

# BALHAM & TOOTING CRIME BRIEFING

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2003

Attached are details of the street crimes and burglaries reported to the Police during the period between Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2003 and Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2003

## STREET CRIME

Offence	Location	Date/Between	Time	Method
Street Robbery	<b>BLAKENHAM ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Friday 2nd May	1400	The suspect reached into the victim's pocket and stole an item of property
Theft Snatch	<b>GARRATT LANE TOOTING SW17</b>		1735	Thieves snatched the victim's mobile phone as she was using it.
Street Robbery	<b>CHESTNUT GROVE BALHAM SW12</b>	Thursday 1st May 2003	2315	Thieves approached the victim's and told them to hand over their mobile phone
Street Robbery	<b>CHURCH LANE TOOTING SW17</b>	Friday 2nd May	1100	A pedestrian snatched a bag from their victim and made off
Street Robbery	<b>LOCHINVAR STREET BALHAM SW12</b>	Friday 2nd May	1900	A robber threatened the victim with a large knife to make them hand over a mobile phone
Street Robbery	<b>TOOTING BEC ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Friday 2nd May	2135	The victim was grabbed from behind by a robber.
Commercial Robbery	<b>GARAGE PREMISES BALHAM HILL BALHAM SW12</b>	Sunday 4th May 2003	0435	A shop assistant was threatened by a customer who asked for free food. When they refused to accede to their request the suspect made off.
Street Robbery	<b>HANSON CLOSE BALHAM SW12</b>	Sunday 4th May 2003	1830	The victim was approached from behind by robbers who punched her in the head and tried unsuccessfully to steal property

Commercial Robbery	<b>SHOP PREMISES RAVENSWOOD ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Monday 5th May 2003	1250	No details of this crime are available at present
Street Robbery	<b>GRACEDALE ROAD TOOTING SW16</b>	Monday 5th May 2003	2025	No details of this crime are available at present
Street Robbery	<b>NEAR TOOTING BEC UNDERGROUND STATION TRINITY ROAD TOOTING BEC SW17</b>	Tuesday 6th May 2003	0130	Thieves threatened the victim to make them hand over money
Street Robbery	<b>BELLEVUE ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Wednesday 7th May 2003	0100	A robber threatened the victims with a firearm in order to steal a mobile phone.
Street Robbery	<b>FURZEDOWN ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Wednesday 7th May 2003	1540	Thieves threatened the victim with violence, then searched and removed property from their pocket before running off
Theft Snatch	<b>SHOP PREMISES TRINITY ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Wednesday 7th May 2003	2017	A group engaged the female victim in conversation, surrounded her and attempted to take a mobile phone from her pocket, then threatened to assault her up if she didn't hand it over
Street Robbery	<b>OUTSIDE SAINSBURY'S ONE STOP BALHAM HILL BALHAM SW12</b>	Wednesday 7th May 2003	2045	The victim was pushed away as they were about to retrieve cash from an automated teller machine. The assailant then grabbed the cash and decamped

## BURGLARY

Offence	Location	Date of offence / Between	Time	And	Time to	Method
Non-Residential Burglary	<b>CLUB PREMISES LYNWOOD ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Friday 2nd May 2003	1845			The suspect(s) forced entry into club premises, broke into two fruit machines and stole about £700

Residential Burglary	<b>SUMMERSTOWN TOOTING SW17</b>	Sunday 4th May 2003	0730		A ladder was used to access a first floor window which had been left open. Tools were found at the scene and used to force an entry to an office
Residential Burglary	<b>ROMEBOURG ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Wednesday 30th April 2003	1200		Burglar(s) forced open a box sash window at the front of premises to gain access
Non-Residential Burglary	<b>OFFICE PREMISES BELLVEUE ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Wednesday 7th May 2003	0430		Burglar(s) kicked in the front door and took property
Residential Burglary	<b>GARRATT LANE TOOTING SW17</b>	Wednesday 7th May 2003	1600		An intruder entered a dwelling house and attempted to steal property
Residential Burglary	<b>RESIDENTIAL FLAT CROCKERTON ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Thursday 1st May 2003	1645		Suspect(s) forced the communal front door then broke into a first floor flat and stole property
Residential Burglary	<b>DAHOMY ROAD TOOTING SW16</b>	Thursday 1st May 2003	2300	Friday 2nd May 2003	0730 Suspect(s) broke into the premises and stole property
Non-Residential Burglary	<b>OFFICE PREMISES GARRATT LANE TOOTING SW17</b>	Thursday 1st May 2003	1700	Friday 2nd May 2003	0830 Burglar(s) forced the rear door, entered and forced an internal door to access an steal equipment
Non-Residential Burglary	<b>SCHOOL PREMISES WELHAM ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Thursday 1st May 2003	1900	Friday 2nd May 2003	0900 An intruder forced a window, entered and attempted to smash open vending machines without success. They also graffiti marked items inside and outside the premises
Residential Burglary	<b>SELLINCOURT ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Friday 2nd May 2003	1050		1110 An intruder walked into location as a trespasser and stole property
Non-Residential Burglary	<b>CHURCH PREMISES BALHAM HIGH ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Thursday 1st May 2003	0001	Friday 2nd May 2003	1000 Suspect(s) removed the lock from the front doors in an attempt to access the premises
Residential Burglary	<b>LOUISVILLE ROAD BALHAM SW17</b>	Wednesday 23rd April 2003	1200	Saturday 3rd May 2003	1030 An intruder forced a downstairs front window, entered the premises and stole property
Residential Burglary	<b>HILLIER ROAD BATTERSEA SW11</b>	Thursday 1st May 2003	1500	Saturday 3rd May 2003	2100 Glass was smashed and the rear patio doors forced by burglars who entered the premises and stole items of property

Residential Burglary	<b>MALWOOD ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Saturday 3rd May 2003	2230		Two suspects kicked in the door, entered and stole a television before leaving the scene in a vehicle
Residential Burglary	<b>DERINTON ROAD LONDON SW17</b>	Sunday 4th May 2003	1025	1030	A would-be intruder attempted to gain entry to the victim's house using a key
Residential Burglary	<b>NIGHTINGALE SQUARE BALHAM SW12</b>	Monday 5th May 2003	0431		A burglar entered through the rear off the premises to steal property
Residential Burglary	<b>PENWORTHAM ROAD TOOTING SW16</b>	Sunday 4th May 2003	2345	Monday 5th May 2003	0815 Intruder(s) entered the premises from the front and stole property
Residential Burglary	<b>GOSBERTON ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Saturday 3rd May 2003	1025	Monday 5th May 2003	1625 Thieves broke into the premises after forcing a window lock and stole property
Residential Burglary	<b>DAHOMY ROAD TOOTING SW16</b>	Thursday 1st May 2003	0855		0910 No details of this crime are currently available
Residential Burglary	<b>CHESTNUT GROVE BALHAM SW12</b>	Saturday 3rd May 2003	0800	Monday 5th May 2003	1900 Suspect(s) forced open the rear patio doors, entered and stole property
Non-Residential Burglary	<b>SHOP PREMISES BELLEVUE ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Monday 5th May 2003	2200	Tuesday 6th May 2003	0635 Suspect(s) forced the front door of a flat and stole property after making an untidy search
Residential Burglary	<b>RESIDENTIAL FLAT BALHAM HIGH ROAD BALHAM SW17</b>	Tuesday 6th May 2003	0800		1700 An intruder gained access to a residential home, then climbed along a balcony to a room where a window was forced open
Non-Residential Burglary	<b>SHOP PREMISES TRINITY ROAD TOOTING BEC SW17</b>	Tuesday 6th May 2003	2340		2348 Suspect(s) broke padlocks securing shutters, smashed a lower window in the front door then entered and stole property
Residential Burglary	<b>BLEGBOROUGH ROAD MITCHAM SW16</b>	Thursday 8th May 2003	0135		A burglar attempted to gain entry through a front ground floor window using a screwdriver. Access was not gained and the suspect made off

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## **WHO TO CONTACT IF YOU CAN HELP?**

If you can help solve any of the crimes mentioned above, or can assist to identify the person(s) responsible, John Stocker at the Watchlink Unit would like to hear from you. His telephone number is 020 8871 6562, or you can contact him by e-mail at [watchlinkmanager@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:watchlinkmanager@wandsworth.gov.uk)

Alternatively pass your information to CRIMESTOPPERS on 0800 555 111. You do not have to give your name or address and you may be eligible for a reward if the information given leads to the arrest and conviction of an offender.

## **CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE**

Advice on all aspects of crime prevention can be obtained from:

1) Wandsworth Crime Prevention Centre, 17 Arndale Walk, Wandsworth Shopping Centre (formerly the Arndale Centre), London SW18, (telephone 020 8871 0803), open to callers between 9am and 5pm Mondays to Saturdays.

2) Putney Crime Prevention Shop, next to the Odeon Cinema in Putney High Street, (telephone 020 8785 8874). The shop is open to the public between 10am and 5-30pm, Mondays to Saturdays.

3) Community Policing Contact Centre, Islamic Centre, 145 Upper Tooting Road, London SW17 between 11am and 1pm on Saturday mornings will be pleased to mark mobile phones and other property, give advice and accept third party reports of crime.

Information on crime in other parts of Wandsworth can be found under 'crime bulletins' on [www.wandsworth.gov.uk](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk)

## **BY THE WAY...**

Are you looking for a gift for a lady? Excellent personal attack alarms that emit an ear splitting 120db of noise are on sale from the above crime prevention centres. The price, only £5, includes batteries.