

Your Block Coordinator is:



I know my neighbour, my neighbour knows me

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Upcoming Dates for your Diary

- 16th June 7pm: NHW meeting.
- 21st June 9am: Habitat Planting, Little Cabbage Tree Creek.
- 18th Aug 7pm: NHW meeting.

Dates are closer than they appear!

Meetings are held from 7pm in the Staff Room, McDowall State School - Rode Road McDowall

Previous Meeting

In a slight change of scene, our last meeting was held outdoors, under an awning at McDowall State School. The unusual location didn't dampen spirits with many interested locals attending the meeting jointly held with *our neighbours*, Albany Creek 4 NHW group!

Constable Lara Cross presented an interesting perspective of Crimestoppers. Established as recently as 1989 in Queensland, Crimestoppers has been responsible for assisting in solving 15 murders, over 5,500 arrests and confiscating \$450m of illegal drugs. Since inception, more than \$120,000 has been paid in reward money. Crimestoppers phone number is 1800 333 000.

Each caller to Crimestoppers is assured anonymity; a unique 'code' is used to identify callers. Other important information on Crimestoppers includes:

- Each call is received by a Police Officer - no civilians answer calls.
- Information received is forwarded to the relevant state or federal authority for investigation.
- Most callers aren't interested in collecting the reward money.
- Crimestoppers don't offer legal advice, nor are they used for operational policing issues.

Sargent Peter Van-Vree (our community Police liaison officer) followed with a compelling talk on physical security of your premises. Peter reminded us that a thief's worse enemy is TIME. Make your premises and your possessions 'hard to get in; hard to get out; hard to get rid of' and you will thwart attempts at burglary.

Other essentials include affixing patio locks to sliding glass doors, using a double cylinder deadlock on your doors, requiring a key to enter and exit. If a thief can't get your television out the door –they can't take it! Lock the door between the house and the garage. There have been reports of cars stolen from shopping centres, the thief driving the car to the owner's house then opening the garage door with the remote control found inside the car.

Although thieves are less likely to target NHW areas, it always pays to be safe, lock your screen door (three hinge and triple locked) with a key, not the thumb-nib.

Keep a set of keys near the backdoor, away from eyesight, in case you need to make a hasty exit. If you think someone is in your house, call the police on triple 0. It has been observed that houses that back onto parks or bushland are more susceptible to break-ins.

Recently we learnt of the death of Mary Moyler's mother. Please join with the NHW committee in extending our deepest sympathy to Mary for her loss.

Our Zone Coordinators

Zone 1 Speilberg St, Stallone Ct, Redford Cr and Ford Cl
Cedric Netscher (3353 2676).

Zone 2 Harlow Pl, Van Dyke Cr, Palance Ct, Sellers Pl,
Monroe Pl, Matthau Place
Gordon Watson (3353 5539).

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

Zone 4 Goodman Cl, De Vito Pl, Cosby Pl, Borge Cl,
Landon Cl, Streisand Dr from Neeson Ct to the cul
de sac into the park). Carolyn Healy (3353 6888).

Zone 5 Pfeiffer Pl, Hanks Pl, Minelli Pl, Ladd Cl, Culkin Pl,
Streisand Dr from Hamilton Dr to the cul de sac into
the park. Rosemary Rucinske (3353 0204).

Positions Vacant

An accountant is required to audit NHW accounts.
Just a few hours each month, contact the Treasurer
Conrad O'Brian via email cobandco@optusnet.com.au.

McDowall Bush Care

You are invited to the *fourth* Habitat Planting on
Cabbage Tree Creek. The aim of the group is to
encourage the local community to preserve the
bush corridor surrounding Little Cabbage Tree
Creek by planting native grasses and trees and
removing weeds and rubbish.

We meet every 3rd Saturday of the month (next
21st June) between 9.00 - 11.00am on the
banks of Little Cabbage Tree Creek off Van
Dyke Crescent and opposite Palance Court.

Bring along drink, hat, sunscreen, sensible
shoes and gloves. For further details contact
Lesley Watson on 3353 5539.

We are proudly supported by the Brisbane City
Council and the Cabbage Tree Creek Catch-
ment Network.

Police Report

30 March: Break-in, Matthau Pl. Nothing taken, Occupant home

31 March: Break-in, Redmond St. X-Box, watch stolen. Rooms ransacked

31 March: Break-in, Van-Dyke Cres. X-Box, PS2. Rooms ransacked.

Children or amateur thieves are suspected in these insurgences.

Important 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

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