



NEW FOREST HEART

Monthly Beat Report –
November 2021



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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. I am based at Lyndhurst Police Station with my colleague PC 25169 Carl PEVERILL and we are responsible for Lyndhurst and the North of the Forest.

PC 2901 Jason Eastwood takes care of the Forest south of Lyndhurst.

In December we will be holding Beat Surgeries across the New Forest Heart area at the following venues.

BRAMSHAW VILLAGE STORES on Monday 6th December at 8am, BARTLEY POST OFFICE also on Monday 6th December but at 10am.

On Saturday 18th December we will be in the main car park in Lyndhurst between 2 and 3pm when we will have lots of information with us about how you can stop yourself from becoming a victim of Christmas crime. There's lots of things you can do around Christmas to keep your home safe, from turning on timer switches and leaving a light on to make your home appear to be occupied when you're out, to making sure presents aren't on display through your windows to opportunistic burglars. Also consider how you dispose of the packaging of high value items so that you're not advertising your presents to passers-by. We will have advice on how to stay safe online, and because it's Christmas we will have some mince pies with us too !!!!!

We will be in the precinct opposite the hand car wash in ASHURST between 2 and 2.30pm on Sunday 19th December and at the MINSTEAD COMMUNITY CAFE in the village church on Thursday 16th December at 2pm.

No homes have been burgled this month but seven outbuildings in Brockenhurst, Lyndhurst, Beaulieu, Minstead and Copythorne have, and tools and a bicycle stolen. Attempts were also made to break into a property on Woodlands Road, but the intruders were disturbed. Elsewhere a small amount of cash was stolen during an overnight break in to Foxhills School, an attempt was made to gain access to a container at Exbury Gardens and three shops on Brookley Road in Brockenhurst were broken into on the same night and cash stolen.

A robbery took place just after 3 in the afternoon on Thursday 18th November at the Pharmacy opposite the Haywain in Bartley. Investigations are still on going and if you have any information that might help us identify the person responsible then call us on 101 and quote the crime number 44210463694.

Three catalytic converters have been stolen from cars parked in Brockenhurst, Minstead and Ashurst and another 30 vehicles have also targeted and tools, handbags and money stolen from them. The New Forest car parks affected are Fritham, Vinney Ridge Inclosure and Longslade View. And cars and vans parked on the roadside, on driveways and in pub and hotel car parks in Lyndhurst, Winsor, Minstead, Brockenhurst, Emery Down, Stoney Cross and East Boldre have also been broken into. Also a boat moored at Bucklers Hard was broken into and several items stolen.

In other incidents cars have been stolen from a driveway in Bartley and a farm in Winsor and a tractor was also stolen from a farm in Winsor. Criminal damage has been caused to the red telephone boxes in Brockenhurst and Winsor, cash was stolen from a charity box in Brockenhurst, and parcels have been taken from porches in Ashurst and Lyndhurst. This type of theft is likely to increase at this time of year, so if you are expecting parcels make sure they are left with neighbours or somewhere out of sight. Also this month cannabis was seized from three people parked at Boltons Bench.

At this time of year, it's important that you do whatever you can to keep yourself safe online. Did you know that 28,049 victims lost a total of £15.4 million to online shopping fraud during last year's festive shopping season? Here are some tips on how to shop online safely this Christmas.

- If you are buying something from a website or person you don't know and trust, carry out some research first. Look online for reviews before buying anything. Check the seller's feedback history first.
- Use a payment method that offers buyers protection such as a credit card. Most major credit card providers will help you get your money back if the item is faulty or damaged or never arrives.
- Use a strong and separate password for your email account. Criminals can use your email to access other online accounts, such as those you use for online shopping.

You should also enable two-factor authentication (2FA) where possible. This gives your online account additional protection by double checking that you really are the person you claim to be, when logging in.

For further information about how to stay secure online visit the [Cyber Aware website](#).

November also saw the launch of OP MOUNTIE, a police-led multi-agency approach to animal related injury and death and speeding along the Roger Penny Way and other areas covered by the New Forest Heart Team. On the 1st and 29th November, we were joined by Forestry England, the National Park Authority, New Forest District Council and our colleagues on both the Roads Safety Team and the Roads Policing Unit. We aim to both educate and enforce drivers who are caught speeding, and in November alone the Safety Camera Van captured 100 speeding drivers, Police officers issued eight speeding tickets, one car was seized because it was being driven by someone with an out of date driving licence and another driver was reported for not having valid insurance. Educational advice on why it is important to stay under the speed limit in the Forest was given by our partner agencies to 25 speeding drivers. These operations will continue into the New Year as we look to reduce speed throughout the New Forest Heart Beat area.

During November, the Speed Watch team in Lyndhurst surveyed various roads in the village and monitored 1043 vehicles. Of those 552, so 53%, were travelling over the 30 mph limit and 72 of those vehicles have received warning letters from the Police for recording speeds above the threshold criteria, with one vehicle on Southampton Road recorded at 48 mph and another at Chapel Lane reaching 58 mph. Also in November, the Speed Watch team in Minstead surveyed the C17 at Stoney Cross and monitored 396 vehicles. Of those 110, so 28%, were travelling over the 40 mph limit and 25 of those vehicles have received warning letters from the Police for recording speeds above the threshold criteria, with one vehicle recorded at 62 mph.

Don't forget you can contact any of us on the New Forest Heart Police team on the details below **but please use 999, 101 or the on line reporting page on the Hampshire Police website to record crimes or incidents of anti-social behaviour**

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