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POLICE

NEIGHBORHOOD ALERT

UPDATED 2/24/2010. No new reports of vandalism since the last series on 2/21/10. We have received several delayed reports but nothing new.

VEHICLE VANDALISMS/ TIRE SLASHINGS

Our community is experiencing a disturbing series of vandalisms to vehicles in several neighborhoods off of Bolinas Road. Most of the vandalisms involve the puncturing of car tires. While some others involve minor thefts from unlocked cars and even some etchings to car windows. The main focus however is the puncturing of vehicles tires.

The first series of these incidents occurred overnight on Friday 2/12/10 in the Cascade neighborhood with the focus on Cascade Drive, Hickory Road and Pine Drive. The second series occurred overnight on Thursday 2/18/10 in the same neighborhood with the added streets of occurrence being Meadow Way, Madrone Road and Canyon Road. The third series was on Friday night 2/19/2010 on Forrest Avenue continuing into the Town of San Anselmo and onto Humboldt Avenue in that Town. As of Feb 24th we have tallied over 80 vehicles damaged.

On Friday night, Saturday morning, Fairfax Officers discovered the Forrest Avenue vandalisms at 12:30am. After speaking with victims of these crimes, we were able to narrow the time line of this series to occurring between 11:40pm and the time of discovery by officers at 12:30am. Frustuck residents reported 3 vandalisms the evening of 2/21/10.

Since the first series was reported, we have increased our marked police car patrols as a deterrent. Additionally, we have added officers to these night shifts and have, in addition to these marked patrols, assigned officers to undercover patrol operations. Officers have stopped and questioned many individuals, including concerned residents who have been out at night watching for suspicious activity. Everyone we have stopped have been understanding, cooperative and appreciative of the minor intrusion of being contacted by our officers in our efforts to locate the responsible person(s).

These incidents of vandalisms are senseless and although we are devoting time and resources to investigating these crimes and increasing our marked and undercover patrols, we need your help. We are following up on many pieces of information received from area residents. The slightest seemingly non-important tip often helps us solve crimes.

We need and encourage everyone to call us. The person(s) responsible are rather brazen in their activities. Our best eyes and ears are our area residents. We are continuing our marked and unmarked patrols in a vigilant effort to stem and capture those responsible. **REPORT ANY AND ALL INFORMATION PROMPTLY TO THE FAIRFAX POLICE DEPARTMENT. CALL: 415-453-5330 OR 911. For updated information visit www.fairfaxpd.org**

Additionally, anonymous information can be supplied to Bay Area Crime Stoppers where a tipster can get a reward of up to \$2000. CALL: 1-800-222-TIPS or <http://www.bayareacrimestoppers.org/>