



# Absafe Community Safety Bulletin

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### BLACK FRIDAY AND CYBER MONDAY

This weekend marks the busiest shopping period of the year, as the high street stores prepare for the festive season with big ‘Black Friday’ reductions.

Black Friday, which this year falls on 25 November, is the day that retailers sell stock at low prices up and down the country. Cyber Monday is also the term used to describe the busiest internet shopping day of the year, which typically follows Black Friday.

While Black Friday and Cyber Monday offer shoppers some incredible savings, it has been reported that this year, cyber criminals are expected to steal more than £18.5 million from UK bank accounts as shoppers flock online, according to a report by comparethemarket.com.

It follows recent findings from the website that one in 10 people have been the victim of a cyber attack on their credit or debit card in the past year, with money successfully removed from the account in 62% of cases at an average amount of £475.



### ABSAFE’S TOP TIPS TO AVOID BEING HACKED

- Don’t re-use your passwords - keep all account passwords different
- Combine upper and lower case letters and avoid dictionary words. Don’t forget to use the spacebar in amongst your password, it’s not regularly used
- Try a password manager such as 1Password, which is a programme that can generate secure passwords and store them online for you.



- Use a memorable sentence like: “My mum lives at 62 Green Lane” and use the first letter of each word: “Mml@62GL”
- Change your passwords regularly to keep your details safe

### SMOKING IN CARS BAN

A ban on smoking in cars whilst carrying children is to come into force on Monday 5 December in Scotland. The new legislation means that fines of up to £100 will be issued for anyone who is caught smoking in a car which has a passenger under the age of 18.



### WHAT'S ON AT ABSAFE

Our friends at Busy Beasties are hosting a kids' craft fair on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December at the Caledonian Hotel. Held right in the heart of the Aberdeen Christmas markets, be sure to pop down to meet Angus the Bull and other special guests. There will be free crafts for children as well as face paints, glitter tattoos, and stalls from local traders.

Busy Beasties will be fundraising for Absafe on the day, so make sure you support your favourite local charity by attending this fantastic craft fair. Entry is £2 for adults and kids go free.



**Noteworthy Property Incidents (Homes, Gardens & Vehicles):**

Police Scotland has provided the following list of incidents which have occurred in your area this week as a snapshot of the current crime trends. All incidents are not recorded below, either for legal reasons or where there are issues of sensitivity. The statistics below should not be seen as an accurate reflection of all crime in your area but as a way of raising your awareness to crime in general. This in turn should allow you to take the appropriate safety/security steps to prevent yourself from being a victim of crime.

<b>NORTH</b>				
<b>TIME PERIOD</b>		<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>CRIME TYPE</b>	<b>INFORMATION</b>
<b>BUCKSBURN</b>				
15/11/16	16/11/16	Clashnettie Place, Dyce	Attempted OLPWI	Attempted to force entry to a locked vehicle with intent to steal
15/11/16	16/11/16	Mugiemoss Road	Theft from a motor vehicle	Stole light bar from vehicle
<b>BRIDGE OF DON</b>				
<b>NORTHFIELD</b>				
<b>MASTRICK</b>				
15/11/16	16/11/16	Rosehill Terrace	HBWI	Forced entry to shed with intent to steal
15/11/16	16/11/16	Clifton Road	Theft of vehicle	Stole motorcycle from location
15/11/16	16/11/16	Hayfield Crescent	HBWI	Attempted to force entry to garage with intent to steal
<b>TILLYDRONE</b>				
14/11/16	15/11/16	Great Northern Road	Theft from a motor vehicle	Stole lights from parked vehicle
<b>KITTYBREWSTER</b>				
<b>SEATON</b>				
11/11/16	11/11/16	Promenade Court	Att Theft of a motor vehicle	Attempted to steal motor cycle from location
15/11/16	16/11/16	Urquhart Road	Theft	Entered insecure building and stole unsecured bicycles
<b>SOUTH</b>				
<b>CITY CENTRE</b>				
<b>NIGG</b>				
14/11/16	15/11/16	Garthdee Road	Theft by HB	Forced entry to premises and stole from within
<b>TORRY</b>				

11/11/16	12/11/16	Victoria Road	Theft	Entered insecure premises and stole from within
13/11/16	13/11/16	Victoria Road	Theft by HB	Effect entry into dwelling and stole from within
<b>HAZLEHEAD</b>				
11/11/16	11/11/16	Station Road, Cults	In building with intent to steal	Entered garden with intent to steal
<b>ROSEMOUNT</b>				
15/11/16	16/11/16	Hamilton Place	Theft by OLP	Gained entry to vehicle and stole from within
<b>WEST END</b>				
10/11/16	11/11/16	Poynerook Road	Theft by HB	Forced entry to premises and stole from within
11/11/16	11/11/16	Thorngrove Avenue	Att HBWI	Attempted to force entry to garage with intent to steal
15/11/16	16/11/16	Albury Place	Theft of vehicle	Stole parked vehicle from location
15/11/16	16/11/16	Beaconsfield Place	Theft from a motor vehicle	Entered insecure vehicle and stole from within

**Key:** HB - House Breaking

OLP - Open Lockfast Place

OLPWI - Open Lockfast Place with Intent

HBWI - House Breaking with Intent

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