



'Brookview Crier'



Sgt LaRrY says

Update

'Theft From' Unlocked Vehicles Suspect arrested 19AUG08



Located in a stolen vehicle in the U of A area, lodged on 18 warrants, 5 breaches, plus numerous fresh charges pertaining to the stolen veh, stolen mail, possession of stolen ID documents/credit cards

Beware of latest scam

On **19AUG08** the complainant was at a southwest grocery store loading groceries into the rear of her vehicle when a clean cut male operating a red Dodge Charger stopped and began to have a conversation with her. **The conversation served as a distraction which allowed a second suspect, not observed, to attend the vehicle from the front and steal a wallet and cheque book** from the front seat area. The theft was not noted until after the complainant arrived home. This appears to be a new angle on an older technique where purses were stolen from grocery carts or the front seat area while the groceries/children were being packed into the vehicle. To avoid being victimized **please consider stowing your purse/wallets in a secure location or keep them on your person while loading groceries/parcels into your vehicle.** At this point it may be best to focus on the method of distraction rather than any vehicle description used as it could change easily.

City wide trends- Garage B-E's on the rise, entry typically thru unlocked doors or via garage remotes left in unlocked vehicles on driveway. Please secure your property and consider removing remotes from vehicles typically left on the street/driveway.

