



NEW FOREST HEART

Monthly Beat Report –
August 2021



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Hello and welcome to August's Beat Report for the New Forest Heart area. I am PCSO 14495 Richard Williams, one of the Beat Officers for this area. I am based at Lyndhurst Police Station with my colleague PC 25169 Carl PEVERILL and we are responsible for Lyndhurst and the North of the Forest.

PC 2901 Jason Eastwood takes care of the Forest south of Lyndhurst.

We will be holding more of our Beat Surgeries in September so please come and meet us and ask us any questions you have about the issues you are facing in your community.

We will be at the Ashurst and Colbury Community event at the Forest Inn on Wednesday 8th September, with the time is still to be confirmed so we will let you know when we are there via our Facebook page New Forest Heart Cops.

At the Bramshaw Village Stores at 8am on Monday 13th September, and at 10am on the same day we will be at the Bartley Post Office.

Finally we will be at St Michael and All Angels Church in Lyndhurst on Sunday 26th September at 10.30am

The number of thefts from motor vehicles and stolen bicycles has, as expected, increased this month. Thirty cars and vans have been broken into including eleven that had their catalytic converters stolen and two whose number plates were taken. Car parks targeted were Bolderwood, Knightwood Oak, Fritham and Bratley View while cars parked in Brockenhurst and Bramshaw were also broken into. Tools were also stolen from a van parked overnight at the Travelodge at Stoney Cross.

Thirty nine bicycle thefts were reported to us in August. These happened at Sethorns, Long Meadow, Hollands Wood and Ashurst campsites and from hotels, pubs and restaurant in Brockenhurst, Ashurst and Lyndhurst. The good news is that a man from Southampton has been charged with three offences in the New Forest and he is also on conditional bail for others offences committed in the Forest including the theft of bicycles from Lyndhurst, Ashurst and Brockenhurst. He has also been released under investigation for a burglary. We also seized two stolen cars during August that we believe had been used to commit crimes in the New Forest.

In August, we executed another drugs warrant at a property in the New Forest, this time on Shepherds Close at Bartley. Cannabis, some as yet unidentified white powder, cash, scales and small bags were found at the address. An Out of Court Disposal was issued to one resident for allowing their property to be used in connection with illegal drugs and a full investigation is now underway. PLEASE TELL US IF YOU THINK DRUG DEALING IS

TAKING PLACE WHERE YOU LIVE. We are committed to stopping it on our Beat but we need your help. Please email Richard.williams@hampshire.pnn.police.uk or call crime stoppers on 0800 555 111 with any information you have. Thank you.

No homes have been burgled this month but nine outbuildings were broken into, five in Brockenhurst, and the others were in Lyndhurst, Ower, Woodlands and Emery Down. The most expensive theft saw four bikes worth over £10,000 taken from a garage in Bank.

Other thefts in August saw scaffolding and other building supplies taken from a yard in Ower, unused cooking oil from the back of a pub at Emery Down, a motorbike from Lyndhurst car park, a parcel from a doorstep in Brockenhurst and amazingly part of a tent from a New Forest campsite.

Also this month we received reports of a small motorbike being ridden on the recreation ground at Ashurst. If you know who that is then please let us know.

During August, the Speed Watch team in Lyndhurst surveyed various roads in the village and monitored over 2091 vehicles. Of those 1216, so 58%, were travelling over the 30 mph limit and 153 of those vehicles have received warning letters from the Police for recording speeds above the threshold criteria, with one vehicle in Goose Green reaching 54 mph. Other high speeds were 48 and 47 mph. Also in August, the Copythorne Speed Watch team went out seven times and monitored over 1600 vehicles. The majority of drivers were adhering to the speed limits but unfortunately 199 drivers were driving too fast and will be receiving a Police letter. One vehicle was surveyed at 58 Mph in a 30 Mph zone, which will result in direct Police contact.

Finally we are often asked what you should do if you are involved in or witness an accident involving an animal on the roads in the New Forest. Our Country watch team has put together this very useful guide.

If you see an injured animal on the roadside?

- Pull over at a safe place.
- Call Hampshire Constabulary via 101
- Giving as precise a location as you can.
- They will deal with the situation and have access to specialist officers.
- Do not try to assist or move the animal as this can put you in danger.

If you hit an animal while driving, your priorities, in this order, are:

- Keep yourself and anyone with you as safe as you can.
- Park your car in the safest place with hazard lights on.
- Call an ambulance if required for any injuries sustained to people involved in the collision.
- Call Hampshire Constabulary immediately on 999.

If the animal is alive and still visible at roadside:

- It is best not to approach, as it may cause it to run across traffic causing another accident.
- Do not move or handle live deer and do not place it in your car.
- Call Hampshire Constabulary immediately on 999.
- Giving as precise a location as you can (e.g. via use of What3Words)
- They will deal with the situation and have access to specialist officers

We hope that helps.

Don't forget you can contact any of us on the New Forest Heart Police team on the details below **but please use 999, 101 or the on line reporting page on the Hampshire Police website to record crimes or incidents of anti-social behaviour**

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