

#### Ryde Local Area Command Thursday 21 May 2021

### **Drug Detection - Putney**

About 10:30pm on Friday the 14th of May 2021, Police were patrolling in the vicinity of Putney, near Kissing Point Park, in relation to anti-social behaviour.

During the patrol they observed a vehicle parked to the left of the parking bay and approached the occupants. After a brief conversation, Police conducted a search where they located a small quantity of, what is believed to be, cannabis in the glove box of the vehicle.

A 19-year-old woman from Kincumber was given a cannabis caution.

Both parties were advised they were not to drive their vehicle due to drug use and given a move on direction to leave the area.

#### Steal from Retail Store - Ryde

About 11:50 am on Monday 17th May 2021, a female entered a clothing boutique located inside a Shopping Centre in Ryde. The woman was seen to be carrying a black shopping bag when she selected a skirt and entered the change rooms.

After exiting the change room, the woman was seen to place the skirt inside the black bag and exit the store without attempting to pay for the item. She was stopped by the store owner and held with the assistance of centre security until Police arrived a short time later.

Police spoke to the woman, after which a search was also conducted on her vehicle where they found several other suspected stolen items.

A 46-year-old woman from North Epping was charged with Stealing and Goods in Custody and was given a banning notice from the shopping centre.

### Unit residence reminded to LOCK UP!!

Over the past few weeks there have been a several Break and Enters across the Ryde Police Area Command, particularly in the Carlingford and Epping areas, with thieves targeting unit complexes. Residents should always ensure they lock their Balcony doors when they have left their unit. Thieves use various means to gain access to balcony's so it is important that unit residents do not become complacent just because the balcony may be above ground level.

Thieves have also targeted basement car parks, gaining access into garage and storage units. Residents should ensure that their garages and storage units are also LOCKED and they have no valuable items in view.

Police encourage the community to report all suspicious behaviour to police on 9879 9699 (Gladesville) or 98589299 (Eastwood), alternatively you can contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000. Don't let a thief ruin your day, look, listen and report.



### Man charged with drug possession - Eastwood

About 9:30pm on Thursday 20 May 2021, police were conducting patrols of the Eastwood area, when they observed a 35-year-old man from North Ryde driving along Abuklea Road at high speed.

Police activated their warning lights and stopped the vehicle to speak to the man about his manner of driving.

Police spoke with the man and his passenger before conducting further checks on the man and his vehicle.

Police had cause to search the men and the vehicle where they located a syringe with yellow liquid inside it and 3 Xanax (Alprazolam) Tablets.

The 35-year-old man was issued with a Court Attendance Notice for Possessing a prohibited drug. The syringe containing a yellow substance has been sent for further testing to identify the substance.

### **Drug Possession – Melrose Park**

About 5:40pm on Thursday 20 May 2021, police were conducting general patrols of the Ryde/ Melrose Park area when a vehicle driven by a man came under notice due to its poorly displayed rear P plate.

Police stopped and spoke with the driver, a 24-year-old man from Fairfield and submitted him to a breath test which returned a negative reading. Further checks were conducted on the driver and the vehicle

Police had cause to search the man and the vehicle where they located 3 small resealable bags containing what police believe to be Cannabis.

The man was issued with a Cannabis Caution for being in possession of the prohibited drug.

### Teen charged with multiple offences - Henley

Between 1:00 am and 3:00 am on Saturday 8 May 2021, a 16-year-old teenager from Bidwell in company with another unknown man has entered a home in Sherwin Street, Henley. Once inside the property he has stolen a handbag containing the victims credit cards.

After leaving this home the two have entered a vehicle parked in the driveway of another home in Sherwin Street. After exiting the vehicle, the two have left the area.

About 5:15am, the teen has entered the Coles Express Drummoyne North, where he has used the victim's cad to purchase some items.

About 5:30am, the teenager has contacted a cab company and used the victims credit card to catch a cab from Drummoyne to Hebersham.

The teenager was charged with Steal property in dwelling-house, trespassing, and two counts of Dishonestly obtain property by deception.

He is now due to appear in Surry Hills Children's Court on 29 June 2021.

## Three men issued infringement notices - Epping

About 2:00am on Saturday 22 May 2021, police were called to the Metro Rail line at Epping in relation to three men see on the rail lines.

Police located the men, two 21-year-old men and a 17-year-old on the rail corridor at Cheltenham.

The three men had been taking photographs inside the rail corridor.

The three men were issued infringement notices for being on the train line.

### **Mid-Range PCA**

About 11:15pm on 22 May 2021, police stopped a 22-year-old man from Epping on Plympton Road, Epping for the purpose of a random breath test.

The driver returned a positive roadside test and was arrested and taken to Ryde Police Station to undergo a breath analysis. The driver returned a reading of 0.107 and was issued with a Court Attendance Notice for Drive with Middle Range PCA.

His licence was suspended, and he is now due to appear in Hornsby Local Court at a later date.



### Man charged with numerous stealing offences - Eastwood

About 1.05pm on Thursday 27 May 2021, a 27-year-old man from Carlingford has entered a supermarket at Eastwood. Once inside the store the man has entered a private office. The man has opened a number of drawers in the office before taking a small resealable bag containing coins. The man has then opened a handbag belonging to a staff member, taking out a sum of cash before leaving the store.

About 2.30pm on the same day the man has entered the loading dock of another Supermarket in Rowe Street, Eastwood. The man has walked around the loading dock, rummaging through various items. He has then entered the private office at the location and taken 3 releasable plastic bags containing business paperwork, belonging to the Supermarket. The man's actions were captured on CCTV.

The man was confronted by a number of staff at the location who have detained him and contacted police.

Police arrested the man and searched him. The man had a resealable bag with coins, a licence that was not in his name and several other items.

He was taken to Ryde Police Station where he was charged with 3 counts of Larceny and Goods in Custody.

He was bail refused and will now appear in Hornsby Local Court on 7 July 2021.

# Man issued Infringement Notice for Shoplifting – Macquarie Park

About 12:00pm on 27 May 2021, a 76-year-old woman from Eastwood entered a supermarket in Macquarie Park. She selected a number of items off the shelf and placed them into a bag she was carrying with her as well as in her jacket pocket.

The woman has then left the store without attempting to pay for the items. She was stopped by security and escorted to the security office to await the arrival of police.

Police spoke with the woman before issuing her with a Criminal Infringement Notice for Shoplifting.

### **Cannabis Caution - Eastwood**

About 10:30pm on Thursday 27 May 2021, police were patrolling Brush Rd park in Eastwood where they observed two men seated inside a vehicle. Police approached the vehicle to speak with the two men.

On speaking with the men, Police could immediately smell Cannabis emanating from within the vehicle.

A 23-year-old man from Eastwood produced a glass bowl containing a small amount of what police to be Cannabis inside it.

The 23-year-old was issued with a Cannabis Caution for being in possession of the prohibited drug.

# Woman charged with Drug Possession - Ryde

On Monday 31 May 2021, at approximately 3:50am, Police sighted a 50-year-old woman walking in the middle of lane 2 of 2 on Blaxland Road, Ryde as it approaches the intersection of North Road, Ryde.

Police stopped and spoke to the woman, concerned for her safety due to walking on the road.

Police observed the woman to be speaking with fast erratic speech, and her body movements were jerky, and she appeared to be under the influence of a drug.

Police searched the handbag of the woman, locating 3 clear resealable bags containing a white crystalline substance which Police believe to be the drug 'Ice'. Also located was 2 plastic bags containing what police believe to be Cannabis buds inside.

During the search of the woman's bag a black sunglasses case was located containing a single thin tubed syringe, a spoon, a single match and numerous alcohol wipes.

The woman was issued with a Court Attendance Notice for 2 counts of Possess Prohibited Drug and Possession of equipment for administering a prohibited drug.

She is due to appear in Hornsby Local Court on 5 July 2021.



Media Information Ryde Local Area Command Wednesday 16 June 2021

# Two teens charged after pursuit with stolen Range Rover - Sydney CBD

Two teenagers have been charged with a string of offences following a pursuit with a stolen Range Rover.

Just after 12am on Sunday 13 June 2021, officers attached to Ryde Police Area Command were conducting proactive patrols at Cherrybrook, as part of Strike Force Coborro which was established by officers from Sutherland Shire Police Area Command Proactive Crime Team to investigate stolen motor vehicles and theft from motor vehicle offences across Sydney.

Officers observed a black Range Rover travelling on New Line Road, and after conducting checks of the vehicle, established it was stolen from outside a home on Dunlop Street, Epping, about 3.45am on Tuesday 8 June 2021.

Police initiated a pursuit after the vehicle allegedly failed to stop, however, it was terminated a short time later due to safety concerns.

PolAir monitored the vehicle as it travelled through several suburbs including Parramatta and Bankstown.

About 12.30am on Sunday 13 June 2021, officers attached to Sydney City Police Area Command noticed the Range Rover driving on Elizabeth Street in the CBD.

The vehicle turned into St James Road and stopped, before the occupants fled on foot.

Following a short foot pursuit, three males – aged 16, 17 and 20 – were arrested and taken to Surry Hills Police Station.

The 16-year-old boy was charged with three counts of take and drive conveyance without consent of owner, be carried in conveyance taken without consent of owner and participate criminal group contribute criminal activity.

He was refused bail to appear at Parramatta Children's Court.

The 17-year-old boy was charged with five counts of enter vehicle or boat without consent of owner, four counts of larceny, take and drive conveyance without consent of owner, dishonestly obtain property by

deception, be carried in conveyance taken without consent of owner, possess prohibited drug, and participate criminal group contribute criminal activity.

He was granted conditional bail to appear at a children's court on Monday 5 July 2021.

Police will allege in court the offences occurred across Sydney since last month.

The 20-year-old man was released pending further inquiries.

A male constable sustained a minor hand injury during the arrest. He was taken to Sydney Hospital for assessment and has since been released.

Sutherland Shire detectives are continuing to conduct inquiries under Strike Force Coborro.

# Man charged with Middle Range PCA/Disqualified driver - Ryde

At 4.30pm on Wednesday 9 June 2021 Police were patrolling along Victoria Road Ryde, when they have noticed a 31-year-old man from Bateau Bay attempting to turn right from Margaret Street, Ryde onto Victoria Road. At this time traffic was heavy given the time of day. Police have observed the man has turned right onto Victoria Road, before crossing the single unbroken line positioning himself directly in front of Police.

Police stopped the man and spoke with him before conducting checks on the man and his vehicle.

He was submitted to a breath test which returned a positive sample. Checks on his licence revealed that his licence was suspended on 23 September 2020. He was disqualified at Gosford Local Court until 23 March 2025.

The man was arrested and taken to Ryde Police Station where he underwent a breath analysis where he returned a reading of 0.081.

He was charged with Drive with Middle Range PCA- 2<sup>nd</sup> offence and Drive whilst disqualified. He was bail refused and will now appear in Gosford Local Court on 23 June 2021.

### Man charged with numerous offences - Eastwood

About 6:42pm on Saturday 12 June 2021, a 49 year old man from Eastwood was walking along Lakeside road, Eastwood when he was seen by a passer-by hitting street signs with sticks and acting in an aggravated manner.

About 7pm the man attended a retail store on Progress Avenue in Eastwood, which at the time was closed for business and secured. The man has been seen by members of the public to kick the roller shutter with his foot before moving to the entry point of the store and hitting the metal gate.

The man then moved to the opposite side of the store and opened up a small cupboard containing 2 fire extinguishers and a fire hose.

The man proceeded to remove the fire hose stored in this cupboard, turn on the water and begun spraying the front of the store with water. A significant amount of water has leaked into the store damaging stock and equipment stored inside.

After a short while the man began spraying the fire extinguishers on the nearby ground and walls. The man then proceeded to pick up and carry away the smaller of the 2 fire extinguishers, walking down Progress avenue towards Hillview road in the direction of Eastwood Train Station.

Police were called and arrived a short time later where they observed the man outside the train station carrying the fire extinguisher.

The man was arrested and searched by police. Police located a small quantity of what police believe to be Cannabis in his pocket.

The man was taken to Ryde Police Station where he was charged with Malicious damage, Possess Prohibited Drug and stealing.

He is now due to appear in Hornsby Local Court on 7 July 2021.

### Woman charged with numerous offences – Macquarie Park

About 4:20pm on Friday11 June 2021, a 41-year-old woman from Marsfield has attended a supermarket in Macquarie Park. The woman has selected a number of items off the shelf and secreted them into a bag she was carrying.

The woman has then left the store without paying for the items, where she was stopped by the store's Loss Prevention Officer.

The woman has started to become aggressive to the Loss Prevention Officer and grabbed the Loss Prevention Officers jumper and twisting it. The woman also grabbed the Officers ID and would not give it back.

The Loss Prevention Officer contacted Police. As he was doing this the woman ran off. The woman was stopped by a number of security guards and detained. During this encounter the woman was threatening and intimidating the officers.

Police arrived a short time later and arrested the woman. Police located a number of stolen items along with a box cutter and 2 x small clear resealable zip lock bags containing a crystal-like substance believed to be methamphetamine. She was taken to Ryde Police Station where she was charged with shoplifting, common assault, Possess Prohibited Drug, carry cutting weapon and stalk/intimidate.

She is now dur to appear in Hornsby Local Court on 7 July 2021.



### Middle Range PCA – West Ryde

About 12:15am on Friday 18 June 2021, a 47-year-old man from Croydon was driving his vehicle, eastbound on Victoria Road at West Ryde when he came under police notice. The man was travelling well under the speed limit and touching his mobile phone, which was fitted in a carrier positioned to the left of the steering wheel.

Police followed behind the man observing him for a short period of time before pulling up next to the him and noticing there was a video playing on his mobile phone. Police stopped the man spoke with him before submitting him to a breath test.

The man returned a positive roadside test and was arrested and taken to Ryde Police Station to undergo a breath analysis.

The man returned a reading of 0.082 and was issued with a Court Attendance Notice for Drive with middle Range PCA. His licence was suspended, and he will now appear in Hornsby Local Court on 29 July 2021.

### Man charged with numerous offences - Pennant Hills

About 7:40pm on Sunday 20 June 2021, a 31-year-old man from Wahroonga was sitting on a bus that stopped at the Pennant Hills interchange. This was the last stop on the bus route and the man was informed by the driver that he would need to vacate the bus as the service had been discontinued.

The man approached the driver and started to become agitated. He spat in the direction of the driver causing saliva to land on his pants. The man moved towards the Opal Card reader where he utilised a lighter, ignited a flame and positioned the flame towards the Opal Card reader in attempt to burn the reader.

The driver opened the drivers cabin door and exited the bus.

The man remained on the bus where he began pressing all the bus controls and sounded the horn.

Police arrived and short time later and placed the man under arrest. He was taken to Ryde Police Station where he was fingerprinted and charged. On fingerprinting the man, he became aggressive towards police raising his fists.

The man was charged with Assault, Offensive Conduct, Assault Police and Not Comply noticed direction re spitting/coughing.

He is now due to appear in Hornsby Local Court on 21 June 2021.

### Man charged with Drug Possession - West Ryde

About 11.10pm on Friday 18 June 2021, Police were conducting a routine patrol in Chatham Road, West Ryde when they observed a man riding a pushbike dressed in dark clothing and carrying a backpack. The man appeared to be intermittently looking into properties.

Police stopped and spoke with the 55-year-old man. While police were conducting checks on the man, he dropped a plastic syringe container on the ground.

Checks on the man revealed that he was currently wanted on an outstanding warrant after failing to appear in Court on 7 June 2021.

Police placed the man under arrest and searched the man. Inside the box he dropped on the ground, police located hypodermic needles, a plastic spoon, a small bottle of saline and two small plastic Ziplock satchels one of which contained a small amount of white crystal-like substance believed to be methylamphetamine "Ice" and the other residue.

He was taken to Ryde Police station where he was charged with Possess Prohibited Drug. He was bail refused and will now appear in Bathurst Local Court on 7 July 2021.

### Man charged with House breaking implements - Eastwood

About 5:30pm on Saturday 19June 2021, a 45-year-old man from Rydalmere was a seated in the front passenger seat of a vehicle travelling along Ethel Lane, Eastwood.

Police conducted checks on the vehicle before stopping and speaking with the driver. After a short conversation police had cause to search the vehicle and the occupants.

Police located a bag belonging to the 45-year-old man. Inside the bag, police located a torch, 2 bolt cutters and a pack of razor blades. Police conducted a search of the vehicle, locating 2 pairs of gloves, a handheld taser, 2 door deadlatches and a quantity of clear liquid, that police believe to be GAMMA HYDROXYBUTYRATE (GHB).

The man was arrested and taken to Ryde Police station where he was charged with Possess housebreaking implements and Commit s114 offence, having previous conviction.

He was refused bail and will now appear in Hornsby Local Court on 29 June 2021.

Further enquiries are being made in relation to the drugs and taser.