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FEEDBACK NEWSLETTER – ISSUE 37**

Welcome to the 37th issue of Feedback, the Quarterly Newsletter of BVW Neighbourhood Watch.

Crime Statistics

It is pleasing to report that there have been no Break and Enters (B&E) recorded in the BVW Estate over the past 5 months in the January to May period.

There were however, 2 failed attempted B&E's in February and March that I reported in the last Newsletter.

Whilst the 3 Winter months are usually the least likely for thieves to attempt to break into our homes in BVW, we should not become complacent and lower our own security precautions.

NBN Rollout in BVW

After an agonizing wait for the NBN to become available in our area, it has now finally arrived!

Many BVW residents, including myself, have already contacted their internet provider to arrange connection to the NBN fibre optic cable network.

At our home, we have minimal digital devices and use little data, so we opted for a simple plan consisting of 25GB of data with an entry 25mbps speed.

Prior to connecting to the NBN, our average speeds achieved were only about 6 mbps. Since connecting to the NBN, we are now averaging 24mbps.

To date, this plan has proven to be more than adequate for our limited use.

I would recommend all BVW residents to connect up to the NBN as soon as they can as there do not appear to be any downsides. Not only will you get much faster speeds, but you probably pay less for doing so.

If you have any NBN questions, you can contact our resident NBN guru Zubin at zubin@appoo.net

Residents with Back to Base Monitoring

All BVW residents with Back to Base (B2B) monitoring should be aware that as soon as they connect up to the NBN, their alarm system will cease to be able to transmit a signal to Highland's Head Office.

This is because the current phone and internet system still operate on copper wire cabling whereas the NBN only utilise fibre optic cabling for all phone and internet communications.

To ensure that your alarm continues to be able to be monitored by Highland, it will be necessary for you to have a device fitted to your alarm that will still allow a signal to be sent and received at