



YARRALUMLA

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH ACT
NEWSLETTER



From the Area Coordinator

It would have been unrealistic to hope that the low incidence of crime in May could be sustained.

Nevertheless, we were spared violent crimes although Deakin did report one case of Assault Other. We reported 6 crimes, one of which was the theft of a Motor Vehicle with 3 cases of Other Theft and 3 of Other Property Damage. Both Curtin and Deakin reported 8 crimes. There were two cases of Burglary in Curtin and one Motor Vehicle theft with one theft of Number Plates with the other 4 crimes spread evenly between Other Theft and Other Property Damage. Apart from the aforementioned Assault in Deakin, they had one Burglary plus 5 cases of Other Theft and one of Other Property Damage.

You will remember reports in 2018 of people approaching school children and the fact that we were not spared such behaviour. Well, it seems that we have not heard the last of these creeps as there have been reports from several suburbs of children being targeted including one case of a man exposing himself. Fortunately, we do not have any cases reported here but I understand from the news that ACT Policing are advising parents and schools of the need to alert children about Stranger Danger and, if any incident occurs, ring 000 immediately.

In her June newsletter, our ACT NHW President, Margaret Pearson, included the following items (while the first item is for a different month, the message remains relevant):

ACT POLICING:

ACT Policing is targeting driver distraction this month as part of the 2018-19 Road Safety Calendar. Throughout the year, the multi-agency road safety strategy targets specific issues and behaviours which contribute to death and serious injuries on Canberra's roads, with driver distraction among those concerns.

The most common offence related to driver distraction in the ACT is again driving while using a handheld mobile phone. Police have issued 316 traffic infringement notices so far this year (January – May) each carrying a penalty of \$470 and three demerit points.

Driver visibility a hot issue as winter chill bites

With the arrival of the winter cold, ACT Policing is reminding all drivers they must have a clear view from their vehicle when driving.

Every year when the cold weather causes a build-up of frost or fog, ACT Policing attend numerous collisions that have occurred as a result of drivers having poor visibility out of their vehicles.

Officer in Charge of Traffic Operations, Acting Station Sergeant David Wills said it's critically important to be able to see from your vehicle while driving.

"We've had some very frosty mornings recently, and I'd just like to reiterate that if you can't see out of your vehicle because of frost on the outside or fog on the inside, please don't drive until you have a clear view," Acting Station Sergeant Wills said.

REPORTING ONLINE CRIME:

Online crime, or "cybercrime" reporting is simple and quick – go to www.acorn.gov.au. This website also provides information and advice to help you recognise and avoid common types of cybercrime, so you can better protect yourself.

Until next month...

YARRALUMLA CRIME STATISTICS

JUNE 2019

DATE	STREET	OFFENCE TYPE
09/06/2019	DENMAN	Other Theft
13/06/2019	SCHLICH	Other Property Damage
17/06/2019	SOLANDER	Other Theft
17/06/2019	HUTCHINS	Other Property Damage
23/06/2019	LADY DENMAN	Other Theft
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MEETING

**TUESDAY
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NEXT
MEETING

**TUESDAY
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