



# Neighbourhood Watch SA

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## PANORAMA 1

NHW AREA 64

### NEXT MEETING

Trinity Church Hall,  
Pasadena

~~Monday 7:30pm  
7th September~~

**CANCELLED DUE TO  
COVID-19  
RESTRICTIONS**

### NEXT MEETING

7 December (AGM)

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YOUR ZONE REP

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### Reporting Graffiti

Council owned property

City of Mitcham 8372 8888

Stobie poles or ETSA boxes

ETSA Utilities 8404 5673

Private property 131 444

Offence in progress Dial 000

## 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](http://www.cyber.gov.au)

## COVID-19

### TRUSTED SOURCES OF INFO

**Check your symptoms**  
[healthdirect.gov.au](http://healthdirect.gov.au)

**National updates**  
[health.gov.au](http://health.gov.au)

**Local updates and information**  
[sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVID2019](http://sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVID2019)

**The latest travel advice**  
[smartraveller.gov.au](http://smartraveller.gov.au)

### For general questions

Coronavirus Health Information Line: 1800 020 080




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Dr Alison Clarke  
Dr Elaine Leung  
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**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](http://www.scamwatch.gov.au)

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

## 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 re homing 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.

Purchase tickets from authorised sellers and be aware that many links on social media may not be legitimate.



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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](http://thinkuknow.org.au/for-parents-and-carers) and [acce.gov.au/covid19](http://acce.gov.au/covid19)**

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1800 333 000

South Australia

**000 EMERGENCY**  
**THINK FIRST THEN DIAL**  
**POLICE ASSISTANCE 131444**

### 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.



## MEAT YOUR NEEDS

**BUTCHER SHOP**

0418 621 463

7/98 SPRINGBANK ROAD  
CLAPHAM, SA

TUE: 9AM - 6PM

WED: 9AM - 6PM

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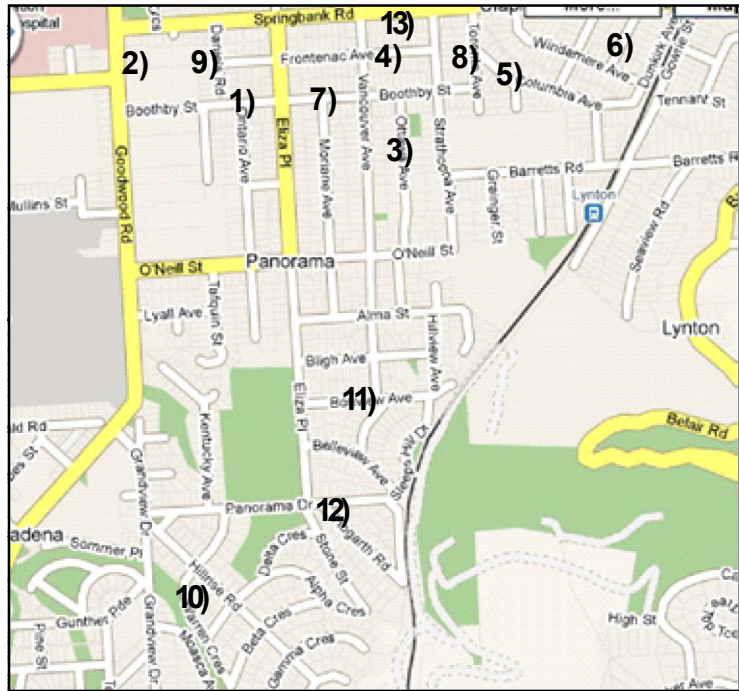
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**Date Location Details**  
**PROPERTY DAMAGE**

1. 17/5 Boothby St Business window smashed. No entry gained. Damage \$900.
2. 13/6 Goodwood Rd CCTV camera damaged on side of house.

**THEFT**

3. 1/5 Ottawa Ave Tradesperson tools taken overnight from rear yard. \$2000 value.
4. 16/5 Frontenac Ave Unlocked vehicle stolen from street. Recovered nearby.
5. 14/6 Columbia Ave CLAPHAM Tools taken from canopy of ute in driveway.
6. 23/6 Alberta Ave CLAPHAM Sunglasses stolen from unlocked vehicle on street. Value \$300.
7. 30/7 Boothby St Cash and phone taken from vehicle. Value \$220.
8. 30/7 Toronto Ave CLAPHAM Wallet taken from unlocked vehicle in driveway.
9. 5/8 Daniels Road Trailer and tools taken from the street. Value \$6500.

**TRESPASS/BREAK-IN**

10. 7/6 Warren Cres Male entered garage during day and stole bicycle. Victim chased suspect. Offender apprehended by Police.
11. 17/7 Bonview Ave Multiple windows and side-gate forced open. Nil access.
12. 19/7 Panorama Dr House entered via laundry window, keys, jewellery and wallet stolen.

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