



NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM

New Forest Heart Beat Report



Hello and welcome to the November 2024 Beat Report for the New Forest Heart area. Your team is PC 24901 Mark ROBERTS and PCSO 14495 Richard WILLIAMS.

In December please join us at one of our Beat Surgeries – on Saturday 1st December we will be at the Village stores in East Boldre at 9.30am and on Tuesday 17th December we will again be joined by members of the Ashurst and Colbury Neighbourhood watch team at St Joseph's on Whartons Lane at 7pm. On Thursday 19th December we will be at the Lyndhurst Parish Council Office at the Community Centre at 11am, in the Brockenhurst Parish Council office on Brookley Road at 12.30pm and at the Open Door Café in Minstead Church at 2pm. On Friday 20th December we will be at the Bramshaw Village Stores at 8am and then on the same day, but at 9am, outside the Post Office in Bartley..

Our Beat Surgeries last for 30 minutes, unless demand is high of course, but as we always say if you can't come to any of these meetings you can always call or email us, 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 22 year old man has been charged as part of the investigation into a series of crimes across the county including the theft of three mini buses that were stolen from Coxlease school in Lyndhurst. George BALCHIN of Havant has been remanded in custody while investigations continue. Two of the mini buses have been recovered but the third one is still missing.

An attempt to steal a trailer and quad bike was also made from a farm in Brockenhurst but the owner's CCTV system alerted the farmer and the thieves left empty handed. Other thefts this month include a caravan from the Setthorns campsite, a car from a driveway in Bramshaw, 300 bags of logs from Minstead, a jet wash and some diesel from a driveway in Ashurst, an expensive watch from a house in Woodlands and garden tools from a property in Exbury.

Also this month sheds at Bucklers Hard, Ashurst and Bramshaw and the garden centre on the High Street in Beaulieu were broken into.

We are investigating reports of an attempted kidnapping in Lyndhurst and are appealing for witnesses. A woman walking on the track from Pinkeys Lane at Bank towards Ober Corner at Brockenhurst reports that she was approached and grabbed by an unknown man – the incident happened between 11.25 and 11.30 on Saturday 9th November. Thankfully the woman, who was walking her dogs at the time, was able to fend off the man and return to her vehicle. The man we would like to speak to in connection with this incident is described as

- Asian
- Approximately 5ft 7ins or 5ft 8ins tall
- Average build
- Aged in his 40s
- Has really short dark hair
- Has a black goatee beard
- And was wearing a dark suit or blazer style jacket, dark jeans and smart black shoes.

If you have any information which may help us in our investigations please contact 101 and quote the crime number 442404488702.

A number of cars have been damaged on Auckland Avenue in Brockenhurst in the last month – it's believed that it could be a disgruntled resident annoyed that people are parking on their road – if you have any information that will help us put an end to this the crime number is 44240494984.

Four vehicles have been broken into this month – two were parked in the Blackwater car park on the Rhinefield Ornamental drive and the others were at the service station in Ower and a pub car park in Emery Down.

This month's Op Mountie session marked our third birthday – that's three years of multi-agency operations aimed at reducing speed and animal deaths across the New Forest. Sadly the day started with the news that two animals had been killed overnight – a pony on the main road out of Beaulieu towards Hatchet pond and a donkey opposite the entrance to Hatchet Moor car park just around the corner. We spent time at that location and at Kings Hat and stopped five vehicles and gave tickets to two of the drivers for recording speeds of 52mph and 61mph. The other three drivers were spoken to and educated by our partners so thanks again to everyone who took part today including Forestry England, New Forest District Council, the New Forest National Park Authority and the New Forest Roads Awareness Team.

At the end of the month we held another session on a Saturday morning at Hawkhill on the Hatchet Pond to Brockenhurst road. We stopped six vehicles between 06.30am and 08.30am and issued four tickets for speeds of 51, 51, 52 and 58.

Finally we have now launched our 4th annual Christmas colouring competition and we would love your children and grandchildren to take part again this year. We are always looking at ways of including everyone in our community in what we do, so to get us all ready for the festive period we are once again holding our colouring competition for anyone aged under 16. There are 3 different age categories - anyone under 5 years old, those aged between 6 and 10 years old and the over 11 year old.

Taking part is easy – email richard.williams@hampshire.police.uk and we will send you pictures of some Police Officers and a Police van, then

- 1- Choose either the Police Officers or the Police Van
- 2- Colour them in being as imaginative as possible, and include a festive message you'd like to share with your community.
- 3- Write your name, age, where you live and your family telephone number on the back.
- 4- Then email your pictures back to richard.williams@hampshire.police.uk or send them to PCSO 14495 Richard WILLIAMS, Lyndhurst Police Station, Pikes Hill, SO43 7NR
- 5- The closing date is midnight on SUNDAY 15th DECEMBER 2024.

The three winners will be chosen by the retiring Head Teacher at Bartley School, Karen STONEHOUSE. The results will be announced on Wednesday 18th December and the winners will receive a goody bag and winners certificate. Good luck.

Stay safe everyone and from the New Forest Heart Police Team, especially PC Mark ROBERTS and PCSO Richard WILLIAMS, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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