
Gladesville Community Safety Precinct Committee

17th November, 2010
Training Room
Ryde Police Station
810 Victoria Road, Gladesville

Present:

Name	Agency	Title
Superintendent Phil Flogel	NSW Police	Commander
Inspector David Robins	NSW Police	Inspector
Detective Inspector Doug Revette	NSW Police	Crime Manager
Sergeant Kerri McDonald	NSW Police	Crime Co-ordinator
Senior Constable Tracy Stone	NSW Police	Crime Prevention Officer
Caroline Beinke for Victor Dominello	State Govt	Local Member of Ryde
Toni Dickson for Anthony Roberts	State Govt	Local Member of Lane Cove
Tony Aboud	Ryde Chamber of Commerce	President
Paul Savelberg	Centre Manager	Top Ryde City Shopping Centre
Leon Marsker	City of Ryde	Manager Regulatory
Craig Stephens	Salvation Army	Manager
Chris Hellmundt	City of Ryde	Road & Community Safety Project Officer

Apologies:

Peter Astridge	Hunters Hill Council	Councillor
Reg Cain	Gladesville Chamber of Commerce	President
Margaret Kelly	Hunters Hill Council	Manager Community Services
STO Rob Beath	Railcorp	Transit Officer
Mick Nelson	West Ryde Chamber of Commerce	Vice President

Minutes:

Opening and Welcome – Superintendent Flogel

Meeting commenced 9.40am

Previous Minutes accepted:

Moved Tony Aboud
Seconded Sergeant Kerri McDonald

1. Crime Overview for Gladesville LAC presented by Detective Inspector Revette

REPORTING PERIOD: April 2010 – September 2010

This review period includes the quarter periods, April-June 2010 & July to September 2010 due to CSPC meetings not being held in July/August 2010.

ASSAULTS

- Total of **114 incidents** were reported during this period. These figures relate to criteria of Assault (Non DV) & Assault (DV) exclude Alcohol related assaults.
- There were in the period April-June, **60** assaults. In the period July – September, **54**.
- Compared to the same six month period last year, (**154 incidents for the period of April - September 2009**).
- The legal action rate for year to date ending September 2010 combining the Non DV & Assault (DV) is **94%**. **This is reflected in the high percentage clear up for Domestic Violence Assaults (71%)**.
- The Gladesville LAC had below 10 figures for each month in the review period for alcohol related assaults - April-September 2010. These excellent results are attributed to intensive proactivity with business inspections to licensed premises, targeting of crime hotspots where alcohol is consumed and the corporate focus to reducing Alcohol related crime through the media.

ASSAULT – Alcohol Related & Non DV Related.

The criteria for reporting alcohol related incidents has slightly changed and now includes Non DV related alcohol related.

- Total of **20 incidents** were reported during April-September 2010.
- There were **9** assaults from April-June and **11** from July-September.
- On a comparison to the same period in 2009 we had a total of **35** alcohol related assaults reported.
- The LAC still has a state ranking of 79 for the period ending September 2010. Our control chart measures have decreased by three in this category of crime.
- The Eastwood Gladesville Liquor Accord (EGLA) started in October 2009, and is supported by all the hotels and registered clubs in the EW & GL LACS. The accord is actively working towards gaining additional members from bottles shops and restaurants. The Accord was recognised as one of the most successful at the NSW Police Licensing Conference held in Mudgee, June 2010.

ASSAULT – DV

- Total of **54 incidents** were reported during this period, April-September 2010. There were **63 incidents for the period April – September 2009**).

- This reporting period is showing a downwards trend for DV related incidents with year to date comparisons showing **84** incidents to the end of September 2010 compared to **108** for the same period in 2009.
- The LAC has a state ranking of **73** for DV incidents and a **71%** legal action rate for DV matters for year to date.
- The DVLO provides 100% follow up with victims of domestic related assaults and attends court each week regarding these incidents. There are DV Video Kits being utilised for the recording of injury, statements and demeanour of victims of these incidents which support the victim while providing strong evidence against perpetrators and thereby seeking to gain early guilty pleas at court.

BREAK ENTER & STEAL - DWELLING

- Total of **101 incidents** were reported during this period April-September 2010.
- There were **9** in April; **32** in May; **15** in June; **18** in July; **17** in August; **10** in September.
- The LAC has a state ranking of 72 in the period ending September 2010. We have gained 3 positions (previous report – 75), albeit our incidents for this crime are relatively low.
- Our main hotspots suburbs for this quarter are Ryde, North Ryde, West Ryde, Hunters Hill and Gladesville.
- BE&S packages are forwarded onto victims and residents in the surrounding neighbourhood.
- The LAC Crime Prevention Officer conducts safety audits in relation to the target hardening of premises. She also conducts audits with victims and continues on with victim follow up.
- Evidence for DNA and fingerprints has slowed this year in terms of links to forensic data base. There have been links of DNA to crime scenes but we are yet to get the same link to a person of interest.

Good arrests

- On 3 August 2010 a 34 year old man was arrested and charged for break, enter and steal at North Ryde in April 2010. He was identified through DNA collected at the scene.
- On 26 August 2010, a 20 year old man was arrested and charged with possess housebreaking implements on this date at Meadowbank.

BREAK, ENTER & STEAL – NON DWELLING (business/commercial, recreation, industrial and education premises)

- Total of **35 incidents** were reported during April-September 2010.
- There were **6** incidents in April; **7** in May; **13** in June; **2** in July; **3** in August and **4** in September 2010. We were only 6 above for the same period last year. **The year to date figure is 58** and it is a **21%** increase from 2009 figures (48).
- Hotspot areas are commercial premises in the West Ryde CBD area, Gladesville CBD area, North Ryde Business Park area and the new Top Ryde City Shopping Centre.
- Gladesville is ranked **71** in the state for break and enter non dwelling incidents.

Good arrests

Nil.

MALICIOUS DAMAGE

- Total of **242 incidents** were reported during this period April –September 2010.
- There were **30** in April, 39 in May; 46 in June; 44 in July; 40 in August and 43 in September.
- Compared to the same six month period last year we had **98 incidents**.
- The Gladesville LAC is ranked **72** in the state for this crime.

- We had a **9.5%** legal action rate with 23 incidents.

GRAFFITI

- Total of **39 incidents** in the six months April to September 2010.
- The main hotspot suburbs are Gladesville with Budget Rentals hit three times in June and July; Gladesville Motel, and L.J.Hookers and KFC. Also schools targeted included Hunters Hill High School, Boronia Park Public, North Ryde Public school and the Gladesville Hospital.
- Recidivist targets have had safety audits conducted by the CPO.

Good arrests

- A 61 year old man arrested and charged for the L.J. Hookers incident on 23 June, 2010.
- A 17 year old girl was arrested and charged with a number of offences including the graffiti of North Ryde Public School on 8 July 2010.

ROBBERY

- Total of **17 incidents** were reported during April to September 2010.
- There were **7** robberies in April; Nil in May, **3** In June; **2** in July, **3** in August and **2** in September 2010. Compared to the same six month period last year of **10**.
- For the review period Gladesville was **56** in the state ranking.
- Hotspot areas are CBD areas of Gladesville, Ryde and West Ryde.
- Continued liaison with our licensee's regarding targeting hardening of licensed premises and tasking to hotspots such as Ryde Park, Anzac Park, and businesses in the CBD areas at night.
- Legal action for the period was **23.5%**.

Good arrests

- On 10 August, 2010 police arrested two males for assault with intent to rob at West Ryde Railway Station where a male victim was confronted and punched in the face.
- On 14 August 2010 two males aged 20 & 25 were arrested and charged with aggravated robbery after search warrants were executed on their premises. The offence took place at McDonalds, West Ryde.

STEALING (excludes SFMV)

- Total of **71 incidents** were reported during this period which includes, Steal from Dwelling, Steal from person and Steal from Retail store.
- There was an increase in Steal from Retail Store which was identified in the previous reporting period since the re-opening of Top Ryde City Shopping Centre.
- The comparison in SFRS shows **44 incidents for this period compared to 12 for the same period last year**.
- Our CPO has been conducting follow up visits with Top Ryde City Shopping Centre businesses to improve security and design of shops. The lack of CCTV footage in some areas has reduced the likelihood of apprehending offenders. Tasking has increased and Shoplifting operations will be and have been conducted in the area with the assistance of LPO's and police from Eastwood.

Good arrests

- **19 people have been arrested for shoplifting of the 44 incidents.**

STEALING - STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE

- Total of **140 incidents** were reported during this period.
- There was a decrease in this offence from the previous period (April 2009-September 2009 - 147)
- Gladesville is **68** in the State for this incident criteria in the review period.
- The main hotspots suburbs are Ryde and Hunters Hill and Meadowbank.
- Popular items stolen are GPS, laptops, iPods, bags, wallets and cash, tools.

Good arrests

- **There were only four arrests for this period.**

STOLEN VEHICLES

- Total of **45 incidents** were reported during this period. There were 7 stolen in April, 8 in May, 6 in June, 9 in July, 10 in August and 5 in September 2010.
- There was a significant decrease in vehicle theft from the LAC 45 compared to 61 for the previous period in 2009.
- **This is a decrease of 26.2%**
- Gladesville lies at 69th in the State for this crime during the review period.
- The main hotspots suburbs for this time period are Ryde, Gladesville, North Ryde, West Ryde, Meadowbank and Hunters Hill.

Good arrests

- On 20 April 2010 a 16 yrs old male was arrested and charged for take & drive conveyance w/o consent of owner on this date at Putney.
- On 4 September 2010, a 24 yrs old male and a 25 yrs old male were arrested and charged with take & drive conveyance w/o consent of owner on this date at Ryde.

GLADESVILLE LAC PROACTIVITY

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DRUG DETECTIONS - Possess

- Total of **53 incidents** were reported during this period.
- Compared to the same six month period last year, there is a **decrease of 20.9%** in detections. (**67 incidents for the period of Apr - Sept 2009**).
- For this reporting period of our figures are showing a downwards trend and this is attributed to the targeting of known drug offenders and locations by the LAC proactive crime team and general duties police.
- The LAC has a current state ranking of 69.
- Our main hotspots areas are wharves, parks and reserves in the LAC, where groups of young people, mostly in their late teens, early to mid twenties congregate in their vehicles near the waterfront in the LAC, especially during the end of spring/summer period.

DRUG DETECTIONS - Supply

- There were **4 incidents** reported during this period.

- Compared to the same six month period last year, there is an **increase of 33.3%** in detections. (**3 incidents for the period of Apr - Sept 2009**).
- For this reporting period our figures are showing an upward trend due to the targeting of known drug offenders in the LAC.
- The LAC has a current state ranking of 77.

Good arrests

- On 15 June 2010 a 41 yrs old male was arrested and charged with Supply prohibited drug >indict. quantity (not cannabis).

MOVEONS

- Total of **119 incidents** were reported during this period.
- For the same period last year we are down on those figures by **54.4%**. (**261 incidents for the period of Apr – Sept 2009**).
- For this reporting period, our figures are showing a downwards trend, which is attributed to the colder weather and ongoing patrolling of known locations within the LAC where people of interest loiter.
- Our main hotspots areas for moveons are CBD areas, transport locations and recreational areas in the suburbs of Ryde, West Ryde, North Ryde, Meadowbank and Gladesville

PERSON SEARCHES

- Total of **377 incidents** were reported during this period. There is a **decrease of 26.2%** in the number of person searches done compared to the same period last year. (**511 incidents for the period of Apr – Sept 2009**).
- For this reporting period, our figures are showing a downwards trend, which is attributed once again to the colder weather and ongoing patrolling of known locations within the LAC where people of interest loiter.
- Our main hotspots areas are transport locations and recreational areas in the suburbs of Ryde, West Ryde, Meadowbank, Gladesville and North Ryde.

OPERATIONS held from April - September 2010.

- **28.06.09 – ongoing – Operation COUNTDOWN** – region wide operation to reduce BE&S incidents.
- **01.02.10 – 31.12.10 – Operation SCORPION** – targeting disqualified drivers in the LAC.
- **10.03.10 – 01.08.10** – Operation by Crime Team to target BE&S and SFMV offences on various dates within the six month period.
- **01.02.10 – 01.10.10 (6 month operation)** – targeting bail compliance, high risk offenders, warrants, anti-social behaviour.
- **02.04.10 – Way of the Cross process at Hunters Hill.**
- **02.04.10 – Good Friday procession at Gladesville.**
- **23.04.10 – Anzac Eve march at Hunters Hill.**
- **01.04.10 – 05.04.10 – Easter long weekend – Operation TORTOISE** – statewide road safety campaign.
- **15.03.10 – 31.12.10 – Operation OBEDIENCE** – statewide road safety campaign. (occurring monthly until the end of the year).
- **28.05.10 – Drug Dog Detection Operation** – targeting licensed premises in the LAC.
- **23.04.10 – 26.04.10 – Anzac weekend – Operation GO SLOW** – statewide road safety campaign.
- **01.05.10 – 31.05.10 – National Operation AUSTRANS** – targeting heavy vehicles – Australia wide.

- **11.06.10 – 14.06.10 – Operation STAY ALERT – Queen’s birthday weekend** – statewide road safety campaign.
- **11.06.10 – 12.07.10 – Operation LONEPINE – FIFA World Cup** – officers from the LAC attended.
- **08.07.10 – 8.01.11** – Operation by Crime Team to detect and prevent property offences on various dates within the six month period.
- **July 2010 – Operation COMPLIANCE 2** – statewide road safety campaign occurring on various dates in 2010.
- **August 2010 – Operation COMPLIANCE 3** – statewide road safety campaign occurring on various dates in 2010.
- **07/08/10** – Operation assisting staff at St. Joseph’ College re: rugby union games.
- **12/09/10** – Operation assisting with the safe movement of pedestrians and traffic re: Ryde Rivers Festival.
- **10.09.10 – 11.09.10 – Operation UNITE** – statewide operation to target and reduce alcohol related crime, violence and anti –social behaviour.
- **September 2010 – Operation COMPLIANCE 4** – statewide road safety campaign occurring on various dates in 2010.
- **27.09.10 – 29.09.10 – Operation QUAY** – assist with Forbes conference in Sydney. The event is a conference for CEO’s from global companies.
- **01.10.10 – 04.10.10 – October long weekend – Operation SLOW DOWN** – statewide road safety campaign.
- **22.10.10 – 24.10.10 – Operation AVERT 6** – target o/s warrants, bail compliance and high risk offenders in the LAC.
- **October 2010** – Operation by General Duties to target licensed premises in the LAC.
- **November 2010** – Operation by Crime Team to target property theft in the LAC.

OPERATIONS coming up.

- **November 2010 – ongoing** – Operation NOCRAM – Vikings based operation – targeting licensed premises, antisocial behaviour.
- **November/December 2010** – Operation POWER – local based traffic operation occurring over the next six weeks.
- **November/December 2010** – Vikings operation – high profile policing in the LAC.
- **December 2010** – Vikings operation – traffic offences.
- **December 2010 – Gladesville Xmas parade. TBA.**
- **December 2010 - Operation UNITE** – statewide operation to target and reduce alcohol related crime, violence and anti–social behaviour.
- **19.12.10 – Xmas carols by Candlelight at North Ryde Common.**
- **24.12.10 – 07.01.11 – Xmas and NYE period 2010/2011 - Operation SAFE ARRIVAL -** statewide road safety campaign.
- **31.12.10 – New Years Eve at Hunters Hill** – No major issues for this.
- **26.1.11 – Australia Day at North Ryde Common.**

CURRENT PROGRAMS

- Bizkeys (Volunteers in Policing assist with Elderly Register and Bizkeys).
- Party Packs. Can be obtained from the NSW Police Force website - <http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/> and clicking on the safe party section.
- In this section you can access www.mynite.com.au site and leave details of the party, which will then be forward onto your local police.
- CCTV – pamphlets.

2. Top Ryde City update

Paul Savelberg, Centre Manager, Top Ryde City Shopping Centre advised;

- Paid parking at the centre has commenced and there have been little issues. The car park is now being managed by a Easy Park and the Manager is Brendan Williams. As part of the contract Easy Park will install CCTV Cameras at all entry/ exits. The CCTV surveillance system will be separate to the Centre and the system does not include camera recognition software.
- Currently issues with staff not doing the right thing with parking. There is staff parking available within the car park for \$5.00 per day. Staff are parking in the car park and leaving and returning, a three four turn around, to avoid paying for parking.
- The Centre currently has five restaurants trading at the Centre and a further 3 will open before Christmas.
- The Cinemas is on track to open mid December around 17 or 18th.
- Strike Bowling will be on level 2, below the Cinema, and will not be trading until March/April 2011. Strike Bowling will include a karaoke bar and skirmish.
- The Ryde of Ryde Library will open on Level 1 in March/April.
- Ongoing issues with communications within the Centre. All emergency services are issues with communication. The Centre has been liaising with the telecommunications networks since the Opening of Stage 1 of the Centre to rectify this issue. Vodaphone has committed to a deal and any day now a signal should be throughout the Centre. Hopefully this will bring the offer networks on board.
- Currently having issues with the internet kiosks within the Centre. Pornography sites are being accessed and Police recently arrested a male for downloading child pornography. Another male was recently banned from the Centre.
- Extended trading in December with some of the major stores trading until midnight.
- Construction for the residential towers will commence next year.

Mr Fogel requested that Police be called to attend incidents at the kiosk to determine if any offence has been committed.

3. General Business

Council update

Leon Marsker, City of Ryde, discussed problems with the LGA with misuse of disabled parking and problems with enforcement of penalties for these offences. There has been a 400% increase to assaults on officers. Leon expressed his desire to work with and gain the assistance of the Local Chamber of Commerce to address the parking issues with the LGA.

PCYC

Craig Stevens, Salvation Army, enquired as to the outcome of the PCYC meetings that were held. He explained that there is still local interest and the community are expressing the need for a PCYC in the area. Caroline BEINKE provided a brief update. Inspector Robins requested an update be prepared to present to the Committee at the next meeting.

Community and Policing Program

Mr Fogel discussed the Community and Policing Program. Information regarding the program is attached.

With nothing further the meeting was closed at 10.55 am

Next Meeting: 23rd February, 2011

