

NORTHERN NEW FOREST HEART

Monthly Beat Report – June 2018

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Hello and welcome to June's Beat Report for the Northern New Forest Heart area. I am PCSO 14495 Richard Williams, one of the Beat Officers for this area, and I am based at Lyndhurst Police Station with my colleague PC 20127 Steven Norris.

Beat Surgeries

Please come and meet us, in July 2018 we will be at -

The Tip, Leaf and Bean café in the New Forest Centre in Lyndhurst on Sunday 1st July at 10am.

Colbury Parish Church on Deer Leap Lane on Sunday 1st July at 11.00am.

Lyndhurst Parish Council Shop on Monday 2nd July at 10am.

Bramshaw Village Shop on Wednesday 18th July at 8am.

Minstead Village Shop on Saturday 28th July at 10am.

St Michael and All Angels Church in Lyndhurst on Sunday 29th at 10.30am.

Lyndhurst Baptist Church on Sunday 29th July at 11.30am.

Burglaries: A house was burgled in Lyndhurst and a car was stolen from on the driveway. Investigations are ongoing but if you have any information that you think might help us identify those responsible for this burglary then please call 101 quoting the crime number 44180241356 or you can call Crime Stoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. Attempts were also made to break into two houses on Brockishill Road in Bartley this month. Both attempts were unsuccessful but on the same night an outbuilding also on Brockishill Road was broken into and cans of petrol were stolen. There have also been 7 burglaries to sheds and outbuildings in East Wellow, Cadnam, Copythorne, Bramshaw and Winsor and again power tools have been taken. Meanwhile a caravan on the Matley Wood/Denny Wood site has also been broken into and several items stolen.

Theft From Motor Vehicle: 10 vehicles have been broken into this month so far from car parks in Cadnam, Tatchbury Mount, Stoney Cross, the Ashurst campsite and the Andrews Mare car park. And more expensive bicycles have again been taken from the campsites in the New Forest. In June, 9 high end bicycles have been removed from Roundhill, Hollands Wood and Ashurst campsites in the middle of the night even though all of the bicycles were locked to the back of vehicles or together. Can I ask again this month that if you or a friend are using your bicycles this summer have a read of the information below thank you.

 Lock your bike at all times. Thieves are using bolt cutters to cut through the wires that most people use so make sure that your lock is bolt cutter proof. A D lock or a bulky chain or both will help deter anyone trying to steal the bike.

- Create as many barriers for the thief as possible. Use a combination of locks like a chain, some cable ties, and some ratchet straps. And you can buy alarmed locks which would also help.
- Can you take the wheels off your bike and put them inside your vehicle, or tent or caravan.
- Can you put your entire bike inside your vehicle? This is what I do and so far it seems to be working.
- Always secure your bicycle to a stand if available or some other solid static object. This makes it harder for a thief to just pick it up and take it away.
- Quick release accessories are vulnerable so remove anything yourself before a thief does.
- Register your bicycle on www.immobilise.com along with a photo and serial number.

In other incidents, another 3 bicycles have been stolen from gardens in Bartley and two lorries parked overnight in Cadnam had their batteries stolen.

In May and June we have had a series of fires on the outskirts of our part of the New Forest at Marchwood, Dibden and Fawley inclosures. Can I ask that if you see anyone "playing with fire" in any part of our area to contact us immediately. So far the fires have been put out before they have caused too much damage, or more importantly before anyone has been injured. These fires are being started deliberately and we need to find those responsible as quickly as possible. Our own investigations are well underway but as always your help is important to us.

In the summer holidays I am hoping to run a Crime Prevention Club for anyone aged between 10 and 15. The idea is that once a week for a couple of hours we would go to various venues in the New Forest and pass on crime prevention advice that will stop people becoming victims of crime. We will also have a lot of fun too. Places will be limited so if you know someone who would like to join me then send me an email as soon as possible, thank you.

During June, the Speed Watch team in Minstead monitored 1758 vehicles travelling along Mill Lane and 1039 of them, so 59%, were exceeding the 30mph speed limit. Of those, 319 vehicles were travelling at 35 mph or more and have receive warning letters from the Police. At Least 8 vehicles were recorded at speed of more than 50 mph with the highest being 59 mph. Also in Minstead on Lyndhurst Road, 39 vehicles were monitored and 8 of them, so 20%, were exceeding the 30mph limit, and of those only 1 vehicle was travelling at 35mph or more and the driver has received a warning letter from the Police.

Meanwhile the Speed Watch team in Lyndhurst surveyed various roads in the village and monitored 1227 vehicles in June and of those, 552 so 45%, were travelling over the 30mph limit. 87 of those vehicles have received warning letters from the Police for recording speeds of 35mph or more, with one vehicle on Southampton Road reaching 49mph.

The Copythorne Speed Watch team was again very active in June, monitoring a total of 1676 vehicles across the Parish. Approximately 68% of those vehicles were travelling in excess of the 30 mph with 239 of them recorded over 35 mph. The top speed in Copythorne in June was a staggering 63mph in a 30mph zone !!!!!

The Ashurst Speed Watch has been out twice in June, on Whartons Lane and Woodlands Road and on both occasions in only an hour, over 15 drivers were found to be going faster than the 30 mph speed limit. They too will all be receiving warning letters from the Police. In July and August the Ashurst team will be back surveying traffic on the A35. Also in June the Beaulieu Speed Watch team held its first session on Palace Lane and in 90 minutes just over 200 vehicles were monitored and almost 30 of them were exceeding the 30mph limit.

If you would like to set up a scheme where you live just let me know. It's best to email me on richard.williams@hampshire.pnn.police.uk.

Two people have been arrested in June for being caught over the drink drive limit. They were stopped in Bartley and in Cadnam and one driver had his vehicle seized at Ower for driving without insurance.

We've had some excellent calls from you in June reporting suspicious people and their vehicles. Please report anything suspicious that you see in your community to 101 or call myself or PC NORRIS directly. Thank you.

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