



NEW FOREST HEART

Monthly Beat Report –
November 2019



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Hello and welcome to November'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, PC 2901 Jason Eastwood and PCSO 14215 Vicki Pressey.

Beat Surgeries

Please come and meet us, in December 2019 we will be at –

St Michael and All Angels Church in Lyndhurst on Sunday 1st December at 10.30am.

Colbury Parish Church on Deer Leap Lane on Sunday 1st December at 11.30am.

East Boldre Post Office on Saturday 14th December at 9am.

Outside SPENCERS on Brookley Road at Brockenhurst on Saturday 14th December at 11am.

Bramshaw Village Shop on Monday 9th December at 8am.

Lyndhurst Parish Council Shop on Monday 9th December at 10am.

Bartley Post Office on Monday 9th December at 11am.

Outside the Trusty Servant in Minstead on Saturday 21st December at 10am.

The Tip, Leaf and Bean café in the New Forest Heritage Centre in Lyndhurst on Sunday 22nd December at 10am.

Lyndhurst Roman Catholic Church on Empress Road on Sunday 22nd December at 10.00am

Lyndhurst Baptist Church in Lyndhurst on Sunday 22nd December at midday

We are also holding our first POLICING IN YOUR COMMUNITY MEETING this month. This is your chance to meet some of your local Police team and ask them anything you like, so join us at St Michael and All Angels Church in Lyndhurst at 7.30pm on Friday 6th December.

Burglaries: Just after 1pm on Monday 4th November a man wearing a crash helmet and riding a motorbike broke into a house on Woodlands Road in Woodlands, towards the Netley Marsh end of the road. We are still looking for that person so if you have any information please contact us quoting the crime number 44190395610. Another house, this time on Lyndhurst Road at Ashurst has also been burgled this month. The house was broken into between 11.30am and 3.30pm on Friday 15th November and the crime number if you have any information is 44190411229.

Sheds and garages at St Nicholas Church, Balmer Lawn Hotel and Careys Manor Hotel in Brockenhurst have been broken into this month and outbuildings in Bartley, Lyndhurst, Ower, Cadnam, Brockenhurst, Lyndhurst, Woodlands, Minstead and Ashurst have also been

targeted. 2 men have been arrested and released on Police bail for a burglary to a shed at Penn Common.

At 11pm on Sunday 17th November the Co Op in Ashurst was broken into and several seasonal items stolen. If you have any information regarding that incident then the crime number you'll need is 44190413794.

I'm sure you will have heard that the Limewood Hotel just outside Lyndhurst had over £50,000 worth of wine stolen from the cellar. Some of the most noticeable wines will be a 1997 or 1998 Romanee Conti Grand Cru, a 1979 Chateau Petrus, a 1999 Screaming Eagle or a 6 litre bottle of wine from 2001 called Sassicaia Imperial. These bottles alone range from £17,000 to £1,400 each so if you are offered anything like that for much less than their value let us know. The crime number is 44190405894.

Also this month we are appealing for witnesses following suspicious incidents involving animals in the Forest. We received a report on Tuesday 19th November that a dead sheep had been found at the roadside on Penn Common in Bramshaw. The sheep had a puncture wound to its side and symbols had been drawn onto its body. Similar symbols have also been painted onto the doors and noticeboard at Bramshaw Church. It's possible that these incidents are linked to two others in which cows have been found with wounds. One of the cows was found in the Bramshaw area and the other in Linwood. The wounds to the cows have been treated and the animals are recovering. If you have any information that can help us with our enquiries then please call 101 and quote the crime reference number 44190416137.

Theft From Motor Vehicle: 11 cars parked on the roadside at Bolderwood, Beaulieu, Copythorne, Bramshaw, Brook, Bartley, Winsor, Lyndhurst and Minstead have been broken into this month.

The build up to Christmas is a particularly busy, and possibly fruitful, time of year for criminals. We are out spending money, have lots of parcels delivered to our homes, and some of us leave our curtains open to show our Christmas decorations with piles of presents sitting under our tree.

Every year we offer the following advice which again is mostly common sense but which can stop you from becoming the victim of crime this year. Please have a read and pass the information on to whoever you think would benefit from it. Thank you.

- **When Shopping:**
 - Make sure your handbag is closed so a pickpocket would find it difficult to get into it without you knowing.
 - Never leave a bag unattended in a trolley, even if only for a couple of seconds.
 - Try to keep wallets in an inside pocket and out of sight from a potential pickpocket.
 - Keep your PIN number confidential.
 - When entering your PIN number at a terminal ensure no one can see you enter it.
 - Try to pay for items on a debit card rather than carrying large amounts of cash. If this is not possible keep cash to a minimum.

- Avoid leaving your purchases and presents in your vehicle. If you have to, make sure they are not on display, store them in the boot, and make sure the car is locked.
- **At Cashpoints:**
 - If you see someone suspicious hanging around, cancel the transaction and use another cashpoint.
 - Before inserting your card have a look at the machine to check it looks normal.
 - When entering your PIN number, make sure others around cannot see.
 - Avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Only withdraw what you reasonably need.
 - Put your money and your cards away safely before leaving the machine.
- **At Home:**
 - Don't leave Christmas presents in view of a window.
 - If you are buying or receiving valuable gifts such as bikes, mobiles or electrical items register them for free at www.immobilise.com in doing so you will assist the police in returning your property should it be lost or stolen.
 - Dispose of present packaging carefully as empty boxes left outside can advertise that you have goods inside.
 - Refrain from keeping large amounts of cash at home.
 - A secure home will reduce the chance of a burglary. Make sure windows and doors are locked every time you leave the house.
 - Avoid leaving tools and ladders lying around that could help someone get into your home.
 - When you go out at night make it appear that someone is home. Draw the curtains, and leave a light on. You could always put a lamp or radio on a timer switch.

Our Speed Watch teams have been busy In November. The Copythorne Team carried out 6 surveys in various 30 mph zones in the Parish. They monitored a total of 1458 vehicles with 63% travelling over 31 mph. A total of 182 letters were sent out by the Police to motorists for driving over 35 mph and 5 drivers were recorded at speeds in excess of 50 mph with a top speed of 61 mph.

Because of the weather the Ashurst team could only go out once this month but the hour they spent on the 30 mph stretch of Woodlands Road saw them monitor over a dozen drivers exceeding the limit, with one driver reaching 44mph . The rain also limited the Lyndhurst team to two surveys in November. They monitored 406 vehicles and of those 156, so 38 %, were travelling over the 30 mph limit. 37 of those vehicles have received warning letters from the Police for recording speeds of 35 mph or more with one vehicle on Southampton Road reaching 49 mph.

The team in Minstead monitored 250 vehicles travelling along the Stoney Cross Road (C17) and 76 of them, so 30%, were exceeding the 40 mph speed limit. Of those 76, 22 vehicles were travelling at 46 mph or more and have received warning letters from the Police. One vehicle was recorded at 55 mph. The team also monitored 116 vehicles travelling along the Mill Lane, Blackwater (U139) and 69 of them, so 59%, were exceeding the 30 mph speed limit. Of those 169, 25 vehicles were travelling at 35 mph or more and have received warning letters from the Police. One vehicle was recorded at 57 mph.

The Beaulieu teams only survey this month saw them monitor 169 vehicles in one hour on Palace lane at the junction with Dock lane and in that time a staggering 52 were going over the 30 mph limit.

Finally the New Forest Roads Campaign team spent two separate hours on Roger Penny Way and monitored 338 vehicles, 39 of them were speeding and one was caught by one of our Countrywatch officers travelling at 69mph.

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Finally all of us on the New Forest Heart Neighbourhoods Police Team would like to wish you a very **MERRY CHRISTMAS** and a **HAPPY NEW YEAR**.

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