



Community Newsletter



Neighbourhood Report: Test Valley Rural Issue 81 – November 10, 2009

Beat TA 8 - (The Sombornes & Bossington)

PC 1194 Martin Benton

04/11/09 – Little Somborne - Heating oil stolen from tank.

Beat TA 9 - (Broughton, Houghton, The Wallops, Palestine & Longstock) PC 2660

04/11/09 – Chattis Hill, Stockbridge – Entry gained to rear of property, sit on lawn mower stolen from shed.

Beat TA 10 - (Stockbridge, Leckford & Chilbolton) PC 2482 Tim Bonsor

10/11/09 – Old London Road, Stockbridge – Access gained to garage, building equipment stolen.

Beat TA 11 – (Abbotts Ann, The Clatfords, Anna Valley, Wherwell, Longparish, Barton Stacey & Bullington) PC 1386 Jewell

09/11/09 – Roberts Road, Barton Stacey – Forced entry to vehicle, tools stolen.

Beat TA 12 – (Grateley, Quarley, Amport, Thruxton, Monxton, Shipton Bellinger, Kimpton, Fyfield, The Pentons & Appleshaw) PC 1039 Bill Williams

04/11/09 – Penton Mewsey – Garage broken into, tile cutter stolen.

05/11/09 – Appleshaw – Blankets stolen from horses back.

06/11/09 – Amesbury Road, Weyhill – Criminal damage to garage door.

Beat TA 13 – (Tangley, Hurstbourne Tarrant, Vernham Dean, Faccombe & Linkenholt) PC 2911 Roger Kitson

03/11/09 – Hurstbourne Tarrant – Several incidents of anti social behaviour/criminal damage over last week.

Purse Thefts

In recent weeks there has been an increase in reported purse thefts in both Andover and Romsey and it is clear that other towns such as Winchester and Salisbury are also suffering.

With many of you now planning for the festive season, shopping trips become a regular occurrence and I would therefore urge you all to consider the security of your property when out and about.

Those responsible for purse thefts often work in small teams targeting the vulnerable and elderly, often distracting their victims by engaging them in conversation or bumping into them whilst an accomplice steals the purse from their handbag. This often only takes a matter of seconds and it is sometime later before the victim realises that their purse is missing.

- Do not carry large amounts of cash in a purse or handbag
- Do not keep PIN numbers on a slip of paper in the same purse or bag that you keep your bank cards.
- Always keep your handbag closed using the zip or clasp if provided.
- Keep your handbag with you at all times, do not place it in or hang it on a shopping trolley that you then leave unattended whilst shopping!
- When you plan a shopping trip consider what you actually need to take with you and if not required leave valuable items at home and take a practical bag with you that can be easily secured and carried on your person.
- If you leave your bag in a vehicle unattended then please put it somewhere out of sight. If you place items in the boot of your vehicle consider when you do this. There have clearly been occasions when victims have parked their vehicles and then placed handbags etc into the boot. It is quite likely that this has been observed and the owners have returned sometime later to find the boot has been forced open and the valuable items stolen.

It is your responsibility to consider the security of your personal items, please don't make yourselves an easy target, the effects could ruin your Christmas!!

PS 3881 Glenn Curtis

For non emergencies dial 101, in an emergency dial 999.

To get in contact directly with the team call 101 or visit www.hampshire.police.uk

Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111

Speak to your local Safer Neighbourhoods Team when you see them out and about.

