## Bodmin & Wadebridge Neighbourhood **Policing Team Newsletter**

**July 2024** 



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Your police station at **Bodmin** 



(Wadebridge)

PC Laura Barnden



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PC Phillip Bartlett (Wadebridge)



PC Andy King (Wadebridge)



PCSO Scott Wheadon (Wadebridge)

## Meet the Bodmin and Wadebridge Neighbourhood Team

On 24 May, we were joined by Police Dog Skye, her handler PC Steve Waters, the local authority premises licensing department, and representatives from the Security Industry Authority to carry out a Pubs Against Drugs (PAD) operation in Bodmin town centre.

This was a proactive operation detecting drugs and



knives during the Friday evening of a busy bank holiday weekend. The purpose of this was to safe-



guard the community, support local licensed premises to reinforce the law, and reinforce the message that drugs and knives are not tolerated in our community.

PD Skye walked past members of the public to detect the presence of illegal drugs, and found a suspected controlled substance in the possession of one person, which was seized.

Later in the evening, a mobile knife arch was set up in one of the licenced premises the team visited. The knife arch is used to detect different types of weapons and acts as a deterrent. We are pleased to share that no knives or weapons were detected during this operation.

To read more about this operation, click here <u>https://orlo.uk/</u> PAD op ezGgZ

#### **Royal Cornwall Show update**

On 4 June 2024, we encouraged those attending Royal Cornwall show to plan their journeys home to avoid drink driving. During proactive patrols on local roads for the duration of the show, we stopped 43 cars and carried out 30 roadside breath tests and drug wipes. This resulted in five people being arrested in connection with drink and/ or drug driving offences.

We also reminded everyone of the potential consequences of behaving in an anti-social manner at the show. A small minority of people behaved anti-socially at the show, including drinking excessively and possessing suspected illegal substances. Those individuals were removed by our officers and event security to ensure the

event was kept safe and enjoyable for all. Inspector Stonehill said: "I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the public who took our advice onboard and nominated a designated driver or arranged suitable transport home. We will be working closely with Royal Cornwall Show organisers over this year to review this year's show and put measures in place to make the experience even better for show-goers next year and prevent anti-social behaviour from taking place."

To read more, click here <u>https://orlo.uk/</u> <u>RCS\_Update\_sxzs8</u>





The bike marking was another successful event at "The Wadebridge Bike Shop" where myself and PC Laura

Barnden registered

"BikeRegister gets my gold medal for bike theft prevention"

Join the UK's national, Police preferred, bicycle marking & registration scheme



Histair Brownlee Double Olympic Gold Medalist

approx. 20 bikes of local bike owners through the bike register scheme. I didn't get any photos but I know the store took some so I will ask if they can forward to me. Link for website to the bike register scheme below. <u>How does bike register work?</u>

Afterwards we both joined PC Dudley Rowe at the **pride event** where we were engaging with members of the local LGBT+ community.

On Monday myself and PCSO Mike Dodd attended a **coffee morning at the Shire Hall** where I was able to introduce myself as being a new PCSO to the Bodmin and Wadebridge NPT, again engaging with residents from the local area and listening to any issues they may have.

PCSO Scott Wheadon



# Police arrested five people for drink and drug-driving offences during the Royal Cornwall Show.

A statement from Devon and Cornwall Police said it increased patrols during the show between 6 and 8 June at the Royal Cornwall Events Centre near Wadebridge.

It said these patrols led to 43 cars being stopped with 30 roadside breath tests and drug wipes, resulting in five arrests.

Officers also identified a total of 23 road offences and seized two vehicles during the show, which was attended by 117,447 visitors.

Insp Adam Stonehill said a "small minority" of people at show behaved in an anti-social manner and were removed by officers and security staff.

He added the force will be reviewing the policing at this year's show with the event's organisers to see what measures they could consider for next year.

Insp Stonehill said: "While it is disappointing to see five people were arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of drink and drugs, I am pleased that our increased efforts to tackle drivers who put other roads users at risk has resulted in arrests and taken potentially dangerous drivers off our roads.

"We remain committed to keeping our roads as safe as we can, and we hope our visible presence across all three days of the show provided some reassurance to local people that we do not tolerate drink or drug-driving."

#### As part of our celebration of National Volunteers Week we have been introducing you to some of the very special people who give their time freely to support your local police teams.

We hope that by telling these stories we will have done enough to attract new volunteers – those who have what it takes to become an inspirational leader for young people?

Devon and Cornwall Police is currently looking for friendly and approachable to help young people develop through its excellent cadet programme.

Police Cadets encourage the spirit of adventure and good citizenship amongst its members.

Young people from all backgrounds are encouraged to join Police Cadets, including those who may be vulnerable to the influences of crime and social exclusion.

The Volunteer Police Cadet Leader will promote positive community engagement by working with, leading and inspiring Police Cadets to become good citizens and build their confidence as they become young adults.

Volunteering as a cadet leader can be an inspiring and enriching experience, not only will you be assisting your force in meeting local policing priorities, but you will also be helping to develop, encourage and empower the young people of Devon and Cornwall to have a voice and achieve things that they never believed possible.

You will need to be open to learning new skills and information that can be shared with others. Specific qualifications are not essential. Find out more and apply here: <u>https://orlo.uk/DdLll</u>

#### The winning name of a police tractor

#### competition has been unveiled as

#### "Inspector Moors".

Devon and Cornwall Police said the winning moniker came from Eloise Bettison, aged seven, who officially unveiled the name at Woofstock Festival at Powderham Castle, near Exeter, on Saturday.



#### The weekend has seen our Response and Traffic colleagues out arresting Drink and Drug Drivers.

The last few days have seen a motorcyclist stopped who was over twice the drink drive limit! A driver was stopped by Traffic who was under the influence of Cannabis and Cocaine. He was also driving with no insurance!

Last night also saw a female crash her car on Westheath Avenue who was almost 3 times over the limit! Remember:

There is absolutely no excuse for driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol. It is a selfish act that needlessly endangers the lives of innocent people.

If you suspect someone of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, please dial 999 immediately with the vehicle information and direction of travel.



#### An ongoing problem in Bodmin is youths climbing up onto the 3 storey high roofs

**in Fore Street.** This was a problem when I last worked here as a Police Constable in 2013, but the problem now seems to be much worse. I have spoken to many children who have been up on the roofs in the presence of their parents, but this has not stopped others continuing to climb up there. A colleague has suggested that we try to work with the building owners to target harden the area by the use of anti-climb paint, however one of the owners has offered to expand the CCTV system in his shop to also cover the roofs. Hopefully the certainty of getting caught on CCTV will deter the youths from continuing to go up onto the roofs. Please phone 999 if you see any children up on the roofs in Fore Street, and if possible take a photograph of them so that we can identify the culprits. I have advised Bodmin Officers to go to the carpark above the cinema to try to catch the offenders, so if you call 999 from Fore St you are unlikely to see that Police have attended round the back in the hope of apprehending them.

I have visited almost all the shops in the town, given them photographs of persons who are regular shoplifters or subject of Criminal Behaviour Orders issued by the Magistrates Court. Thankfully most of these persons have either moved on from Bodmin, or are living in Bodmin but no longer causing the shops issues. I have assisted the shop staff in how share information about suspected shoplifters and other problems. Many shops in Bodmin can contact each other and the Police using the radios that they have bought.

I am the only Officer in North Cornwall that can install Police Temporary Alarms. These alarms can be set up as a burglar alarm to protect a Crime Scene or a premises that we believe might be targeted in some way, but more commonly they are installed to protect Domestic Violence Victims. The Police Temporary Alarm can be set off by the use of a Panic Attack Button that is usually near the front door, or by lifting the lid of the big black box that is stored by the bed. Either There are a cadre of Police Temporary Alarms installers throughout Devon and Cornwall and we can be sent to install alarms any where in Devon and Cornwall. So far this year I have installed 8 such alarms, three of them in the Bodmin area, three in the Launceston/Bude areas and one just over the border into Devon.

PCSO Mike DODD, Bodmin Police Station

#### Operation Scorpion 8 - Hard-line approach sees more arrests and cash, drugs and weapons seized across south west.

More than 60 arrests were made across the south west and drugs worth more than £150,000 were seized in a week-long series of police raids it can now be revealed.

Huge quantities of crack cocaine, cannabis and heroin; weapons including a number of firearms, a Samurai sword, machete and knives, were also recovered in the latest phase of Operation Scorpion an initiative involving the South West's five police forces.

Figures just released show that across the region there were:

 $\cdot\,$  64 arrests  $\,\cdot\,$  £152,173 worth of drugs seized  $\,\cdot\,$  £198,088 cash seized  $\,\cdot\,$  29 weapons were seized

 $\cdot\,$  28 vulnerable people safeguarded  $\,\cdot\,$  As well as a quantity of clothing, motorbikes and high value cars were also seized

*For the full article please see the Devon & Cornwall Police website here*.



#### **Devon & Cornwall Police - Road Policing Team**

<u>#VW</u> stopped in <u>#Truro</u> last night - driver gave false details but was found to be disqualified and uninsured - he has been reported to court



and the vehicle seized <u>#NoExcuse</u> @TruroPol

Whilst the team was in <u>#Truro</u> on a targeted patrol, this mini drove past an unmarked police car too fast and recklessly. Stopped and driver reported. <u>#Noexcuse #Fatal5</u> @TruroPol

**Motorbike stopped** 

A389 #Lanivet near

**limit** - rider reported to court #NoExcuse #Fatal5

**#HighStreet - Civic** 

40 - driver

at excess speed in a

uninsured, expired

**drugs** test for cannabis

#Fatal5 @StAustellPolice

licence, positive

and also wanted on

**#Bodmin - 30mph speed** 



52 mph

EXPIRED SUBSTANTIVE

in his possession and later failed to provide blood in custody <u>#NoExcuse</u> Van driver stopped earlier near <u>#StAustell</u> driving using a mobile phone when driving is your

Report of a cloned vehicle in

suspect walking away - turned

tested +ve for cocaine, had drugs

<u>#Wadebridge</u> last night -

located parked up with a

out to be a stolen vehicle from @metpoliceuk in March - suspect

**phone** when driving is your job you should know better <u>#NoExcuse</u> <u>#Fatal5</u>



excuse

#Audi stopped in #Penryn - uninsured,

expired MOT and VEL - driver also tested positive for cannabis and cocaine. Vehicle seized and driver arrested <u>#NoExcuse</u> <u>#Fatal5</u>



#NoInsuranceNoCar @FalmouthPolice

VW stopped in <u>#Wadebridge</u> uninsured, notified off road for 'tax', positive drugs test for cannabis which was also found in



the van - driver arrested and vehicle seized <u>#NoExcuse</u> <u>#Fatal5</u> @WadebridgePol

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warrant - vehicle seized and driver arrested **#NoExcuse** 

Some erratic driving in <u>#Wadebridge</u> last night caused us to stop this Corsa driver clearly under the



influence of alcohol - arrested and blew over the limit in custody <u>#Charged</u> to court <u>#NoExcuse</u> <u>#Fatal5</u> <u>@WadebridgePol</u>



#### **Devon & Cornwall Police - Road Policing Team**

<u>#Skoda</u> stopped in <u>#Saltash</u> - driver found to be uninsured and the 'tax' expired in 2022 vehicle seized and driver



reported for offences <u>#NoExcuse</u>

#### Astra pulled into the petrol station very hesitantly when they saw the police car in



**#Bodmin** - checks revealed

no MOT, 'tax' and an expired driving licence- vehicle seized and driver reported <u>#NoExcuse</u>

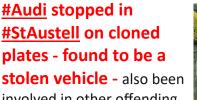
<u>#Punto</u> stopped in <u>#Looe</u> no insurance, expired MOT, notified off road and driver has no licence - vehicle seized and driver reported to court <u>#NoExcuse</u> <u>@LooePolice</u>



#### <u>#Ibiza</u> stopped in <u>#Bodmin</u> last night after it was seen driving at speed - found to be

**SORN** and uninsured - driver reported and vehicle seized

<u>#NoExcuse</u> #NoInsuranceNoCar @BodminPolice



involved in other offending in <u>#Cornwall</u> - vehicle seized



excuse

and driver now has a date in court <u>#NoExcuse</u> @StAustellPolice

#### Audi stopped near <u>#StAustell</u> - driver smelt of alcohol and failed a roadside breath test bloods taken in custody for testing

**#NoExcuse #Fatal5** 



In just a few hours of FATAL 5 focused patrols in the <u>@Truro</u> area today resulted in 10 drivers reported for mobile phone use whilst

driving. Please, stay safe, and arrive alive. <u>@VisionZeroSW</u> #Reported #NoExcuse



#### Our unmarked motorcycle is out there to catch offenders. The rider on the blue R1 was undertaking and

doing 125mph on the A361 dual carriageway, If you ride safely, we're not interested.





#### Getting in touch

We're always here if you need us – but if it's not an emergency (i.e. a crime isn't happening right now and noone is in immediate danger) then reporting online will save you time and means we have all the information we need to respond appropriately.

Scan the QR code below to take you to our website home page and choose one of the blue boxes to find the form that's right for you.

There are situations which look like they should be police matters, but which are actually dealt with by other agencies, such as noisy neighbours, dog fouling, fly tipping and more. To avoid delays, always visit our website first to see if this is an issue which is more appropriately dealt with by another agency.



Non Emergency dc.police.uk

If a crime has already happened or to give information about the crime



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999 Emergency

When life is threatened, people are injured, offenders are nearby or immediate action is required



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