



# HAMPSHIRE CONSTABULARY

## Test Valley South Newsletter

### This month ...

June 2022

### Jubilee photos...



Above: Ampfield Jubilee Market

Top right: West Dean Fete

Below: Dunbridge & Mottisfont Jubilee picnic

Below right: Braishfield Jubilee picnic



**Meet the team...**Left to right - PC James Batt, PC Tristan Pugh, PCSO Marie Stubbington, PC Vern Gook



**Keep up to date**

Facebook and twitter are a great way to keep in touch and up to date with your local neighbourhood team. Follow us on:

Facebook: Test Valley Cops

Twitter: @TestVlyRuralPol

**Hampshire Alerts** is a free messaging service keeping you up to date with events and incidents via [www.hampshirealert.co.uk](http://www.hampshirealert.co.uk)

### Get in touch

In an emergency always call 999

For non-emergency matters call us on 101 or report online via [www.hampshire.police.uk](http://www.hampshire.police.uk) where you can report, tell us about, apply, request or give compliments.

Alternatively crimes can be reported anonymously via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

A big THANK YOU to all the hosts of Jubilee events over the extended holiday. We attended as many as we could as some of the photos above show. Marie was also able to attend Wellow and Awbridge and luckily the weather stayed dry!

Good news: Our neighbourhood team was able to find out the names of 2 suspects who were named as committing a burglary as well as finding the suspected offender of some criminal damage. The investigations are currently ongoing..

PC James has passed his Taser training which means we now have 2 out of our 3 PC's to help out as and when they are needed. Well done James!

## Neighbourhood Priorities

### Hampshire Alerts:

Hampshire Alert is a free web based system which the public can sign up to and allows them to choose what information they want to receive and what format they want to receive it in – email, text or phone message – so the 'alert' is personal to them. It's free to join and receive messages so it's a really good way to keep people informed. You can sign up by visiting: [Home Page - Hampshire Alert](#)

### Rural Times:

The Rural Times is published every six weeks and contains information and articles from partner agencies, crime prevention advice, details of crime threats and a rural round up of news.



### Beat Surgery dates \*\*\*weather dependant\*\*\*

#### July

Sat 2nd – **Ampfield Market** 10am - noon  
Mon 18th – **Kings Somborne Post Office** 9.30am -11am  
Tuesday 19th – **Awbridge Coffee Hub** 9.30am – 11am  
Weds 20<sup>th</sup> – **Wellow @ Lower Common Rd Stores** 9.30am-11am  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> – No beat surgery due to prior commitments  
Friday 22nd July – **West Tytherley Stores** 9.30-11am

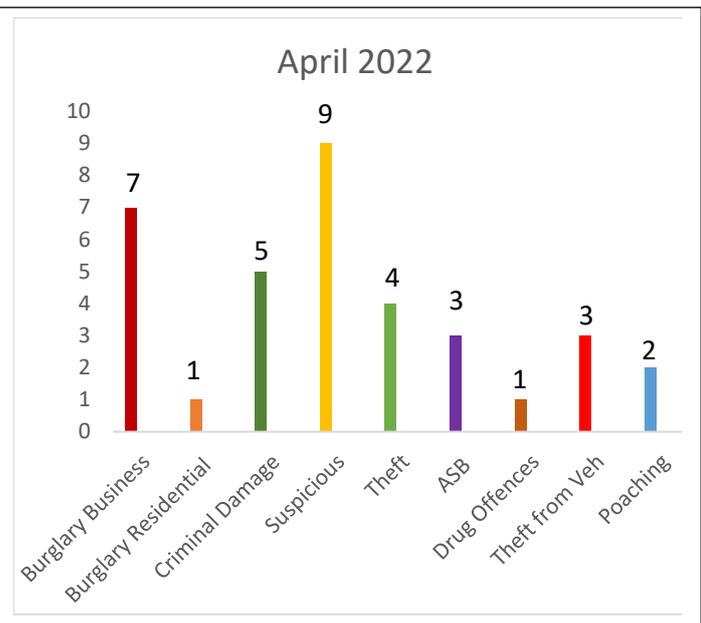
#### August

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – **Kings Somborne Post Office** 9.30-11am  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> – **Awbridge Coffee Hub** 9.30-11am  
Weds 17<sup>th</sup> – **Wellow @ Lower Common Road Stores** 9.30-11am  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> – **Braishfield village shop 'The Pantry'** 9.30-11am  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> – **West Tytherley stores** 9.30-11am

#### July dates:

1st - Canada Day  
4<sup>th</sup> – American Independence Day  
7<sup>th</sup> – World Chocolate day  
9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> – Eid ul-Adha  
14<sup>th</sup> Bastille Day  
15<sup>th</sup> – St. Swithens Day  
28<sup>th</sup> – start of the Commonwealth Games  
29<sup>th</sup> – Global Tiger Day  
31<sup>st</sup> – Harry Potter's birthday (but how old is he?)

## Crime & Crime Prevention



The Blue Lamp Trust runs the **BOBBY SCHEME** which provides **free** home security visits, long-life smoke alarms and advice to vulnerable people in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, particularly the elderly and victims of burglary and domestic abuse. For more information and security advice please either call **0300 7770157** or visit: [www.bluelamptrust.org.uk](http://www.bluelamptrust.org.uk).

**Immobilise** helps Combat the sale of stolen gadgets & valuables; alert the second-hand trade & publicly checkable stolen goods database CheckMEND if an item goes missing. Follow the link to take a look at the website: [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com)

Scam advice: [General Advice](#) | [Take Five \(takefive-stopfraud.org.uk\)](#)

[A-Z of fraud | Action Fraud](#) - [www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk) or call them directly on **03001232040**.

### Rural News ...

From Countrywatch - rivers are busy at the moment with warm weather. Please report suspicious vehicles/persons on bridges as we have recently seen an increase in poaching.

**\*\* Please be aware that the harvest is due to start so there may be an increase in crime. Please report any suspicious activity to the Police ASAP \*\***

Hampshire Constabulary's Country Watch Team will be in attendance at the 2022 New Forest & Hampshire County Show, The Showground, New Park, Brockenhurst, Hampshire, SO42 7QH from 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> July 2022. Please come along and meet them. They have plenty of great advice and information and are keen to meet you!

Reporting online to Police:

How to report a crime online: [Report a crime | Hampshire Constabulary](#)

Reporting a road traffic incident: [Report a road traffic incident | Hampshire Constabulary](#)

Latest headlines and news: [News | Hampshire Constabulary](#)

## Keeping safe near the water:

With the recent spate of hot weather and, hopefully, more to come here are some top tips for keeping safe near water from Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service.

[On and around water - Hampshire & Isle of Wight Fire & Rescue Service, Official website of Hampshire & Isle of Wight Fire & Rescue Service \(hantsfire.gov.uk\)](#)

### By the water

- Learn to spot and keep away from dangers: you may swim well in a warm indoor pool, but that does not mean that you will be able to swim in cold water outdoors
- Never swim alone in case you need help
- Don't drink alcohol when undertaking water related activities, it impairs judgement and your ability to swim
- Avoid walking routes near water if you have been drinking alcohol
- Don't dive or jumping straight into open water, this can cause potentially fatal cold water shock even on the warmest day



- If you find yourself unexpectedly in the water, don't panic, extend your arms and legs out and float on your back until the effect of cold-water shock pass
- Do not risk tides, if you do not know the times, ensure you are aware of tide times before you visit a location
- Always take extra care around the water's edge, cliff faces and open mudflats
- Always follow the special flags (red flags on beaches mean it is unsafe to enter the sea) and notices that may warn you of danger – details can be found on the [RNLI website.](#)
- Children should always be accompanied by an adult, an adult can point out dangers or help if somebody gets into difficulty
- Always tell someone where you are going and when you expect to be back
- You may be able to help yourself and others if you know what to do in an emergency – if you see someone in difficulty, tell somebody, preferably a lifeguard if there is one nearby, or go to the nearest telephone, dial 999, ask for the Police at inland water sites and the Coastguard at the beach

**We have a new Sgt who we would like to introduce. As this is his first month he gets his own page!**

## **Interview with Sgt Jeremy Boughay...**

### **What made you join the Police?**

A bit of a clichéd answer here. I joined the police 23 years ago as I genuinely wanted to help people to feel safe in their homes and their communities.

Prior to joining up I had witnessed a number of incidents within the Care profession where victims had been bullied and were left feeling unsafe in their own homes. Through working with the local Police at that time we were able to make a real difference to the lives of those victims. It really made me aware of just how much of a difference one person could have on someone's life and I realised that I wanted to be part of it.

### **What has been the biggest change?**

This is a difficult one. Over the years I have seen lots of changes in policing.

I think one of the biggest influences on crime and probably life in general has been the internet.

When I joined the Police crimes were generally committed in person and offenders escaped in cars or on bikes however through the use of the internet offenders are being more and more creative in committing crime, often working from outside of the UK and committing offences internationally.

One of the most important messages here is keep your passwords private and never respond to emails asking you to log in or provide your details. If you have any concerns about the validity of an email, make sure you make any enquiries via the main website and do not use the log in links from an email.

### **What has been your best success?**

Another cliché I'm afraid. One of my biggest successes was when I became a Police officer.

Having identified my goal I didn't really know where to go to get advice and support. I had no contacts within the Police and had little experience of job interviews.

Believe it or not it took me four attempts to join up. On every occasion I excelled on all the tests but struggled to promote my achievements effectively during the interview, I was always one of those people who hates talking about themselves.

I refused to give up on my goal and worked very hard on developing my skills. Eventually after over two years of trying I had a successful application at last. The Force I joined was about 150 miles from home and in a county that I had never even visited but I didn't care, I was in and I was over the moon.

### **What advice would you give yourself if you could go back in time to when you started?**

Don't be afraid to ask for advice or help. There are some great people out there, especially in our local communities, who are willing to help you, you just need to ask.

We all regularly find ourselves in unfamiliar situations or don't know the best way forward. We can all relate to this and are happy to help whenever we can.