Neighbourhood Watch - WINTER 2019



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Hello fellow residents,

Due to sudden increased crime rates in our neighbourhood, which we have been receiving both verbally and on community social media pages, a special meeting was convened recently at Coombs Cottage by the Coombs/Wright Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) committee, to discuss what action could be taken to reduce crime in the our suburbs.

The meeting was attended by members of the Coombs/Wright NHW committee including myself; the ACT NHW President; one of the two new Molonglo Valley (MV) representatives on the Weston Creek Community Council; and the MV Mingle Coordinator.

If you have any further suggestions how we can make our neighbourhood safe then Recent break in attempts at the AjiJo please do contact me. Please be advised Indian Convenience Grocery store at that as a community we can assist the Coombs shops and the ram raid at the police greatly by observing and taking note Denman Prospect shops, frequent motor of any suspicious activity or criminal vehicles break-ins etc had been matters of activity in our neighbourhood. No matter concern over the recent months. how insignificant you think your observation may be, it could well be the The discussion centered around issues vital piece of information that the Police specific to the Molonglo Valley including: require to solve a crime or to apprehend an offender. The isolation and distance of the MV

- from the Woden Valley Police Station;
- The high concentration of vulnerable residents including non-English speaking members of the community;
- Lack of surrounding infrastructure including retail and commercial

SECURE YOUR VEHICLE - ACT POLICE

ACT Policing is reminding motorists to remove valuables and secure their vehicles following a number of vehicle break-ins and thefts.

Vehicle break-ins are opportunistic crimes and there are a If you have a garage, use it rather than leave your car in the driveway or on the street. If you have to leave it outside, if number of steps owners can take to limit the chances of their car being broken into. possible park in a well-lit area.

Always ensure the car is locked and secure. Close all windows and the sunroof.

Do not leave ANY valuables in your car. Wallets, phones,

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activity resulting in security issues;

The rapidly increasing population of the MV:

The meeting concluded that necessary steps should be taken to seek additional ACT Policing patrols particularly over-night as well as a possible part time ACT Policing presence in Coombs or Denman Prospect.

With little more awareness we can all help to make our homes and suburbs a safer place to be. Till next time. Be safe, stay secure.

Manish Coombs-Wright Area Coordinator

satnavs and other electronic devices are what thieves are after. Sporting equipment (including bikes and golf clubs) and power tools are also regularly stolen.

Remove credit cards, driver's licences and registration papers from the glove box.

Always take your car keys with you, and when at home leave them in a secure place. Spare keys or garage remotes should never be hidden in or on the car. Do not place your name, address or registration number on keys. If you go away without your car, either take your keys with you or leave them with a neighbour or friend. Never leave the keys in plain sight in your house when you are not there.

For future reference, record details of your car such as registration, make, model, year, colour, VIN and engine number.

If your car is broken into or stolen – please do not call 000. The police assistance line 131 444 is the appropriate way to report a theft or stolen vehicle.

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Tuesday 10 September 2019 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm Location: Charles Weston School

Residents of Molonglo Valley are invited to come and meet with ACT Policing, Neighbourhood Watch and Crime Stoppers to talk about safety in your neighbourhood.

The sessions will be split to cover the following:

- Common tips as well as
- Time for questions, and
- General discussion opportunities.

There will be some light refreshments in the evening. Please register your attendance.

https://mvsafetysession2019.eventbrite.com.au

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	NIME	9141191169		CATALANO	WRIGHT	Other theft	17/06/2019
May-19				PHILIP HODGINS	WRIGHT	Other theft	17/06/2019
PEARLMAN	COOMBS	Assault causing ABH	16/05/2019	CATALANO	WRIGHT	Other theft	17/06/2019
TAGGART	COOMBS	Assault other	04/05/2019	PHILLIP HODGINS	WRIGHT	Other theft	17/06/2019
CHANTER	COOMBS	Assault other	06/05/2019	DIESENDORF	WRIGHT	Other theft	15/06/2019
FINEMORE	COOMBS	Other theft	10/05/2019	PETER CULLEN	WRIGHT	Other theft	23/06/2019
JOHN GORTON	COOMBS	Other theft	13/05/2019	PHILIP HODGINS	WRIGHT	Other property damage	15/06/2019
JANINE HAINES	COOMBS	Other theft	17/05/2019	PHILLIP HODGINS	WRIGHT	Other property damage	15/06/2019
NEWCHURCH	COOMBS	Other theft	25/05/2019	STEVE IRWIN	WRIGHT	Other property damage	15/06/2019
JOHN GORTON	WRIGHT	Assault causing GBH	17/05/2019	PHILIP HODGINS	WRIGHT	Other property damage	15/06/2019
GORNALL	WRIGHT	Theft of Vehicle Number Plates	18/05/2019	PHILLIP HODGINS	WRIGHT	Other property damage	18/06/2019
PHILLIP HODGINS	WRIGHT	Other theft	22/05/2019	PHILLIP HODGINS	WRIGHT	Other property damage	18/06/2019
				CATALANO	WRIGHT	Other property damage	19/06/2019
Jun-19				PETER CULLEN	WRIGHT	Other property damage	23/06/2019
CORNELIUS	COOMBS	Burglary dwellings	10/06/2019	PHILIP HODGINS	WRIGHT	Other property damage	18/06/2019
TAGGART	COOMBS	Motor vehicle theft	06/06/2019				
BLACKMORE	COOMBS	Motor vehicle theft	09/06/2019	Jul-19			
NEWCHURCH	COOMBS	Motor vehicle theft	16/06/2019	FAIRHALL	COOMBS	Assault other	06-07-2019
ARTHUR BLAKELEY	COOMBS	Motor vehicle theft	12/06/2019	FAIRHALL	COOMBS	Assault other	23-07-2019
TAGGART	COOMBS	Other theft	11/06/2019	PEARLMAN	COOMBS	Motor vehicle theft	04-07-2019
JOHN GORTON	COOMBS	Theft of Vehicle Number Plates	03/06/2019	HAROLD WHITE	COOMBS	Other theft	04-07-2019
GUSTIN	COOMBS	Other theft	16/06/2019	FINEMORE	COOMBS	Other theft	04-07-2019
TAGGART	COOMBS	Other property damage	14/06/2019	FINEMORE	COOMBS	Other theft	04-07-2019
NEWCHURCH	COOMBS	Other property damage	15/06/2019	FAIRHALL	COOMBS	Other property damage	04-07-2019
PETER CULLEN	WRIGHT	Motor vehicle theft	23/06/2019	CHELSWORTH	WRIGHT	Other theft	01/07/2019
TRUEBRIDGE	WRIGHT	Theft of Vehicle Number Plates	10/06/2019	STROM	WRIGHT	Other theft	01/07/2019
ULYSSES	WRIGHT	Other theft	15/06/2019	CATALANO	WRIGHT	Other theft	27/07/2019
JAMES MCAULEY	WRIGHT	Other theft	15/06/2019	STEVE IRWIN	WRIGHT	Other property damage	06/07/2019
PHILIP HODGINS	WRIGHT	Other theft	17/06/2019				
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Thank you!

Results from Crime Stoppers' recent Dob in a Dealer campaign are expected to disrupt the nation's illegal drugs market for some time thanks to more than 47,000 information Reports received from concerned people in the community



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BUY ONLINE NWATCH ------

BE VIGILANT WHEN BUYING OR SELLING GOODS ONLINE

ACT Policing would like to remind the Canberra community to be vigilant when buying or selling valuable goods, particularly via online marketplaces.

Police are aware of a number of recent dark car parks, playing fields, and the other instances of theft from people buying and person's home; Where possible, avoid selling goods, such as mobile phones, via meeting at your own home; and Take a friend online classifieds.

transactions:

Anyone who has been a victim of this type of Choose a well-lit public area that you are incident, or who has information about familiar with to exchange the goods, recent incidents, is urged to Crime Stoppers preferably somewhere CCTV is available; on 1800 333 000, or via the Crime Stoppers ACT website. Information can be provided Avoid meeting in vulnerable areas, such as anonymously.



Saturday 24 August 2019 11am – 3pm **Charles Weston School**

Residents of Molonglo Valley are invited to a day of family, fun and food. There will be exotic foods and drinks, entertainment, tours of emergency services vehicles and arts and crafts.

Welcome Seniors!

Are you over the age of 65 and concerned about your own or someone else's safety's

Do you suspect elder abuse, fear being scammed, need information on home and personal safety or would just like some advice from police? ACT Policing is always here and happy to have a chat regarding any of your concerns. They can also help put you in touch with any services that may be able to assist.

You can also contact the Council of The Ageing (COTA ACT) on 6282 3777 or email contact@cotaact.org.au.

Young at Heart A Neighbourhood Friendship Group.

 ${f A}$ t the Stromlo Cottage most Wednesday mornings at 10.00am residents of Molonglo meet for a chat and a coffee or tea – whichever is their preference. We are a friendly bunch of mature age residents who are creating new friendships in our new environment and we would love to see more residents join us. No commitment to be there every week, no joining fee just come along and meet your neighbours. We don't always meet at the cottage, we have had a couple of outings, one being a visit to the recycling centre which was extremely interesting and informative. We will continue to arrange a few outings in and around Canberra.

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safety as well as the security of their property when engaging in these or family member with you if possible.

Police would like to remind the public to It's also important to have an exit strategy if take practical steps to ensure their personal a meeting doesn't go as planned - identify an exit route, and ensure you have access to a telephone to contact police if necessary.



Diwali Celebrations 2 November 2019 **Stromlo Cottage, Coombs**

Residents of Wright and Coombs are invited to join in an evening picnic to celebrate Diwali, an Indian 'Festival of Lights'. It is a time when people come together to celebrate good conquering evil, light conquering dark.



