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The long awaited June Newsletter....

Of the 73 rural crimes we have recorded in May, 41 offences were on farms. There were 11 Metal thefts reported, 6 of these from farms. Batteries being the main items stolen. These figures seem to be going down month by month, so please keep up the good work with your security.

Report these vehicles that are poking around on farms, on either 101 or ourselves as below. We will put out text alerts, and in many cases, the intelligence value is useful for future occasions.

There were 22 recorded burglaries or thefts in which tools and power tools were taken. 12 of these were on farms. A reminder that you can record serial numbers of these items onto "Immobilise". This database is checked by police forces nationally, against items that we come across when dealing with the sort of person who steal them.

<http://www.immobilise.com>

We have a further 8 incidents which have damage only, be it fences cut, gates smashed, or padlocks cut and nothing believed stolen. Please report these offences to us, as in many cases it can be a precursor to a burglary. In most cases where a quadbike or landrover is stolen, there has usually been a suspicious event in the days prior, be it fences cut, visits or whatever.

From the Beginning of May to mid June, we have had eleven Quadbikes/ATV's, six 4x4's (5 of them Landrovers), and two pieces of plant (JCB and dumper truck) stolen. Seven of these were from farms. These are predominantly in the Tisbury-Trowbridge, Devizes to Marlborough areas. But certainly not exclusively.

These are the "high value" items for which you really need to consider your security. Wiltshire Police has two Crime Prevention Officers who will come out to your farms/premises and provide free security advice should you so wish. You can contact;

North Wilts-Robert Walton, 01793507866, robert.walton@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk
South Wilts-Amanda Clarke, 01722435318, amanda.clarke@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

We have only had 7 calls in May in relation to hare coursing and poaching. This is occurring all over County at the moment. Four of these incidents have been at night. A few registration numbers to look out for;

S*YNP Red Subaru Legacy** in the Pewsey area

P*NEG Green Suzuki Vitara** in Tidworth area. One of the “users” of this vehicle has also been seen in Devizes and Swindon areas in the past.

W*AAP Gold Landrover Discovery** in Marlborough area. Again, a “user” of this vehicle is known for hare coursing all over county.

We now have over 2000 on our Farmwatch and Horsewatch schemes across the county, but still have areas where we could do with more – so if you know of neighbours who are not yet on, please have them get in touch with us and we will add them to the schemes.

On the Horsewatch side of things, we provide a free Tack Marking service and have security marked more than 400 saddles over the last two years!

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