
GLADESVILLE COMMUNITY SAFETY PRECINCT COMMITTEE

10 February 2010
Training Room, Ryde Police Station
810 Victoria Road, Gladesville

Present:

Name	Agency	Title
A/Supt Rob Vellar	NSW Police	A/Commander
Insp David Robins	NSW Police	Duty Officer (Presenter)
Det Insp Ian McNab	NSW Police	Crime Manager
S/Cst Tracy Stone	NSW Police	Crime Prevention Officer
Peter Astridge	Hunters Hill Council	Councillor
Victor Dominello	State Govt	Local member for Ryde
Anthony Roberts	State Govt	Local member for Lane Cove
Richard Quinn	Hunters Hill Council	Acting Mayor
Tony About	Ryde Chamber of Commerce	President
Reg Cain	Gladesville Chamber of Commerce	President
Chris Hellmundt	City of Ryde	Road & Community Safety Project Officer
Natalie Thompson	City of Ryde	Ranger - Compliance
Emma Langham	TRC Shopping Centre	Centre Manager

Apologies:

Name	Agency	Title
Supt Phil Flogel	NSW Police	Commander
STO Rob Beath	Railcorp	Transit Officer
Margaret Kelly	Hunters Hill Council	Manager Community Services
Clr Michael Butterworth	City of Ryde council	Mayor
Clr Vic Tagg	City of Ryde Council	Councillor
Sgt Kerri McDonald	NSW Police	Intelligence Supervisor
Sgt Laurie Buckley	NSW Police	Licensing Officer
Mick Nelson	West Ryde Chamber of Commerce	President

MINUTES:

Opening and Welcome – A/Superintendent Vellar

Meeting Commenced 9.45am

Previous Minutes Accepted:

Moved Clr Peter Astridge

Seconded: Mr Tony About

1. CRIME REPORT FOR GLADESVILLE LAC PRESENTED BY DET INSP MCNAB

REPORTING PERIOD – October 2009 – December 2009

ASSAULTS

- Total of 75 incidents were reported during this period.
- There were 23 assaults in October, 29 in November and 23 in December
- Compared to the same three month period last year, (86 incidents for the period of October to December 2008), there is a decrease of 12.8% in the number of overall assaults reported.
- Due to the low numbers of overall assaults reported, the LAC has a low state ranking of 73 in October, 75 in both November and December 2009.
- Assaults are also broken down into the following incident categories of Assault – Non DV, Assault – Alcohol Related and Assault – DV.
- Our main concerns currently are alcohol related assaults, especially at licensed premises in the LAC. As the summer months approach, it is also expected that the number of alcohol related assaults will rise.

ASSAULT – Alcohol Related

- Total of 30 incidents were reported during this period.
- There were 10 alcohol related assaults in each month of October, November and December. The LAC monthly target is 12 in October, 10 in November and 17 in December. Compared to the same three month period last year, there is a decrease of 16.7% in the number of alcohol related assaults reported. (36 incidents for the period of October to December 2008)
- This reporting period is showing a downwards trend for alcohol related incidents, which is attributed to ongoing business inspections of licensed premises and continued walkthroughs of licensed premises at night and operations targeting alcohol related offences in this three month period, especially in the Christmas Holiday season.
- The LAC has a state ranking of 72 in October, 73 in November, and 75 in December for the number of alcohol related assaults that have been reported.
- Our main hotspot locations for this reporting period were licensed premises at Gladesville. Particularly the Gladesville Hotel and licensed premises at Ryde and West Ryde. The main days and time for alcohol related incidents are Saturday and Sunday nights between 6pm and midnight.
- Daily business inspections of all licensed premises in the LAC are conducted.
- Local operations have been run on Friday and Saturday nights at licensed premises throughout the period targeting alcohol related offences, assaults and anti social behaviour in the LAC.
- The Eastwood Gladesville Liquor Accord (EGLA) started in October 2009, and has signed up more than 200 licensed premises in both LAC's. This Liquor Accord is a cooperative relationship between licensees, local council, local police and other interested community stakeholders, which is aimed at responsible service of alcohol,

ASSAULT – DV

- Total of 27 incidents were reported during this period.
- There were 8 DV related assaults in October, 9 in November, and 10 in December. The LAC monthly target is 12 in October, 18 in November and 11 in December. Compared to the same three month period last year, there is a decrease of 6.9% in the number of domestic related assaults reported. (29 incidents for the period of October to December 2008)
- This reporting period is showing a downwards trend for DV related incidents.
- The LAC has a state ranking of 67 in October, 66 for both November and December for the number of DV related assaults that have been reported.
- The DVLO provides 100% follow up with victims of domestic related assaults and attends each week regarding these incidents.

BREAK ENTER & STEAL - DWELLING

- Total of 53 incidents were reported during this period.
- There were 18 break and enters at dwellings in October, 18 in November and 17 in December.
- Compared to the same three month period last year, there is a decrease of 56.5% in the number of overall BE&S incidents reported. (122 incidents for the period from October to December 2008)
- The LAC has a state ranking of 74 for this reporting period of BE&S.
- The overall legal action rate (clear up rates) for the October to December period for all break and enters – residential and commercial offences is 3.8%.
- BE&S incidents are also broken down into the following incident categories of BE&S – Dwelling & Break, Enter & Steal – non dwelling.
- The main concerns during this period were offenders from outside the LAC targeting residential premises.

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

- Total of 20 incidents were reported during this period.
- There were 5 break and enters at non dwellings in October, 9 in November and 6 in December 2009. The LAC monthly target is 8 in October, 11 in November and 7 in December. Compared to the same three month period last year, there is a decrease of 39.4% in the number of non- residential break and enters reported. (33 incidents for the period from October to December 2008)
- For this period, incidents are also showing downward trend, with overall figures well underneath the monthly targets.
- The LAC has a state ranking of 70 in October, 74 in November, and 77 in December for the number of BE&S at non-residential premises that have been reported.
- The legal action rate (clear up rates) for the October to December 2009 period for residential BE&S incidents is 5%
- CCTV footage is obtained when possible.
- Daily school inspections are conducted of all primary and high schools in the LAC.
- Regular patrols of all ATM's in the LAC are conducted by night shift car crews.

ROBBERY

- Total of 6 incidents were reported during this period.
- There were 0 robberies in October, 2 in November and 4 in December. The monthly LAC target is 3 for all 3 months. Compared to the same three month period last year,

- For this quarterly period incidents are also showing an upwards trend, however our overall figures are very low compared to other LACs in the Sydney Metropolitan Area.
- Due to the low numbers of robberies reported, the LAC has a low state ranking of 66
- The overall legal action rate (clear up rates) for the October to December period for robbery offences is 0%
- Continued liaison with our licensee's regarding targeting hardening of premises.
- The VISION 5 operation started on 20 September 2009 and finished on 12 December 2009. This region wide operation concentrated on transport infrastructure / routes and stations, licensed premises are identified soft targets within a 500 metre radius of transport hubs – targeting robbery offences, street crime, anti-social behaviour and identified soft targets during this period.

STEALING - STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE

- There were 93 steal from motor vehicle incidents during this reporting period.
- There were 27 steal from motor vehicle incidents in October, 21 in November and 45 in December. The LAC monthly target is 54 in October, 43 in November and 32 in December. Compared to the same three month period last year there is an increase of 20.8% in the number of SFMV incidents reported. (77 incidents for the period of October to December 2008).
- The LAC has a state ranking of 69 in October, 68 in November and 67 in December for the number of steal from motor vehicles offences that have been reported.
- The overall legal action rate (clear up rates) for the October to December period for stealing offences is 1.1%.
- The main hotspots suburbs are Ryde, North Ryde, Meadowbank, and West Ryde particularly near transport carparks and shopping centre carparks in CBD areas of the LAC. Incidents also occur in residential areas, especially from vehicles parked in residential streets in Ryde, West Ryde, Meadowbank and West Ryde.
- The main days and times for steal from motor vehicle offences are Thursday, Saturday, Wednesday and Tuesdays during the afternoon, early to late evening.
- Popular items stolen are GPS, laptops, iPods, bags, wallets and cash.

STEALING - EXCLUDING SFMV

- Total of 89 incidents were reported during this period.
- There were 27 stealing excluding SFMV incidents in October, 30 in November and 32 in December.
- The LAC monthly target is 25 in October, 37 in November and 29 in December, compared to the same three month period last year there is an increase of 7.2% in the number of SFMV incidents reported. (83 incidents for the period of October to December 2008)
- For this period, incidents are also showing an upward trend.
- The LAC has a state ranking of 78 in both October and November and 77 in December for the number of stealing offences other than steal from motor vehicle offences that have been reported.
- The main hotspots are retail and business premises situated at CBD locations and sports venues (parks) in the LAC.
- There have been a small number of steal from retail offences at the new Top Ryde City shopping centre since the opening on 5 November 2009. (5 offences)

STOLEN VEHICLES

- Total of 31 incidents were reported during this period
- There were 12 stolen vehicles in October, 12 in November and 7 in December. The LAC monthly target is 16 in October, 11 in November and 8 in December. Compared to the same three month period last year there is a decrease of 6.1% in the number of stolen vehicles reported. (33 incidents for the period of October to December 2008)

- The LAC has a state ranking of 61 in October, November and December 2009
- The overall legal action rate (clear up rates) for the October to December period for stolen motor vehicle offences is 6.5%
- The main hotspots suburbs for this time period are Ryde, Gladesville, Meadowbank and Hunters Hill.
- The main hotspots suburbs for recovered vehicles are Ryde, Hunters Hill, North Ryde and West Ryde.
- The main days and times for stolen motor vehicle offences are Monday, Friday, Tuesday and Wednesday during the afternoon to late evening.

DRUG DETECTIONS - Supply

- Total of 1 incident were reported during this period.
- There was 1 drug detection – supply in October, 0 in November and 0 in December. The LAC monthly target is 1 in October, 1 in November and 0 in December. Compared to the same three month period last year, there is a decrease of 75% in the number of drug detections for supply. (4 incidents for the period of October to December 2008)
- For this reporting period of our figures are showing a downwards trend.

OPERATIONS – October, November, December 2009.

- **28.06.09 – 28.06.10 (12 month operation)** – Operation COUNTDOWN – officers attached to the Gladesville LAC were rostered on for this Region wide operation – reduce BE&S in the North West Region
- **01.08.09 31.12.09** – Dafe storage inspections of firearms operation.
- **20.09.09 – 12.12.09** – Statewide operation – Operation VISION 5 targeting robberies, antisocial behaviour and street crime within vicinity of transport hubs in the LAC.
- **October 2009** – Op Drug dog RELIANCE – officers attached to Gladesville LAC were rostered on for the operation at Mt Druitt.
- **01.10.09 – 31.12.2009** – local operation Neptune – to reduce road trauma through HVP in the LAC
- **02.10.09 – 05.10.09** – Labour Day long weekend – Operation SLOWDOWN – high police profile on NSW roads targeting speeding, alcohol/drug impaired driving, driver fatigue, occupant and passenger restraints.
- **World Master Games**
- **02.10.09 – 04.10.09** – Local operation – targeting licensed premises, alcohol related crime and armed robberies at licensed premises in the LAC over the long weekend.
- **28.10.09** – Target drink driving offenders in the LAC.
- **29.10.09** – Target property theft offenders in the LAC.
- **30.10.09** – Target licensed premises for alcohol and anti-social behaviour.
- **03.11.09** – Melbourne Cup – targeting antisocial behaviour and armed robbery at licensed premises and TAB's
- **05.11.09 – 07.11.09** – Provide HVP and target property offences re: opening of first stage of Top Ryde City Shopping Centre at Ryde
- **05.11.09 – 7.11.09** – Operation DRINK DRIVE 2 0 targeting drink driving offences.
- **08.11.09 – 11.11.09** – Operation BROCK – officers attached to the Gladesville LAC were rostered on the Bathurst V8 Supercars racing
- **11.11.09** – Target truanting juveniles in the Gladesville LAC.
- **13.11.09 – 15.11.09** – Operation AVERT 4 – targeting o/s offenders re: bail compliance, high risk offenders, anti social behaviour.
- **16.11.09 – 18.11.09** – local operation – target suspicious persons of interest in the LAC. (male POI's exposing themselves etc – Riverside Girls High School)
- **December 2009** – Operation RAIDER – offers attached to the Gladesville LAC were rostered on for this Region wide operation – street safety enforcement.
- **01.12.09 – 07.12.09** – Phase 1: Mandatory Compliance – Operation JIDALLA II – target licensed premises subjected to special Licence conditions by virtue of Schedule 4.

- **02.12.09** – Operation COMPLIANCE 6 – state wide traffic enforcement.
- **08.12.09 – 28.02.10** – Phase2: Mandatory Compliance – Operation JIDALLA II – target licensed premises subjected to special Licence conditions by virtue of Schedule 4.
- **11.12.09 – 12.12.09** – Operation UNITE – multi-jurisdictional operation – Australia and New Zealand. To target and reduce alcohol related crime, violence and anti social behaviour.
- **16.12.09** – Region wide operation targeting habitual traffic offenders.
- **18.12.09 – Ongoing** – Operation ARC – state wide – target and reduce alcohol related crime, violence and anti social behaviour.
- **18.12.09 – 01.01.10** – State wide Operation SAFE ARRIVAL – Christmas and New Year Period
- **20.12.09** – Provide HVP at Top Ryde City Shopping Centre and Rotary/TWT newspaper Xmas Carols by Candlelight at North Ryde Common.
- **31.12.09** - Operation REALM – New Year's Eve celebrations – public order, traffic and licensing issues. State wide operation.

2. Graffiti Control Act 2008 Presentation – S/Cst Bradley Taylor

PowerPoint Presentation Attached

3. General Business

Emma Langham, Centre Manager for TRC Shopping Centre advised that with the completion of Stage 2 there will be an additional 50 retailers. Stage 3 is anticipated to be opened in August/September 2010 and this will include the opening of the Cinema Complex. Emma addressed the car park issues within the TRC Shopping Centre. An upcoming Signage Campaign will begin in the car park to assist shoppers when entering and exiting the centre.

A/Commander Robert Vellar addressed the proposed closure of the Cornucopia Café and Nursery which people within the community living with mental illness use to assist manage their illnesses as well as to occupy their time. A public meeting was held to discuss the possible closure of the facility. Parents of those who work at the facility used this meeting as an opportunity to tell their story of family members who are living with a mental illness, and the positive impacts this facility offers.

Superintendent Donohue, spokesman for Mental Health, commented on the adverse impacts to the Local Area Command if the closure of the facility was approved.

The closure of Cornucopia Cafe is now being reconsidered.

Anthony Roberts thanked officers from Gladesville LAC for their efforts in supporting the young people with disabilities in the community.

With nothing further the meeting was closed at 12.00pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday 5 May 2010. Venue to be determined.