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## DIARY NOTES

### NEXT MEETING

6.00pm 12th March

#### WHERE:

Box Factory Community Centre

#### ALL WELCOME:

Neighbourhood Watch areas work against crime: the public are the eyes and ears for the police in our neighbourhood.

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

Come to a meeting, see what we do and show support for your NHW area

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## Area Coordinator's Report

Hello everyone and welcome to the New Year!

I hope you and your family enjoyed a relaxing festive season and I look forward to working with you in 2020.

### Traffic Watch Mobile App

SA Police recently launched the new **Traffic Watch mobile app**. The Traffic Watch app allows members of the public to easily report poor driving behaviour and traffic related complaints using a mobile phone, tablet or computer.

The information captured through Traffic Watch will help make our roads safer by assisting police to:

- Determine the future allocation of resources including the deployment of highway and metropolitan motorcycle and vehicle patrols, safety cameras and the Traffic Tactical Unit.
- Identify locations for drug and alcohol testing.

You are encouraged to use the Traffic Watch app to report non-urgent traffic related incidents that don't require police attendance. Please call Triple Zero (000) if it is in an emergency or 131 444 for non-urgent police assistance.

The Traffic Watch app can be found within the SA Police mobile app which is a portal for important SAPOL services and information.

In addition to Traffic Watch, the SA Police mobile app:

- Can initiate a call to Emergency Triple Zero (000).
- Can open a call to the Police Assistance Line 131 444.
- Allows users to report suspicious behaviour via the Crime Stoppers icon.
- Enables you to stay in touch with SA Police News and other information released on

SAPOL's website and social media platforms.

- Can display the police stations and traffic camera sites near your location.
- Allows you to check the status of your Police Incident Report through the Track My Crime icon.
- Includes some information on youth safety.

The SA Police mobile app is a free download for [Android](#) (versions 4.4 and higher) and [iPhone](#) (iOS 10 and higher) users.

### District Policing Model

At the November 2019 Eastern District NHW meeting we were advised that the District Policing Model stage two will commence on 26 March 2020.

The model will include Response/Taskings and District Policing Teams. There will be 12 District Teams operating in the Eastern District and this includes 3 Policing Teams for the city.

District Policing Teams can take over Police Coordinator roles for NHW area groups, attend events and/or follow ups. More details are published on the internet SAPOL 2020 The Roadmap.

### Bicycle Engraving

A free Police Bicycle Engraving session was held at the Box Factory Community Centre on **Wednesday February 26th** to help decrease the chance of theft and to improve the probability of recovery if it is stolen.

If you missed this opportunity there are two other sessions planned for Tuesday March 3 at the Adelaide South West Community Centre, 171 Sturt Street 2:00pm - 4:00pm and Tuesday April 21 at the North Adelaide Community Centre, 176 Tynte Street 10:00am - 11:30am.

*Regards,  
Tim Young, Area Coordinator*



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## HEATWAVES AND HOT WEATHER

Source: <https://www.redcross.org.au/get-help/emergencies/looking-after-yourself/heatwaves-and-hot-weather>



Heatwaves and hot weather have killed more people in Australia than any other natural disaster. Here's how you can beat the heat and keep cool this summer.

Heatwaves not only affect your daily activities, but can be a serious risk to your health and wellbeing.

Heatwaves and hot weather kill more people in Australia than bushfires, cyclones and any other natural disaster, so it's important to adapt your activities and have a plan to keep cool.

Heatwaves can be dangerous for anyone, but they're especially dangerous for older people, young children and people with a medical condition. However, there are lots of things you can do to help yourself - and your family, friends, neighbours and pets - beat the heat and keep cool this summer.

### Drink plenty of water

- Even when you don't feel thirsty, drink plenty of water.
- Avoid alcohol, tea, coffee and sugary or fizzy drinks. They make dehydration worse.
- Eat small meals more often, rather than large meals. And eat more cold food like salads and fruit.

### Stay cool

- Stay indoors: keep out of the heat if you can.
- If you need to go outside, wear light clothing and a hat, put on sunscreen and take water with you.
- Do daily activities like shopping and gardening early in the day or ask someone to help you.
- Draw blinds early in the day.
- Check that your fan or air-conditioner works well. Have it serviced if necessary.
- Turn your air-conditioner on before the room heats up

- Take cool showers and splash yourself several times a day with cold water, or use a damp cloth.
- Go to an air-conditioned building in your local area to cool off: a shopping mall, community centre, library or swimming pool.

### Get Connected

- Check the forecast. This will help you prepare ahead for shopping and scheduling appointments.
- Identify your support network. Include people who can help you get things you need during and after a heatwave. This could be family, friends, neighbours or a carer.
- Write down your important numbers.
- Keep in touch with friends, neighbours and relatives, particularly if they're unwell or isolated.

### Get Organised

- Store medicines safely at the recommended temperature.
- Talk to the doctor about how the heat might affect you.
- Ensure your pets are also well hydrated and have plenty of shade when they are outside.
- Look at the things you can do to make your home cooler such as installing awnings or shade cloths.
- Stock up on food, water and medicines.

### Get Help

If you or someone you know shows signs of heat stroke (fits, confusion, staggering), call 000 immediately.

Heat stroke is a life-threatening emergency and can cause a person to collapse or fall unconscious.

## FIRE PREVENTION

Fires can cause serious harm to people and properties. Whether deliberately lit or caused by reckless or negligent actions, fire can kill.

Know your responsibilities, take positive action and report suspicious behaviour to police.

To help keep your property safe from fire, consider implementing these crime prevention tips:

- Maintain vegetation around your property and remove plant debris.
- Erect fences, gates and warning notices to identify your property boundaries.
- Immediately repair or replace any damaged sections of fencing or gates.
- Inspect your property regularly to ensure rubbish, including glass bottles, are disposed of immediately.
- Store flammable fuels, fertilisers and chemicals in a secure area.
- Be aware of any restrictions when using incinerators, BBQs, welding or cutting equipment or farm machinery during the Fire Danger Season and on Total Fire Ban days.

If you see anything suspicious immediately call police on 131 444.

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

South Australia Police supports victims of domestic violence and attends domestic violence situations. We give the highest priority to the protection and ongoing safety of victims and their children.

Domestic violence is a pattern of abusive behaviour by one person against another:

- in a couple relationship such as marriage or dating
  - within a family across generations.
- Domestic violence includes:
- physical violence
  - sexual violence
  - emotional abuse
  - verbal abuse
  - property damage
  - financial abuse
  - threats to harm
  - stalking.

Domestic violence is damaging to victims, their children, family and friends.



Keep a note pad in the car and record helpful details including:

- location of the suspicious activity i.e. RPA number & property name, road name, or identifying landmarks
- vehicle details i.e. registration number, make, model, colour and any distinguishing features (e.g. dents, stickers)
- characteristics of anyone acting suspicious i.e. age, gender, weight, height, hair colour and clothing.

For further information contact your local police station or visit [www.police.sa.gov.au](http://www.police.sa.gov.au)

*If you have any information about who is deliberately lighting fires or engaging in reckless or negligent fire lighting behaviour call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.*

Where possible we try to hold the person responsible for the violence accountable for their actions.

### Help and Support at Domestic Violence Situations

#### Police assistance

Call Triple Zero (000) if the situation is an emergency or 131 444 for non-urgent police assistance.

Seek advice about your options by contacting the Eastern District Family Violence Investigation Section on 7322 4890.

Counselling and emergency accommodation is available from the Domestic Violence and Aboriginal Family Violence Gateway on 1800 800 098.

Contact the National Sexual Assault Family and Domestic Violence Counselling Service on 1800 RESPECT. Further information is available on the 1800RESPECT website.

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## Statewide Website

A Statewide Neighbourhood Watch website has been launched.

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

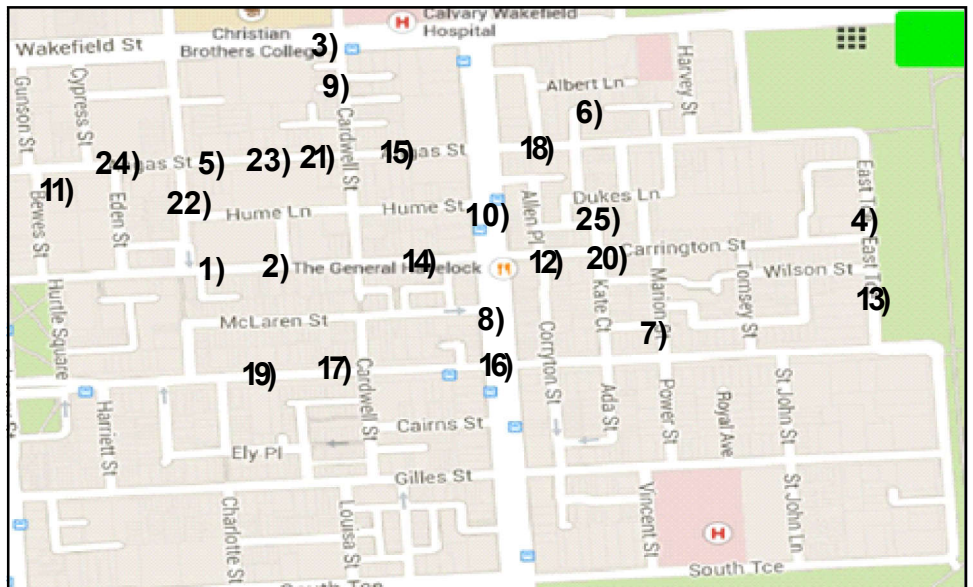
You can find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/NeighbourhoodWatchSA/](https://www.facebook.com/NeighbourhoodWatchSA/)

## Why join us?

*South Australia Police require continual feedback, support and collaboration from members of the community to effectively prevent and respond to crime.*

*By joining **Neighbourhood Watch**, you'll be playing a key part in keeping your street, suburb and South Australia a safer place to live. Whether you want to be a leader for change in your community, build your skills, or simply meet other like-minded locals, **Neighbourhood Watch** is right for you.*

*You can connect with local police while building professional networks and upskilling to improve your CV or employment prospects. Plus you'll be assisting your neighbours, the community, & SA Police along the way.*



## PROPERTY DAMAGE

1. 10/11/19 Carrington St Bonnet of MV stepped on and damaged.
2. 19/11/19 Carrington St Lock on back door of premises tampered with.
3. 20/11/19 Wakefield St Steel letter box broken of mount and damaged.
4. 14/01/20 East Terrace Graffiti on fue hydrant booster box.
5. 23/01/20 Angas Street Damage to MV. Passenger side door scratched.

## THEFT

6. 07/11/19 James Street Bike stolen from garage. Value \$150
7. 14/11/19 Marion Street Wallet stolen from home address.
8. 25/11/19 Hutt Street Bag and contents stolen from unlocked vehicle.
9. 26/11/19 Chapman St Entry gained to vehicle and various items stolen.
10. 02/12/19 Hutt Street Personal items stolen from staff area in restaurant.
11. 04/12/19 Bewes Street Front number plate stolen.
12. 06/12/19 Carrington St Rear number plate stolen.
13. 06/12/19 East Tce Items stolen from inside vehicle.
14. 08/12/19 Carrington St Vehicle stolen while parked on street.
15. 08/12/19 Angas Street Locked bicycle stolen from public bike rack
16. 15/12/19 Hutt Street Mail stolen from letter box.
17. 23/12/19 Halifax St Bike stolen. Value \$800
18. 04/01/20 Angas Street Front and rear number plates stolen.
19. 16/01/20 Halifax St Bike stolen.
20. 17/01/20 Carrington St Bike stolen from front yard. Value \$600
21. 27/01/20 Angas Street Motorbike stolen. CCTV available.

## TRESPASS/BREAK-IN

22. 22/11/19 Frome St Break in on residence.
23. 27/11/19 Angas Street Business entered, paper towel & toilet paper stolen.
24. 04/12/19 Angas Street Attempted break-in via security door. Nil entry.
25. 11/12/19 Gladstone St Yard entered, mains power switch turned off.



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