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SCAM IS ENDED !

You will recall that we recently warned about the parcel delivery service that got you to phone a premium rate line. That particular line has been terminated. With the new controls in place these sort of scams will be more difficult to work in future but it is not impossible that someone will try to repeat the idea.

ICSTIS will therefore be launching a leaflet offering advice on protection called "Are you protected against premium rate scams?" These will be available in Citizens Advice Bureaux and other public places.

The theme for our recent Neighbourhood Watch (NW) Conference was the collection and dissemination of information. The process by which information becomes useful intelligence is through the three stages of collection, collation and dissemination. Collation, the process of bringing information together to make intelligence, is what the police do extremely well. However without the raw information they don't have much to work on. Therefore what we must do is to provide as much of the raw information as possible and that means keeping our wits about us, so that we observe and report ANYTHING suspicious. That way together we will have the best chance of reducing crime.

The Easter hols are now but a distant memory and it's back to the grindstone for most of us. The criminal fraternity are also looking to step up their activities in preparation for their summer hols so now is the time to be ever watchful for suspicious activities. Police Direct reported just such a case recently when burglars were caught in the act after someone phoned in to report what they thought was suspicious. More successes like that and there's a chance we'll persuade them to hunt elsewhere.

If something appears to be odd, out of place or suspicious then report it to the police on either 999 or 01284 774100; and do it at once.

Peter Johnson

Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator, Bury Rural.

Well the summer is around the corner, possibly for a few days at least and whilst this gives us all the opportunity to take leisurely walks in the beautiful countryside in our part of Suffolk, it also gives the light fingered few an opportunity to steal prized possessions left on display in vehicles parked at the country parks in our area. Ideally I would ask that valuables are not left in vehicles, but if there is no alternative please make sure that they are hidden in the boot. As part of a continuing campaign to restrict opportunities for vehicle crime all local officers have spotter pads, not the ABC kind those of you who have ever had any interest in railways will know what I mean, to record vehicle details where property is on display or the vehicle is insecure. The pads are then submitted to our Community Safety Unit who will generate a letter to act as a gentle reminder to the owner of the vehicle.

So remember a few seconds removing or hiding property or locking a vehicle could prevent a serious financial loss and inconvenience to the owner.

Before I close I would like to thank Peter for his continued contribution to the Watch News and know that he is still busy preparing articles from the confines of the West Suffolk Hospital. He is to all of us within Bury Rural a superb example of what can be achieved in the face of adversity and whilst he is a hard act to follow would echo his sentiment that we need an editor to help us in the fight against crime. I'm not so sure what he means by police speak though!

Thank you all for being numerous extra sets of eyes and ears across our area and please feel free to contact me at Ixworth if you have any concerns.

Geoff Nunn

District Inspector Bury Rural

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Rural North West – PC 39 Lindsey Whittaker

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I shall be holding a meeting at the Tithe Barn in Bardwell at 6.30pm on Thursday 25 May to re-launch Bardwell's Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. Invitations will be delivered in the next few weeks and I'm hoping that as many people as possible can come. Please do come along and find out about this excellent scheme.

My next police surgeries will be in Ixworth Library from 11am to 12 noon on Saturday 6 May and Saturday 3 June you may also speak with me at Bardwell on 25 May.

Lindsey Whittaker

Crime reported on the Beat this month

Barnham. On Wed 19 Apr a detached house was entered, mobile phone and digital camera stolen.

Euston. During dusk hours on 21 Apr an unsuccessful attempt was made to steal a chestnut coloured Arab horse. The horse sustained leg injuries.

Laptop and mobile phone stolen from detached house on 19 Apr.

Honington. A mobile phone was stolen at a gymnasium.

Between 11 and 25 Apr Cash withdrawn from account with out owner's permission.

Coney Weston. Between 10-11 Apr an off road motorcycle and electrical cabling was stolen from a detached house.

Insecure garage entered 10-11 Apr, knives and catering equipment stolen but recovered from neighbours hedge the following day.

Criminal damage caused to a motor vehicle in Rushford Rd on 14 Apr.

Also a man arrested for possession of an offensive weapon, Rushford Rd.

Ixworth. Two drivers arrested after providing positive breath tests. Between 3 Apr and 7 Apr burglary occurred in Thetford Rd cash stolen.

Rural North – PC 161 Sheena Tate

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A reminder to residents in Hopton that the NHW AGM will be held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 9 May 2006. Hopton now has a healthy thriving NHW network covering all the village and my thanks to all the co-ordinators there.

There have also been successful relaunches of the Honeymeade Close/Wyken Road watches in Stanton but I'm still looking for volunteers for Fordhams Close!

Sheena Tate

Crimes reported on the Beat this month

Barningham. Known offender stole items from shop.

Hopton. Several public order offences occurred in Hopton during April.

Hepworth. Known offender arrested for cannabis use.

Stanton. Criminal damage to vehicle left secure and unattended in driveway in Honeymeade Close between 31 Mar and 1 Apr.

Thelnetham. Man arrested for possession of cannabis.

Knettishall. During daylight hours a vehicle parked secure and unattended had damage caused to the drivers and rear passenger doors.

Rural North East – Parishes normally covered by PC Chapman have been reallocated to other CPOs. PC Lindsey Whittaker covers Great & Little Livermere, RAF Honington and Troston; PC Sheena Tate, Pakenham; and PC Graham Howe, Ampton, Great Barton and Timworth.

Pakenham Beat Surgery 12 o'clock on 11 May 2006.

Gt Barton. Two offences of obtaining property by deception – chq/credit card, one in Conyers Way 2 Apr and the other Anglesey Place between 1 – 4 Apr.

One driving whilst disqualified.

Motor vehicle damaged and taken without owners consent from Green Lane on 6 Apr.

Damage and theft from automatic machine.

Overnight 24/25 Apr Jack Hunter Tipper trailer stolen from Shimton Bridge.

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THE SOUTH ZONE

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Rural South East – CPO PC 704 Ruth Horton

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I will be at Nowton Country fair in June and would be pleased see as many of you as possible in the police pod.

Ruth Horton

Crimes reported on the Beat this month Sicklesmere. On 10 Apr two offenders entered a sales office and whilst the salesman was distracted by one the other stole a briefcase, a mobile and a wallet. The card from the wallet was used within a short space of time.

Rougham. An assault took place on 7 Apr following between neighbours.

Unattended Volvo digger stolen from side of A14 overnight 27/28 Apr.

Between 25-27 Apr a telephone kiosk on Kingshall Street was broken into cash stolen.

Rural South – CPO PC 992 Sarah King

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I shall be away from my beat for the first week of May. I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible at the annual parish meetings most of which are being held in May.

Sarah King

Crimes reported on the Beat this month Saxham. Two HGV's entered between 1-3 Apr, items such as tools, transformers, cd's and dvd's, mobile phone, camera and speakers stolen from industrial premises.

Red diesel stolen from secure storage tank.

Barrow. Audio equipment stolen between 8/9 Apr from The Street.

Chedburgh. Criminal damage caused to guttering, security light and garage door on Elizabeth Drive between 14-16 Apr.

Chevington. Laptop computer stolen from detached chalet bungalow on Chedburgh Road on 26 Apr.

Rural South West – CPO PC 819 Graham Howe

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I, together with other Police Officers, will be manning the Crime Prevention pod at the South Suffolk Show in Ampton on Sunday the 14th of May. Come along to see us for security advice, to have your mobile phone marked, for free, or just to have a chat.

Graham Howe

Crimes reported on the Beat this month Fornham All Saints. Two disqualified drivers caught driving.

Fornham St Genevieve. Vehicle left insecure. Mobile phone taken.

West Stow. Damage caused to a locked vehicle left secure and unattended on Icklingham Rd 24 Apr.

Ingham. Between 29 Apr and 1 May a quantity of armoured cable was stolen from a quarry on Thetford Rd.

Lackford. Telescope stolen from observatory at Lackford Lake during daylight hours on 29 Apr.

NorthStow. Cds and mobile phone stolen from vehicle parked unattended and secure in car park 29 Apr.

Risby. Diesel stolen from premises on Newmarket Rd 18 Apr.

On 3 Apr a VEL was used fraudulently on A14.

Fornham St Martin. Series of incidents in Gleneagles Close, Hoylake Close and Fulford Close overnight 14/15 Apr. Parked vehicles targeted by thieves and property stolen. Vehicles left insecure.

PETER'S PANEL

At the NW Conference this March I announced that I intended to stand down at the next conference in March 2007 and that a volunteer would be needed from our ranks to take over the role of Bury Rural NW Co-ordinator. As I'm writing this panel from a bed in the West Suffolk Hospital I suspect the need for that volunteer is now rather more pressing.

Prostrate cancer struck me some eight years ago and has now got to the stage where, despite the doctors best efforts, it is invading other parts of my body so I feel that I should, as politicians say, spend more time with my family!

I cannot fail to mention this hospital nor cannot say enough for medical, nursing and cleaning staff here. Listening to the cheerful banter of the latter is a joy and I'm sure does much to cheer up all the inmates of the F wards. It is clear that the medical and nursing staff are working under pressure, but this does not deflect them from their dedicated care duties. And if, at times, they may seem a little forgetful or slow to respond this is just because they have too much to do in the day. These are the parts of our Health Service about which we should be justly proud and for which, I personally, am deeply grateful.

What, you may be asking has all this got to do with NW and Peter's Panel? - I can't think! Except that we need a new editor/author for the Bury Rural Watch News and someone to jolly along Neighbourhood Watches in Rural. Essentially the latter has to be someone with much experience of running a Watch who has the confidence of other NW Co-ordinators.

Editing the Watch News principally involves translating "police speak" and "police report" into clear simple English that is more akin to newspaper rather than police reportage. It is NOT always that simple. You must, obviously, be computer literate and it makes life much simpler to work on both a home computer and the police network in either Ixworth or Horringer Police Stations.

Once out of this institution I'd be more than happy to talk to any volunteers about this rewarding task.

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