



# Neighbourhood Watch SA

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Quarterly Neighbourhood Newsletter of Hectorville NHW Area 084

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## HECTORVILLE

NEIGHBOURHOOD  
WATCH AREA 084

### MEETINGS

**7pm Tuesday**

**22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025**

45-47 REID AVE

Tea/Coffee Supplied

### UPCOMING

### MEETINGS:

22nd July 2025 7pm

26th August 2025 7pm

23rd September 2025 7pm

### Area Co-ordinator

John Nemcic 0467 621 403

**SAPOL Eastern Adelaide  
Crime Prevention Section**  
8172 5824

*Check out the  
NHW SA website!*

*For the latest news, information  
on what NHW SA does and  
how to join, go to the  
NHW SA website:  
[www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw](http://www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw)*

## HOME SECURITY

**To reduce the opportunity for thieves to gain entry into your home, consider the following crime prevention strategies.**

Four simple ways to help keep it secure are by locking all doors and windows, installing a fence around your property, installing a doorbell camera or security camera and by keeping car keys out of sight.

### Doors and windows

- Lock external doors. This includes the door between your garage and house, which becomes an external door when your garage is open.
- Keep your garage, shed and gates shut – and locked if possible.
- Fit good quality, keyed locks on doors and windows.
- Remove valuables and keys or remotes and keep them out of sight, not in the hallway, bedside drawer or the kitchen counter.
- Keep cars locked, even in the driveway or garage.
- Keep bikes out of sight, in a shed, garage or inside the house. Secure with a quality U or D lock.

### Outdoors

- Any fence, even a low fence or hedge around your property, acts as a physical barrier to intruders.
- Put away garden tools, ladders and wheelie bins. They can help thieves enter your house.

### Security cameras

- Consider installing a doorbell camera or security camera. These are widely available and reasonably priced.

### Car keys

- Most newer vehicles can't be started without the keyless remote, so offenders need these to steal your car.
- Keep vehicle keys or remotes out of sight.

### Home Security Audit

Take a fresh look at home security. Visit the SAPOL web site and take the short home security audit for tips on key home security habits and home security areas to help keep your home safe from thieves.

## REPORTING CRIME

### Emergencies

**Call Triple Zero (000) in an emergency.**

Where life or injury is threatened, or danger to people and property.

### Non-Emergencies

**Call 131 444 for non-urgent police assistance.**

For reporting after a crime, reporting a missing person or making police-related enquiries.

### Crime Stoppers

Report information about criminals and suspicious activities to Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or at [www.crimestopperssa.com.au](http://www.crimestopperssa.com.au)

### Cybercrime

To report cybercrime, or to get further information about frauds and scams, visit:

SAPOL: [www.police.sa.gov.au/scams](http://www.police.sa.gov.au/scams)

AUSTRALIAN CYBER  
SECURITY CENTRE

Website: [www.cyber.gov.au](http://www.cyber.gov.au)

IDCARE Phone: 1300 432 273

Web: [www.idcare.org](http://www.idcare.org)

SCAMwatch:

[www.scamwatch.gov.au](http://www.scamwatch.gov.au)

## 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



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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH & COUNCIL WATCH



NEIGHBOURHOOD  
Newsletters

## 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.

## Do you know your numbers?

*We want people to watch a commercial aimed at preventing high blood pressure*

### Why do we need your help?

Our research team at Flinders are looking for participants to watch an animated commercial about high blood pressure

### What is involved?

We will ring you on the telephone to complete a survey about your knowledge of high blood pressure and book a time to watch the commercial via Zoom

### During the Zoom session:

- ♥ Watch the commercial (1 minute)
- ♥ Complete the high blood pressure survey again
- ♥ Respond to questions regarding your views about the commercial
- ♥ *Watching the commercial, completing the survey and sharing your feedback will take approximately 30-60 minutes*
- ♥ Have your camera turned on during the zoom session

*We will reimburse you for your time*

### Who should I contact ?

**Katie Nesbitt by email to [katie.nesbitt@flinders.edu.au](mailto:katie.nesbitt@flinders.edu.au)**  
or scan the QR code below:



This research project has been approved by Flinders University's Human Research Ethics Committee (Project ID R8249). If you have any complaints or reservations about the ethical conduct of this study, you may contact Flinders University's Research Ethics & Compliance Office via telephone on 088201 2543 or by email [human.researchethics@flinders.edu.au](mailto:human.researchethics@flinders.edu.au).

## Operation Eclipse

Police have seized more than \$1.7 million worth of vapes and illegal tobacco and more than \$80k cash following a truck stop on the states Far North last week.

On 25 April, police at Far North Local Service Area, Traffic Services Branch and Serious and Organised Crime Branch stopped a refrigerated truck at Port Augusta at a drug transit route operation at Port Augusta.

Police spoke with the occupants of the truck and searched the truck where they located and seized in excess of \$1.74 million in vapes, \$26,000 in loose tobacco and \$80,100 cash.

The seizure resulted in the arrest of a 32-year-old man and a 62-year-old man both from New South Wales, they were charged with unlawful possession and possession of tobacco products for sale.

### ILLEGAL TOBACCO

Operation Eclipse have taken carriage of the investigation which is ongoing.

Operation Eclipse Commander, Detective Chief Inspector Brett Featherby said, "The seizure demonstrates the risk to syndicates should they seek to transport illicit tobacco through South Australia to other states.

"Organised crime syndicates transporting illicit tobacco through transit routes in regional areas will be subject to a whole of SAPOL response to disrupt their criminal activity and financial operations," he said.

Operation Eclipse has so far resulted in 35 arrests for offences including blackmail, possess tobacco products for sale, arson, money laundering and serious criminal trespass.

There have been 184 premises searched – 47 residential, 123 businesses and 14 storage facilities – in excess of \$2.2 million in cash, three firearms and \$17.97 million in tobacco products.

Significantly, there have been 394 calls to Crime Stoppers since 2 October that have resulted in information being provided to police.

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### VAPES

Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Andrea Michaels MP said, "This is a significant win in our fight against illicit tobacco and vapes with the biggest seizure of illegal vapes to date.

"As a result, we now have 35,000 less vapes headed to illegal tobacco stores to damage people's health and line the coffers of criminals.

"No matter where you are operating in South Australia, if you are selling or importing illicit tobacco and vapes, you will be caught and subject to some of the toughest penalties in Australia," she said.

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Anyone with any information on criminal activities surrounding the sale of illicit tobacco is urged to call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or visit [crimestopperssa.com.au](http://crimestopperssa.com.au) - You can remain anonymous

**Remember: See Something, Say something, Call Crime Stoppers**



## PREVENTING CRIME

# DATING/ FIRST DATE

If you're connecting online, it's important to be aware of the risks. Learn about dating apps and set up your profile for safety. Check out [eSafety.gov.au](https://www.esafety.gov.au) to get started. When it's time for the first date, these tips can help keep you safe. Keep the first date brief. Stay sober/alert. If in doubt, get out!

### Location

- When meeting someone for the first time, head to well-lit, busy public places.
- If it's a long-distance date, let them come to you first (you are in familiar places). Have them stay in a hotel, not with you.
- Always arrange your own transport to and from the date, don't rely on them.
- Share your live location with friends/family. Think! If anything goes wrong, does someone I trust know where I am?

### Tell someone

- Plan and share details of your first date with someone you trust; send a profile picture and the name your date is using. Advise your trusted person when they can expect to hear from you and keep them informed of any changes.
- Have a friend call you at a specific time so that you have an 'out' if you need one.

### Be cautious

#### Before the date

- Not everyone you connect with will be honest, even if they are a 'friend of a friend'.
- Learn how your dating app verifies members' identities and how to tell which profiles have a verified identity if it's voluntary.

- Do a Google reverse image search on your date's profile picture or photo to check for authenticity.
- Consider installing and using a personal safety app on your phone.
- Make sure your phone is fully charged.

#### When you're on a date

- Keep the first meeting short and simple; a café meet up is ideal.
- Stay clear-headed so you can think, plan and react if you have to.
- Keep an eye on your drink. Drink spiking can happen to anyone.
- Don't over share information about yourself, family or friends on the first date.
- Don't have them back to your place or let them drive you home afterwards.

#### If in doubt, get out!

- If something doesn't feel right, then it's probably not. Trust your instincts.
- It's OK to leave. You do not have to stay or provide personal details.
- Report suspicious behaviour to police on 131 444 or anonymously through Crime Stoppers. Call Triple Zero (000) in an emergency.

If you or someone you know needs help because of domestic violence contact police, or if you don't want to talk to police, talk to someone else like 1800RESPECT

See Something,  
Say Something,  
Call Crime Stoppers

**CRIME  
STOPPERS**  
.com.au  
**1800 333 000**

South Australia



**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](https://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!

*Don't give thieves a chance*

- 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.

## Police Incidents April - June 2025



**Date Location Details**

### PROPERTY DAMAGE

1. 07/05/25 McCarthy Av Damage to front screen door, wooden door & frame.
2. 11/06/25 Hectorville Rd Property damage and theft.

### THEFT

3. 22/04/25 Glynburn Rd Two socket sets and lock stolen. Value \$445.97
4. 10/05/25 Weaver St Parcel stolen from outside front gate.
5. 04/06/25 Glynburn Rd Theft value \$60. Property damage. Value \$5000
6. 17/06/25 Katherine St Parcel stolen. Value \$100

### SERIOUS CRIMINAL TRESPASS (BREAK-IN)

7. 22/04/25 Glynburn Rd Entry gained to business premises.
8. 15/04/25 Grande St Entry gained to empty premises.

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- Raised self-confidence
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**Hon Vincent TARZIA MP**  
Member for Hartley

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

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