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### *2010 NHW Dates for your Diary*

Monday 15 February 2010 - 7pm NHW meeting.  
Monday 19 April 2010 - 7pm NHW meeting.  
Monday 21 June 2010 - 7pm NHW meeting.  
Monday 16 August 2010 - 7pm NHW meeting.  
Monday 18 October 2010 - 7pm NHW meeting.

General meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every 2nd month.

From 7pm in the Community Access Building, McDowall State School - Rode Road McDowall

### **Previous Meeting: Wine and Cheese night**

Following the very brief meeting, we were joined by our state parliamentary member Tracy Davis to commemorate another successful NHW year with the customary wine and cheese evening. An enjoyable evening, well attended by the NHW community.

### **Home Security Tips** (not just for the holidays)

- All ground-floor windows, as well as those that an intruder might reach from a drainpipe, flat roof or 'wheelie bin' should be fitted with quality locks.
- Windows should be secured so they cannot be lifted from their tracks and if replacing glass, consider other materials which are harder to break or penetrate.
- Louvred windows should be grilled or barred. If you want to leave windows open, consider installing aesthetically pleasing, solidly constructed aluminium or steel window security grilles.
- Where security grilles are placed on windows, ensure some grilles are hinged to allow exit in emergencies.
- Install an intruder alarm (which complies with Australian Standards 2201)
- Install exterior lighting. This acts as a deterrent and allows police, security officers and members of the public to clearly observe any unusual activities
- Install solid wooden or metal doors preferably security doors with double cylinder deadlocks
- Protect exposed hinges to prevent hinge pin removal.
- Ensure all trees and shrubs are trimmed so that the view of your premises is not obscured
- Lock away items which can be used to assist in an offence ie ladders and tools.

### **Police Report**

During October, residents in Spielberg Street and Bening Place were victims of break and enter with item taken including Play Station 3, mobile phone, money and jewellery. Police are reporting GPS navigation systems being unlawfully removed from unlocked cars. Residents are reminded to secure their houses and belongings to ensure they aren't victims of these crimes.

Albany Creek 3, Glendora. December 2009

## Zone Coordinators

**Zone 1** Speilberg St, Stallone Ct, Redford Cr and Ford Cl  
co-ordinator Shirley Morrow (3353 0412)

**Zone 2** Harlow Pl, Van Dyke Cr, Palance Ct, Sellers Pl,  
Monroe Pl, Matthau Place  
co-ordinator Mary Moyler (ph 3353 5816)

**Zone 3** Carides Pl, Burlinson Cl, Thurman Ct, Seinfeld Cl,  
Streisand Dr from Neeson Ct to Saturn Cr.  
co-ordinator Janine Sharman (3353 4943).

**Zone 4** Goodman Cl, De Vito Pl, Cosby Pl, Borge Cl, Landon  
Cl, Streisand Dr from Galaxy Street to the cul de sac  
into the park). co-ordinator Carolyn Healy (3353 6888).

**Zone 5** Pfeiffer Pl, Hanks Pl, Minelli Pl, Ladd Cl, Culkin Pl,  
Streisand Dr from Hamilton Road to the cul de sac into  
the park. co-ordinator Paul Keppel (3353 8405)

## Phone Numbers to keep handy:

**Emergency:** 000

**Crime in Progress (not life threatening):**  
3364 6464

**Crime Stoppers:** 1800 333 000

**Albany Creek Police:** 3264 0599

**Brisbane City Council Call Centre**  
3403 8888

## Holiday Checklist

As the Christmas holidays approach, NHW are urging residents to protect their home if they go away. Take some time to complete the check list before you go on holidays –

Locked all windows with key operated locks?	Yes	___	No	___
Locked all external doors?	Yes	___	No	___
Locked all tools away?	Yes	___	No	___
Cancelled milk and paper deliveries?	Yes	___	No	___
Cancelled or redirected mail?	Yes	___	No	___
Asked neighbour or friend to collect junk mail?	Yes	___	No	___
Disconnected electrical supply on garage doors?	Yes	___	No	___
Locked valuables in a safe or bank safety deposit box?	Yes	___	No	___
Left some clothing on the clothes line?	Yes	___	No	___
Asked a trusted friend to park a car in your driveway?	Yes	___	No	___
Arranged for a friend or neighbour to mow your lawn?	Yes	___	No	___
Automatic timing devices switching lights on and off?	Yes	___	No	___
Turned down the volume of your telephone?	Yes	___	No	___
Left the house looking like it is "Lived in"?	Yes	___	No	___

These few simple steps will help ensure your time away from home is memorable for all the right reasons.

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