



NEW FOREST HEART

Monthly Beat Report –
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Hello and welcome to May'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 colleague PC 20127 Steven Norris and we are responsible for Lyndhurst and the North of the Forest.

PC 2901 Jason Eastwood and PCSO 14215 Vicki Pressey take care of the Forest south of Lyndhurst.

Beat Surgeries

As the lockdown continues we have again cancelled all of our regular monthly face to face Beat Surgeries. But we will be arranging some more of our SAFE AT HOME events in June. These have been very successful and are specifically held at places where we are already gathering, like supermarkets, but where we can still maintain our social distancing. We have seen a rise in domestic abuse during the lockdown and these SAFE AT HOME events are designed to support victims who feel unsafe in their own home. There will also be some really useful information on keeping your children safe on line and how best to avoid any SCAMS, which sadly even at this time are on the increase. So please join us on our Facebook page at NEW FOREST HEART COPS and we will let you know when and where we will be during June. The next scheduled one will be opposite the Co Op in Lyndhurst on Friday 19th June between 3 and 5pm.

Remember even though the lockdown is still in place we are all on duty and you can contact us via email, telephone or through our Facebook page at any time. But of course in an emergency always use 999. You can also report crimes and incidents on line via the Hampshire Police website.

For more information about the new guidelines and the latest Government advice go their website at www.gov.uk because all of the answers about what we can and can't do at the moment are listed there.

Sadly there are people still committing crimes in the New Forest Heart area and these include three sheds and garages that have been broken into this month in Bramshaw, Brockenhurst and Lyndhurst, with two electric bicycles, one pedal bicycle and a garden strimmer taken. Several sheds on the allotments at Lyndhurst were targeted on the same night and lawn mowers, strimmers and other tools taken. Also stolen this month were a blue and white tiled garden patio set from Minstead, a control box from a slurry tank in Ower and garden waste sacks from outside a house in Copythorne. Lead has been taken from the roof of a building in Lyndhurst, a chainsaw from a truck in Brockenhurst, some plants, pots and antibacterial wipes from a pop up stall in Woodlands and a bird catcher from Lyndhurst.

Vehicles parked at the side of the road in Cadnam and Beaulieu have had their catalytic converters stolen overnight while handbags have been taken from cars parked in the Fritham and Janesmoor Pond car park. Now that the car parks are open again we expect to see an increase in thefts from vehicles so please if you are still planning to come to the New Forest even during the COVID 19 outbreak make sure you take everything valuable from inside your car or it could get stolen. And don't hide your valuables in the boot or under coats or seats because you never know who is watching you.

More criminal damage has been caused in East Boldre where someone has written graffiti on the walls of a house and some garden lamps on the driveway of another house have been smashed. Damage was also caused to fences around properties in Bramshaw and Lyndhurst.

Finally a World War 2 hand grenade was found in the Beaulieu Road station area of the Forest but was blown up in situ by the experts. Those of you who know the Forest well will know that this is quite a regular occurrence.

Finally can we just repeat what we said last month, these are difficult and unusual times but by working together we can get through this so if you think there is anything we at New Forest Heart Cops can help you with at this time or if you have vulnerable family, friends or neighbours you would like us to check on then please use the contact details below and if we can help we will.

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in person again soon**



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