



NEW FOREST HEART

Monthly Beat Report –
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Hello and welcome to August's Beat Report for the 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 colleagues PC 20127 Steven Norris and PC 2901 Jason Eastwood.

Beat Surgeries

Please come and meet us, in September 2019 we will be at –

Village News at Beaulieu on Saturday 21st September at 9am.

Outside SPENCERS on Brookley Road at Brockenhurst on Saturday 21st September at 11am.

Bramshaw Village Shop on Monday 23rd September at 8am.

Lyndhurst Parish Council Shop on Monday 23rd September at 10am.

Bartley Post Office on Monday 23rd September at 11am.

The Trusty Servant in Minstead on Saturday 28th September at 4pm.

The Tip, Leaf and Bean café in the New Forest Heritage Centre in Lyndhurst on Sunday 29th September at 10am.

Lyndhurst Roman Catholic Church on Empress Road on Sunday 29th September at 10.00am

Lyndhurst Baptist Church in Lyndhurst on Sunday 29th September at midday

Burglaries: 2 houses have been burgled in August. The first was on the Old Lyndhurst Road in Cadam and happened between 12.45 pm and 1.15 pm on Thursday 1st August. Cash and jewellery were stolen and if you have any information that might help us identify those responsible the crime number is 44190270820. The second house was in the village of Fritham and jewellery was stolen overnight between the 6th and 7th August while the home owners were on holiday. The crime number for that burglary is 44190279715.

9 sheds and outbuildings have also been targeted this month. Power tools and equestrian equipment have been taken from three sheds in Bartley, a mountain bike and a chainsaw from two sheds in Ashurst, some cans of petrol have been stolen from an outhouse in Emery Down and an anvil was taken from a workshop in Winsor. An attempt to break in to a shed in Minstead was also reported to us but the locks held and no entry was gained.

Overnight from Thursday 29th to Friday 30th August a mini clubman was stolen from outside a house on Princess Road in Ashurst. If you can help in any way with identifying those responsible or if you heard anything suspicious between those times please let us know and quote the crime number 44190308288.

Theft From Motor Vehicle: The windscreen of a van parked in Ashurst was smashed overnight in what was probably a failed attempt to steal any tools that were inside. 12 vehicles

have been broken into this month. Tools, cash, and bank cards have gone from cars and vans parked on the roadside in Ashurst, Bartley, Newbridge, Bramshaw and during the Netley Marsh Steam Rally. A man was caught trying to break into 3 cars on the same road in Brockenhurst, and the New Forest car parks targeted this month have been those at Ocknell Pond, Wilverley, Half Moon Common and Osmond Bushes. Another 4 vehicles have been broken into whilst parked overnight at the Travelodge at Stoney Cross and a van and a car parked at Castle Malwood Lodge were also targeted. Throughout August the New Forest Police Cadets have been patrolling the car parks handing out crime prevention advice and this has seen a real drop in the number of vehicles broken into.

12 bicycles have been stolen this month, 5 from the Ashurst campsite, 5 from the Roundhill campsite and 1 from outside a pub in Brockenhurst. The good news is that an arrest has been made for the theft of another bicycle that was stolen from the Lime Wood Hotel just outside Lyndhurst.

In other incidents, a mobile phone was taken from the back pocket of a man watching an event at the Beaulieu motor museum, lead has been removed from the roof of a pub in Ashurst, scrap metal worth £800 was stolen from a garden in Lyndhurst, and investigations are still underway into the theft of £160 worth of alcohol from a shop on the High Street in Lyndhurst. The crime number for that one is 44190282411 if you have any information. A barbed wire fence has also been cut surrounding a field on the Beaulieu Manor Estate and a portaloo has been stolen from a field in Winsor.

We've had calls from two elderly residents of Lyndhurst this month about a SCAM that they have managed to avoid. Both residents were called by someone claiming to be from either their bank or Credit Card company. The caller said that their cards were being used at places like Harrods and the only way to stop any more money being taken from their accounts was for the residents to tell them all of their account details including pin numbers. I'm pleased to say that both residents hung up at that point knowing that it was a SCAM. Please tell as many people that these SCAMS are happening all the time and that they should hang up and ever pass on any personal information, ever.

If you haven't followed us on Facebook yet then please do. You can find our new page at New Forest Heart Cops. This is an excellent way for us to keep you in touch with what's happening on our Beat as well as passing on useful crime prevention advice and information. We are also on Twitter @NFHeartCops.

During August the Speed Watch team in Lyndhurst surveyed Southampton Road and monitored 1129 vehicles and of those 531, so 47%, were travelling over the 30 mph limit. 71 of those vehicles have received warning letters from the Police for recording speeds of 35mph or more with one vehicle reaching 55mph. In August, the team in Minstead monitored 796 vehicles along the Stony Cross Road (C17) and 299 of them, so 38%, were exceeding the 40mph limit. Of those 299, 81 vehicles were traveling at 46 mph or more, with one of them recorded at 72 mph. All of those drivers will be receiving warning letters from the Police. The Minstead team also spent time on Mill Lane at Blackwater (U139) and out of the 223 vehicles they monitored 120 of them, 54%, were exceeding the speed limit, 19 of those vehicles were travelling over 35 mph and the highest recorded speed was 46mph.

The New Forest Road Campaign Speed Watch team is now operating on the road from Hatchett Pond to Brockenhurst where in one hour 16 vehicles were travelling at more than 40 mph with one reaching an incredible 64 mph !!! In an hour on Roger Penny Way in August, 26 vehicles were found to be speeding.

The Ashurst and Beaulieu teams have also been out on in the villages once each this month with 6 drivers exceeding the limit on the A35 and 17 doing the same at the bottom of the hill in Beaulieu by the entrance to Dock Lane.

The Copythorne Speed Watch team spent a total of 23 hours monitoring both 30 and 40 mph roads in the Parish in August. They surveyed 1398 vehicles with 907 travelling over the speed limit and 210 warning letters have been sent out by the Police. In all 7 drivers were recorded at traveling over 50mph during August.

Please keep calling us if you see anything suspicious where you live and remember if you want to tell us about a vehicle then the most important information is the registration number.

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