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## PEARCE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NEWSLETTER



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### NEXT MEETING

We invite all members of the Pearce community to join us for our monthly meetings to discuss any issues or events going on in the neighbourhood. Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month from 7.30pm in the SHOUT meeting room, Pearce Community Centre. Our next meeting is on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of August.

### DINNER IN JULY

#### PEARCE NHW Annual Dinner

Thank you to everyone who attended our annual dinner at Saigon Restaurant on Wednesday the 25th of July. We had a great turn out of 35 Pearce residents joining us with Tubb Pl taking the award for most attendees at the event.

### CROSSINGS ON HODGSON CR.

We are currently in discussion regarding the request for an additional crossing to be added on Hodgson crescent where the pedestrian footpath meets the road. We will keep the community updated on the progress of this issue as we receive information.

### CAFÉ VIIIN

We have recently had a new addition added to the Pearce shops with Café ViiN opening earlier this year. The cafe offers a range of gluten free savouries and sweets, and will, upon request, order in Deeks breads.

Café ViiN also offers light breakfasts and lunches as well as your favourite teas and barista made coffees. They are open Monday to Saturday and offer a great environment for small groups.

### KANGAROO WARNING

There have been a number of recent Kangaroo sightings in and around Pearce with a number of these resulting in motor vehicle accidents. We urge all motorists to drive with caution, particularly at dusk and dawn when

kangaroos are most active, and slow down if they see kangaroos nearby.

### RECYCLING IN THE ACT

Following on from our last newsletter regarding recycling, it is important to note services available to recycle larger household items. Organisations such as the St. Vincent de Paul Society or the Salvation Army accept donations of clothes, toys, kitchen utensils and other household items that are in good condition. Old mattresses can be recycled at Soft Landings in Hume while e-Waste, green waste, reusable items and household recycling can be dropped off at Mugga Resource Management Centre located in Symonston. All these services are available free of charge.

In addition, the ACT Government has now implemented the Container Deposit Scheme, which will pay 10 cents per eligible glass or aluminium bottle/can returned to one of its collection points; our closest collection point is at the Salvos, Phillip, Unit 7/48 Botany St. For more information regarding the scheme visit: <https://www.actcds.com.au/>

### MEETING WITH MLA CHRIS STEEL

Pearce Area Co-ordinator Rudi Schneider met with MLA Chris Steel on Monday 6 August in his Assembly office. Mr Schneider had invited the Vice President South, Albert Orszaczky, to join him as this would give Mr. Steel a wider appreciation of NHW in his electorate.

Pearce residents had raised a number of issues with Mr Schneider, these being:

- Kangaroos in high numbers in Pearce streets
- Condition of local shops
- Condition of playgrounds
- Traffic conditions and school crossings; and
- Support for the annual Christmas carols at Pearce shops

Mr Steel listened attentively during the meeting, noting each item and asking for a little

time to investigate each. Mr Schneider also undertook to provide some additional information.

We expect to be able to report Mr Steel's responses in the next newsletter.

**POLICE REPORTS – JUNE**

- 1 Burglary dwellings – Marr St.
- 2 Other property damage – Parkhill St, MacFarland St.
- 2 Other thefts – Blackburn St, Shepherd St.

**POLICE REPORTS – JULY**

- 2 Assaults Other – Marr St(2).
- 1 Motor Vehicle Theft – Hodgson Cr/Pl.


- 2 Theft Number Plates – Collett St, Sheehan St .
- 1 Other theft – Marr St.

*\*Other Thefts = thefts other than burglary of dwellings*

**USEFUL NUMBERS**

Emergencies (life threatening)	000
Police Attendance (minor crimes)	131444
Crime Stoppers	1800 333 000
Graffiti Hotline	13 22 81
Canberra Connect	13 22 81
State Emergency Service	132500
Area Coordinator	6286 9999
ACT Policing website	<a href="http://www.police.act.gov.au">www.police.act.gov.au</a>

Firms and businesses in these spaces support Neighbourhood Watch in Pearce


	<p><b>Pearce shops</b>          Mon-Fri: 8:00-5:30 (Wed 4:30)          Sat: 8:00-3:30</p>	<p>Breakfast &amp; Lunch          gluten free bread and other <i>deeks</i> products</p>	<p>Ph: <b>6179 6733</b>  <a href="mailto:viin2018@gmail.com">viin2018@gmail.com</a></p>
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