

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

In November come and see us on Tuesday 7th when we will be in the Deerleap Inclosure with the New Forest District Council's Community Safety team at 8am and then at the Happy Cheese in Ashurst at 11am where we will be joined by the village's Neighbourhood watch coordinator.

On Wednesday 8th join us at the Bramshaw Stores at 8am and then outside the Bartley Post Office at 9am.

Thursday 16th November at 2pm is when we are at the Open Door Community Café in Minstead and finally on Sunday 19th November 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.

Commercial properties in Lyndhurst and Brockenhurst were broken into on the same night at the beginning of the month. Investigations into both of these burglaries are still active as is the investigation into the break in at a storage unit at Ipley where a motorbike, tools and bicycles were stolen. Several barns at Bucklers Hard, a paddock in Minstead, containers on Fletchwood Lane and an outbuilding in Ashurst were also targeted this month.

Four vehicles parked in James Hill, Wilverley Inclosure, Bramshaw Wood and Brockishill Green car parks were broken into and bags and cash stolen, and three cars in Brockenhurst and three vans, one in Cadnam and two in a hotel car park in Ower were also targeted resulting in thousands of pounds worth of tools being taken. Other thefts in October included number plates from a van in Ower, a water trough from a field in Cadnam and power tools from a driveway in Stoney Cross. Vehicles have also been stolen from Fletchwood lane and the car park at Tesco in Brockenhurst.

Four high value bicycles have been stolen, two from outside a coffee shop on Lyndhurst High Street and the other two from hotels on the outskirts of Lyndhurst and Brockenhurst.

Criminal damage has been caused to the children's play equipment at Copythorne Community Centre and to the zip wire at the Netley Marsh Community Hall. It's difficult to know why anyone would do such a thing but if you have any information on this or any of the incidents mentioned then please let us know using the contact details below.

Finally, a driver was stopped in Brockenhurst and was subsequently arrested for being over the drink drive limit

We are about to launch our third annual Christmas Colouring Completion. As we look to build relationships with everyone in our community, this has proved to be a popular way of including those under 16 years of age in what we do. There are three different age categories which are, under 5 years old, those aged between 6 and 10 and the 11 to 16 year olds.

So if you know of someone who would like to get involved please email richard.williams@hampshire.police.uk and we will send you the pictures that we would like them to colour in. This year we have two Police officers and a Police van and again the theme is BE SEEN BE SAFE THIS WINTER. So they can be as colourful and as imaginative as they like.

The closing date for entries will be Sunday 10th December 2023 and the winners in each category will receive a goodie bag and a winners certificate.

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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