



Marino and Kingston Park (Area 266)

News from the Area Coordinator – Darren BAILHACHE

Welcome back to your spring edition of the Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter for 2024.

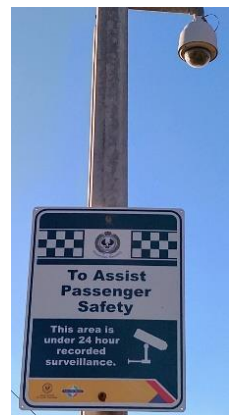
The campaign for the Marino Railway Station safety upgrade is ongoing and we will continue to represent the community to achieve a positive outcome, following our onsite meeting with the Honourable Minister for Infrastructure and Transport Tom Koutsantonis.

As we continue to visit every street in the district seeking to build upon the 1,000 signatures for the House of Assembly petition, we have now moved to the next phase of the campaign.

On page three of this newsletter, you will find a copy of an open letter to the Minister from ten prominent local businesses and community organisations. They have joined the campaign and stand with the community in this safety initiative, calling on the South Australian government to act without further delay.

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Some suburban railway stations have had significant safety and security improvements, unfortunately the Marino Railway Station has been overlooked.

It has been identified that none of the security upgrades and amenities found at numerous other stations have been provided to our community.

OUR REGISTER

Last year we introduced our electronic register for delivery of your local Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter, Neighbourhood Watch Australasia and for timely updates affecting our community.

We thank those who have enrolled to receive our email notifications and encourage everyone in our community to register.

Please contact me personally at the email address below should you wish to be included in our email updates.

To register please contact me directly at: bailhache.communitysolutions@gmail.com

LOCAL FOCUS

In this edition of the Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter, we have a guest article from Constable Varun Chopra from SAPOL, giving a 12-month overview and analysis of local crime trends within our community. We have also included information from the South Australia Police on cyber-crime.

The articles we include in each newsletter have been specifically included to address the issues that have been raised with our committee through engagement and feedback that we have received.

I urge those who become a victim or witness to any crime to call South Australian Police on 131 444. If you have information on any crime, you can call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000. You can remain anonymous, your call is not traced and if making an online report, your IP address is not recorded.

Finally, the Neighbourhood Watch Committee takes this opportunity to invite you to join us at the years community forum on the 13th of October at Kingston House.

For further information please refer to the flyer that accompanied this newsletter.

JOIN US

I take this opportunity to encourage anyone who is interested in volunteering or joining our community Neighbourhood Watch team, to make contact through the web address provided below or email me personally at bailhache.communitysolutions@gmail.com

Further information at:

<https://www.police.sa.gov.au/nhw/home/local-information/marino-and-kingston-park>



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The Honourable Tom Koutsantonis MP
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport
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13 June 2024

Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP,

On behalf of the following businesses and community organisations.

We the undersigned businesses and community organisations that operate within and provide services to the members of our community in Marino and Kingston Park, call on the Minister of Infrastructure and Transport the Hon Tom Koutsantonis, representing the Government of South Australia, to immediately undertake safety and security measures at Marino Railway Station.

To include without further delay, the installation of closed-circuit television cameras, an emergency phone and a sufficient fit for purpose wet weather shelter.




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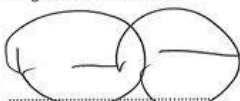



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Constable Varun CHOPRA – Police Coordinator

Dear Marino & Kingston Park community members,

I want to begin by acknowledging your commitment to this wonderful forum and some excellent results that have been achieved by our very own Area Coordinator, Darren, through his persistent and tireless efforts to improve safety at the Marino Railway Station. The Minister for Transport and Infrastructure, Hon Tom Koutsantonis has committed to some improvements however the work is not finished, and I request that you throw your full support behind this initiative.

In this article I would like to inform you on current matters and certain strategies which may help in mitigating crime.

Tax time creates an opportunity for scammers to deceive people therefore it is important to be wary of any contact claiming to be from the Australian Tax Office (ATO) and to protect your personal information and money. The ATO will never ask you to pay a fee to receive your tax refund or send you a link to log into their online services. Always log into your MyGov account to view official correspondence and if you are unsure, call the ATO. My recommendation is that you take extreme care and not open any suspicious emails, do not click on links and do not provide any of your personal or financial information to any person over phone or online.

Having reviewed the crime statistics for the last financial year, I note numerous incidents of theft from homes and yards. I believe some of this could have been prevented. I am a big believer in focusing on aspects that we can control. Simple actions like not leaving valuables in open sight, locking backyard sheds, locking bikes with a D-lock and locking doors go a long way in preventing crime. These crimes are mostly opportunistic in nature, and we must do everything in our control to prevent it.

I also note illegal interference with and damage to vehicles parked in the driveways/streets. Where possible, ensure that your vehicle is garaged and nothing of value has been left in the vehicle in open sight. Common examples include tools, wallets, bank cards, etc. A large number of thefts from motor vehicles across the metropolitan area have been from unlocked cars.

To help prevent thieves targeting your vehicle and property, lock your vehicle and close all windows whenever you are away from the vehicle.

Report any suspicious activity to Police.



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I would finally encourage you to strengthen our community by addressing social exclusion. Being part of community events like park runs are good avenues to socialise and interact with other people in the community. Simple things like checking on your neighbours go a long way and further strengthen our social fabric. I believe that Neighbourhood Watch is an excellent forum where you can share your views and ideas and get involved in initiatives that make your community safer and closer.

I look forward to meeting you.

Kind regards,

Varun CHOPRA

Police Coordinator

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Community Neighbourhood Watch Crime Prevention Signs.

Darren BAILHACHE - Area Coordinator

The neighbourhood Watch Committee are constantly revising the placement of your Neighbourhood Watch community crime prevention signs, based upon anti-social behaviour reported to Police within our community.

Statistics have identified that an area with an active Neighbourhood Watch program, can have a reduction of reported crime of between 16 to 26 percent.

Neighbourhood Watch signs play a role in raising community awareness of safety and security issues, whilst promoting the communities local crime prevention program and facilitating effective crime prevention conversation.

Whilst the signs only make up a small proportion of the crime prevention program, it does offer a visible acknowledgement that the program operates within our community.

As with any successful program, many pieces come together to make it a successful service. I encourage you to contact your Neighbourhood Watch Committee should you be aware of a particular location that would benefit from the placement of a sign.

Crime reduction has a long lasting social and economic benefit. The success of the crime prevention program rests with the participation and engagement of the community it serves.



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HOME SECURITY - MAIL THEFT

Your mail includes items about your identity such as driver's licence, utility accounts, credit card transactions and bank statements.

People can steal these to assume your identity and then defraud others using your name. This can have devastating consequences for you and your reputation.

To prevent becoming a victim to mail theft, please consider the following crime prevention security tips:

- If your mailbox is lockable, lock it! If not, consider adding a padlock or lock to your mailbox or purchasing a lockable style mailbox. Ensure your mailbox is in good condition to keep locked mail secure.
- Make sure your mailbox is large enough for the mail to be dropped into a secure section and do not allow letters to be overflowing.
- Clear the mail daily.
- Have mail held at the post office or collected by a friend when away for extended periods.
- Dispose of unwanted mail in a way that no one else makes use of it i.e. shredding.
- If mail is not yours "not known at this address, return to sender" and return to Australia Post.

If your mail is stolen, report it to police on 131 444.

If you have information about mail being stolen and used to obtain fraudulent identities, please contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or at www.crimestopperssa.com.au

If you have any questions, please contact your nearest police station or visit www.police.sa.gov.au



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Crime Statistics area 266 Marino/Marino Rocks/ Kingston Park (Southern Seacliff)

Reported Dates: 6th May 2024 to 2nd August 2024

Date	Incident Type	Location	Details
9.5.24	Theft/receiving	BURNHAM RD, KINGSTON PARK	THEFT OF GARDEN SOLAR LIGHTS
10.5.24	Property damage	BANDON TCE, MARINO	REPORT OF GRAFFITI TO PUBLIC TRANSPORT TRAIN – RAILCAR 4015 AT MARINO RAILWAY STATION – 5 – 6 PERSONS (FACES COVERED / WEARING BLACK) PRESSING EMERGENCY BUTTON / TRAIN UNABLE TO MOVE / GRAFFITI MARKED
22.5.24	Illegal interference	BARULA RD, MARINO	THEFT FROM MV – NIL DAMAGE – VALUE OVER \$1600 – NIL SUSP/WITN/PERM – NIL CCTV
24.5.24	Assault	BANDON TCE, MARINO	1 X FEMALE (16 YEARS) ASSULTED BY 3 X FEMALES AROUND SAME AGE – NOT KNOWN TO VICTIM – INJURY TO LEFT EYE
31.5.24	Property damage	NEWLAND AVE, MARINO	GRAFFITI PROPERTY DAMAGE OF \$2000 TO RAILCARTS – CCTV AVAILABLE
1.6.24	Illegal interference	SCHOLEFIELD RD, KINGSTON PARK	FRONT REGO PLATE STOLEN \$100 DAMAGE
7.6.24	Illegal use	NIMBOYA RD, MARINO	EX-TENANT ENTERED PREMISES WITHOUT PERMISSION TOOK KEYS AND STOLE VEHICLE
16.7.24	Theft/receiving	SCHOLEFIELD RD, KINGSTON PARK	THEFT OF 3 X BIKES – STOLEN FROM OPEN CARPORT VALUE \$1680 – NIL CCTV
31.7.24	Theft/receiving	BURNHAM RD, KINGSTON PARK	BRIGHTON BEACHFRONT HOLIDAY PARK – SMALL TELEVISION STOLEN FROM CABIN

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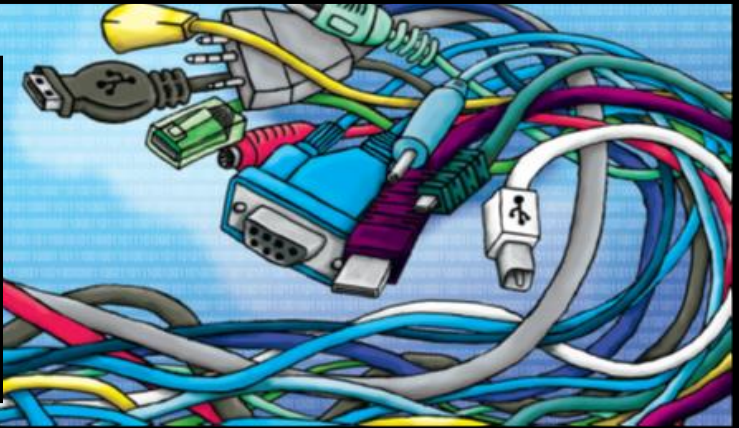
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STAY SAFE ONLINE - SURF SAFELY

- Don't give out any **private information** over the internet or through mobile phones about you, your family, friends or other people that you know.
- People may pretend to be someone they are not online, it is important you **know and trust** the people you chat to and accept as 'friends'.
- Use a **strong password** (a combination of upper-and-lower -case letters, symbols and numbers) e.g. P@\$\$wOrd.
- Make sure your social networking profile is set to **private** (check your security settings).
- Think about all of the information you share online. Even small details like your screen name may give away your **identity**.
- Think before you share. Once it's on the internet you can't take it back. You create a **digital footprint**.
- Don't hide behind a computer screen, if you wouldn't say it to their face, **don't say it at all!**
- Never meet up with **strangers** offline, especially if you have only met them online.

Respond quickly if you feel uncomfortable while online. Close the program and tell an adult you trust.

Report any suspicious or dangerous online contact to police on **131 444**.

