



**WALKING ALONE**

In March, three assault and robbery incidents occurred within the vicinity of campus and on campus.

Two incidents at night involved two offenders who are similarly described and in each of these incidents the first offender produced a knife.

These attacks occurred in the early hours of Saturday 25 March about 12.45am near Northfields Avenue and Robson Road and the second about 11pm on Wednesday 29 March near College Place.

The third incident occurred on Monday 3 April about 2.00pm between Buildings 119 and 120 Northfields Avenue. The offender for this incident was arrested by Police later that afternoon.

The offenders involved in the night attacks remain at large and are described as follows:

1st offender who produced a knife, is 17 - 20 yrs old, slim build, sandy coloured hair .

2nd offender aged about 16 -17 yrs old, slim build.

These incidents highlight the need for members of the campus community to remain vigilant about personal safety at all times, not just at night but during the day. For tips on personal safety go to:

<http://www.uow.edu.au/about/security/personal-safety.html>

If you see something unusual or suspicious please call University Security on 4221 4555 or extension 4555 or dial 3 from any Security telephone.

If you see a crime occurring now call the Campus Emergency telephone number on 4221 4900 or extension 4900 or dial #1 from any Security telephone.

**BREAK & ENTERS**

We continue to experience offenders breaking into closed facilities. Windows are forced or smashed to gain access to workstations in ground floor locations where laptops are available. In other instances, larger desktop units have been targeted.

We have been talking to the Police about these events and are working closely with them in an attempt to stop, and or, catch these thieves.

Police have advised some simple actions that office occupiers may wish to consider about protecting their space to make thieves believe that the office is occupied, increasing their risk of the possibility they may run into someone working late.

- ◇ Closing blinds to block the view into room/office space.
- ◇ Leaving the radio turned on or playing recordings of office clatter.
- ◇ Leaving lights on.
- ◇ Look at marking property to aid in identification - engraving, data dot, etc.
- ◇ Bold notice of property being marked.
- ◇ Locking away laptops.
- ◇ Having a clean desktop policy or at least secure desktop policy - no loose attractive equipment left lying about.

We are working with the Police to stop or at least reduce the impact of break and enters on campus, but we need your assistance to make

**SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:**

- ◆ Monthly Statistics
- ◆ CCTV on Campus

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sure that attractive property is not left lying about the office.

Lock up or take home your laptop computer, lock away in secure cupboards other valuable property.



Ensure your PC is regularly connected for backup of work material.

Report immediately to the Service Centre any faulty locks on doors and windows.

Keep a lookout for people who may be canvassing your workplace, looking for opportunities and looking for equipment that will satisfy their shopping list.

Report immediately to Security any behaviour or actions that raise your suspicions.

**USB MEMORY STICKS**

Students need to take care of their USB memory sticks. Over the last six months memory sticks have become the most commonly lost item across campus.

USB memory sticks are recorded as Found Property items at the Security Control Room on a regular basis.



We cannot stress enough to students the importance of marking your property for identification purposes.

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INCIDENTS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY
Stealing	-	2	5	3	6
Break-ins	-	4	4	3	1
Stolen Cars	2	-	6	2	-
Stealing from Cars	2	-	6	2	-
Stolen Bicycles	-	-	-	-	-
Malicious Damage	2	3	2	6	5
Suspicious Persons	-	1	6	6	1
Assault	-	1	2	1	-
Robbery	-	-	1	1	-

Mark your USB with a permanent marking pen, or engrave it. Have a name tag with it so that it can be easily identified. Mark the tag with your name, driver's licence or student number so we can easily identify you.

When you use your memory stick on campus, remember to remove it and take it with you. Hanging it around your neck on a lanyard is a good way of remembering it.

**ACCESS CONTROL AUDIT**

The Security Supervisor Ray Andraos is presently conducting an audit of all access control systems defects.

We are experiencing a number of user problems with access controlled doors. We are investigating. If you have any concerns about access controlled doors in your building talk to Security Officers so we can investigate.

**SURVEILLANCE - CCTV ON CAMPUS**

For the safety of the campus community and the protection of assets and property, some areas of campus are under constant camera surveillance.



Cameras are not monitored on a continuous basis. All cameras, however, are supported by recordings that are kept for a limited time for incident investigations.

All cameras are operated in an open surveillance manner and in recognition of the Workplace Video Surveillance Act.