



Neighbourhood Watch SA

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Neighbourhood Newsletter of Linden Park NHW Area 249

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LINDEN PARK

NEIGHBOURHOOD
WATCH AREA 249

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 7.30pm
21st October 2020

Bill Dean Lounge, Burnside
Community Centre

GUEST SPEAKER

SAPOL Officer in Charge
District Policing Team
Bradley Wingate

ALL WELCOME

TAKE THE TIME TO PREVENT A CRIME

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



Coordinator:

Andrew Bills Phone: 8379 3788

Police Coordinator:

Bradley Wingate

Police Attendance 131444

DIAL 000

(to report a crime in progress or
has just been committed)

CrimeStoppers 1800 333 000

From the Coordinator

Area News

A lot has happened in the world since our last newsletter, and this edition is a little later than expected due to the impacts of the virus.

We were forced to cancel, at late notice, the planned Neighbour Day lunch and our April meeting.

A brand new district policing system was set up for our area in late March which involves a dedicated team of officers who complete all the back office and investigation work after a crime has been committed.

This allows the patrol officers more time to be responding to crime immediately with the follow up work attended to by the special investigation team.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday 21 October** when the guest speaker will be the officer in charge of the district policing team, Bradley Wingate, who will provide more details on how the new scheme will work.

It is of course possible that there may be

changes to the planned meeting if the virus impacts the state severely again, but the hope is that we will be able to proceed, albeit with some different rules and requirements for public gatherings.

If there is a change to the meeting date, we will let you know in the next newsletter which will be before October 21.

Happy Retirement John!

John Ryan, one of our longstanding zone leaders, has recently retired from active Neighbourhood Watch duties delivering our newsletters to residents. John has been involved for the past 25 years and was very well known by those house owners and businesses to whom he delivered. We are extremely grateful for his promotion and support of Neighbourhood Watch over that time, and wish him a long and healthy retirement.

Judith will be taking over the deliveries for John's area and we look forward to her continuing the excellent standard set by John.

REPORT DANGEROUS DRIVING TO POLICE



Traffic Watch

131 444

COVID-19

TRUSTED SOURCES OF INFO

Check your symptoms
healthdirect.gov.au

National updates
health.gov.au

Local updates and information
sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVID2019

The latest travel advice
smartraveller.gov.au

For general questions

Coronavirus Health Information Line: 1800 020 080



LINDEN PARK
PHARMACY

**Free home delivery
and prescription
service**

**8:30-5:30 Monday to Friday
9:00-12 noon Saturday**

Tim & Charlotte Hutchesson

**93 Devereux Rd Linden Park SA 5065
Tel 08 8379 1754 Fax 08 8379 3900**

Protection from phishing

- Don't click on links in emails or messages, or open attachments, from people or organisations you don't know
- Before you click a link, hover over that link to see the actual web address it will take you to (usually shown at the bottom of the browser window)
- If you do not recognise or trust the address, try searching for relevant key terms in a web browser. This way you can find the article, video or webpage without directly clicking on the suspicious link
- If you're not sure, talk through the suspicious message with a friend or family member, or check its legitimacy by contacting the relevant business or organisation (using contact details sourced from the official company website)

Source: Australian Cyber Security Centre

Support Our Supporters

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

The first being our volunteers who deliver NHW newsletters throughout Linden Park.

If you wish to join our team please **contact Andrew** (details on front page).

The second important group are those 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.

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

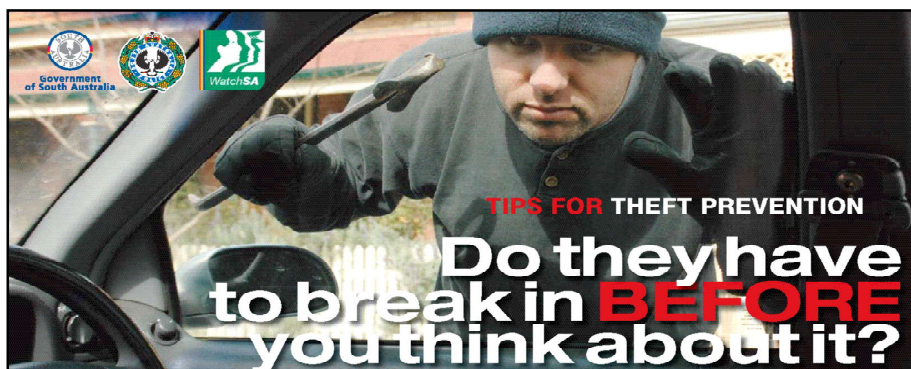
SA Police is committed to working with the community to prevent crime and reduce the fear of crime. To access our full range of crime prevention posters, fact sheets and booklets (including Scams and Cybercrime and Internet Safety and Security) please visit: www.police.sa.gov.au/safety-and-security-tips

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



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 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 fitted?

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?

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

Autumn/Winter Social Lawn Bowls Three Bowl Pairs

Wednesdays & Saturdays
12.00pm for 12.15pm start

- ✓ Only \$8 per player
- ✓ Casual dress & relaxed atmosphere
- ✓ Singles or Teams welcome
- ✓ No experience required
- ✓ Free issue of club bowls

For more information contact
Leonie on 0412 177 621



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).



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.



Remember: See Something, Say something, Call Crime Stoppers





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HILLSIDE
CARPET COURT
FLOORING CENTRE

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.

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Police Incidents 20 February – 20 June 2020



Date

Location

Details

THEFT

1. 24/02/20 Booth Ave \$10 and pair of scissors stolen. Report incomplete.
2. 28/02/20 Greenhill Road Petrol drive off, \$84.85.
3. 20/03/20 Booth Ave \$200 cash stolen.
4. 04/04/20 Booth Ave Theft of bicycle. Value \$535
5. 25/04/20 Greenhill Road Wallet stolen, card used for \$98.85 of purchases.
6. 13/06/20 Portrush Road Stolen motorcycle, SA rego S47BEV
7. 15/06/20 Torrens Street Theft of lead flashing (waterproofing material)

TRESPASS/BREAK-IN

8. 09/04/20 Sturdee Street Tennis Club broken onto. Suspect wanted by police.

Statewide Website

A Statewide Neighbourhood Watch website has been launched!

Visit www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw



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