

News and appeals

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It includes:

- Details of fraudulent Amazon emails
- New ways to stop nuisance and cold calls
- How to avoid fraudulent charity appeals

Shoplifting suspect strikes twice in Horsham

Police want to speak to this man who has been captured twice on CCTV in connection with two shopliftings in Horsham.

A man went into Horsham Golf Club shop on Sunday (15 January) at 3.55pm and selected a Callaway Big Birther Fusion golf club worth £350, took it to the corner of the shop, removed the security tag and walked out.

A member of staff chased him but he jumped in a car waiting in the car park and was driven away. The car was mustard coloured and possibly a Renault.

Police are linking this theft with one a year before in The Cycle Room, East Street, Horsham, when three men went into the shop on 16 January 2016 and one of them, the same suspect for the golf club, stole a £300 Garmin sat nav and a £120 set of cycle pedals.

The man is white, 6', aged in his late 30s and was wearing black rimmed glasses, grey trousers, a grey hooded top and a black sleeved jacket.

Anyone who recognises the suspect or has any information please report online quoting serial 341 of 16/01.

[Click here](#) to view picture.

Crime summary

Detectives in West Sussex and Hove are linking ten house burglaries since the beginning of December during which vehicles have been stolen, as well as an attempted burglary.

Residents are being reminded to take precautions to help avoid becoming further victims.

The thieves have been breaking into houses during the daytime and evenings while occupants are out, stealing car keys, and then taking the vehicle from the driveway or garage. Jewellery and cash has also been taken from the houses in nine of the cases.

Offences have happened in Horsham, Haywards Heath, Worthing, Henfield, Steyning, Partridge Green, Shoreham and Hove.

- During the late afternoon of 1 December a burglary occurred in Ropeland Way, Horsham, during which an Audi S5 was stolen.

- During the evening of 27 December a burglary occurred in Newham Lane, Steyning, during which a silver Volkswagen Golf was stolen.

- During the day on 1 January a burglary occurred in Dropping Holms, Henfield, during which a black Audi A3 Sport Convertible was stolen.

- During the day on 6 January a burglary occurred in The Forge, Southwater, during which a white Volkswagen Golf R was stolen.

A Vauxhall Mokka stolen from Partridge Green has been recovered in West Yorkshire on 14 January and a man and a woman were arrested there on suspicion of theft of the vehicle and burglary. After being interviewed they were released on police bail until 2 March.

An Audi stolen from Haywards Heath was recovered in Saltdean on 18 January.

Detective Constable Jamie Carruthers of the West Sussex Priority Crime Team said; "We are appealing for witnesses or anyone with any other information about the burglaries, and to anyone who knows where the still missing vehicles are now.

"We are also encouraging the swift reporting of any separate thefts of vehicle registration plates, as this information can assist our investigation

"Also, do you work in the motor trade? If so have you carried out a recent MOT or service on any vehicles matching the description of those stolen and during which your suspicions have been raised by the actions of the customer or a particular vehicle?"

Jamie Carruthers added; "Please think about the security of your home when left unoccupied. You should ensure all doors and windows are locked and items such as car keys are not left visible. Hiding vehicle keys within the address is another way of preventing the theft of vehicles. Leaving a light on is also a preventative measure which can be used to make your home less attractive to burglars."

Burglary Alerts/Press Releases sent out this week click the link to see full details.

Bedford Road- [Click here](#)

Hill View Rise- [Click here](#)

Other burglaries of note;

Reference: 1197 18-01

Location: Oak Apple Close Cowfold

Date and time: Between 15:30-19:15

Details: Rear patio door damaged, untidy search jewellery and cash stolen.

Other than Dwelling

Reference: 0962 13-01

Location: Gorrings Brook Horsham

Date and time: 13/01 at 1700

Details: Males seen trying to force entry into a block of flats before making off in a car no entry gained.

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