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EVANDALE/ MAYLANDS/STEPNEY

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCHAREA202/131

NEXT MEETING

7.30pm 12th June

The Avenues Tavern 106 Payneham Road, Stepney

ALL WELCOME

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

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Next Meeting

This will be held on Wednesday 12th June at 7.30 pm at the Avenues Tayern in the Avenues Shopping Centre, 106 Payneham Road Stepney.

Our first regular meeting in this hotel was in March. This went quite well and we were pleased to see some new people attending. The table at which we sat was rather long and it may have been hard for some people sitting at the ends of the table to hear what was being said.

We have discussed with the hotel putting two tables together for our next meeting, which should be easier for everyone to hear what is going on.

Members of the public are invited to come to our meeting. We need new people to come along. We do our best to make newcomers feel welcome.

Some of us have a meal at the Tavern at from 6 pm before the meeting. Meals are priced from a reasonable \$12 a head at this time of the day. You are welcome to join us for a meal. This is a good chance to socialise. The meal is optional of course.

Telephone Scammers

NBN contractors are installing the new network in our area. Some of you may be receiving phone calls from scammers pretending to be NBN.

In April, one of our older female members. Doris, picked up her phone to hear a pleasant female voice telling her that because she had not gotten in touch with the NBN, her landline would be disconnected in 24 hours if she did not press 1 on her phone to contact a NBN contractor. She promptly pressed

1 and spoke to a man with a Chinese accent who appeared to be working in a large noisy room.

"Hello," he said." She replied, "How do I

know you are with the NBN?" He said, "hello" again and so she repeated her guestion, "How do I know you are with the NBN?" He answered, "You come to my house". Thinking she could not have heard him correctly, she said indignantly, "I can't come to your house!" He replied with a crude suggestion. She hung up as fast as she could. Feeling agitated and upset, Doris wondered who on earth she could call to report this scam attempt. An NBN phone number that she tried several times had a long waiting time. In the end, she rang her closest friend Philippa to discuss what had happened. After a long talk, Doris felt better. "At least I said the right thing to him" she said to Philippa with a chuckle. "I must have really gotten under his skin for him to be so rude

It is our understanding that the NBN does not telephone members of the public. See Page 2 for more tips to beat the scammers

to an old lady like me."

Bin Stickers

We still have some of these

If you would like one, please ring Evonne on 8362 1152.

Evonne Moore. Area Coordinator

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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 Evonne on 8362 1152.



SCAM ALERT

In a recent incident a caller claimed to be a police officer, and told their intended victim there was an outstanding warrant in their name in relation to a tax debt.

They were asked to pay their tax bill using gift cards to avoid going to court. Fortunately the victim was alerted by a wary shop assistant that is was possible the caller was a fraudster, prompting them to visit a police station and report the matter.

It is important to note that SA Police do not make calls on behalf of the tax department.

Remember, if anyone requests payment by Google Play or iTunes it is most likely a scam. See www.scamwatch.gov.au

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 <u>free of charge</u>.

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.

Number plates are stolen from vehicles to commit crimes such as:

- petrol theft
- avoiding speeding fines and other traffic offences, or
- robberies and house break-ins.

The use of stolen number plates makes it harder for police to detect and investigate crimes in a timely manner.

To reduce your chances of becoming a victim of number plate theft, please consider the following security tips:

- Secure your number plates with tamper-resistant screws. The screws lock in place to prevent number plates from being removed easily.
- Check your vehicle regularly to ensure the number plates are secure.
- Secure your vehicle in a locked garage where possible.
- Park your vehicle in well-lit areas.

Remember:

- If your number plate is stolen, report it immediately to police 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.

DON'T BECOME A SCAM VICTIM: Useful Tips

- * Hang up when someone you don't know calls
- * Immediately delete emails from people you don't know, and from agencies or businesses that you didn't agree to receive emails from do not click on links in those emails
- * Never send money online to someone you haven't met in person
- * If in doubt contact the government agency from a phone number or website that you have located and were not directed to
- * Remember the ATO will not request payment of a debt via iTunes or Google Play cards
- * Never give your personal, credit card or online account details over the phone unless you made the call and the phone number came from a trusted source
- * If you think you have provided your bank account details to a scammer, contact your bank or financial institution immediately
- * Never give an unsolicited person remote access to your computer. You may compromise the security of your device and your personal information
- * Ensure your computer is protected with regularly updated anti-virus and antispyware software

Please share this information - and discuss the prevalence of these type of scams with people in your circle who may be less savvy about this type of technology or scam activity.

To report a scam or for further information visit www.scamwatch.gov.au

RAA Friday is the favourite day for car thieves to strike

Thieves prefer Fridays when it comes to stealing your car, according to latest figures obtained by RAA Insurance.

RAA Insurance is urging drivers to be vigilant to avoid becoming a victim of car crime and has released a list of safety tips to minimise the risks to their vehicles.

According to the National Motor Vehicle Theft Reduction Council, of which RAA is a member, a total of 527 vehicles were stolen on a Friday - more than any other day of the week - in the 12 months to the end of September 2018.

That's an average of around 10 cars each Friday over this period. Friday thieves were most active between 4pm-8pm when a total of 155 vehicles were stolen

It was also revealed more vehicles were stolen in March (319) than any other month during this period.

"Having your car stolen is a major inconvenience and, if you're not insured, a serious financial setback," RAA Insurance Claims Manager Hayley Cain said.

"That's why we encourage all motorists to take precautions to reduce their chance of having their car stolen or broken into."

Ms Cain said the figures showed about two thirds of the 3002 vehicles stolen in this period were for "short term use" – or joy riding – and the rest for "financial gain" such as accessing spare parts.

"It's about opportunities and there are many more people parking in public while out and about on a Friday evening.

"This might also explain why March – with all its associated events like the festival and supercar race – is the most common month for stealing cars."

The total theft figures for SA in the 12 months to September were consistent with the annual average reported to police during the past four years, Ms Cain said.

Here's what you can do to reduce the chances of having your car stolen or broken into:

- Park in a garage or carport whenever possible.
- If you must park on the road, leave your car in a well-lit area and preferably have an alarm fitted.
- Install sensor lights in your driveway as a deterrent.
- Always lock your vehicle.
- Remove items of value from sight.
- If you don't have a car alarm, use a steering wheel lock.
- Don't put all your valuables in the boot, most trunks are easily accessible.





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Police Incidents 1 January - 31 March 2019

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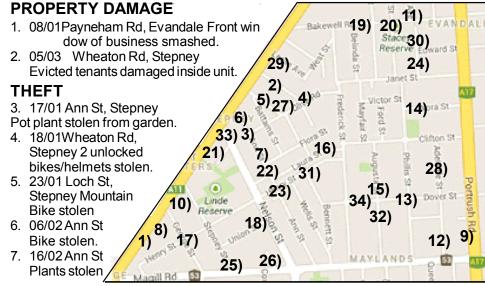
TAKE THE TIME TO PREVENT A CRIME

Don't Forget to Lock Up



Your House Your Car Your Valuables





8. 16/03 Payneham Rd, Stepney Items left in doctor's waiting room stolen. 9. 1/1-31/3

Portrush Road 14 make off without payment from petrol station 10.1/1-31/3 Payneham Road 13 make off without payment rom petrol station

THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE

11. 12/01Llandower Ave, Evandale Theft of iPhone stolen from unlocked vehicle. 12.01/02 Adelaide St, Maylands Change & rego papers stolen from unlocked car. 13.10/02 Phillis St, Maylands Theft of tools from vehicle. 14.18/02 16.26/03

17.08/03 Henry St. Stepney 18.23/03

19.24/03 Bakewell Rd, Evandale Items stolen from unlocked car.

Nora St, Maylands Unlocked vehicle rummaged through. Nil stolen. 15.21/02 Augusta St, Maylands Sunglasses & charger stolen from unlocked car. Laura St. Stepney Purse stolen from unlocked car in driveway

overnight, credit cards later used via pay wave. Window smashed and handbag stolen from car. Union St, Stepney Window of car forced open. Laptop, cash, wallet and id stolen. All items visible inside car.

20.26/03 Bakewell Rd, Evandale Bag & items stolen from car in driveway. Value \$2,400.

TRESPASS/SERIOUS CRIMINAL TRESPASS (Break-in)

22.08/01 23.11/01 25.25/01 26.29/01 Magill Rd, Stepney

Loch St, Stepney 27.30/01 28.31/01 Adelaide St, Maylands Entry gained by smashing front window. Key visible

29.02/02Payneham Rd, Evandale 30.12/02 Alexander St, Evandale 31.22/02 34.17/03

21.08/01 Payneham Rd, Stepney Mower stolen from rear shed of church. Padlock cut. Ann St, Stepney Unlocked house entered. Air rifle & wallet stolen. Ann St, Stepney Entry gained via unlocked window. Cash stolen. 24.23/01 Alexander St, Evandale Copper piping stolen from house under construction. Magill Rd, Maylands Computer stolen from business premises. Entry gained to business premises by smashing rear window. Computer & Eftpos machine stolen. Entry via unlocked front window. BMX bike stolen.

Entry via smashing business window. Nil stolen. Occupant returned to find rear door damaged. Nil entry. Henry St, Stepney Staff room entered via unlocked door. 2 iPads stolen. 32.05/03 Augusta St, Maylands Entry gained to workshop via dog door. Tools stolen. 33.06/03 Payneham Rd, Stepney Attempted break into beauty salon. Nil damage Dover St, Maylands 2 unknown males unlawfully on premises.

inside lock. Jewellery & pharmaceuticals stolen.



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