



NEW FOREST HEART

Monthly Beat Report –
October 2018



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Hello and welcome to October'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 November 2018 we will be at –

The Trusty Servant in Minstead on Saturday 17th November at 11am.

St Michael and All Angels Church in Lyndhurst on Sunday 18th November at 10.30am.

Colbury Parish Church on Deer Leap Lane on Sunday 18th November at 11.30am.

Bramshaw Village Shop on Monday 19th November at 8am.

Lyndhurst Parish Council Shop on Monday 19th November at 10am.

Bartley Post Office on Monday 19th November at 11am.

The Village News at Beaulieu on Saturday 24th November at 9am.

At Spencers on Brookley Road in Brockenhurst on Saturday 24th November at 11am.

The Tip, Leaf and Bean café in the New Forest Centre in Lyndhurst on Sunday 25th November at 10am.

Lyndhurst Baptist Church in Lyndhurst on Sunday 25th November at 11.30am.

Burglaries: One house has been burgled this month and that was in Ashurst. A handbag was stolen and investigations are still ongoing in the hope that a suspect can be identified. If you live in the Woodlands Road area of Ashurst and saw anyone acting suspiciously between 10.45 and 11.30 on the morning of Tuesday 23rd October, please call 101 and quote the crime reference number 44180399115. There have been another 7 burglaries to sheds and other outbuildings this month. The areas targeted were Minstead, Cadnam, East Wellow, Exbury and at the top of Calmore by Hill Street. Chainsaws, leaf blowers and hedge trimmers have again been stolen and so has a motorbike which luckily was recovered the following day having been abandoned. PC NORRIS and I have been altering our shift pattern so that we can patrol these areas during the night, but our message to you is if you see anything suspicious overnight to call us immediately, and if you have people on your land or your neighbour's call 999.



It is that time of year, especially now the clocks have gone back, when we need to be extra vigilante against burglars because it's easier for them to know when we aren't at home. That's why we have launched our LIGHTS ON campaign. Please read the advice below and if you have any other questions about making your home safer then please feel free to email me at richard.williams@hampshire.pnn.police.uk



Leaving a couple of lights on in your home will help to make it look occupied.

Invest in some timer switches. These will turn lamps and radios on and off for you.

Gadgets are available which fit into bayonet light fittings which will turn your main lights on and off.

Help keep your energy bills down by using energy saving light bulbs.

Thieves are more likely to target homes which appear unoccupied.

Secure your home by locking all windows and doors before you go out.

Only tell the people who you trust if your home will be empty for a period of time.

Now you have made your home more secure, share this information with your friends and family.

Can I also ask you again if you have any private CCTV can you please let me know so that I can ask you to check your footage should any sheds or outbuildings near you get broken into.

Please send me your details to richard.williams@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

Thank you

Meanwhile a man has been arrested and charged for stealing scrap metal and lead from a garden in Woodlands.

Theft From Motor Vehicle: The beautiful weather this month meant that the thieves that target vehicles parked in our area have been out and about again, with 11 thefts reported to us. Cars have been broken into at Puttles Bridge, Cadmans Pool, Fritham, Bolderwood, Eyerworth Pond and Longsalde View car parks. So please if you are going for a walk take everything with you. And one bicycle has been stolen this month, this time from the railway station at Ashurst.

In other incidents 2 men have been arrested for shop lifting following a series of incidents in the Forest including the CO OP at Ashurst, a lady put her handbag on the floor to take some photographs at Lepe Beach and two minutes later it had been stolen, and two wallets have been taken from a hotel in Brockenhurst. A trailer has been stolen from the Fritham area, 2 copper cylinders have been taken from a garden in Winsor and again this month more boats, 4 in total, have been broken into while moored in and around Bucklers Hard. This time marine batteries, a foot pump, and some steel cable have been stolen.

Three vehicles have this month been seized by Police at Brook, Exbury and at Ower for having no tax and insurance, and one man has been arrested for being over the drink drive limit. He was stopped on the outskirts of Beaulieu.

During October, the Speed Watch team in Minstead monitored 519 vehicles travelling along Mill Lane and Lyndhurst Road and 360 of them, so 69%, were exceeding the 30mph speed limit. Of those 360, 104 vehicles, were travelling at 35mph or more and have received warning letters from the Police. One vehicle was travelling at 55mph in Mill Lane and another at 50mph.

Meanwhile the Speed Watch team in Lyndhurst surveyed various roads in the village and monitored 655 vehicles and of those 330, so nearly 55%, were travelling over the 30mph speed limit. 56 of those vehicles have received warning letters from the Police for recording speeds of 35mph or more with one vehicle on Southampton Road reaching 49 mph.

In October, the Copythorne Speed Watch team were out in Bartley, Cadnam and Copythorne itself for a total of 9 hours and in that time they surveyed 1,947 vehicles. Of those, 68% were travelling faster than the 30mph speed limit. Amazingly 12 vehicles were recorded travelling over 50mph and unbelievably one driver was recorded at 77mph in a 30mph zone. 308 vehicles monitored by the Copythorne team will be receiving warning letters from the Police.

We've had some excellent calls from you in October reporting suspicious people and their vehicles. Please report anything suspicious that you see in your community to 101 or call myself, PC NORRIS or PC EASTWOOD directly. Thank you.

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