Western Weekly:

24th October 2014

Colleagues,

The Country Watch team are going through a very busy period at the moment with many changes coming from an organisational point of view. The 1st November will see me taking over as Sergeant for Country Watch for the whole of mainland Hampshire and Insp Lou HUBBLE as Inspector overseeing it. As such normal service may be slightly affected as we move over to new working practices. Effectively, you will still have your local Country Watch Team of Scott Graham and Alan McCaffery, assisted by PCSO Olie Hulse. However, over the coming months Test Valley area will get its own Country Watch officer and PCSO to look after it and Scott and Alan will take responsibility for just the New Forest area. Hampshire Police as a whole are undertaking a far reaching organisation change programme, which will see changes in many areas of personnel and locations. Many officers' roles and job responsibilities are changing as part of the programme. I consider myself privileged to be remaining with Country Watch and taking on the rest of the County. These changes should mean that the Country Watch team, which is expanding slightly across the County, will be better placed to provide a pro-active policing team to deal with rural crime issues.

This week I attended the Animal Accident Reduction Group meeting where I met with colleagues from various organisations, such as the National Parks Authority, Verderers, CDA, British Deer Society and the police amongst others. Collectively we meet to discuss and agree strategy around reducing animal casualties in the New Forest area. Many innovative ideas are brought to the table to achieve this. The most recent of these is the use of an infra red speed detection camera which is being deployed across day and night over the coming months to deal with speeding motorists, who are frequently the cause of animal road traffic collisions on the open forest roads. You may have seen this van in use, don't say you haven't been warned!

With the dark evenings upon us, the clocks going back, please check your security lighting is in good working order. Whilst the weather is still kind it would be a good time to do those repairs to your outbuildings and fences to ensure they are secure for winter. Windy weather is a good shield for thieves and I am certain we will be getting some of that over the coming month or two.

Kind Regards

Debby Holman Western Country Watch Sergeant

Rural Theft

| • | 18/10 | Totton | Cycle stolen from cycle shed. |
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| • | 18/10 | Botley | Secure compound entered and £2500 worth of alloy wheels stolen from rear of truck. |
| • | 18/10 | Chandlers Ford | £600 Slab Cutter stolen from insecure shed. |
| • | 18/10 | Roundhills | I phone taken from a handbag whilst onsite at campsite |
| • | 19/10 | Calshot | Beach Hut broken into by removing wooden slats not known if anything taken, |
| • | 19/10 | Holbury | Shed in local Golf centre broken into by removing lock generator stolen. |
| • | 20/10 | Nursling | Unknown persons have entered an industrial unit and have removed bikes from boxes. |
| • | 20/10 | Netley Abby | Coat taken from park bench when left unattended, electrical items within |
| • | 20/10 | New Milton | Forced entry into a holiday lodge, games console removed. |
| • | 21/10 | Lymington | Unsuccessful attempt to take a quad bike from a open barn |
| • | 21/10 | West Tytherley | Trailer removed from open garage within the last week. |
| • | 21/10 | Ringwood | 2 buildings have been accessed on sewage site, metal has been taken. |
| • | 21/10 | Testwood | Testwood Lakes, persons disturbed having gained access to out buildings on site, nil taken. |
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Suspicious Vehicles/Vehicles of interest

(Please be mindful that the driver's of these vehicles may be going about their lawful business)

| • | 17/10 | Dibden | Silver Subaru Legacy N831PUD reported in last weeks newsletter has now been seized by Police |
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| | | | for having no Insurance/Tax/MOT. |

Theft From Motor Vehicle

| • | 10/10 | wiiisbury | Real passenger window smashed search carried out nil taken. |
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| • | 18/10 | Hedge End | Vehicle entered £600 cash in notes stolen from tin. |
| • | 19/10 | West End | Van broken into, one power tool currently known to have been taken |
| • | 20/10 | Romsey | Car window smashed and purse removed whilst owner was tending to her horse. |
| • | 20/10 | Romsey | Theft of car number plate. |
| • | 22/10 | Totton | Entry gained into a truck, unknown if any items have been removed at this time. |
| • | 21/10 | Queenswood | Fuel has been taken from plant machinery, kept on local farm |

Off Road Vehicles

• 19/10 Holmsley American style vehicles x 2 seen driving erratically to entrance of campsite.

Fly tipping

Fly tipping is no longer dealt with by Police; all reports of fly-tipping should be made to Local Authority

Animal Accidents

DETAILS OF ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Week commencing MONDAY 13th OCTOBER 2014

| Day | Date | Time | Details | Location | Agister |
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| Tuesday | 14/10/2014 | 6:40 am | Dark Bay Mare - Injured & Destroyed | Setthorns, entrance to campsite - C10 (E) | R Maton |
| Sunday | 19/10/2014 | 10:30 am | Black Heifer - Injured - HIT & RUN | Deadmans Hill | A Napthine |