



## **Media Information**

### **RYDE POLICE AREA COMMAND**

**Thursday 12 March 2020**

#### **Low range PCA – Macquarie Park.**

About 1:50am 7 March 2020, police were patrolling along Talavera road, Macquarie Park. At this time police sighted vehicle travelling at a fast pace in the opposite direction police. Due to the speed, police activated their lights and sirens and pulled the vehicle over at the intersection of Waterloo and Herring road, Macquarie Park.

Police submitted the 20-year-old man from Macquarie Park to a breath test which returned a positive result.

The man was taken to Ryde Police station where he underwent a breath analysis. He returned a reading of 0.065 and was issued with an infringement notice for Drive with Low Range PCA.

#### **Shoplifter – Macquarie Park**

About 12:30pm on Friday 6 March 2020, a 39-year-old man from Eastwood has entered a department store in Macquarie Park. He went to the toy department where he placed two boxes of lego into a plastic bag he was carrying with him.

The man has then left the store without paying for the items. He was stopped by the store's Loss Prevention Officer who escorted him to the security office to await the arrival of police.

Police spoke with the man before issuing him with a Court Attendance Notice for Shoplifting. He will now appear in Burwood Local Court at a later date.

#### **Man charged with custody of a knife**

About 6:40pm Wednesday 4 March 2020, a 28-year-old man from Dundas Valley boarded a bus at Parramatta that was city bound towards Macquarie Park. The man walked to the rear of the bus seating himself on the very back seat. At the time he was carrying backpack containing two box cutting knives and a third key ring knife.

On the bus, the man became involved in a verbal altercation with other passengers where he was intimidating and threatening. The passengers became concerned over the man's behaviour and contacted the police.

At the intersection of Epping Road and Vimiera Road in Marsfield police stopped the bus and arrested the man. The man's bag was searched, and police located the two box cutters and a key ring knife. The man was taken to Ryde Police station where he was spoken to. The man charged with Behaviour in an offensive manner, Custody of a knife in a public place and Stalk/intimidate intend fear physical harm.

He was given conditional bail and will now appear in Burwood Local Court on 19 March 2020.

## **Fire – Eastwood**

About 1:50am on Saturday 7th March 2020, police attended a fire at Rowe St Eastwood that was burning from the rear of a shop premises.

NSW Fire Brigade were also in attendance and observed smoke bellowing from the room containing the grease trap equipment. The officers have removed a bin and pallet and have opened the rear door and to be faced with the open flames. The fire was extinguished shortly after.

On initial observations it appeared the fire may have started from discarded cigarette butts inside the grease trap within the premises. Further enquires are continuing.