



Brisbane City and Fortitude Valley Crime Bulletin



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Securing your vehicle

Most car thefts are opportunistic.

There are a number of things you can do to reduce the risk of having your car stolen or broken into.



What can you do?

- Always lock your vehicle, including the boot and sun roof and remember to fully close the windows
- Remove or place out of sight all valuables and personal documents when leaving your car unattended
- Park your vehicle in a well-lit and highly visible area
- Wherever possible use off street parking or secure parking
- Remove keys from the ignition if your vehicle is parked or unattended - even if only for a minute
- Don't hide spare keys on the vehicle - thieves know where to look
- Take your vehicle keys with you if you are going out, even if you are leaving your vehicle at home
- Keys should not be marked with personal or vehicle details - use your personal property identification code
- Don't leave vehicle keys lying around on tables, benches, bedside tables or key hooks - keep them out of sight
- When parking in a garage, ensure both the garage and vehicle are locked and the garage door remotes are secured
- Consider using the following to help protect your vehicle - car alarm, immobiliser, ignition shield, steering wheel lock, window etching, microdots or GPS tracker
- Use lockable devices - such as lockable fuel caps, wheel nuts, spare tyre covers, roof racks
- For older vehicles install an engine immobiliser that meets Australian Standards A4601:1999
- Secure your vehicles registration plates e.g. affix with one way screws

Adopt good vehicle and key security habits.



The majority of stolen vehicles are over 10 years old and don't have reliable security devices. Fitting a certified engine immobiliser offers the greatest protection for older cars.

For more information visit

www.police.qld.gov.au
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www.carsafe.com.au



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Can you identify these people?

Robbery – Edward Street, Brisbane City



At about 2115hrs on 04/12/2011 the victim was outside Central Railway Station on Edward Street, Brisbane City. The victim was walking along and noticed two male persons walking quickly behind him. The victim heard someone speak and removed his earphones. One offender then spoke to the victim, saying "Give me your wallet, phone and iPod". The second offender walked behind the victim and removed the victim's wallet from the victim's left hand back pocket. The offender then rifled through the victim's wallet and removed approximately \$12.70 in cash. Whilst this offender was looking through the wallet the first offender said "Have you got any money on your key-card" to which the victim replied "No". The second offender then returned the wallet to the victim. The offender also located the victim's phone and iPod. Both offenders then walked back in the direction they came from, south bound on Edward Street.

Offender 1 is described as male, Caucasian, fair skin, about 180cm, brown eyes, short medium brown hair, clean shaven, large build. Offender was wearing dark blue t-shirt with orange writing on the shirt.

Offender 2 is described as male, Pacific Islander or Aboriginal, dark skin, about 180cm, large build, black afro hair. Offender was wearing a red t-shirt and ¾ length pants.

Reference number: QP1101089306 refers

Anyone with information that could assist police with their investigations by identifying both men pictured should contact Brisbane City CIB 3258 2522 police station or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.





Anyone with information which could assist police with their investigations should contact Crime Stoppers anonymously via **1800 333 000**.

Can you identify these people?

Wilful Damage – Macarthur Central, Edward Street



On 23 November 2011 between 1930hrs and 2030hrs unknown offender has approached the glass door panel of the female toilets and has damaged the glass panel, using an unknown implement. The offender has then decamped on foot in an unknown direction.

QP1101049756 refers

Anyone with information that could assist police with their investigations by identifying the woman pictured should contact Brisbane City police station or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Stealing – Albert Street, Brisbane City

Police are seeking public assistance to help identify a man they believe can help with their investigations into a stealing offence at the corner of Elizabeth and Albert Streets, Brisbane City on 2nd November. About 7:30pm a man picked up a shopping bag that had been inadvertently dropped by the victim. The bag contained a sum of cash and business banking details. The offender has made no attempt to find the owner, return it to the business or hand it in to police.



Anyone with information that could assist police with their investigations by identifying the man pictured should contact Brisbane City Police station or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Who's chatting to your kids?

Social Networking

Social Networking sites are online communities, some with millions of members. Many of these sites contain a profile page where a child can post personal information including their name, age, location, photographs, contact details and email addresses.

Quite often, children are targeted by predators. In many cases they attempt to gain the child's trust by pretending to be the same age. Once they have access to one child, they have access to the child's friend list.

As a parent, it is important to be aware that a child can be identified and located by a number of methods.

Tips for parents with children engaged in social networking:

- Choose a non identifiable, non gender specific username.
- Never give out any personal information whilst using Instant Messengers or other networking programs.
- Never accept a friend request, file or download from a person you don't know.
- Know how to save copies of your child's IM conversations.



Break and Enter Alert

Police are seeking to locate two offenders who they suspect are responsible for a number of Break and Enters that have occurred throughout Paddington in the past month. Residents of Paddington are encouraged to be vigilant with their home security. Secure your house even when you are home to deter "Sneak break" offences occurring. A large number of the recent offences have occurred during the day and through unlocked doors or windows. TVs, laptops and jewelry have been stolen.

Suspect descriptions

1. Caucasian male, approx 180cm tall, slim build, blonde hair, blue eyes, slim build and about 27 years old
2. Aboriginal male, approx 180cm, thin build, black hair, brown eyes and about 20 years old

Report any suspicious people to police immediately.

Can you identify these people?

Armed Robbery – Moray Street, New



Investigations are continuing into an armed robbery which occurred at Kwikimart, Moray St New Farm on November 25th 2011. At about 9pm a male person entered the store armed with a knife and demanded the staff member give him all the notes within the till. No one was injured during the incident.

Description of the offender: Male, Caucasian, 180cm, 40 years, slim build, black curly hair, cross-eyed green eyes, little stubble on face, smell of cigarettes. Wearing: navy baseball cap, navy hoodie jumper with pattern including a white crown on a square on the front with a white stripe down sleeves with possibly "element" type wording, blue long tracksuit pants and white runners.

Anyone with information that could assist police with their investigations by identifying the man pictured should contact Fortitude Valley Station or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Missing Person, Zillmere



Police are currently searching for a woman who has gone missing from Zillmere.

Jennifer Kilkenny was last seen on Sunday January 1 at a residence on Coxon Street, Zillmere and was believed to be heading to a Musgrave Street address in Banyo.

Ms Kilkenny has not been seen since, and has not been in contact with anyone since.

Police hold concerns for Ms Kilkenny's safety, and are appealing to members of the public who may have seen anything that may assist with their investigation. **Anyone with any information that may assist are urged to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.**



Solved Crime Corner



A stolen costume was returned to Nando's at Paddington after being located by an off duty police officer. He noticed in the front garden of a residence while he was on his way home.



Detectives from Fortitude Valley Criminal Investigation Branch have arrested and charged an

offender for a number of break and enters of underground and secure car parks within the Teneriffe and New farm area. The offender was accessing the car parks and then damaging vehicles to steal property left inside them or stole the actual vehicle. Investigations are continuing.



December/January Break and Enter Activity

Secure your house even when you are home. Offenders often enter through unlocked doors while people are at home or in their backyard, stealing car keys and wallets that have been left in plain view, near entrances.

Brisbane City

Ann St
Quay St,

Bowen Hills

Boyd St
Folkstone St
Jeays St
Jordan Tce
Mallon St

Fortitude Valley

Arthur St
Berwick St
Bonney Lane
Rosetta St

Kelvin Grove

Herston Rd
Tait St

Milton

Gordon St
High St
Manning St

New Farm

Amelia St
Bowen Tce
Brunswick St
Griffith St
Hynes St
Langshaw St
Merthyr Rd

New Farm (cont)

Moray St
Oxlade Dr
Sydney St
Terrace St
Turner Ave
Villiers St

Paddington

Bowler St
Brindle St
Central Ave
Elizabeth St
Fernberg Rd
Guthrie St
Howard St
Kennedy Tce

Red Hill

Arthur Tce
Cambridge St
Carlyle St
Musgrave Rd
Upper Cairns Tce
Windsor Rd

Spring Hill

Boundary St

Teneriffe

Doggett St

By developing and maintaining good safety habits, such as locking doors and windows you can go a long way to improving your home security.



Brisbane City Tactical Crime Unit were patrolling through Spring Hill one night last week and spoke to a male they identified as matching the description from a comfit in relation to an attempted sexual assault. The offender was arrested and Brisbane City detectives are continuing with the investigation.

Some results for the last month

96 Drink Drivers arrested

159 People arrested for being drunk in a public place

264 People arrested for being a public nuisance

105 people arrested for urinating in public



Crime Prevention Police officers are available to conduct free 'Safer Living'

personal safety presentations to community groups, business groups and school groups.

Please contact:

Senior Constable Vicki Campbell at Fortitude Valley Station ph: 3737 5680

or

Sergeant Don Dull at Brisbane City Station ph: 3258 2560

or

Constable Luis Yelo at Brisbane City Station ph: 3258 2561



Personal Safety

Safety Tip: Assertiveness

Assertiveness is not aggressiveness. Assertiveness means being comfortable having your own opinion, even when that opinion differs from the majority. It is having personal boundaries that you do not want crossed by others. It is being comfortable saying 'no' when you do not wish to do something, and being able to stand by that 'no' if others try to pressure you.

Practice being assertive in life's minor confrontations, for example, challenging bad service in a shop or restaurant. That way, should someone try to pressure you into something you do not want to do, you have built up confidence and experience into your manner, stance and ability to say 'no'.

Note for women:

Gender and cultural conditioning has taught some women to be overtly polite and passive. Of course politeness is a pleasant trait in people, one that you do not want to change in most situations. However, it does not work for you when someone is trying to pressure, coerce or force you into doing something that you do not wish to do.

Being Safe - free personal safety classes



Brisbane City Council is committed to making sure Brisbane is a safe place for residents and visitors to enjoy.

To help achieve this, Council offers **free** personal safety classes for people who live and work in Brisbane aged 14 years and over. The classes provide a non-threatening and safe place for men and women to learn different strategies to increase their confidence and stay safe.

To make a group booking phone Council on **07 3403 8888**.

For information about the classes and instructors, visit the [SDVMA website](#)

Senior Sergeant Chris Stream has been the Officer in Charge at Fortitude Valley Station but has just been promoted to Inspector in Charge (State Coordinator) at the Domestic and Family Violence Unit at Headquarters. For those of you that have been fortunate to have worked with him, I am sure you will join us in congratulating him and in wishing him all the very best in his future endeavors.



ROAD RULE OF THE WEEK



You are not allowed to make a U-turn at traffic lights unless there is a sign stating U-TURN PERMITTED.

You could be fined \$80 and lose 2 demerit points off your licence.

Distractions



It only takes a split second to lose your concentration.

There's nowhere to hide.

Plenty of RBTS. Plenty of police on the road.
Drink drive. You lose.



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Roundabout Road Rules clarified

It is important to be in the correct lane at multi-lane roundabouts. Signs, lane markings and arrows help you position your vehicle correctly and guide you in the direction you want to go.

Unless traffic lane arrows indicate otherwise, remember these rules:

- to turn left, use the left lane.
- to turn right, use the right lane.
- to go straight ahead, use either lane.

Visit the Here for Life website to view [animated videos on Roundabouts](#).



Turning left



the roundabout.

- Position your vehicle in the left lane unless arrows on the road or signs indicate otherwise.
- Use your left indicator when you enter the roundabout.
- Give way to all vehicles already on the roundabout.
- Remain in the left lane as you complete your turn.
- Continue to use your left indicator as you exit the roundabout.
- Give way to all vehicles already on

Turning right or U-turns



- Position your vehicle in the right lane unless arrows on the road or signs indicate otherwise.
- Use your right indicator when you enter the roundabout.
- Give way to all vehicles already on the roundabout.
- Before exiting, use your left indicator and follow the exit lane marking.
- Stop indicating as soon as you have left the roundabout.





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Note: Do not turn right from the left lane unless arrows on the road indicate otherwise.

Going straight ahead



- Position your vehicle in either lane unless the arrows on the road or signs indicate otherwise.
- Do not use your indicator until ready to exit.
- Give way to all vehicles already on the roundabout.
- Before exiting, use your left indicator and follow the exit lane marking.
- Stop indicating once you have exited the roundabout.

Who gives way at a roundabout?

A vehicle approaching a roundabout must give way to all vehicles already on the roundabout.

In some cases on a multi-lane roundabout, it may be necessary to change lanes before exiting. In this situation, it is the responsibility of the driver changing lanes to give way to vehicles in the lane the driver is moving to.

Part 9 and Section 148 of the [Queensland Road Rules](#) apply.

Another way of looking at roundabouts

Turns that occur at roundabouts can be described by imagining the roundabout to be a clock face.

Any turn that exits the roundabout before 12 o'clock can be considered a left turn. Any turn that exits after 12 o'clock can be considered a right turn.

The [Queensland Road Rules](#) uses the terms 'less than half-way round' and 'more than half-way around'.

Straight ahead at a roundabout is taken to be at half-way around or at 12 o'clock.

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