

Ryde Police Area Command

Monday 15 May 2023

Midrange PCA & Unregistered Vehicle – Carlingford

On May 3, 2023, at around 2:15 AM, police officers spotted a male driving a silver Nissan Pulsar on Pittwater Road, East. A registration check revealed that the vehicle's registration had expired on March 31, 2023. The police followed the male and activated their warning lights, leading the male to eventually stopping. The police approached the driver's window and asked if the male was the owner of the vehicle, which he confirmed. The police informed the male about the expired registration, and he claimed he was on his way to sort it out, grabbing paperwork from the passenger seat. However, the police noticed signs of possible intoxication. A breath test conducted on the male resulted in a roadside reading of 0.156 grams. Consequently, the male was arrested and taken to Ryde Police Station for a breath analysis, which indicated a reading of 0.146 grams of alcohol in 210 liters of breath. The police immediately issued the male a notice of licence suspension. The male is now facing charges related to the incident, which will be dealt with in court.

Reckless Wounding - Gladesville

On January 30, 2023, around 9:30 PM, the victim went to the male's residence in Gladesville. The victim remained at the residence for a short time before leaving. He later returned and parked in the communal carpark. Shortly afterwards, two males known to the victim assaulted him. The victim sustained various injuries and sought medical attention at Royal North Shore Hospital. Following an investigation by Ryde Detectives, the male was arrested at his residence on May 9, 2023, and taken to Ryde Police Station. The male declined to comment on the incident. The police charged the male with reckless wounding, alleging that both the male and co-male were responsible for the victim's injuries. The matter is now before the court.

Disqualified Driver – Eastwood

On May 4, 2023, around 3:00 PM, police officers saw a 53-year-old male driving a white Honda CRV with a small white dog on his lap. Police followed the male and attempted to pull him over, but he initially failed to comply. After some time, the male moved to the appropriate lane and eventually stopped on Ball Avenue. When asked to produce his licence, the male claimed he didn't have it with him, saying "Actually I didn't bring my wallet today." He went on to say "It's the first time I've been checked by the police." The police conducted a breath test, which came back negative. Immediately after the test, the male again attempted to leave. However, checks revealed that the male's licence had expired on March 15, 2021, and he was disqualified until May 1, 2025. The male was issued a field court attendance notice in relation to driving while disqualified. The male was also issued infringements for having an animal on his lap and failing to give way to an emergency vehicle.

Assault ALDI - Gladesville

On May 10, 2023, at around 9:10 PM, a male was seated outside Aldi in Gladesville. The male and the victim, who do not know each other, got into a verbal argument as the victim was walking westbound on Victoria Road. The argument escalated, drawing the attention of a Witness, who observed the incident from their unit balcony. The victim turned his back on the male and continued walking, at which point the male forcefully pushed the victim in the back, causing him to fall face first onto the pavement, hitting his head on the ground. Witnesses immediately called emergency services, and a witness began filming the male, who was still yelling at the unconscious victim. The male picked up a bottle of soft drink and threw it at the victim's head. Subsequently, the male walked away from the scene, crossing the road and continuing in a westerly direction to a local bus stop. Police arrived shortly after and found the victim lying face down, unconscious but breathing, with a bleeding laceration on his left eyebrow. The victim was treated by paramedics and transported to Royal North Shore Hospital for treatment. Witnesses provided their accounts to the police, including video footage captured by the witness. Mobile police units pursued the male based on the descriptions and last known locations provided. The male was eventually spotted running on Tennyson Point Road and arrested. The male was charged with Assault occasioning actual bodily harm and hinder police in the execution of their duty.

Robbery - Epping

On May 9, 2023, around 12:20pm, two victims were walking along Beecroft Road in Epping when they noticed an unknown man following them. The man followed them into a 7-Eleven and waited outside as they exited. At the intersection of Carlingford Road and Rawson Street, the unknown man approached the victims and asked to use their phone. One victim refused, and both victims ran across the road to escape. The man chased them, brandishing a bladed weapon and demanded property from them. A scuffle ensued, during which the other victim punched the man in the face. During the incident the male stole a mobile phone and \$55. The man fled on foot towards Beecroft Road. The incident was reported to the police, and Ryde Detectives initiated an investigation, identifying the male suspect. On May 11, 2023, at approximately 9:30am, the male suspect was stopped at Gosford Railway Station by Brisbane Water PTC. He was arrested and taken to Gosford Police Station. At the time of arrest, he was found in possession of a knife. The suspect was charged with robbery armed with an offensive weapon, assault with intent to rob armed with an offensive weapon, and custody of a knife in a public place (first offence). He was denied bail and scheduled to appear at court on the same day.



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Robbery - Epping

About 7pm on Saturday May 20 2023, a victim arranged to meet with a male at Epping railway station to make a purchase for a computer on Facebook Marketplace. Before meeting up, this male instructed the victim to meet outside the post office on Oxford Street, Epping. The male offender was in the company of another two males with one of them hiding nearby. After these offenders inspected the computer, the victim went to place the computer back into the packaging when he was struck in the face by one of these males. The victim yelled for help and managed to pull the jacket off one of the offenders. The offenders attempted to pick up the computer however they dropped it and ran from the scene. The victim began to chase the three offenders along Oxford Street, Epping before stopping and returning to his computer. Two of these offenders hid in an alleyway nearby. Police arrived a short time later and established a perimeter and with the aid of a Police Dog unit were able to apprehend these two offenders. The offenders were arrested and charged with the serious offence of robbery in company.

Drug detection - Marsfield

About 4:30am on Friday 19 May 2023, Police were patrolling Epping road, Marsfield when they spotted two suspicious males walking towards a petrol station. As Police approached, one of the males walked into the bush area to initially evade Police. A short time later, Police located the other male seated within a vehicle containing another two occupants. Through further conversation, Police formed a reason to search all persons. A search of the male who had initially evaded Police resulted in a small clear resealable plastic bag containing methylamphetamine on his person. The male was questioned where he stated, "I found it in the school as I was walking here." Police arrested this male and weighed the drug amounting to 0.28grams. He was issued with a field court attendance notice and charged with drug possession.

Drug detection – Pennant Hills

About 11:50pm on Thursday 18 May 2023, Police have attended a hotel in Pennant Hills in relation to an unrelated assault job. As Police were patrolling for the offender, they have approached a male who was a potential suspect for the assault. As Police have requested for his identification, this male has pulled out his bank card along with other items from his wallet when a clear resealable bag containing a white crystal substance has dropped on the ground by accident. Police immediately questioned this male where he made full admissions to the drug being methylamphetamine. The male was arrested, the drug weighing 0.1grams and the male issued with a field court attendance notice and charged with drug possession.



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Thursday 4 June 2023

23 Possess Prohibited weapons – Hunters Hill

About 7:25pm on Monday 29 May 2023, Police were patrolling the Hunters hill area where they observed a female hop into a Mazda. After conversing with the female driver, Police observed the female to appear drug-affected and formed reason to conduct a search on her person and the vehicle. Police located a taser located in her handbag as well as a gold coloured flick knife. Police questioned the female about the possession of the prohibited items to which she made full admissions to having possession of the taser and the flick knife. She was subsequently placed under arrest and conveyed to Ryde Police Station where she was charged with the offences of possess prohibited weapons.

Damage property by fire and breach AVO conditions - Ryde

About 6pm on Monday 8 May 2023, a male and female couple were situated in the outdoor patio area of a club in Ryde where they consumed alcohol. At this time, the male removes a clear resealable bag from his pocket containing white powder believed to be Cocaine. Shortly after, the male lights up a cigarette, smokes it and then disposes it into a pot plant nearby. The fire does not light straight away. These patrons left the club a short time later into the night and the club closed at 10:30pm.

About 4am on the next morning, a male working out in the gym of the club observed a fire coming from the club patio. This male has then contacted emergency services right away where NSW Fire and Rescue have put the fire out. Police reviewed CCTV footage and through investigations were able to identify the male responsible for damaging property by fire. Police were also able to identify that the male was subject to an Apprehended Domestic Violence Order (ADVO) conditions that he is not to consume alcohol or drugs within 12 hours of being in company of the female who he was present with on that night. On Monday 29 May 2023, Police made contact with this male and placed him under arrest and charged him with the offences of damaging property by fire and contravening his ADVO.

Drug detection, Possession of Fraudulent items, Possess knife – Gladesville

About 6pm on Friday 26 May 2023, Police were patrolling the Hunters Hill/Gladesville area when they pulled over a Green Mitsubishi Mirage with two occupants on board. Police began conversing with the two occupants, Police became suspicious of their activities and formed reason to search both occupants and the vehicle. A drug detection dog was utilised for the vehicle search due to the suspicious circumstances and during the search identified hidden compartments within the vehicle. Police located a clear resealable bag containing 5.3 grams of Methylamphetamine, 2 x Fake NSW Driver licences, 3 x Bank cards belonging to other persons and a flick knife located in the handbag of the female occupant. One of the Fake NSW Driver licences had a photo resembling the face of the male occupant. Both occupants of the vehicle were placed under arrest. The male occupant was

charged with unlawfully possessing the fake NSW drivers licence. The female occupant was charged with possession of the knife and 5.3 grams of Methylamphetamine.

Possession of knife in public place – Ryde

About 12:50pm on Thursday 25 May 2023, a male attended a wharf in Ryde with meat cleaver and police were contacted. A short time later, Police attended and observed the male with his hands behind his back. Police directed this male to show his hands to which he showed Police and raised the knife in his right hand. Police drew their taser and covered the male with the fear of an immediate risk of serious harm. Upon Police demands, the male dropped the knife and walked towards Police. The male was subsequently arrested and searched. The knife was seized and later measured to have a blade of 18cm in length. After questioning the male, he stated that he was only sharpening the knife on the sandstone boulder and that he was not aware that he was not allowed to have the knife in a public place. Police issued the male with an infringement for Custody of a knife.



Media Information

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Drug detection – Hunters Hill

About 11:30pm on Thursday 1 June 2023, Police were conducting proactive patrols in the Hunters Hill area when sighting a Silver Toyota Camry parked on the side of a road outside Boronia Park reserve.

Police noticed there to be one passenger on board in the driver seat. Police approached the vehicle and engaged in conversation with the male occupant who was situated in the front driver seat.

During conversation with this male, police could smell the scent of cannabis inside the vehicle. Police formed reason to search the vehicle where clear resealable bag of Cannabis was located in a backpack inside the vehicle. Police weighed the bag of Cannabis totalling 4.3 grams. The male was issued with a Cannabis caution for the possession of a prohibited drug.

Possess knife, prohibited weapon and tobacco products – Ryde

About 9pm on Tuesday 30th May 2023, a male was driving his black BMW past the scene where Police were on site dealing with a stolen vehicle that had crashed on Belmore Street, Ryde. As this male was driving past Police, he did so at such a slow speed to which he almost came to a stop alongside the crashed stolen vehicle.

Police found this male of the BMW to be suspicious and as a result, followed him and pulled him over nearby. Through conversation, the male's version of events raised further suspicion to Police to which he was then subjected to a search.

Police located 14 cartons of cigarettes, \$5000 in cash in denominations of \$50 notes, numerous mobile phones inside the vehicle. A search of the male's shoulder bag also located a knife with a blade measuring 16cm in length and an extendable baton.

The male was arrested by Police and has since been charged with possession of tobacco products, possession of a knife, possession of a prohibited weapon.

Assault Police and affray – West Ryde

About 1:40pm on Wednesday 7 June 2023, police attended West Ryde Railway Station to conduct a foot patrol when they were alerted by the public that an altercation between two males was occurring. One male was wearing red hoodie and the other a black hoodie.

Police approached the red hoodie male at the bus bay who became immediately hostile towards police. Police spoke with the male wearing all black who told police that the male in the red hoodie had punched him in the head. Police placed the male in a red hoodie under arrest for assault.

The male in the red hoodie became aggressive when told he was under arrest, stating "I've done nothing wrong". A male Police officer in executing his duties was attempting to get hand cuffs on when the male in the red hoodie spat on him.

The male in the red hoodie was arrested and conveyed to Ryde Police Station . Whilst at Ryde Police Station, police received and viewed CCTV footage from West Ryde Railway Station of the incident.

In the footage, the male in the red hoodie can be seen walking behind the male dressed in black. The male in the red hoodie used his left hand to nudge the backpack that the other male was wearing, causing him to step to his left. The male dressed in black then used his right hand and pushed the male in the red hoodie in the back as he was walking down the stairs in front of him.

The male in the red hoodie then turns around and aggressively pushes the other male in the chest. Both males engage in a physical fight whilst bystanders watch.

Police have since charged the male in the red hoodie with affray and further charges pending for the male dressed in black.



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Affray and Stabbing – Macquarie Park

Five teens have been charged over an alleged stabbing in Macquarie Park yesterday.

Just before 5.30pm on Sunday 11 June 2023, emergency services were called to a park in Herring Road, Macquarie Park, following reports of a brawl.

On arrival, officers from Ryde Police Area Command located a 14-year-old male suffering a stab wound at a nearby railway station.

He was taken to hospital in a critical condition but is now in a stable condition.

It's alleged the injured boy was involved in a fight with a group of teens at the park during which time he suffered a stab wound.

A crime scene was established at multiple locations, and investigations commenced into the circumstances surrounding the incident.

Following inquiries, four boys were arrested at Cherrybrook Train Station a short time later and conveyed to Ryde and Castle Hill Police Station. A fifth teen was arrested later in the night at Castle Hill.

The 15- and 13-year-old boys were charged with affray and possess prohibited drug and granted conditional bail to appear before Surry Hills Children's Court on Monday 26 June 2023.

The 14-year-old and two 17-year-old boys were charged with affray and granted conditional bail to appear before Surry Hills Children's Court on Monday 26 June 2023.

Police are appealing for any dashcam footage from vehicles that were in the Macquarie Park area between 5pm and 5.30pm on 11 June 2023 which may assist investigators.

Drive under the influence—Gladesville

About 10pm on Friday 9 June 2023, a white Toyota Hilux entered the carpark of McDonalds Gladesville when it has parked horizontally across multiple parking bays before the male driver exited from the driver seat and ran towards the entry of the McDonalds.

The male walked towards the front counter and attempted to enter into the kitchen area where he was stopped verbally by management advising him, he was not allowed entry into the kitchen.

At this time, plain clothed police entered the restaurant for an unrelated matter before observing the male suddenly run into the kitchen. Police identified themselves to McDonalds Staff and gave chase to the male where he was located attempting to lock himself inside the freezer room. Police produced their badges to the male and identified themselves to the male. The male attempted to run away before he was restrained by Police and escorted outside the restaurant.

Police questioned the male to ascertain the circumstances surrounding his behaviour and appeared to be affected by drugs and/or alcohol. The male was submitted to a passive breath test which returned a negative result. Based on police observations of the male's behaviour, police reasonably suspected the male was under the influence of drugs and was subsequently placed under arrest for the purpose of a blood and urine sample and was conveyed to Ryde Hospital.

Whilst in Ryde hospital, a blood and urine sample was obtained from the male with results pending.

Police are continuing investigations where action will be taken against the male pending blood and urine samples as well as offences for trespassing.

Drug detection – West Ryde

About 7:15pm on Friday 9 June 2023, Police responded to calls of anti-social behaviour in the West Ryde area. During their patrols, Police spoke to a group of 5 persons at West Ryde railway station where Police formed reason to search the group. During the search of an 18 year old male, 2 bags of Cannabis weighing 5.4grams was located in his backpack.

The male was subsequently issued with a Cannabis caution and the group was issued with a moveon direction.