



Calwell Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter

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Upcoming event:

Sat 15 Aug—10am-3pm: **Fund Raising Sausage Sizzle** for the Theodore Neighbourhood Watch at the **Calwell Shops forecourt**. Come take the opportunity to meet with other neighbours and find out more about our work.

Dear Calwell residents

On behalf of both Calwell Neighbourhood Watch and ACT Neighbourhood Watch Association, I would like to wish the Calwell Neighbourhood Watch a **Happy 1st Birthday** which fell on the 3rd final of the State of Origin. Our local Neighbourhood Watch would not be functioning today without the support of all of the residents of Calwell since the call went out for our first public meeting in 2008.

A special thankyou must go to **Wendy Anderson**, our **founding Calwell Area Coordinator**. **Wendy Anderson** has to date, inspired us and developed the committee to what it is today, and has shown us that anything is possible for the good of our suburb and our local schools. **Wendy Anderson** is having a break from convening, and whilst she will be involved on the committee, her one wish is that we continue the dream to make our suburb safer for everyone and for our children

in the coming years.

There are opportunities for anyone to get involved in making Calwell a safer place to live. The focus for the Neighbourhood Watch in Calwell is to keep an eye out on our homes, schools, roads, parks, walkways, and most importantly, your fellow neighbour. So in this edition I encourage you to get to know your neighbour. Leave the lap-top behind, the i-pod, playstation and xbox, TV and get out there see Calwell—go for a walk, get out in the fresh air and sunshine and meet your neighbours. Its the Aussie thing to do, and more importantly, you will be keeping an eye out on our suburb.

In the coming editions of our newsletter we will be providing valuable information on the **Safety House ACT** program and identifying registered walking groups that frequently walk in the suburb that you can take part in.

That's all for now folks, happy reading, and feel free to see me at Coffee On the Go at Calwell shops for further information on Calwell Neighbourhood Watch.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 19th August at 7pm Calwell Club Board Room. All welcome to come!

Nick Tsoulias
Regional Director Tuggeranong &
Calwell Neighbourhood Watch

Would you like to advertise in the Calwell NHW newsletter?

For more information please contact Eliza Zekalo on 0421 865 816.

Coffee on the go
@ CALWELL SHOPPING CENTRE

SENIORS TUESDAY

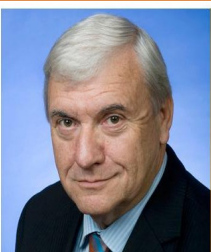
Bring a friend every Tuesday to receive a **FREE** regular coffee when another regular coffee is purchased (10am – 12noon).

Seniors Coffee + Cookie **\$3.50**

MILKSHAKES Buy 2 milkshakes and receive a 3rd for FREE .	BREAKFAST A wrap or foccacia with 2 eggs & bacon for \$5 .
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OPEN 7 DAYS from 8am - 5pm
PH 6291 0022

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Steve
Doszpot
Canberra Liberals MLA

If you have any neighbourhood issues you would like to discuss, please contact:

t: 6205 0131 f: 6205 0412
e: doszpot@parliament.act.gov.au
w: www.parliament.act.gov.au/members/doszpot

Neighbourhood disputes

Crime statistics for June 2009

Neighbourhood disputes can cause significant problems—not only is your peace and comfort likely to be disturbed, but occasionally you may find yourself unwittingly becoming involved.

Crime statistics have been removed from the web version of this newsletter as requested by the AFP.

In most cases, neighbourhood disputes are resolved because the parties involved want a resolution and are prepared to talk. Sometimes a third party can be engaged to help resolve a dispute.

Housing & Community Services ACT is a division of the Department of Disability, Housing and Community Services (DHCS). This service is responsible for the provision of public housing and community services in the Territory. There is a Disruptive Behaviour Policy in place to guide conflict management between public housing tenants and the wider community.

This policy is available online at www.dhcs.act.gov.au > **Housing and Community Services ACT** > **Policies** > **Disruptive Behaviour**.

It is not Housing ACT's responsibility to resolve neighbourhood disputes. Housing ACT is concerned to ensure the success of its public housing tenancies and will therefore take action whenever a public housing tenancy agreement is breached. Such breaches usually involve illegal structures, unapproved home businesses and unauthorised tenants or sub-letting to name a few.

If you suspect that a public housing tenancy agreement is being breached you may:

- Provide your name and telephone number so that we can obtain further information if necessary.
- Write to Housing ACT stating the nature of the problem.
- Provide the name and address of the person you think is breaching the tenancy agreement.

For all other neighbourhood disputes, DHCS have collated a list of contact details for various agencies who can help you.

You can write to DHCS at the following address—
Housing ACT, Locked Bag 3000, Belconnen ACT 2617.
For more information call the DHCS on 133 427.

Service	Phone number
Conflict Resolution Service	6162 4050
Tenants Advice Service	6247 2011
ACT Legal Aid Office	6243 3411
Welfare Rights and Legal Centre	6247 2177
Australian Federal Police	11444
Child protection - Northside	6207 1069
Child protection - Southside	6207 1466
Child protection - after hours	6207 0720
Public Health Complaints	6205 1700
Pollution complaints	6207 9777
Abandoned vehicles/rubbish on nature strips	6207 7132
Dog control and dog disputes	6207 2424
Other animal nuisance	6207 2253

Want to get involved and make a difference?

Become a member of the Calwell NHW

Visit: <http://www.nhwact.com.au/membership>

Download the membership form and post it to
GPO Box 1047 Canberra ACT 2601

or come along to our next monthly meeting.



Please assist our Police by reporting all suspicious activity to

CRIME STOPPERS on 1800 333 000

For Police Attendance call 131 444, but for all life-threatening emergencies call 000