



HERTFORDSHIRE

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Covering Arbury, Ermine, Weston & Sandon Wards

Email Scam - Gmail, Yahoo and AOL passwords



IT Security firm Sophos has warned internet users to be cautious of emails claiming to be from privacy@microsoft.com. The emails are cleverly designed to resemble official alerts from Microsoft and advises users to visit a supposed "update" page as their computer is at high risk. Once clicked on, the link directs users to a phishing site which attempts to gather email addresses for webmail services including Gmail and AOL mail. Once the scammers have access to your account they can gather personal information and potentially use it to commit identity theft. The emails entitled 'Microsoft Windows Update' may appear harmless but the grammatical errors and some odd language contained in them should be a signal that the emails may not really be from Microsoft.

Bogus Bailiff, Epping area

Although not in our area I thought this was very cheeky;- There has been a report of a man described as oldish with a grey beard wearing a green ribbed bomber jacket with detachable sleeves posing as a bailiff to collect fees for fishing at a Fishery in the Epping area. So far he has managed to obtain around £200 from unsuspecting fisherman, usually young lads, saying he will return later with a ticket. He doesn't seem to have approached the older regular people who fish there.

The owners of the fishery employ several bailiffs so are unsure how to stop this bogus man from operating his fraud. It has been suggested that the legitimate bailiffs should be issued with Identity Cards which they would have to produce in order to collect the money and present the fishermen with a ticket. It might also be useful to install a notice board at the location informing them not to hand over money to anyone without an ID card.

Implements and tools

When possible, lock tools and small items of machinery inside a secure building.

To prevent the theft of batteries, tools and accessories, avoid leaving tractors and other farm implements in fields.

Keep valuable machinery away from public roads when not in use.

Consider making a secure cage or structure for smaller items which should be sited within a secure and alarmed building.

Record the make and serial number of power tools - an up-to-date inventory is vital.

Mark or stamp easily removed items with your postcode, followed by the first two letters of your farm's name, or other identifying marks. Read more about how to mark your property.

Vehicles

Four-wheel drive vehicles, trailers, caravans and quad bikes can all be a target for thieves. There are many anti-theft devices available such as alarms, immobilisers and tracking systems.

Lock your vehicle and use security devices. Trailers and horse boxes are particularly vulnerable.

Where possible, secure them inside a garage or similar building.

Mark them and make them unique – use large letters on the roof. Record serial/chassis numbers and photograph them.

Fuel thefts

Pumps should have locking devices and/or isolator switches and, where possible, they should be housed in a secure location.

Field gates

Field gate hinges should be of the capped or inverted type to prevent easy removal.

Make regular checks to see if they have been tampered with. If you believe they have been tampered with, contact your local police via 101, the 24-hour Hertfordshire Police non-emergency number.

Mark gates to make them unique to your farm.

Gates that are locked with good quality chains or padlocks are more difficult to steal.

Speed Checks

Device not available.

Reported Crime

Pass on information, one call to **Crime Stoppers** on 0800 555 111. Every call is treated with absolute anonymity so that nobody will know the identity of the caller. Rewards are also available.

G4E; - Ashwell, Hinxworth, Bygrave, Newnham & Caldecote

Crime No.	Offence	Location	Date
G4/12/727	Burglary (other)	Bygrave	16/10/12
Offenders broke into industrial building and stole property			

G4D; - Barkway, Barley, Reed, Nuthampstead, Newsells, Kelshall & Therfield

Crime No.	Offence	Location	Date
G4/12/693	Burglary (other)	Sandon	05/10/12
Offenders broke into industrial building and stole property			

Crime No.	Offence	Location	Date
G4/12/694	Theft	Barley	05/10/12
Offenders broke into industrial container and stole property			

Crime No.	Offence	Location	Date
G4/12/713	Burglary (other)	Barley	13/10/12
Offenders broke into shed and stole property			

Crime No.	Offence	Location	Date
G4/12/725	Burglary (other)	Barley	15/10/12
Offenders broke into shed and stole property			

G3C; - Sandon, Wallington, Rushden, Clothall & Weston

Crime No.	Offence	Location	Date
G3/12/446	Burglary (other)	Rushden	01/10/12
Offenders broke into farm building and stole property			

Crime No.	Offence	Location	Date
G3/12/449	Theft	Rushden	01/10/12
Offenders stole farm equipment			

Illegal Hare coursing

Reported Hare coursing Incidents in our area.

	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	Total
02-03	10	12	30	10	8	12	9	8	100
03-04	3	13	28	3	8	13	9	3	80

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04-05	4	13	4	0	4	0	1	0	26
05-06	0	3	0	0	1	1	1	0	6
06-07	0	4	4	6	1	0	2	0	17
07-08	3	10	4	6	9	2	4	3	43
08-09	7	5	2	4	4	4	2	1	29
09-10	3	3	10	3	1	1	2	1	24
10-11	0	2	2	4	1	1	0	0	10
11-12	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	7
12-13	0	1							

Number of Sunday Hare Coursing and Nuisance Vehicle Patrols Carried Out to Reduce coursing Nuisance Motor cycling and Nuisance 4 X 4 use, patrols per months, early start preferred, 7am or 8am.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
07								3	3	3	0	3
08	4	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	3	1	4
09	1	1	3	2	1	3	2	1	1	2	3	2
10	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
11	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
12	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2		

Parish Councils

Last time we attended

RUSHDEN	11/01/12	SANDON	12/09/12
THERFIELD	17/01/12	REED	29/08/12
BARKWAY	10/10/12	BARLEY	02/04/12
KELSHALL	16/04/12	NUTHAMP	15/06/11
ASHWELL	05/09/12	BYGRAVE	19/03/12
CALDECOTE	28/03/11	WESTON	08/03/12
RADWELL	10/05/11	WALLINGTON	11/01/12
HINXWORT	01/09/11	CLOTHALL	09/01/12

Neighbour Hood Watch Meetings

Area	Last Meeting	Next Meeting	Location
G4E	Tuesday 11 th Sept 8pm		
G4D	Tuesday 4 th Sep 7.30pm		
G3C	Wednesday 12 th Sept 8pm		

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Safer Neighbourhoods

Locality Members	Martin Dingemans, Howard Marshall, Simon Holtom, Robert Law, Teddy Faure-Walker, Steve Jarvis, Andrew Young, Tony Hunter, Keith Bone
	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Tackling incidents of hare coursing and nuisance vehicle use within the rural community on Saturday & Sundays between the hours 06.00 – 19.00 (G4D, G4E, G3C).2. To improve/increase intelligence gathering in relation to suspicious vehicles/persons and attend incidents when reported. (G4D, G4E, G3C)3. To tackle speeding - locations West end / Newnham Way Ashwell, Station Rd, Ashwell. Upper Bygrave Rd, Bygrave, London Road, Barley, Cambridge Rd Barkway, The Causeway, Therfield, Ashwell Road, Newham, Damask Green Road, Weston, Outside the Moon and Stars public house, Rushden and High Street, Hinxworth. To carry on with trials up until a covert monitoring device can be installed. Then speed watch to carry on with speed detection for a year and then another covert check to take place.

Police Surgeries

<http://snt.herts.police.uk/aCMS/team.php?nptID=63&dID=5>

Meet The Criminals

Please click on the below link to meet some of the people we wish to become friends with.

http://www.herts.police.uk/hertfordshire_constabulary/help_us_fight_crime/cctv_images.aspx

Other links

<http://www.hertscrimprevention.com/NHCPP/Welcome.html>

www.doglost.co.uk

<http://www.hertscrimstoppers.org.uk/>

www.nfuonline.com

<http://www.stolenhorseregister.com/>

Phone numbers 101 (if you have suffered a crime or need Police within a couple of hours) **999** (for immediate response if you have **just** suffered a crime and for **Coursing**)
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