



Media Information
Ryde Local Area Command
Thursday 15 April 2021

Drug Supply – Hunters Hill

About 11:50pm on Sunday 11 April 2021, Police observed a black Prado 4WD make a U-turn outside Barons Crescent in Hunters Hill. Police followed the vehicle which was seen to be driving erratically in an attempt to evade Police before coming to a stop in front of a residence in Hunters Hill.

Police spoke to the female occupant of the vehicle before conducting a search where they located a large cardboard box containing what appeared to be a large amount of cannabis contained in multiple plastic resealable bags.

A 50-year-old woman was arrested and taken back to Ryde Police Station where she was charged with Supply Prohibited Drug and Supply Commercial Quantity. She was refused bail.

Drugs and disqualified driver – Gladesville

At 11:30am Saturday the 10 April 2021, Police were patrolling Gladesville when they sighted a vehicle travelling in the opposite direction driven by a disqualified driver.

Police stopped the vehicle and conducted a random breath test before conducting a search on the vehicle. During this search Police located what they believe to be Liquid ecstasy and various prescription medications.

A 46-year-old Gladesville woman was issued a Field Court Attendance Notice for Drive whilst Disqualified and Possess Prohibited Drug and is due to appear in Hornby Local Court on 18 May 2021.

Drug detection – Meadowbank

At 10:20pm on Saturday the 10 April 2021, Police were patrolling Meadowbank Wharf when they noticed a vehicle leaving the location with no headlights on.

After a brief conversation with the occupant of the vehicle they conducted a search where they located a small quantity of what Police believe to be Cannabis.

A 35-year-old male from Gladesville was given a Field Court Attendance Notice for Possess Prohibited Drug.

Steal from Retail Store – Macquarie Park

At 1:10pm on Thursday 9 April 2021, a 25-year-old man entered a store in Macquarie Shopping Centre where he selected several items and placed them into a backpack.

The incident was witnessed by the store Loss Prevention Officer who followed the man who failed to pay for the items before exiting the store.

Police attended a short time later and spoke to the man. The man, an international student, was issued with a Criminal Infringement Notice and a banning notice from the store for 12 months.

Lock it or lose it! Ryde PAC urge people to remove valuables from vehicles!

There are several valuable items that are a common target for thieves to steal from vehicles because of their value and ability to be sold for quick cash. They are: Laptops, mobile phones, cameras, sporting goods, tools and cash/wallets.

To reduce your chances of becoming a victim of theft, please consider the following security tips.

- Ensure all valuables are removed from your vehicle or conceal them in the boot of the vehicle before arriving at your destination.
- **LOCK** your vehicles doors and close windows even if the vehicle is parked in your driveway, carport or garage.
- At night park your vehicle in a well-lit area.
- Park your vehicle in a garage at night where possible.
- Avoid hiding a second set of keys in the vehicle - if the vehicle is broken into, they may find the keys and take the car as well as your valuables.
- Avoid placing bags and wallets on the passenger seat where they could be easily stolen. Thieves will look into vehicles to see what items can be easily stolen. Even a small amount of cash may be the catalyst for becoming a target. Ensure you conceal or remove all cash and valuable items from your vehicle.



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Drug Detection – Marsfield

At 10:30am on Thursday 15 April 2021, police were conducting patrols of Waterloo Road, Marsfield when they stopped a vehicle for the purpose of a random breath test.

Following the interaction police found reason to conduct a search on the vehicle where police observed a clear resealable bag in the driver's side door of the vehicle which contained what police believed to be Cannabis.

A 22-year-old man was issued with a Cannabis Caution.

Mid-Range PCA – Gladesville

At 11pm on Sunday the 18 April 2021, Police were conducting proactive patrols when they witnessed a man travelling Eastbound on Victoria Road, Ryde, driving at a high speed.

Police have observed the vehicle for a short period of time, he was seen to be veering in and out of his lane and continue to drive the vehicle in excess of the speed limit.

Police stopped the vehicle on Victoria Road and submitted him to a breath test which returned a positive result and he was placed under arrest and conveyed to Ryde Police Station. The man returned a reading of 0.108 Mid-Range PCA and was issued with a Field Court Attendance Notice and issued with a Notice of suspension of his NSW Drivers Licence.

Mid-Range PAC – Carlingford

At 1:50pm on Monday the 19th of April 2021, a man was driving west bound on Marsden Road, Carlingford when he was directed by police into a stationary random breath test station in the Eric Mobbs Memorial Park Car park.

The man returned a positive reading, he was arrested and taken back to Ryde Police Station where he was subjected to a breath analysis that returned a result of 0.117.

He was charged with Mid-Range drink driving, second offence, and his NSW drivers' licence was suspended.

Drug Supply – Ryde

At 10pm on Tuesday the 20 April 2021, police were conducting patrols in the Ryde residential area when they observed a vehicle perform an illegal U-Turn after an interaction with another male through the driver's side window. Police pulled the vehicle over and had a conversation with the male occupant.

Police carried out a search of the vehicle where they located a large quantity of steroids as well as a large amount of cash.

A 47-year-old man was charged with Possess Prohibited drug and Knowingly Deal with Proceeds of Crime.

Protect your home.....

Your home should be a place you and your family can enjoy safely and securely. Criminals are often opportunists and will target homes with poor home security to steal belongings.

Remember:

- Fit quality security doors, windows, locks, alarms, lighting, CCTV cameras and warnings signs • Secure all windows and doors • Activate your alarm, smoke detectors, CCTV cameras and security lighting.
- Lock your gates, sheds and garages.
- Check there are no natural ladders lying about your home such as a garbage bin that may allow an intruder access over your fence • Trim any overgrown trees/bushes/plants over your doors/windows that may provide concealment • Remove items from view such as gardening tools, bikes, scooters, shoes etc

ALWAYS report break and enters to Police:
Police Assistance Line 131 444

Community Portal Online - https://www.police.nsw.gov.au/community_portal/home

Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000

ALWAYS call Triple Zero (000) in an emergency.



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Thursday 6 May 2021

Located drugs – Meadowbank

At 10:25pm on Friday the 30th of April 2021 police attached to the Ryde Proactive Crime Team were conducting patrols around Meadowbank Wharf. Whilst at the location Police observed two females seated on a park bench on the hill of Memorial Park.

Police approached the two females and after a brief conversation conducted a search of the vehicle belonging to one of the females, where they located a small quantity of cannabis in the front passenger side of the vehicle.

A 21-year-old female from Belmore was issued with a cannabis caution and both parties were given a move on direction to leave the area.

Drug Detection – West Ryde

At 5:00pm on Saturday the 1st of May 2021, police were patrolling the area around a local Shopping Centre in response to complaints of several young persons causing issues.

Police stopped a vehicle driving along Pope Street, with three young people on board, and had a conversation with the occupants. Two of the occupants had an extensive history of drug use, possession and supply.

Police conducted a search and found a Gucci bum bag which contained a small quantity of cannabis and a 22-year-old male was issued with a Field Court Attendance Notice for Possess Prohibited Drug.

Drug Detection – Denistone East

At 12:45am on Friday the 30 of April 2021, police attached to the Ryde Proactive Crime Team were conducting proactive patrols along Blaxland Road in Denistone. During the patrol Police observed a stationary vehicle at an intersection. Police noticed three males on board the vehicle.

After stopping the vehicle, police had a brief conversation with the occupants before conducting a search of the vehicle belonging to one of the males. During the search, police located and seized a small amount of Cannabis.

A 21-year-old male from Hurstville was issued with a cannabis caution.

Beware!! Online puppy scams.....

Over the last few months Ryde PAC has seen an increase in puppy scams. Some victims have lost thousands of dollars to these online scammers.

Australians have lost nearly \$300,000 to puppy scams this year, and scammers have been particularly targeting those seeking a furry companion during social isolation.

These Scams can take many forms and while in the past they were reasonably obvious, lately they are much more professional looking.

Here are some Signs of a Puppy Scam:

- Prices are too good to be true, negotiable, on sale or a discounted price.
- Puppy is free if you pay for shipping
- The seller won't talk on the phone and only communicates through emails or texts
- The only way to get the puppy is to have it delivered to you, by a transporter they arrange, you can't pick it up
- You must pay by money transfer or prepaid debit card
- After you make a payment, there are suddenly more expenses (e.g., shipping insurance, vet bills, crate fees, etc.)
- The seller tells you a sad story about why the puppy is for sale or being given away for reasons such as family hardship, relocation, or death
- The puppy's photo is in other ads (discovered when you do a reverse image search)

Research the seller by running an internet search using the exact wording in the ad and do a reverse image search for pictures of the specific puppy, as you're likely to be dealing with a scammer if you find matching images or text on multiple websites. The safest option is to purchase a puppy you can meet in person before paying any money.

If you think you have been scammed, contact your bank or financial institution as soon as possible and the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission.