

# Street Watch



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## COLLISION COURSE

A vehicle collided with an unmarked police car at Marsden last Saturday night. The 53-year-old driver registered a blood alcohol level of .105 and was issued with a notice to appear in the Beenleigh Magistrates Court.

## HEIGHTS FIRE

A fire at a Boronia Heights home has caused extensive damage. Police said neighbours noticed smoke coming from the McLean Drive home around 5.30am on Saturday. They said all occupants escaped without injury.

# Spike in theft of number plates

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THE incidence of thieves breaking into and stealing from vehicles increased by 39 per cent last financial year, according to the latest police statistics.

Queensland Police Service's annual statistical review revealed the spike in the offence, with 2938 reported cases in the Logan District between June 2010-June 2011.

Logan Central officer-in-charge, Senior Sergeant Mike Pearson, said a great number of those offences related to the theft of number plates.

He said police had a number of persons of interest under investigation for number plate thefts around the Loganlea area.

"Near the Loganlea rail station and the hospital, the area is probably one of the worst for number plate thefts," he said.

"People leave their cars for long periods of time, so I would encourage them to leave their car in a high-



**DETER THIEVES:** Logan District Crime Prevention Unit acting Senior Constable Donna Robinson installing one-way screws.

visibility area. The other thing is to have one-way screws installed into your number plates."

Snr Sgt Pearson said by contacting Logan's District

Crime Prevention Unit, they can arrange to have one-way screws installed by police.

"We are able to fit the one-way screws and they cannot be removed with a normal

screwdriver," he said.

With Christmas fast approaching and navigation systems, MP3 players and portable DVD players popular gifts, Snr Sgt Pearson is

also asking residents not to leave them in the car or visible to opportune thieves.

➔ **Phone 3826 1888 for more information on one-way screw installation**

## ARMED ROBBERY

**LOGAN CENTRAL:** Two men faced Beenleigh Magistrates Court on Monday charged with the armed robbery of a Logan Central service station on Saturday night. Police allege the Slacks Creek man, 26, and Loganlea man, 34, entered the store on Wembley Road just before midnight and threatened the operator with a pair of scissors. No one was injured.

## BODY FOUND

**YATALA:** The body of a Woodridge man, 27, was located on Saturday after he went missing from Stanmore Weir at Yatala on Friday afternoon. His body was located in the Albert River about 10am, almost 300 metres downstream from where he went missing. Police said he had been fishing off the side of the weir and was sucked into a drain when he attempted to retrieve his fishing net at about 12.30pm.

## MAN TRAPPED

**LOGAN VILLAGE:** Firefighters used hydraulic cutting equipment to free a man who was trapped in his car after crashing at Logan Village on Thursday night. The man was trapped in his vehicle upside down for about an hour.

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