



# COUNTRY WATCH

## Western Weekly:

22<sup>nd</sup> May 2014

Colleagues,

On Tuesday this week Scott and I joined some of our Northern Country Watch colleagues in providing a policing response at the Wickham Horse Fair. This is an annual event which has been running in some format or other since 1269. Our role was primarily joint patrol of the animal aspects of the event together with our RSPCA partners, dealing with animal cruelty or neglect issues or illegal sales. I am happy to report we saw very little of this type of issue this year, there were a few 'poor' looking ponies and one or two issues with overgrown or split hooves, one case of strangles but for the most part the horses were well turned out and very healthy. Unlike last year, the event passed with very few public order problems which is partly as a result of some very thorough police interaction during the lead up to the Fair.

The past week has seen the continued trend in the theft of power tools, particularly makes such as Stihl. If you own power tools please ensure they are security marked. Thieves will be put off by easily identifiable property. Put signs up showing your property is all security marked to deter their interest.

We have also seen an increase in theft from motor vehicles with both tools and personal possessions being stolen. The best way to avoid being a victim of this type of crime is not to leave anything of value in your car and also please ensure you always lock and check your car before leaving it. We are still getting quite a number of thefts from insecure vehicles.

Kind Regards

Debby Holman  
Western Country Watch Sergeant

### Rural Theft

- 16/01 Lymington Honda push mower stolen from garden shed.
- 16/01 Ringwood 2 Stihl chainsaws stolen from secure shed.
- 17/05 Hordle Entry gained to stable block out board motor Stihl chainsaw/leaf blower stolen.
- 18/05 Ringwood Local dairy broken into 5 gallon drum diesel stolen.
- 18/05 Ringwood Petrol push mower stolen from locked garage using bolt croppers to remove lock.
- 19/05 Milford on Sea Secure shed entered Stihl hedge trimmer/leaf blower/trimmer/chain saw stolen.
- 19/05 New Milton £350 Aggressor cycle stolen from insecure garden shed.
- 19/05 Cadnam Trailer stolen from field.
- 19/05 Rownhams Garage broken into £1600 worth of power tools stolen.
- 20/05 Chandlers Ford Local site broken into various tools stolen.

- 20/05 Keyhaven Secure barn broken into Yamaha Quad/trailer/drill/Stihl blower stolen.
- 20/05 Ringwood Shed broken into £380 Stihl hedge trimmer stolen.
- 20/05 Hightown Hill Garage broken into 2 cycles stolen.
- 21/05 Calmore Garage broken into Stihl chainsaw/discutter/Makita electric drill stolen.

### **Poaching**

- 16/05 Blashford Lakes Reports from Nature Reserve of illegal fishing.

### **Fly Tipping**

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|------------|-------------|--|-----------------------|--------------|
| 16/05/2014 | Fly Tipping | Bathroom tiles and shower base.  | Hatchet Moor          | Beaulieu     |
| 19/05/2014 | Fly Tipping | Leylandi waste   | Ashurst Lodge         | Ashurst      |
| 19/05/2014 | Fly Tipping | Leylandi and other garden waste  | Brockishill Inclosure | Bartley      |
| 20/05/2014 | Fly Tipping | Caravan dumped in car park. No registration plates on vehicle. Awaiting full details from New Forest Keeper. | Setley Pond           | Brockenhurst |

### **Suspicious Vehicles/Vehicles of interest**

- 16/05 Minstead 2 males seen acting suspicious near to unoccupied property using vehicle X524ELB.

(Please be mindful that the driver's of these vehicles may be going about their lawful business)

### **Theft From Motor Vehicle**

- 16/01 Lymington Wallet stolen from secure vehicle lock tampered with.
- 16/01 Sway Handbag stolen from secure vehicle in rural car park window smashed.
- 19/05 Keyhaven Secure vehicle broken into purse removed from handbag.
- 16/01 Lymington 2 Wallets and an I Phone stolen from secure vehicle.
- 20/05 Milford on Sea Insecure vehicle entered handbag stolen from rear foot well.
- 20/05 Minstead Rucksack stolen from vehicle in rural car park key left in door.
- 22/05 Romsey Vehicle broken into by smashing window Stihl strimmer leaf blower stolen.
- 22/05 Romsey Insecure vehicle entered Stihl chainsaw/Eckman chainsaw stolen.

### **Off-Road Vehicles**

- 18/05 Nursling Trial bikes on open land.
- 18/05 Lyndhurst Male on motorcycle riding in anti-social manner in Lyndhurst Car Park – vehicle seized by police

## Rural Arson

- 16/05 Rockford Common Youths seen in area were Gorse fires lit. Police making enquiries re named suspects.

## Miscellaneous Offences

- 20/05 West End Two males disturbed by home owner seen entering insecure garage.

## Animal Accidents

Week commencing MONDAY 12<sup>th</sup> May 2014

| <b>Day</b> | <b>Date</b> | <b>Time</b> | <b>Details</b>                   | <b>Location</b>         | <b>Agister</b> |
|------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| Thursday   | 15/05/2014  | 11.15       | Bay Mare - Injured & Destroyed   | Pages Lane, East Boldre | J Gerrelli     |
| Saturday   | 17/05/2014  | 00.10       | Grey Filly - Injured & Destroyed | Godshill Ridge B3078    | J Gerrelli     |