



NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM

New Forest Heart Beat Report



Hello and welcome to the September 2023 Beat Report for the New Forest Heart area. Your team is PC 24901 Mark ROBERTS and PCSO 14495 Richard WILLIAMS.

In October come and see us on Tuesday 10th at the Bramshaw Stores at 8am, outside the Bartley Post Office at 9am and then at the Happy Cheese in Ashurst at 11am. On Friday 13th October we will be in the main car park in Beaulieu at 10.30am, then the main car park in Brockenhurst at 11.30am and finally outside the Community Centre at East Boldre at 12.30pm.

On Thursday 19th October we are at the Open Door café in Minstead Church at 2pm and our public meeting with our partners at Forestry England, the New Forest National Park Authority, Country Watch and NFDog is at 8am on Saturday 21st October BUT WE HAVN'T DECIDED ON A VENUE YET but we will let you know nearer the time.

Finally on Sunday 22nd October we will be outside the Visitors Centre in Lyndhurst at 10am.

If you can't make any of these meetings you can always call or email us on the details below but to report a crime or any anti-social behaviour dial 101 or go the Hampshire and IOW Police website. Of course if it's an emergency always call 999.

A house in Ashurst was burgled between 6.30pm and 8.10pm on Tuesday 26th September while the home owners were at work. Investigations are ongoing so if you live on the main Lyndhurst Road through the village and saw or heard anything suspicious in and around those times please call us and quote the crime number 44230393792.

Thirteen outbuildings were broken into this month including three garages in Newbridge on the same night where a motorbike, power tools and bicycles were stolen. A motorbike was also stolen from a shed on Hill Street and Quad bikes have been taken from properties in Brockenhurst, Winsor and Ashurst where the Forestry England yard was targeted. Other outbuildings entered this month were in Minstead, Beaulieu, Fritham and Lyndhurst. If you would like information about how to make your sheds, garages, storage units and barns more secure let us know and we will arrange a visit.

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Other thefts this month included two people who had their pockets picked and cash stolen at an event in Netley Marsh, plants from a garden in Copythorne and fruit and veg from the allotments in Lyndhurst. A caravan was taken from a farm at Ower, gas bottles from the Courtesy Filling station at Cadam and an outboard motor from Exbury.

No vehicles left in any of the New Forest's car parks have been broken into this month but sadly tools have been stolen from a van parked overnight in the Travelodge car park at Stoney Cross and from another van left outside an address in Bramshaw overnight. An attempt was also made to break into another car parked on a driveway in Cadnam but those thieves ran off when they were disturbed by the owners. Vehicles in Ower, Fritham and Lyndhurst car park were also targeted.

Six bicycles were stolen in September from Longmeadow and Hollands Wood campsites and from the road side at Balmer Lawn. And arrests have been made after a motorbike was stolen from a hotel just outside Lyndhurst and investigations continue.

This month's Op Mountie, our multi agency operation aimed at reducing speed and animal deaths across the Forest, was held on Monday 25th September and proved to be one of our busiest yet. Twenty three drivers were stopped over a two hour period at Crockford Clump and Hawk Hill Inclosure and five of them were given traffic offence tickets for driving at speeds of 50, 51, 53, 54 and 60mph in a 40mph area. The other drivers were given educational advice by our partners at Forestry England, the National Park Authority and the New Forest Roads Awareness Team. Again we want to thank the hundreds of drivers who continue to drive below the speed limit across the New Forest.

On 11th September we held a joint operation with our colleagues on the Roads Policing Team, Forestry England, the National Park Authority and the Enforcement Team from New Forest District Council on the High Street in Lyndhurst. In an attempt to combat fly tipping across the Forest, 89 vehicles were stopped and eight notices were issued to drivers who didn't have a waste carriers licence but who were carrying waste. Other offences dealt with included twelve drivers who weren't wearing their seatbelts including a child in the front seat, four vehicles that were given prohibition notices for having insecure loads, illegal tyres and lights, three vehicles who weren't displaying the correct number plates on their trailers and three drivers were given tickets for using their mobile phones while driving. One vehicle was also seized for having no insurance and a defective clutch. Please make sure you know who is carrying your waste away for you, check that they have the correct paperwork or your rubbish could end up dumped in the Forest.

Stay safe and if you have any questions for us about the issues you are experiencing in your community please let us know by using the contact details below.

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