
GLADESVILLE COMMUNITY SAFETY PRECINCT COMMITTEE

19th May 9.30am
Ryde Ex Services Club
Victoria Road, Ryde

Present:

Name	Agency	Title
Det/Insp Ian McNab	NSW Police	Crime Manager
Insp David Robins	NSW Police	Duty Officer (Presenter)
Sgt Jim Duignan	NSW Police	PCYC
Sgt Kerri McDonald	NSW Police	Intelligence Supervisor
S/Cst Tracy Stone	NSW Police	Crime Prevention Officer
Mr Victor Dominello	State Govt	Local Member for Ryde
Clr Sarkis Yedelian	Ryde City Council	Deputy
Clr Vic Tagg	Ryde City Council	Mayor
Peter Astridge	Hunters Hill Council	Councillor
Julianne Taffer	West Ryde Chamber of Commerce	Vice President
Janice Poynton	HH/Ryde	Manager
Tony Aboud	Ryde Chamber of Commerce	President
STO Rob Beath	Railcorp	Transit Officer
STO Dave Austin	Railcorp	Transit Officer

Apologies:

Name	Agency	Title
Supt Phil Flogel	NSW Police	Commander
Mr Anthony Roberts	State Govt	Local member for Lane Cove
Mr Mick Nelson	West Ryde Chamber	President
Mr Craig Stevens	Salvation Army	
Mr Reg Cain	Gladesville Chamber	President
Mr Ken Burke	DOCS Epping	
Elver Stonham	Blandville Court	Community Rep
Branka Ivovic	Hunters Hill Ryde	
Emma Langham	Defined	Centre Manager

MINUTES:

Crime Report for Gladesville LAC presented by Det/Insp Ian McNab

Assault non DV (domestic violence)

- Gladesville LAC ranked 77th in the state (from 80 LACs)
- Alcohol related assault statistics below anticipated figures
- Over a four (4) month period 44 incidents were reported
- Areas monitored by Gladesville LAC include Gladesville Hotel and The Bayview Hotel
- Daily Business Inspections of licensed premises are being carried out and as a result alcohol related assaults have reduced due to the Police presence.
- Operation Vikings which is funded by the NSW Government runs additional operations on licensed premises

DV Assaults

- There has been a recent spike in DV assaults
- People involved in DV assaults are now reporting them to the DVLO (Domestic Violence Liaison Officer)
- The DVLO follows up on reports and attends court hearings with victims

Break & Enter & Steal

- Gladesville LAC is ranked 61st in the state
- Gladesville LAC and the Region Office are working together with neighbouring LAC's who have a higher instance of Break & Enter to assist in managing these offences. This in turn prevents a flow on effect into Gladesville LAC
- Reporting indicated 28 to 30 Break & Enter & Steal per month which is a reasonable number in comparison to neighbouring LAC's
- There has been an increase in the turn around time of fingerprint DNA to aid in identifying the persons of interest involved in a Break & Enter & Steal
- Approximately 60% of Break & Enter & Steal that occurs in Gladesville LAC is carried out by persons residing in the LAC
- Uniform Police are canvassing areas where Break & Enter & Steal occurs and encouraging Target Hardening Kits to assist residents in protecting their property. These kits are also available at local Police Stations as well as on line
- Non dwelling Break & Enter & Steal averaging 10 incidents over a 30 day period
- Strike Force Piccadilly established to investigate ATM incidents

Robbery

- Average 3 per month
- Consist of street robberies, incidents involving juveniles, hotel robberies (Hunters Hill Hotel, Bridge Hotel and Victorian Hotel)
- Operations are being run to monitor hotels in Gladesville LAC

- Visits of licensed premises has increased from 65 to 110 in a 3 month period
- With the completion of the Top Ryde Shopping Centre street robberies are expected to increase
- Gladesville LAC is ranked 49th in the State
- Gladesville LAC has a bike team which operates two (2) shifts per week
- Stealing (excluding steal from motor vehicle) Gladesville LAC is ranked 68th in the State
- The number of stolen vehicles within LAC has reduced, and Gladesville LAC is ranked 71st in the State

Malicious Damage

- Incident occurred in February in Porter Street, Gladesville where 68 vehicles in one location were scratched. This resulted in a spike in statistics for the month
- Malicious damage includes graffiti. There has been a change in legislation that includes the scratching of bus windows as graffiti
- 90% of graffiti incidents are carried out by juveniles and on their first offence are cautioned under new legislation
- Police are looking at internet pages such as facebook and myspace to target offenders for graffiti offences
- Gladesville LAC has a Proactive Crime Team that has been operational for 12 months
- As a result of the Proactive Crime Team drug detections have increased

Fraud

- Skimming of two (2) ATMs at Hunters Hill and Gladesville
- It is believed that the skimming of ATMs was being carried out by a Romanian Crime Group which have since been caught in Kings Cross

BisKeys

- Elderly Register
- Party Packs
- CCTV project is up and running

PCYC Steering Committee – Inspector Dave Robins

- Dave Robins has spoken to local councils about finding a suitable location for a PCYC within Gladesville LAC
- A feasibility committee PCYC meeting was carried out on 28 April 2009
- A local PCYC would also incorporate Eastwood LAC
- More data is required regarding the feasibility of a local PCYC. A letter to be sent to the Minister for Police requesting this data

Graffiti Presentation – Mr Victor Dominello

- With the review of the Graffiti Control Act December 2008, etching and marker pens is now covered by the Act

- It is questionable as to what the courts are doing to aid in cleaning up the problem associated with graffiti
- In 2007, 4601 persons were found guilty of property damage and of this 143 were given community service orders (this is just 3%)
- Stated in the Child Protection Act that with the supervision of a juvenile officer the offender can be ordered to clean off graffiti within the community. Mr Dominello is of the opinion that this punishment is not being enforced based on the above statistic
- Under section 13 of Children Community Service Section any suitable person can oversee juvenile clean up
- Local Magistrate, Police Prosecutor and community are willing to participate where appropriate to facilitate supervision of community service orders
- Rotary and Chamber of Commerce possible avenues to facilitate supervision of community service orders

E-Nose Presentation - Clr SarkisYedelian

- This is being used on a trial basis in Newcastle
- Has been used in air ports and mines to detect gases
- Based on the findings from the trial in Newcastle, it may then be considered as a trial in Gladesville LAC
- The problem with E-Nose is that it is not a stand alone unit and requires a power supply

Railcorp Overview of Reported Incidents - Rob Beath

- Free fare period ends at the end of May 2009
- Malicious damage offences include window scratching and graffiti
- There is a team allocated to the cleaning of graffiti on trains
- Extra resources are being allocated to the West Ryde area
- The report of two (2) sex offenders operating in the area. The offenders are from the North Shore and are travelling through West Ryde
- 160 CCTV per station

Community Services - Janice Poynton HH/Ryde Manager

- A newly developed drop in lunch service provided at Beronia Park Church for local residents
- Door nock undertaken to DOH building in area to promote the new service
- Drop in lunch occurs every Thursday

Action Item	Responsibility
Identify possible community leaders	Inspector Dave Robins
Liaise with Ministry regarding new draft policy and legislation	Mr Victor Dominello