



Horsham Weekly Newsletter

Wednesday 15th May 2019

Crime Summary

Burglary – there were no burglary to dwellings to report.

Burglary other than Dwelling

Reference: 0841 8th May

Location: East Street, Rusper

Date and time: Between 0800hrs and 1615hrs 8th May

Details: The bolts on a garage door was broken and motorcross bikes and building equipment were stolen.

Reference: 1226 8th May

Location: East Street, Rusper

Date and time: Between 2300hrs 7th May and 2100hrs 8th May

Details: The padlock on a garage was cut and golf clubs stolen.

Reference: 0773 10th May

Location: Towers Road, Upper Beeding

Date and time: Time unknown

Details: A motorbike was stolen from a garage.

Reference: 0907 10th May

Location: Sandygate Lane, Lower Beeding

Date and time: Between 1045hrs and 1600hrs 10th May

Details: A garage door was forced, golf clubs and a pedal cycle were stolen.

Reference: 0995 10th May

Location: Horsham Road, Capel

Date and time: Between 0800hrs and 1700hrs 10th May

Details: A shed was broken into, power tools and a pedal cycle were stolen.

Reference: 0154 14th May

Location: Eyles Close, Horsham

Date and time: 11th May

Details: Someone attempted to break into a lock up, caused damage to the padlock and latch but no entry gained.

Other

One of the volunteers from Southwater has sent her monthly newsletter out with some very useful information.

Summer burglaries –

Stay secure, don't make it easy for burglars

A burglary in your own home is a devastating experience but the good news is that the risk of becoming a victim of burglary in Sussex is low and since launching Sussex Police's initiative to tackle burglary under the banner of Operation Magpie in 2012, there has been a reduction in burglary of dwellings across Sussex. But, although the number of burglaries across Sussex is falling, there is an added risk during the summer because windows, doors and garages are often left open, and tools and valuables may be left lying around outside.

Opportunist summer burglars may:

- enter an insecure front door while residents are in the back garden
- enter doors that are closed but unlocked at night while residents are asleep
- reach through windows to take valuable items.

Summer burglary prevention tips:

- If you are out in the back garden, ensure that your front door is secure.
- Put your garden tools and games away into a secure garage or tools shed after using them, they could be used to break into your home, or your neighbours'.
- If you park your car out in the countryside, take your bag or wallet with you and don't leave other belongings on view in your car. Even an old coat left in sight could tempt someone to break in.
- When you leave a room unattended, close the windows

- If you want to leave windows open while you sleep, fit window restrictors so they cannot be fully opened, or make sure they are not large enough to allow access to a burglar.
- Keep all wallets, purses, credit cards, car keys and other valuables out of sight.
- & doors - especially on the ground floor.
- Register your property at [immobilise.com](https://www.immobilise.com), it's free of charge and can increase your chances of being reunited with your property.
- **And remember: if you see a crime in progress, always call 999**

For more information on crime prevention please go to our website.

<https://www.sussex.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/residential-burglary/>

<https://www.sussex.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/non-residential-burglary/>

News and Appeals

Officer dedicated to combat fraud awarded British Empire Medal

An officer dedicated to tackling fraudsters has been awarded the British Empire Medal.

PC Bernadette Lawrie attended the mayor's parlour at Worthing town hall and was presented with the medal by West Sussex Lord Lieutenant, Susan Pyper, on Tuesday (May 7).

PC Lawrie was recognised in the New Year Honours list for her work in the force's [Op Signature](#) team. The team have been leading the way nationally in how to combat fraudsters who particularly target the elderly and most vulnerable members of our community.

PC Lawrie said: "I was absolutely thrilled to have been recognised in this way for my work with Sussex Police, protecting vulnerable victims of fraud and it was an honour to be presented with the medal this week. I am most grateful to those within Sussex Police who have believed in me and supported me over the years to achieve this milestone.

For the full story please click on the link or go to our website.

<https://news.sussex.police.uk/news/officer-dedicated-to-combat-fraud-awarded-british-empire-medal-368481>

A27 drink-driver was almost four times the legal limit

A woman who was almost four times the drink-drive limit on the A27 during rush hour has been convicted in court.

Shortly before 6pm on Friday 3 May, police received several reports from members of the public concerned by a Kia Picanto being driven erratically on the eastbound carriageway at Shoreham.

The driver was identified as Rose Wilson, 54, a care worker, of Laines Road, Steyning.

She failed a roadside breath test, and was charged with driving with 135mcg of alcohol per 100ml of breath in her system. The legal limit is 35mcg.

She was sentenced to 12 weeks' imprisonment, suspended for 12 months, and disqualified from driving for 32 months. She was also ordered to pay £85 costs and a £115 victim surcharge.

If you're prepared to drive under the influence of drink or drugs, prepare to face the consequences. These could include the following:

- A minimum 12 month ban;
- An unlimited fine;
- A possible prison sentence;
- A criminal record, which could affect your current and future employment;
- An increase in your car insurance;
- Trouble travelling to countries such as the USA.

People in Sussex can text officers on 65999 with the details of people they suspect of drink or drug-driving, or visit the [Operation Crackdown](#) website.

You can also contact the independent charity [Crimestoppers](#) anonymously on 0800 555 111 or report it online.

If you know someone is driving while over the limit or after taking drugs, call 999.

To see the full story please click on the link or go to our website.

<https://news.sussex.police.uk/news/a27-drink-driver-was-almost-four-times-the-legal-limit-368699>

Report the online romance 'fraudsters'

Sussex Police is encouraging victims of romance fraud to report the 'fraudster' who has targeted them, anonymously, via an online form. The force has linked up with Scamalytics who have produced a form which, once completed free of charge, will be sent to genuine dating services for them to check against their users' data to detect suspected romance fraudsters.

Romance fraud is a fast growing issue which affects both men and women. Fraudsters will prey on their victims by building, what feels like, a loving relationship before asking for money to help with a problem they

are experiencing.

For the full story please click on the link or see our website.

<https://news.sussex.police.uk/news/report-the-online-romance-fraudsters-368995>

Alerts/Press Releases sent out this week click the link to see full details.

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Alternatively you can contact the independent charity **Crimestoppers**, anonymously, on **0800 555 111**, or online at [**www.crimestoppers-uk.org**](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

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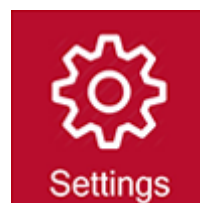
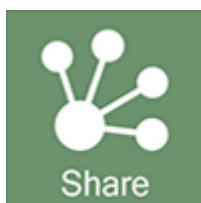
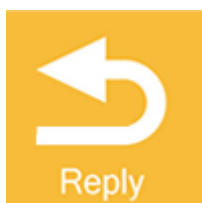
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