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## Another IAATI conference is



*Behind us!*

*Congratulations to the newly inducted  
IAATI board for 2018—2019.*

[Click here](#) for more information.

*A big Thank You to the Northeast  
Chapter for hosting this year's  
conference!*

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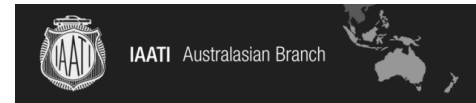
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## IAATI's Branch and Chapter Websites

### Branches:

Australasian Branch  
[iaatiaus.org](http://iaatiaus.org)



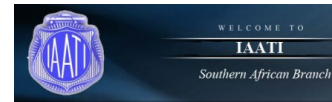
European Branch  
[eb-iaati.org](http://eb-iaati.org)



Latin American Branch  
[iaatilatam.org](http://iaatilatam.org)



Southern African Branch  
[iaatisab.co.za](http://iaatisab.co.za)



United Kingdom Branch  
<http://www.iaati.org.uk/>



### Chapters (North America/Canada)

North Central Regional Chapter  
[ncrc-iaati.org](http://ncrc-iaati.org)



North East Regional Chapter  
[neiaati.org](http://neiaati.org)



South Central Regional Chapter  
[tavti.org](http://tavti.org)



South East Regional Chapter  
[seiaati.org](http://seiaati.org)



Western Regional Chapter  
[wrciaati.org](http://wrciaati.org)



## MEMBER NEWS

### Just a reminder!!!

2019 dues are due  
by December 31st, 2018!



### WEBSITE UPDATE:

For photos and powerpoint presentations from the IAATI conference in Pittsburgh, please log into [www.iaati.org](http://www.iaati.org) and go to the resources page.

## E-NEWSLETTER UPDATES

In order to provide relevant and fresh news related to vehicle theft and related crimes, the focus will be to provide more issues, more often, with the latest stories that you need to see, all at your fingertips. IAATI training seminar information, Branch/Chapter News and updates, and committee reports are all posted on the website. Auto Theft Today will have a section included with links to all of these areas on the website that you can easily access for the latest information. Below is a chart of the menus on the website to provide an overview of the wealth of information available once you log in. Please take a few minutes to visit [www.iaati.org](http://www.iaati.org) and check it out!

ABOUT IAATI	MEMBERSHIP	EVENTS	NEWS	RESOURCES	AWARDS	CERTIFICATIONS
President's Message	Application Form	IAATI Training Events	Submit a News Story	Training Resources		Certification Process
Association History	Renew Online	Non-IAATI Training Events	North & South America	Publications		Basic Certification
Branches and Chapters	Search Members	Past Events	Europe & the UK	Photo Galleries		Advanced Certification
International Board Members	Member List		Asia, Africa, & Australasia	Forum		Master Certification
Committees			Browse by Month			Certification Resources
Documentation						

Networking, sharing information and keeping up to date with the latest trends, contacts and news in the world of vehicle theft are instrumental in the always demanding world that we as investigators live in, so the majority of each issue will contain summaries of the latest incidents, arrests, and related information with links to the full story. The links can also be copied and pasted into an email to share with others.

There will also be a section that links to the "Submit a News Story" function on the website. Collectively, we can all reap greater benefits from every-one sharing just one story, one contact or one idea. Please submit yours either through the website or in an email to [enews@iaati.org](mailto:enews@iaati.org).

# IAATI UPDATES

**Chapter / Branch Information** - Branch and chapter information is located on the website.

For general information and obtain contact information for a branch or chapter, please [click here](#). Information about IAATI chapters and branches can be found on the website: ABOUT IAATI/BRANCHES AND CHAPTERS. For individual chapter and branch news, please visit that website or go to page 2 and click on a logo to be directed to that branch or chapter website.

**Committee Information / News / Reports** - Committee information is located on the website.

For general committee information, members and their contact information, please [click here](#) or from the website, click ABOUT IAATI. To access periodic committee reports, please [click here](#). Committee reports are located on the website: ABOUT IAATI/DOCUMENTATION.

**Training Seminar / Event Information** - Training information is always being added to the website.

For information on all IAATI training events as well as training offered by others, please [click here](#). Members are able to view information regarding the various training opportunities available and register online when able.

**Board Members / Information** - Please [click here](#) to view information on the IAATI website regarding current board members.

## Auto Theft Today - Publication deadline

The next issue of Auto Theft Today will be released mid-October. If you have any articles, photographs, member news, or anything else to include in the next issue, please [click here to submit a story](#) or send an email to [enews@iaati.org](mailto:enews@iaati.org). In order to have your information included in the next edition, please submit or email everything by the 10th of each month.

## Board Members and Committee Members wanted!

Each year during the annual IAATI conference, members elect a new board of directors. New committee members are selected as well. Now is the time to do your part and submit your intent to serve on the IAATI board or one of the committees. It is as simple as sending an email to the chair of the Nominating Committee, Past President Hans Kooijman at [jcbkooijman@iaati.org](mailto:jcbkooijman@iaati.org).

When submitting your email, please including the following information:

- Your name and number of years you have been an IAATI member along with membership number;
- Your profession and current employer;
- Your reasons for wanting to get more involved;
- The number of IAATI seminars you have attended over the past years;
- What ideas you have that might benefit IAATI;
- Your experience/work within your local IAATI chapter/branch.



IACP's Vehicle Crimes Committee has been busy for the last few years!

The committee continually works on multiple issues regarding vehicle related crimes. Currently work groups are focusing on rental vehicle thefts, emerging technology issues and creating a vehicle crimes toolkit for smaller agencies.

[Click here](#) to see what resources are available for your agency!



# NMVTIS

## What is NMVTIS you ask?



According to the website, The National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS) is, among other things, a tool that assists local, state, and federal law enforcement in investigating, deterring, and preventing vehicle-related crimes.

Please [visit the website](#) to learn more about [NMVTIS and its Benefits to Law Enforcement](#).

## IN THE NEWS...

**NICB has released the 2017 Hot Wheels Report.** To check out the report and get more information please [click here](#).

Please [click here](#) to read **NICB's Forecast Report: U.S. Motorcycle Thefts Decreased in 2017.**

**Delhi government may use this technology to curb motor vehicle thefts.** September 4, 2018, [www.indiatoday.in](#) reports that the Delhi government's home department is looking at a 'microdot technology' to curb incidents of motor vehicle thefts in the city.

**Dark web identity theft used to steal accident replacement hire cars.** September 6, 2018, according to [www.fleetnews.co.uk](#), criminals are stealing accident replacement hire cars by using stolen identities obtained on the dark web.

**23 Vehicles Stolen From Hotels Near Airport In One Month.** September 14, 2018, [www.denver.cbslocal.com](#) states that a lot of people use the hotel parking lots around the Denver International Airport for long term parking — and they pay to do so — but CBS4 has learned many of those travelers being targeted by car thieves.

**California Governor Signs Law Reducing Wait Time to Track Stolen Vehicles.** September 11, 2018, according to [www.autorentalnews.com](#), California Governor Jerry Brown has signed legislation allowing car rental companies to use GPS surveillance on vehicles that have not been returned within 72 hours after the contract return date or extension of the return date.

**Be discreet when you delete your fleet.** August 27, 2018, from [www.ftc.gov](#): Thinking about replacing a company car or truck? Unless you take some security steps before selling the vehicle, you could be leaving behind a water bottle or two, some change under the seat — and a massive amount of corporate and personal data.

**Stolen Tesla vehicles in the US have almost all been recovered: 112 out of 115.** August 15, 2018, according to [www.electrek.co](#), American thieves really need to rethink their strategy when it comes to stealing Tesla vehicles because they are being caught at an alarming rate.

**Stolen motor vehicles: INTERPOL supports Finland operation.** July 12, 2018, [www.interpol.int](#) presents information about an operation supported by INTERPOL on the Finland-Russia border aimed to establish a stronger law enforcement network to better address crimes related to stolen motor vehicles.

**Hackers Can Steal a Tesla Model S in Seconds by Cloning Its Key Fob.** September 10, 2018, according to [www.wired.com](#), one team of academic hackers has now found that Tesla left its Model S cars open to a far more straightforward form of hacking: stealthily cloning the car's key fob in seconds, opening the car door, and driving away.

**Police Clamps Down on 'ChopShops' Using Stolen Car Parts.** August 4, 2018, [www.driving.co.uk](#) reports that WEST Midlands Police has launched a new campaign to clamp down on "chop shops" who sell vehicle write-offs that have been patched up using stolen parts.