

## BALHAM & TOOTING CRIME BRIEFING

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2003

Attached are details of the street crimes and burglaries for the period from Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February to Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2003.

### STREET CRIME

Offence	Location	Date/Between	Time	Method
Street Robbery	<b>TOOTING HIGH STREET TOOTING SW17</b>	Friday 21st February 2003	1615	The victim was followed by about 15 suspects who pushed and threatened to stab him. He was punched to the ground, kicked and property stolen from him
Theft Snatch	<b>HIGH STREET TOOTING SW17</b>	Monday 24th February 2003	0020	An Afro-Caribbean male, sitting in a vehicle, asked for directions then snatched a mobile phone from the victim's hand and drove off
Theft Snatch	<b>UPPER TOOTING ROAD LONDON SW17</b>	Sunday 23rd February 2003	2110	Two suspects grabbed a mobile phone from their victim and asked for £20 for its return.
Theft Snatch	<b>OUTSIDE BARCLAYS BANK GATTON ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Wednesday 26th February 2003	1015	Whilst standing at a cash dispensing machine, the victim was distracted by one person whilst a second stole their cash card
Street Robbery	<b>MITCHAM ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Friday 21st February 2003	0230	Suspects attacked victim in an attempt to take property
Street Robbery	<b>NIGHTINGALE SQUARE BALHAM SW12</b>	Friday 21st February 2003	1915	Suspect a knife and threats to steal cash from the victim.
Street Robbery	<b>PARK COURT BALHAM PARK ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Friday 21st February 2003	2255	Suspect followed victim into the foyer of a block of flats and tried to grab her bag. The assailant pushed her to the ground and ran away when she screamed
Street Robbery	<b>BRIGHTWELL CRESCENT TOOTING SW17</b>	Saturday 22nd February 2003	0050	Suspect came from behind the victim as she approached the front door and grabbed her handbag

Theft Snatch	<b>CLUB PREMISES BALHAM HIGH ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Saturday 22nd February 2003	2330	Suspect(s) snatched the victim's handbag out of her hand as she sat in a cub room
Theft Snatch	<b>FERNTHORPE ROAD LONDON SW16</b>	Thursday 20th February 2003	1230	No details are available at present
Street Robbery	<b>TOOTING BROADWAY TOOTING SW17</b>	Tuesday 25th February 2003	1730	A female, travelling on a no 57 bus, asked to look at her female victim's phone. As she got off the bus she threatened to punch the phone owner if she did surrender it to her. The victim gave her the phone and the suspect got off the bus
Street Robbery	<b>RITHERDON ROAD TOOTING SW12</b>	Wednesday 26th February 2003	2005	Robbers snatched a mobile phone and demanded sex for its return.
Street Robbery	<b>ALDERBROOK ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Wednesday 26th February 2003	2340	A robber approached the victim and forced her to hand over items of property before making off in a vehicle
Commercial Robbery	<b>SHOP PREMISES BELLEVUE ROAD LONDON SW17</b>	Wednesday 26th February 2003	2200	Suspects entered a shop and one of them struggled with the assistant as they grabbed money from open tills

## BURGLARY

Offence	Location	Date of offence / Between	Time	And	Time to	Method
Residential Burglary	<b>DERINTON ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Friday 21st February 2003	1920		2020	Suspect(s) broke into premises and took property
Residential Burglary	<b>CLOUDSDALE ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Friday 21st February 2003	1600	Monday 24th February 2003	0030	Suspect(s) forced open the toilet window and took several items before leaving the premises
Residential Burglary	<b>BELLAMY STREET TOOTING SW12</b>	Saturday 22nd February 2003	1430		1510	Intruder(s) smashed a front window pane to gain entry and removed property

Residential Burglary	<b>RESIDENTIAL FLAT DAHOMEY ROAD BALHAM SW16</b>	Thursday 20th February 2003	0940			Suspect(s) entered through a kitchen window, made an untidy search, and took property
Residential Burglary	<b>AVARN ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Saturday 22nd February 2003	2200			Suspect(s) opened a sash window, made an untidy search and made off with property
Residential Burglary	<b>AVARN ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Saturday 22nd February 2003	1930		2230	Suspect(s) forced entry to premises through a rear window, entered and stole property
Residential Burglary	<b>HILLIER ROAD LONDON SW11</b>	Sunday 23rd February 2003	2230	Monday 24th February 2003	0050	Intruder(s) gained access to the premises using keys left in the front door and took property
Residential Burglary	<b>RESIDENTIAL FLAT TRIESTE COURT ST JAMES DRIVE BALHAM SW12</b>	Sunday 23rd February 2003	0001	Monday 24th February 2003	0020	Details of this crime are not currently available
Residential Burglary	<b>ALDERBROOK ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Friday 21st February 2003	1600	Monday 24th February 2003	1600	Suspect(s) attempted to gain entry and in doing so caused damage to glass next to the front door
Residential Burglary	<b>EARDLEY ROAD STREATHAM SW16</b>	Tuesday 25th February 2003	0830		1830	Suspect(s) forced front door of a flat, made an untidy search and took property
Residential Burglary	<b>FALLSBROOK ROAD TOOTING SW16</b>	Wednesday 26th February 2003	1830			An intruder forced open a window whilst the occupier was asleep. She was awakened and started screaming on hearing noises in the premises at which point they ran off
Residential Burglary	<b>TOTTERDOWN STREET TOOTING SW17</b>	Wednesday 26th February 2003	1800	Thursday 27th February 2003	0005	Entry was gained after intruders broke in through the front window of a house
Residential Burglary	<b>SALTERFORD ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Thursday 27th February 2003	0345		0352	Suspect entered the premises through an open front window and took property. Hew made off when disturbed by the occupier

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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, PS Victoria Machin in the Divisional

Intelligence Unit would like to hear from you. Her telephone number is 020 8247 8863, or you can contact her by e-mail at [www.victoria.machin@met.police.uk](mailto:www.victoria.machin@met.police.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.