

Hello and welcome to the first Beat Report of 2022 for the New Forest Heart area. Your team in the North of the Forest is PC 25169 Carl PEVERILL and PCSO 14495 Richard WILLIAMS, and in the south it is PC 2901 Jason EASTWOOD.

In February 2022 we will be holding Beat Surgeries at BRAMSHAW VILLAGE STORES at 8.30am on Thursday 3rd February and then at 10am on the same day but at the BARTLEY POST OFFICE.

Between 10am and 11am on Saturday 12th February we will be at the JANESMOOR POND CAR PARK at Stoney Cross where the main theme will be speeding across the New Forest. We will be joined by our colleagues at Forestry England, the National Park Authority, New Forest District Council and the New Forest Roads Awareness Team who will be able to answer any questions you might have. PC PEVERILL and PCSO WILLIAMS will also be on hand to help with any other queries you might have. And if you can't make it in person you will be able to send us your questions in the comments section on our Facebook page – NEW FOREST HEART COPS.

We will also be at the Open Door Café in Minstead from 2pm on Thursday 17th February, and if you like cakes then this is the meeting for you.

Fifteen vehicles have been broken into this month including three at the Stoney Cross Travel Lodge. You might have seen on our Facebook page or in the Daily Echo that while on patrol our Police car was rammed by the vehicle being used to carry out these offences. That car, a blue Fiat Punto, damaged our patrol car and made off across the Forest and was later found burnt out in Spring Bushes car park. Investigations to identify those involved are ongoing so if you have any information for us email richard.williams@hampshire.pnn.police.uk and quote OP TREADSTONE. Thank you.

Other vehicles broken into this month were parked in Lyndhurst, at the Haywain in Bartley and in the Vinney Ridge, Longslade, Stockley, Whitefield Moor, Cadnam Cricket Ground and Fritham car parks.

Other thefts this month include two catalytic converters from cars in Lyndhurst and the Sethorns Campsite, over 700 used roof tiles from Brockenhurst and two statues of stags from a garden in Ashurst.

No homes have been burgled in February but eight outbuildings have been broken into. An expensive electric bicycle was stolen from a garage in Ashurst and power tools and garden equipment have been taken from sheds in Minstead, Brockenhurst, Bartley and Bramshaw.

Two drivers have been given Community Resolutions for damaging the forest floor by taking their vehicles off road at Ipley Crossroads and Boltons Bench. They have also received Section 59 warnings which mean that if they go off road again their vehicles will be seized by Police.

Criminal damage has also been caused to a window at the East Boldre Village Hall and a garden gate in Lyndhurst and there was a fire at the Paulton's Cricket Ground in the early hours of Thursday 27th January. If you have any information about that or the vehicle involved call us and quote the crime number 44220035829.

We held another Op Mountie Session at the beginning of January on Roger Penny Way and seized two cars because their drivers didn't have any insurance, reported one driver for having an invalid licence, gave

three drivers tickets for exceeding the 50mph and eleven drivers received educational advice from our partner agencies. Op Mountie is our multi agency approach to tackling speeding across the New Forest especially on the Roger Penny Way and surrounding areas. On Monday 24th January we held a late night session to coincide with the closure of the A31 at Ringwood. On that occasion twelve drivers were spoken to and three tickets were issued. More sessions are planned throughout the year.

The Copythorne Speed Watch Team went out on eleven surveys in January and spent a total of fourteen hours, in various locations, within the Parish. During the surveys, 2,330 vehicles were recorded, with 356 vehicles exceeding the speed limit. All 356 drivers will receive a letter warning them about their speed and six of them who were recorded travelling at excessive speeds will be contacted directly by the New Forest Heart Cops team. During the month, the Team Coordinators celebrated their 200th Speed Watch survey so well done and thanks to them.

Remember if you need Police assistance in an emergency always call 999, to report a crime or incident of anti-social behaviour that has already happened call 101 or use the online reporting section of the Hampshire Police website. If you would like to contact the New Forest Heart Cops team directly with any questions or queries please use the details below

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