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# Neighbourhood News

St Mary's Ward, Lower Wye Neighbourhood Policing Team

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## Your Neighbourhood Officers



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## You can contact us in many ways....

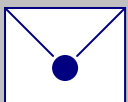


**Emergency:** 999  
**Non Emergency:** 101  
**Direct Line:** 01633 642068

NB: As we are usually out on patrol you may be required to leave a message if you call our direct line. We will respond to this within 24 hours.



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**CHEPSTOW STATION**  
Moor Street  
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### You can also:

- > pop in to the station
- > stop for a chat when you see us out and about on patrol

# Making a PACT

We have recently been out and about speaking to local residents about the crime and anti-social behaviour issues that are affecting them.....

## WE ASKED....

“What is the main issue that you would like Police and Partners to tackle in your neighbourhood?”

## YOU SAID....

- 1 **Anti-Social Behaviour – Bandstand and Riverside Gardens**
- 2 **Anti-Social Behaviour in the Town Centre on Weekends**

## WE DID....

### Anti-Social Behaviour – Bandstand and Riverside Gardens

Due to ongoing reports over the past two months regarding incidents of anti-social behaviour at the bandstand and Riverside Gardens, patrols have been increased both during the day and night. This has resulted in a decrease in the anti-social behaviour of late. There have been several events staged in the vicinity, such as the Carnival, and Rock in the Dell during the weekend beginning 25<sup>th</sup> June, and these events have past without any concerns or anti-social behaviour occurring.

## Anti-Social Behaviour in the Town Centre on Weekends

A 'World Cup' operation took place during June and July to target anti-social behaviour. Our patrols were increased on the town centre, during the football period however we are pleased to report that the weekends passed without any major incidents. If you see an incident of anti-social behaviour, please let us know as soon as it happens by contacting us on our non-emergency number 101 or in an emergency 999.

## A busy weekend in Chepstow...

The weekend of 26<sup>th</sup> June saw Chepstow Carnival on the Saturday and Rock in the Dell on Sunday. The Carnival started at the Seven Bridge Club passed on Bulwark road to the town through the archway and down to finish at the riverbank.

Rock in the Dell was a mini rock festival in the town. This was very well support with over 2000 people attending.



We are pleased to say that both events passed without any major reports of crime.

Please let us know if you would like us to come to your community event by contacting us in the Neighbourhood Office.

## Crime update for Lower Wye

### Here is a brief summary of what's happening in your area

More in depth information can be found at [www.maps.police.uk](http://www.maps.police.uk)

Number of incidents	March	April	May	Average
2008-09	95	65	98	86
2009-10	96	71	71	79.3

**The average number of crimes in this area has decreased from 86 to 79.3 (7.8%)**

(compared to the same three month period last year)

We are pleased to report that crime in the Lower Wye area has decreased compared to this time last year. As you can see, crime levels in Lower Wye are low and we aim to keep your area safe and crime free.

# GWENT POLICE ORGANISE SPORTS DAY FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS IN CHEPSTOW

The annual Chepstow Neighbourhood Policing Team Schools Sports Day was held on Tuesday 22nd June.

The sports day was started in 1996 and each year the venue for the event is rotated around the primary schools involved. The schools taking part this year were Shirenewton who were the hosts for the day, Trellech, Llandogo, The Dell, Pembroke, Thornwell and St Mary's Roman Catholic. Every pupil taking part was given a t-shirt in their school colours to wear on the day.

The children took part in six events over a two hour period which were the hurdles, speed bounce, sprint, relay, long distance and javelin. This year, the winners were Shirenewton who took away the shield.

Dragon Sports, part of Monmouthshire Sports Development sponsored the "Fair Play" trophy; the aim of this award is to promote good sporting behaviour by the pupils. This year the award was given to St Mary's primary for the good natured behaviour of their pupils throughout the events.

PC Louise Thorpe from Chepstow Neighbourhood Policing Team who organised the event said, "This event was started to help the primary school children become involved in sports and also give the officers at Chepstow a chance to interact with the children in an informal and friendly manner. The sports day has become an annual event that everyone, kids and adults together, enjoy."



# Peace of mind whilst on holiday

With the holiday season well and truly upon us, while you're away having fun and relaxing, make sure your home is not targeted by criminals.

Here are some handy hints to help keep your possessions safe and secure...



When away on holiday, consider hiding valuables in unusual places within the house if a safe or secure location is not available.



Light timers can give the impression of an occupied property. Try to vary the times that the lights are activated throughout your holiday to avoid routine.



Remember to cancel milk and papers so your home doesn't appear vacant.



Mark valuable items with an identification-marking product. This will make it easier to track your possessions if they do get stolen.



Ensure your home has good basic security features such as good door and window locks.



Don't hide keys outside your home, as they could be found. Leave a spare with a trusted neighbour instead.



Consider asking a friend or relative to house sit or ask them to close your curtains in the evening and give the house a quick check to make sure everything is alright.

**If you would like more crime prevention advice, please contact us in the Neighbourhood Policing Team office.**