



LYNDHURST & ASHURST SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS REPORT February 2009



Sgt Brian Goodhall (left), heads up the Safer Neighbourhoods team for New Forest North.

Crime Summary:

There were 80 reported incidents in January.

Assault – 2

Criminal Damage – 2

Theft from Motor Vehicle – 3

Theft of Vehicle – 0

Theft – 4

Road Traffic Incidents – 9

Dwelling Burglary – 1

Non Dwelling Burglary – 8

ASSAULTS – The only assault concerned a group of drunken men who were known to each other.

CRIMINAL DAMAGE - A car in Ashurst had a liquid poured over it resulting in damage to the paintwork. A van in Shrubs Hill, Lyndhurst had its rear window smashed over night.

THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE – a Land Rover was broken into in Pikes Hill and a lamp was stolen. A vehicle was broken into in Bolderwood and a hand bag was stolen.

THEFT – Two cycles were stolen in Lyndhurst, a Specialized and a Carrera. In Woodlands Road, Woodlands, two horses in a field had their rugs stolen. A customer in a Lyndhurst pub had her hand bag stolen from the back of her chair.

DWELLING BURGLARY – A home in Bourne Road, Woodlands was entered via the rear of the property and a untidy search was made inside. Jewellery, an Ipod and digital camera among other items were stolen. Four men were later arrested in connection with the offence.

NON DWELLING BURGLARY
A number of garages were broken into around Lyndhurst. Power tools, tools and a large amount of fishing tackle were stolen and garden furniture. In Knellers Lane a large number of allotment sheds were broken into but nothing was stolen.

ROWDY BEHAVIOUR – A resident in Lyndhurst Road, Ashurst, found a man urinating in his garden. When he challenged the man he became verbally abusive.

SUMMARY – There has been an increase in break-ins to sheds and garages etc.

It appears garden and power tools are being targeted specifically, although fishing tackle or anything of value will also be taken. Compared to homes, these buildings are not as well secured which makes them an easier target. Care should therefore be taken when storing items in outbuildings as they make rich pickings to thieves..

For crime reduction advice, contact Ron Smith, the New Forest District Crime Reduction Officer by phoning 0845 045 45 45 or visit the Home Office website by following this hyperlink::

<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/crime-victims/>

To find out more about what police are doing in your area and for the latest crime figures, visit the Hampshire Constabulary website or follow this hyperlink:

<http://www.hampshire.police.uk/Internet/localpolicing/western/newforest/north>



For non emergencies dial 101, in an emergency dial 999.

To get in contact directly with the team call 0845 045 45 45 or visit www.hampshire.police.uk

Speak to your local Safer Neighbourhoods Team when you see them out and about.

