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Editor's Welcome

Dear Horsewatch Member

Dates for your Diary

STOLEN

(Hyperlinks - CTRL + click to follow link)

Over £50k worth of tack & a trailer stolen from Yorkshire region

Horsebox & Western Outfit from Amesham

Pony saddles from Bedfordshire

Cart from Wiltshire

Generator, Electric Fencing, Western saddle & other tack from Eversley, Hampshire

Blue Bennington Carriage from Andover area

South East Region
Essex, Kent, Sussex, Hampshire, Surrey, Thames Valley, Bedfordshire,
Hertfordshire and the Met

HAMPSHIRE

Hampshire Horsewatch Mobile 07762 754788 or 07790 440478
DI D Collings (Force Equine Liaison Officer) 07867 972868
Hampshire Horsewatch, C/O Hampshire Constabulary, Police Headquarters, West Hill, Romsey Road, Winchester, Hampshire, SO22 5DB.

Non emergency number 0845 045 45 Email: equine@hampshire.pnn.police.uk www.hampshire.police.uk

Date 27 September 2008

The below incident is becoming more prevalent especially in the East Meon area of Hampshire. A horse, a 12yo 16.2hh fleabitten grey Irish Sports Horse appears to have had about a foot of his tail cut off. The horse was kept at Leydene Gardens Farm, East Meon (next to the Sustainability Centre on the Old Winchester Hill road) and this happened today between 0700 and 1900.

He is in the same field as the horse that was the subject of incident no 1137 (mane plaiting, possibly prior to theft) that was reported to Waterlooville Police last month. It is remotely possible that his tail was chewed by another horse but it is hard to imagine him standing still for the required length of time. In any case he is in a paddock with one other pony that has been there for some time and this has never happened before.

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Tack, fencing and generator theft

Hampshire Crimes RMS numbers 44080442012 44080443183 44080443179

Burglary at Stable Block, Eversley, Overnight 3-4 October 2008. Containers forced open and property stolen:

- Electric fencing
- Honda petrol generator
- Bridle and reins, black leather cob bridle, purple coloured browband, pelham bit, black leather breastplate
- Show bridle, black leather pony in hand show bridle with gold Newmarket chain and leather lead rein
- Girths 2 x black leather girths.
 - o 1 cottage craft black girth
 - o I white string pony girth
- Pony handle...with silver brow
 - snaffle bit and leather breast plate,
 - black leather plated bands
- · Reins, 2 sets of leather reins in black
- Saddle western black synthetic saddle and girth
- Saddle black leather pony saddle

Theft of a carriage

RMS 44080444192 Overnight 6 October 2008

A carriage was stolen from a barn in Upper Clatford, near Andover. The barn had been previously broken into and then the carriage was actually removed last night. The carriage is a Bennington Carriage (well known make) blue in colour but with black shafts. This carriage is made for a single horse of around 15.2hh. As soon as a photograph is available it will be circulated.

Of concern is the fact that one of the aggrieved horses was suffering from tetanus and must have been physically dragged away in order to access the barn. It was not hurt thankfully. Advice given and the crime is still being investigated

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THAMES VALLEY

Thames Valley Mounted Section 01908 686075
Watch Administrator – Thames Valley Police 0118 9181644
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www.thamesvalleyhorsewatch.org.uk tvhorsewatch@btinternet.com

Crime Reference Number GA3184405/08 Thames Valley Police.

Stolen overnight from a yard near Amersham, Bucks 24/25 September, gold/maroon Iveco Eurocargo 7.5 tonne 3 horse box, reg W766 PRB. POST CODED ON ROOF HP15 7JX. Contained Western outfit including \$500 black stetson. Thieves cut through two metal security gates to gain entry.

Due to not all recipients of this bulletin being able to receive large emails the photograph cannot be enclosed but one is available on the Hampshire Horsewatch web site under stolen horsebox and trailers. Any info to TVP 08458 505 505

Now may be a good time to update your security, with the nights closing in . Remember, you may be able to see in the fading light, but you may not be that visible to other road users, so wear some reflective gear to give drivers an extra (possibly life-saving) three seconds to see you.

Helen Evans

Thames Valley Horse Watch.

SURREY

S.A.F.E. Surrey Action for Equines (Surrey Horsewatch) Tel: 01420 487625 www.surrey-action-for-equine.co.uk

No information received.

HERTFORDSHIRE

Email: eastherthorsewatch@hotmail.com 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.

Suspicious vehicle

Dear Watch Member,

An attempted theft of horsebox was made at a farm in Essendon a couple of days ago. There has since been sightings of a white Peugeot 406 registration similar to R775 TWF at yards in the area. There has also been an increase in theft of purses from locked and unlocked yards.

Please remind everyone not to leave anything of value in their vehicles when they are left unattended and any sightings of the vehicle please call the police immediately on 0845 33 00 222. Thank you

Regards,

Jill Dockley Watch Liaison Officer, Horse Watch Email: jill.dockley@herts.pnn.police.uk

ESSEX

Valerie.crawford@essex.pnn.police.uk Tel: 07796 473908 www.essexhorsewatch.org.uk

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SUSSEX

Telephone: 01403 733819

sussexHwatch@aol.com www.sussexhorsewatch.org

No information received

BEDFORDSHIRE

Police Contact: Phil Cannings phil.cannings@Bedfordshire.pnn.police.uk

Ringmasters: Sarah Stevens: sarah.stevens@safer-beds.org and Dean Doyle: dean.doyle@safer-

beds.org

Rowena James Rowena-james@supadooper.com

Kerry Willis-Jones: Kerry.Willis-Jones@Bedfordshire.pnn.Police.uk

David Layton: David.Layton@bedfordshire.pnn.police.uk

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 in the area.

A burglary took place at a stable yard in Eaton Bray, on Thursday 2 October, between 1:30, and 9:30 in the morning. The offender has gained access to the land, via a green lane that runs to the rear of the location. The offender climbed over a 4 foot electric fence, and entered an insecure barn.

2 pony saddles, a bridle, and 2 saddle cloths, were taken from the barn.

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. If you have any information about this crime, please call the Police Control Centre on (01234) 841212 for North and Mid Beds, or (01582) 401212, for South Beds, and quote crime reference, J,/,4,3,6,0,3,/2008. You can get more information about missing or stolen horses at www.stolenhorseregister.com

Thank you for your support. To contact the Ringmaster Systems Administrator, email ringmaster@bedfordshire.pnn.police.uk To reply to this message please use the following link. http://www.bedfordshirecommunitymessaging.org/rmwebportal/replytomesg.aspx?mesg_id=5d95f07 1-4e9d-4678-ac3a-0ef7e668ca29&email=-1&web=-1

KENT

Contact Number: 07751 203216 <u>kenthorsewatch@hotmail.co.uk</u> <u>www.freewebs.com/kenthorsewatch</u> No information received.

WILTSHIRE

Stolen: Green/yellow and black pony cart

Occurrence 54080080741 relates to a cart stolen from a barn in Great Somerford, Chippenham, Wiltshire. It would have had to been lifted over 2 sets of gates to remove it.

Description: Pony cart. Box type seating area painted green. Black shafts. Seats upholstered in yellow leather cloth material. Bicycle type wheels with chrome beginning to flake.

Any info to Wiltshire crime management unit Heather Barham

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North East Region

Northumberland, County Durham, Cleveland, North, West, South & East Yorkshire and Humberside

SOUTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

Contact: Mrs Joanne Kennedy, Equine Liaison, MAPP Unit. Ext 8302 fax: 8885 Tel: 0114 2523302 fax: 0114 2523885 Email: <u>Joanne.Kennedy@southyorks.pnn.police.uk</u>

South Yorkshire Horsewatch Bulletin

Tack and trailer thefts

Stolen 25/26.09.08 from Grimethorpe, Barnsley

Thorogood GP 17" high withered saddle, black. Leather breastplate, 52" Thorogood girth, stirrup leathers, irons and burgundy and gold John Whittaker numnah. Covered with Stubben blue saddle cover/Wintec GP 172medium fit black saddle with stirrup leathers and irons, Wintec girth, Wintec light blue saddle cover/Wintec 17" GP black saddle, xxwide fit with stirrup leathers, irons, Wintec girth and light blue Wintec saddle cover/Childs saddle, black (worn) with Winnie the Poo purple numnah, black girth, stirrup leathers and irons. CRIME Ref B/109687/08

Stolen 24/25.09.08 from Treeton, Rotherham

Ifor Williams maroon 2 horse trailer. Cream interior with **3/69201** engraved on ceiling. Serial number **378994**. Central partition, front and rear load, rubber flooring. Back left brake light cracked and rear top door dented. Contained light blue haynet. CRIME Ref C/109252/08

Stolen 22/23.09.08 from Hatfield Woodhouse, Doncaster

£50,000 equestrian equipment - details to follow CRIME ref A/108558/2008

Stolen 19/20.09.08 from Platts Common, Barnsley

Black leather bridle with silver piping on brown band and noseband. 5.5" loose ring snaffle bit, black rubber reins. Chewed throatlash. Black running martingale with white banding. John Whittaker black running martingale with burgundy elastic breast plate and brass clips Cub saddle, black with handle on pommel. Blue Cottage Craft type girth, black synthetic stirrup leathers with child's size stirrups

Brown Shetland size bridle with 4.5" loose ring snaffle bit, cavesson noseband and plain leather reins

Western saddle in black with black suede seat which has yellow stitching. Flower embossing, Silver conchos front and rear. Two girths

Black leather saddle panniers

Bareback blue and white stripped saddle with black Cottage Craft girth, stirrup leathers and irons 17.5" brown leather saddle

Brown leather saddle with Rotherham Saddlery plate under flap

Black leather saddle

Black numnah with fur edges

Purple numnah/black numnah

Brown leather bridge - hanging cheek

Brown leather bridle with Dutch Gag

Brown leather Pelham bridle

Brown leather snaffle bridle

Green lunge line

IF YOU BELIEVE THAT YOU HAVE BEEN OFFERED ANY ITEM ON THIS PAGE, OR YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION THAT MIGHT LEAD TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF PERSON/S RESPONSIBLE, PLEASE CONTACT CRIMESTOPPERS ON 0800 555 111. CALLERS ANONYMITY MAINTAINED. ALTERNATIVELY CONTACT YOUR LOCAL POLICE STATION TO PASS ON ANY INFORMATION

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Clear plastic grooming box x 3

Webbing girth, black, size 56 and 42, Brown, size 52

Albion black leather 16.5" medium fit Event saddle with leathers and irons

Silver coloured metal stirrups

Black leather bridle with 5.5" hanging cheek bit and grakle noseband

Black leather draw reins

Black roller

Yellow reflective vest

Black and brown leather GP saddle,17.5", medium to wide fit, sheepskin seatsaver, Thorogood 52" black girth and irons that have pink stones embedded.

Red hand clippers in black box with charger

Brown leather GP saddle, 17.5", girth, leathers and irons

Treeless cob size saddle in black/Cob bridle in brown leather, with either flash or cavesson noseband and 5.5" eggbutt snaffle bit

Black leather running martingale

Pink cob size headcollar

Purple cob size headcollar

Pink sheepskin seatsaver

Black sheepskin seatsaver.

Lever stirrups

Size 46" webbing girth

CRIME Ref B/107476/2008

Stolen 23/24.07.08 from Hatfield, Doncaster

Paul Jones GP black 15.5" saddle with stirrup leathers and stirrups with Diamante jewels.

Synthetic Thorogood girth

John Whittaker cob bridle with cavesson noseband, 5.5" Apple happy mouth snaffle bit

John Whittaker diamante browband

Mountain Horse black leather full length boots, size 5, still in box

Treadstone black leather jodhpur boots, size 5

John Whittaker grooming bag, blue with red piping containing brushes and combs etc Diamante stirrups

Spurs

Saddle cloth in baby blue with **DENEKA** and **HARRY** on

Sheepskin black tendon boots

Charles Owen G8 suede riding hat in grey and pink, size 6 7/8ths

1 black Brushing boot

John Whittaker running martingale in black leather

Luka body protector in black with 2 reflective stripes on the back and red velcro fastening on the sides, zipped front

Childs body protector in grey and pink/childs body protector in blue and red/Harry Hall childs riding boots, black x 2

Harry Hall child's riding hat in grey size 56"

Harry Hall child's riding hat in black size 54"

Pink tack box containing grooming kit

Weatherbeta rug in grey and pink,5'9"/Leather tan cob size head collar with a missing name plate

Yellow cob size head collar

Cottage Craft grey and black pony size head collar

Navy blue headcollar with silver horses - taken off pony in stable

Vitamins

Epsom salts

Soya Oil in yellow container

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Mountain Horse riding gloves, adult size, in tan and navy with horseshoe on front

Childs brown riding gloves with rubber bobble grips

Childs black riding gloves with rubber bobble grips

Harry Hall full length riding boots size 11

Harry Hall full length riding boots size 1

Red and Navy browband

Black and white browband - some of the property was contained in hessian Tesco Ladybird bags.

Brown leather cob headcollar

Cottage Craft pink and navy cob head collar

John Whittaker cob headcollar in red and navy with white underneath the noseband.

Weatherbeta medium weight rug in light blue, 5'6"

Masta navy stable rug.

CRIME Ref A/84093/08

Joanne Kennedy Equine Liaison, South Yorkshire Police Tel 01142523302 Fax 01142523885

Eastern Region

Lincolnshire, Derbyshire, Cambridgeshire, Nottingham, Suffolk, Norfolk.

No information received.

DERBYSHIRE

Contact: Lesley Manger (DERBYSHIRE Pony Rescue)
Telephone: 01773 831251 mobile 07842 240494.

lesley@kenstudponyrescue.freeserve.co.uk
07970 848416 Insp Erika Green Erika.green.1765@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk

No information received.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE

Cambridgeshire Countryside Watch Regional Officer - Stefan Gidlow, Tel: 07890 455959 sqidlowccw@tesco.net www.cambscountrysidewatch.org.uk

No information received.

NORFOLK

07798635746 (Danny/Sue Cracknell) horsewatch@tiscali.co.uk

No information received.

Midlands Region

Northamptonshire, West Mercia, Staffordshire, Leicestershire, Warwickshire

No information received.

WORCESTERSHIRE

www.worcestershirehorsewatch.co.uk admin@worcestershirehorsewatch.co.uk

Telephone: 07500 475708

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SHROPSHIRE

www.shropshirehorsewatch.co.uk admin@shropshirehorsewatch.co.uk

No information received

Herefordshire Horsewatch

www.freewebs.com/herefordshirehorsewatch herefordshirehorsewatch@googlemail.com

Telephone: 07794 453911

No information received.

North West Region

Greater Manchester, Cheshire, Lancashire, Merseyside

No information received.

Wales

Dyfed-Powys, South Wales, Gwent, North Wales

GWENT POLICE - HORSE WATCH

Unknown persons have entered a stables in the Llanwern, Newport area on 11/09/08 and stolen the spare wheel from an Ifor Williams 505 horse box, despite having locking wheel nuts fitted. No damage was caused to the box, which implies that the correct equipment was used to remove the wheel.

To report any incidents please contact Gwent police 01633 838111.

Gwent Police Inc no. 518/22/09/08

At approx. 1930 hrs on 22/09/08, a maroon Discovery vehicle with Irish number plates, was seen in the Penhow area. 2 males inside this vehicle were taking photos of horses in a field. On being seen the vehicle made off. Any sightings of the above vehicle or any other incidents, please ring Gwent Police telephone no. 01633 838 111.

Many thanks

Ruth James, CO139, Severnside Neighbourhood Policing Team. Telephone No. 01633 880308

No information received.

Northern Ireland

No information received.

Eire

No information received.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

The below named officer is the horse watch coordinator at Gloucestershire Constabulary. PC 1623 Sarah Ward at Churchdown police station Gloucestershire.

Tel 0845 090 1234 ext 5282

Email sarah.ward1623@gloucestershire.police.uk

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Please be aware of an incident that occurred in the Hardwicke, Gloucester between 1700 on 30/9/8 and 0700 1/10/8. At this time unknown offenders have entered a field containing two horses. They have cut the horse's tail about 3 inches below the dock. This isn't a straight cut, it looks like a knife has been used and hacked off half of the tail. The horse has not been injured.

A lunge line left in the field has also been cut.

To report any incidents please contact Gwent police telephone no. 01633 838 111.

Dorset Information

No information received.

AVON & SOMERSET

Justin Gay 07795 503242 PCSO <u>Justin.Gay@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk</u>
Tessa Smith 0845 456 7000 ext 62025 <u>Tessa.smith@avonandsomerset.police.uk</u>
(Somerton and Wincanton South Somerset)
Carol Barnett <u>chathamrow@ukonline.co.uk</u>

No information received.

DEVON & CORNWALL

Gina Dale C/O Okehampton Police Station, Exeter Road, Okehampton, Devon, EX20 1NG

No information received.

NORTHAMPTON

No information received.

WEST MIDLANDS

Helene Elder, Community Partnerships Officer 0845 113 5000 (Switch board) Ext/Internal 79116879 h.elder@west-midlands.police.uk

No information received.

Stolen Horse Register www.stolenhorseregister.com

Farmkey
Tel: 0870 870 7107
info@farmkey.co.uk

No information received.

UK Horsewatch Alliance

www.ukhorsewatch.org.uk

Useful Contacts

Crime Prevention - Don't Be A Victim of Crime

www.ukhorsewatch.org.uk The website of the UK Horsewatch Alliance

www.rug-ID.co.uk Email info@rug-ID.co.uk for rug marking or contact Dee on 07747 467737

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www.crimestoppers.co.uk www.smartwater.com www.farmkey.com

Or call 0800 555 111

Property Security
Call 0870 870 7107

<u>www.freezemark.biz</u> Email: <u>mary@freezemark.biz</u> for freeze marking for horses.

Saddleguard: Email info@saddleguard.co.uk or call 01707-652577 or 07778-501915

www.equisecurity.co.uk I Dedicated to equestrian security - vehicles, tack and horses

www.icebands.org Rider and Horse Safety.

<u>Crime Detection – Find Your Stolen Property</u>

TrailerWatch UK For trailer security, Tel 01206 337580 Fax 01206 337579

www.nfed.co.uk/horsewatch

www.nfed.co.uk/hhwlogo

www.stolenhorseregister.com

www.equinemarketwatch.org.uk Equine Market Watch Welfare

www.tracingequines.co.uk

www.virtualbumblebee.co.uk or email info@virtualbumblebee.co.uk for Recovery Property

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

<u>www.virtualbumblebee.co.uk</u> or email <u>info@virtualbumblebee.co.uk</u> for Recovery Property www.securedbydesign.com

Crime Prevention Associations and Firms Accredited by ACPO

The Equipment Register (TER) 01225 464599 to check that item is not stolen

http://www.norr.co.uk/police/ The national off road register - for off road motorcycles quads & mules.

www.equinemarketwatch.org.uk Equine Market Watch Welfare

www.tracingequines.co.uk www.animalsonline.org.uk

http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/northern_ireland/7407932.stm

http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/essex/7373167.stm

http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/north_yorkshire/7434372.stm

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