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**DECEMBER 2023 EDITION**

**With the Mundijong Police**

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**In an Emergency call 000  
(or for hearing/speech impaired  
call TTY 106)**

**General Police Assistance  
131 444**

**Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000**

**Report Online:  
[police.wa.gov.au/Police-Direct](https://police.wa.gov.au/Police-Direct)**



## Mundijong Community BBQ

**Thursday 18th January 2024**

Kicking off our Community BBQ series for 2024, you're invited to come along to our FREE Community BBQ in Mundijong! Held at the Skate Park at Mundijong Oval, residents can enjoy a free sausage sizzle, cooked by the Neighbourhood Watch volunteers, and get to know the people in your local community.

You will also hear from our Neighbourhood Watch group and have the chance to register to receive eWatch e-newsletters that contain up to date crime statistics. Proudly delivered in partnership with Mundijong Police, Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale and Neighbourhood Watch.

***Next up is our Darling Downs Community  
BBQ on the 22nd February 2024***

## See Something, Say Something

Please help us to help you – report suspicious and anti-social behaviour to Crime Stoppers WA on 1800 333 000 or online at [crimestopperswa.com.au](https://crimestopperswa.com.au)

Alternatively, if you require general police assistance phone 131 444.

**Leave 000 for emergencies.**

# ON THE BEAT

*December Update*

*with Acting Senior Sergeant Ross Williams*

Hello Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale community,

I have stepped into the role of Acting Officer in Charge while Senior Sergeant Moore is helping at the new Armadale District office,

This month we welcomed two new officers to the station, Sergeant Adrian Bailey and Senior Constable Zack Ryan, both officers come highly recommended and will be an asset to our station. Some of you may have already met Sergeant Bailey at this week's Neighbourhood Watch meeting, if you would like to come along to the next one, keep an eye on the Shire web page for the details.

As we move into the warmer months, history tells us that unfortunately crime can increase. We, along with you, will do everything we can to keep our area a safe place to live, work and travel.

In the last week we have seen a slight increase in stealing from motor vehicles. I would encourage you to ensure all valuables are removed from your vehicle, do not leave anything on show in your car,



and keep your vehicle locked and secured. Let's not make life easy for crooks!

Remember we are here if and when you need us, stay safe.

## Acting Snr Sgt Ross Williams

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## USE YOUR SMART PHONE TO HELP REMOVE GRAFFITI.

### Report graffiti vandalism online:

- For graffiti clean-up. Your report will be sent to notify the appropriate asset owner.
- To make a Police report if you have been a victim of graffiti vandalism.

Report graffiti at [www.goodbyegrffiti.wa.gov.au](http://www.goodbyegrffiti.wa.gov.au)





## What to report to the WA Police

The Police rely on reports from the community about where crime and suspicious activity are occurring.

Police patrols are most often targeted in line with reports from the public and the Police can only respond and assist where they are given reasonable detail about the nature and timing of an incident or ongoing issue.

For more information on how to make a report go to the [WA Police website - How to Report a Crime](#).

### Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000

Call Crime Stoppers or make an [online report](#) to provide information about any criminal activity and in some cases a reward may be issued. You can remain anonymous.

Crime Stoppers is staffed between 7am and 11pm weekdays and 8am to 8pm on weekends, but online reports can be made at any time.

### For life-threatening or time critical emergencies, call 000

### Hearing/speech impaired call TTY 106

Only use the 000/106 emergency service when an immediate response is required, to contact police while a crime is happening or if someone is in immediate danger.

Before you call 000 or (TTY) 106, decide which emergency service you need:

**WA Police Force** - Actively occurring criminal activity or an incident where there is an immediate threat to the lives of a person/people.

**St John Ambulance** - Emergencies requiring immediate medical treatment

**Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES)** - Fire, serious vehicle crash or severe weather event

### For non-emergency situations that require WA Police Force assistance call 131 444 / TTY 106

These events non-emergency events include break in/theft that has already occurred, if you have witnessed, or are witnessing, a burglary or break-in taking place (the offender is still on the premises but you are not in immediate danger), property damage or reporting a sexual assault.

[www.scamnet.wa.gov.au](http://www.scamnet.wa.gov.au)

### Have your received a scam?

If you have received a phone, text or email which seems unusual or suspicious, please report it to Scam Net using their [online form](#).

## MAKE THE RIGHT CALL

**CONTACT CRIME STOPPERS**

If you have information about unsolved crime or suspicious activity, submit a tip at [crimestoppers.com.au](http://crimestoppers.com.au) or call **1800 333 000**

**CRIME STOPPERS**  
1800 333 000

**CALL 000**  
in a life threatening emergency

**CALL 131 444**  
for police assistance

# Reporting Graffiti Vandalism



The Shire has a number of actions in place to address graffiti vandalism in our Shire, but crime prevention is everyone's business and we all have a role to play. The Shire supports everyone to feel proud of their neighbourhood, and relies on your help to report and remove graffiti.

Graffiti incidents reported through the Goodbye Graffiti website are automatically directed to the relevant local government authority or asset owner to notify them of the incident and facilitate removal.

## Graffiti on your property

Always endeavour to remove graffiti as quickly as possible. The prompt removal of graffiti helps defeat vandals as it diminishes the level of recognition and reward achieved by these offenders.

It is a good idea to take a photo of the graffiti vandalism for your records and police records - this will also assist if you have to lodge an insurance claim.

## Graffiti on Council property

The Shire is responsible for removing graffiti from infrastructure managed or owned by Council such as road reserves, footpaths, street furniture, sculptures, artworks and buildings.

To report damage to Council property call the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Customer Service Team on 9526 1111 or email [info@sjshire.wa.gov.au](mailto:info@sjshire.wa.gov.au)

## Goodbye Graffiti

The Goodbye Graffiti website hosts a range of information to assist the community to manage graffiti vandalism. The website hosts an online [Graffiti Reporting Form](#).

Benefits of reporting online include:

- Each graffiti report goes directly to the asset owner for removal
- Asset owners are advised of graffiti on day of receiving report, or at the latest on the next working day of receiving the report
- A police report is lodged when the victim of graffiti makes the report

- Photos can be attached to online reports pending further investigation.

## Tough on Graffiti Initiatives

Further information is also available on the website, including:

- Graffiti removal methods and services
- Graffiti prevention advice
- Innovations in graffiti management
- Reporting graffiti for clean-up activity
- Penalties and legislative information
- Updates on Graffiti Vandalism initiatives; and
- Information for businesses, parents, local councils, schools and residents.

## Goodbye Graffiti Hotline: 1800 44 22 55

While the Online Graffiti Reporting Form is the preferred method for reporting graffiti, the Goodbye Graffiti Hotline is operational 24 hours a day and is available to community members who wish to report graffiti as a victim, report a graffiti offence in progress, or provide information about a graffiti offender.

Please note that Victim reports can be made via the Goodbye Graffiti website or the Hotline, however nonvictim reports can only be submitted online. A victim of graffiti is defined as: *An owner, occupant, company representative, or a person responsible for the property that can provide correct ownership details (family member, employee, caretaker, manager, landlord etc.).*



STATE GRAFFITI  
**TASKFORCE**

REPORT - PREVENT - REMOVE

**GOODBYE GRAFFITI WEBSITE**





# Neighbourhood Watch

## Out and About in SJ



Our local Neighbourhood Watch volunteers, SJ Community Safety team, and Mundijong Police, have this year participated in 12 Community engagement activities including pop up information stalls and street BBQs. These events have been a great way to meet residents and introduce them to local Police Officers and the SJ Community Safety team, as well as learn of and discuss concerns within the community.

We've signed up over 80 residents to our eWatch community safety newsletter and held ten open community meetings. These are held monthly all across the Shire, visiting different locations to make them more accessible to our residents.

We are very grateful to have enthusiastic volunteers supporting crime prevention initiatives and contributing to a safer SJ community. We thank each and everyone of you for all your efforts this year.

From all of the SJ Community Safety team, we wish residents of the Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire a merry and safe holiday. We will see you again in 2024!







# Neighbourhood Watch

**Great neighbours make great neighbourhoods!**

Neighbourhood Watch is a good way to start conversations in your community and build safe, strong, caring, connected and happy communities!

Participating in Neighbourhood Watch is as easy as:

- Getting to know and talking to your neighbours
- Spending time out and about in your community and becoming familiar with your local environment
- Reporting any suspicious activity to Police
- Applying crime prevention strategies around your home or business
- Educating and sharing information with your neighbours about what they can do to prevent crime
- Staying informed of local issues by following WA Police Force on social media.

Many of us already observe activities in our streets, particularly when it seems out of place. However, many of us may feel reluctant to do anything about our suspicions because we are unsure of what to do or unsure if our neighbours would appreciate our becoming involved.

Through Neighbourhood Watch, many of these uncertainties can be overcome. Neighbourhood Watch is protection of your property and of your community through communication and cooperation with the people who live around you.

Neighbourhood Watch does not take the place of Police and does not require you to become involved



in or take direct actions against suspicious behaviour. It simply uses the power of community and common interest to improve community safety and assist your local Police in addressing crime in your area.

**SJ Neighbourhood Watch group meet once a month at various locations around the Shire. Our next schedule of meetings will commence in February 2024. We will post dates in our future eWatch newsletters as soon as they are confirmed.**

For more information please contact the Shire's Community Safety Officer Marissa Charles on 9526 1111 or email [mcharles@sjshire.wa.gov.au](mailto:mcharles@sjshire.wa.gov.au)



## Need documents signed?

While Police Officers are able to certify documents, we cannot guarantee when our officers will be available at the Mundijong Police Station due to tasking in our community.

For your convenience, a Justice of the Peace will be at the Serpentine Jarrahdale Community Resource Centre 3 times a week if you require any documents signed.

**Mondays 2pm - 4pm | Wednesdays & Fridays 10am - 12pm**

For more information, please contact the SJ CRC team on (08) 9503 2967.

**SJ CRC Open hours: 8.30 - 4.30pm Mon to Fri | 9.00 - 11am Sat | 2 Paterson Street, Mundijong 6123**



## **6 Ways to connect with your neighbour**



***Creating a safer,  
connected  
and informed  
neighbourhood is  
a team effort.***

### **1. Reach out**

Get to know your neighbours. Use our Knock Knock cards to break the ice.

### **2. Get involved**

Start a Neighbourhood Watch Network. Share information to raise awareness and knowledge in your neighbourhood.

### **3. Make a connection with your neighbours**

Talk to your neighbours, express interest in something they are doing. Discuss crime prevention strategies.

### **4. Be considerate of others**

Respect your environment - initiate a community street clean-up. Look out for your neighbours.

### **5. Be generous**

Share your over abundant garden. Encourage neighbours to share skills and resources.

### **6. Bring neighbours together**

Get involved with your neighbours. Organise a street bbq or driveway dinner.



## Register your party or event with WA Police

As the weather warms up, Aussie's love a good BBQ and get together. As a host, you have a duty-of-care for the safety and wellbeing of your guests.

While you want them to have a good time you also want to minimise the potential for harm to persons and property as a result of excessive alcohol consumption or gate crashers. You could be held partly or fully responsible for something that happens to one of your guests at your party.

You can register as late as the day of the party/event; however the registration form will accept a date up to a maximum of 28 days in advance.

Once you have submitted the online form your party/event will be registered with the Western Australia Police Force.

Please note: Registering your party with the WA Police does not mean that police will provide security for your party and that the capacity of police to undertake patrols of party venues or to visit a party venue in the event of trouble will



depend on other demands on resources at the time and the nature of the event in question.

Should you encounter any problems at your event that require Police attendance please call 131 444.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

## Rural Crime Prevention - Part One

Over the next few editions of eWatch, we will share with you some strategies for protecting your rural property from crime.

Part one is discussing how you can 'design out crime' when planning, building or renovating your property.

Research indicates that opportunity and visibility are key factors for thieves. If thieves believe they can get into and out of your property easily and without being seen, your property is at higher risk.

- Consider visibility when designing and erecting new buildings, sheds or stockyards. (Ideally these should be in sight of a farm house).
- Prevent accessibility to your property. Gates should be as strong as possible, mounted securely to strong corner posts. Secure gates with heavy duty chains and locks.
- If possible, use heavy duty rollers or metal gates at the entrance to sheds and any outbuildings.
- Consider the installation of movement sensor cameras or closed circuit television (CCTV) if



practical. This can assist in the successful identification and prosecution of offenders

Whilst not a guaranteed or standalone security measures, these strategies look at ways in which you can prevent would-be thieves from targeting your property in the first instance.

Next edition, we will share tips on securing your farm machinery.

*Information sourced from the Rural Crime Prevention booklet—Community Engagement Division, WA Police*



We've made it even easier  
for you to contact us

**Request and  
Report It** 

## Request it & report it

**Not everything that occurs in your local area is a police matter.**

The Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire can provide assistance to residents and ratepayers in the following areas:

- Animal Issues
- Building Enquiry
- Drain Maintenance
- Environmental Health Issues
- Facilities, Parks and Leisure
- Fire Safety
- Maintenance Requests
- Planning Enquiry
- Rates
- Roads and Footpaths
- Trees and Managed Verges
- Vehicles and Parking
- Waste and Recycling

If you know of an issue that needs to be addressed in your local area, please use the links above or visit the website below.

For further information contact the Shire's Community Safety Officer Marissa Charles on 9526 1111.

**Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire**

Open 8.30am to 5pm, Monday - Friday

P: 08 9526 1111

E: [info@sjshire.wa.gov.au](mailto:info@sjshire.wa.gov.au)

6 Paterson St, Mundijong WA 6123

[sjshire.wa.gov.au/community/services/request-report-it.aspx](https://sjshire.wa.gov.au/community/services/request-report-it.aspx)

## Holiday Watch Patrol Service

The Shire's FREE Holiday Watch Patrol Service allows SJ residents heading out of town during holiday breaks to register their properties to be checked regularly by Rangers while they are away.

Designed to increase community safety, Ranger check-ups will consist of a simple drive-by to evaluate the property. Rangers will NOT access properties during check-ups.

If anything appears suspicious during the check-up or differs from the description the homeowner provides when registering their property, Rangers will contact the homeowner's nominated emergency contact or keyholder.

Rangers will aim to patrol each property once within every 24 to 48 hours.

This free service is not a substitute for appropriate security measures and the Shire will not be responsible for any loss or damage to properties using this service.

Please note: If you return home earlier than expected, please call 9526 1358 to alert our Rangers.

**Register [HERE](#)**

## Home Security Tips for the Holidays

You can incorporate safety measures around the home, to help reduce opportunistic crime:

- Lock all doors and windows, including internal garage doors and roller doors, sheds, garages and gates
- Don't hide spare keys outside, leave them with a trusted friend, family member or neighbour
- Have a trusted family member or friend check your mail and put out/in your bins while you're away
- Get to know your neighbours. Neighbours are in the best position to identify anything suspicious in the street, so keep an eye out for each other and report anything suspicious to police.
- Ensure your home is well lit and clear of obstructions such as shrubs
- Do not post about your holiday before or during your trip on social media—save it for when you're home! Would be crooks don't need to know your home is unattended.

# CRIME STATISTICS

Mundijong Sub District - November 2023

## BYFORD

Kardan Blvd	Damage
Warrington Rd	Stealing of Motor Vehicle
Blytheswood Rd	Burglary & Commit, Stealing
Dundatha Dve	Traffic Offences
Catherine St	Damage
South West Hwy	Stealing from Retail Premises
Wardang Way	Fraud
Curacoa Way	Assault
South West Hwy	Stealing
Abernethy Rd	Stealing from Retail Premises
Covenant Lane	Stealing from Motor Vehicle
Covenant Lane	Traffic Crash
Thomas Rd	Obscene act
Mead St	Traffic Offences
Kardan Blvd	Stealing from Retail Premises
Sandalwood Ave	Stealing
Curacoa Way	Stealing from Motor Vehicle
Shackleton Tce	Stealing of Motor Vehicle
Astartea Pl	Damage
Delianuova St	Burglary
Pingaring Crt	Damage
Beenyup Rd	Burglary & Commit, Stealing
Abernethy Rd	Assault
Kardan Blvd	Damage
Abernethy Rd	Damage
Abernethy Rd	Assault
Cattach Way	Stealing
South West Hwy	Assault, Damage
Madeira Turn	Damage

## BYFORD

South West Hwy	Stealing
Covenant Lane	Burglary & Commit, Stealing
Binshaw Ave	Stealing of Motor Vehicle
Jasmin Prom	Burglary & Commit, Stealing
Olsen Gardens	Burglary with Intent
Abernethy Rd	Criminal Damage by Fire
South West Hwy	Traffic Offences
Mead St	Stealing
Covenant Lane	Threats
Covenant Lane	Damage
Benalla Cres	Disorderly Behaviour
Mirbelia Rd	Stealing
Setosa Loop	Burglary & Commit, Stealing
Wheatley Rd	Stealing from Motor Vehicle
Rouse Lane	Stealing from Motor Vehicle
Velvetene Rd	Stealing from Motor Vehicle
South West Hwy	Careless Driving
Wodalla Pde	Damage
Woodard Rd	Stealing
Jasmin Prom	Stealing from Motor Vehicle
Marchant Way	Fraud
Marchant Way	Stealing from Motor Vehicle
Plaimar Ramble	Damage
Slender Way	Stealing
Abernethy Rd	Traffic Crash
Zircon Dve	Damage
Goodenia Vista	Damage
Allanson Dve	Trespassing
Kardan Blvd	Stealing



# CRIME STATISTICS

Mundijong Sub District - November 2023

## CARDUP

Alice Rd	Burglary with Intent
Baigup Loop	Burglary with Intent

## DARLING DOWNS

Winx Ave	Burglary with Intent
Cottage Close	Stealing
Wungong Sth Rd	Stealing of Motor Vehicle
Rowley Rd	Stealing

## HOPELAND

Karnup Rd	Traffic Crash
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## JARRAHDALE

Nettleton Rd	Fraud
Nettleton Rd	Stealing from Motor Vehicle
Jarrahdale Rd	Traffic Crash

## KARRAKUP

No incidents reported

## KEYSBROOK

No incidents reported

## MARDELLA

Wright Rd	Assault
Bilya Ave	Stealing from Motor Vehicle

## MUNDIJONG

Mundijong Rd	Traffic Offences
Livesey St	Stealing
Walton Cres	Damage
Livesey St	Damage
Watkins Rd	Lighting or attempting to light a fire likely to injure or damage

## MUNDIJONG

Watkins Rd	Stealing of Motor Vehicle
Livesey St	Damage

## OAKFORD

Angus Close	Stealing
Tonkin Hwy	Traffic Crash
Jersey Rd	Traffic Crash
Rowley Rd	Assault
Nicholson Rd	Careless Driving
Cumming Rd	Burglary and Commit,
Nicholson Rd	Reckless Driving
Tonkin Hwy	Traffic Offence
Thomas Rd	Traffic Crash

## OLDBURY

King Rd	Damage
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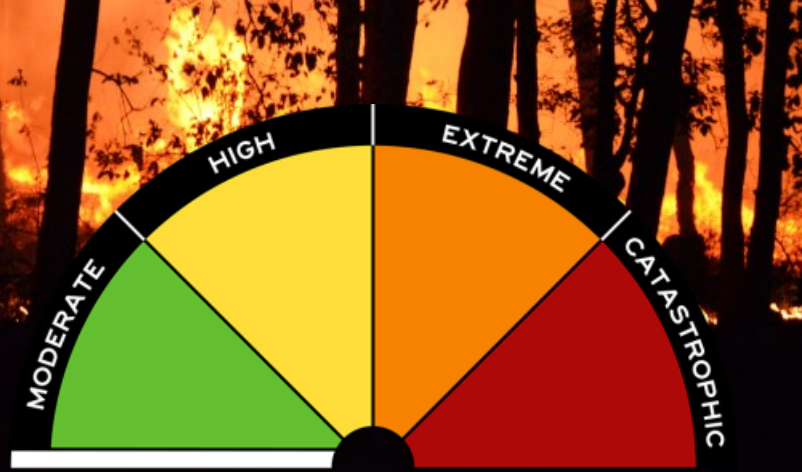
## SERPENTINE

Richardson St	Stealing
South West Hwy	Obstruct/Hinder/Resist Police
South West Hwy	Fraud, Stealing of Vehicle
Richardson St	Drink Driving
Fairbairn Rd	Stealing
Feast Rd	Burglary & Commit, Stealing
Stealing	Lefroy St
Feast Rd	Burglary & Commit, Stealing

## WHITBY

No incidents reported

# Fire Danger Ratings, Alerts and Warnings






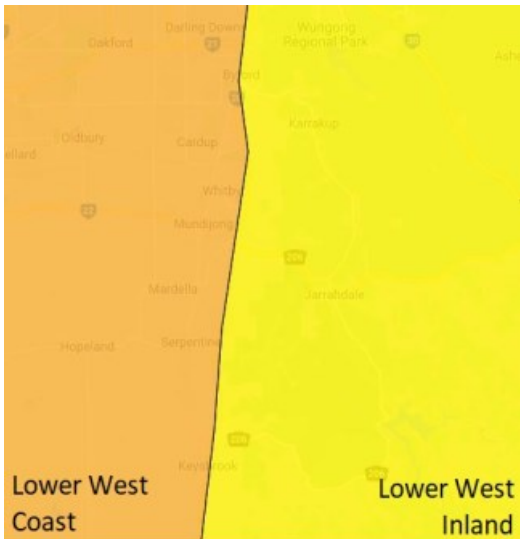
Western Australia is joining with other States and Territories to deliver nationally consistent emergency information through the Australian Warning System (AWS).

The warning level icons and colours change to reflect the increasing risk to life or property, and the action you need to keep yourself and your loved ones safe.

The following warning levels will be applied across all relevant hazards:

**To see the current alerts and warnings go to the Emergency WA Website**

 <b>Advice</b>	A fire has started but there is no immediate threat to lives or homes.	Be aware and keep up to date.
	There is a possible threat to lives or homes.	You need to leave or get ready to defend – do not wait and see.
 <b>Emergency Warning</b>	There is a threat to lives or homes.	You are in danger and need to take immediate action to survive.



The Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire has areas included in both the Lower West Coastal and Lower West Inland regions. These regions *may have different fire ratings on the same day*, so it is important to know which you live in. You can find this information, as well as the current fire danger ratings online at the [emergency.wa.gov.au](http://emergency.wa.gov.au) website.

**When the Fire Danger Rating is High, Extreme or Catastrophic:**

- Permits are automatically suspended.
- Burning (including 1m3 garden refuse) is not allowed.
- You cannot use any BBQ or cooker in the open air that requires solid fuel (wood or charcoal). This includes wood fired ovens or stoves
- Campfires are not allowed.