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Introducing Surveillance
Privacy and Visibility

• Privacy as... the right to be let alone
• Privacy as... binary
• Privacy as... gradations / layers
• Privacy as... contextual
• Privacy as... cultural
Who wants to get fired?

Choi Fong M.
I hate my boss... & I hate Hong Kong people...
about 7 hours ago, 2 people like this, posted from web

Who’s hungover?

Jake Breedon D.
some people wake up late i wake up mad late. all the time, hungover, it’s a sad state
about 1 hour ago, 1 people like this, posted from web

Who’s taking drugs?

Rahim L.
God is peace and love# God smoke cannabis!!!
about 3 days ago, no people like this, posted from web

Who’s got a new phone number?

Sandra H.
To those interested: This is my new phone number from end of July: 07x4xxx163
about 8 hours ago, no people like this, posted from web

Anastasia R.
I'm getting so mad right now I hate my boss Jay I hope he dies better yet I feel like killin him if you in a bad mood don't take it out on everyone at the job like wtf is way to hot to take your shit... #Piss off
about 6 days ago, no people like this, posted from Mobile

Ronnie Kinonyi D.
I'm so hungover that light makes me feel bad as a chick saying "You're the father."
about 2 hours ago, no people like this, posted from Mobile

Paul K.
morning pals hungover coz yesterday was ladies night2day 2?
about 9 hours ago, no people like this, posted from Mobile

JoJo JzLca Ozer H.
Je S'moka Le CaNNabis"!!!!! Wanunupa Kotra Maxime Olendki Naks Onatr Knyey Kaneka Max Jz Onatr Arley Ldey Yaay Lg Cysud Ozer Atanei
last week, 10 people like this, posted from Share_brookstreet

Itumeleeng S.
My story with my ex love(cannabis): My first joint:2004 I see the world perfect 2004_2008: I smoked for pleasure in about once a week 2008: I'm addicted I became the worship of that plant 2009_2011: Promoter drug with my friend Janiel He is currently incarcerated (now I'm in the country of zakazaka we smoke every days not every days every hours not every hours every moment... We kill ourselves to ourselves 2012: For me tasted tired . Hadros has become a smoke... Now I'm freeess... fuck u my love (maria vitta)
about 4 days ago, 1 people like this, posted from Photos

Waddah Z.
Niki DirNiki N.
Tonight in The Castle on Dark Asylum Radio join me, DJ Orin Niki for some fun... no plan yet, but thinking: STDT (Official), TraKKlor, R.I.P. (Rappongi Inc. Project), and Strafanz will all make an appearance... on in about 30 min,... about 4 hours ago, 1 people like this, posted from Photos

Tristan D.
Right now chloe decided to hide me phone so new number 07x0110661x vodafone though so nae Ox unlimited
about 10 hours ago, no people like this, posted from web

Niru S.
I hate my bôss!
last week, 3 people like this, posted from web

Ellis M.
Got new phone new number is 07x0xxx7xx
about 1 day ago, no people like this, posted from Facebook for Android

Grant T.
I hate my Boss he is such a twat. Tyron Brind
about 2 weeks ago, 3 people like this, posted from web

Mike D.
dk folks. New phone number is 07x77xxx6xx
about 2 days ago, no people like this, posted from web

Aaron Jack R.
urrrgh hungover as fuck , whos keen to do it all
- Share interface, information
- Share potential of being watched
- Justifies watching others
- Amplifies self-scrutiny
- Professional users have personal credentials
Social Media Policing

Changing relation between police and public

• Domestication of technology (Silverstone and Haddon)

• Function/Surveillance creep (Lyon)

• Decentralized users, centralized control (Galloway and Thacker; Goldsmith)
Some questions...

In the context of new technologies, user and police response...

• What kind of policing is taking place? How are citizen/users involved?
• How does this differ from earlier examples of media use by police and citizens?
• Does this impact relation between users and police?
• How do these developments impact other practices on social media?
(1) User-led Policing/Surveillance
(2) User-led policing as a commodity
(3) Sharing as a cultural practice

A grown man is mad at his girlfriend at Olive Garden & has made a menu fort 😂💀
Move The Fuck Over, Bro

May 13th, 2014 at 10:05AM

Met this egregious fucker this morning. The woman on the right spend the whole journey like that, trying to get away from that wandering leg.

This man was "enjoying" himself on the overground making eye contact with my girlfriend.

Shauna Hunt confronts men about 'FHRITP' v...
Concluding Remarks

Jennifer Pawluc's Instagram harrassment case a cautionary tale

Jennifer Pawluck, 22, found guilty of harassment after posting photo of anti-police graffiti to Instagram


Jennifer Pawluck posted a photo of anti-police graffiti she did not do herself, along with several anti-police hashtags.

The guilty verdict against a woman who posted a photo of graffiti depicting a Montreal police officer with a bullet in his head should remind users of social media to be cautious about what they publish, experts said Friday.

Granby moves to fine people insulting police on social media

Jennifer Pawluck, 22, snapped a shot of someone else's graffiti work and uploaded it with anti-police hashtags to Instagram, a photo-sharing online app.

Cmdr. Ian Lafrenière, who was depicted in the graffiti, told Pawluck's