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## **Editorial Comment**

### **Good News**

Following on from the recent seizures and arrests in north Hampshire, Sussex police have undertaken an investigation...the following was received from Sussex Horsewatch

**Sussex Police have recovered a large amount of stolen tack.  
If you have had tack stolen you can contact the Police to see if it could be your tack.  
Victims of stolen tack will need to have reported the stolen items to the Police and prove that the recovered items are theirs (Identification markings/numbers etc.)**

**PCSO Heidi Hay  
Midhurst and Petworth Neighbourhood Policing Team  
Midhurst Police Station | Bepton Road | Midhurst | West Sussex | GU29 9NB  
Telephone: 0845 60 70 999 Mobile: 07917 073577**

[www.sussex.police.uk](http://www.sussex.police.uk)

The recent police action has demonstrated that stolen property and those responsible may not be too far away from where you live!!! So as always be cautious and vigilant

If you have doubts about anyone or a location but feel you can't talk to the police or Horsewatch then call Crime Stoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111

### **Getting it Right**

**It is stressed time and time again.....but if you see a vehicle in circumstances you are unhappy about, think the occupants are acting suspiciously then if humanly possible record the registration number and report it to the police or your Horsewatch scheme**

### **A thought?**

This week a report was received that a horse had been stolen in Guildford Surrey and the next day it was found abandoned near the port of Hollyhead in Wales.

The horse was micro chipped and never found its way into the dock area. Presumably those that stole it decided not to continue with the theft process. Horse now reunited with its owner.

The thought is this..... those from Horsewatch groups who can spare the time and live close to ports of departure to Ireland and the continent could keep an eye out for vehicles transporting horses and where appropriate record the vehicles details and pass the information to your Horsewatch scheme or police.

As we all know and suspect stolen horses have to go somewhere..... but where? They either stay within Great Britain or are shipped out. The shipping out process is theoretically policed and monitored at the port of departure but it may be that some extra attention is required. In passing if you see a trailer or box heading towards a port of departure then record what you see and report it.....you never know what you see may prove useful and informative.

### **Stolen Donkey's**

Don't forget there are still two donkeys outstanding from the recently reported theft of 11. Have you seen any donkeys in a field recently that have recently arrived? Look up old copies of the bulletin for detail

[www.ukhorsewatc.org.uk](http://www.ukhorsewatc.org.uk) has back copies in its media folder

# Hampshire Horsewatch Bulletin

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## Remember..... remember the thief's best friend is YOU.

You are going to buy what he has stolen.....you want a bargain so you will be tempted.

You are his best friend because your property isn't post coded or uniquely marked.

Please only buy from people you know, trust, have a reputation to uphold. This follows from the dealers, trades people to the horse owners who struggle to pay their way.

Help defeat the thief and handler by post coding, marking in anyway your property. Do it today.....not tomorrow, it may be too late!!

If you have coded all your property and are unfortunate to be a victim of a theft then you can have sympathy and the Horsewatch community, the great and good can look for it because they have something to look for!

On the other hand if its not coded then the sympathy vote may not be forthcoming.....

Defeating crime is in your hands.

The seizures of tack in Hampshire and Sussex only too readily demonstrates the failure of people not post coding or marking their property. A lot of police time is wasted because the saddle, rug, trailer, (oh yes the horse) is not coded or marked.

Be a responsible person and get your property coded/marked

## HorseWatch in Scotland

The following has been received from colleagues in Scotland. A Scottish Horsewatch Scheme is starting to develop. Contact details are shown below:-

[www.horsewatchscotland.info](http://www.horsewatchscotland.info)

co-ordinator - [fiona.stuart@horsewatchscotland.info](mailto:fiona.stuart@horsewatchscotland.info)

Strathclyde Police - [karen.beattie@strathclyde.pnn.police.uk](mailto:karen.beattie@strathclyde.pnn.police.uk)

Grampian - [david.paton@grampian.pnn.police.uk](mailto:david.paton@grampian.pnn.police.uk)

Dumfries & Galloway Constabulary - [Judith.Richardson@dg.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Judith.Richardson@dg.pnn.police.uk)

Fife Constabulary - [lan.laing@fife.pnn.police.uk](mailto:lan.laing@fife.pnn.police.uk)

Tayside Police - [donald.campbell@tayside.pnn.police.uk](mailto:donald.campbell@tayside.pnn.police.uk)

Central Scotland Police - vacant

Northern Constabulary - vacant

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## **Stolen**

(CTRL + Click to go straight to details of these thefts)

**Hampshire Horsewatch Bulletin**  
(incorporating information from around the country)

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Note: This bulletin is organised under the existing police regions for England, Wales & Scotland. There can be more than one Horsewatch Scheme within each police region. Information contained in this bulletin has been received from police sources and Horsewatches.

**South East Region covering:**  
**Hampshire Constabulary, Thames Valley Police, Surrey Police, Hertfordshire Constabulary, Essex Police, Kent Police, Sussex Police, Bedfordshire Police and The Metropolitan Police Service**

**Hampshire Constabulary**  
**Telephone: 0845 0454545**

Hampshire Horsewatch Mobile 07762 754788 or 07790 440478  
David Collings ( Hampshire Horsewatch co ordinator and Force Equine Liaison Officer) 07867 972868  
Hampshire Horsewatch, Fleet Police Station, Fleet, Hampshire  
Non emergency number 0845 045 45 45 Email: [equine@hampshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:equine@hampshire.pnn.police.uk)  
[www.hampshire.police.uk](http://www.hampshire.police.uk)

**Horse Mane Plaiting**

Report received of plaits found in the manes of 2 horses in the Sway area of the New Forest

Time and Date . Saturday morning- 31st October 2009

**Rugs Stolen**

3<sup>rd</sup> November 2009

Curdrige area, Vicarage Lane rugs stolen from horses backs over night last night whilst they were in the field.

Other local yards informed and advised to postcode their rugs

**Thames Valley Police**  
**Telephone: 0845 8505505**

Thames Valley Mounted Section 01908 686075  
Watch Administrator – Thames Valley Police 0118 9181644  
[Christine.seal@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Christine.seal@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk)  
[www.thamesvalleyhorsewatch.org.uk](http://www.thamesvalleyhorsewatch.org.uk) [tvhorsewatch@btinternet.com](mailto:tvhorsewatch@btinternet.com)

**Stolen Horse Trailer**

The Berkshire Riding Centre was broken into last night and a clients 2008 **silver** Ivor Williams Trailer stolen

**Chassis no : SCK 400000 850 49675,MODEL HB511.**

It also has electric Data tagging.

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It is assumed that this is a Thames Valley crime but the contributor only sent this detail...!!

**[THAMES VALLEY COMMUNITY MESSAGING - Aylesbury Vale - A 10/072]**

This is a Community Message from Aylesbury Watch Office on Friday 30 October 2009.

**Burglary**

A burglary has been reported to a shed, near a stable in Adstock, Bucks between 12:30pm and 3pm on the 29 October. The shed had been left insecure and unknown offenders stole five head collars from inside.

Police would like to hear from anyone that may have witnessed any suspicious activity in the area between the times given. If you have any information, please call on 0845 8 505 505 and state that you are responding to this Ringmaster message.

**Burglary**

A burglary has taken place at stables, in Tilsworth, Leighton Buzzard, between 3:00 in the afternoon, and 5:00 in the evening, on the 28th of October.

Offenders have approached, and removed then padlock from a horse shed. Offenders have conducted a search, and have stolen horse vitamins, and a harness. Two horse rugs were taken from the horse stable.

Two tall white males, were seen in Citroen Berlingo looking round, but the crime was not witnessed.

Bedfordshire Police ask rural businesses, and owners of livestock to be vigilant.

Please report any suspicious visitors, or vehicles immediately, to the Police Control Centre.

**[THAMES VALLEY COMMUNITY MESSAGING - Aylesbury Vale - A 10/069]**

This is a Community Message from Aylesbury Watch Office on Friday 30 October 2009.

A suspicious incident has been reported at a farming premise on Cublington Road, Wing at around 11:25am on the 24 October. Two males were seen at the premise, who quickly left when sighted in a white Peugeot van. The front registration plate on the van had been obscured by black plastic and it was discovered that CCTV cameras had been moved around.

And a burglary has been reported at a rural location on Dagnall Road, Edlesborough, between 11am on the 24 Oct and 3:40pm on the 25 October. Offenders caused damage to the perimeter fencing and then forced entry to a storage unit on site, stealing electrical cabling. They also opened four gates on site, letting livestock out.

Also, a burglary has occurred at an outbuilding on Main Road North, Dagnall, between 4:30pm on the 29 Oct and 7:30am on the 30 Oct. Offenders cut through a fence and then broke into the building, although nothing appears to

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have been stolen.

Please continue to be vigilant and ensure any suspicious persons or vehicles are reported to the Police immediately.

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**Surrey Police**

**Telephone: 0845 1252222**

**S.A.F.E. Surrey Action for Equines** (Surrey Horsewatch) Tel: 01420 487625

[www.surrey-action-for-equine.co.uk](http://www.surrey-action-for-equine.co.uk)

**Hertfordshire Constabulary**

**Telephone: 0845 3300222**

Email: [easttherhorsewatch@hotmail.com](mailto:easttherhorsewatch@hotmail.com) [Jill.dockley@herts.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Jill.dockley@herts.pnn.police.uk) 01992 533043

The scheme is running in the Eastern area but will be rolled out across the county later.

**Stolen Carriage**

Over night 15th October a 2 seater Bennington Buckaneer Carriage in Navy Blue was stolen from within a horsebox.

if you have any information or see this please call the police on 0845 33 00 222.

Please be extra vigilant and mark all your property as we seem to be having

a crime wave in the horse world at the moment, don't be a victim and bolt the door after the horse has bolted, act now and deter the criminals.

Regards,

Karen Broad

Police Community Support Officer

Horse Watch

Email: [karen.broad@herts.pnn.police.uk](mailto:karen.broad@herts.pnn.police.uk)

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**ESSEX**

[Valerie.crawford@essex.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Valerie.crawford@essex.pnn.police.uk) Tel: 07796 473908 [www.essexhorsewatch.org.uk](http://www.essexhorsewatch.org.uk)

**Stolen Trailers**

The theft of Trailers and Horseboxes seems to have moved further South and Essex has so far had 3 trailers and two Horseboxes stolen in the past 5 weeks.

As a reminder to all Ifor Williams owners, Ifor Williams hold a Database of serial numbers and owners details. In the event of an Ifor Williams Trailer being stolen the owner should contact them immediately to give them the necessary details and they will mark that Trailer as STOLEN on their database.

The contact number is: Ifor Williams (IWT): 01490 412626  
They will need details of the date of theft, make and model of trailer and the Serial Number, which should be available to the owner amongst their paperwork.

They should also remember to advise Ifor Williams when they have sold a trailer on, so that the new owners details can be added, and DON'T forget, if you move you need to notify them of the change of address.

Thanks

Valerie  
Essex Horsewatch

**Kent Police**

**Telephone: 01622 690690**

No information received.

**Sussex Police**

**Telephone: 0845 6070999**

[www.sussexhorsewatch.webs.com](http://www.sussexhorsewatch.webs.com) [sussexhorsewatch@googlemail.com](mailto:sussexhorsewatch@googlemail.com).

Issue Date: 27/10/2009

**Title: WEST SUSSEX RURAL CRIME PREVENTION DAY**

Dear West Sussex Farmwatch members,

The Sussex Police Crime Prevention Department are now pleased to be able to confirm details of the rural crime prevention day previously circulated in August. The event will be held at Brinsbury College, North Heath, Pulborough, West Sussex, RH20 1DL on Wednesday 17th February 2010 opening at 9.30am for a 10am start. The event which is being held in the main restaurant is expected to close in the early afternoon. The Brinsbury Campus is situated on A29 between Billingshurst and Pulborough.

<http://www.chichester.ac.uk/About-Us/Getting-Here/Brinsbury-Campus/>

This is your opportunity to meet with your local policing teams and wildlife crime officers to discuss the issues that affect you. There will also be presentations on crime prevention products and displays that may assist you in protecting your equipment/property.

Lunch will also be provided by way of a finger buffet...

If you would like to attend please confirm your place with Trevor Cox, Community Safety & Crime Reduction Advisor, Community Safety & Partnership Team, Sussex Police, C&JD, Police HQ, Church Lane, Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 2DZ.

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Telephone 0845 60 70 999 Ext.44470 Direct dial:01273 404098

Or by e-mail

[trevor.f.cox@sussex.pnn.police.uk](mailto:trevor.f.cox@sussex.pnn.police.uk)

**Title: HORSES ATTACKED - APPEAL FOR INFORMATION**

Issue Date: 6/11/2009

No: 28737

Police are appealing for witnesses after several horses have had their tails cut off in Brighton.

The most recent attack happened early on Monday (Nov 2) when two horses at Carols Yard in Falmer Road had their tails damaged, one was cut off and the other burnt.

Last month four horses had their tails cut at the stables overnight. Anyone with information should contact Sussex Police on 0845 60 70 999 quoting serial 577 of 2/11/09.

Incident Reference: 577:02:11:2009

**Bedfordshire Police**

**Telephone: 01234 841212**

Police Contact: Phil Cannings [phil.cannings@Bedfordshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:phil.cannings@Bedfordshire.pnn.police.uk)

Ringmasters: Sarah Stevens: [sarah.stevens@safer-beds.org](mailto:sarah.stevens@safer-beds.org) and Dean Doyle: [dean.doyle@safer-beds.org](mailto:dean.doyle@safer-beds.org)

Rowena James [Rowena-james@supadooper.com](mailto:Rowena-james@supadooper.com)

Kerry Willis-Jones: [Kerry.Willis-Jones@Bedfordshire.pnn.Police.uk](mailto:Kerry.Willis-Jones@Bedfordshire.pnn.Police.uk)

David Layton: [David.Layton@bedfordshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:David.Layton@bedfordshire.pnn.police.uk)

[ - Bedford - 27/10/09 Horse Watch Retailer]

**Theft**

This is a Ringmaster message to all Horse Watch members, from Bedfordshire Police.

Please pass the details of this message, to any staff, business contacts, or neighbours.

A theft has taken place in tack shop, in Kensworth, Dunstable, at 12:46 on the 24th of October.

An offender has entered the tack shop, and selected two horse clipper sets, and made off, without paying. A member of staff has chased the offender, and pinned the offender to the floor. The offender has threatened to stab the member of staff. The items were recovered, and the offender made off in a vehicle towards the A5.

Bedfordshire Police ask rural businesses, and owners of livestock to be vigilant.

Please report any suspicious visitors, or vehicles immediately, to the Police Control Centre.

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**Burglary**

A burglary took place in a farm in Eaton Bray, Dunstable, between 5:00 in the evening, on the 1st, and 7:30 in the morning, on the 2nd of October.

Offenders have removed the bolt securing an outbuilding doors. Offenders have entered the outbuildings, which contained various equine equipment. Offenders have moved these items around, and have stolen various items. There are tyre tracks that lead from the field, down the driveway to the outbuilding.

no further details of what was stolen..

[ - Bedford - 05/11/09 Horse Watch]

This is a Ringmaster message to all Horse Watch members, from Bedfordshire Police.

**Theft**

Please pass the details of this message, to any staff, business contacts, or neighbours.

A theft has been reported at a Stable Yard on the outskirts of Eaton Bray, overnight on the 3rd to the 4th of November.

The offender has gained access to the location, and removed an energiser, from an electric fence.

No other property was taken, and no buildings were entered.

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**London**  
**The Metropolitan Police Service**  
**Telephone 020 7230 1212**

Wow this a first.....news from within Metropolitan Police Area

**ADVERT**

**Stolen, Coloured Filly Foal**

Missing presumed, stolen overnight on the 14/15th October 2009.

She is black and white coloured filly, 7 months old. From a field in Barnet area.

She is so sadly missed by everyone. Appreciation will be shown for any info on her whereabouts.

**Price: STOLEN**

Location: London

Contact: Elaine Warry

Phone: 02074 049755

Mobile: 07944 063291

**South West**  
**Wiltshire Constabulary, Devon & Cornwall Constabulary, Gloucestershire Constabulary, Dorset**  
**Police, Avon & Somerset Constabulary**

**Wiltshire Constabulary**  
**Telephone: 0845 408 7000**  
Wiltshire Horsewatch: PCSO John Bordiss: 0845 408 7000 ext 739817 or mobile: 07968942116  
Rural Crime Team Voicemail: 0845 408 7000 ext 723548  
Email: [ruralcrimeteam@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:ruralcrimeteam@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk)

Received from a horse owner in Wiltshire

**Suspicious Incident...white Van.**

**Date not given but probably on the 1<sup>st</sup> November 2009**

**Location not given either!!!!**

**Somewhere in Wiltshire...!!!!**

To Whom it May Concern,

Please could you pass this information onto the horse watch team, we at present do not have a dedicated horse watch team for Wiltshire.

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At about 9 am this morning me and my partner visited the field where we keep our two horses, as we arrived a white ford transit van was parked in our gateway. The van had no licence plates on front or rear of the vehicle and no other means of identification. We did not see the owner of the van drive away, as we were both busy feeding and watering our two horses.

Recent events in Wiltshire regarding attempted horse thefts has made most horse owners vary cautious. The vehicle could have nothing to do with recent events, but it as far as I am aware all vehicles which use the public highways are required by law to have vehicle license plates.

**Dorset Police**

**Telephone: 01305 222 222**

HorseWatch Co-ordinator [anita.rigler@dorset.pnn.police.uk](mailto:anita.rigler@dorset.pnn.police.uk)

PC John Snellin, Force Wildlife Officer, Dorset Police Tel: 01202 220804 [wildlife-crime@dorset.pnn.police.uk](mailto:wildlife-crime@dorset.pnn.police.uk)

**Farm Watch Eastern 27 Oct 09**

I have a report from a farm in Lytchett Matravers that at lunchtime today a white Peugeot 106 car/van was disturbed on a farm by 2 males registration number M520JPR.

When approached asked if there was any scrap for sale.

Members around the Rural Wimborne area will remember this registration number as being circulated a few weeks ago to the Three Legged Cross area, and whilst we have no evidence to connect this vehicle, burglaries to outbuildings were discovered the following day. I believe they occurred overnight.

I appreciate this is difficult but do make sure you call this one in as soon as you see it anywhere near your farm. The incident number today is 172 dated 27 Oct. Via 01202 222222

other news

Bittles Green Motcombe 2 staddle stone tops stolen from bases on a front drive 21/22 Oct.

Sandleheath Road Alderholt yard entered used to store scrap metal 22 oct. Wheel tyres and other vehicle equipment stolen.

Poaching at Wimborne St Giles recently by a blue/green Renault X833 BAY (look for similar number) and a red Ford Ka.

Hilton Blandford solar lights stolen from a garden of a farm which has a footpath which run down the side of it Afternoon of 22 Oct.

Anita Rigler

If you have any information regarding this message please call the Dorset Police on 01202/01305 222222 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. Thank you

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**East Dorset Farm Watch**

04/11/2009

Please be extra vigilant as 3 farms have been visited by thieves overnight, 2 in Gussage St Michael and 1 in Horton sheds entered and chainsaws stolen. Any suspicious vehicles seen hanging around please phone in soonest with registration number if possible and direction of travel. SNO Pc 61 Jane Brittain. If you have any information regarding this message please call the Dorset Police on 01202/01305 222222 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. Thank you

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Dorset Police Ringmaster Circulation. If you are receiving this message by fax, but have an email facility, would you like to change to email? Please contact ringmaster-bournemouth@dorset.pnn.police.uk if you are in Bmth/Poole. or ringmaster-eastern@dorset.pnn.police.uk for the rest of Dorset.

If you have information about a crime you can contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555111 in confidence, your call will not be traced and you may receive a cash reward.

If you have information on possible terrorist activity call the anti terrorism hotline in confidence on 0800 789 321

**Avon & Somerset Constabulary**

**Telephone: 0845 456 7000**

Lindsey Stone, Watch Scheme Administrator, Somerset West Police District. Tel 01823-363348 (direct line) or Email [lindsey.stone@avonandsomerset.police.uk](mailto:lindsey.stone@avonandsomerset.police.uk)

Justin Gay 07795 503242 PCSO [Justin.Gay@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Justin.Gay@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk)

Tessa Smith 0845 456 7000 ext 62025 [Tessa.smith@avonandsomerset.police.uk](mailto:Tessa.smith@avonandsomerset.police.uk)

(Somerton and Wincanton South Somerset)

Carol Barnett [chathamrow@ukonline.co.uk](mailto:chathamrow@ukonline.co.uk)

<http://www.somerset-horsewatch.co.uk/> [info@somerset-horsewatch.co.uk](mailto:info@somerset-horsewatch.co.uk) Tel: 0777 5856247

**AVON AND SOMERSET CONSTABULARY**

**Horse Box Stolen**

Between 10pm on 2nd November and 8am on 3rd November a horse box was stolen from a farmyard in Combe, Huish Episcopi near Langport in Somerset.

Unknown offenders removed 2 gates from their hinges to remove the box.

The box is a green and silver Lampert Stock trailer and has no registration plates.

Anybody with any information is being urged to contact Police on 0845 456 7000 or Crime Stoppers on 0800 555 111

Thank you

Tess Smith 8682

PCSO Support for South Somerset North

Horse Watch Coordinator for South Somerset Rural

Tel 0845 456 7000 Ext 62029 or 07825 756276

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**Attention Drawn**

All attention is drawn to an incident of Suspicious Circumstances at a location in Pendomer, Yeovil, Somerset. Horse owner visited her stables this morning and noticed the stable lights were on. Nothing has been taken.

Please remain to be vigilant and report any suspicious activity immediately

Thank you

Tess Smith 8682  
PCSO Support for South Somerset North  
Horse Watch Coordinator for South Somerset Rural  
Tel 0845 456 7000 Ext 62029 or 07825 756276

**Gloucestershire Constabulary**

**Telephone: 0845 090 1234**

The below named officer is the horse watch coordinator at Gloucestershire Constabulary.

Melanie Campbell

[melanie.campbell@gloucestershire.police.uk](mailto:melanie.campbell@gloucestershire.police.uk). Phone 0845 090 1234 ext 4182.

<http://www.gloucestershirehorsewatch.org.uk/html/usefullinks.html>

**Police Horsewatch Coordinators**

Cotswolds [melanie.cheesbrough@gloucestershire.police.uk](mailto:melanie.cheesbrough@gloucestershire.police.uk) and  
[penny.wiggins@gloucestershire.police.uk](mailto:penny.wiggins@gloucestershire.police.uk)

Stroud [carrie.vinson@gloucestershire.police.uk](mailto:carrie.vinson@gloucestershire.police.uk) and [tyrone.mein@gloucestershire.police.uk](mailto:tyrone.mein@gloucestershire.police.uk)

Gloucester [elizabeth.lovell@gloucestershire.police.uk](mailto:elizabeth.lovell@gloucestershire.police.uk) and  
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Cheltenham [lorraine.mosley@gloucestershire.police.uk](mailto:lorraine.mosley@gloucestershire.police.uk) and [leanne.copping@gloucestershire.police.uk](mailto:leanne.copping@gloucestershire.police.uk)

**North East Region**

**Yorkshire is policed by the following police forces: North Yorkshire Police, South Yorkshire Police, West Yorkshire Police, Northumbria Police, Durham Constabulary, Cleveland Police, Humberside Police (made up of East Yorkshire, North East Lincolnshire, North Lincolnshire and Kingston-upon-Hull)**

**South Yorkshire Police**

**Telephone: 0114 220 2020**

Contact: Mrs Joanne Kennedy, Equine Liaison, MAPP Unit. ext 8302 fax 8885

Tel: 0114 2523302 fax 0114 2523885 Email: [Joanne.Kennedy@southyorks.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Joanne.Kennedy@southyorks.pnn.police.uk)

**Attention Drawn Update**

Redcar & Cleveland Community Messaging - redcar - Nissan Terrano X267 FNV]

Farm Watch Update - further to my message dated 5th October 09 the user of the Nissan Terrano X267 FNV reported at Foulseyke Farm on 23rd September 09 has been spoken to and it is confirmed he was on the land and acting legally, no offences were committed. Please remove details of the vehicle from records. Thank you

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**North Yorkshire Police**  
**Telephone: 0845 606 0247**  
**Scarborough & District Country Watch**  
[www.countrysidewatch.org.uk](http://www.countrysidewatch.org.uk)   [countrysidewatch@hotmail.com](mailto:countrysidewatch@hotmail.com)

Published Date: 02 November 2009

### **Horse Attack**

A HORSE owner today said he had been "sickened" by a crossbow attack that could have killed or paralysed one of his animals.

Daisy, a 16-month-old filly, was found wandering in a field in Hebburn with a foot-long metal bolt embedded in her neck. Its tip missed her spinal cord by less than a centimetre.

The injury was discovered by owner Stephen Bothick's father, who had gone to check on the animal on Friday morning and found her caked in blood.

She was rushed to specialist vet in Yarm, North Yorkshire, who painstakingly removed the arrow. She now needs daily injections to combat infection.

Mr Bothick, 35, who keeps six horses on the field near Lukes Lane, today put up a reward in a bid to catch the person who shot Daisy.

He said: "She could have been killed if the arrow had moved just a couple of millimetres forward.

"It's left the whole family shocked. We've had problems in the past with people letting horses out of the field, but no one has ever attacked one of them."

The father-of-two, of Calf Close Lane, Jarrow, added: "It's hard to understand why anyone would do that to a defenceless horse. It's just sick."

Daisy, who is worth about £2,000, has been transferred to allotments nearby, where she has to be kept indoors. She could still be put down if the wound becomes infected.

A spokeswoman for the Horse Trust charity said: "The arrow could have quite easily hit the spinal cord, which is also up by the wither (the ridge between the shoulder blades).

"But even hitting the muscle could cause problems for the horse in the long-term."

As revealed on our website on Saturday, the incident happened some time between 8pm on Thursday and 10am on Friday.

Neighbourhood Sergeant Sam Rennison said: "This was a horrendous incident, and we would be appealing to anyone with information to get in touch.

"This horse could easily have been killed or very seriously injured, and it's down to pure luck that this hasn't happened on this occasion."

Anyone with information is asked to contact police on (03456) 043 043.

### **Stolen Horse Box**

Between 1st November 2009 and the 2nd November 2009 a horse box, namely a Blue Ford Iveco registration M382KAX with horse graphics on the side has been stolen from a Farm in Great Broughton. Any information then

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please contact the police on 08456060247.

<http://www.shieldsgazette.com/news/Crossbow-yob39s-horror-attack-on>

**Northumbria Police**  
**Telephone: 01661 872 555**

No information received.

**West Yorkshire Police**  
**Telephone: 01924 375 2222**

Please see the incidents below from one area of Leeds which occurred last week.

Keep your eyes peeled.  
Get the VRM's.

If it looks weird..... then it is weird. If you do not receive the response you want when you ring the Police, ring Crimestoppers.

**THEFT OF TACK**

Back Lane, New Farnley, Leeds LS12 , Saddles and bridles + misc equipment -  
Approx £4,000 in value

**ATTEMPT THEFT**

Back Lane, New Farnley, LS12, - Did not gain entry - CCTV showed two suspects

**ATTEMPT THEFT**

Back Lane, Leeds, LS12 - Did not gain access to tack but their dog was stolen  
(a male pitbull cross english bull terrier, brindle called RHINO)

**SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE**

Flat back van pulled up at another stables on Back Lane, New farnley, tried to get in but were scared off by the owner

**SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE**

Dark blue flat back van.... again.....on Back Lane, New Farnley  
Driver was White Male - 6ft tall, white wearing a baseball cap. He walked into a stables on Back Lane, New Farnley and was spooked by the owner.

Fiona Pearson - Project Officer  
Local Policing Department Projects Unit

Ext: 22889  
Direct Dial: (01924) 292889  
Mobile: 07736 086358  
Email: [Fiona.Pearson@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Fiona.Pearson@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk)

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**Theft**

Swillington, Leeds, West Yorkshire

Thieves enter a field and steal Rug/Coats from two horses.

**BE VIGILANT  
PROTECT YOUR HORSES  
MARK YOUR PROPERTY  
IF IT'S NOT NAILED DOWN. THEY'LL HAVE IT**

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**Durham Constabulary**  
**Telephone: 0845 606 0365**

No information received.

**Cleveland Police**  
**Telephone: 01642 326 326**

No information received.

**Humberside Police including**  
**East Yorkshire, North East Lincolnshire, North Lincolnshire and Kingston upon Hull**  
**Telephone: 0845 606 0222**

No information received

**Eastern Region**  
Cambridgeshire Constabulary, Derbyshire Constabulary, Lincolnshire Police, Nottinghamshire Police,  
Norfolk Constabulary, Suffolk Constabulary

**Cambridgeshire Constabulary**  
**Telephone: 0845 456 4564**  
**Cambridgeshire Horsewatch: Lydia Crabtree (PCSO Cambridgeshire Constabulary)**  
**Tel: 07921 294939 email: [horsewatch@cambs.pnn.police.uk](mailto:horsewatch@cambs.pnn.police.uk)**

**Stolen Horsebox**

CF0536151009  
Overnight 16/10/09  
Upton, Peterborough, Cambs.  
Yard entered and Leyland DAF Horsebox Stolen - 'Y' Registered

**Stolen Saddle**

CF0556821009  
Between 1800hrs - 2100hrs  
28/10/09

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Dwelling Burglary, Bretton, Peterborough, Cambs Computer, money, electrical goods and Barnsby 2 tone brown leather saddle stolen.

**Derbyshire Constabulary**  
**Telephone: 0845 123 3333**

Contact: Lesley Manger (DERBYSHIRE Pony Rescue)  
Telephone: 01773 831251 mobile 07842 240494. [lesleykenstudponyrescue@gmail.com](mailto:lesleykenstudponyrescue@gmail.com) 07970 848416  
Insp Erika Green [Erika.green.1765@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Erika.green.1765@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk)

**See bottom of the bulletin**

**Nottinghamshire Police**  
**Telephone: 0115 967 0999**

**Norfolk Constabulary**  
**Telephone: 0845 456 4567**

07798635746 (Danny/Sue Cracknell) [horsewatch@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:horsewatch@tiscali.co.uk)

**Suffolk Constabulary**  
**Telephone: 01473 613 500**

Julie Dennis, Community Safety Unit on 01473 613994 e-mail [horsewatch@suffolk.pnn.police.uk](mailto:horsewatch@suffolk.pnn.police.uk)

Anyone who is interested in joining or would like more information can log onto the Suffolk Police website.  
<http://www.suffolk.police.uk/Crime+Reduction/Watch+Schemes/Horse+Watch/>

Or contact Julie Dennis, Community Safety Unit on 01473 613994 e-mail [horsewatch@suffolk.pnn.police.uk](mailto:horsewatch@suffolk.pnn.police.uk)

If you have any information on the crimes detailed in this bulletin, please contact Suffolk Police on 01473 613500. If you would prefer to pass on information anonymously call Crime Stoppers on 0800 555 111

**Crimes / Offences between 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> October 2009**

Please note: other offences may have occurred during this period, however details cannot be disclosed as the victim has stated they object to publicity.

<b>Location</b>	Preston St Mary
<b>Date</b>	Between 19:15 and 22:20 on 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2009
<b>Crime Category</b>	Burglary – Other building
<b>Property</b>	Saddles x 4 1 x Ideal 1 x Bates 1 x Albion 1 x Stübben
<b>Additional information</b>	During the hours of darkness entry gained to a secure tack room on; entry gained by cutting through padlock and removing four leather saddles.
<b>Crime Reference</b>	SU/09/2716



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<b>Location</b>	Drinkstone
<b>Date</b>	Between 16:00 on 24 <sup>th</sup> October and 14:00 on 25 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Crime Category</b>	Theft - Other
<b>Property</b>	Rutland ESB 200 energiser and leads
<b>Additional information</b>	Stolen from field
<b>Crime Reference</b>	ST/09/3262

<b>Location</b>	Old Newton
<b>Date</b>	Between 16 <sup>th</sup> October and 20 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Crime Category</b>	Theft - Other
<b>Property</b>	Spring bolt from horsebox ramp
<b>Additional information</b>	
<b>Crime Reference</b>	ST/09/3159

**Editors note:**

**How would you prove a saddle is yours if it was recovered following a burglary?**

Picture the scene – the police have stopped a vehicle full of saddles and suspect that the contents have been stolen. The items are seized and the Police contact people who have had tack stolen in recent burglaries and ask them to attend the Police Station to see if their equipment is amongst that held.

If you were one of the burglary victims, would you be able to prove that the brown leather, 17inch medium fit Jefferies saddles was yours, especially if someone else claimed the same?

In this scenario the police would have to be satisfied that that the claimant is the owner of it or has a right to possession of it.

**How to help yourself**

**Mark all your tack, rugs etc with your home postcode.**

**Saddles –**

Ideally the leather should be stamped nearside, under the flap. Suffolk Horse Watch has a list of tack shops and saddlers who are able to offer this service for a nominal fee. Please contact us if you want more information.

Saddles can also be microchipped - here are various companies offering this service. Also consider engraving a mark on the stirrup bar, this is particularly useful for synthetic saddles that can't be stamped.

**Bridles –**

The headpiece on a bridle can also be stamped. Caution should be used using this method of marking on other bridle parts as the stamping could weaken thinner pieces of leather.

**Rugs –**

Use an indelible marker pen, but remember to check that the mark is still readable following cleaning and reproofing of the rug. Also check from time to time that it hasn't been worn away.

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***Compile an inventory***

Do not forget to make a comprehensive inventory of tack and equipment. Include relevant descriptions (colour, size, etc.) serial numbers and details of security marking or post coding. The list will also be of great use when making insurance claims. The keeping of receipts is also a useful practice to follow.

Photograph your equipment, in particular your ID marks and any other distinguishing features

KEEP ALL RECORDS SECURE to ensure they do not fall into the wrong hands, and they are readily available when needed.

***Use Immobilise ([www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com))***

Items which are identifiable by a serial number or other means can be registered on [Immobilise](http://www.immobilise.com). Immobilise is the world's largest FREE register of ownership details and with its sister site CheckMEND ([www.checkmend.com](http://www.checkmend.com)) the largest database of stolen property and blocked mobile phones.

Immobilise is linked to the National Mobile Property Register (NMPR) [www.thenmpr.com](http://www.thenmpr.com) (This is a secure database - members of the public are **NOT** able to access the information on it). It allows officers to search for property by serial numbers etc to identify the registered owners and whether an item is stolen. They can then contact the owner to return stolen goods and investigate any criminal activity relating to the property.

For more information on property marking, visit

<http://www.suffolk.police.uk/Crime+Reduction/Watch+Schemes/Horse+Watch/Horsewatch+Publications+and+Bulletins/>

Anyone who is interested in joining or would like more information can log onto the Suffolk Police website.  
<http://www.suffolk.police.uk/Crime+Reduction/Watch+Schemes/Horse+Watch/>

Or contact Julie Dennis, Community Safety Unit on 01473 613994 e-mail [horsewatch@suffolk.pnn.police.uk](mailto:horsewatch@suffolk.pnn.police.uk)

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There is more Suffolk information at the end of this bulletin

**Midlands Region**

Staffordshire Police, Leicestershire Constabulary, Warwickshire Police.  
West Mercia Police (incorporating Worcestershire, Shropshire, Herefordshire)  
Northamptonshire Police, West Midlands Police

**Staffordshire Police**

**Telephone: 0845 330 2010**

**Staffordshire Horsewatch Tel: 01785 234429**

**Leicestershire Constabulary**

**Telephone: 0116 222 22 22**

No information received.

**Warwickshire Police**

**Telephone: 01926 415 000**

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Julie Dale, HorseWatch Co-ordinator, Warwickshire Police  
[watch@warwickshire.police.uk](mailto:watch@warwickshire.police.uk) Telephone 01926 684384

**West Mercia Police**  
(incorporating Worcestershire, Shropshire, Herefordshire)  
**Telephone: 08457 444 888**

**RURAL WATCH MESSAGE 31/10/09**

**Stolen Puppies**

Two 3 month old puppies were stolen from the Dogs Trust at Wickhamford last night. Munchie is a dog and Pickles is a bitch. Both have been micro chipped.

If you know anything about where they might be either ring 0300 333 3000 incident number 186-S-311009, or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Many thanks, Gail.

WPC 3308 Greenhouse  
Broadway Police Station  
Tel 0300 333 3000 ext 3777  
[gail.greenhouse@westmercia.pnn.police.uk](mailto:gail.greenhouse@westmercia.pnn.police.uk)

**RURAL WATCH MESSAGE 30/10/2009**

**Tractors Stolen**

Please be especially careful when leaving farm machinery unattended. In the last few days (26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>) we have received reports of two tractors being stolen.

- 1 Green FENDT index HF07GJZ stolen around 7pm from Longdon Hill, Wickhamford.
- 2 Green/yellow JOHN DEERE index VX59JNU stolen from Ashton under Hill.

There was also another incident reported where the keys to several tractors have been stolen. This occurred near to Defford, Pershore.

Please be vigilant and report any suspicious sightings.

Regards, Gail

WPC 3308 Greenhouse  
Broadway Police Station  
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**RURAL WATCH MESSAGE 1/11/09**

Please read the message below from a colleague up in Telford. Although this is far away and probably a local incident I thought I would let you have the details. What a sad world we live in...

**TO ALL FARMERS**

**THE FOLLOWING ITEM OF NEWS I KNOW IS SOME MILES AWAY BUT I THOUGHT IT BEST TO MAKE YOU AWARE**

**ATTACK ON CATTLE**

Pontesbury Police report serious concern about recent knife attacks on cattle in the Minsterley area. A bull had to be put down and a cow was slashed in two separate incidents.

Local policing officers Angie Roberts and John Summerfield would appreciate help to identify the culprit/culprits before more animals are attacked. If you have any information, please phone them on 0300 333 3000 or call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 quoting incident number 58-S 261009.

(Remember: Crimestoppers is an independent charity which can pass information to the police without revealing the identity of the informant.

WPC 3308 Greenhouse  
Broadway Police Station  
Tel 0300 333 3000 ext 3777  
[gail.greenhouse@westmercia.pnn.police.uk](mailto:gail.greenhouse@westmercia.pnn.police.uk)

\*\*\*\*\* No more details are known about this incident ,although a request was made for an update given that this type of incident if correctly established is very rare.\*\*\*\*\*

[WELCOME TO SHROPSHIRE COMMUNITY MESSAGING - Shrewsbury - South Shropshire Suspicious Vehicle]

**Attention Drawn**

We are interested in any sightings of a Black Toyota Surf ML54 AZ?, seen recently in the Henley area of Ludlow.

If you need to contact us:

Please ring 0300 333 3000.

Or you can email [mailto:contactus@westmercia.pnn.police.uk](mailto:mailto:contactus@westmercia.pnn.police.uk)

**Worcestershire Horsewatch**  
**Telephone: 07500 475708**

[www.worcestershirehorsewatch.co.uk](http://www.worcestershirehorsewatch.co.uk)  
[admin@worcestershirehorsewatch.co.uk](mailto:admin@worcestershirehorsewatch.co.uk)

WPC 3308 Gail Greenhouse, Local Police Officer, Broadway Police Station  
0300 333 3000 ext 3777, [gail.greenhouse@westmercia.pnn.police.uk](mailto:gail.greenhouse@westmercia.pnn.police.uk)

No information received.

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**Herefordshire Horsewatch**

[www.freewebs.com/herefordshirehorsewatch](http://www.freewebs.com/herefordshirehorsewatch)  
[herefordshirehorsewatch@googlemail.com](mailto:herefordshirehorsewatch@googlemail.com)

Telephone: 07794 453911

Chair Co-ordinator – Tara Heinemann. Telephone: 01544 318038 Email: [hfdshorsewatch@aol.com](mailto:hfdshorsewatch@aol.com).  
No information received.

**Shropshire Horsewatch**

[www.shropshirehorsewatch.co.uk](http://www.shropshirehorsewatch.co.uk)  
[admin@shropshirehorsewatch.co.uk](mailto:admin@shropshirehorsewatch.co.uk)

Call 07794 453911 or write to PO BOX 767, WORCESTER, WR1 9AE

**Car Incident**

Two cobs were released onto the road in **Hortonwood**, Telford **Shropshire** in the early hours of **Saturday 24th October around 4.30am** and chased by a silver peugeot 206, the police were alerted and the horses were found at the Denso factory, caught and returned to their field, the silver peugeot was chasing the horses sounding their horn.

**Northamptonshire Police**

**Telephone: 0845 370 0700**

Northants Horsewatch

[www.horsewatchnorthants.org.uk](http://www.horsewatchnorthants.org.uk)

Sandy Redmore [lpchilds@bursam.plus.com](mailto:lpchilds@bursam.plus.com) or Linda Childs [sandy.redmore@btinternet.com](mailto:sandy.redmore@btinternet.com)

PC 449 Glynne Malkin, Force Countryside & Wildlife Officer,

[Glynne.malkin@northants.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Glynne.malkin@northants.pnn.police.uk) Tel: 01604 703199

Community Policing and Partnerships, Office 7, Block 2, Mereway , Northampton, NN4 8BE

David Robins, Community Messaging (Ringmaster) [David.robins@northants.pnn.police.uk](mailto:David.robins@northants.pnn.police.uk)

Andy Roberts, Press officer [Andy.roberts@northants.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Andy.roberts@northants.pnn.police.uk)

**[NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COMMUNITY MESSAGING - Northampton North - NB-CMS-0280- 2009]**

This is a message from the Northamptonshire North Police Community Safety Unit to all Farm/Rural Watch members.

We would like to advise you of the following incident:

CRANFORD ROAD, Barton Seagrave. Crime Number: NB-17532-09

Between 19:30 24 October and 07:44 25 October, unknown person(s) gained access to a stable by cutting the padlocks. Once inside the offenders have stolen £16,000 worth of Horse Tack.

If you have any information about the above crime please contact us (quoting the above crime number) on the dedicated watch line 01604 432 436 or alternatively contact us on the below Police contact details.

Thank you for your continued support.

Message Reference: NB-CMS-0280- 2009

**\*\*Northamptonshire Police Contact Details\*\***

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Emergency: 999

Northamptonshire Police Switchboard: 03000 111 222

Alternatively Call Crime Stoppers Anonymously: 0800 555 111

**West Midlands Police**  
**Telephone: 0845 113 5000**

No information received.

**Solihull Horsewatch**  
Horsewatch Liaison  
Community Partnerships Officer, Community Reassurance Team,  
0121 704 8577  
PO Box 1833, Council House, Solihull, West Midlands, B91 3DZ

No information received.

**Sandwell Horsewatch**  
Helene Elder, Community Partnerships Officer  
0845 113 5000 (Switch board) Ext/Internal 79116879 [h.elder@west-midlands.police.uk](mailto:h.elder@west-midlands.police.uk)

No information received.

**North West Region**  
Greater Manchester Police, Cheshire Constabulary, Lancashire Constabulary, Merseyside Police. To report suspicious behaviour or thefts please email [admin@ukhorsechat.co.uk](mailto:admin@ukhorsechat.co.uk) this is checked daily or Ring 07849 590251.  
Horsewatch Contact Sarah Hallmark [saza911@hotmail.com](mailto:saza911@hotmail.com) Tel: 07599 485450.

**Greater Manchester Police**  
**Telephone: 0161 872 5050**

No information received

**Cheshire Constabulary**  
**Telephone 01244 350 000**

**Stolen Horse Box**

This message was received into Hampshire Horsewatch. The message is repeated as it was sent!!! It did not originate from Cheshire police!!

In all cases of crime ask the police what they are doing in respect of lines of enquiry...you may be able to add some more.

Perhaps a note nationally to say trackers needed or a note how people can immobilise lorries as bought device does not seem to have worked for this owner. Older Lorries seem to be easier to steal

Crime Reference CC09344756

Stolen Knutsford Cheshire 3 horse Gold Iveco lorry (R465 HUG) Whitaker build with £4000 of tack and equipment on board, it was fitted with immobiliser, stolen early hours Friday 30th Oct

**The owner is very upset her Police Force did not notify ports. I passed this to Dfs and Gall re Stranraer/Cairnryan who said the Police Force in whose area the incident occurs should notify the ports. We need some joined up thinking.**

The same night another Whitaker lorry was stolen from a driveway 8 miles away in Hale Cheshire--I have no details

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on that one.

Pictures are available of the Horse Box but they will not copy onto the bulletin. I will ask those who control the UK Horsewatch Alliance web site to post it onto that site

**Lancashire Constabulary**  
**Telephone: 01772 614 444**

No information received

**Cumbria Constabulary**  
**Telephone: 01768 891999**

No information received

**Merseyside Police**  
**Telephone: 0151 709 6010**

No information received

**Wales**  
Dyfed-Powys Police  
, South Wales, Gwent, North Wales

No information received.

**Dyfed-Powys Police**  
**Telephone: 0845 330 2000**

No information received.

**South Wales Police**  
**Telephone: 01656 655 555**

No information received.

**Gwent Police**  
**Telephone: 01633 838 111**  
**PC Ruth James Email: [ruth.james@gwent.pnn.police.uk](mailto:ruth.james@gwent.pnn.police.uk)**  
**Severnside Neighbourhood Policing Team, Caldicot Police Station**

GWENT POLICE INCIDENT NO. 248 29/10/09

**Plaiting Incident**

Sometime overnight a horse in a field at Leechpool, Portskewett, Caldicot, Gwent, has had its mane plaited. No harm has come to the horse, reported for information only, as suspicious circumstances.

Please ensure your horses are checked regularly, and gates are locked and secure.

To report any incidents please ring Gwent Police 01633 838 111 or 101.

Many thanks

Ruth

Ruth James  
CO139  
Severnside Neighbourhood Policing Team  
Caldicot Police Station.

**Another Plaiting Incident**

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GWENT POLICE INCIDENT NO. 120 26/10/09

Over the last 2 weeks another horse in Portskewett, Caldicot, Gwent, has also had its mane plaited by unknown persons. Again no harm has come to the horse, reporting as suspicious circumstances.

Please report any incidents to Gwent Police on 101 or 01633 838 111.

Many thanks  
Ruth

Ruth James  
CO139  
Severnside Neighbourhood Policing Team  
Caldicot Police Station.

**GWENT POLICE INCIDENT NO. 509 28/10/09.**

**Stolen Horse Trap**

Sometime between 3pm on 28/10/09 and 3pm on 29/10/09 a two wheel black coloured horse trap (cart - custom made) valued at approx £150.00 was stolen from a field in the Caldicot, Gwent area. No other details or markings known.

Anyone with any information, please contact Gwent Police quoting the above reference number on 01633 838 111 or 101.

Many thanks  
Ruth

Ruth James  
CO139  
Severnside Neighbourhood Policing Team  
Caldicot Police Station.

**North Wales Police**

**Telephone: 0845 607 1001 (Welsh speaking) or 0845 607 1002 (English speaking)**

No information received.

**The Police Service of Northern Ireland**

**Telephone: 0845 600 8000**

No information received.

**Southern Ireland**

**An Garda Siochana**

**Telephone: 00353 1 666 0000**

No information received

**Scotland**



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**Central Scotland**  
**Telephone: 01786 456 000**

No information received.

**Dumfries and Galloway Constabulary**  
**Telephone: 0845 600 5701**  
**Dumfries and Galloway Horsewatch Mona Parr [Mparr2001@aol.com](mailto:Mparr2001@aol.com)**

**Grampian Police**  
**Telephone: 0845 600 5700**

No information received.

**Strathclyde Police**  
**Telephone: 0141 532 2000**  
[www.horsewatchstrathclyde.co.uk](http://www.horsewatchstrathclyde.co.uk)  
[karen.beattie@horsewatchstrathclyde.co.uk](mailto:karen.beattie@horsewatchstrathclyde.co.uk)  
[mary.sloan@horsewatchstrathclyde.co.uk](mailto:mary.sloan@horsewatchstrathclyde.co.uk)

No information received.

**Tayside Police**  
**Telephone: 01382 22 3200**  
**Tayside Police (Western Division)**  
**Donald Campbell - Crime Prevention Officer 01738 892937**  
**Anonymous call can be made to - 0800 555 111**

**Perth & Kinross Horsewatch**  
**Co-ordinator - Fiona Stuart 01350 727116 [pkhorsewatch@hotmail.com](mailto:pkhorsewatch@hotmail.com)**

No information received.

**Overseas News**

No information received.

**Stolen Horses International:** <http://www.netposse.com/stolenmissing/stolenhorses.htm>

**Useful Contacts**

**UK Horsewatch Alliance** [www.ukhorsewatch.org.uk](http://www.ukhorsewatch.org.uk)  
**Stolen Horse Register** [www.stolenhorseregister.com](http://www.stolenhorseregister.com)  
**Farmkey Tel: 0870 870 7107** [info@farmkey.co.uk](mailto:info@farmkey.co.uk)

**Crime Prevention – Don't Be A Victim of Crime**

[www.crimestoppers.co.uk](http://www.crimestoppers.co.uk) Telephone 0800 555 111  
[www.smartwater.com](http://www.smartwater.com) Property Security  
[www.farmkey.com](http://www.farmkey.com) Telephone: 0870 870 7107  
[www.freeze-mark.biz](http://www.freeze-mark.biz) [mary@freeze-mark.biz](mailto:mary@freeze-mark.biz) for freeze marking for horses.  
[www.equisecurity.co.uk](http://www.equisecurity.co.uk) Dedicated to equestrian security  
[www.icebands.org](http://www.icebands.org) Rider and Horse Safety  
<http://www.northernbrand.co.uk>

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<http://www.padlockirelandnationalregister.com/>

Saddleguard: [info@saddleguard.co.uk](mailto:info@saddleguard.co.uk) or call 01707-652577 or 07778-501915

**Crime Detection – Find Your Stolen Property**

[www.missinghorsesonloan.co.uk](http://www.missinghorsesonloan.co.uk) or email [missinghorsesonloan@gmail.com](mailto:missinghorsesonloan@gmail.com)

Telephone 07794 453911

[www.nfed.co.uk/horsewatch](http://www.nfed.co.uk/horsewatch)

[www.nfed.co.uk/hhwlogo](http://www.nfed.co.uk/hhwlogo)

[www.stolenhorseregister.com](http://www.stolenhorseregister.com)

[www.equinemarketwatch.org.uk](http://www.equinemarketwatch.org.uk)

[www.tracingequines.co.uk](http://www.tracingequines.co.uk)

[www.virtualbumblebee.co.uk](http://www.virtualbumblebee.co.uk)

<http://www.skywatchcivilairpatrol.org.uk/>

**Selection – Don't Be a Receiver of Stolen Goods – Check Before You Buy!**

[www.virtualbumblebee.co.uk](http://www.virtualbumblebee.co.uk)

[www.securedbydesign.com](http://www.securedbydesign.com)

<http://www.ter-europe.org/>

[www.equinemarketwatch.org.uk](http://www.equinemarketwatch.org.uk)

[www.tracingequines.co.uk](http://www.tracingequines.co.uk)

[www.animalsonline.org.uk](http://www.animalsonline.org.uk)

ACPO accredited Crime Prevention Associations & Firms  
The Equipment Register (TER) 01225 464599  
Equine Market Watch Welfare

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**Addition Sussex Information**

**Crimes / Offences between 27<sup>th</sup> October and 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2009**

Please note: other offences may have occurred during this period, however details cannot be disclosed as the victim has stated they object to publicity.

<b>Location</b>	Ashfield
<b>Date</b>	27 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Crime Category</b>	Burglary – Other building with intent
<b>Property</b>	None

<b>Additional information</b>	Attempted theft of a generator from a stable block
<b>Crime Reference</b>	ST/09/3294

**Editors note:**

The generator was chained and cemented to the floor it appeared that it had moved but due to the crime preventative measure was not stolen.

<b>Location</b>	Bradfield St Clare
<b>Date</b>	Between 15:30 on 28 <sup>th</sup> October & 10:45 on 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2009
<b>Crime Category</b>	Theft – Other
<b>Property</b>	12v battery

<b>Additional information</b>	Offender has removed large 12v battery from electric fence in field on farm
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<b>Crime Reference</b>	BR/09/887
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<b>Location</b>	Wherstead
<b>Date</b>	14:15 on 30 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Crime Category</b>	Theft - Other

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**Property**

Galvanised watering tank

**Additional information**

Offenders have arrived in vehicle grey, V registered Ford Transit and stolen galvanized animal watering tank by placing in their van and made good their escape towards the B1456 road.

Offenders described as both white male, with Essex accents. The driver about 6 feet tall, medium build short dark wavy hair. The passenger was very gaunt, brown eyes and crew cut hair.

**Crime Reference**

HD/09/1561

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***Prepare your horse for Bonfire Night***

Some animals seem completely unperturbed by loud bangs and fireworks, however as the firework season is almost upon us, it makes sense to make arrangements for your horses and ponies who may get distressed over the next week or so.

- Keep your horse to his normal routine and with his usual companions.
- Check your field and stable for objects that could cause injury if your horse becomes frightened.
- If possible horses should be stabled while fireworks are being let off, ideally where the fireworks are not visible. You may need to shut the top stable door. This will obviously depend on the individual horse.
- Leave a radio on near your horse's stable to lessen the noise of fireworks.
- Give horses plenty of hay to keep them occupied.
- Sometimes cotton wool in the horses' ears or ear covers may make a difference.
- If you know your horse reacts badly to fireworks, it's worth speaking to your vet about sedation in advance.
- Stay with your horse if you are unsure how he will react to the noise. Your presence should have a calming effect. Even if horses seem relaxed, check them throughout the evening. If you are leaving your horse in the care of someone else, leave clear instructions and contact details for you and your vet should any problems arise.
- Check you have adequate third-party liability insurance — if your horse is frightened and escapes, causing an accident, then you could be held liable.
- Be proactive — wherever possible, you should tell your neighbours and local fireworks display organisers there are horses nearby, so they can ensure fireworks are set off in the opposite direction. Ask them to inform you when and at what time fireworks are due to be launched. Check the local press, shop and village noticeboards, and listen to the radio to find out where and when displays will be held in your area.
- Check you have fire precautions in place. Check any fire extinguishers are in working order and consider having sand and water nearby in case of a fire around the stables.
- In the morning check your field for any stray fireworks that might have landed.

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Division	Reference	Date	Location	Details
<b>A</b>	No reports			
<b>B</b>	CR 61153/09	22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	Fairfield, Buxton	<b>Reported:</b> At 3.30pm on Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> an unknown offender entered an insecure garage and stole items including a Black GFS saddle worth £550. <b>Outcome:</b> Currently being investigated. A white van with registration beginning KW55 may have been used. This van has also been seen in suspicious circumstances at other locations in the area.
<b>C</b>	Inc 58	26 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Upper Thorpe Rd, Killamarsh	<b>Reported:</b> Four or five horses in the road. <b>Outcome:</b> Horses secured in a field whilst owner traced.
<b>C</b>	Inc 191	28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Lawrence Ave, Holmewood	<b>Reported:</b> Pony out on road. <b>Outcome:</b> Prior to attending the owner turned up and took pony home.
<b>C</b>	Inc 401	27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	B6043, Whitwell Stretch	<b>Reported:</b> Chestnut gelding around 14:2 found on road. Caller has put it in a field with some other horses. <b>Outcome:</b> No further reports, recorded for info.
<b>C</b>	Inc 108	29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Newton (unspecified)	<b>Reported:</b> Chestnut stallion out on road, caller has tied it to a fence. <b>Outcome:</b> RSPCA informed, they will attend.
<b>D</b>	No reports			

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Division	Reference	Date	Location	Details
<b>A</b>	Inc 699	30 <sup>th</sup> oct	The Ridings, Ockbrook, Derby	<b>Reported:</b> Horse being ridden on lane in dark. No lights on horse, no high visibility clothing on rider. Caller wants rider to be advised of dangers. <b>Outcome:</b> Without further details cannot identify horse or rider. Local patrols will keep a look out for this rider and advise accordingly.
<b>A</b>	Incs 61 & 62	2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	High Lane East, West Hallam	<b>Reported:</b> Two horses slowly walking along road. <b>Outcome:</b> Attended and searched area, no horses seen.
<b>A</b>	CR 63513/09	2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Kilburn, Belper	<b>Reported:</b> Unknown offender cut chain from farm gate and stole bridle, headcollars and leading ropes worth £40.. <b>Outcome:</b> Under investigation.
<b>B</b>	Inc 241	31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	A6187, Winnats Pass	<b>Reported:</b> Two horses on the road near a junction. Caller has managed to get them back into their field. <b>Outcome:</b> Reported for information only.
<b>C</b>	Inc 73	2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Bighton Fields, Renshaw	<b>Reported:</b> Horse on road. <b>Outcome:</b> Attended and searched area, no horses found. Several field containing horses, perhaps this straying one had been put back.
<b>C</b>	CR 63332/09	1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Eckington, Sheffield	<b>Reported:</b> Stables entered and several miscellaneous items removed by wheelbarrow. Wheelbarrow left at scene. <b>Outcome:</b> Under investigation.
<b>D</b>	No reports			