



Neighbourhood Report: Test Valley Rural

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Beat TA 8 - (The Sombornes & Bossington) PC 1194 Martin Benton

No incidents of note.

Beat TA 9 - (Broughton, Houghton, The Wallops, Palestine & Longstock) PC 2660 Simon Beecroft

26/05/09 – Houghton, Stockbridge - Forced entry to container and shed.

07/06/09 – Houghton, Stockbridge – Containers on construction site broken into.

08/06/09 – Wallop Road, Over Wallop – Entry gained to grounds of property, building items stolen.

Beat TA 10 - (Stockbridge, Leckford & Chilbolton) PC 2482 Tim Bonsor

No incidents of note.

Beat TA 11 – (Abbotts Ann, The Clatfords, Anna Valley, Wherwell, Longparish, Barton Stacey & Bullington) PC 1386 Jewell

29/05/09 – Barton Stacey – Construction site entered, copper cabling stolen.

31/05/09 – Church, Barton Stacey – Access gained to vehicle, handbag stolen.

01/06/09 – Fullerton Road, Wherwell – Bicycle stolen from gated driveway.

Beat TA 12 – (Grateley, Quarley, Amport, Thruxton, Monxton, Shipton Bellinger, Kimpton, Fyfield, The Pentons & Appleshaw) PC 1039 Bill Williams

27/05/09 – Penton Harroway, Andover – Gypsy style caravan stolen from premises.

27/05/09 – Kingfishers, Shipton Bellinger – attempt to steal hubcaps from vehicle whilst parked on driveway.

28/05/09 – Racedown, Thruxton Down – two incidents of sheds/workshops being broken into.

Beat TA 13 – (Tangley, Hurstbourne Tarrant, Vernham Dean, Facombe & Linkenholt) PC 2911 Roger Kitson

No incidents of note.

Recent editions of this newsletter have attempted to highlight the problem of theft from motor vehicles, particularly when vehicles are left unattended in the many local beauty spots in the Rural Test Valley area. This is very often when items are left on display, or perhaps when they are put into the boot of the car and offenders may have seen this happen. There is traditionally a rise in this type of crime as the warmer weather arrives, so take care with your valuables this summer!

Rural Test Valley Safer Neighbourhood team officers have already taken various proactive steps to try and reduce thefts from motor vehicles, including using crime prevention posters, carrying out regular patrols, and issuing personal advice to motorists in the area. We will also be deploying the 'trap car' at many of the beauty spots in the area, in order to identify offenders, assisting in arrests and prosecution.

The 'trap car' and items placed within it are fitted with a tracker device that allows police to monitor their exact location. If the vehicle or items from within are stolen then officers are able to monitor their movements, and those found in possession of the stolen vehicle or property may be arrested. The 'trap car' has been used to great effect in other areas of the county and I am very confident that it will assist us in identifying and prosecuting those that are currently targeting our area.

We would ask that you continue to play your part in keeping this a low crime area by taking sensible crime reduction measures yourself when you are out and about in your vehicles, and also by reporting any suspicious people or vehicles you see to police.

Kind Regards,

Acting Sergeant Tim Bonsor

For non emergencies dial 101, in an emergency dial 999.

To get in contact directly with the team call 0845 045 45 45 or visit www.hampshire.police.uk

Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111

Speak to your local Safer Neighbourhoods Team when you see them out and about.

