### NEWSLETTER of POTTSVILLE BEACH NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

(AREA 11 GROUP of TWEED VALLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH INC)

# **Working for Safer Communities**

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### What is Neighbourhood Watch?

**N**eighbourhood Watch started as the mechanism to give permission for neighbours to go next door and meet one another. It is based on the principle that people need to be connected to people to survive. Perhaps the original sharing of crime statistics or details of some heinous crime may have been a little scare-mongering to encourage involvement. However the basic fundamental intent has always been there. We all want to feel safe in our homes, streets and communities. So knowing who is right next door to us is important in achieving that.

Traditionally Neighbourhood Watch has focused on improving home security, reducing the fear of crime and reporting suspicious activity to police. As NHW has evolved, groups have become involved in broader community safety issues - working together to identify and address local problems that may not involve crime. Neighbourhood Watch has been successful in building community cohesion and improving relationships between neighbours which assists in reducing crime and the fear of crime. It has a very strong and committed volunteer base and is an internationally well-recognised and established symbol within the community.

The **New South Wales Police Service** is committed to working in partnership with the community and greatly appreciates the outstanding contribution that the Pottsville Neighbourhood Watch group and volunteers make for a safer and more secure Pottsville

## **Neighbourhood Watch Australasia**

Neighbourhood Watch Australasia (NHWA) is the largest Australasian community based crime prevention program of its kind. Neighbourhood Watch Australasia is the overarching organisational body, embracing all Neighbourhood Watch programs in Australia and the Neighbourhood Support program of New Zealand.



#### **Date Claimer**

NHWA—Information and Education Day
Where— Tweed Heads—Venue to be confirmed
When—22nd October 2014
Attendees—Anyone interested in NHW
Cost—Free with Lunch provided
For more details contact—Michael mob 0448 545 503

Next Meeting:-Thursday 7th August 2014 - 3.00pm to 4.00pm Reef Room, Pottsville Beach Neighbourhood Centre Elizabeth Street, Pottsville Beach

Police, Fire, Ambulance
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In an emergency

SES 132 500 State Emergency Service Police Assistance Line 131 444 For non emergencies

#### **Next Meeting**

Thursday 7th August 2014

Time:- 3.00pm to 4.00pm

Where:- Reef Room,

Pottsville Beach Neighbourhood Centre,

Elizabeth Street,

Pottsville Beach.

Open Meeting—All Welcome



#### Pottsville Beach Area 11

#### Reported Crime Statistics for

April, May, June 2014

Assault: \_\_\_\_\_4 incidents.

Break and Enter: \_\_\_4 incidents.

Stolen Vehicles: \_\_\_\_2 incidents.

Stealing: \_\_\_\_21 incidents.

Malicious Damage: \_\_2 incidents.

Help to reduce crime by reporting all incidents no matter how minor. For non-urgent assistance Police Assistance Line

131 444

## Total Number of Incidents Reported per Month

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Pottsville Beach	7	7	9	22	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kingscliff	6	3	28	23	27	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cabarita	5	2	18	7	10	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chinderah	1	6	4	5	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Casuarina	2	1	5	7	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	21	19	64	64	55	23	0	0	0	0	0	0



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