



Neighbourhood Watch



Area 28 - Banora Point West. Newsletter No.6

April – July 2011

Next Meeting: - 9th August 2011, 6.15pm. Banora Point High School Library

Neighbourhood Watch Web Site: - www.tweedneighbourhoodwatch.org.au

Useful Contacts:

Emergency - 000

Tweed Heads Police – 07 5536 0999

Crime Stoppers – 1800 330 000

Police Assistance Line – 131 444

Your Neighbourhood Watch Team:

Area Coordinator: Ron Dowsett

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Secretary: Stephen Martin

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Welcome all to our 6th edition newsletter for Neighbourhood Watch Area 28 Banora Point West.

SCAM WATCH

Scams target people of all walks of life, ages and income levels in Australia and we should never consider ourselves “too clever” to fall for a scam. Scams look like the real thing and at times can be extremely convincing; more often than not a scam is made up to look like something that appears to meet your needs or desires.

A lot of scammers manipulate us by “pushing our buttons” triggering an automatic response brought about by our own emotional and social wiring. This is by no means a fault of us personally and should not be thought of in that way.

There are many ways in today’s society that scams take shape. You may encounter them through the Internet, over the telephone or even via people posing as someone else at your doorstep.

There is a free website available that you can visit for more information and for reporting scams.

www.scamwatch.gov.au

REPORT ALL CRIME

It is extremely important that you report *all* crime. Even the smallest crime gets recorded in the statistics. When assessing the need for more

police it is the crime statistics that determine the police allocation for our Command Area.

⇒ Do you have computer and / or network problems, need new equipment and don't know where to go?

⇒ Do you have a small business and need someone to look after your server, computers and other equipment?

⇒ Are you looking for prompt, friendly and professional service?

✓ **Call Rob NOW for an obligation free chat**
(mention this ad to get a 10% discount off your next invoice)

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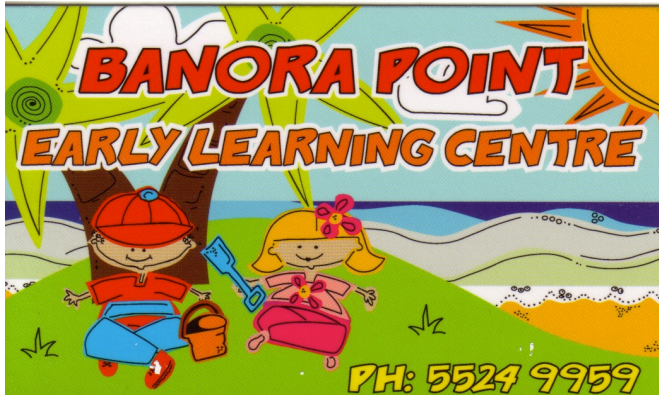
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KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOURS

Knowing your neighbours does not necessarily have to mean living in each others pockets, this can be more about knowing each other enough to have a friendly “hello” over the fence or out the front while walking by.

This kind of familiarisation with our neighbours and street can be the key to noticing something untoward occurring in one of our neighbours’ houses or yards. This can also assist when you go away on holidays, as you may be able to rely on someone close to home to collect mail etc. and keep an eye on things for you.



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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY (ICE)

For those of us in the community who have and use a mobile phone, it is recommended that we have an entry in the contacts list under the name of 'ICE', this being for the first person we would like contacted in the instance of an emergency.

This information enables first responders to an incident (Ambulance, Fire and Rescue, and also Police) to either identify us or get assistance with vital questions regarding our health status if we are unable to communicate with them ourselves.

Alternatively if you need to, or would like to have more than one emergency contact in your device it is an acceptable and recognised practice to have the listings as 'ICE1', 'ICE2' and so on.

This 'In Case of Emergency' programme is widely recognised throughout not only Australia but also in Britain, Europe and also the North Americas making it a valuable piece of information even when abroad due to the recognition of the symbol throughout so many countries across the world.

A big thankyou goes out to the local branch of the New South Wales Fisheries Department for helping us out by allowing us to use their printing equipment for the production of this newsletter.

I also thank Bluescope Lysaght at Chinderah for their assistance with the production of the last newsletter.

Crime Statistics for Our Area (Figure in brackets for Tweed Shire)	Apr.	May	Jun.
Stealing – From Motor Vehicle / Dwelling / Person / Retail Store / Other Golf View Ct, Cabana Ct, Covent Gardens Way, Darlington Dr, Burrawong Ct x 3, Avondale Dr, Advocate Pl, St Joseph's College, Woodlands Dr	3 (50)	5 (50)	3 (50)
Stolen Vehicle / Vessel Firewheel Way x 2, Firestone Dr, Avondale Dr, Golf View Ct, Honeymyrtle Dr, Ash Dr	2 (9)	3 (14)	2 (17)
Break and Enter Cabana Ct, Kingston Dr, Firewheel Way, Cromer Ct, Centaur Primary School, Little Angels Child Care, Amaroo Dr, Satinash Tee	5 (33)	3 (25)	0 (27)
Malicious Damage – Property Kingston Dr, Cromer Ct, Covent Gardens Way x 2, Centaur Primary School, Avondale Dr x 2, Little Angels Child Care, Darlington Dr, Darlington Retirement Community x 2, Casuarina Dr	3 (32)	5 (28)	4 (23)
Assault Covent Gardens Way	1 (25)	0 (26)	0 (24)

To enable us to continue to produce this newsletter, and to run this group, there are costs to be met. We are looking for local businesses to come on board as sponsors. This involves a quarterly fee of \$40.00 for a business card size ad in the newsletter. For anyone who is able to help please contact one of the team.

Thank you to all involved in the group, and we look forward to a continuing safe relationship with our community.