are held at the Aberfoyle Community Centre.



All community members are welcome at our meetings. You are free to simply take the information given and/or voice your opinion and concerns regarding local issues. Our next meeting is on Monday November 18 at 7:30pm.

Thanks

As always, a special thanks to our local Harcourts Tagni Real Estate (8322 5000) for their continued support by funding the hire of the Aberfoyle Community Centre for our meetings.

Kerbside & Bin Numbering



While the weather is warm and dry, let NHW paint your house number on the kerbside for \$5 and for only an extra \$2 each, we can do your garbage and two recycling bins as well. That's your kerb and 3 bins for a total of only \$11. Call NHW's Bruce on 0449 871 035 or even better is email him at numbering@nhw491.com

CAN YOU HELP?

We have recently had volunteers leave our zone and thus need replacements.

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Helping your child deal with online threats

There are many benefits to socialising and playing games online — it can be entertaining and educational, while helping to build digital intelligence skills. However, games or apps with a chat function mean your child is likely to be communicating with others online, including strangers.

Our research shows it is more common than you think, with one in four young people being contacted by someone they don't know online.

Contact from strangers can make children feel uncomfortable or lead to dangerous situations like harassment or "grooming" — where a young person is lured into trusting a sexual predator online.

So just as we help guide young people to identify unsafe behaviour in the physical world, we need to do the same in their online world — for example, helping them to understand when it's not appropriate to chat to an adult without a parent around.

Conversation starters

Talking with your children about their 'online friends' can be a great way to help develop their skills around identifying and dealing with unwanted contact.

1. What do you think makes a good online friend?

Parents and carers can help young people recognise respectful, safe online relationships. Talk to your child about what good friends do, personal boundaries and safe behaviour. For example, a good online friend:

- would never send anything to shock you or make you feel icky
- would never ask you to do something that makes you feel uncomfortable
- understands when you need time away
- speaks to you with respect
- respects your feelings and is kind
- would never threaten you or ask you not to tell your parents
- listens when you say no or ask them not to do something.

Extend the conversation by talking about games and social media and what safe behaviour looks like in those spaces.

More advice at: www.esafety.gov.au/parents/skills-advice/good-habits-start-young

2. How do you know if an online friendship has taken an unsafe turn?

Talk to your child about the signs that show an online friendship isn't safe. If anyone online — a friend or stranger — tries to develop a very close relationship quickly or asks for private photos or videos, they may intend to sexually abuse the young person. Some other warning signs to look out for include:

- asking lots of personal questions
- giving excessive compliments
- wanting to keep the relationship secret
- sending gifts or money
- asking for nude photos or videos.

By helping your child recognise these typical grooming behaviours they can better protect themselves online. More advice at: www.esafety.gov.au/parents/big-issues/unwanted-contact#warning-signs

Report unwanted contact online

It is important for parents to understand that the grooming and procuring children over the internet are crimes investigated by the police. If your child has encountered this kind of activity online, contact your local police station. If your child is in immediate danger call Triple Zero (000).

If your child receives suggestive comments, requests for explicit images or messages of a sexual nature on a social media site, app or game, it should be reported to the service. It is important to collect evidence first and then report the account even if you have blocked them — this helps makes the internet safer for everyone.

If an intimate or nude image of your child has been shared or is threatened to be shared online, report it to eSafety and we can help take it down: www.esafety.gov.au/IBA

Your child may need your assistance to report a user. Use our [games, apps and social networking](#) guide to problem-solve together. Help them gather evidence, report the contact and block the user. Let your child lead the way and help them develop the skills to manage online challenges in the future.

Source: esafety.gov.au



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Please Support Our Supporters

We continue to serve the community because of two groups of people.

The first being the 36 volunteers that deliver the 2900 newsletters throughout Aberfoyle Park and Happy Valley. If you wish to join our team please contact us by email at contactus@nhw491.com.

The second important group are the businesses that donate products and/or finance us directly and those businesses that advertise in this newsletter. Local advertising pays for its production and printing. We ask you to return the goodwill and support these community-minded businesses when shopping.



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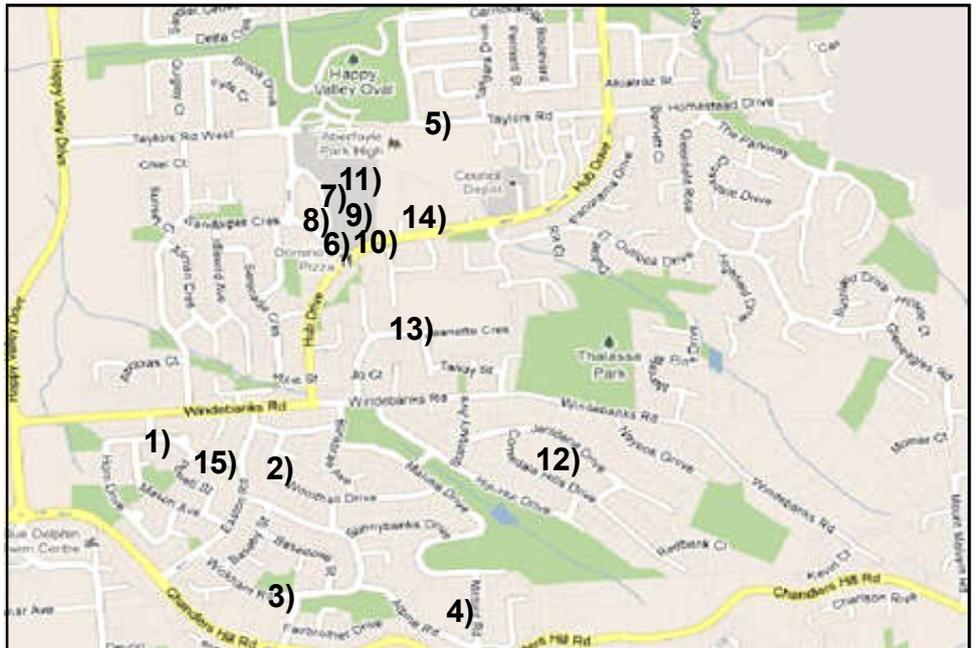
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PROPERTY DAMAGE

- 14/09 Horn Dr HV Interference with CCTV camera.
- 18/09 Woodhall Dr HV Headlight covers cracked and panel scratched on vehicle.

THEFT

- 09/08 Wickham Rd HV Items taken from home. Suspect known.
- 23/08 Mitford Rd HV Electronic gate key and house key stolen from vehicle.
- 30/08 Taylors Rd AP Items to value of \$40 stolen.
- 07/09 Hub Dr AP Theft of cigarettes from petrol station.
- 08/09 Hub Dr AP Cigarettes and alcohol stolen from shop.
- 11/09 Sandpiper Cr AP Black Baotian scooter (S87AGI) stolen from business car park.
- 12/09 Hub Dr AP Fuel stolen without paying. Value \$25.58.
- 11/10 Hub Dr AP Fuel stolen without paying. Value \$19.03
- 20/10 Hub Dr AP Trolley load of stolen items stopped by off-duty police officer.

TRESPASS/BREAK-IN

- 22/08 Corriedale Hills Dr Entry via bathroom window, home ransacked when owner in hospital.
- 20/09 Jeanette Cr AP Unknown person pulled fly screen out and knocked on kitchen window while 16yo female home alone. Nil entry made.

OTHER

- 27/08 Hub Dr AP 2 females used counterfeit \$100 bills at petrol station & liquor store.
- 14/10 Horn Dr HV Victim assaulted outside her home by unseen offender.

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