



## **Media Information**

**Ryde Local Area Command  
Thursday 16 February 2022**

### **Drug Detection - Epping**

About 9pm on Friday the 11 February 2022, police were conducting proactive patrols around the Epping Oval area. Police observed a vehicle parked at the location. Police approached the vehicle and spoke with the driver of the vehicle. Police conducted checks and as result, police conducted a search of the male driver. Police located Cannabis in the pocket of the man.

The 21- year-old man from Epping, was issued a Cannabis caution.

### **Possess prohibited weapon - Epping**

About 9:40pm on Friday the 11 February 2022, police were conducting patrols around the Epping Area where they observed a vehicle parked on Norfolk Road. Police stopped and spoke with the occupants of the vehicle. Police had cause to search the vehicle and located a can of Capsicum spray, concealed within the vehicle.

A 40-year-old male from Colebee was issued with a Field Court Attendance notice, for the offence of Possess or use Prohibited Weapon without permit. He will appear in Hornsby Local Court on the 6 April 2022.

## **Reminder to residents to lock and secure vehicles**

Ryde Police are reminding residents to lock and secure their vehicles. Many of these offences have occurred from residents leaving their vehicles unlocked.

Stealing from motor vehicle is often an opportunistic crime with thieves checking for unlocked car doors and windows, as well as looking inside of your vehicle for valuables left lying around in clear sight.

Having your personal items stolen from your car is inconvenient, distressing and can be expensive.

Stealing from motor vehicles is a crime that you can help yourself, family, friends and colleagues from becoming the next crime statistic by taking some simple Crime Prevention actions: -

- ALWAYS lock up your vehicle – day or night and regardless of whether parked in your driveway, carport or public place
- ALWAYS remove or hide valuables from site of thieves; eg do not leave your wallet, keys, phones and valuable electrical items on seats and in the middle consoles.

If you see someone acting suspiciously please contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or contact local police station.

## **Steal from Retail – Carlingford**

About 1.50pm on Tuesday 8 February 2021, a woman has entered a supermarket in Carlingford. The woman was observed by the Lost Prevention Officer placing items into her bag and has then proceeded to the self-serve check out. The woman has paid for some items and has then left the store without paying for the rest of the items.

She was stopped by the Lost Prevention Officer and escorted back to the store. A short time later police attended the location and spoke with her.

The 74-year-old woman from North Parramatta was issued with a Criminal Infringement Notice.

## **Ryde PAC urge the community to be aware of puppy scams**

Over the past few weeks there have been several reported puppy scams. People have fallen victim to scammers advertising puppies of fake websites.

Scammers lure victims into paying for puppies they will never receive.

Victims are also often tricked into paying for additional costs, such as insurance and freight. By this stage the victim has become aware they have been scammed, before the scammer then shuts down the website and email accounts, and doggone!

So, if you are thinking of buying a puppy, always use a reputable breeder. For more information visit dogsnsw at [www.dogsnsw.org.au](http://www.dogsnsw.org.au).



### **Media Information**

#### **Ryde Local Area Command**

**Thursday 3 March 2022**

### **Armed Robbery**

About 11:15am on Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022, a masked male entered a Chemist in Ryde and produced a knife, demanding prescription medication. The demands were met and the male left with several Boxes of Prescription drugs.

About 09:20am on Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup> February 2022, the same male attended the Chemist in Ryde and again demanded prescription medication. The male left with a large amount of prescription medication and cash.

About 09:30am on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022, a masked male entered into a Pharmacy in East Ryde and produced a knife. The male demanded prescription medication. The demands were met and the male left with several boxes of prescription only medication.

Police commenced an investigation into the three Robberies subsequently arresting a 36-year-old man from a Ryde address. The man was charged with three counts of Armed Robbery and was bail refused. He will attend court on Hornsby Local Court on Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

### **Recovered Vehicle**

About 7pm on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022, police were conducting High Visibility patrols along North Road, Eastwood. Police observed a Grey Subaru Liberty and conducted checks revealing that the vehicle was reported stolen days prior.

Police caught the vehicle and spoke with the 37 -year- old male who was unable to produce a valid drivers license. The male was arrested and taken to Ryde Police Station where he was charged with multiple offences. The male will attend Hornsby Local Court on the 14<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

### **Drive under the influence – West Ryde**

About 6pm Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> of February 2022, Police were conducting proactive patrols of West Ryde when a Black Lexus came under notice for failing to obey road rules.

Police stopped the vehicle and spoke with the 23-year-old male. Police conducted road side testing which returned positive result for Cannabis. The male was arrested and conveyed to Ryde Police Station where a secondary Oral Fluid test was taken. The sample returned a positive reading for Cannabis. A notice of prohibition of driving was issued and charges pending analysis results.

### **Unlicensed driver – Pennant Hills**

About 10:20am on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> of February 2022, Police were conducting patrol in the Beecroft area when a white Holden commodore came under notice. Police activated warning devices to speak with the occupier of the vehicle.

Police spoke with the 23-year-old male who's license was suspended. The driver of the vehicle was given a Court Attendance Notice to attend Hornsby Local Court for driving with a suspended license.

### **Drug Possession –Ryde**

About 1am on Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2022, Police were conducting patrols in the Top Ryde area. A Black Mercedes came under notice, Police approached the vehicle and spoke with the occupants of the vehicle. Police conducted checks and as result had grounds to search of the occupants and vehicle.

Police located Cannabis in the possession of the 18-year-old female, and she was issued with a Cannabis Caution.



## **Media Information**

### **Ryde Local Area Command**

**Thursday 10 March 2022**

#### **Drug Detection**

About 11pm on Tuesday the 8 March 2022, police were conducting high visibility patrols around the Cherrybrook and Dural area. At this time police observed and followed a Holden Commodore driving around aimlessly.

Police stopped the vehicle and spoke with the driver, a 21-year-old male from Cherrybrook and two other occupants of the vehicle. Police had grounds to search the vehicle locating 24 grams of Cannabis in the vehicle.

Police issued the male a Field Court Attendance Notice for Possess Prohibited Drug. The man will attend Hornsby local court on the 27 April 2022.

#### **Knife Possession, Drug Detection and Goods in Custody**

About 6:40pm on Tuesday the 8 March 2022, police received information that a male dressed in all black was looking into houses around Eastwood. This male was reportedly holding a knife about 15cm in length.

A short time later police arrived and located the 28-year-old male from Chatswood. Police had grounds to search the male and located a 15cm fishing knife, cannabis and several items believed to be stolen.

The male was arrested and dealt with at the scene. Police issued the man with a Field Court Attendance Notice to appear at Hornsby Local Court on the 27 April 2022.

#### **Assault Driving Range**

About 12:00pm on Saturday the 5 March 2022, an assault occurred in a Golf driving range in Dural between two parties.

A verbal argument started where a 22-year-old male from Hornsby punched a 38-year-old male from Dural in the chest. Police were called and during this time a second assault occurred with the 22-year-old male again punching the victim, attempting to pull him towards the car park.

Police arrived shortly however the male had left the location. Enquiries are continuing

### **Disqualified and Under the Influence**

About 6:45pm on Wednesday the 9 March 2022, police were conducting patrols and stopped a white van in Eastwood. Police spoke with the driver and submitted him to roadside testing which returned a positive result for Methamphetamine.

The 38-year-old driver from Rhodes was arrested for a secondary test and Driving Whilst Disqualified. The male again returned a positive result for Methamphetamine at Ryde police station and was issued a 24-hour Prohibition from operating a motor vehicle and issued a Field Court Attendance notice.

About an hour later police located the van driving in Eastwood. Police stopped the vehicle and arrested the 38-year-old male for a second time. The male was taken to Ryde police station where he was charged and bail refused, appearing at Hornsby Local Court on 10 March 2022.

### **Break and Enters**

Over the past few weeks there have been a several Break and Enters within the Ryde PAC targeting high performance vehicles. Ryde PAC wish to remind residents to lock their motor vehicles and secure residences.

It is also worth considering investing in window locks, alarm systems and CCTV to further enhance the security of your home. Please do not to leave valuables in your vehicles, especially in view and lock your vehicles even if it is on your driveway!

The simple message is **LOCK IT** and leave **NO VALUABLES** in sight. Otherwise, you could be the next victim, in what is a preventable crime.

Police urge the community to report all suspicious behaviour to Gladesville police station Ph: 9879 9699, Eastwood police Ph:9858 9299 or Ryde police station Ph:9808 7401. You can also contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

**Don't let a thief ruin your day, look, listen, and report.**



## **Media Information**

### **Ryde Local Area Command Thursday 17 March 2022**

#### **Drug Supply-Meadowbank**

About 10:00pm on Friday the 11 March 2022, police were conducting patrols around the Meadowbank area when police noticed a Toyota Aurion parked with a single male occupying the car. Police were unable to see a front registration plate and as a result spoke with the driver.

Police had grounds to search the vehicle, locating large of Cannabis in the vehicle. The 31-year-old male from Burwood Heights was charged with Supply Prohibited drug and will appear before Hornsby Local Court on 6 April 2022.

#### **Mid Range PCA**

About 10:50pm on Saturday the 12 March 2022, police stopped a Holden Commodore in Putney for the purpose of a roadside breath test. The 53-year-old driver from Putney produced a positive roadside breath test and was arrested and conveyed to Ryde Police.

A secondary test was conducted returning a reading of 0.093 grams of alcohol in 210 litres of breath. A Field Court Attendance Notice was issued to attend Hornsby Local Court on the 12 May 2022. A Notice of Suspension from driving was issued to the driver.

#### **Positive RDT and Drug Detection**

About 5:45pm on Thursday the 10 March 2022, Ryde Highway Patrol stopped a Black Mazda on Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills. The driver was drug tested returning a positive reading. The 21-year-old male from Waitara was arrested for the purpose of secondary testing however returned a negative result and was released pending further analysis.

Police had grounds to search the vehicle locating a small amount of green vegetable matter on one of the passengers of the vehicle. The 22-year-old male from Toukley was issued with a Cannabis Caution.

#### **Drug Detection -Dural**

About 11:00 pm on Wednesday the 16 March 2022, police were patrolling around James Henty Park when police observed people congregating around a park bench. Police approached and spoke with a 20-year-old male from Dural and a 19-year-old female from Cherrybrook who were in possession of Cannabis.

Both were issued with Cannabis Cautions