

PANWA NEWS.

For Buriton, East Meon, Froxfield, Hill Brow, Liss, Liss Forest, Petersfield,
Privett, Ramsdean, Ramshill, Sheet, Steep, Stroud, and Weston.



Local Policing In Our Area

We would like to thank Sgt Stuart Tripp and his team in the Petersfield Area for their efforts on our behalf.

GOING AWAY OVER EASTER?

Then don't forget to let a close neighbour, local police or your NW co-ordinator know, so someone can keep an eye on your home for you. You should always let someone have contact details and the details of any key holders when you are going away, especially of alarmed houses. Burglaries are more abundant during holiday times and they LOVE empty houses. Check your security and take extra precautions. A neighbour can work wonders as a deterrent against thieves, even without a house key they can move bins, and park cars on your drive to help make the place looked lived in. Even better with a key they can pick up the post, draw the curtains check the timer lights go on and off ok, feed the cats, and check for any urgent messages on the phone. It's time to adopt a neighbour!

IMPORTANT

Hants Police New Alarms Record System

Householders who have Type B (audible) intruder alarms installed at their homes and/or offices need to give key holders' names to the Police. We highlighted this for our members in the last newsletter. Help update the system. The forms can be found in Petersfield police station or on the Police web site, www.hampshire.police.uk

HOT NEWS!!! WE NOW HAVE AN AREA REPRESENTATIVE FOR LISS

We welcome John Collins of Newfield Rd with thanks

DID YOU LOSE A BIKE LAST YEAR??

If the answer is yes then DO try the police station they have a shed full of bikes. Find Your Bike day is on 22nd March but any day from now till April will be ok. If you go along with a detailed description they may have yours safely tucked away somewhere, just waiting to be retrieved. If you don't try you will never know. Remember if it had been postcoded and had your house number on they could have brought it back to your own front door by now!

SPRING 2008

Time to get on your Bike & Stop Bike Theft

At this time of year we are all thinking about getting out in the sunshine, perhaps doing more exercise and getting the family bikes out of the shed. It's time to check they are safe. Are the tyres well pumped up and puncture free? Do all the gears work? Has it been serviced recently? Have you got all you need? To be safe, do you have a bell, and a secure bike lock; (You can even buy bike alarms now-a-days). Has your bike been security marked? Check with the Petersfield Police Station and Owens for full details of their Code a Bike Days coming this Spring, the first one is March 15th at Tesco's car park, Petersfield 11am-1pm. With that done your bike can be easily traced. A bike is the one item we find that gets taken most - even from sheds or gardens.

'Anything to make that long walk quicker and easier' THINKS THE THIEF. So we just need to make it harder for them to steal in the first place. Crime is still around in the Petersfield area, so be aware and take some precautions. When parking your bike somewhere look for a more secure, well lit, overlooked place - even manned with CCTV. Try keeping it in your view. If you can't see it then perhaps think of asking some one else seated close by if they would mind watching it for you, while you shop. If you are leaving a bike anywhere quiet, take the wheel with you, or if that is too hard to do then take the saddle off - it won't be going very far like that! Bike locks have been known to be cut through, so make sure yours is REALLY thick and sturdy. At home when you put your bike in the garage or shed LOCK BOTH or even ALARM both. If your bike is not marked with the house number and post code then now is a really good time to get it done.

Many stolen cycles are recovered by the police but cannot be returned to their owners just because this vital information is missing. Check those bikes out and get them sorted. It's a good time to get on your bike and make sure that no one else can!

Spring is here, happy pedalling.

A note from your chairman. Our AGM was well attended. Our thanks to Jane Gulliver, of Trading Standards who gave such an informative talk, it was enjoyed by all. We were pleased to welcome Inspector Laurie Rickwood, Jan van de Nadort - Chair of Hampshire NW, Margaret Filley - President of Hampshire NW, Bob and Hilary Ayre, Petersfield and East Hants Councillors, as well as the co-ordinators from all around our Area. We were sad as Alan Rice and Hermione Waller were unable to attend and receive presentations for their dedicated service, but I will ensure that they get passed on along with our Best wishes and Thanks. Now we are all set for another year. Last years endeavours are still coming to fruition, as Trading Standards are ready to set up 'no cold calling zones' in Petersfield. Our numbers are as ever steadily growing. We are forever requesting that if you have email addresses you share them with your co-ordinator and that if they have an email address (or access to one), PANWA would like to know. In this day and age if we can cut down the paper copies it can only be a good thing. We will always do hard copy of newsletters to those that want them; our information is for everybody, not just the few with computer access. But since we are a voluntary association who really don't want to be a drain on resources, which could be better used by the police or EHDC elsewhere, then our largest outgoing cost is for our printing. Anyone who knows of a sponsor willing to assist, please feel free to contact us.

Keep safe. Best wishes Jane Hoolahan

CRIME STOPPERS 0800 555 111

An anonymous phone service to report on crimes

Great News for Petersfield

HCC Trading Standards are setting up 'No Cold Calling' zones in Lynton Rd, Oaklands Rd, and Stanton Rd. Information day for residents will be 31st March. Signs will go up the following week and the Press Launch will be the beginning of April. Well Done Us!



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FIRE SAFETY

Can you think of some tips to make your home safe from fires? Do you have a plan of escape for the family in the event of a fire? Is it on display somewhere – your fridge door perhaps? Have you ever practised it? How many fire alarms do you have? Where are they? Is that the right place to have them? And when did you last check their batteries?

Local Policing In Our Area

Inspector Laurie Rickwood is our Inspector
Sgt Stuart Tripp leads the team
PC 1449 Mick Hurst - Petersfield Town Centre
PC 206 Duncan Gordon - Petersfield Outer Town
PC 2303 Dave Baker - East Meon Buriton Froxfield
PC 3906 Elliot Mowbray - Liss,
PCSO 13356 Dawn Gretton - P.field Town centre
PCSO 12967 Joe Etele - Petersfield Outer Town
PCSO 13326 Almi Toogood - P.field Outer Town
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Petersfield Area Neighbourhood Watch Association Executive Committee 2008

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The Petersfield Local Food Festival

Will be held Saturday evening May 31st and all day Sunday June 1st, in conjunction with Hampshire Farmers Market. Also there will be tasting stalls, demonstrations and performances. This event is supported by Petersfield Tomorrow.

HOME SAFETY – DON'T LET THEM IN!!!

Remember – you don't have to let anyone into your home. If you don't know them keep the door chain on and ask to check their credentials. If they have a calling card SHUT the door while you inspect it, if they are genuine they will not mind waiting. CAUTION! Do not ring the number on their card. If they are phoney, their number will be too, just answered by an accomplice. If they have vanished when you return to the door, keep the card safe until it can be handed into the police for possible forensic checking.

Operation Shut Out Meetings Continue

Our thanks to the PCSO's for running these meetings

Neighbourhood Watch Week 16th June

For one week you are all challenged to do a good turn for a neighbour. If people would like to organize any special events within their own watches, this would be a good time to do so. If any advice is required please feel free to ask.

Pyramids within each watch?

How do your co-ordinators communicate with the members in their watch, I wonder? It is so important to be able to contact everybody quickly to report crime, if we are to get a response back and help the police. Now with email and printing off notes it is easier. Some watches have a phone pyramid of their own where 3 people get phoned and then phone it on further. It is no good co-ordinators receiving information for their watch if they have not set up a means in which to distribute it swiftly and easily. Spring is a good time to refresh your system, update the files, check all of the information you have for everyone is correct. Go out and meet the neighbours.

Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service

(HFRS) can provide a free home fire safety visit where there is an identified need. They will come to your home, fit smoke detection appliances and provide fire safety advice. If you are not in one of their target groups they will invite you to a presentation which will contain the latest fire safety advice and provide you with guidance to be able to undertake a full risk assessment of your own home, with a free ten year smoke detector. To be considered for a home fire safety visit you can contact the Community Fire Safety Department on **023 8062 6809** or write to them at, Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service HQ. Leigh Road, Eastleigh, SO50 9SJ