

BALHAM & TOOTING CRIME BRIEFING

Friday 25th April 2003

Attached are details of the street crimes and burglaries reported to the Police during the period between Friday 18th April 2003 and Thursday 24th April 2003

Attention is drawn in particular to crimes involving the theft of keys left just inside the front door . These are being stolen through the letter box using a hooking device. In a number of cases they are being used not only to access and burgle premises, but also to steal family cars parked outside.

STREET CRIME

Offence	Location	Date/Between	Time	Method
Theft Snatch	BALHAM HIGH ROAD BALHAM SW12	Monday 21st April 2003	0030	No details of this crime are currently available
Theft Snatch	HERRITAGE PARK TOOTING BEC ROAD TOOTING SW17	Tuesday 22nd April 2003	2040	No details of this crime are currently available
Theft Snatch	HOYLE ROAD TOOTING SW17	Thursday 24th April 2003	1840	No details of this crime are currently available
Street Robbery	GERARDS ROAD TOOTING SW16	Friday 18th April 2003	0900	No details of this crime are currently available
Street Robbery	UPPER TOOTING ROAD TOOTING SW17	Tuesday 22nd April 2003	2200	Robbers pulled a knife on the victim and told him to hand over a watch
Street Robbery	MOYSER ROAD STREATHAM SW16	Thursday 17th April 2003	1840	A thief threatened the victim with a knife before stealing property
Street Robbery	RECTORY LANE TOOTING SW17	Monday 21st April 2003	2140	No details of this crime are currently available

Theft Snatch	HSBC BEDFORD HILL BALHAM SW12	Tuesday 22nd April 2003	1445	A thief distracted the victim and stole £350 in cash from her hand
Street Robbery	TOOTING BEC COMMON CHURCH LANE SW17	Wednesday 23rd April 2003	1150	A suspect assaulted the victim in order to steal property from her handbag
Street Robbery	TOTTERDOWN STREET TOOTING SW17	Wednesday 23rd April 2003	2005	No details of this crime are currently available
Street Robbery	BALHAM TUBE STATION BALHAM HIGH ROAD BALHAM SW12	Wednesday 23rd April 2003	2245	A passer-by grabbed the victim's mobile phone and pushed her when making good their escape

BURGLARY

Offence	Location	Date of offence / Between	Time	And	Time to	Method
Burglary Artifice - Residential	KENLOR ROAD TOOTING SW17	Thursday 17th April 2003	2045			Suspect(s) posed as workmen to gain access to the victims premises and take property
Non- Residential Burglary	UPPER TOOTING ROAD TOOTING SW17	Thursday 17th April 2003	1800	Friday 18th April 2003	0750	Intruders forced a lock on the back door, entered, and removed property
Non- Residential Burglary	ST GEORGES HOSPITAL BLACKSHAW ROAD TOOTING SW17	Sunday 13th April 2003	1200		1500	A thief stole a wallet from a private staff room at the hospital
Non- Residential Burglary	COMMERCIAL PREMISES BLACKSHAW ROAD TOOTING SW17	Friday 18th April 2003	1400	Tuesday 22nd April 2003	0730	Suspects smashed open a lock and entered a work/storage area where they stole generators

Residential Burglary	GATTON ROAD TOOTING SW17	Wednesday 23rd April 2003	1045		1300 Burglar(s) used the cover afforded by an overgrown hedge to force open a front window, enter, and steal items of property
Residential Burglary	FAIRLIGHT ROAD TOOTING SW17	Monday 21st April 2003	1330		1500 Suspect(s) forced the front door of a flat and stole property after making an untidy search
Residential Burglary	GASSIOT ROAD TOOTING SW17	Friday 18th April 2003	2150		2200 Intruder(s) broke into premises and stole items of property
Residential Burglary	CLAIRVIEW ROAD TOOTING SW16	Saturday 19th April 2003	0455		The kitchen window was forced open by burglars who stole property from the premises
Residential Burglary	RESIDENTIAL FLAT BALHAM HIGH ROAD BALHAM SW17	Sunday 20th April 2003	2000		2200 Burglar(s) climbed onto a flat roof to force open a window to gain entry and steal property
Aggravated Burglary - Residential Non-Residential Burglary	RESIDENTIAL FLAT DALEBURY ROAD TOOTING SW17 SHOP PREMISES THRALE ROAD TOOTING SW16	Monday 21st April 2003	0140		0150 An intruder entered the location and demanded cash and valuables after striking the occupier on the head with a crow bar A person was seen to kick at a door causing damage to the lock and frame before decamping
Residential Burglary	CARLISLE WAY TOOTING SW17	Monday 21st April 2003	0300		0800 Burglar(s) entered ground floor premises through an open window, climbed over the sleeping occupant and stole property
Residential Burglary	BRACKEN AVENUE BALHAM SW12	Sunday 20th April 2003	2330	Monday 21st April 2003	0500 Door locks were slipped by a suspect to gain access to a house, from where they stole property on the ground floor, whilst the occupants were asleep upstairs
Residential Burglary	HILLIER ROAD CLAPHAM SW11	Sunday 20th April 2003	1130	Monday 21st April 2003	0729 Intruder(s) slipped the front door lock to enter and burgle the premises
Residential Burglary	76 MELLISON RD TOOTING SW17	Sunday 20th April 2003	1200	Monday 21st April 2003	1230 Suspect(s) removed panes of glass in a louvre window to enter the premises and steal property
Residential Burglary	PARKLANDS ROAD TOOTING SW16	Thursday 17th April 2003	1030	Monday 21st April 2003	1530 A window was forced to gain access to a house where the intruder stole items of property

Residential Burglary	NIGHTINGALE SQUARE BALHAM SW12	Tuesday 22nd April 2003	0730			Burglar(s) climbed over rear garden wall of a secluded garden to access a rear kitchen door which they forced open with a garden spade
Aggravated Burglary - Residential	DALEBURY ROAD TOOTING SW17	Sunday 20th April 2003	0130		0200	An intruder kicked in a door to gain entry and steal property. In the course of the crime they hit the occupier over the head with a crowbar
Residential Burglary	RESIDENTIAL FLAT RAMSDEN ROAD BALHAM SW12	Tuesday 22nd April 2003	1230		1550	Intruder(s) entered the premises and stole items of property
Residential Burglary	BIRCHWOOD ROAD TOOTING SW17	Thursday 17th April 2003	1300	Tuesday 22nd April 2003	1000	Intruder(s) broke into property through the back door and stole items of property
Residential Burglary	ROSENEATH ROAD BATTERSEA SW11	Tuesday 22nd April 2003	1200			A thief / thieves stole car keys through the letter box and stole the occupier's vehicle
Residential Burglary	RESIDENTIAL FLAT BRENDA ROAD TOOTING SW17	Monday 7th April 2003	1200			An intruder walked into the victim's room and stole £165
Residential Burglary	LAITWOOD ROAD BALHAM SW12	Wednesday 23rd April 2003	2359	Thursday 24th April 2003	0600	An intruder slipped the 'Yale' type lock on the front door, stole the the victim's handbag and car keys then drove off in the family car which was parked outside
Non-Residential Burglary	SHOP PREMISES TRINITY ROAD TOOTING BEC SW17	Friday 25th April 2003	0350		0359	Intruder(s) smashed the lock off of the shutters to shop premises and broke a window in the door before making off with bottles of alcohol, cigarettes and phone cards
Residential Burglary	NICOSIA ROAD BALHAM SW12	Monday 21st April 2003	2200	Tuesday 22nd April 2003	0740	An intruder entered through the back door and stole items of property whilst the occupants were in bed

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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

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

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.