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FLAGSTAFF HILL

NEIGHBOURHOOD
WATCH AREA 453

NEXT MEETING

7pm Wednesday,
21st October 2020

MEETINGS RESUME AT

Flagstaff Hill Community Centre
Coromandel Street

ALL WELCOME

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police together for a safe
& connected community*

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Christies Beach Police Station

94 Dyson Rd, Christies Downs

Police Attendance: Ph 131 444

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crime in progress

or has just been committed

Neighbourhood Watch Meetings Resume

We have received permission from SA Police to recommence bi-monthly meetings.

These will commence at the **new time of 7.00pm**. The first meeting with COVID 19 application will be held at the Flagstaff Hill Community Club Coromandel St Flagstaff Hill on **Wednesday 21st October 2020**.

Committee Elections will be held at this meeting and all positions are declared vacant. If you feel you have the time to help, it is not too onerous to take up one of these positions:

- Area Co ordinator
- Assistant Area Co ordinator
- Secretary/treasurer
- Zone Co ordinator
- Editor
- Committee Members

Nominations will close at the meeting on 21st October 2020.

CAN YOU HELP?

We have recently had volunteers retire from walking or leave our zone and thus need replacements.

If you can spare about one hour every second month please contact

Ray by email at
raymondhenderson007@gmail.com

For a small amount of your time every second month you can help keep Flagstaff Hill safe.

Thank You Newsletter Deliverers

We are grateful to those locals who have volunteered their time to assist with newsletter deliveries and continue to do so. **Thank You!**

Support Our Supporters

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

The first being our dedicated volunteers who deliver the 3450 newsletters throughout Flagstaff Hill.

If you wish to join our team please contact us at raymondhenderson007@gmail.com

The second important group are the 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. Thank you.

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COVID-19

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Check your symptoms
healthdirect.gov.au

National updates
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Don't be Fooled: Beware of Scammers

Government impersonation scams on the rise

At this time of the year there is an increase in taxation scams.

Victims receive an automated 'robocall' pretending to be from a government department such as the Tax Office or Home Affairs.

The scammer will claim something illegal - such as tax fraud or money laundering - has been committed in the victim's name and they should dial 1 to speak to an operator.

The scammer then tries to scare people into handing over money and may threaten arrest if they refuse.

Government departments will never threaten you with immediate arrest, or ask for payment by unusual methods such as gift cards, iTunes vouchers or bank transfers.

Pet Scam

SAPOL wish to remind everyone to be cautious when purchasing items online, even pets.

A large number of Australians are purchasing pets from an online website and falling victim to an elaborate puppy scam.

Scammers play on emotions as the pictures of puppies are cute and are said to need rehoming but, in reality, were never for sale to begin with.

Act with caution when buying online, especially if the seller makes it hard to see the animal in person.

A common tactic is to portray they are based in a remote location, which is too far for people to reasonably travel.

SAPOL recommend that you do your homework when buying anything online and don't rely on reviews or testimonials on the site itself.

Instead, run the website's address through a search engine and look further than the first page of results.

Scammers can be very convincing, so if something does not feel right, do not be pressured into making a decision on the spot.

Before you transfer money or share your bank details, discuss it with someone you trust or check www.cyber.gov.au to see if you are involved in a scam. If possible use secure payment options such as Paypal or credit card.

Gen Z the fastest growing victims of scams

Australians under 25 lost over \$5 million in 2019. Scam reports from this age group are increasing faster than for older generations.

Although young people are tech savvy, scammers are adapting. Scamwatch expects to see more scams on platforms such as Snapchat and Tik Tok.

Meanwhile Facebook and Instagram were the most common platforms for losses by those under 25.

Typical scams involve fake online stores or fake tickets to events. Almost half of the losses occurred through bank transfer.

Please be wary of sellers asking for payment through unusual methods such as gift cards or bitcoin.

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New Online Safety Resources to Support Parents and Carers During COVID-19

Protecting children online continues to be a priority for law enforcement throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Australian Federal Police- led ThinkUKnow program and the Australian Centre to Counter Child Exploitation (ACCCE) have developed a range of initiatives and resources to address the challenges associated with children spending more time online.

The COVID-19 pandemic presents a number of online safety challenges for children and young people.

Prevention is critical in countering the exploitation of children online, yet ACCCE research published earlier this year revealed that information seeking and discussion about online children sexual exploitation is generally only undertaken in response to a specific event.

ThinkUKnow at home learning packs

New home learning activity packs have been created for parents, carers and children to undertake and learn about online safety together.

Supported by case studies from the ACCCE Child Protection Triage Unit, the age-appropriate activities address online supervision, personal information and unwanted contact, safer gaming and smart usernames, and safer online interactions.

ThinkUKnow is Australia's only nationally delivered law enforcement-led online

child safety program that provides education for parents, carers, teachers, children and young people, to address the issue of online child sexual exploitation.

It is a partnership between the AFP and industry (Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Datacom and Microsoft) and delivered in collaboration with all State and Territory police and Neighbourhood Watch Australasia.

The ACCCE brings together resources from Government and Commonwealth agencies, law enforcement agencies, non-government organisations, and other partners to prevent and disrupt online sexual exploitation of children.

You can find out more about online safety by following ThinkUKnow and the Australian Centre to Counter Child Exploitation on social media.

Facebook: @ThinkUKnowAustralia

Twitter: @ThinkUKnow_Aus

Facebook: ACCCEaus

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For further information, or to download visit thinkuknow.org.au/for-parents-and-carers and accce.gov.au/covid19

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proactive against crime. The police
can only be in one place at a time,
and the area they cover is large.

Any information the public can give
Police helps in their investigations.

Come to a meeting, see what we do
and show support for your NHW area
(details on front page).

7 Day Family Online Safety Challenge

The 7 Day Online Safety Challenge aims to provide
simple daily online safety tasks for parents and
carers to complete over a week, to help keep their
children safe online.

The daily tasks include reviewing privacy settings,
creating a Family Online Safety Contract and
helping children identify a support network.

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