

Ferny Grove 10 Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter

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Dogs on Patrol


A number of local NHW groups and QLD Police held a community event at Everton Park Dog Park on Sunday 10 April. The event included promotion of 'Dogs on Patrol', an initiative encouraging residents to be more observant about what is happening in their neighbourhood.

There were around 50 free 'Dogs on Patrol' tags given away, a free sausage sizzle, dog training displays, free doggie treats and other information for attendees. Members of the Crime Prevention Team from Ferny Grove Police Station were on hand to answer questions from the public and support the initiative.

If you're interested in how we can further support this initiative in the Ferny Grove area, please come along to our next NHW meeting on 18 May.



**Next FG10
NHW Meeting
7.00pm
Wednesday
18 May 2016
The Grove
Sports Club**



ALL WELCOME



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10 NHW

A community is like a ship; everyone ought to be prepared to take the helm – Henrik Ibsen



Reporting an incident

Taking your dog for their daily walk can not only be great for you and your dog, but also the community.

Community safety and crime prevention is everyone's responsibility, so remember to always carry your mobile phone with you on your walk.

In all cases, act quickly and note details of the incident – date, time, full description of any people or vehicles involved.

- **000** – emergency calls for Police, Fire Services or Ambulance
- **131 444** – PoliceLink for non-urgent calls
- **1800 333 000** – Crime Stoppers with details of any known or suspected crime



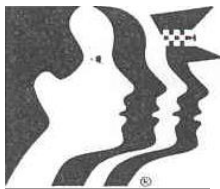

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Opt-out of unsolicited telemarketing calls

The Federal Government has an internet site to register phone numbers to opt-out of unsolicited telemarketing calls.

It's a free service where you can securely register your home, mobile or fax numbers to reduce these calls. You can complete an online registration at <https://www.donotcall.gov.au/>

Further information about the 'Do Not Call Register' is available at: <https://www.donotcall.gov.au/home/about-the-do-not-call-register/>

This register is permanent, meaning you don't have to re-register.

If registering online doesn't suit you, call 1300 792 958 to register a number.

Scams

Scams can take many forms and offer a range of inducements. Below are some examples of active scams.

Landline scammers

<http://northbrisbane.nhwq.org/2016/02/28/landline-scammers/>

Scamwatch.gov.au advises that people are being scammed over the phone. The caller states they're with the Telstra Undercover Scammer Team and ask if the victim has experienced slow internet, and offer to remove 'viruses'.

They have the victim install screen-sharing software that provides them with full control of the computer. They have them open their internet banking portal, and the scammer pretends to deposit an amount of money.

The victim is then instructed to withdraw money from an ATM and deliver it to an address. If they complain, the scammer threatens to delete personal photos from their computer.

Subpoena email scam

Police warn of a 'subpoena' email scam which says they have broken the law and are being issued with a subpoena to attend court. When they click on a link they're prompted to download an application which infects their computer.

Police urge anyone receiving unsolicited emails with unusual or suspicious content not to click on any links or reply to the email, but to delete it from their inbox.

Ransom email scam

<http://www.nhwq.org/2016/03/25/email-scams-called-cryptolocker>

This scam locks files by encrypting them and the scammer demands a ransom to decrypt them. The virus is delivered via email or banner ads on legitimate websites.

The emails have subject lines like... 'invoice', 'payment', 'parcel', 'fine', 'Police', 'account', 'AFP', 'infringement', 'ATO', 'Australia Post', 'PayPal' and other official sounding terms.

Senders appear to be legitimate businesses such as police, Australia Post, ATO, banks.

As an example, PayPal uses certain protocols when emailing customers. If unsure, forward the email to phishing@paypal.com.au and they'll advise if it's a genuine email from them. More info from PayPal:

<https://www.paypal.com/au/webapps/mpp/phishing>

SCAMWATCH

The Federal Government has a site where you can register to receive information relating to current scams, or report a scam. The site is **SCAMWATCH** and the address is

<https://www.scamwatch.gov.au/>

Police Blog website

You can visit or subscribe to the blogs, which contain useful and up-to-date information.

<http://mypolice.qld.gov.au/brisbanenorth/>

Next FG10 NHW meeting

Our next meeting is at 7.00pm on Wednesday 18 May at The Grove Sports Club.

We would love to see you there, or you can use the contact details below for any issues or topics you want raised at the meeting.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Emergency	000
Ferny Grove Police Station	3872 1555
PoliceLink (non urgent calls)	131 444
Crime Stoppers	1800 333 000

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