

# Neighbourhood Watch SA

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Quarterly Neighbourhood Newsletter of Reynella NHW Area 048/146

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# REYNELLA NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH AREA 146

# **NEXT MEETING**

7pm 19th March

Reynella Sports and Social Club Rooms Everyone Welcome

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

### **FUTURE MEETING**

Wednesday 18th June 2025



South Australia

### Area Co-ordinator:

Vacant

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# Secretary:

Joy Rolls Ph: 0418 839 046

# Newsletter Co-ordinator:

Dawn Ph: 0410 538 122

# Police Co-ordinator:

Constable Ashleigh Peralta

# **REYNELLA NHW NEWS**

# **An Outstanding Volunteer**

Martin Fitzpatrick OAM has been a valued member of our branch of NHW for over 25 years. His generous help and assistance with our functions and delivering newsletters has been much appreciated.

He has also been very involved with Scouts SA. In 2003 Martin won an OAM for Services to Scouting.

Martin joined the Scouts at a young age and spent many years learning and training, achieving leadership status. In his early years with the Scouts he also spent 10 years working fulltime in the Scout shop in Adelaide. He has spent time with the Holdfast Group, Hallett Cove Group and the Gladstone Group, during a few years spent living in the country.

Last year, Martin received a further reward for his dedication to Scouts SA. He has dedicated an astonishing 65 Years to Scouting in South Australia. He commenced Scouts in 1950 and has held many appointments over his 65 years, from committee member, to maintenance of the Reynella Scout Group, to his most well-known role as Assistant Branch Commissioner Boating/Training leading the Boating Team for 5 years.

Martin is a Life Member of the Reynella Branch and was awarded the Silver Emu in 1998. He is currently serving as a committee member and is still a valued member of the Reynella Group. Sincere congratulations Martin from all of us at Reynella NHW.

Congratulations also to our members, **Ross** and Julie on their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

### **New Members**

We would like to inform our residents that Reynella NHW will continue to be active. We had committee elections at our last meeting and all positions were filled.

A sincere thank you to everyone. We would like to welcome new member Stefanie to our branch.

We are still seeking more new members who are keen to take more interest in our community. Come to a meeting and find out what is

happening in your area, and how you can help to make it a safer place to live.

We are also looking for more people to deliver our Newsletters. Some of our members cannot walk as far anymore due to age or ill health, so some streets are not being covered.

If you could just walk the length of your street 4 times a year it would make a difference. Please

# **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 131444 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

# Cybercrime

Report cybercrime, or get further information about frauds & scams at: AUSTRALIAN CYBER SECURITY CENTRE

Website: www.cyber.gov.au IDCARE Phone: 1300 432 273

Web: www.idcare.org

SCAMwatch: www.scamwatch.gov.au

contact Joy on 0418 839 046 or Dawn on 0410 538 122 or come to a meeting if you can help.

# **Holiday Security**

It will be Easter before our next Newsletter is distributed, if you are going away remember to protect your property by locking up securely. Let neighbours know you are going away and for how long.

A wall-mounted key lock box is a secure way to store a spare key. It features heavy-duty mechanical keypad, no batteries are needed, and opens easily using a numeric combination you choose and set yourself. The combination may be changed whenever you wish for added security. Each lock box holds 3-4 standard keys. These are available from us for only \$48.

# **Meeting Dates for 2025**

Wednesday March 19<sup>th</sup> 7pm (Next Meeting) Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm Wednesday September 17<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm Wednesday December 17<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm

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# WHAT IS NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCHSA?

NHW SA is a community crime prevention program delivered by the

Neighbourhood Watch Volunteers Association of SA Inc. in partnership with SA Police. The vision of NHW SA is to create a safe and connected community.

Local Neighbourhood Watch Areas (like this one) work with local SA Police to help prevent crime. Together we can take action on local issues and help raise awareness of safety and security.

# **Benefits of Volunteering**

Joining can benefit your local community and provide you with many valuable opportunities.

Whether you want to be a leader for change, develop new skills or simply get to know your neighbours.

There are different volunteer options, each with different benefits. Find out more on the NHW SA website: www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw/home/why-join.

# HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM SCAMS



STOP - Don't give money or personal information to anyone if unsure.

Scammers will offer to help you or ask you to verify who you are. They will pretend to be from organisations you know and trust like, Services Australia, police, a bank, government or a fraud service.



THINK - Ask yourself could the message or call be fake?

Never click a link in a message. Only contact businesses or government using contact information from their official website or through their secure apps. If you're not sure say no, hang up or delete.



PROTECT - Act quickly if something feels wrong.

Contact your bank if you notice unusual activity or if a scammer gets your money or information. Seek help from IDCARE, report scams to Scamwatch and cybercrime to ReportCyber.

### What you can do to protect yourself today:

- Beware of anyone offering you easy money through investment or a job. Visit moneysmart.gov.au to avoid investment scams.
- Check invoices and bills before paying, by independently calling the business on the publicly listed number.
- Add steps to show who you are when you log into your online services. This could be a code sent to your phone, a token, a secret question or your face or fingerprint.
- Never provide information, passwords, or codes over the phone or via text to anyone. Contact government, businesses, and banks through official channels.
- Immediately report any suspicious activity to your bank.
- If you need crisis services or emotional support, contact Beyondblue 1300 224 636 or Lifeline on 13 11 14.

Scamwatch www.scamwatch.gov.au IDCARE 1800 595 160 www.idcare.org

ReportCyber www.cyber.gov.au







# National operation of DV intervention orders

Laws have been introduced across Australia so that all intervention orders (which are domestic violence-related) are nationally recognised and enforceable.

This means, wherever your order is issued, it will apply in all states and territories so that you are protected wherever you may be in Australia.

South Australia Police supports victims of domestic violence and attends domestic violence situations.

We give the highest priority to the protection and ongoing safety of victims and their children.

Domestic violence is a pattern of abusive behaviour by one person against another:

- in a couple relationship such as marriage or dating
- within a family across generations.

It occurs in all social, age and cultural groups.

Domestic violence includes:

- physical violence
- sexual violence
- emotional abuse
- verbal abuse
- property damage
- financial abuse
- threats to harm
- stalking.

Domestic violence is damaging to victims, their children, family and friends.

Where possible we try to hold the person responsible for the violence accountable for their actions.

Find out more about domestic violence on the 1800RESPECT website.

Help and support at domestic violence situations

### Police assistance

Call Triple Zero (000) if the situation is an emergency.

Call 131 444 for non-urgent police assistance.

# Seek advice about your options If you live in the metropolitan area contact the Family Violence Investigation Section in your District:

- Eastern, phone 7322 4890
- Northern, phone 8207 9381
- Western, phone 8207 6413
- Southern, phone 8392 9172

# Counselling and emergency accommodation

Domestic Violence and Aboriginal Family Violence Gateway on 1800 800 098. National Sexual Assault Family & Domestic Violence Counselling Service on 1800 RESPECT (1800 737 732).

# **Beating Graffiti**

Rapid and Continual Removal of graffiti is one of the best deterrents to stop graffiti returning to the site.

Painting over the graffiti is most effective way to remove the graffiti.

When the graffiti is removed by the "paint out method" be sure to match the colour of paint being used - as close as possible to the existing colour of the fence prior to the graffiti damaged.

Be sure to paint the graffiti over in a "block" formation and DO NOT follow the lines of the tag.

# REPORTING GRAFFITI

Onkaparinga **Council property** 

Graffitti Hotline1800 040 225

Stobie poles / ETSA boxes SA Power Networks 131 261

PublicTransport / Private property

Christies Beach Police 8392 9000 SAPOL 131444

# THEFT PREVENTION

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# Police Incidents 30 October - 16 February 2025





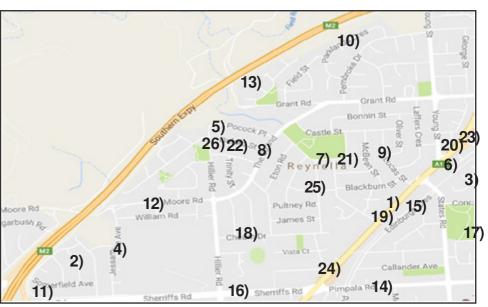


# Looking for meaningful employment?

If you have a disability, illness or injury, receive a Centrelink payment or have a NDIS Plan, call to discuss supporting your road to prosper in open employment.







Date Location Details
PROPERTY DAMAGE

1. 31/10/24 Main South Rd Paint work damaged. Value \$2,000. CCTV available from nearby businesses.

2. 9/11/24 Karalee Gr Two eggs thrown at front door and verandah.

3. 15/11/24 Concord Dr, Old Reynella Damage to tabletop on school grounds.

4. 29/12/24 Evelyn Ct Damage to side gate and latch damaged.

5. 3/01/25 Pocock Pl Suspect throwing rocks at vehicle.

6. 14/01/25 Main South Rd Damage to vehicle. Value \$400.

7. 23/01/25 Robertson St Graffiti to footpath and shelter in reserve. Value \$600.

THEFT

8. 9/11/24 The Strand Fuel and vehicle registration plate stolen.

9. 9/11/24 Lucas St Vehicle stolen.

10.12/11/24 Parklands Cr Various items stolen from vehicle. Value \$220. CCTV.

11.28/11/24 Red Cedar Dr items stolen from vehicle.

12.29/11/24 Moore Rd \$50 cash and a bank card stolen from vehicle. CCTV.

13.1/12/24 Mornington Pl Theft from vehicle. Value \$3000. Damage \$250.

14.3/12/24 Pimpala Rd, Old Reynella Theft from vehicle Value. \$450.

15.10/12/24 Edinburgh Cr, Old Reynella Theft from 3 motor vehicles and boat.

16.11/12/24 Sherriffs Rd Damage to fence (\$150). Copper cabling stolen (\$300).

17.14/12/24 Verdeilho Cct, Old Reynella Wallet stolen from vehicle.

18.16/12/24 Cheam Dr Digital clock stolen. Value-\$70.

19.18/12/24 Main South Rd All 4 wheels stolen from vehicle in car sales yard.

Value \$4,000. CCTV.

20.19/12/24 Main South Rd RP witnessed her son's vehicle being stolen.

21.25/12/24 Robertson St Front registration plate stolen.

22.6/02/25 Oxford St 'Solo' bike stolen. Value \$12,500

### TRESPASS/BREAK-IN

23.15/12/24 Main South Rd, Old Reynella Attempted break-in. Damage \$6700.

24.20/12/24 Main South Rd Break-in to business.

25.3/01/25 Thames Dr Attempted break-in to vacant house. Nil entry. Damage \$200.

# FRAUD/DECEPTION/DISHONESTY

26.4/01/25 Cheam Dr Victim scammed of \$3200 after applying for rental property through Facebook Marketplace.

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