

Dear All,

Please see below the crime updates for w/c 02.07.2010

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 1305 03.07.2010
CATSFIELD ROAD, BATTLE

A report of a theft was received from an employee of a local company. A male was seen to enter the site accompanied by 2 females and 2 children, after they had left it was noticed that a 3ft long plastic planter had been stolen. This item was being prepared for a display at a local school, the planter contained Begonias and Zinnias. The value of the item was approximately £30.00. There is a witness to the incident and enquiries are continuing with a local officer.

SERIAL 1608 03.07.2010
DARWELL HILL, NETHERFIELD

A member of the public called Sussex Police to report his Mobile phone lost in the NETHERFIELD area. The next morning a friend made a call to the lost mobile, it was answered by a woman who claimed she had purchased the mobile in SIDLEY for £60.00. A further message was received from the loser that they had again spoken to the female and they were now holding the phone to ransom, demanding £40.00 for its safe return. The female was very abusive to the loser after he stated he did not want the phone back. A crime report was submitted for THEFT BY FINDING.

SERIAL 455 05.07.2010
BORDERS LANE, ETCHINGHAM

A report of a nasty Sheep attack was received, it was believed that 2 Alsations were seen herding and mauling the sheep. The 2 dogs were seen running in the lane. The crime report has been passed to a local officer and enquiries will be carried out by the local PCSO for anyone who has any knowledge of the dogs. It is believed the incident occurred sometime over the weekend.

IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION THAT MAY HELP THIS ENQUIRY PLEASE CONTACT US WITH THE DETAILS. IF YOU WISH TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS PLEASE USE THE CRIME STOPPERS LINK. THIS WAS A PARTICULARLY BRUTAL ATTACK AND THESE DOGS NEED TO BE FOUND.

SERIAL 536 05.07.2010
NETHERFIELD

A report of criminal damage was received from a local farm. The incident occurred between 1300 – 1400 on 02.07.2010. The suspect had disconnected the water pipe from a tank and caused damage to the joint, estimated to be about £200.00 to replace. The PCSO for the area was asked to make contact and the crime number was passed to the informant.

SERIAL 854 05.07.2010
JUNCTION ROAD, BODIAM

A report was received from MAY GURNEY that two sets of temporary traffic lights had been stolen between 0230 and 1258. There was nothing left at the scene for forensics. The information will be put out on Farm Watch, Horse Watch and NHW for an appeal for any information.

SERIAL 900 05.07.2010
NORTH TRADE ROAD

A member of the Day Nursery made a report of the theft of her handbag from the toilets. It is believed that 2 pupils from a nearby school were helping out at the time. An officer will be making contact in due course to see if they have any information to assist with the enquiry.

SERIAL 1164 05.07.2010
WHATLINGTON

A report of the theft of a quantity of lead and 9 sets of alloy wheels was received, the incident occurred between 1600 Friday and 0900 Monday. The lead and wheels were stored in the car park. The estimated value of the items was £300.00, there is CCTV of the incident and enquiries are continuing with local officers.

SERIAL 1649 06.07.2010
HIGH STREET, NINFIELD

A report was received from the Vice Chairman of the Parish Council for NINFIELD, a group of youths and girls had been in the recreation ground and had smashed up a wooden bench and table. It appears that the youths just jumped up and down on it with the intent to destroy it. A couple of names have been put forward and the local PCSO has been made aware. Enquiries are continuing with a local response officer.

SERIAL 313 07.07.2010
EATENDEN LANE, NETHERFIELD

A report was received from the Land owner at CROWHURST FARM DEVELOPMENT that a metal storage container was broken into overnight. A glow lamp was used to break open the lock, the value for replacement was about £2000.00. Items stolen include a CHAIN SAW X 2, GUARD BARS, SAFETY EQUIPMENT, HATS BOOTS AND TROUSERS. The owner of the items stolen was notified of the incident. The local PCSO have visited the site and offered reassurance that extra patrols will be made in the area. CCTV posters were issued and arrangements for the Crime prevention Officer to make contact.

SERIAL 434 07.07.2010
THE CLAPPERS, ROBERTSBRIDGE

A report of damage to a road sign was reported, at this time it is uncertain if this is a theft or criminal damage due to a road collision. Enquiries are continuing.

SERIAL 1236 07.07.2010
BREDE HIGH WOOD, BROAD OAK

A report was received from the site manager that a total of 6 padlocks and chains had been removed from various locations around the site. The locks were SQUIRE MC4 BORON ALLOY SECURITY CHAINS WITH SQUIRE SHCB 75 COMBINATION LOCKS, (2 WITH DIFFERENT COMBINATIONS NUMBERS). The informant believes that the locks were opened as there were no signs of cutting on any of the gates. The total cost to replace the locks is estimated at £897.04.

EXEMPLO DUCEMUS

A telephone call was received from a distraught husband to report that his wife, who is Bi Polar Type 2 had gone missing. She had left the house in a very distressed state, dressed only in her nightdress. A description of the lady was quickly taken and circulated to all officers on duty. The helicopter came over from Shoreham to help with the search using the thermal imaging unit. A dog unit was also assigned. Local officers, PCSO and the other emergency services were put on standby.

After consultation it was agreed that this female was a high risk missing person and a strategy for finding her was developed by the command team. The helicopter was tasked with searching areas with ponds and rivers, and the local officers began searching all nearby areas and places that the lady might go to. The helicopter carried out a search north of the missing lady's location, WINCHELSEA BEACH to PETT was also searched. By this time additional resources were called in from Rother and Hastings district, these included Firearms, and the Neighbourhood Response Teams.

At this point a telephone call was received advising that they could hear a female calling for help. The voice was coming from an open piece of farmland near the main road. Officers and all units immediately relocated to the area, it was pitch black and the terrain was very boggy and unsafe. About 30 officers spread out in a line walking down hill and across the flats to look for the lady, each carrying a torch and holding close formation, the lady could still be heard calling for help. The area searched was about half a mile square. A dog unit handler located the woman who was stuck in the muddy boggy area up to her waist, the dog handler also became stuck, officers were still some distance away and by putting them selves at risk they rushed to aid the woman and their colleague. One of the local officers made his way across the field, after nearly losing his footing he was inches from falling into the dark muddy water, he reached out his hand to grab onto anything that would save him, and there reaching out for him from the dark was a colleague's hand, gripping him hard and pulling him back to safety. They then made their way together to reach the fallen female, who was being helped to safety and taken to a waiting Ambulance. This was a situation that could have ended so differently, the strength, the team work and the dedication by all involved resulted in the safe return of the female and all officers involved.

By example shall we lead.

JUSTICE SEEN - JUSTICE DONE

A warrant was executed at an address in Rye, a male was arrested for POSSESSION WITH INTENT, he appeared in court and was given a 12 month sentence suspended for 2 years. He also received a 6 month DRUG REHABILITATION ORDER.