



COUNTRY WATCH

Western Weekly:

21st November 2014

Colleagues,

Theft from motor vehicles are clearly on the increase, so long as owners are leaving valuables on view then offenders will damage vehicles in order to take easy pickings. Please advise friends and family not to leave any valuable items in a secure vehicle either on display or hidden under coats or in the boot.

It's time to check your heating oil tanks, please stop reading this and go outside right now and take a note of how much oil you have in your tanks, now write down in a safe place the time/date and quantity of Oil in your tank. Look at how the tank is positioned on your property, can it be seen from the roadside? Can you see it from the house? Do you need to cut back any plantation in order to have a better view of the tank from the house? Can you mask the tank from roadside view? Do you need to fix the security lights outside? I know this is a pain, but when the weather turns cold the criminals WILL be out looking at taking oil from any easy and insecure tanks. They have been known to remove an entire 1000ltr tank! Yes several offenders drive up to tanks, and using straps and long batons, they have lifted a tank onto/into flatbed vans and driven off, leaving spilt oil and damaged plumbing behind. A tank of heating oil can cost hundreds of pounds, sometimes thousands. But more importantly you are left in the cold having to contact insurance companies and order a new tank and oil, which you know will be delivered within two to three weeks due to demand.

A simple heating oil alarm (yes Country Watch can demonstrate and provide a leading approved alarm for £95) can be installed and working to protect your heating oil before it is targeted. This is a small initial outlay, but could save you ££££ and hassle.

It is also worth bearing in mind that when you top up your heating oil from the suppliers that you visually inspect and double check that you have been given the quantity of oil which you have paid for and requested, it is not good enough to rely on the external float gauge as these can be tampered with or faulty. I am not suggesting for one second that the heating oil delivery driver is dishonest, however if you receive a delivery one day and the next day the tank is empty again, can you honestly state that you saw the oil in the tank when it was delivered? It has been known that delivery drivers for heating oil and Red diesel have pumped oil into the tank with one hose, obtain a signature to acknowledge receipt of oil and at the same time pump the oil out with another hose into a separate department in their tanker! This way they can prove they have delivered the oil as it has been pumped out of the tanker, and as they often carry an empty storage compartment, they then pump back in the stolen oils, then during their rounds meet up with another (unrelated) tanker/storage vehicle and unload the stolen oils, this way even the Oil companies will have no idea. See how easy it is to steal your heating oil and red diesel.

Kind Regards

Scott Graham

Rural Theft

- 14/11 Bisterne Manor 2 males with a dog and air rifle detained by keeper sus poaching. Police attended rifle seized.
- 15/11 Wessex Estate Power tools stolen from secure shed.
- 15/11 Hardley Industrial Estate Entry gained through window, laptop and £150 cash stolen.
- 15/11 East Wellow Leisure battery and fencing stolen.
- 15/11 Ringwood Tractor seen leaving sales site by passing Police patrol. On returning tractor found abandoned. 2 Tractors confirmed stolen ongoing enquiries.
- 16/11 Totton Cricket ground container has been attempted to be broken into, no entry gained.
- 17/11 Eling Rural commercial yard. 1x container broken into, and 20 power tools removed
- 17/11 Eling Persons unknown have forced entry into commercial premises& removed a commercial freezer.
- 17/11 New Milton Elderly lady's scooter was stolen from her garage during the afternoon.
- 17/11 New Milton Business premises entered by force, TV and video conferencing equipment removed.
- 17/11 Hedge End Ornamental Victorian post box removed from garden.
- 17/11 Bursledon 17ft working boat stolen from Bursledon boat yard.
- 18/11 Rockford Machinery/Footwear and mobile phone stolen from property under renovation.
- 19/11 Totton Cat deterrent device stolen from front garden.
- 20/11 Sandleheath Site cabin broken into various power tools stolen.
- 20/11 Chilworth Quantity of copper stolen from base of phone mast 02.
- 20/11 Lyndhurst Secure site entered puddle pump and extension leads stolen.
- 20/11 Calshot Several beach huts broken into not known at this time if anything stolen.
- 20/11 Ringwood £400 Mountain bike stolen from shed.
- 20/11 Sopley Horse blanket stolen from horse in field.
- 20/11 Woodgreen £500 Stihl Leaf blower stolen from garage.
- 20/11 Ringwood £900 mountain bike stolen from shed.
- 20/11 Martin Timber frame stand forced open in field chicken feed stolen.

Poaching

- 15/11 Nursling Local Farmer saw lamp in field. Police called vehicle identified. Ongoing enquiries.

Fly Tipping

Nothing reported this week.

Suspicious Vehicles/Vehicles of interest

Nothing reported this week.

(Please be mindful that the driver's of these vehicles may be going about their lawful business)

Theft From Motor Vehicle

- 15/11 Ringwood Van broken into 2 Hedge cutters and STHIL Leaf blower stolen.
- 15/11 Burley Road Two handbags stolen from vehicle rear door forced.
- 16/11 Knightwood Oak Handbag/purse stolen from vehicle window smashed.
- 16/11 Ringwood Car broken into and handbag removed.
- 16/11 Burley Handbag removed from vehicle, and bank card used at New Milton.
- 17/11 Totton, Owner found that fuel had been siphoned from car whilst on drive way.
- 17/11 Hedge End Sensor removed from within engine compartment. Vehicle was locked on drive way.
- 20/11 Bolderwood CP Handbag stolen from boot of vehicle.
- 20/11 Ornamental Drive Handbag stolen from vehicle by smashing rear window.

Off-Road Vehicles

Nothing reported this week.

Rural Arson

Nothing reported this week

Miscellaneous Offences

- 18/11 Lyndhurst Door to retail premises forced alarm activated intruder/s left.
- 18/11 Pennington Person has witnessed two Lurcher type dogs attack and kill a deer. Country Watch Officers Investigating.

Animal Accidents

Week commencing MONDAY 10th NOVEMBER 2014

Day	Date	Time	Details	Location	Agister
Tuesday	11/11/2014	4:54 pm	Chestnut and White Filly - Injured & Destroyed	Meadows Cross - B3054	R Maton
Wednesday	12/11/2014	6:00 am	Pony - Nothing Found	Bartley Road	A Naphthine
Thursday	13/11/2014	7:15 pm	Donkey - Nothing Found	Brook - Nr Bell Inn - B3079	A Naphthine
Friday	14/11/2014	5:28 pm	Cow - Nothing Found	Longcross - B3078	R Maton
Friday	14/11/2014	5:44 pm	Brown Filly - Injured & Destroyed - WEARING REFLECTIVE COLLAR	Rush Bush, Ipley Crossroads	R Maton
Friday	14/11/2014	7:40 pm	Pony - Nothing Found	Holmsley Road Wootton	R Maton
Saturday	15/11/2014	6:45 pm	Bay yearling filly - Injured - WEARING REFLECTIVE COLLAR	Holmsley Road Wootton	J Gerrelli
Saturday	15/11/2014	11:50 pm	Black Pony - Nothing Found	Boltons Bench - B3056	R Maton
Sunday	16/11/2014	5:20 pm	Pony - Injured & Destroyed	Beaulieu Heath - B3054	M Lovell