



Neighbourhood Watch SA

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HECTORVILLE

NEIGHBOURHOOD
WATCH AREA 084

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 25th August
7.30pm

45-47 REID AVE
HECTORVILLE

TEA / COFFEE SUPPLIED

UPCOMING MEETINGS

7.30pm

Tuesday 22 September
Tuesday 27 October
Tuesday 24 November

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

Area Co-ordinator

John Nemcic 0467 621 403

SAPOL Eastern Adelaide Crime
Prevention Section 8172 5824

Home Security

An effective way of improving the security of your home, from the environment around the boundary to the high-value items contained within its walls, is to consider security measures for three strategic layers.

The three layers to think about are:

1. Perimeter
2. Exterior
3. Interior

This process can be applied to every type of home, from the bungalow style home with gardens, to town houses, and even single student rooms found in shared houses.

At each layer the aim is to implement good security measures which will deter the offender by making it harder and riskier for them to get in and out of your home. Each of the following sections will provide you with helpful hints to make it harder for a burglar to penetrate each of these layers.

The preferred answer to all questions is YES. Any question answered with NO indicates a weakness in your home security.

PERIMETER

- Is the area around the house free from items that an offender could use to break in i.e. bricks, ladders, and garden tools?
- Are sheds, garages and outbuildings locked at all times?
- Have you trimmed trees and plantings to provide good surveillance from the road?
- Are vehicles at the premises secured with all belongings removed when not in use?

- If you have a garage, is it used to secure the vehicle(s) inside, instead of being used as a storage space?

EXTERIOR

- Are doors kept locked with keys removed?
- Do you avoid leaving spare keys in accessible places, i.e. under plant pots, door mat or stone?
- When you are outside do you lock all doors and windows?
- Are ground floor and accessible windows closed and locked?
- If you have an alarm fitted, do you always use it?
- Do you have exterior security lighting?

INTERIOR

- Do you use lights with timer switches when leaving the house unoccupied?
 - Are items such as cash, car keys, laptops, jewellery and phones kept out of view and in a safe location?
 - Do you avoid leaving high value items, including jewellery in obvious places, i.e. in jewellery boxes in the bedroom?
 - Have you made a written and photo record of items of value?
 - Have you marked valuable items with your driver's license number prefixed with the letter 'S' for South Australia using an engraver or ultra violet pen?
- SA Police is committed to working with the community to prevent crime. Please see our crime prevention booklets, fact sheets and posters at

www.police.sa.gov.au/safety-and-security-tips

PHONE INFO

EMERGENCY	000
Police Attendance	131444
Graffiti Hotline	83653147
Street Light Repair	131366
Traffic Light Out	1800018313
Water Main Burst	82071300
Dog Catcher	83669227

Remember: See Something, Say something, Call Crime Stoppers



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 John on 0467 621 403.

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.

See Something,
Say Something,
Call Crime Stoppers

**CRIME
STOPPERS**
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South Australia



Business Security

The following checklist will help you identify the strengths and weaknesses of your business' physical security.

Common vulnerabilities may be identified whenever your response is no.

BUILDING SECURITY

- Are all external doors and windows in good condition and professionally fitted?
- Are there good quality locks on all doors and windows at ground level?
- Are there good quality locks on each accessible door and window above ground level?
- Can internal doors be locked when the building is left unattended for long periods?
- Do you nominate members of staff to check that all doors and windows are closed and locked at the end of the business day?
- Do you have good visibility around the perimeter of your building?

- Do you have adequate lighting around your building during the hours of darkness?

CCTV

- Do you have your CCTV cameras regularly maintained?
- Do your CCTV cameras cover the entrances and exits of your building?
- Do you have CCTV cameras covering critical areas of your business such as server rooms or cash offices?
- Could you positively identify an individual from the recorded images on your CCTV system?

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Please see our crime prevention booklets, fact sheets and posters at www.police.sa.gov.au/safety-and-security-tips



NHW HELPING THE COMMUNITY

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

Keeping people informed, being observant and alert, is being 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).

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Identity Theft

In light of the COVID-19 scams currently circulating, it is timely to address the issue of identity theft and how you can prevent yours from being stolen.

Your identity is one of the most valuable things you have.

Identity theft is a type of fraud that involves a person stealing your name for the purpose of obtaining money, goods, services or other benefits.

If your identity is misused a person may access your money and accumulate large debts in your name, which will affect your credit rating.

To reduce your chances of becoming a victim of identity theft, please consider the following crime prevention tips:

- Secure your letter box with a lock and empty it on a daily basis. Arrange collection of your mail by a trusted person when on holidays. If you move, remember to re-direct your mail promptly.
- Protect your personal documents at all times. Never throw personal documents in the bin – destroy them using a shredder or a similar method.
- Limit the amount of personal information you publish on social media and online.
- Ensure your computers and mobile phones are protected with regularly updated anti-virus software. Avoid using public computers for personal activities like online banking and shopping.
- Never give your personal details to an unsolicited person.
- Always check your receipt and credit card statements carefully for discrepancies. If you discover unauthorised transactions, contact your financial institution immediately.
- Make enquiries on the arrival of unexpected credit cards or bills for goods and services you did not order.

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

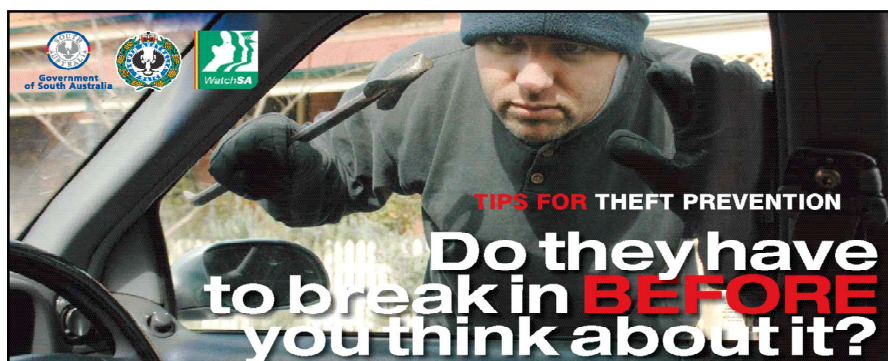
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Statewide Facebook Page

A new Statewide Neighbourhood Watch Facebook page has been launched. Find us at

<https://www.facebook.com/NeighbourhoodWatchSA/>

Find us on
Facebook



**PROTECT YOURSELF
KNOW THE SCAM**

*"I don't
believe
everything
I'm told,
do you?"*

Anyone can be a target for scammers – so be on the look out.
Scammers use sophisticated methods to take your money.

To learn how to **PROTECT YOURSELF** and **KNOW THE SCAM** visit
www.scamwatch.gov.au

Report all scams to the police assistance line by calling 131 444.

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LOCK IT OR LOSE IT!

- Park in well-lit areas
- Close all windows
- Remove all valuables from your vehicle
- Conceal valuables before you park – if they cannot be removed
- Do not leave personal documents in your vehicle.
- Always lock your vehicle if leaving it unattended.
- Carry your keys with you at all times.

Limit the opportunities for offenders to target your vehicle or belongings.



John Kennedy JP
Councillor
Campbelltown City Council



**Action on
Local Issues**

*I will see you on
any issue
any time*

Contact:

3 Sheppard St Hectorville

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**TAKE THE TIME TO
PREVENT A CRIME**

**Don't Forget to Lock Up
Your House
Your Car
Your Valuables**



Statewide Facebook Page

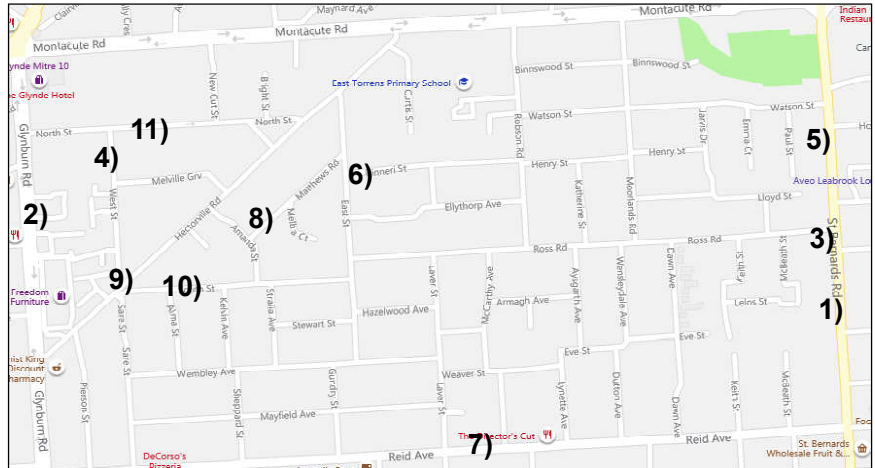
A new Statewide Neighbourhood
Watch Facebook page has been
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Time/Date Location Details

PROPERTY DAMAGE

1. 14-22/5 St Bernards Rd Windscreen of vehicle parked in street broken, panels scratched/dented. Damage \$2500.
2. 3-3.30pm Glynburn Rd Damage to vehicle window frame consistent with attempt to force open. Nil entry.

THEFT

3. January St Bernards Rd 8-10 pot plants stolen from rear yard.
4. 29/03/20 West Street Number plates stolen from vehicle in street overnight.
5. 15-17/4 St Bernards Rd Copper pipes stolen from wall of house. Value \$400
6. 25/05/20 Robson Road Cage trailer stolen from driveway of property.
7. 30/5-3/6/20 Reid Avenue Hot water system stolen from property. Value \$1200.
8. 03/06/20 Matthews Rd Tools in locked box stolen from a vehicle overnight. Value \$250.

TRESPASS/BREAK-IN

9. 2.50am 2/5 Hectorville Rd Occupant woken by noise and confronted a male in dining room. Offender struck occupant and left.
10. 30/5-3/6/20 South Street Unoccupied property entered via forced window. Nil stolen.
11. 11/6/20 North St Window screen removed and attempt to force window. Nil entry.



Hon Vincent TARZIA MP

Member for Hartley
The Speaker of the House of Assembly

Please don't hesitate to call my office for information on community grants and other assistance we may provide.

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