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Hi All,
Here is the latest Press Release from the North Shore LAC
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Vigilant Neighbourhood Watch led to the arrest of a 31 year old Surry Hills man after a number of aggravated home break-ins on the North Shore last week. Police were called by a witness who sighted a man acting suspiciously in Calbina Rd at Northbridge shortly before 7am on Wednesday morning. The witness provided Police with a description and registration number of a car being driven by the male. The details supplied by the witness matched that of a car allegedly stolen from Castlereagh Street in Sydney on Monday night. North Shore Pro-Active Unit Police were patrolling in response to the call when they sighted the silver Holden SS Commodore ute near Mowbray Rd at Chatswood. Police followed the car for a short time in an unmarked Police vehicle before the man parked in a small carpark off Mowbray Rd at Willoughby. Police approached the car and arrested the male. A subsequent search of the utility revealed a number of items linked to recent break and enter offences. The man was arrested and taken to Chatswood Police station, where he declined to be interviewed. He was later charged with 10 offences, including Aggravated Break, Enter and Steal, Break, Enter and Steal, Break and Enter with Intent, Possess Housebreaking Implements, Goods in Custody, Take and Drive Conveyance without the consent of the owner, Drive Whilst Disqualified, Found with Intent to repeat Indictable Offence and Malicious Damage. He was refused bail, and appeared before Hornsby Local Court on Thursday where he was remanded in custody to appear again on the 18/12/08. Investigations are continuing. North Shore Police acting Commander, Detective A/Supt Yeomans stated that "the arrest was an example of the critical role the public can play in helping Police by promptly reporting any suspicious activity in their neighbourhood."

A 26 year old St Marys man was arrested and charged after leading Police on a pursuit from Roseville to Mooney Mooney on Sunday morning. Chatswood Police were responding to a ram raid at a Chatswood motor cycle dealer when they sighted a stolen white Toyota Hiace van make an illegal right hand turn near Boundary Road at Roseville. Police pulled behind the van and attempted to pull it over, however the driver failed to stop. Police initiated a pursuit, following the van along the Pacific Highway towards Hornsby. As the cars travelled through Gordon the pursuit was taken over by the Highway Patrol, who continued to pursue the vehicle towards the old Pacific Highway. On reaching Berowra the Police helicopter "Polair 1" took over the pursuit and followed the white van to a dead end dirt road near Point Road at Mooney Mooney. The two occupants of the van fled into bushland. The driver was arrested a short time later trying to hide in mangroves. Inside the stolen van Police located a motor cycle, helmets and numerous items of clothing which were identified as the proceeds of the ram raid offence. The driver was taken to Hornsby Police Station, where he was charged with "Aggravated Break, Enter and Steal" and "Be carried in a conveyance taken without the consent of the owner." He was refused bail and will appear at Hornsby Local Court today. (10/11)

North Shore Police are appealing for witnesses after a fight outside a bar in Chatswood on Saturday night. (8/11) Police were called to the bar on the corner of Railway Street and Brown Street about 9:45pm, after an alleged altercation took place between two groups. As a result of the altercation a 22-year-old St Ives man was struck to the head with a glass object, whilst a 19-year-old Gordon man and a 19-year-old Turramurra man were punched to the back and face. A Bondi woman sustained an injury to her arm, whilst a 19-year-old woman from Dee Why was allegedly punched a number of times. Police and Ambulance officers attended the scene a short time later. The 19-year-old woman from Dee Why was taken by ambulance to Royal North Shore Hospital for treatment for minor injuries. Police would like to speak to two men who might be able to assist with their investigations. The first man is described as being white/European appearance, approximately 180cm tall, solid build, wearing a turquoise blue polo shirt. The second man is described as being of Middle Eastern/Mediterranean appearance, approximately 175cm tall, solid build, short dark hair, wearing a white t-shirt with black zigzag pattern. Anyone who witnessed the incident or has information which might assist investigators is urged to contact Chatswood Police on 9414 8499 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.