

Editor's Welcome

Dear Reader,

First, do have a very enjoyable Easter. As always, as you go about your leisure and business activities others will undoubtedly try to relieve you of your property so please take that extra care to lock things up and put them out of sight.

We would like to remind readers to the Horsewatch Bulletin to remain vigilant for suspicious characters, cars and activities. What has become noticeable over the last twelve months is that certain elements of society have developed a penchant for stealing ponies and then selling them back to the distraught owners allegedly after buying them in all innocence. The only way to stop this activity is to stop the thieves at source . . . at your front door, farm gate and stable door. The practice of stealing ponies and selling them back to owners will continue all the time thieves and receiver/handlers of the stolen animals know they can get away with it. All owners are encouraged to engage the police in assisting in the recovery. It is appreciated that there may be pressures applied on the owner not to do so by those in possession of the animals but acquiescing to their demands merely encourages thieves/handlers to repeat the crime and so the problems repeat themselves.

What is also noticeable is that Horsewatch members up and down the country are looking out for stolen ponies/horses and as a result their endeavours there have been positive identifications and recoveries.

The proof of identification and ownership of horses and other property is becoming more of an issue these days. The recommendation is that you uniquely identify/mark your property. This can be as easy as postcoding items, use Smartwater products, use microchip or mark your property in a way which is known only to you. For a small investment you can have peace of mind. **BUT** remember that before you buy anything make sure you know who you are buying from!!! Don't buy someone else's misery. Thieves and handlers steal, move property on only for one purpose to make money. Ask yourself questions. Is the seller genuine? Can they prove ownership? Can they demonstrate to you that they are the legitimate owner? The victim of a crime who has property stolen doesn't lose their right of ownership and their property can be returned to them. If you are going to buy second hand goods (of any description), examine it carefully and ask questions. Believe it or not people do tell lies . . . !! So don't get caught out.

See Hampshire's Section for some Crime Prevention Information.

We'd like to bring to your attention a recent incident in the New Forest. The lone rider fell off, was knocked unconscious and abandoned by her horse, who was found sometime later several miles away. Unfortunately, neither horse nor rider were wearing any form of identity and nobody knew where the rider was planning to go . . . I'd pause a moment to let you contemplate the consequences of such poor ride planning and preparation. We are pleased to say that on this occasion the pair were eventually safely reunited but not before a great deal of time and anxiety had passed.

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If you would like to avoid causing unnecessary stress to your loved ones and possibly time and effort of many people please wear some form of identity along with a contact telephone number. Responsible riders can purchase identity bracelets for themselves and their horse from www.icebands.org.uk or they may prefer to have metal dog-tags engraved with their ICE details. Remember ICE = In Case of Emergency - nobody knows when an emergency may occur so be prepared.

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South East Region

**Hampshire, Thames Valley, Surrey, Hertfordshire, Essex, Kent, Sussex,
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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 45 Email: equine@hampshire.pnn.police.uk
www.hampshire.police.uk

Important Announcement - DI David Collings will be retiring from Hampshire Constabulary on the 15th April 2009.

However, he will continue to manage and co ordinate the work and role of Equine Liaison within Hampshire Constabulary on a voluntary basis. This is no real change to the current position as the work and involvement of all the Constabulary's Equine Liaison Officers is a voluntary role undertaken in

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addition and in conjunction with their regular duties. Additionally David will continue to play an active role within Hampshire Horsewatch.

Crime Information

Between 1730 23rd March 2009 and 0645 24th March 2009 Hamble Lane, Bursledon, near Southampton containers used for storage equestrian equipment and tools left secure on open ground - overnight padlock smashed off and property stolen. Stolen :-rugs , 4 saddles, bridles, head collars RMS 44090127181 refers.

Burglary INC NO 274 21 - 03 RMS 21st March 2009

Break in to tack room at Romsey Saddles , bridle and some grooming equipment taken
Offenders broke through lock on gate to land and then broke lock on tack room door

- Property Stolen
- Wintec GP saddle
- Hand made leather saddle
- Faux leather saddle
- Leather bridle with the word Badger on it
- Tack box with grooming kit in it
- Pair of leather chaps

Crime Prevention Advice

Crime Prevention Advice can be obtained from Hampshire Constabulary Crime Prevention Officers (CPO). To identify who is a CPO in your area contact Hampshire Constabulary Headquarters on 0845 045 45 45.

Alternatively you can contact Mr Peter Yeoman of Discreet Equipment, Southampton SO32 2JT. Tel 01329 832595 web site www.discreetequip.co.uk Peter can offer independent advice on Crime Prevention and offer a service. It costs nothing to call and may be his advice and service could prevent you becoming a victim of a crime and save you money

More Crime Prevention Advice

Another method and means of protecting your property comes from [sewequestrian](http://www.sewequestrian.com). This company can provide micro chips for inserting into property. The micro chips are sourced from Saddletrac. The micro chips are tiny in size and offer opportunities to identify and protect your valuable saddle or other equipment. For more details go to www.sewequestrian.com

And for something different.....

Hampshire Horsewatch is holding its Spring Show on Bank Holiday Monday 4th May 2009 at Crofton Manor Equestrian Centre, Titchfield Road,

Stubbington, Fareham PO14 3EW

To access information and schedules on line visit www.nfed.co.uk On the front page you will see a field marked "Welcome to the NFED". Underneath you will see the words "info/exchange". Click on to this and on the left hand side of the page will appear a column of various headings. Look for "News and Information" and underneath find "schedules and downloads".....click on and find the information on the Spring Show.

This will be the fourth Spring Show held by Hampshire Horsewatch and our second time at Crofton.

We would love to see you, your ponies and horses on the 4th May.....so come along and see us and have some fun.

THAMES VALLEY

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No information received.

SURREY

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

Horse paintings stolen

Information burglary in Surrey. March 2009. Stolen two oil paintings depicting horse scenes. Details of the oil paintings are:-

1. Two horses drinking - by J Wheeler of Bath
2. Hunting scene in a farmyard - by James Pollard This one had a date inscribed on a little sort of plaque in the middle bottom of the frame, with the name of the painter. It was 18 something but it doesn't show on the photo.

Both paintings are around 20-25 by 30 inches. Both paintings can be viewed on www.nfed.co.uk/horsewatch The officer dealing with the burglary is DC 3840 Adam Ramiz of Guildford CID Tel 01483 639426 If you have any information concerning the burglary or whereabouts of the paintings then contact the above officer or Phone CrimeStoppers 0800 555 111 quoting Crime Reference - GD 093192

HERTFORDSHIRE

Email: easttherthorsewatch@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 vehicles

On Friday 3rd April a Black Renault Cleo with a PINK stripe on the roof and down the sides went in to a

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yard at Little Berkhamsted and broke into a vehicle but there was nothing to take. The male was a white tall thin man with short dark hair and in his early 20's the female was approx 25-30 yrs and had long dark hair in a ponytail.

On Sat 4th April a White Fiesta Van index X253FBL went in to the same yard and pulled up next to a BMW car and when the owner approached they drove off in a hurry. One of the males was the same description as on Friday and the other was fat with cropped hair. This was seen this morning in Kent in suspicious circumstances also. Do not leave belongings in your cars for thieves to help themselves to. Any sightings of these vehicles in suspicious circumstances please call the police on 0845 33 00 222
Thank you

Karen Broad Police Community Support Officer, Horse Watch Karen.broad@herts.pnn.police.uk

ESSEX

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No information received.

KENT

Awaiting Details

No information received.

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No information received.

BEDFORDSHIRE

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

Marquee stolen

Subject: Ringmaster Bedfordshire - Bedford - 25/03/09 Countryside Horse South 25 March 2009 14:19
A burglary took place in a barn stables in a rural property near Bidwell, between 16:00 and 19:00 on 24th March. Offenders have gained access to the property, via fencing that was damaged on a previous incident. The offenders have used an implement to force the wood, situated at the side of the barn, allowing access. An aluminium marquee which was stored at the location was taken. The offenders have then made off. If you have any information about this crime, please call (01234) 841212, for North and Mid Beds, or (01582) 401212 for South Beds, and quote crime reference, J/,1,2,3,3,0,/2009. Alternatively text your message to (07786) 200011 { or email your message to chc@Bedfordshire.pnn.Police.uk }

***30 March 2009 14:48 - Bedford - 30/03/09 Horse Watch Vehicle security**

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A vehicle crime took place at a Stable Yard, in Hulcote, near Milton Keynes, on Saturday 28th March, between midday and 13:00. The vehicle was a Blue, 0 4 Toyota Land cruiser. The owner had left the vehicle parked at the stable yard, but unlocked. The owners dog was in the vehicle at the time. An unknown offender has entered the insecure vehicle and removed the owners handbag.

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/,1,2,8,6,4,/2009. Alternatively text your message to (07786) 200011 { or email your message to chc@Bedfordshire.pnn.Police.uk } Thank you for your support.

Subject: Ringmaster Bedfordshire - Bedford - 02/04/09 A heart Felt Thank You
This is a message to all members of the Ringmaster Messaging Service from Divisional Commander Chief Superintendent Andy Street.

Dear Ringmaster Member

I would like to thank everybody who lives and works in the Division, for your efforts over the last 12 months. As a division we have seen a significant increase in the rate of detected crime, up by 7% over the year. However, not only did we detect all these additional crimes but we have seen a continued reduction in recorded crime:

Burglary Dwelling - DOWN 2%
Robbery - DOWN 10%
Theft of Motor Vehicle - DOWN 16%
Theft from Motor Vehicle - DOWN 12%
Criminal Damage - DOWN 17%

Overall a reduction of 9% and this is following on from a previous year which saw reductions! I am proud of the team that has achieved these results. I also acknowledge that the hard work of Watch Scheme Members in the community has had an important role to play in this success.

Of course, we can't rest on our laurels and we have some significant challenges ahead, not least to repeat this level of performance, but if we continue to reduce crime and detect more we will be providing the quality policing service the people of Bedfordshire deserve.

My personal thanks to you all.

Andy Street, Chief Superintendent, Divisional Commander

Unmarked tack recovered

Last week a Bedfordshire Police officer recovered 4 trailers and 14 saddles in the South Bedfordshire area. None of the recovered saddles had been marked. Thanks to the hard work of the team at Dunstable station all of the property has now been traced to the owners. This process would have been much easier had the owners of the saddles had their property security marked.

Tack marking opportunity

Visible property marking is not only a good deterrent against theft, but is a useful tool to the police in returning recovered property and in gaining convictions against offenders. There are a number of methods for marking property, ranging from etching and engraving, to Smart water and UV pens.

Bedfordshire Horse Watch will be having a stand at The Alternative Event, in Shuttleworth, on Saturday 18th April. A tack marking service will be available, at this stand. Please bring along your saddles and bridles.

Three saddles, bridles, generators and tools stolen

A burglary took place at a stable yard in Sewell, near Dunstable, between 18:00 of 30th, and 16:00 of 31st March. The offender has gained entry to an insecure stable block. A tack box was forced open and 3 saddles and some bridles were taken. 3 generators, a chain saw, wheelbarrow, and power garden tools were taken from the building. The offenders loaded all the stolen property into a trailer that was kept at the yard. The offender removed the trailer, across fields to the rear of the location, towards the A505 Leighton Buzzard Bypass.

Bedfordshire Police ask rural business owners to take some time to review the security of the premises and outbuildings. Secure all buildings, and avoid leaving trailers or vehicles in fields or yards, where they can be seen from the road. Consider visual security marking on all trailers, power tools and tack, this is a good deterrent, and is helpful to Police investigations when it is recovered. Bedfordshire Police ask rural business owners to be vigilant, and to report any suspicious vehicles, or visitors, to the Police Control Centre.

If you have any information about this crime, please call (01234) 841212, for North and Mid Beds, or (01582) 401212 for South Beds, and quote crime reference, J/,1,3,4,2,5,/2009. Alternatively text your message to (07786) 200011 { or email your message to chc@Bedfordshire.pnn.Police.uk }

Thank you for your support.

London
Awaiting Contact Details

No information received

South West
Wiltshire, Devon & Cornwall, Gloucestershire, Dorset, Avon & Somerset

No information received.

Wiltshire
Awaiting Contact Details

No information received

Dorset Information

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

Electric fencing stolen

Theft of electric fencing from a farm bordering the A31 in Corfe Mullen reported on Friday 27th March. Message for info and awareness of increasing rural thefts. If you have any information regarding this message please call the Dorset Police on 01202/01305 222222 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. Reference: 31032009. Thank you Steve Brett PC1313

Diesel Stolen

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Message from Woodlands home watch 31st March 2009: In Kings Lane Woodlands evening 26th March a lorry had its fuel cap removed and 250 litres of diesel stolen. There was also an attempted theft of oil from tank reported in Horton Way Verwood 25/26 March. For local knowledge this is the other side of the hill. 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. PCSO Darren Wildman

7th April. Stable doors were cropped open overnight in the Holt area. It would appear that nothing has been stolen probably as no saddlery was stored within. For information only and a warning to continue to be vigilant as offences, although decreasing, are still occurring.

Also a reminder that there are still a number of alarms available at a discounted rate of £8, and that I have taken back the reins of Horsewatch so can attend and give security advice to stables and horse owners. If you have any information regarding this message please call the Dorset Police on 01202/01305 22 2222 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. Thank you

Wimborne Rural SNO PC Jane Brittain jane.brittain@dorset.pnn.police.uk

AVON & SOMERSET

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Thieves steal horses from Bristol wedding firm

Wednesday, April 08, 2009, 07:00

The owner of a wedding carriage hire business has been left devastated by the theft of two of his horses.

John Myles, who runs Any Occasion Carriages from his stables near [Warmley](#), woke up on Tuesday morning to discover his working horses Max and Major missing, along with their head collars and food.

The thieves climbed 15ft to reposition the CCTV cameras monitoring the stable block at Brook Farm before they stole the two "irreplaceable" horses.

14-year-old Major was marked with the initials DEB6 and nine-year-old Max was marked with JJM1.

Police have asked anyone who saw anything suspicious in the area at about 10.30pm on Monday to contact 0845 456 7000.



DEVON & CORNWALL

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

5 saddles, bridles & rugs stolen

Please find below details of property stolen from a property at Merton Okehampton between the 27th and 28th March 2009.

Saddle	2 x Stubben saddles complete with stirrup irons and girths	£2,000.00
Saddle	Langford Blenheim saddle suede knee rolls stirrup irons and girth	£600.00
Saddle	2 x synthetic Wintec saddles with stirrups and girths one with adjustable tree the other a wide fit	£500.00
Bridle	5 x bridles with stainless steel bits 2 Dutch gags a French Bridoon they all had rubber racing reins and 2 had hunting martingales fitted one had a standing martingale fitted	£455.00
Other	1 x leather lunging caversson	£100.00
Other	6 x turn out rugs 4 of, which are fairly new	£480.00

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

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

Melanie Campbell

melanie.campbell@gloucestershire.police.uk. Phone 0845 090 1234 ext 4182.

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Police Horsewatch Coordinators

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Suspicious Sighting - Gloucestershire Police Horse Watch.

We have had a suspicious sighting of three white males looking around a yard at Ashleworth, Glos. When confronted they drove off in a Blue Shogun K646PTP. The driver was in his late 40s and the other two approx 30-40 yrs. Please keep you eyes open and be vigilant, reporting any other sightings to Gwent Police Telephone no. 01633 838 111.

Suspicious Activity

Sometime overnight on the 22/03/09, a smallholding in the Magor area was entered and suspicious activity has taken place. Horses and other animals were let out of stables, rugs removed but left at the location, horse feed containers tipped over. All animals have been accounted for and none had been harmed in any way. Any suspicious activity please report it to Gwent Police telephone no. 01 633 838 111. Many thanks.

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

Stolen

A leather saddle stolen from a locked barn in Minchinhampton on the night of 18th March. Large leather saddle, red badges, postcode marked - GL6 OQF, Barton End Stables. This is the second such theft in three months. In December it was a black leather saddle. Police involved both times. CCTV cameras now installed.

Suspicious activities

Recently, at Chalford Farm Shop, 2 young guys behaving suspiciously, white van seen parked in a field near Avening with same 2 guys coming out of a wood.

19th March 2009: Suspicious sighting of three white males looking around a yard at Ashleworth, Glos. When confronted they drove off in a Blue Shogun K646PTP. The driver was in his late 40s and the other two approx 30-40 yrs Please keep you eyes open and be vigilant, reporting any other sightings to police immediately

Many thanks for your help. PC 695 Melanie Campbell, Horsewatch Co-ordinator, Quedgeley Police Station 0845 090 1234 Ext 4182

On 16th and 17th March, two fields of horses were deliberately allowed to escape onto the road by offenders opening gates. One gate was padlocked, this was forcibly removed, and another gate was lifted from its hinges. The nearest incident taking place at Overbury.

Heavy plant equipment, trailers and quad stolen

In the last week a digger was stolen from Wickhamford. A set of Matbro forks and a hand wheel from a sub soiler was stolen in Aldington and some tractor weights and other steel stolen locally near to Offenham.

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6 assorted trailers have been stolen across the force area, none locally. A quad bike has also been taken.

1 report of a garage burglary where saddlery and garden tools were stolen near to Worcester.

SMARTWATER, a property marking solution is available in farm packs to purchase from West Mercia through a local Neighbourhood Watch scheme and I would be happy to advise you if you contact me. Please be aware that now is the time to deter thieves from taking garden machinery. Don't leave it on view in your garden. Get it marked with your postcode. Record all serial numbers so if it is stolen and recovered we can identify the owner and return it to you. Check your garden shed security.

Best wishes, Gail

WPC 3308 Gail Greenhouse, Local Police Officer, Broadway Police Station, 0300 333 3000 ext 3777
gail.greenhouse@westmerciam.pnn.police.uk

North East Region

Yorkshire, Northumberland, County Durham, Cleveland and Humberside

SOUTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

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

No information received.

Northumberland
Awaiting Contact Details

No information received.

County Durham
Awaiting Contact Details

No information received.

Cleveland
Awaiting Contact Details

No information received

Humberside
Awaiting Contact Details

No information received

Eastern Region

Cambridgeshire, Derbyshire, Lincolnshire, Nottingham, Norfolk. Suffolk

Cambridgeshire

Cambridgeshire Horsewatch;
Lydia Crabtree (PCSO Cambridgeshire Constabulary)
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Derbyshire

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Lincolnshire

Awaiting Contact Details

No information received.

Nottingham

Awaiting Contact Details

No information received.

Norfolk

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No information received.

Suffolk

Awaiting Contact Details

No information received.

Midlands Region

Staffordshire, Leicestershire, Warwickshire, Worcestershire, Shropshire,
Herefordshire, Northamptonshire, Solihull, West Mercia,

No information received.

Warwickshire

Julie Dale, Watch Co-ordinator, Warwickshire Police
watch@warwickshire.police.uk Telephone 01926 41500 ext 8185

No information received.

WORCESTERSHIRE

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

Telephone: 07500 475708

A Green NISSAN TERRANO has been acting suspiciously driving round in the Wichenford area of Worcester. They stopped and asked where the coloured cob was for sale. A traditional heavy weight piebold cob was in the next field. Two male occupants. The registration was not noted.

SHROPSHIRE

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

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

Three separately owned tractors stolen

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We have had reports of three recent tractor thefts:

Please be aware tractors appear to be targeted at present and taken away without the ignition keys. It is likely low-loader vehicles are being used in these crimes. Please be on the lookout for similar suspicious vehicles. Between 5.30pm Monday 23.3.09 and 7.30am Tuesday 24.3.09, a red Manitou telescopic loader reg DX54 LGJ stolen from a farm just off the A41 north of Newport.

Between 0900 and 12.00hrs 24th March 2009 a Blue Ford New Holland Tractor with front loader has been stolen from premises in Montford Bridge, near Shrewsbury. This tractor has a registered number of CE51WBZ. Any information to Shrewsbury Police on 0300 333 3000 incident number 0097-n-240309.

Police are trying to trace a £60,000 tractor stolen overnight from a field at Tong, near Shifnal. The red Massey Ferguson tractor, registration number PN57KXE, was taken from a field behind the Bell pub on the A41 between 4.30pm yesterday and 8am 27/3/09. The investigating officer, PC Duncan Bowen, said: "I would welcome any information which might help my inquiries. It's possible the tractor was driven away or it may have been loaded onto a vehicle.

Any details can be forwarded to me at Shifnal police station on 0300-333-3000 or to the anonymous Crimestoppers number 0800-555-111, for which a reward may be paid. The tractor had Jones "toppers" machines fitted to the front and back for topping turnips.

Please ring 0300 333 3000 to report any information or concerns you may have.

Shrewsbury – 31 03 09 Bridgnorth suspicious vehicle

21:00 31/3/09 A blue Transit van J?73THN was seen in suspicious circumstances at a farm in the Cleobury Area. Please call in with any sightings. Ref: 0768S 310309. Please ring 0300 333 3000 to report any information or concerns you may have.

Herefordshire Horsewatch

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

Telephone: 07794 453911

No information received.

NORTHAMPTON

PC 449 Glynne Malkin, Force Countryside & Wildlife Officer,
Glynne.malkin@northants.pnn.police.uk Tel: 01604 703199

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David Robins, Ringmaster Andy.roberts@northants.pnn.police.uk
Andy Roberts Press officer David.robins@northants.pnn.police.uk

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.

WEST MIDLANDS

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

No information received.

North West Region

Greater Manchester, Cheshire, Lancashire, Merseyside

To report suspicious behaviour or thefts please email admin@ukhorsechat.co.uk this is checked daily or Ring 07849 590251.

No information received.

Staffordshire Horsewatch
on 01785 234429 or email staffs@stolenhorseregister.com

No information received.

Scarborough & District Country Watch
07871 237634
scarcountrywatch@live.co.uk

No information received.

Wales

Dyfed-Powys, South Wales, Gwent, North Wales

Stolen 30/03/2009 from Llanarmon dc, Llangollen, Wrexham

Any info please call, Chirk police station, PC Mike Howel 06456071002 or Farmkey 0870 870 7107.

TOFFEE, an 11.2hh, 12 year old Shetland x sec a pony, chesnut with a flaxen mane and tail, 4 little white socks. He has a small dot in a flesh colour between his nostrils. He has a rain scald scare on the top of his bum almost on his back where the hair has come back a lot darker than the rest of him. Toffee is lame on the front right foot.

Police Crime ref. KO56433

Photographs of Toffee appear on www.nfed.co.uk/horsewatch and should appear on the www.stolenhorseregister.com

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Northern Ireland Awaiting Contact Details
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No information received.
Scotland Perth And Kinross Horsewatch Fiona Stuart pkhorsewatch@hotmail.com Tel: 01350 727116 Stuart Fee feestuart@msn.com
No information received.
Dumfries and Galloway Horsewatch M Parr mparr2001@btinternet.com
No information received.
Overseas News
No information received.

Useful Contacts

UK Horsewatch Alliance
Stolen Horse Register
Farmkey Tel: 0870 870 7107

www.ukhorsewatch.org.uk
www.stolenhorseregister.com
info@farmkey.co.uk

Crime Prevention – Don't Be A Victim of Crime

www.ukhorsewatch.org.uk
www.rug-ID.co.uk

The website of the UK Horsewatch Alliance
Email info@rug-ID.co.uk for rug marking or contact Dee on
07747 467737

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

Or call 0800 555 111

Property Security
Call 0870 870 7107

Saddleguard:
07778-501915
www.equisecurity.co.uk |
www.icebands.org

mary@freezemark.biz for freeze marking for horses.
| info@saddleguard.co.uk or call 01707-652577 or

Dedicated to equestrian security
Rider and Horse Safety

Crime Detection – Find Your Stolen Property

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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 Email info@virtualbumblebee.co.uk for Recovery Property
<http://www.skywatchcivilairpatrol.org.uk/>

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

www.virtualbumblebee.co.uk info@virtualbumblebee.co.uk for Recovery Property
www.securedbydesign.com ACPO accredited Crime Prevention Associations & Firms
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 motorbikes & quads.
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>
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DERBYSHIRE HORSE RELATED CRIMES AND INCIDENTS

For 13th to 19th Mar 2009 inclusive.

Division	Reference	Date	Location	Details
A	Inc 265	15 th Mar	Taylor Lane, Loscoe	Reported: Horse got loose from tether at roadside and is now running along road. Outcome: Attended and searched area, no horse found.
A	CR 12902/09	6 th Mar	Denby Lane, Codnor	Reported: Offenders lifted corrugated sheds in field, damaged doors and stole items from within including a black saddle worth £100. Outcome: Investigated but closed unsolved.
A	Inc 554	19 th Mar	A610 Codnor . Ripley stretch	Reported: Two horses on road. Outcome: Attended. Horses were actually on industrial estate land where they are often put to graze. No horses on road.
B	No reports			
C	No reports			
D	No reports			

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DERBYSHIRE HORSE RELATED CRIMES AND INCIDENTS

For 20th to 26th Mar 2009 inclusive.

Division	Reference	Date	Location	Details
A	Inc 108	21 st Mar	Nottingham Rd, Ripley	Reported: Horse on road. Outcome: Owner contacted, will retrieve.
A	Incs 770,772,779	25 th Mar	A610, Codnor stretch	Reported: Pony on road. Outcome: Owner contacted, will retrieve.
A	Inc 33	25 th Mar	A610 Codnor Stretch	Reported: Horse on road, eating grass on verge. Outcome: Attended, horse back in field.
B	Inc 767	19 th Mar	Alkmonton Road, Boylestone	Reported: Lady was asked a lot of questions when she went to see to her horses by a man and woman, both in 30s, both white, both large build, both wearing dark sweatshirts.. Female had long dark hair and possibly glasses. They were in a large red van. The male said his wife loved horses. There was a second vehicle, a Silver Landrover, (possibly Freelander). In that was a white male 55-60 yrs with a female in her late 20s with mousy brown hair and braces on her teeth. Outcome: Intelligence items created. Officer allocated to look into this matter.
B	CR 16771/09	23-24 Mar	Stanedge Rd, Bake well	Reported: Between 5pm Mon and 7am Tues padlock was broken off field gate and a horse trailer worth £1000 was stolen. No one lives at the location where the horses and trailer were kept. Outcome: Trailer was found nearby crashed into a tree. Appears to have broken away from the towing vehicle. This crime is currently being investigated.
C	Inc 548	21 st March	Rectory Road, Duckmanton	Reported: Horses at riding stables believed to be suffering

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				from %Strangles+. One has already died. Caller believes stables should be quarantined due to contagious nature of condition. Outcome: RSPCA contacted, they will deal with this.
C	Inc 367	22 nd March	Monks Rd, Hollingwood	Reported: Four horses in business centre car park. Outcome: Attended and put horses back in their field. Owner contacted who will repair the fencing.
D	Inc 514	23 rd March	Ambaston Lane, Thulston	Reported: Stolen horses from Belgium at location Outcome: Horses recovered to a safe yard, enquiries ongoing re theft or civil debt

DERBYSHIRE HORSE RELATED CRIMES AND INCIDENTS

For 27th Mar to 2nd Apr 2009 inclusive.

Division	Reference	Date	Location	Details
A	Inc 726	2 nd Apr	Riddings to Codnor road	Reported: Horse tied to fence, appears to have no water etc. Outcome: RSPCA contacted, they will attend.
A	Incs 807 & 795	2 nd Apr	Station Close, Kilburn	Reported: Horse (possibly tethered) at roadside. Outcome: Attended and put horse in a field.
A	Inc 448	30 th Mar	Goose Lane, Codnor	Reported: Horse on road Outcome: Owner contacted, will attend.
A	Inc 510	27 th Mar	B5035 Crich stretch	Reported: One horse and two donkeys running along road. Outcome: Full area search conducted, nothing seen.
B	No reports			
C	No reports			
D	Inc 170	30 th Mar	Main Street, Newton Solney	Reported: Shetland pony on road. Outcome: Area searched, nothing seen.

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D	Inc 51	30 th Mar	Walton Lane, Walton-on-Trent	Reported: Pony on road. Outcome: Attended and located two ponies, secured them back in owners field.
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