

Dear All,

Please see below the crime updates for w/c 08.05.2010.

[Apologises for the delay in sending last week's report.](#)

Please don't forget, if you see any form of Anti-social driving (speeding, using a mobile phone whilst driving, regular drink drivers, disqualified drivers etc), please report it to us via our Op Crackdown system :

<http://www.operationcrackdown.org/>

Or, if you have any information about crimes that have occurred or, possible illegal activities that people are committing, you can always report it to Sussex Police on 0845 60 70 99, or anonymously to Crime stoppers on 0800 555 111, <http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org/>

**SERIAL 727 08.05.2010**

**HIGH STREET, BATTLE**

A report was received of the theft of a handbag. The incident occurred sometime between Thursday 06.05.201 and Friday. The bag was a large leather bag, about 14" high, it was made of lots of 1cm coiled leather strips, with a flap over the top, colour brown. The value of the bag was £345.00. The local PCSO is aware.

**SERIAL 142 12.05.2010**

**HEATHFIELD GARDENS, ROBERTSBRIDGE**

A report was received of a vehicle that was broken into overnight. The incident occurred between 2200 - 0630. Entry to the vehicle was gained via a nearside quarter light that was smashed, the window wound down and then the door opened. The glove compartment was opened and a SAT NAV was stolen. Scene of crimes attended the scene, and the local PCSO has made contact and offered words of advice.

**SERIAL 470 11.05.2010**

**HIGH STREET, BATTLE**

A member of the public attended Battle Front Office to inform us that two large Pansy bushes had been stolen from his wooden planters outside his property. The incident occurred overnight between 1700 - 1000 hrs. The informant believed that his flowers were targeted and not just an act of vandalism.

**SERIAL 1008 12.05.2010**  
**GREAT OAK, HURST GREEN**

A vehicle was broken into whilst parked at the above location. The incident occurred overnight between 0200 - 1300 hrs. The rear off side passenger window was smashed and a lap top was stolen from the back seat. Scene of crimes attended the location. The local PCSO has made contact to offer words of security advice and leaving valuable items on display in a parked vehicle.

**SERIAL 148 13.05.2010**  
**SCHOOL HILL, BURWASH**

A report was received of the attempted theft of a vehicle from the above location. The owner of the vehicle found that someone had tampered and tried to force the lock on the drivers side. This in turn damaged the electrics to the vehicle and immobilised it. Scene of crimes attended the scene. The local PCSO was made aware.

**SERIAL 150 13.05.2010**  
**HEATHFIELD ROAD, BURWASH WEALD**

A report of the theft of a motor vehicle was received, it was taken from the above location sometime between 2330 - 0500. The vehicle was later found by the owner some distance from his home. The vehicle was not road worthy at the time of the theft, so the suspects did not get very far. Arrangements were made for recovery of the vehicle.

**SERIAL 215 13.05.2010**  
**NORTH TRADE ROAD, BATTLE**

A report from a local company was received that a generator was stolen overnight from the site. The incident occurred between 1810 - 0730 hrs. The chain link fence was broken and the building entered. The generator was a RED 3 PHASE BULLDOG, VALUE £675.00. The generator was stored to the rear of the site and was not covered by the CCTV. Information was received that there had been some suspicious males in the vicinity recently enquiring about scrap metal etc. Enquiries are continuing. The details of the generator were added to FARM WATCH and HORSE WATCH.

**SERIAL 339 13.05.2010**  
**SPRINGFIELDS , TICEHURST**

A report of the theft of a bicycle was received, it was stolen from the owners front garden, the incident was between 1905 - 2020 hrs. Nothing was seen or heard at the time, but enquiries are continuing due a group of teenage boys seen at the time. A name has been put forward. The bike was a BRITISH EAGLE JACKAL BOYS BMX BIKE, BLACK FRAME, NO GEARS, BLACK SADDLE AND STRAIGHT HANDLEBARS. The incident and details have been added to NHW. **UPDATE... BIKE HAS BEEN RECOVERED.....**

**SERIAL1557 13.05.2010**  
**EAST VIEW TERRACE SEDLESCOMBE**

A third party report of criminal damage was received from the NHW co-ordinator for SEDLESCOMBE. Damage had been caused to garage doors owned by ROTHER HOMES HOUSING ASSOCIATION. The incident occurred between 1900 hrs 12.05.2010 and 0800 hrs 13.05.2010. Enquiries are continuing due to information received about groups of youths in the area. The local PCSO has been made aware and will pay a follow up visit.

**SERIAL 1563 13.05.2010**  
**HURST GREEN**

A report was received of an attempted break into a vehicle. The passenger door lock was forced in, it is believed that the suspects were disturbed by a neighbour who was woken by the noise. The witness saw two males running to a vehicle that was on the main road waiting for them. Scene of crimes have attended and enquiries are continuing. Nothing was stolen from the vehicle.

**SERIAL 321 14.05.2010**  
**HIGH STREET, TICEHURST**

A report was received from a local business that entry to there rear yard had been gained, a can of red diesel oil was stolen. Entry was gained via the gate to the side of the premises. The lock brace was broken in the incident and was taken from the scene. The local PCSO has been made aware and will attend the location.

**SERIAL 468 14.05.2010**

**ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, SEDLESCOMBE**

A report was received of the theft of an Iron Candle Stand with a collection box attached from the church. The collection box was thought to contain approximately £20.00. The item was left inside the church under the pulpit. The incident occurred over night between 1000 13.05.201 and 0900 14.05.2010. Also missing was a small green curtain thought to be used to wrap around the item. The Iron Candle Stand was 3ft tall, and held 56 candles, value £500.00. The church door was left open at the time for the public to have access for prayer. The local PCSO is aware.

**SERIAL 491 14.05.10**

**BURWASH**

Upon returning to her home after being away for a week, the occupant found that someone had entered the garden via the gate and managed to open the doors to the garage. No damage was caused to the lock. Stored within the garage were several items of very high value. It is believed that the scene had been set for a burglary at a later date, or that the suspects had been disturbed. The local PCSO was made and will carry out a reassurance visit in due course. There was nothing left at the scene for Scene of Crimes.

**SERIAL 1770 13.05.2010**

**UPPER LAKE BATTLE**

Units attended the location late on Thursday evening, a report was received of a drunk female seen causing damage to vehicles. When the unit arrived at the scene the female was standing in the road, she was very distressed and upset. Officers tried to calm her, but the female then started head butting, the female was detained under section 136 of the mental health act for her own protection. The female was also arrested for Drunk & Disorderly conduct.

**SERIAL 1558 14.05.2010**  
**HEATHFIELD GARDENS, ROBERTSBRIDGE**

A report was received from a neighbour of an elderly couple that 2 males had entered the house claiming to be from The Water Board. The males stated that there were some flooding problems. The suspects have entered the house and taken money from the owners wallet. An untidy search was also made. The elderly couple were left very confused and upset by the incident. An immediate area search was started with by the local PCSOs and Response units. A dog unit also attended the area. House to house enquiries were started and CID attended the scene to ensure prompt care for the victims and to obtain descriptions of the offenders. After speaking to the victims it came to light that there were 3 males in total that entered the house. Information was received from a member of the public that a vehicle was seen leaving the area at high speed . The suspects were described as between 16 - 17 years old, about 5'2" tall, slim build and wearing a navy blue jersey. The two other males were about 5'6" to 5'7" tall, one wearing a dark jacket. The information was put out on the NHW scheme. Enquiries are continuing.

**FEED BACK FROM DVLA**

Part of the duties for the Neighbourhood Policing Teams, including the PCSOs is to patrol areas and look for untaxed vehicles. These reports are then sent to the DVLA for processing.

As a result of recent action 8 cases were generated by the reports from Battle Police Station between September 2009 and December 2009. Due to these actions along with other DVLA stakeholders in the area, 155 cases were successfully concluded at Eastbourne Magistrate Court from January - March 2010. This resulted in fines totalling £27,616.00 and a further £9300.00 in prosecution costs. In addition a further 23 cases were withdrawn after an out of court settlement was paid after the issue of a summons.