



Media Information
Ryde Local Area Command
Thursday 4 March 2021

Driver arrested after car hits house - West Ryde

A house has been damaged and a brick fence destroyed after being hit by hatchback at West Ryde this morning.

A Toyota Yaris was being driven south along Darvall Road about 2:45am (Monday 1 March 2021), when the driver has lost control and continued across the intersection with Victoria Road and hit a brick fence and house. The force of the impact destroyed the fence and caused significant damage to the front wall of the property.

Emergency services were called to the scene; however, officers from Ryde Police Area Command were told the driver had allegedly walked away.

When police attempted to approach the driver of the vehicle on Darvall Road, he allegedly left the scene in an unknown vehicle.

Police began patrolling the vicinity searching for the vehicle, while negotiating with the driver by mobile phone to return to the scene.

A short time later, the Ryde Duty Officer was en route back to the station when he saw two men in a car on Darvall Street.

He attempted to speak with a 20-year-old man but will allege the man ran from the scene; the inspector chased the man and arrested him a short time later.

The man, from Eastwood, was taken to Ryde Hospital about 3.45am for treatment for a suspected shoulder injury and mandatory testing.

Police are now awaiting the outcome those tests.

A couple living in the home were not injured.

Sexual Touching - Macquarie Park

On 1 March 2021, a 26-year-old man committed a series of sexual touching incidents on the rail networks between the City and Macquarie Park. Each of the four victims reported the incidents to police.

About 1pm on the same day, Police attended Macquarie University railway station where they located a man fitting the description provided by the victims.

After a short struggle the man was arrested. He was allegedly found to be in possession of stolen items.

The 26-year-old male was charged with multiple sexual touching offences, intimidation, resist arrest and Goods in Custody.

Possess child abuse material - Epping

Detectives from the Ryde Police Area Command commenced an investigation into suspicions of access to child pornography.

On March 25 Police seized a mobile which was examined found to contain multiple child abuse images.

On 1 March 2021, police attended address in Epping where they arrested a 63-year-old man and he was conveyed to Ryde Police Station where he was interviewed in relation to the images.

The 63-year man was charged with Possess Child Abuse material and granted conditional bail.

Ryde PAC urge the community to be aware of fake phone calls.

Over the past few weeks there has been several reported scams involving victims being contacted by their Telco. The scammer contacts the victim by phone and poses as the victims Telco provider and often has some of the victim's details which makes the scammers story more appear more convincing.

At this point they lead the victim to believe that they have an outstanding bill or are upgrading their network service from 4G to 5G. The scammers will then send a once only PIN number to their phone and will then ask the victim for the PIN number.

This then allows the scammers to update the victim's telco account and gain valuable information such as banking details and email addresses. There have also been other fake phone calls to victims, stating they are from the banks and requesting personal information such as PIN numbers for their keycards.

If you receive these types of calls you should hang up and never provide any personal information or PIN numbers. If you have concerns, you should contact your bank and telco provider.



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Steal from Retail store - Ryde

About 1pm Thursday 4 March 2021 two females attended a shopping centre in Ryde with two young babies in a pram. Whilst at the location the pair visited multiple stores where they stole a number of items which were concealed in the pram.

The pair were stopped by the Loss Prevention Officer and Police attended the location a short time later. When questioned by police one of the females pulled several items from the pram and handed them to Police.

A 22-year-old woman from Glebe was given a Field Court Attendance Notice for Shoplifting and a banning notice preventing her from entering the Shopping Centre.

A 17-year-old female also from Glebe will be dealt with under the Young Offenders Act.

Steal from retail store- Macquarie Park

About 7:40pm on Thursday 4 March 2021 Police were conducting an operation in relation to anti-social behaviour, theft and youth related crime when they were called to a supermarket in relation to an alleged stealing.

A 57-year-old female grabbed several items before proceeding to the self-serve checkout where she only paid for one of the items before exiting the store. The woman was stopped by the Loss Prevention Officer outside the store. Police attended the scene a short time later and questioned the female regarding the items.

The Marsfield woman was issued with a Criminal Infringement Notice for Stealing.

Runaway Prime Mover – Cherrybrook

About 7:40am on Monday the 8 March 2021 a man was reversing a Prime mover truck into the driveway of a demolition sight when he failed to secure the hand break prior to exiting the vehicle.

The owner of the vehicle has proceeded to load a concrete boulder from the site onto the tray of the truck via an excavator. At this time the prime mover has begun rolling out of the driveway and down the hill where it mounted the curb before continuing through a fence and coming to a stop in a backyard swimming pool.

Neighbouring residents have called Emergency Services and Fire and Rescue along with the Police have attended the location a short time later.

Fortunately, no traffic issues or injuries occurred as a result of the incident.

Mid-Range PCA – Marsfield

About 4:40am on Sunday 7 March 2021, police were conducting regular patrols when they sighted a White Nissan Pulsar travelling east on Epping Road at Marsfield.

Police observed that the driver of the vehicle appeared to suddenly change the direction he was intending to travel after seeing police approaching. He was pulled over and questioned by police before being submitted 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 0.110 and was issued with a Court Attendance Notice for Drive with Mid-Range PCA and a Notice of Suspension of Authority to Drive in NSW due to having an international Kenyan licence.

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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Fatal crash - Pennant Hills

A man has died following a single-vehicle crash at Pennant Hills.

Just before 4.30am Friday 12 March 2021, emergency services were called to the westbound off-ramp of the M2 Motorway at Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills, following reports a truck had left the road and collided with a rock wall.

A 62-year-old man died at the scene.

Officers from Ryde Police Area Command established a crime scene and enquires commenced into the circumstances surrounding the crash.

A report will be prepared for the Coroner.

Drug detection - Putney

About 9:45pm on Wednesday the 9 March 2021, Police were conducting pro-active patrols when they observed a car parked in a parking bay off Morrison Rd.

After a short conversation with the occupants of the vehicle the police conducted a search where a small amount of what appeared to be cannabis was located.

A 32-year-old woman from Hunters Hill was issued with a cannabis caution.

Appeal to find missing woman - Epping

Police are appealing for public information to find a woman missing from Sydney's north-west.

Min Sook Moon, aged 49, was last seen walking along Rawson Street, Epping, about 1.30pm on Monday 8 March 2021.

Detectives from Ryde Police Area Command were notified of her disappearance and commenced inquiries into her whereabouts.

Police and family have concerns for the Min Sook's welfare as her disappearance is out of character.

She is described as being of Asian appearance, about 170cm tall, of slim build, with black hair and dark eyes. She was last seen wearing a short-sleeved top, jeans, blue joggers with white sole, and a work apron.

Police are urging anyone with information about his whereabouts to contact Eastwood Police Station or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000 or <https://nsw.crimestoppers.com.au>. Information is treated in strict confidence. The public is reminded not to report information via NSW Police social media pages.

Drug detection – Hunters Hill

About 6:50am on 10 March 2021, Police were conducting pro-active patrols in Hunters Hill when they noticed a car parked at the end of High Street with all its doors open.

Police approached the vehicle and noticed what appeared to be drug paraphernalia on the ground next to the vehicle.

After a short conversation with the occupants of the car the police conducted a search of the vehicle where they located what they believed to be a small amount of cannabis.

A 20-year-old Lane Cove woman was issued with a cannabis caution and given a move on direction.



Media Information Ryde Local Area Command Thursday 25 March 2021

Charges laid following death of woman - Epping

A man has been charged over the alleged murder of a woman in Sydney's north-west earlier this month.

The 49-year-old woman was last seen walking along Rawson Street, Epping, about 1.20pm on Monday 8 March 2021.

About 12.30am on Wednesday 10 March 2021, officers from Ryde Police Area Command were notified by family members of her disappearance after she failed to make contact.

Strike Force Cusso was subsequently established to investigate the circumstances surrounding the woman's disappearance.

During inquiries, officers determined the woman entered a vehicle in a carpark on Rawson Street, Epping, about 1.30pm on Monday 8 March 2021.

About 9.30am yesterday Saturday 20 March 2021, a 55-year-old man attended Eastwood Police Station, where he was arrested.

As part of ongoing inquiries, officers attended a park at Silverwater and located a body just before 4pm, which is yet to be formally identified.

A crime scene was established at the park, which is being forensically examined.

The man was transferred to Ryde Police Station and charged with murder.

He was refused bail to appear at Parramatta Bail Court

Drug detection - Putney

About 12:20am on Friday the 19 March 2021, Police were conducting external patrols of the Marsfield area when a vehicle was observed parked, with engine running and all lights on, in the car park of Marsfield Park.

Police approached the vehicle and spoke to the occupants of the vehicle.

After a brief conversation Police conducted a search of the vehicle where a small amount of what appeared to be cannabis was located inside the driver's door.

A 22-year-old man from Marsfield was issued with a cannabis caution.

Execution of Search warrant – North Ryde

About 9am on Thursday the 19 March 2021, after an extensive investigation into the suspected cultivation of cannabis, Police executed a search warrant on a residence in North Ryde.

Police gained entry to the premises and located several Cannabis plants being grown in a greenhouse. In another location on the premises they also located a large amount of Cannabis and Cannabis oil.

A 55-year-old man was arrested and conveyed to Ryde Police Station.

The man is being charged with Cultivate Prohibited Plant, Cultivate Prohibited Plant by Enhanced Indoor Means, Drug Supply and Possess Prohibited Drug.

Armed Robbery – Epping

About 5:30pm on Sunday the 21 March 2021, two males entered a liquor store in Epping, one of the males was armed with a Samurai sword. After entering the store, the two males threatened and robbed the store owner of cash and alcohol before he was able to flee from the scene. The two men left the scene before police arrived.

Investigations into the matter led police to obtain possible forensic and video evidence which lead them to identify one of the men.

At 2:45pm on Monday the 22 March 2021, Ryde detectives attended a residence in West Ryde and arrested a 47-year-old male who was refused bail. Police conducted a search of the man's vehicle where the sword suspected of being used in the offence was seized.

A second male was also arrested but was later released without charge pending further investigation.