

Editor's Welcome

Welcome to this edition.

This section contains two examples of how people thinking of buying a horse or giving money to a charity can be duped or enticed into parting with hard earned cash.

The information below was received from a member of the equine community who on face value appears to have been duped. It is passed for general information and as a warning about entering into an arrangement, business or otherwise with horses. This story screams out a loud message of WHAT NOT TO DO

"We purchased a pony from a seller in Eastbourne, the photograph and the pony details were printed on the advert, It was a black 13.2 hh mare said to be 12 yrs which the seller had owned for 4 years. We agreed to have the pony and it was delivered to us in the Midlands. When we had an expert to look at it later in the afternoon we were told it was well into its twenties. They had omitted to send the passport and the seller said it would be in the next days post, (we have never received it to date). As we suspected the pony was not the one described so we went onto the horse mart site and typed in the name "Dee" and found that this pony was given to this lady as a companion. It was indeed 24yrs old and had never been broken in and would be very dangerous to attempt to even sit on her, this was sold to us a quiet 12 child's dream pony. We have now found there is a scam, where they are asking for a companion pony which they want for free, there are several mobile numbers which they are using and what worries me most of all, is they are very willing to put children's lives at risk "

What not to do and to do:

Don't buy a horse unseen.

Don't buy a horse with out documentation

Don't pay cash

Don't be bullied into doing anything, ie take the horse if you feel it is not the one advertised.

Check publications. People who work scams will advertise in a regular way.

Have witnesses available if you go as far as "buying" a horse unseen until it is delivered!

Insist on going to the horse's yard/home to see it. .even if you have to travel a distance.

At this time it is not known if the matter has been reported to the police.

"Don't be duped"

There is another scam circulating involving horses! Don't get encouraged to adopt a horse via an adoption advert on the internet. Only sponsor or donate money to equine causes that you know are creditable by reputation and you know actually exist, more than likely because you have visited the organisation i.e. World Horse Welfare (formerly ILPH)!!

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STOLEN

(CTRL + Click to hop to these thefts easily)

[Assorted tack](#)

[Red Diesel](#)

[Colour mare and filly](#)

[Three miniature Shetlands](#) (Help Make these three **Too Hot to Handle**) and print a Missing Poster from here: <http://www.shetland-pony.com/news/stolen/stolenbedfordshire.pdf>

[Three trailers](#)

[A log summerhouse \(!\)](#)

[Found – Six Shetlands](#)

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 45 Email: equine@hampshire.pnn.police.uk
www.hampshire.police.uk

Mane cutting/singed

RMS 44090061492

Incident occurred overnight on the 11th -12th February 2009

The above occurrence number relates to a Skewbald Clydesdale x Cob horse in Lyndhurst (Seamans Lane, Minstead, New Forest) that had it's mane singed half way between poll and withers. It was hogged at the end of last summer so quite short. No photo's etc as owner has cut out the entire mane to remove, as she suspects person were marking horse to return to steal. Please be aware of any marking on manes as this maybe a precursor to theft of horses.

Tack shed burglary

RMS 44090066069 Fair Oak, Eastleigh between 18:00hrs 13/02/09 and 09:00hrs 14/02/09. Between times stated unknown person(s) had forced open the tack shed doors on stable yard and had stolen numerous tack items from the shed. Stolen 5 x bridles; 2 synthetic saddles and assorted leather tack

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items

Tack Shop Break-In

Burglary on 11th February 2009 at Shedfield Saddlery- there was a break in on Wednesday evening. Horse rug repair cash tin money taken

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

Attempted horse theft

The attempted theft of a horse took place in Chalfont St Giles, last weekend, where the horse was found with a makeshift head collar, which was believed to have been used to try and ride it out of the field.

Stolen – coloured mare and yearling filly

Two coloured horses were stolen from a field in Denham on the 24/25th of January. One is described as a piebald mare, 15 hands high, between 3 and 4 years old. The other is a blue and white yearling filly, about 13.2 hands high. Both are friendly and used to people. Crime Reference Number GC3265528/09 refers.

Nationally, horses, trailers and tack are being stolen at an alarming rate, and it is only a matter of time before the thieves turn their attention to this area. You are all asked to be vigilant, review your security, and report any suspicious activity to the Police on the non- emergency number, unless a crime is in progress, when you should call 999.

If you need any advice about security, please contact this office or your nearest Crime Reduction Officer. Arrangements can be made for your tack to be post coded on your premises, and we urge you to get yours done as soon as possible in an effort to thwart the thieves. This office number is 01494 736642.

SURREY

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

Countryside Alert e-mail Newsletter

Evening all

Countryside Alert - The final countdown

After 7 years *Countryside Alert* will end on Sunday 22nd February 2009, as you are aware **Countrywatch** scheme is rolling out across the Tandridge area. A regular and more informative e-mail newsletter is already being circulated by Lizzie Charlton (Neighbourhood Co-ordinator at Caterham) to members who have signed up to the new scheme, if you have received the information pack you need to return your completed form as soon as possible.

Anyone can register to become a member of the Tandridge Countrywatch scheme for free. As a new member you will receive a Countrywatch sign to display and you will receive text message alerts and/or e-mails together with a regular bulletin about local crimes, emerging trends, suspicious callers and vehicles.

For further information e-mail tandridgecountrywatch@surrey.pnn.police.uk

Or telephone 01483 630220

Selection of recently reported rural crimes

- Overnight 27th/28th Jan offenders stole 2100 litres of red diesel and thirty empty chemical containers (plastic) from farm premises in Marsh Green Road, Marsh Green (Nr Edenbridge)
- Lead flashing taken from roof of commercial premises in Plough Road, Smallfield between 6th and 9th Feb
- Damage to barbed wire fencing around field in Rookery Hill Outwood between 5th and 9th Feb
- Overnight 13th and 14th Feb offenders gained access to Timber yard in Green lane Outwood and stole a 8 foot by 12 foot loglap summerhouse
- Overnight 4th and 5th Feb an indispensable Trailer was stolen from the driveway of a property in Flower Lane Godstone
- Two persons were arrested following house burglary in High Street, Godstone around 0140am on 10th Feb
- Overnight 13th and 14th Feb garden shed broken into in Westerham Road, Oxted and power tools stolen
- Between 10th and 12th Feb container broken into within ground of quarry in Westerham Road Westerham and large quantity power and hand tools stolen
- Overnight 1st and 2nd Feb damage caused to wooden pens on shooting range off Chelsham Common Chelsham, further damage caused to fencing overnight 3rd and 4th Feb

Keep them peeled

Pc 1460 Nick Shrapel, Bletchingley & Nutfield NSO and Tandridge Rural Affairs
Surrey Police - Tandridge Borough Tel 01483 637503

Countryside Alert e-mail Newsletter

Hi

The below information is regarding home security in respect of house burglary. As you may

recall there have been several incidents around the Tandridge.

Please feel free to pass around neighbourhood watch groups and friends.

Surrey Police target domestic burglary

Burglary in East Surrey

Fortunately domestic burglary in East Surrey is very low compared to other parts of the County and indeed the rest of the country, with less than half a percent of households being burgled. And as technology and community intelligence has improved, burglary detections are improving too.

However, if you are a victim of an offence the effects can be devastating which is why we encourage all residents to take all the precautions they can in preventing burglary. Most of the things you can do are common sense and cost nothing – simply reorganising simple habits that make you more vulnerable than your neighbour.

We strongly advise that you do not answer the door to doorstep callers, who may be attempting a distraction burglary or checking out a property for later targeting.

If you have neighbours who you think may be vulnerable to a distraction or domestic burglary, please keep an eye open for them and offer them advice where appropriate. Together we are a stronger community ready to fight crime.

Don't make your home an easy target for burglars

Many burglaries are crimes of opportunity. A burglar only needs to spot an open window, unlocked aide gate or dodgy alarm to make their move. Think about it – if you know your home security looks poor, so will a thief.

Statistics show that properties with little security are 15 times more likely to be burgled than those with good security.

The good news is that it doesn't take much to secure your house – and put off thieves.

- Check all doors and windows are locked – even if you are just popping out for a minute.
- Fit deadlocks to all outside doors. (*Burglars hate them because you need a key to open them from the inside as well as the outside.*)
- Make sure your keys are out of sight and not left somewhere obvious.
- Fit key-operated locks to all windows. (*Burglars do not like breaking glass because of the noise it makes and the risk of leaving forensic evidence.*)
- Remove climbing aids, such as wheelie bins against a side gate.
- Do not leave spare keys hidden outside or in the garage or shed. (*Burglars always look there!*)
- Leave lights and the radio on a timer for the evening if you are out, so it looks like someone is home.
- Ensure thieves cannot get into the garden – there is a good fence, the side gate is padlocked and the shed is locked.
- Make sure the TV, video, laptop and other valuables cannot be seen from the window.
- Ensure cash is not lying around.
- Ensure sheds and garages are secured with a strong padlock and tools such as garden spades, forks and ladders are securely put away inside them.

Burglary and your car

In Surrey some burglars are specifically targeting high value cars parked outside your home and will use any means possible to steal your vehicle. They will push a pole with handles, hooks or even magnets through your letterbox or catflap in order to reach your car keys; or they may simply exploit an insecure door or window.

Do not leave your car keys close to the door, on a table, in a pot by the door or hanging on hooks. Always keep them out of sight.

Burglary and your computer

Thieves love computers. As well as the money they might get from selling them, computers often contain personal information (such as bank details) that criminals can use to commit fraud.

- If you need to carry a laptop with you, do not draw attention to it. Put it in a rucksack rather than a computer case.
- Make sure your private information stays private. Keep PINs, passwords and personal financial information safe. Do not send your bank details by email or store them on your computer.
- Backup your work regularly and keep backup disks away from your computer.

Mark your property

We advise you to mark important and expensive possessions (such as your computer, games console or DVD player) with your postcode and house number using special security markers. These are available free from your local Crime Prevention Adviser.

Further advice

Each borough has its own Crime Prevention Adviser who can give you advice about making your home and property safer. They can be contacted directly on **0845 125 2222** or via your local Safer Neighbourhood Team.

Report suspicious activity

If you see any suspicious activity or a person or unfamiliar vehicle in your street, report it immediately on **0845 125 2222**.

If you have any information you want to share but would prefer to remain anonymous, please contact CrimeStoppers on **0800 555 111**.

For Tandrige area the Crime Reduction Advisor is Pc 920 John Lee based at Caterham Police Station

Hope the above is of use

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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

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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 miniature Shetlands

February 19 2009 at 7:12 AM

Sometime between 7.30pm on 16th Feb and midday 17th our barn at Dunton, Bigleswade, Bedfordshire was broken into. They were taken from inside the barn, the hurdles hadn't been opened they had been hauled over the top, and a tiny chestnut in foal mare was taken from the field, the top fence rail has been taken off and the mare somehow lifted over the bottom two rails and electric fence!!.

Yearling piebald colt, standing about 29!, very strikingly marked.. very timid and shy.

2 yr old piebald colt. approx. 28". black head and neck, white band round middle and black quarters

.Tiny chestnut mare, flaxen mane and tail. 30", rather plump. sweet, friendly little girl.

All three animals have got their owner's postcode sprayed on with red sheep dye.

http://www.safer-beds.org/rmwebportal/rm_desktop/files/attachments/Bedford_joker.jpg

http://www.safer-beds.org/rmwebportal/rm_desktop/files/attachments/Bedford_pridey.jpg

http://www.safer-beds.org/rmwebportal/rm_desktop/files/attachments/Bedford_horse.GIF

If links don't work photos can be seen at: <http://www.nfed.co.uk/stolenhorses.htm>

They are only little but with your help we can make these ponies too 'hot' to handle:

If you have a colour printer please visit this website to print a poster for your local tack shop or riding

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school - <http://www.shetland-pony.com/news/stolen/stolenbedfordshire.pdf> Please feel free to print and distribute widely. The owner is Val, Pixbrooke Shetlands, 01767 680609 or mobiles 07974268330 / 07702478870. The associated crime reference number is J,/6,6,5,3,/2009. A reward is offered for any info leading to the safe return of these much loved ponies.

Burglary

The second burglary incident took place in a farm in Biggleswade, between 5:00 in the evening, on the 16th, and 10:30 in the morning, on the 17th of February.

Offenders have gained access to the grounds, possible by coming along the riverbank, and up the field. Offenders have approached, and entered 2 buildings, removing the padlock without breaking it. A search has been conducted, and various tools have been searched through, but nothing taken. The offenders have then left the location. The associated crime reference number is J,/6,6,5,1,/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.

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

Invitation to Bedfordshire Rural Crime and Arson Conference.

We are pleased to let you know that after all the disruption caused by the bad weather, the Bedfordshire Rural Crime and Arson Conference has been rescheduled for Thursday, the 5th March, at Redborne Upper School, in Ampthill.

Doors open at 7:00 in the evening, and the first speaker is due to start at 7:30. Light refreshments will be served, including a buffet. The speakers are as follows.

Chief Superintendent Andrew Street, Bedfordshire Police.

Group Manager Jon Roberts, Bedfordshire and Luton Fire and Rescue Service.

Mr Len Allen, Bedfordshire and Luton Fire and Rescue Service.

Mr Les Geary, NFU Bedford.

We would be pleased to have your company for the evening. For catering purposes, please reply to Lara Curtayne on (01234) 275273, or by email to lara.curtayne@bedfordshire.pnn.police.uk . Replies should be made by Friday 27th of February.

KENT HORSEWATCH

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

No information received.

WILTSHIRE

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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 Pony Rescue) Telephone: 01773 831251 mobile 07842 240494. lesleykenstudponyrescue@gmail.com 07970 848416 Insp Erika Green Erika.green.1765@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk
Please see end of bulletin (CTRL + Click on the blue underlined text to be taken straight there)
CAMBRIDGESHIRE Cambridgeshire Horsewatch; Lydia Crabtree (PCSO Cambridgeshire Constabulary) Tel: 07921 294939 email: horsewatch@cambs.pnn.police.uk
No information received.
NORFOLK 07798635746 (Dann y/Sue Cracknell) horsewatch@tiscali.co.uk
No information received.
Midlands Region Northamptonshire, West Mercia, Staffordshire, Leicestershire, Warwickshire
A search of our systems indicates the following rural crime in the West Mercia area. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 Ifor Williams trailers stolen, one from Chaddesley Corbett, one from Shrewsbury. 1 Wessex trailer stolen from the Ludlow area.• Another trailer, recently purchased off EBay, was sent to Ifor Williams for repairs. When it was inspected, the serial plate had been covered over. Underneath was the original plate, which confirmed the trailer, had previously been stolen. Please look at second hand trailers carefully before purchasing. If they have been stolen and are returned to the original owners it is unlikely your purchase money will be refunded.

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- There was a stable break in at Upton Warren, Bromsgrove on 18 February, several items including a wheelbarrow, buckets and head collars were stolen.
- Electric fencing stolen from the North of our area.

Regards, Gail.

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

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

No information received.

SHROPSHIRE

www.shropshirehorsewatch.co.uk
admin@shropshirehorsewatch.co.uk
Call 07794 453911 or write to PO BOX 767, WORCESTER, WR1 9AE

Still Missing

Does anybody recognise this distinctive coloured gelding who was stolen back in June 2006? Is he grazing in a field near you? http://www.shropshirehorsewatch.co.uk/Stolen_Horses.html

Trailer identity change

Last year one of our officers, from the Much Wenlock and Morville team, dealt with a crime involving the theft of an Ifor Williams trailer. The trailer was sold on at auction and the link below shows how the thieves attempted to disguise its original identity. Three trailers were found with similar modifications.

The give away sign is the re-positioning of the jockey wheel, it should be within the framework and not attached as it is in the photo. Where it is now indicates that the serial number has been removed and the re-positioning covers the evidence the trailer has been tampered with. http://www.safer-shropshire.org/rmwebportal/rm_desktop/files/attachments/Shrewsbury_A_stolen_trailer_with_modified_a_jockey_wheel.pdf

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

You can also contact us by clicking the following link: http://www.safer-shropshire.org/rmwebportal/replytomesg.aspx?mesg_id=470b96cd-0e13-4391-a7e8-e0c5526808cd&email=-1&web=-1

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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 carrie.vinson@gloucestershire.police.uk and tyrone.mein@gloucestershire.police.uk

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

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

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

Cheltenham lorraine.mosley@gloucestershire.police.uk and leanne.copping@gloucestershire.police.uk

A suspicious vehicle has been sighted - a yellow Ford Transit tipper, index similar to Y * 08 DHF. The occupants of this vehicle were arrested last year for offences in the Stow on the Wold area. If sighted please let us know.

100 litres of red diesel has been stolen from a farm premises in Turkdean.

***** 23 February 2009 15:20:09 GMT RURAL WATCH MESSAGE *****

Hot off the press from Glospol and seen in the last half hour at Wickhamford. White Ford transit Flatbed / tipper index P*55LUP looking in farmyards and similar premises for scrap metal. 2 male occupants in the vehicle. Please let us know of any sightings so that we can find the vehicle and conduct a stop check.

Tel 0300 333 3000

Thanks, Gail.WPC 3308 Gail Greenhouse, Local Police Officer, Broadway Police Station

0300 333 3000 ext 3777 gail.greenhouse@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

Herefordshire Horsewatch

www.freewebs.com/herefordshirehorsewatch

herefordshirehorsewatch@googlemail.com

Telephone: 07794 453911

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

We deeply regret to advise bulletin readers that contrary to our previous announcement %Skip+the chestnut Welsh Section C gelding stolen on 18th January was not recovered safe and sound.

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He was found, and had been identified as Recovered on Stolen Horse Register, but unfortunately he was found dead by his owner during a search of very overgrown and dense neighbouring woodland. To have reached this area he would have to have jumped over two fences, something he had never done in thirteen years, so why he should have done so last month is unknown. As there were no signs of a struggle or attempt to rise it is believed Skip died instantly upon landing.

Horsewatch extends their deepest sympathy to Mandy for her sad loss and apologises for any further distress our clerical error may have inadvertently caused her.

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

No information received.

Wales
Dyfed-Powys, South Wales, Gwent, North Wales

No information received.

Northern Ireland

No information received.

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.

Eire

No information received.

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

Farm Watch East Dorset 17 02 09 and Edmondsham Home Watch

- A farm in Edmondsham has reported two clasps cut and padlocks removed from storage sheds in Edmondsham 15/16 Feb. No property appears to have been taken.
- A farm at Sturminster Marshall reports an attempted burglary to an outbuilding. Padlock cut but no entry gained due to a reinforced door 8/9 Feb.
- A section of lead roofing was stolen from a school roof in Cranborne but this could have occurred anytime since 20 Sept last year. Discovered 13 Feb 09.

Farm Watch Eastern 23 Feb 09

- Gussage All Saints an attempted burglary to an indoor block of stables. Marks found on the door but no entry gained.
- Motcombe farm workshop entered during the day whilst the owner was busy working elsewhere. Chainsaw stolen. 16 Feb

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- Chettle theft of two ornamental guns from insecure farmhouse 24 Dec to 18 Feb.
- Tarrant Hinton break-in to work premises 19/20 Feb. Panel van also stolen from scene and subsequently reported found burnt out that morning.
- Farnham Sam Crop sprayer broken into, stolen the CAB radio and tools plus windspeed measuring machine 17/18 Feb.
- Wimborne St Giles 3 outbuildings at 3 separate addresses broken into 19/20 Feb.

Cranborne a workshop broken into at a school 19 Feb. Chain saws stolen

Mannington Wimborne Homewatch and Farmwatch

Overnight on the 11 Feb a farm workshop in Holt Road Mannington was broken into and a quantity of power tools were stolen.

For information: Between 4pm on 10022009 and 8am on 11022009 a secure shed was broken into and a log splitter was taken. This was in Wimborne Street, Cranborne.

For information and awareness - we appreciate that this is part of this on-going series. 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.

Farm Watch East Dorset

Overnight 24th 25th Feb a yard in Hillbutts, Wimborne was broken into and 5 boilers were stolen. Entry was gained by cutting the fence.

Boilers were hidden nearby and subsequently recovered by police.

This message is for info and awareness.

Steve Brett PC1313

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Horse Watch Corfe Mullen

Between Mon 16th Feb & yesterday an electric fence unit and battery were stolen from the Waterloo Rd area of Corfe Mullen.

This message for info and awareness regarding security of equipment left in remote locations.

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AVON & SOMERSET

Justin Gay 07795 503242 PCSO Justin.Gay@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk
Tessa Smith 0845 456 7000 ext 62025 Tessa.smith@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk

(Somerton and Wincanton South Somerset)
Carol Barnett chathamrow@ukonline.co.uk

<http://www.somerset-horsewatch.co.uk/>
info@somerset-horsewatch.co.uk

Tel: 0777 5856247

Sometime between 11am and 4pm on Thursday 12th February an attempt was made to steal 2 ponies from a field in Halves Lane, East Coker. The electric fencing was lifted and it appears the ponies were led across the field, luckily they refused to be led and managed to escape.

A male was seen acting suspiciously in the area on Monday 9th (not known if connected), as soon as the male was seen he turned and ran away. Big build, looked very strong. Wearing scruffy dark tracksuit bottoms, a scruffy blue jumper and a green bomber jacket with a green hood.

DEVON & CORNWALL

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

Found six Shetland and Shetland type ponies

We have picked up six Shetland ponies (five in foal mares and one stallion) reported to the police as running down the road in the Chulmleigh area of north Devon on the 12th February. Although police know we have them no one has come forward yet. We will keep them until owners found. Very dense coats on all so no identification seen yet!

Semi feral group, not that handleable but seem used to being driven about and loaded.

Rosemary Kind, Mare and Foal sanctuary Tel: 01626 355969

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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.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
www.crimestoppers.co.uk Or call 0800 555 111
www.smartwater.com Property Security
www.farmkey.com 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 | 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
<http://www.skywatchcivilairpatrol.org.uk/>

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www.virtualbumblebee.co.uk or email info@virtualbumblebee.co.uk 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
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DERBYSHIRE HORSE RELATED CRIMES AND INCIDENTS

For 6th to 12th Feb 2009 inclusive.

Div	Reference	Date	Location	Details
A	Incs 207 & 209	8 th Feb	A38 Mansfield (nr Junct 28)	Reported: Grey horse on road at McArthur Glen. Outcome: Attended and placed horse in a field.
B	No reports			
C	CR 6926/09	5 th Feb	Cokefield Terrace, Hilcote	Reported: Rear door of lorry parked on farmland forced and a saddle, bridle and harness worth a total of £1470 stolen from within. Outcome: Details of a Transit Van nearby at the time were taken. These are being looked into as part of the ongoing investigation. Ringmaster message circulated.
C	Inc 325	9 th Feb	Station Rd, Morton	Reported: Concern for four horses in a field with no water, food or rugs. Outcome: Liaised with RSPCA who are already aware of these horses and are currently monitoring.
C	Inc 309	9 th Feb	Bestwood Park, Clay Cross	Reported: Dog keeps getting into informant's field and causing horse to run around. Dog not aggressive. Outcome: Liaised with both parties who are going to discuss problem in presence of SNT officer & try and resolve issue with possible alterations to fencing arrangements.
C	Incs 796 & 887	10 th Feb	A619, Barlborough Stretch	Reported: Loose horse on road near Van Dykes. Outcome: Informant managed to get horse off road and into a field.
C	Unspec.	2 nd Feb	Mansfield Rd, Hasland	Reported: Footprints in snow around stables at rear of house. Young male with red hair seen hanging around. Outcome: No offences. Recorded for information.
D	No reports			

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