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Editorial Comment

If Horsewatch members are unlucky enough to have an animal stolen please note that it may be useful to contact the names below from Dorset Trading Standards, who may be able to assist. But equally it would assist members to identify the Trading Standards Departments in their own county to enquire whether there are similar individuals who take on work similar to the work of the Dorset Trading Standards Animal Health Team.

This is a message from Dorset Trading Standards. You may wish to keep his number for future reference. "I now head the animal health and welfare team in trading standards. There seems to be an increasing amount of livestock thefts from farms across the South-west region. I would be interested in livestock theft but not theft of other things such as machinery etc.

I visit livestock markets, abattoirs etc therefore we may be able to supply intelligence and check animals at these destinations and therefore would like to work more closely with Dorset Farmers when they lose their livestock." Many thanks Neil Martin Dorset Trading Standards Telephone 01305 224610

Good homes wanted

Hampshire Equine Liaison Officers are currently dealing with a welfare matter concerning seven Shetland stallions and three Shetland mares. The officers have been successful in finding homes for the majority of the ponies but have four remaining stallions looking for homes:

Sweeney - slightly larger than Shetland, spotted, blind in one eye, nervy, alone in field, stifle problems, the biggest mess of a pony really, very swollen belly. Possibly kinder to put to sleep but possibly could live out a nice life if suitable companion found and sensitive home. 18 years old.

Magic - bay Shetland type, 16 years, well muscled, very dominant, attacked several of the other stallions in the field and can jump barbed wire fences from standing and sheep hurdles. Did have a home but unable to be caught to be loaded and so other one taken instead as easier. Very intelligent and non-aggressive to people, although great fear and disproval of being caught and likes to be in control of his herd. Now with one other stallion and things now seem to have calmed down. In with Lunday as below.

Lunday - Black, more of a miniature as opposed to Shetland type. Not pure breeding. Has matted tail dragging on the ground as not been caught and seen to. When all the stallions were running together he was the stirrer, squealing and stamping at others etc but did settle down when only 3 left and formed close attachment to other stallion. Now in with Magic and no problems noticed. About 16 years. Stifle problems in both back legs. Again possibly kinder to PTS but despite stifle problems he moves around the field OK, may struggle if kept in stable as would probaby lock up.

Skipper - Larger type but still a pony, spotted, the friendliest towards people and can be caught. However quite claustrophobic about being confined so again may possibly need sedating to travel etc. 18 or 19 years old. Currently settled ok with a smaller gelding that has a home waiting. Has been aggressive with other stallions but previously had been ok.

What is needed are good homes for these ponies. This rescue would suit someone who has previous experience of stallions and wants to give something back rather than think what the pony can do for them. None of these ponies have passports, never had vaccinations, only had irregular worming with Panacur, some have never really been handled and have lived in a semi feral herd in a ragwort and barbed wire field. Gelding can be done for approx £200 but there can obviously be the risk of complications of bleeding due to their age.

The officer who is in charge of the case needs to be satisfied that any rehoming is to a responsible, knowledgeable individual. Transfer of ownership would not involve the Police or RSPCA. However because they are involved with the ponies from the initial welfare complaint they need to make sure that

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anyone taking on these ponies is suitably experienced and responsible.

If you are interested in one or more of these Shetlands please contact PC Fiona Taylor, who works at Andover Police Station at a <u>sensible time</u> on telephone number: **07974 227126.**

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Overseas News Useful Contacts

Stolen

(CTRL + Click to go straight to details of these thefts)

23 year old grey pony

Note: This bulletin is organised under the existing police regions for England, Wales & Scotland. There can be more than one Horsewatch Scheme within each police region. Information contained in this bulletin has been received from police sources and Horsewatch schemes.

South East Region covering:

Hampshire Constabulary, Thames Valley Police, Surrey Police, Hertfordshire Constabulary, Essex Police, Kent Police, Sussex Police, Bedfordshire Police and The Metropolitan Police Service

Hampshire Constabulary Telephone: 0845 0454545

Hampshire Horsewatch Mobile 07762 754788 or 07790 440478
David Collings (Force Equine Liaison Officer) 07867 972868
Hampshire Horsewatch, Fleet Police Station, Fleet, Hampshire
Non emergency number 0845 045 45 Email: equine@hampshire.pnn.police.uk
www.hampshire.police.uk

Congratulations to Charlotte Harben on her promotion to Sergeant. Charlotte has been an Equine Liaison Officer at Bishops Waltham and on promotion is transferring to Shanklin on the Isle of Wight. Charlotte has agreed to continue her voluntary role as an Equine Liaison Officer on the island. She will co-ordinate her ELO role with PCSO Karen Allen, who is stationed at Ryde Police Station.

Crime prevention information

Recently in Hampshire there was an incident where a horse owner placed an advert to sell a horsebox in the Horse and Hound magazine for a substantial amount of money. The person received a reply via email and a cheque for a larger amount of money than had actually been asked for was received!

The cheque was presented to the persons bank and was subsequently returned as uncleared. Fortunately, the person had not released their horsebox. However, the outcome could have been a lot worse with the horsebox having been handed over prior to the cheque being cleared. People must be very wary of their dealings with others when it comes to selling any property for large amounts of money, especially when the purchaser is from overseas or is not available to be seen.

The above story is a scam that is practiced quite oftenõ õ .dond get enticed into parting with your property.

At the time of going to press I am informed that in the Botley area overnight of 27/28 August there was a burglary at a livery yard where a substantial amount of tack was stolen.

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I have no doubt that other similar burglaries will follow so will all horseowners ensure there yards are as secure as possible. Remember that thieves travel so those responsible may not be from Hampshireõ!

Again if you have not postcoded your tack now is the time to do ito \tilde{o} once your tack has been stolen it is too late!!!!! Unidentified tack, if recovered and cannot been identified to anyone, will be given back to the person it was seized from \tilde{o} \tilde{o} that saddle could be yours!!!!

Thames Valley Police Telephone: 0845 8505505

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

STOLEN

'Rudi'

Crime Ref: 598 23 year old 13.2hh grey/faded to white gelding. Rudi is about 23 years old so has faded to being mainly white now. Freezemark J11D. Stolen from Westhall Cottage. Any info Contact Farmkey, 0870 870 7107 or info@farmkey.co.uk Date of Theft 13-08-2009Region Thames Valley Horsewatch



Surrey Police Telephone: 0845 1252222

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

www.surrey-action-for-equine.co.uk

No information received.

Hertfordshire Constabulary Telephone: 0845 3300222

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.

Kent Police Telephone: 01622 690690

No information received.

Sussex Police Telephone: 0845 6070999

www.sussexhorsewatch.webs.com sussexhorsewatch@googlemail.com.

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Title: ANOTHER BARN FIRE

Another barn was set alight last night, about 11.30pm Thursday 27 August 2009 an arson attack occurred at a barn in Danworth Lane Hurstpierpoint. The fire destroyed the barn, approximately 100 tons of straw, tractor and farm machinery. Please be alert to your own risk and take precautions. If you have any information regarding this fire please contact Sussex Police on 0845 60 70 999 quoting serial number 2015 of 27/8/09.

With the Beachdown music festival at Devils Dyke cancelled for this weekend the risk of rural raves may be increased which often result in crop and machinery damage, noise nuisance and other serious problems within the rural area.

If you own land that may be attractive to illegal rave organisers please consider additional measures that would frustrate vehicle access and make these much more difficult to set up.

As a short term measure farmers and land owners may wish to consider placing heavy and immobilised machinery at likely access points to inhibit those wishing to attend with vehicles and set up the rave.

Most raves set up at dusk. If you see vehicles that may be used to carry rave equipment accessing remote locations especially on the South Downs please contact the police immediately. Raves are often very difficult for the police to close down once they have established themselves, but can often be stopped before the musi c starts.

Early notification of suspicious activity can assist the police in stopping a rave before the situation develops into a full scale event. Sussex Police can be contacted on their non emergency number of 0845 60 70 999

Bedfordshire Police Telephone: 01234 841212

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

Bedford - 24/08/09 Horsewatch

A burglary took place in a stables, located in Caddington, between 16:45 on 20 and 10:45 on 21 August. Offenders pulled the bottom door of the stable, forcing the top door open, and cut the clasp of two padlocks allowing access into the tack room, and feed room. Offenders removed a mower, and strimmer.

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/34418/2009. Alternatively text your message to (07786) 200011 or email your message to chc@Bedfordshire.pnn.Police.uk

Bedford - 26/08/09 Horsewatch suspicious report

Bedfordshire Police have received a suspicious report at a farm in Aspley Guise in Mid Bedfordshire, on

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Wednesday 26 August, at 01:50.

A member of the public called in to report noises coming from a neighbouring field, where 2 horses are kept. The caller could hear voices in the field, and suggested that the horses sounded distressed. On investigation by the police, it appears that the gate to the field may have been forced open. Both of the horses were found to be safe and well in the field, but it appears that someone had entered the field.

Unfortunately, the caller could not see a vehicle or offer any descriptions of the people in the field. 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 URN 35 for 26 August. Alternatively text your message to (07786) 200011 or email your message to chc@Bedfordshire.pnn.Police.uk. You can get more information about missing or stolen horses at www.stolenhorseregister.com

Thank you for your support.

London The Metropolitan Police Service Telephone 020 7230 1212

No information received

South West

Wiltshire Constabulary, Devon & Cornwall Constabulary, Gloucestershire Constabulary, Dorset Police, Avon & Somerset Constabulary

Wiltshire Constabulary Telephone: 0845 408 7000

Wiltshire Horsewatch: PCSO John Bordiss: 0845 408 7000 ext 739817 or mobile: 07968942116
Rural Crime Team Voicemail: 0845 408 7000 ext 723548
Email: ruralcrimeteam@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

No Information received.

Dorset Police Telephone: 01305 222 222

HorseWatch Co-ordinator <u>anita.rigler@dorset.pnn.police.uk</u>
PC John Snellin, Force Wildlife Officer, Dorset Police Tel: 01202 220804 <u>wildlife-crime@dorset.pnn.police.uk</u>

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Many thanks

Neil Martin Dorset Trading Standards Telephone 01305 224610

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Farm Watch East Dorset 25 Aug 09

I have a report from a member in Edmondsham that a suspicious male was at a stable yard about 10:30am today enquiring if any riding saddles were for sale. He was told no but they said "his eyes were everywhere". Description: White 6ft tall, slim, grey hair, clean-shaven, local accent, blue jeans, checked shirt, light brown boots. He left in a large red saloon car, which has approx 1 ft square grey patch on the front nearside passenger door. No registration number seen. The incident number is 159 of 25 Aug via 01202 222222 for any further sightings.

Great Dorset Steam Fair 2009 (www.gdsf.co.uk)

Dorset Estates Against Crime is seeking assistance from Hampshire Horsewatch members living in Dorset, Wiltshire and Hampshire. Andy Marlborough from the Dorset Estates Against Crime is looking for spotters for the forthcoming steam fair observation which is runs each year.

Spotters are individuals who are able to look after an area in which they live for incidents of crime or suspicious activity and can phone through their information to Andy Marlborough, who acts as a coordinator with Dorset Police and will pass on relevant information to the appropriate authorities. This voluntary assistance will run from Saturday 29 August through to Monday 8 September 2009. Andy is particularly interested in anyone in the Holderholt/Fordingbridge/Wiltshire border areas. Please call him if you can participate in "spotting" this year for potential undesirable vehicles and people by calling him on 07768830821.

Please also remember as the steam fair approaches and you will get many callers at your farms in the next 2 weeks. Can I also update you on the following whilst I am broadcasting:

- Mannington: Several items stolen from an open trailer in a yard 12/19 Aug
- Clumphill Horton Heath: Electric fencing machine and battery stolen from field 21/23 Aug.
- Woodyates: Theft of diesel (500-600 litres) 20/24 Aug from a tank in an isolated part of the farm.
- Ringwood Road, Three Legged Cross: A stable was entered discovered 24 Aug equine items stolen.
 Very little to give you on this one.
- Horton Road Ashley Heath: Fence scaled and lock smashed on container stealing a leaf blower and lawn mower

Please step up your vigilance.

Anita Rigler

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 26 08 09

Just an update on crimes and a reminder that the steam fair is approaching and many travellers are coming into the area for their holiday at the event. I am not aware that the travellers site set aside for the fair is yet open and may are looking at other land to camp on. Crimes in the past few days for your awareness include:-

- Shillingstone Lanchards Lane whilst temporarily away from the farm 3 chainsaws and a strimmer and hedge trimmer were stolen from a secure farm outbuilding between 1600-1700 hrs 25 Aug. A quad bike was not taken.
- Bulbarrow, a lamb found slaughtered 25 Aug. The stomach content was missing but the lamb was not butchered for its meat.
- Gillingham Milton area jackhammer stolen and JCB bucket from barn 21/24 Aug.

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- Report of fly tipping in Bradford Peverell by white pickup FX54 YMP which is not local and maybe down for the steam fair.
- Lytchett Matravers area: theft of a secure quad bike outside a member of staffs farm house 23/24
 Aug.
- Anderson Blandford camping trailer kept on farm stolen between June and Aug. Farm owner just assumed the owner of trailer had been to collect it.
- However a caravan was also stolen from a farm in open lock up in Mosterton Beaminster discovered 19 Aug.
- Briantspuddle theft of 30 sheet with ear tags from a field 3/4 Aug.
- Corscombe near Halstock entry gained to isolated barn stealing 2 generators chainsaw and strimmer 3/4 Aug.
- Winterbourne Whitechurch stable panelling removed from an open barn 3/4 Aug.
- Horsewatch burglary to yard in Charminster Dorchester overnight 25/26 Aug. A quantity of leather saddles stolen from tack room. Bolt croppers used to gain entry. 3 wheelbarrows used to take the items away to waiting transport.
- Horsewatch King Stag Sturminster Newton evening of 20 Aug. This is a summary from the crime report. "OFFENDER/S DIST URBED BY FAMILY. NO OFFENDERS OR VEHICLES SEEN. INF WENT O/S THEIR PROPERTY TO HEAR VOICES AND DISCOVERED RIDING TACK INCLUDING SADDLES DUMPED ALONG THE LONG DRIVEWAY, PRESUMABLY TO BE COLLECTED BY OFFENDERS. SEVERAL OUTBUILDINGS AND STABLES ENTERED, ALL THE 15 OR SO SADDLES HAVE BEEN RECOVERED. CCTV WIRES HAVE BEEN CUT BY OFFENDERS, AND CCTV RECORDING HARD DRIVE STOLEN - THEREFORE NO CCTV AVAILABLE."
- Shillingstone. Barn broken into and 2 chain saws and a strimmer stolen.
- Suspicious vehicle and occupant called at farm in Thornford Sherborne yesterday afternoon.
 Landrover Discovery 933JW. offering to sell galvanised sheets for roofing. Not local. Again
 suspected as being down for the steam fair. Described by informant as an "upmarket gypsy". He
 went away quite happily and no concerns were given but reported for information of others.

Sorry to give you so much. Anita Rigler

DHBC Farm Watch 25 08 2009

A large quantity of diesel has been stolen from a farm in the Sixpenny Handley area during the weekend. Please pay attention to remote properties as crime is on the increase at this time of the year. There is an alarm on the market that has been specifically designed for fuel tanks which monitors the average rate of consumption and notifies you if this is exceeded. If anyone is interested please contact your SNO Jane Brittain or Jamie Edge on 07825521735

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.

Avon & Somerset Constabulary

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Lindsey Stone, Watch Scheme Administrator, Somerset West Police District. Tel 01823-363348 (direct

line) or Email <u>lindsey.stone@avonandsomerset.police.uk</u>

Justin Gay 07795 503242 PCSO <u>Justin.Gay@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk</u>

Tessa Smith 0845 456 7000 ext 62025 Tessa.smith@avonandsomerset.police.uk

(Somerton and Wincanton South Somerset)

Carol Barnett <u>chathamrow@ukonline.co.uk</u>

http://www.somersethorsewatch.co.uk/ info@somersethorsewatch.co.uk Tel: 0777 5856247

No information received.

Devon & Cornwall Constabulary Telephone: 0845 277 7444

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

No information received.

Gloucestershire Constabulary Telephone: 0845 090 1234

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.

http://www.gloucestershirehorsewatch.org.uk/html/usefullinks.html

Police Horsewatch Coordinators

Cotswolds <u>melanie.cheesbrough@gloucestershire.police.uk</u> and <u>penny.wiggins@gloucestershire.police.uk</u>

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 tania.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

No information received

North East Region

Yorkshire is policed by the following police forces: North Yorkshire Police, South Yorkshire Police, West Yorkshire Police, Northumbria Police, Durham Constabulary, Cleveland Police, Humberside Police (made up of East Yorkshire, North East Lincolnshire, North Lincolnshire and Kingston-upon-Hull)

South Yorkshire Police Telephone: 0114 220 2020

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.

North Yorkshire Police Telephone: 0845 606 0247 Scarborough & District Country Watch

<u>www.countrysidewatch.org.uk</u> <u>countrysidewatch@hotmail.com</u>

No information received.

Northumbria Police Telephone: 01661 872 555

No information received.

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West Yorkshire Police
Telephone: 01924 37 5 2222

No information received

Durham Constabulary Telephone: 0845 606 0365

No information received.

Cleveland Police Telephone: 01642 326 326

No information received.

Humberside Police including

East Yorkshire, North East Lincolnshire, North Lincolnshire and Kingston upon Hull

Telephone: 0845 606 0222

No information received

Eastern Region

Cambridgeshire Constabulary, Derbyshire Constabulary, Lincolnshire Police, Nottinghamshire Police, Norfolk Constabulary, Suffolk Constabulary

Cambridgeshire Constabulary Telephone: 0845 456 4564

Cambridgeshire Horsewatch: Lydia Crabtree (PCSO Cambridgeshire Constabulary)

Tel: 07921 294939 email: horsewatch@cambs.pnn.police.uk

Please be aware of the following incidents that occurred in Cambridgeshire. If you have any information in connection with these or any other crime please telephone Cambridgeshire Police on 0345 456 4564

CC-19082009-0521

North Road, Abington, Cambridge

On the morning of the 19 Aug horse owner attended field to find gate had been opened and she believes an attempt had been made to steal her horses.

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Overnight 24 Aug 2009 Farm, High Rd, Lt Downham, Ely, Cambs

Premises were been broken into and large quantity of goods taken with value of approx £14,000. This includes; Suzuki quad, Ifor Williams Trailer - Maroon Rice Europa Trailer - Blue

- 2 x Siegfried saddles
- 2 x Stubben Eidleweiss saddles
- 2 x Wintech Isobel saddles
- 1 x Heritage saddle
- 1 x Throrogood saddle
- 2 x Unknown make leather saddles
- 5 x Sets stirrups & irons
- 10 x Headcollars
- 2 x Bridles
- 3 x Bits
- 4 x Sets boots
- 1 x Breastplate

CF0445680809

Between 2030hrs - 2130hrs 26/08/09

Persons have entered buildings at Farm in Brinkley, Newmarket, Suffolk.

3 x Barnsby GP pony saddles, 4 x 5lt cans of petrol have been stolen.

Cambridgeshire Horsewatch Mobile: 07921 294939

email: horsewatch@cambs.pnn.police.uk

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Derbyshire Constabulary
Telephone: 0845 123 3333

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 press CTRL and click here to see Derbyshire report

Lincolnshire Police Telephone: 01522 532 222

No information received.

Nottinghamshire Police Telephone: 0115 967 0999

No information received.

Norfolk Constabulary Telephone: 0845 456 4567

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

No information received.

Suffolk Constabulary Telephone: 01473 613 500

Julie Dennis, Community Safety Unit on 01473 613994 e-mail horsewatch@suffolk.pnn.police.uk

No information received.

Midlands Region

Staffordshire Police, Leicestershire Constabulary, Warwickshire Police.
West Mercia Police (incorporating Worcestershire, Shropshire, Herefordshire)
Northamptonshire Police. West Midlands Police

Staffordshire Police
Telephone: 0845 330 2010
Staffordshire Horsewatch Tel: 01785 234429

No information received

Leicestershire Constabulary Telephone: 0116 222 22 22

No information received.

Warwickshire Police Telephone: 01926 415 000

Julie Dale, HorseWatch Co-ordinator, Warwickshire Police watch@warwickshire.police.uk Telephone 01926 684384

Thursday, August 27, 2009 11:45 AM.

Subject:: Straw destroyed by fire at farm at Banbury Spur, Warwick INC 71 of 26 August

Please can you be on the lookout for suspicious activity around your premises after £26K worth of straw was destroyed by fire in an arson attack at a farm premises at Banbury Spur, Warwick. Please report anything that you consider to be out of the ordinary or suspicious to police. Thank you.

Julie Dale

Watch Co-ordinator

Community Protection To report crime or pass on any other information about this message ring 01926 415000. Quote the incident number if known. PREVENT CAR CRIME - DO NOT LEAVE PROPERTY IN YOUR CAR or CAR BOOT PREVENT BURGLARY - DO NOT LEAVE DOORS and WINDOWS OPEN

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West Mercia Police

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Telephone: 08457 444 888

No information received.

Worcestershire Horsewatch Telephone: 07500 475708

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

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

No information received.

Herefordshire Horsewatch

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

Telephone: 07794 453911

Chair Co-ordinator . Tara Heinemann. Telephone: 01544 318038 Email: hfdshorsewatch@aol.com. No information received.

Shropshire Horsewatch

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

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

No information received

Northamptonshire Police Telephone: 0845 370 0700

Northants Horsewatch www.horsewatchnorthants.org.uk

Sandy Red more lpchilds@bursam.plus.com or Linda Childs sandy.redmore@btinternet.com

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, Community Messaging (Ringmaster) David.robins@northants.pnn.police.uk Andy Roberts, Press officer Andy.roberts@northants.pnn.police.uk

What is believed to be a possible theft of horses occurred at a field in Wilby, near Wellingborough overnight on 22/23rd.

It was reported that the chain and a lead rope securing a field gate where horses are kept had been cut sometime between 20.00hrs on 22 and 10.00 23 August. The broken chain that had been sawn through was found in the field.

No horses had been stolen but some of the seven horses are now behaving out of character and are now difficult to catch/put on/remove head collars when they were not previously.

The owners had not reported the incident as nothing had been stolen but we have asked that they do, as the police will be able to add this to the information they have received to date to form a bigger picture and pattern of events.

Please be aware that as we predicted, there does appear to be a steady increase in incidents within the county at present, so please pass on the information to others and ask them to be more vigilant with regard to their own and other peoples horses/property and report anything suspicious whilst taking reasonable precautions to protect their own.

Please dong leave head collars on your horse or pony or lead ropes around and ensure that any foals are well out of sight particularly overnight. Foals/small ponies that are unprotected [no ID markings] are the easiest targets

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because they can be lifted over fencing and gates. To help prevent theft it is best to have them micro chipped and freezebranded as soon as they are old/strong enough to do this. However all horses, ponies, donkeys etc remain at risk, plus your tack and electric fencing. See the website for more information www.horsewatchnorthants.org.uk

Vary the times you visit your horses and try to visit later than usual, preferably an extra visit and as early as possible in the morning. If you are in a yard with a number of people or others have horses at adjoining yards/fields try to arrange visits at different times between you.

West Midlands Police Telephone: 0845 113 5000

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.

Sandwell Horsewatch

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 Police, Cheshire Constabulary, Lancashire Constabulary, Merseyside Police. To report suspicious behaviour or thefts please email admin@ukhorsechat.co.uk this is checked daily or Ring 07849 590251.

Horsewatch Contact Sarah Hallmark <u>saza911@hotmail.com</u> Tel: 07599 485450.

Greater Manchester Police Telephone: 0161 872 5050

No information received

Cheshire Constabulary Telephone 01244 350 000

No information received

Lancashire Constabulary Telephone: 01772 614 444

No information received

Cumbria Constabulary Telephone: 01768 891999

No information received

Merseyside Police Telephone: 0151 709 6010

No information received

Wales

Dyfed-Powys Police South Wales, Gwent, North Wales

No information received.

Dyfed-Powys Police Telephone: 0845 330 2000

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No information received.

South Wales Police Telephone: 01656 655 555

No information received.

Gwent Police

Telephone: 01633 838 111

PC Ruth James Email: ruth.james@gwent.pnn.police.uk
Severnside Neighbourhood Policing Team, Caldicot Police Station

No information received.

North Wales Police

Telephone: 0845 607 1001 (Welsh speaking) or 0845 607 1002 (English speaking)

No information received.

The Police Service of Northern Ireland

Telephone: 0845 600 8000

No information received.

Southern Ireland An Garda Siochana Telephone: 00353 1 666 0000

No information received

Scotland

Central Scotland Telephone: 01786 456 000

No information received.

Dumfries and Galloway Constabulary

Telephone: 0845 600 5701

Dumfries and Galloway Horsewatch Mona Parr Mparr2001@aol.com

No information received.

Grampian Police Telephone: 0845 600 5700

No information received.

Strathclyde Police Telephone: 0141 532 2000

No information received.

Tayside Police
Telephone: 01382 22 3200
Tayside Police (Western Division)

Donald Campbell - Crime Prevention Officer 01738 892937 Anonymous call can be made to - 0800 555 111

Perth & Kinross Horsewatch

Co-ordinator - Fiona Stuart 01350 727116 pkhorsewatch@hotmail.com

No information received.

Overseas News

No information received.

Stolen Horses International: http://www.netposse.com/stolenmissing/stolenhorses.htm

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Useful contacts

UK Horsewatch Alliancewww.ukhorsewatch.org.ukStolen Horse Registerwww.stolenhorseregister.com

Crime Prevention - Don't Be A Victim of Crime

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

Telephone 0800 555 111

Property Security

www.farmkey.com
Telephone: 0870 870 7107, info@farmkey.co.uk
www.freezemark.biz
mary@freezemark.biz for freezebranding for horses.

www.equisecurity.co.uk Dedicated to equestrian security

www.icebands.org Rider and Horse Safety

http://www.northernbrand.co.uk

http://www.padlockirelandnationalregister.com/

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

501915

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

www.missinghorsesonloan.co.uk or email missinghorsesonloan@gmail.com

Telephone 07794 453911

www.nfed.co.uk/horsewatch

www.nfed.co.uk/hhwlogo

www.stolenhorseregister.com

www.equinemarketwatch.org.uk

www.tracingequines.co.uk

www.virtualbumblebee.co.uk

http://www.skywatchcivilairpatrol.org.uk/

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

www.virtualbumblebee.co.uk

www.securedbydesign.com

http://www.ter-europe.org/

www.equinemarketwatch.org.uk

www.tracingequines.co.uk

www.animalsonline.org.uk

ACPO accredited Crime Prevention Associations & Firms

The Equipment Register (TER) 01225 464599

Equine Market Watch Welfare

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DERBYSHIRE HORSE RELATED CRIMES AND INCIDENTS				
For 11 to 20 August 2009 inclusive.				
Division	Reference	Date	Location	Details
Α	No reports			
В	Inc 486	15 th Aug	Godward Road, New Mills	Reported: Horse slipped on wet road, rider fell off and horse slid into a silver parked car. Outcome: Attended. No sign of horse, rider or any damaged vehicle.
С	Incs 293 & 294	16 th Aug	Sheffield Rd, Killamarsh	Reported: Three horses on road. Outcome: South Yorkshire Police aware and dealing.
С	Inc 595	12 th Aug	Shefffield Rd, Rother Valley	Reported: Several horses on road. Outcome: Attended and searched area, no horses found.
С	Inc 464	11 th Aug	Oxcroft Lane, Bolsover	Reported: Champ, a grey gelding, has run off from owner whilst being led. Owner searching for him. Outcome: Noted. Reported for information only.
С	Inc 299	16 th Aug	Walton Back Lane, Walton	Reported: Horse grazing in St. Johno church graveyard. Outcome: Attended, horse no longer at church.
С	CR 46811/09	11 th -12 th Aug	High Street, Old Whittington	Reported: Unknown offender removed 6 stable mats worth £28 from a lean-to building between 5pm Tues and 9.30 am Weds. Outcome: Under investigation.
D	No reports			, and the second
For 21 to 27 August 2009 inclusive.				
Division	Reference	Date	Location	Details
Α	Incs 164, 165, 166 & 169	24 th Aug	Derby Road, Long Eaton	Reported: Horse running in road. Outcome: Owner located, horse retrieved.
В	Inc 359	21 st Aug	Beggarway Lane, Gt Longstone	Reported: Horse has strayed onto the road. Outcome: Owner located, police will convey to location.
В	Inc 592	25 th Aug	Tunstead Milton, Whaley Bridge	Reported: Traffic officer en route to detail noticed horses rug had slipped down its legs. Outcome: Officer checked all horses in field, none tangled up in their rugs.
С	Inc 102	24 th Aug	Chesterfield Rd, Duckmanton	Reported: Horse loose on road near the pub. Outcome: Attended but horse had already gone into a field. Secured.
D	Inc 98	24 th Aug	Brian Clough Way, A52, Sponden	Reported: Motorist reported riders heading along main A52 with no high visibility clothing. Thought they needed advising re safety aspect. Outcome: Road checked, no horses/riders seen.
D	Inc 89	24 th Aug	Dale Road, Sponden	Reported: Milkman reported horse on road. Outcome: Horse secured in yard of Yarnspinner pub.