## POLICE NOTEBOOK

MAKE no apology for repeating a subject such as drugs, for it is one of the worst substances in undermining the structure of our society at this present time. Unless we as parents can learn to recognise the early symptoms, or detect the presence of drugs, then it may be too late to stop the addiction.

We now have evidence that drug-laced tattoo transfers are being sold to juveniles. These are small sheets of paper (usually the size of a pencil eraser) which are marked with various designs such as BLUE STAR, FLYING SAUCER BUDDHA and SKULL. Unfortunately there are numerous designs, but they are all soaked with LSD. This drug can be taken orally, but can also be absorbed through the skin, just by touching the paper transfers. There are also brightly coloured paper tabs resembling postage stamps that have pictures printed on them. The most common ones around this area are SUPERMAN, CLOWNS, BUTTER-FLIES and BART SIMPSON; each one is usually wrapped in foil. The stamp is a new way the drug dealers can sell acid by appealing to young children.

Parents be aware of this problem, and if you suspect your child has one of these transfers, do not handle them. These are known to react very quickly, and some are laced with strychnine.

Symptoms:-

Hallucinations,
Severe vomiting,
Uncontrolled laughter,
Mood changes,
Change in body temperature.

Many youths are under the impression that LSD always puts you on a high. In fact it magnifies, and causes mood changes, sometimes to such an extent that some people become suicidal.



## CRIME BUSTER REVIEW

Between the 5th and 15th September 1992, a 21" Honda rotary mower, model HR216 was stolen from a garden shed in Jubilee Lane, Milton-u-Wychwood. The mower is quite distinctive with its red Honda engine and silver alloy body. Have you been offered anything similar? If in doubt, have it checked out.

Between 23.00hrs on 10th October and 11.00hrs on 11th October 1992, a Pioneer radio cassette player was stolen from a parked car in Burford Road, Shiptonu-Wychwood. There have been several other thefts from cars, and the thieves still prefer to take radio cassettes. It is believed the offenders are local or have a local connection. Parents please check any item your children may have purchased cheaply.

Between 16th and 19th October 1992, a Black and Decker GL595C 12" cut strimmer and 12 volt transformer were stolen from a house in Shipton Road, Ascottu-Wychwood. The strimmer is brand new and had not been used. They normally sell at around £70.00, have you bought one on the cheap?

Unfortunately our area has followed the national trends, in that the crime rate has increased dramatically in the last twelve months. Fortunately this is not the case with violent crimes.

If you experience problems with our telephone system, do not hesitate, but send your complaint to Kidlington Headquarters. I can still be contacted at Chipping Norton Police station (92 642021).

Have a very Happy Christmas, and a prosperous New Year to nearly all!

Pc 377 Salmon.