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Editor's Welcome

The parents among you will know the old saying Where comes a time when you've got to let them go+. Thankfully, for our offspring, this merely means cutting the apron strings and letting them make their own way in the world. However, the same saying has a completely different meaning for horse-owners and a great many owners find it too unbearable to contemplate. so they put their animals on loan instead.

If you have such a strong emotional attachment and morale sense of duty to your old horse or pony that you feel they deserve a new home you should be prepared to commit to dedicating as much time to selecting and monitoring an appropriate loan home as you would to their last day on earth. Get references, verify them, take photographs of the loanee, research them on the internet, draw up a legally binding contract, visit regularly and keep in touch. If you cand find the time or inclination to do this for your old faithful friend you have to ask yourself if loaning is really for you.

Safe loaning is not a quick-fix, short-term solution to be used as a substitute for making the final decision over your horses future. And even with the best will in the world you could still fall foul of unscrupulous characters. One such unfortunate family have set up a website to log all the horses missing on loan in Britain in tribute to their two old horses. You can read their sad story and log your own missing horse here http://missinghorsesonloan.webs.com/

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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

No information received.

THAMES VALLEY

Thames Valley Mounted Section 01908 686075
Watch Administrator . Thames Valley Police 0118 9181644
Christine.seal@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk
www.thamesvalleyhorsewatch.org.uk tvhorsewatch@btinternet.com

No information received.

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SURREY

S.A.F.E. Surrey Action for Equines (Surrey Horsewatch) Tel: 01420 487625 www.surrey-actionfor-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.

No information received.

ESSEX

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

No information received.

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

STOLEN: Horse box, saddles, bridles, strimmer

Two burglaries have taken place in Moor End, Eaton Bray, Dunstable.

The first burglary incident took place between the 21st of January, and the 8th of February. Offenders have removed a strimmer from a shelter, and made off with it. Then shelter is always left open.

The associated crime reference number is J,/,0,5,3,8,0,/2009.

The second burglary incident took place in the High Street, between the 5th, and the 6th of February. Offenders are believed to approach a wooden shed, crossing a field, and have stolen and deactivated the electric energiser to the fencing, and approached a wooden shed. Offenders forced entry into the shed, and stole a horse box, with saddles and bridles. The associated crime reference number is J./,5,0,9,2,/2009.

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 the crime reference number above.

Alternatively text your message to (07786) 200011 { or email your message to chc@Bedfordshire.pnn.Police.uk } Or call crime stoppers in confidence on (0800) 555111.

STOLEN: Animal Feed

Property has been taken from a barn in Potton Road, Sandy, overnight on the 6th to the 7th of February.

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The offender has entered an open sided barn, and removed an amount of Animal Feed. 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,/,5,2,2,6,/2008.

Bedfordshire Police ask rural business owners to be vigilant, and to report any suspicious vehicles, or visitors, to the Police Control Centre.{ For more information on reducing rural crime visit http://www.safer-beds.org/rmwebportal/rm_desktop/files/Watch%20Countryside%20-%20Crime%20Reduction.html }

Alternatively text your message to (07786) 200011 { or email your message to chc@Bedfordshire.pnn.Police.uk }

KENT HORSEWATCH

Contact Number: 07751 203216 <u>kenthorsewatch@hotmail.co.uk</u> www.freewebs.com/kenthorsewatch

No information received.

WILTSHIRE

No information received

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: Joanne.Kennedy@southyorks.pnn.police.uk

No information received

Eastern Region

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

No information received.

DERBYSHIRE

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

lesleykenstudponyrescue@gmail.com

07970 848416 Insp Erika Green <u>Erika.green.1765@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk</u>

DERBYSHIRE HORSE RELATED CRIMES AND INCIDENTS							
	For 23 rd to 28 th January 2009 inclusive.						
Divi sio n	Ref	Date	Location	Details			
Α	No reports						
В	Incs 487 & 497	26 th Jan	Field Head, Glossop	Reported: Three horses out on road. Outcome: Attended and located owner, horses retrieved.			

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В	Inc 401	24 th Jan	Torrs Riverside Park, New Mills	Reported: Concern for horse whose owners are away on holiday. Outcome: Ownercs vet called out, no concerns. Horse being re-hor	
В	CR 4753/09	23-24 Jan	Chapel Rd, Whaley Bridge	Reported: Unknown offenders have entered stable compound and for storage. £20 cash stolen and items thrown over yard. A white Tropposite the compound. Outcome: Under investigation.	
С	Inc 808	24 th Jan	Gashouse Lane, Eckington	Reported: Horse out on road. Outcome: Attended, horse placed safely in field and fence being re	paired.
С	Inc 418	28 th Jan	Unspecified location, Staveley	Reported: Concern for pony tethered on chain. Appears to have no Outcome: RSPCA attending.	access to food
С	Inc 593	27 th Jan	Gashouse Lane, Eckington	Reported: Horse out on road. Outcome: Attended and searched whole area, no horse found.	
D	No reports				

CAMBRIDGESHIRE

Cambridgeshire Countryside Watch Regional Officer - Stefan Gidlow, Tel: 07890 455959 sgidlowccw@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

No information received.

Warwickshire

Julie Dale, Watch Co-ordinator, Warwickshire Police

email watch@warwickshire.police.uk Telephone 01926 41500 ext 8185

We will launching a Horse Watch in Warwickshire in January as a sub scheme of Rural Watch.

Watch This Space!

SHROPSHIRE

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

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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

We are delighted to let everybody know that the chestnut Welsh Section C gelding stolen on 18th January has been recovered safely.

Wales

Dyfed-Powys, South Wales, Gwent, North Wales

No information received.

Northern Ireland

No information received.

Scotland

Fiona Stuart pkhorsewatch@hotmail.com

No information received.

Perth And Kinross Horsewatch Stuart Fee <u>feestuart@msn.com</u>

No information received.

Dumfries and Galloway Horsewatch M Parr mparr2001@btinternet.com

No information received.

Eire

No information received.

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.

Police Horsewatch Coordinators

Cotswolds melanie.cheesbrough@gloucestershire.police.uk and penny.wiggins@gloucestershire.police.uk

Stroud <u>carrie.vinson@gloucestershire.police.uk</u> and <u>tyrone.mein@gloucestershire.police.uk</u>

Gloucester elizabeth.lovell@gloucestershire.police.uk and melanie.campbell@gloucestershire.police.uk

Forrest tania.shuttleworth@gloucestershire.police.uk and matthew.buckley@gloucestershire.police.uk

Tewkesbury kim.hadland@gloucestershire.police.uk and tracy.warburton@gloucestershire.police.uk

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Between 17 January and 20 January 2009 a farm near Tetbury was broken into by burglars. Stolen from the farm were the following firearms which were secured in a heavy metal gun case which was attached to the wall.

WOODWARD 12 bore, side by side, serial number 3169
DOUGALL 12 bore, side by side, serial number 2850
BOSWELL 12 bore, side by side, serial number 13942
WEOBLEY and SCOTT 12 bore, side by side, serial number 130566

If you know any information concerning this property please telephone Gloucestershire Constabulary on 08450901234 quoting incident number 358 20/01/09.

There has also been a dwelling burglary near to Toddington in the last few days where offenders stole silverware. Thank you to all of the people who gave me information concerning the van I informed you about in the last message. I even saw it myself in Broadway whilst off duty! It appears that the occupants may have moved from our area following the additional attention they have received.

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

Dorset Information

HorseWatch Co-ordinator anita.rigler@dorset.pnn.police.uk

No information received.

AVON & SOMERSET

Justin Gay 07795 503242 PCS O <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

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NORTHAMPTON

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

Community Policing and Partnerships, Office 7, Block 2, Mereway, Northampton, NN4 8BE
David Robins, Ringmaster Andy.roberts@northants.pnn.police.uk
Andy Roberts Press officer David.robins@northants.pnn.police.uk

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.rug-ID.co.uk 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

Or call 0800 555 111

Property Security
Call 0870 870 7107

www.freezemark.biz Email: mary@freezemark.biz 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.

Crime Detection - Find Your Stolen Property

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!

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

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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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 guads & 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

http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/surrey/7431907.stm