



JUNE UPDATE

On the Beat

with Senior Sergeant Lynn Barbour
KWINANA POLICE



Hello Kwinana Community,

I can hardly believe it has been one month already since I last touched base with you, I blinked and time flew by! May was another busy month for the Kwinana Policing Team. The standout crime types for May 2024 were:

Stealing

The top crime type reported for the Kwinana area again in May was stealing, whilst shoplifting continues to take out the top spot, it is closely followed by stealing from motor vehicles. This is a particularly opportunistic crime type, with offenders often targeting vehicles when they sight items of value within. Often this can be purses, wallets, phones, laptop bags or handbags. Without CCTV or a witness catching the offender in the act, police struggle to identify and catch the offenders for this crime. That is why we need your help to prevent this crime from occurring.

Yes, I understand you should be able to leave your belongings in your car and for them to be safe, but in reality, our crooks do not care if these items are yours, they are greedy and want them for themselves. They don't care that they smashed your window and took your belongings. They don't care about the cost or the inconvenience to you to fix the damage or replace the items. Please do not leave your belongings in your car. Where possible, please park your car in your garage, or a well-lit area covered by CCTV. These simple tips will go some way to prevent your vehicle from becoming a target. My team will continue to police the streets and be as highly visible as possible to deter crime and catch crooks in the act!

In May, Kwinana Police charged 25 offenders for a variety of stealing offences.

Family Violence

Everyone should feel safe in their own home, but sometimes the people who are meant to care for you the most treat you the worst! Every day my team respond to family violence incidents in the Kwinana community.

Our focus is to respond quickly, ensure the safety of victims (including children exposed to it), and conduct quality investigations to hold perpetrators of family violence to account for their actions.

My team are supported by a dedicated Family Violence team to help navigate the complexities of family violence.

Date with the Magistrate

Below is a mini snapshot of who has been locked up in May 2024:

- A 35-year-old male was charged with 38 counts of Gains Benefit by Fraud. It will be alleged he used his work credit card for his personal use.
- A 32-year-old female was arrested on a warrant after missing her date with the Magistrate. She was further charged with three counts of Stealing after stealing trolley loads of groceries from Coles Supermarket, Kwinana and tools from Supercheap, Kwinana.
- A 38-year-old male has been charged with two counts of Assault Public Officer. It is alleged during the early hours of 12/05/2024, the male was aggressively kicking the doors of a local gym when the officers caught him in the act. The male then assaulted both officers as they tried to apprehend him. I am glad to report both officers are on the mend.

Crime Prevention

Help us, help you by reporting suspicious behaviour or activity through Crimestoppers. This can be done by visiting the Crimestoppers website www.crimestopperswa.com.au, calling 1800 333 000 or downloading the 'Eyes on the Street' app on your mobile phone.

We really do need your help to be our 'Eyes on the Street.' Please report suspicious activity to assist in the prevention of crime, by anonymously providing information to police regarding persons and places which appear to be up to no good!

This month.....

Local Police will be carrying out community engagement by attending our local NAIDOC events.

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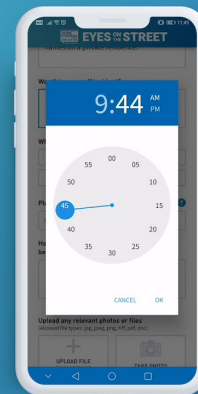
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