

# BALHAM AND TOOTING CRIME BRIEFING

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2003

Attached are details of the street crimes and burglaries reported to the Police during the period between Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2003 to Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2003

## STREET CRIME

Offence	Location	Date/Between	Time	Method
Street Robbery	<b>WANDSWORTH COMMON BR STATION BALHAM SW12</b>	Friday 21st March 2003	1500	Robber(s) attacked their victim from behind, causing injury, and stole property
Street Robbery	<b>CHERTSEY STREET TOOTING SW17</b>	Wednesday 19th March 2003	2330	Robbers knocked a mobile phone from the victim's hand and pushed him into bushes before retrieving it and decamping along Church Lane.
Street Robbery	<b>RECTORY LANE TOOTING SW17</b>	Friday 21st March 2003	2000	A thief grabbed the victim's mobile telephone, returned it, then stole cash from their rucksack.
Street Robbery	<b>RAVENSTONE STREET BALHAM SW12</b>	Friday 21st March 2003	1945	A thief snatched the victims phone and made off
Commercial Robbery	<b>SHOP PREMISES BALHAM HIGH ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Saturday 22nd March 2003	1607	A thief entered the shop, leaned over the counter, opened a till and stole money, then pushed a customer out of the way as he made good his escape
Commercial Robbery	<b>LICENSED PREMISES BALHAM HIGH ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Saturday 22nd March 2003	1400	A customer went behind the bar and attempted to take two bottles of champagne
Street Robbery	<b>STREATHBOURNE ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Sunday 23rd March 2003	0115	No details of this crime are currently available

Street Robbery	<b>FRANKLAND HOUSE BALHAM HILL ESTATE BALHAM SW12</b>	Sunday 23rd March 2003	1445	A householder admitted the offender to their house, then the suspect stole property and threatened the victim with a knife
Street Robbery	<b>FALLSBROOK ROAD STREATHAM SW16</b>	Monday 24th March 2003	0010	The suspect approached the victim from behind, pushed her to the ground before stealing property, then making good his escape
Theft Snatch	<b>FRESHWATER ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Sunday 23rd March 2003	1145	A thief snatched a mobile phone from the victim
Street Robbery	<b>BALHAM PARK ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Tuesday 25th March 2003	1540	Two people stopped a person as they walked along a path. They told him to jump in the air, then pushed him to the floor, kicked and hit him with a metal bar, before stealing his money and making off
Street Robbery	<b>OUTSIDE TOOTING BROADWAY UNDERGROUND STATION MITCHAM ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Tuesday 25th March 2003	1615	A thief picked a fight with the victim, punched him in the face, and punched and kicked him whilst he was on the ground to steal a chain they were wearing
Theft Snatch	<b>OUTSIDE WANDSWORTH COMMON STATION ST JAMES' DRIVE BALHAM SW17</b>	Wednesday 25th March 2003	0900	A thief grabbed the victim's handbag as she walked by. She held onto her bag and other members of the public, seeing what was taking place, shouted at suspect who ran off empty handed
Street Robbery	<b>OUTSIDE MCDONALD'S MITCHAM ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Wednesday 25th March 2003	1400	Suspects led their victim into an alleyway, then covered his eyes as mouth as they searched through his pockets and stole property
Street Robbery	<b>COLSON WAY STREATHAM SW16</b>	Wednesday 25th March 2003	2120	A pedestrian walked past the victim then attacked him and stole his bag before running off
Theft Snatch	<b>BALHAM STATION ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Sunday 23rd March 2003	2100	Suspects approached their victim from behind, snatched property from their hand and made off
Theft Snatch	<b>HOYLE ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Wednesday 25th March 2003	0010	A thief engaged the female victim in conversation before snatching her handbag
Theft Snatch	<b>UPPER TOOTING ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Wednesday 25th March 2003	2230	Thieves snatched a mobile phone from victim's hand

## BURGLARY

Offence	Location	Date of offence / Between	Time	And	Time to	Method
Non-Residential Burglary	<b>SHOP PREMISES TOOTING HIGH STREET TOOTING SW17</b>	Saturday 22nd March 2003	1644		1655	Intruder(s) went into a staff only areas at the rear of a store and stole three bags of children's clothing. They ran out of the store with the property when disturbed by staff
Non-Residential Burglary	<b>LEISURE PREMISES GRIEVES PLACE TOOTING SW17</b>	Sunday 23rd March 2003	0120		0125	Suspect(s) smashed a side window, entered the premises then broke into a fruit-machine and stole cash
Residential Burglary	<b>DERINTON ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Thursday 20th March 2003	0830	Saturday 22nd March 2003	1800	Intruder(s) broke into rear of the premises and entered but no property was stolen
Residential Burglary	<b>UPPER TOOTING ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Monday 24th March 2003	0830		1745	Suspect(s) forced a rear kitchen window, entered the dwelling, ransacked it and stole property
Residential Burglary	<b>RESIDENTIAL FLAT YEW TREE LODGE ULLATHORNE ROAD STREATHAM SW16</b>	Monday 17th March 2003	0800		1700	Burglar(s) forced the front door of flat, made an untidy search and stole items of property
Non-Residential Burglary	<b>OFFICE PREMISES THRALE ROAD TOOTING SW16</b>	Thursday 20th March 2003	2305	Friday 21st March 2003	0930	Thieve(s) broke into an office and took property
Non-Residential Burglary	<b>ELMBOURNE ROAD TOOTING SW17</b>	Wednesday 19th March 2003	1615	Thursday 20th March 2003	0630	Intruder(s) broke into premises and stole property
Residential Burglary	<b>UNDINE STREET TOOTING SW17</b>	Saturday 22nd March 2003	0350			A thief entered premises through a ground floor window which had been left open and then stole a stereo unit
Residential Burglary	<b>CALBOURNE ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Saturday 22nd March 2003	0500		0630	Suspect(s) entered the property using force and removed property
Residential Burglary	<b>MAYFORD ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Saturday 22nd March 2003	1645		1700	A person stole items from the premises whilst they pretended to use the toilet

Non-Residential Burglary	<b>SHOP PREMISES STATION PARADE BALHAM SW12</b>	Sunday 23rd March 2003	1250		A group of individuals stole unattended phone cards from behind the counter of shop premises
Residential Burglary	<b>WROUGHTON ROAD BATTERSEA SW11</b>	Wednesday 25th March 2003	0610		An intruder ran off after smashing a window and being challenged by the occupier
Residential Burglary	<b>BROXASH ROAD TOOTING SW11</b>	Sunday 23rd March 2003	2300	Monday 24th March 2003	0530 Intruder(s) entered the building and removed property
Residential Burglary	<b>RAMSDEN ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Monday 24th March 2003	2330	Tuesday 25th March 2003	0700 Intruder(s) used an instrument to slip a 'Yale' type door lock, enter and steal items of property
Non-Residential Burglary	<b>ANVIL CLOSE TOOTING SW16</b>	Sunday 23rd March 2003	0900		2145 A burglar forced a shed door and stole a bicycle
Residential Burglary	<b>FERNSIDE ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Monday 24th March 2003	2300	Tuesday 25th March 2003	0715 Thieve(s) forced an entry through a front room window to enter the premises
Residential Burglary	<b>RESIDENTIAL FLAT BALHAM HIGH ROAD LONDON SW12</b>	Tuesday 25th March 2003	0815		1400 An intruder entered the location through the front door, opened an unlocked storage cupboard on the first floor adjacent to the victims flat, and removed items of value
Residential Burglary	<b>BRACKEN AVENUE BALHAM SW12</b>	Wednesday 25th March 2003	0510		An intruder entered a residence using a front door key and was disturbed by the occupier as property was being stolen
Residential Burglary	<b>RESIDENTIAL FLAT HARBERSON ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Wednesday 25th March 2003	0800		2345 The thief climbed on to a first floor balcony and forced entry through patio doors before stealing items of property
Residential Burglary	<b>BELLAMY STREET BALHAM SW12</b>	Wednesday 25th March 2003	2250	Thursday 27th March 2003	0600 Burglar(s) entered the premises, searched and stole property whilst the occupier slept
Residential Burglary	<b>SHIPKA ROAD BALHAM SW12</b>	Monday 10th March 2003	1200	Thursday 27th March 2003	1800 No details are available at this time

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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.