### **NEWSLETTER of POTTSVILLE BEACH NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

(AREA 11 GROUP of TWEED VALLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH INC)



## **Working for Safer Communities**

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# **Online crime**

Every year, thousands of Australians fall victim to online crime, or 'cybercrime'. Common types of cybercrime include:

- · Online scams or fraud
- Issues with buying or selling goods online
- · Identity theft
- · Cyber bullying

- Attacks on computer systems
- Email spam and phishing
- Illegal and prohibited content
- Online child sexual abuse material

### Tackling cybercrime with the ACORN

### What is it?

**REPORT . PROTECT . PREVEN** 

The Australian Cybercrime Online Reporting Network (the ACORN) is an online system where people can securely report cybercrime, and find advice on how to recognise and avoid it. This national policing initiative is an Australian first, delivered by all Australian police agencies and the Australian Government working together to combat cybercrime.

#### Why should I report?

If you are a victim of cybercrime and want to lodge a report with police, we encourage you to visit the ACORN. The information you provide will help to build a national picture of cybercrime. A greater understanding of cybercrime will improve our response and help to prevent and disrupt future criminal activity.

#### How do I report to the ACORN?

Reporting to the ACORN is simple and quick. You will be asked a series of questions about the incident, which should take no longer than 15 minutes to complete.

Once a report has been submitted, it will be assessed and may be referred to the police for investigation. Unfortunately, due to the nature of cybercrime not all reports can be investigated, however reports are taken seriously and will help to contribute to the national intelligence database, a key component of the fight against cybercrime.

Visit www.acorn.gov.au for more information or to submit a report.

Next Meeting:-Thursday 7th May 2015 - 3.00pm to 4.00pm Reef Room, Pottsville Beach Neighbourhood Centre Elizabeth Street, Pottsville Beach

Police, Fire, Ambulance **000** 

In an emergency

CRIMESTOPPERS.com.au

1800 333 000

Police Assistance Line 131 444

For non emergencies

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Where:- Reef Room,

Pottsville Beach Neighbourhood Centre,

Elizabeth Street,

Pottsville Beach.

Open Meeting—All Welcome



#### Pottsville Beach Area 11

#### Reported Crime Statistics for

Jan, Feb, Mar 2015

Assault: \_\_\_\_\_14 incidents.

Break and Enter: \_\_\_\_6 incidents.

Stolen Vehicles: \_\_\_\_\_ 5 incidents.

Stealing: \_\_\_\_\_17 incidents.

Malicious Damage: \_\_5 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 2015

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Pottsville Beach	34	1	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kingscliff	31	9	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cabarita	8	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chinderah	8	2	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Casuarina	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	87	14	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



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