



NEW FOREST HEART

Monthly Beat Report –
JULY 2019



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Hello and welcome to July's Beat Report for the New Forest Heart area. I am PCSO 14495 Richard Williams, one of the Beat Officers for this area, and I am based at Lyndhurst Police Station with my colleagues PC 20127 Steven Norris and PC 2901 Jason Eastwood.

We now have our own Facebook and Twitter pages. These are going to be really useful ways for us as a team to let you know what crime patterns to look out for and pass on any crime prevention advice, ask for your help when crimes are committed, especially when we need to identify a suspect from CCTV, to answer any questions you might have and to let you know what we are up to on a daily basis.

Our Facebook page is [New Forest Heart Cops](#) and our Twitter page is [@NFHeartCops](#)

Beat Surgeries

There are fewer Beat Surgeries this month because of officers taking annual leave and being used for special operations elsewhere in the county but in August 2019 we will be at –

St Michael and All Angels Church in Lyndhurst on Sunday 11th August at 10.00am.

Colbury Parish Church on Deer Leap Lane on Sunday 11th August at 11.30am.

Bramshaw Village Shop on Monday 19th August at 8am.

Lyndhurst Parish Council Shop on Monday 19th August at 10am.

Bartley Post Office on Monday 19th August at 11am.

Village News at Beaulieu on Saturday 17th August at 9am.

Outside SPENCERS on Brookley Road at Brockenhurst on Saturday 17th August at 11am.

Burglaries: One house has been burgled in July, and it took place while the home owner was asleep upstairs. The incident happened overnight between 11.30 pm on Sunday 14th and 7.45 am on Monday 15th July on Lyndhurst Road in Minstead. A handbag containing cash and credit cards was taken, and anyone with any information should call 101 and quote the crime number 44190247232.

9 Sheds, garages and outbuildings have been broken into this month. A garden strimmer and trimmer were taken from two sheds on the same road and on the same night in East Boldre, a leaf blower was stolen from an outbuilding in Brockenhurst, a tin of change was taken from a workshop in Brook and thieves broke in through the roof of a stable block in Cadnam to steal several expensive garden tools. Also this month lead and scrap metal were taken on the same night from two yards on Pollards Moor Road in Copythorne, a purse and a wallet from a caravan on the site of the Netley Marsh Steam Fayre and scrap metal was also stolen from the site of the Careys Manor Hotel in Brockenhurst. A stable block in Winsor was also broken into but nothing was taken.

Theft From Motor Vehicle: 10 vehicles have been broken into this month. One was parked at Lepe beach and a wallet was taken from the glove box, which probably means the owner was being watched. That's why we always say that it is best to take everything valuable with you and not to hide anything anywhere because you never know who is watching you. Other vehicles broken into were parked on the roadside by the Happy Cheese Pub in Ashurst, in Cadnam and in East End. New Forest campsites targeted in July were Millyford Bridge and Denny Wood.

In other incidents, 8 bicycles have been stolen from the Hollands Wood Campsite just outside Brockenhurst. If you have friends or family visiting the area this summer and they have expensive bicycles with them please remind them that they need to do everything they can to keep them secure. It seems that even a strong lock isn't enough. If possible keep them inside or take wheels off them so that they are less attractive to the thieves. Another two were stolen from the car park of a pub in Ashurst.

The summer sees an increase in thefts from the parks and attractions that we visit during the holidays. This month a woman's purse has been taken from the picnic table she was using at the New Forest Wildlife Park on Deerleap Lane, a man who spent the day at Lepe beach had his phone stolen from the shore while he went for a swim, and two garden waste bags were taken from a house in Copythorne. The summer also sees an increase in people having BBQ's in the Forest which again can lead to problems for all of use. Recently PC NORRIS and I had to put out a fire that was threatening to engulf part of an Inclosure by Stoney Cross. The fire had started off as a disposable BBQ. The Forestry Commission has a BBQ code which makes perfect sense and reads as follows. Disposable BBQ's are welcome at Bolderwood, Blackwater and Wilverley only. Stands are available at these sites and water is available for safe usage. Raised non-disposable BBQ's are permitted in the hard standing of the Forestry Commissions car parks providing that water is available and that they are fully extinguished after use. From that it is quite clear that NO BBQ's or fires are allowed on the Forest floor itself.

During July the Speed Watch team in Lyndhurst surveyed various roads in the village and monitored 1129 vehicles. Of those 531, so 47%, were travelling over the 30 mph limit and 71 of those vehicles have received warning letters from the Police for recording speeds of 35 mph or more with one vehicle on Southampton Road reaching 55 mph. Also during July, the Speed Watch team in Minstead monitored 52 vehicles travelling along Lyndhurst Road and 18 of them, so 35%, were exceeding the 30mph limit. Of those 18, 8 were travelling at 35mph or more and have received warning letters from the Police. The fastest speed recorded was 40mph. The team also monitored 250 vehicles on the Stoney Cross Road (C17) and 110 of them, so 44%, were exceeding the 40mph speed limit. Of those 110, 31 vehicles were travelling at 46 mph or more and one vehicle was doing 60mph. The team also monitored 342 vehicles on the Mill Lane in Minstead and 194 of them so 57% were travelling above the 30mph limit. Of those 194, 27 vehicles were recorded at more than 35mph and one was travelling at 45mph.

The Copythorne Speed Watch Team went out for a total of 8 and ½ hours in July in both 30 and 40mph areas. For the first time the team spent time on Brockishill Road and no one was recorded travelling above the 40mph limit. However a total of 159 letters have been sent out by the Police to drivers who were found to be speeding on the areas 30mph roads. In total 1780 vehicles were surveyed by the team in July.

During one of the Copythorne teams' surveys, a man stopped his car and started arguing with the team and at one stage grabbed the arm of one of them. This is totally unacceptable and that man has been identified and dealt with by one of my colleagues.

Also this month the New Forest Roads Campaign Speed watch team spent two hours on the Roger Penny Way and 51 drivers were found to be traveling above the 40 mph limit. And the Ashurst team has been out twice on the Woodlands Road at the junction with Alpine Road on the 40mph stretch and no one has been found to be speeding which is excellent news.

Please keep calling us if you see anything suspicious where you live and remember if you want to tell us about a vehicle then the most important information is the registration number.

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