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ABERFOYLE PARK & HAPPY VALLEY

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH AREA 491

NEXT MEETING
7.30pm Monday
16th November

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

GUEST SPEAKER
Craig Woods, Director
Roadside Services & Solutions

FUTURE MEETING
18th January 2021

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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

Neighbourhood Watch Area 491 News

Last Meeting

After a COVID enforced hiatus, it was fantastic to be back and catch-up with local community minded people.

Our September meeting was also our AGM. Our Police Coordinator, Senior Constable Andrew Paterson, presented Certificates of Appreciation to the current serving volunteer Zone Representatives.

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

- David McNabb - Area Coordinator
- Richard Keane - Assist. Area Coordinator
- Linda Nott - Treasurer
- EmmaJackman - Secretary
- Bruce Johns - Bin and Kerb Numbering
- Jennifer Griffin - Newsletter Collation
- David McNabb - Delivery Manager
- Linda Maton - Supper Manager

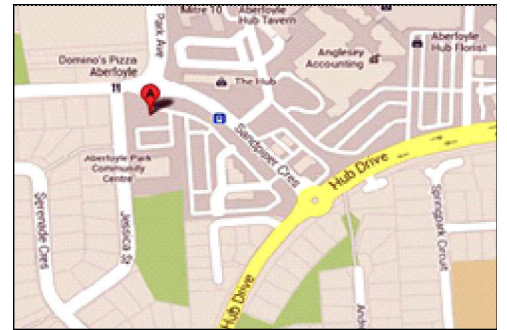
We thank them for taking on these roles so that we can continue our work of making Aberfoyle Park and Happy Valley a safe place to be.

As has become the tradition, the delicious supper from Cesar's Pizzeria (ph 8270 4460) was a hit.

Next Meeting – Monday November 18

Due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus, we cancelled our March meeting.

For our November 18 meeting we have re-booked Craig Woods from Roadside Services & Solutions.



He will be talking about local road safety measures, signage and how his business is involved with Neighbourhood Watch.

Our relaxed and friendly 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. You are free to simply take the information given and/or voice your opinion and concerns regarding local issues.

If you can't attend our meeting and have an issue or concern you can simply email it to contactus@nhw491.com. We can raise it at our next meeting, attend to it ourselves or direct it to the appropriate person(s).

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.

Remember: See Something, Say something, Call Crime Stoppers





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The second important group are the businesses that donate products and/or finances directly to us and those businesses that advertise in this newsletter. It is the advertising that pays for its production and printing.

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 **Kerbside and Bin Numbering**

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. We are less than half the price that other providers charge to number just your kerb. Our prices are extremely low because our service is run by volunteers. The small fee helps keep our NHW group operating.

Call NHW's Bruce on 0449 871 035 or email him at numbering@nhw491.com

Work from home revolution during pandemic powers spike in cybercrime

By Daniel Ziffer, ABC Business, 30 October

Our work from home revolution has powered a spike in cybercrime, costing consumers more for everyday products and dragging billions of dollars out of the economy.

"The attackers have taken advantage of the situation," said Nicola Nicol, partner at consulting firm Pricewaterhouse Coopers (PwC). "Attackers have started to look to take advantage of employees who are working from home and perhaps not thinking about security in the same way they would do in an office environment."

Breaches cost companies an estimated \$7.6 billion in the last financial year as COVID-19 forced employees out of skyscraper towers, suburban offices and factories. And experts expect the eye-watering impact to rise.

The months between April and June saw a 65 per cent increase in cybersecurity incidents, according to PwC's 2021 Global Digital Trust Insights survey of thousands of business, technology and security executives from large companies.

Workers swap secure servers & buildings for kitchen tables

An astonishing number of employees moved quickly this year from working on computers linked to secure servers, inside buildings protected by pass cards and gates, to performing vital business roles from their kitchens and bedrooms.

That shift was always going to be an opening for malicious and opportunistic cybercriminals, according to University of Melbourne senior lecturer in computing and information systems Suelette Dreyfus.

"You've got many more 'BYO devices', home devices, little Angus who's 15 years old who's been on that device playing games that he's downloaded from the internet — and God knows what else.

You have problems — people using their wi-fi from home maybe they haven't updated the firmware on their wi-fi devices for five years - that's a security risk," Dr Dreyfus said.

More than half of malicious attacks are by financially motivated-criminals

In the past year, ransomware attacks have crippled organisation and institutions as varied as Victorian country hospitals, logistics company Toll, Service NSW, Anglicare Sydney, money management company MyBudget and the hot strip mill of BlueScope Steel's Port Kembla plant.

Attacks even shut wool sales across Australia in February.

Ransomware is malicious software that goes inside existing computer networks. Once in, it steals information from your computer and demands a fee for it to be returned or stops the system from working until a ransom is paid.

Ransomware attacks and state-sponsored attempts to harm critical infrastructure are also considered 'likely', said Nicola Nicol.

What you can do to make yourself cyber-safe

The good news is that the surveyed organisations expect to spend more money and pay more attention to the problem. The better news is that it is cheap, often free, to better protect your business and personal accounts.

Dr Dreyfus suggests some simple steps:

- Have 'full disc encryption' (FDE) turned on
 - Always have a passcode on your phone
 - Use two-factor authentication. For example, requiring a text message to your phone to get access to social media accounts on your computer
 - Get password manager software
 - Update your software regularly
- "And don't reuse passwords, that's a bad idea," she said.

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Southern District police are warning the local community about attempted ATO scams in the last few weeks.

A suspect has been contacting local community members via telephone, stating they are a police officer from Christies Beach.

The caller advises the recipient that they are collecting money for tax purposes and recipients need to make payments immediately.

The telephone number the call is being made from displays as Christies Beach Police Station, which is not correct.

Police are not making these calls and are not collecting money for taxation purposes.

If you receive a similar call;

- DO NOT provide any personal or personal banking details
- DO NOT transfer any of your own funds
- END THE CALL immediately, AND
- REPORT the attempted scam to 'Report Cyber' website <https://www.cyber.gov.au/report>

Prevention advice is available on the SA Police website at: <https://www.police.sa.gov.au/your-safety/scams-and-cybercrime>

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 about one hour every second month please contact us by email at newsletter@nhw491.com.

For a small amount of your time every second month you can help Aberfoyle Park and Happy Valley be a better place.

Snap, Send, Solve

It takes just 2 minutes to report graffiti, vandalism, trip hazards, and many more on the app 'Snap Send Solve'.

The App works on any android device or iPhone/iPad, and you can report issues on the spot to local councils and also water, gas, electricity, phone etc. with little effort.

If you come across a problem, the app will allow you to take a picture of the fault, record the exact location automatically, identify what the defect is and add any further details. The app will then send the details to the correct department responsible for fixing the problem.

Improving the neighbourhood has never been so easy. **Source:** www.facebook.com/markdibdin

SECURE YOUR NUMBER PLATES

Approximately 3,000 number plates are stolen in South Australia each year.

RAA is working with the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure, SA Police, the Attorney General's Department and the Motor Trade Association to encourage motorists to have tamper-resistant screws installed on their vehicle's number plates.

A number of RAA Approved Repairers are offering to supply and install tamper-resistant screws free of charge.

To take up this offer, please contact RAA on 8202 4689 to find your nearest participating RAA Approved Repairers. For more information, visit www.raa.com.au/numberplatetheft.

Remember:

- If your number plate is stolen, report it immediately by calling the Police Assistance line on 131 444.
- To order new plates, contact Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure or visit www.sa.gov.au/topics/transport-travel-and-motoring/ezyreg.

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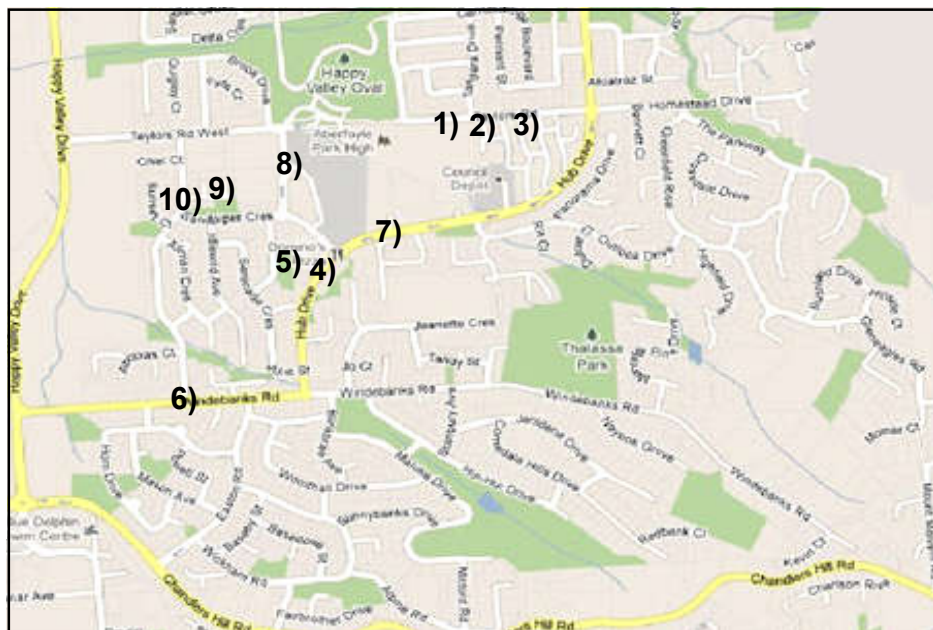


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Police Incidents September - October 2020



Date Location Details

PROPERTY DAMAGE

- 29/08 Taylors Rd, AP Damage to signs at retirement village.
- 04/09 Taylors Rd, AP Plastic cafe blinds damaged external to child care centre.
- 18/09 Taylors Rd, AP Cricket pitch set alight. Exterior building wall graffitied.

THEFT

- 01/09 Hub Dr, AP Drive-off without paying for fuel. Value \$50.41.
- 01/10 Hub Dr, AP Drive-off without paying for fuel. Value \$25.04.
- 04/09 Windebanks Rd, HV Vehicle entered and tools stolen. Value \$3000.
- 11/09 Hub Dr, AP Theft of mobile phone Value \$1296.
- 24/09 Park Av, AP Theft of copper pipes from construction site. Value \$300.
- 03/10 Ashington Way, AP Theft of delivered packages containing 2 dinner sets.

TRESPASS/SERIOUS CRIMINAL TRESPASS

- 10.08/10 Southbound Av, AP Shed entered and \$2390 worth of property stolen.

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