

NEW FOREST HEART

Monthly Beat Report – January 2019

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Hello and welcome to January'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 February 2019 we will be at -

The Trusty Servant in Minstead on Saturday 16th February at 11am.

St Michael and All Angels Church in Lyndhurst on Sunday 17th February at 10.30am.

Colbury Parish Church on Deer Leap Lane on Sunday 17th February at 11.30am.

Bramshaw Village Shop on Monday 18th February at 8am.

Lyndhurst Parish Council Shop on Monday 18th February at 10am.

Bartley Post Office on Monday 18th February at 11am.

The Tip, Leaf and Bean café in the New Forest Centre in Lyndhurst on 17th February at 10am.

Lyndhurst Baptist Church in Lyndhurst on Sunday 17th February at midday.

<u>Burglaries:</u> 3 homes have been burgled this month. One of the homes targeted was on the main road through Bartley and was broken into during the day when the owners were out. The two other homes entered were on Southampton Road at Cadnam and on Avenue Road in Brockenhurst and were also empty at the time. Also in January 26 sheds, outbuildings and building sites have also been burgled. The targeted addresses were in Minstead, Winsor, Exbury, Lyndhurst, Bartley, Ashurst, Bramshaw, Brockenhurst, Brook, Cadnam and Beaulieu. As well as garden tools a motorbike, pressure washer, cement mixer, some dog food and some scrap metal have been taken which shows you that thieves will steal almost anything. Please have a look at the security of you outbuildings and make them as secure as you possibly can. If you would like some personal advice on how best to make your property less attractive to thieves then please email me on richard.williams@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

These burglaries are our main priority at present and myself, PC NORRIS and our colleagues from the Totton Neighbourhood Policing Team have spent many night this month closing the main routes through our Beat area and stopping and checking all vehicles and their drivers. Investigations are also well underway into identifying those responsible for these crimes and again we would like to ask for your help. If you have your own CCTV systems that cover the outside of your property can you please email me and let me now where you live. Private CCTV is an excellent tool that we can use to help identify those who are responsible for these types of crimes. Could you please email me with your information, thank you.

<u>Theft From Motor Vehicle:</u> 15 thefts from vehicles parked in the New Forest have been reported to us this month but only 3 of them have happened in car parks, those being

Janesmoor, Fritham and Puttles Bridge. 5 cars have been broken into whilst parked in pub car parks in Bartley, Copythorne, Lyndhurst and Cadnam. Please don't think that your vehicle is only vulnerable when it's parked in a remote area, because thieves will break into it anywhere if they can see something worth stealing inside. Please take everything valuable with you and don't be tempted to hide items under the seats or in the boot because you could be being watched.

In other incidents a bicycle has been stolen from outside a pub in Ashurst while the owner was inside having a drink, batteries and a charger for an electric fence have been taken from a field in Beaulieu and a roller has been stolen from a building site in Ashurst. Fake £50m notes have been in circulation again and have been used at pubs in Lyndhurst and Emery Down, criminal damage has been caused to cars on a showroom forecourt in Bramshaw and on a driveway in the same area and a horse box was broken into at the Janesmoor Pond car park whilst the owners were out in the forest riding.

Also this month a Section 59 Warning has been issued to a man who we caught riding a motorbike off road on the forest floor at Matley Wood just outside Lyndhurst. A section 59 Warning means that if he is caught riding the same motorbike or any other vehicle in the next twelve months, that vehicle will be seized. If you ever witness someone using any vehicle off road in the forest and have the evidence to prove it then please let me know. Thank you.

During January the Speed Watch team in Lyndhurst surveyed various roads in the village and monitored 1681 vehicles and of those 1026, so 61%, were travelling over the 30mph limit. 98 of those vehicles have received warning letters from the Police for recording speeds of 35mph or more. One vehicle on Southampton Road was recorded at 47mph.

The Copythorne Speed Watch team has again been out and about in the Parish this month, resulting in 141 warning letters being sent to the owners of vehicles recorded travelling at 35 mph or more. 3 vehicle were travelling at over 50mph.

Please keep calling us if you see anything suspicious where you live and remember if you want to tell us about a vehicle then the most important information is the registration number.

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