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ABERFOYLE PARK & HAPPY VALLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH AREA 491

NEXT MEETING

7:30pm Monday
20th July 2026

Aberfoyle Community Centre
(corner of Sandpiper Cres
and Jessica St)

Guest Speaker
Crime Stoppers
ALL WELCOME

FUTURE MEETING
7:30pm 21st September

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333 Sturt Road, Bedford Park SA
Ph: 8207 4700 7 days 9am-9pm

Police Attendance: Ph 131 444

DIAL 000 to report a crime in progress
or has just been committed

*Should you require support with issues
within the area that are outside the remit
of our NHW group, your elected Local
Member of Parliament, Erin Thompson, can
be contacted on 8270 5122*

Neighbourhood Watch Area 491 News

Previous Meeting

Mike Chemney from RAA was our speaker at the May meeting.

He provided another excellent audio-visual presentation with the theme "Life is a Highway" where we learnt lots on several relevant topics.

Mike also conducted a low-key quiz during question time, where some of our folk came away with prizes.

Next Meeting – Monday 20th July

On July 20 we are due to hear from Crime Stoppers, which is an allied organisation with similar aims to our own. So, this should be an interesting presentation from the SA branch of Crime Stoppers.

Our relaxed, friendly and Covid safe NHW meetings are held on the third Monday of odd-numbered months.

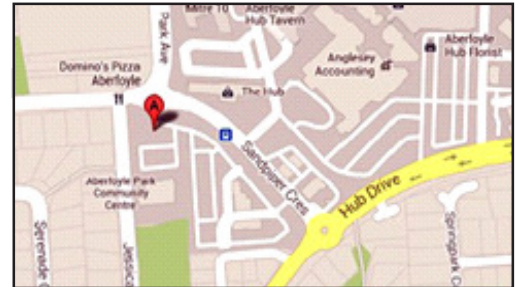
The next meeting is **Monday July 20** at the Aberfoyle Community Centre, at 7:30 pm. The meeting is also a great chance to meet fellow residents and time for an informal chat as a group.

Thanks

As always, a special thanks to our local Harcourts Tagni Real Estate (8322 5000) for their continued support by funding the hire of the Aberfoyle Community Centre for our meetings.

Please Support Our Supporters

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



being the 38 volunteers that deliver the 2900 newsletters throughout Aberfoyle Park and Happy Valley.

If you wish to join our delivery team, please contact us by email at newsletter@nhw491.com.au.

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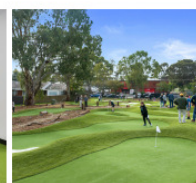
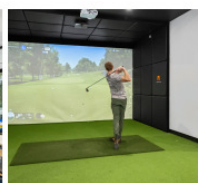
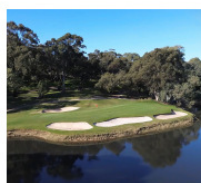
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REMOTE ACCESS SCAMS

Source: <https://www.banksa.com.au/online-services/security-centre/protect-yourself/types-of-fraud>

A remote access scam is when someone contacts you and as part of their conversation, requests you download software or an app that shares remote access to your device.

Remote access scammers are after access to your computer or mobile, which will enable them to see the information on your device. Once access is shared, scammers often coerce you to sign into internet banking and perform transactions.

They may also use this access to steal your personal data or gain access to your friends and family's information.

Signs this may be a scam

- Someone contacts you needing assistance to catch hackers, fix NBN or computer issues, help with secretive tasks or to provide a refund - **Hang up**. Legitimate organisations will not require your assistance with any of these scenarios.
- An unexpected caller is asking to access your device by downloading software (e.g. Team Viewer, Any Desk or Quick Support). They may ask you not to tell anyone - Do not follow their directions. **Just hang up**.
- A caller is asking you to logon to Internet Banking or share your Secure codes - **Hang up**. Never logon to Internet Banking if you are sharing access to your device. Never share your Secure codes with anyone.
- A caller asks you to make transactions, or 'refund' a deposit you see in your account and coaches you what to say to the bank - **Do not make any payments or action any refunds**. Always be honest with the bank so they can help protect your money.

Tips

- Never provide remote access to an unsolicited caller.
- Verify the call is genuine by calling the company on a publicly advertised number, not on a number provided by the caller or in an SMS or pop-up window.
- Never share your Internet Banking passwords or Secure codes with anyone.

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

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

SAPOL: www.police.sa.gov.au/scams

AUSTRALIAN CYBER SECURITY CENTRE

Website: www.cyber.gov.au

IDCARE Phone: 1300 432 273

Web: www.idcare.org

SCAMwatch:

www.scamwatch.gov.au

HERE'S SOME TIPS

from Neighbourhood Watch on how to secure your home.

THIEVES HATE ROSES!

Plant prickly bushes under your windows to deter thieves from breaking in.



TIDY UP YOUR TOOLS!

Wheelie bins, ladders and garden tools can help thieves enter your house.



CHANGE YOUR HABITS!

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Complete the Quiz!



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Contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or online. You can remain anonymous. Let the police know what is taking place in our area.



INVESTMENT SCAMS

Source: <https://www.banksa.com.au/online-services/security-centre/protect-yourself/types-of-fraud>

An investment scam is where scammers convince you to invest in **high return** investments.

The investments vary widely and may be in shares, real estate, bonds, mortgages, options or foreign currency trading, bitcoin, even betting syndicates and foolproof prediction software.

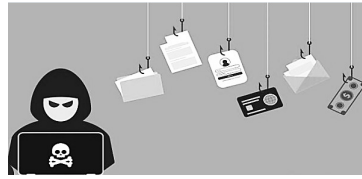
Scammers may claim to be bankers, stockbrokers, financial planners or other investment professionals, they may seem knowledgeable on investment matters and even send you links to legitimate looking fake websites and prospectus documents.

Often the account name you are directed to pay differs to that of the investment company.

Online investment scams have been known to use celebrities' names and pictures (without them knowing) to endorse their schemes.

Signs this may be a scam

- **The return on an investment sounds too good to be true** - Always research before any investment, fully understand the risks. Get independent financial advice from your accountant or financial adviser.
- **You are told you can access your Super before you retire** - It is illegal to access your super early under normal circumstances and the taxation office can apply penalties if you do.
- **You are put under time pressure to invest or subscribe now** - Do not act immediately. Check financial advisors are registered via the ASIC website.
- **You are offered software that can predict sports or racing**



events or financial markets for high returns - Caution! No person or computer software can predict the future reliably.

• **You are offered support to help you invest via remote access to your device** - Do not download software or an app that shares remote access to your device. Scammers use this to access your personal and financial information.

Remember

- If it seems too good to be true, it probably is! Be suspicious of investment opportunities that promise a high return with little or no risk.
- Do not give your personal or financial details to unsolicited callers or reply to emails, SMS or advertisements offering financial advice or investment opportunities.
- Always do thorough research on apps, investment companies or advisors, and check for a valid Australian Financial Services Licence. Always look up the organisation's official information or website yourself, do not use any links you may receive via emails, pop ups, or advertisements. You can visit moneysmart.gov.au to check the list of 'Companies you should not deal with'.
- Do not let anyone pressure you into making decisions about your money or investments. Always seek a trusted second opinion.
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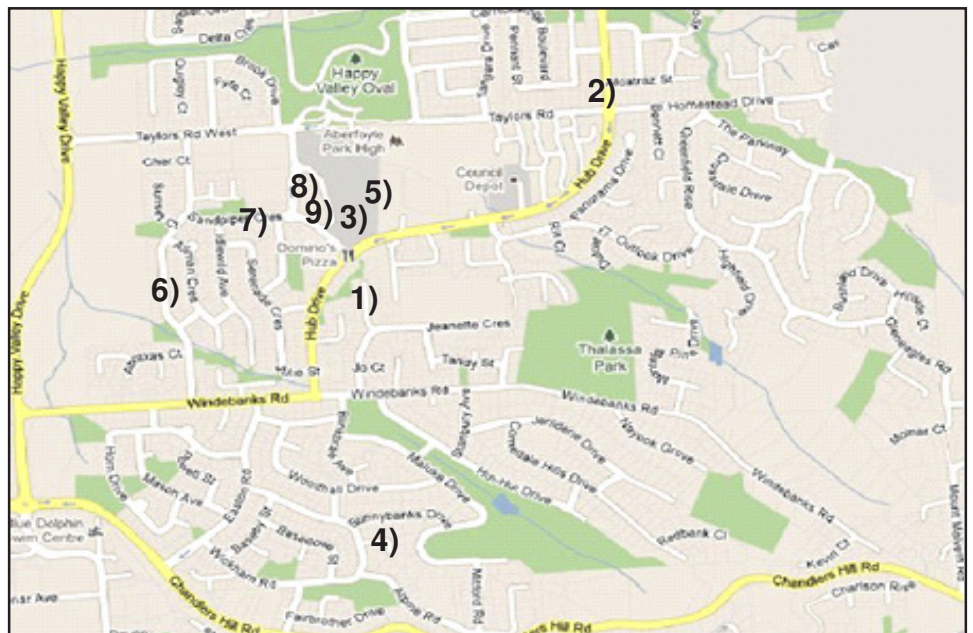
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190 Chandlers Hill Road

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Email: liz.reece@harcourts.com.au

Police Incidents 21 April - 23 June 2026



Date Location Details

PROPERTY DAMAGE

1. 29/4/26 Andrew Ct Damage to tap in rear yard. Value \$250.

THEFT

2. 29/04/26 Hub Dr Theft of aftershave from aged care resident's room. Value \$40.
3. 03/05/26 Hub Dr Male entered Woolworths and stole electrical items. Value \$100.50. CCTV available.
4. 04/05/26 Nicolle Ct, Happy Valley Theft of vehicle number plates.
5. 20/06/26 Hub Dr Theft of bike from Hub Shopping Centre.
6. 01/05/26 Southbound Av Package delivered to previous address in error. Package not returned. Value \$350.

TRESPASS/BREAK-IN

7. 18/05/26 Sandpiper Cr Door lock smashed to gain entry to business. Nil stolen. Damage \$1500.

FRAUD/DECEPTION/DISHONESTY

8. 12/05/26 Park Av 2 counterfeit \$100 notes presented by 2 suspects at service station.
9. 11/06/26 Park Av Counterfeit \$100 note presented by male offender at service station.

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