

BERA E-NEWSLETTER 12th March 2019 – www.bera.co.uk

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BERA MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT FOR JAN-DEC 2019 IS OVERDUE (for those that haven't renewed their

membership yet)

The cost this year is again £10 per year, per household, and we hope you feel this is value for money. Renewals can be completed by filling out the membership form online and paying by bank transfer (see the form giving you our bank details on the homepage at www.bera.co.uk) or by printing off a membership form (lower down on the homepage) and returning it with your payment to Ron Woodley, 91 Tyrone Road or Mike Stafford, 85 Maplin Way. We would be very grateful if you could return your renewals as soon as possible, and it really helps us if you fill out a form so that we can check that we have your up-to-date information.

Reminders:

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If any of you have taken photos locally that you would like displayed on the BERA website, please send them by email to: photos@bera.co.uk.

BERA AGM - We are holding the BERA AGM on **Thursday 21st March 2019** at St Augustine's Church from 8-10pm. The head of Air Traffic Control at Southend Airport will be speaking at this event. Our second speaker will be discussing the new Care SOS Line, offering residents a direct link for emergencies.

BERA Coffee Morning - The next BERA sponsored coffee morning will be on **Thursday 21st March 2019** at The Methodist Church on the corner of Johnstone Road and The Broadway from 10am to midday (unless we advise you otherwise it is always on the 3rd Thursday of the month). Please come along for free tea/coffee and biscuits. We will be bringing along panic and personal alarms, contactless debit card blocking pouches, and will take orders for the car key signal blocking pouches.

1. Shoeburyness MOD Range

Unusual Activity Alert: Wednesday 13 & Thursday 14 March 2019

On Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 March 2019, from approximately 09:00hrs, QinetiQ will be carrying out activities at the Shoeburyness Range on behalf of the MOD, which may be visible in the vicinity of the Thames Estuary.

The activity involves the use of airborne munitions which are designed to illuminate large areas and therefore, members of the public may report repeated observation of distress signals/flares or similar up to 3km out to sea.

All activity on the Range is conducted in a strictly controlled environment and presents no danger to the public. This work, as with the vast majority of work undertaken on the site, is subject to suitable acoustic forecasts and tide times, which are governed by weather conditions on the day. Consequently, the date of the activity may be subject to change. If members of the public are concerned by Range activity, they can call the freephone Careline on 0800 0560108.

2. The bend on **Woodgrange Drive** is due to be resurfaced 12th April (between the two Chelsworth Crescents entrances).

3. A message from a BERA member

Thorpe Bay Horticultural Society Spring Flower and Homecraft Show - Saturday 30th March at St. Augustine's Church Hall. Doors open at 2.15 p.m. Bric a brac table, books, plant stall, refreshments and lots of exhibits to see. Admission 50p, members free.

4. THORPE BAY YACHT CLUB - Invitation to BERA Members

The Yacht Club, situated in rather a stunning spot in Thorpe Bay Gardens, would like to bring to the attention of BERA members that they now have a weekday lunchtime membership category available. They have a new chef, and BERA members are invited for a complimentary coffee, tea or soft drink and can enjoy one of the best views of the estuary from the clubhouse and balcony.

There is a wide range of food and drink available. If you like what you see and experience, their membership is very reasonable, with the weekday lunch membership as low as 60p per week. Take a copy of this newsletter with you to get your complimentary drink (TBYC Tel: 01702 587894 www.tbyc.org).

5. High winds expected

We are expecting high winds over the next couple of days. Maybe now is the time to check that your garden furniture, fence panels and plant pots are secure.

6. Free debit/credit card pouch

Our Chairman has managed to negotiate free debit card pouches from a local business. Putting a contactless payment card in a pouch should prevent it being "read" accidentally or fraudulently, while in your pocket/handbag. These will be available to collect from the coffee mornings or the AGM. Alternatively, give Ron Woodley a call on 01702 588662 if you would like to collect one from his house.

7. Southend NHW Data (4th to 10th March 2019)

Ward	Reference	Offence Type	Reported Date	Committed From	Street	Town	MO
Southchurch	42/34755/19	Burglary - Residential - Non-Dwelling	04/03/2019 16:39	28/02/2019 00:00	Thorpe Hall Avenue	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE ENTERED THE VICTIMS INSECURE GARAGE BY UNKNOWN MEANS AND HAVE REMOVED ITEMS FROM THE PROPERTY.
Southchurch	42/35899/19	Interference with a motor vehicle	06/03/2019 15:23	05/03/2019 16:00	Broadclyst Gardens	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS GAINED ACCESS TO THE VICTIMS VEHICLE A WHITE BMW VIA UNKNOWN MEANS AND HAS MOVED ITEMS AROUND INSIDE THE CAR. HOWEVER, NOTHING APPEARS STOLEN.
Southchurch	42/35645/19	Theft if not classified elsewhere	05/03/2019 20:37	01/02/2019 00:00	Newington Avenue	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS NAMED STOLE VICTIMS PASSPORT AND OTHER UNDISCLOSED PROPERTY BY MEANS OF REFUSING TO RETURN IT. VICTIM VISITED THE SUSPECTS ADDRESS AND ACCIDENTALLY LEFT THE

PASSPORT THERE.
UPON ASKING FOR
IT BACK, SUSPECTS
REFUSED TO
RETURN IT.

Southchurch	42/38320/19	Burglary - Residential - Dwelling	10/03/2019 16:31	10/03/2019 13:55	Sherwood Way	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN GAINED ENTRY TO THE VICTIMS PROPERTY BY UNKNOWN MEANS AND CONDUCTED A MESSY SEARCH THROUGHOUT THE PREMISES. UNKNOWN WHAT HAS BEEN TAKEN AT PRESENT.
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Ward	Reference	Offence Type	Reported Date	Committed From	Street	Town	MO
Thorpe	42/35010/19	Theft of a motor vehicle	05/03/2019 08:10	05/03/2019 05:00	Huntingdon Road	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE STOLEN THE VICTIMS SECURE GREY YAMAHA TRACER INDEX EK18 OPE BY CUTTING THE LOCK.
Thorpe	42/35228/19	Theft if not classified elsewhere	05/03/2019 14:12	05/03/2019 09:15	Eastern Esplanade	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS TAKEN AN OUTSIDE WATER TAP AND WATER METER BY MEANS UNKNOWN.
Thorpe	42/35664/19	Burglary - Business And Community	06/03/2019 09:39	05/03/2019 16:00	Shaftesbury Avenue	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN

GAINED ENTRY TO THE PROPERTY BY REMOVING HALF OF THE WINDOW. THE SUSPECT REMOVED CASES OF DRINKS, CHOCOLATE AND SAUSAGES FROM THE STORE.

Thorpe	42/36214/19	Burglary - Business And Community	07/03/2019 02:55	07/03/2019 02:52	Thorpe Bay Gardens	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS GAINED ENTRY TO PREMISES BY SMASHING GLASS AND FORCING FIRE DOOR OPEN, NO ITEMS TAKEN FROM WITHIN.
Thorpe	42/38205/19	Theft of a motor vehicle	10/03/2019 13:33	09/03/2019 21:00	Shaftesbury Avenue	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS STOLEN VICTIMS COURTESY CAR A BLUE VAUXHALL ASTRA INDEX DU18YDK BY MEANS UNKNOWN. SUSPECT HAS ALSO STOLEN VICTIMS CAR KEY FROM HER HAND BAG BY MEANS UNKNOWN.
Ward	Reference	Offence Type	Reported Date	Committed From	Street	Town	MO
West Shoebury	42/37083/19	Other criminal damage to a dwelling (Under £5,000)	07/03/2019 18:30	07/03/2019 00:00	Aylesbeare	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE SMASHED 4 PANELS OF A BAY WINDOW

BREAKING
THROUGH THE
FIRST GLASS OF
THE DOUBLE
GLAZING.
UNKNOWN
OBJECT USED.

West Shoebury	42/38324/19	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000)	10/03/2019 16:16	01/01/2019 00:00	Maplin Way North	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS JEMMIED THE SIDE GATE OF THE VICTIMS GARDEN BY UNKNOWN MEANS CAUSING DAMAGE.
West Shoebury	42/38227/19	Interference with a motor vehicle	10/03/2019 13:59	06/03/2019 01:30	Maplin Way North	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNIDENTIFIED HAS TRIED TO GAIN ACCESS TO VEHICLE GREEN JAGUAR S TYPE V6 BY UNKNOWN MEANS.