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Hereford Southside & Rural

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SNT Rotherwas Event

Wednesday 5th July saw the second instalment of the Safer Neighbourhood Team quarterly event held at the West Midlands Cyber Centre. This event gave the Rotherwas based local businesses the opportunity to attend to; Meet their local SNT Officers, Crime prevention advice, Cyber advice and more.

The event was complimented by a range of guest speakers such as; West Mercia Police Rural and Business Crime Team, West Mercia Police Design out Crime Officer, West Midlands ROCU (Regional Organised Crime Unit) Cyber Crime Team and the cyber experts from the Cyber Center.

We would like to thank those who attended this event and thank you for the feedback we have received so far. As a team we are collaborating on ways to make the event better for all of those involved.

Kingstone High School Fate

On Saturday 8th July, PCSOs Hayley Warne and Carol Marsh alongside PSV Ben Godsall attended Kingstone High School for their summer fate. The event had a great turnout from people, including past pupils of the school. The team enjoyed showing people around our police van and demonstrating the use of the cells in the van. The event was also attended by the fire service who bought along one of their fire engines to show people around also.



Hampton Dene Primary School Visit

On Thursday 20th July, the team visited Hampton Dene Primary school, talking to the classes about what we do in the Police and also joined them for their summer Fete! A lovely day and great to see the children so enthusiastic to learn about the Police!

The team took along one of our vans showing the children what kind of kit is carried in the specialist vehicle.



Pit Bike Seized

On Wednesday 5th July the team recovered a pit bike that was being ridden around Belmont Country Park anti-socially after community concerns were raised. All parties involved were identified, dealt with at the time, and bike seized.

A great result!



Police Wellbeing Dogs

On Monday 17th July, the team got a lovely visit from Wellbeing dogs, Beau and his brother Cooper. The team all had an amazing time and hope to see Beau and Cooper both again!



Garden Fires

In England, on average 26,500 fires are started on grass, heathland and moorland every year. This is an average of 73 fires every day!

With the hot weather approaching ensure you are keeping safe. Some important tips to keep you safe:

- Countryside Safety: Avoid open fires in the countryside. Only have them in safe, designated area.
- Barbecue Safety: Keep a bucket of water, sand or a garden hose nearby for emergencies.
- Gas barbecues: Never store gas cylinders under the stairs.
- Camping/Caravan Safety: Ensure caravans and tents are at least six metres apart and away from parked cars, to reduce the risk of fire spreading

For more safety tips and advice about outdoor fire safety, click this link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/fire-safety-outdoors> or search 'Fire safety outdoors Gov UK'

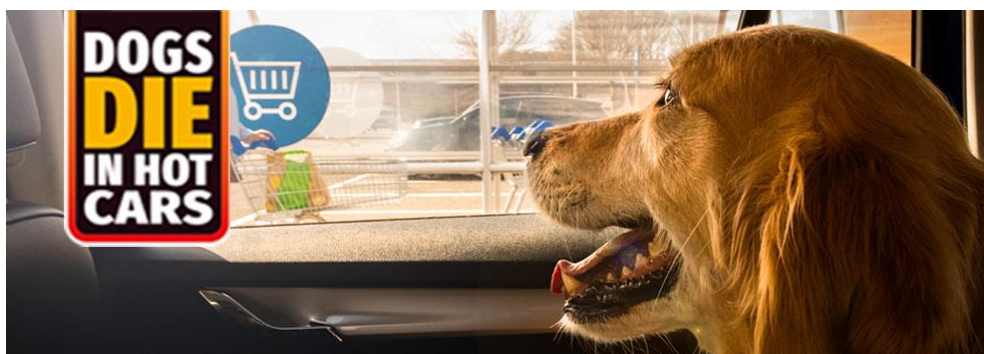


Dogs die in hot cars

Many people think it's ok to leave their dog in the car if they're parked in the shade or the windows are open. But a car can become as hot as an oven, even when the weather doesn't feel that warm. When it's 22 degrees Celsius outside, the car could reach an unbearable 47 degrees within an hour. It's very dangerous and will cause your dog suffering and harm.

For more information, see RSPCA advice on their website:

<https://www.rspca.org.uk/adviceandwelfare/pets/dogs/health/dogsinhotcars>



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