



**Stallion  
Editorial**

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Princess Anne is now married  
The Opera House is finished,  
Martin Smith has lost the N.S.W.  
State Elections  
Nixon is still President  
The Middle East War is over  
Christmas is almost here  
And "Stallion" is stronger than ever.

**HAPPY CHRISTMAS**

As a matter of fact, Stallion is introducing a new stablemate in mid-January, "Apollo".

Stallion will continue to come out in its present form but, because hundreds of our readers telephone this office or write in, asking for gay contacts in various States, we have decided to offer you a service in the form of "Apollo".

"Apollo will give you an up-to-date comprehensive contact service throughout Australia.

Apollo will tell you  
**WHERE IT'S AT**  
Apollo will tell you  
**WHEN IT'S HAPPENING**  
Apollo will tell you  
**HOW TO GET IT.**

Apollo's motto will be:  
"On time every time".

Apollo will also publish the best short gay stories, as a matter of fact, the first issue will carry a short story of Russell Ransden, the award-winning short story writer.

The paper shortage is still with us, and there is no sign of things getting better.

Unfortunately, we cannot accept any new subscriptions until February of next year.

If you know of any bar or club where gays are welcome, do write and let us know.

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**MID JANUARY**



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# A meeting with the bashers

by Andy

The night I met a gang of bashers, I didn't have time to try anything funny: and they certainly didn't have time to find out for sure whether I was camp or not.

I simply took two steps inside the public toilet block, saw a group of rough looking young blokes in there, and turned and walked out again.

## No chance

Someone yelled, "Get him". So I started to run. And they took off after me.

Instinctively I ran for my car. But I'd forgotten that I'd locked it, and as I fumbled with the catch, the first of them reached me. He swung a punch that caught me in the ribs.

"Bloody poofter!" he screamed and swung again. I ducked, and headed back to the park. There were at least half a dozen of them after me, and I knew that if they managed to grab me, I wouldn't have a chance of getting away from them. So the park seemed to be my only hope.

Really, I didn't know I could run so fast. But it worked. I managed to lose them in the darkness.

I think the next few hours were the worst I've ever known. I wasn't game to go back to my car, so I stayed in the park.

Until then, I'd always thought that bashings took place in dark, unlit places - not in well lit areas like the toilet I'd gone to.

As I waited, I remembered all the

When STALLION published a report on the Duncan case in Issue 3, there was some who accused us of irresponsibility. Perhaps, after reading the following story which happened in an Australian provincial city, they might reconsider.

stories I'd heard about bashers, and people who'd been taken to hospital, battered and bleeding, after meeting them. And I thought about that fellow in Adelaide who was fished out of the river.

## Still alive

It was almost midnight before I was game to go back to my car, and then I couldn't drive home. They'd let all my tyres down.

Still, you could say I was lucky. I got out of it with bruised ribs and four flat tyres. I was still alive.

# BONDI BEAT WARNING

Police in Sydney have warned of the dangers of the Bondi Heads and Notts Avenue toilets.

The area has a bad reputation for 'muggings'. At least one death has been reported over the last couple of years.

On the night of Tuesday, 7th November, at about 11.30 p.m., a Stallion staff reporter was called to the Notts Avenue toilet by a camp guy. He reported that a man was unconscious and badly injured in the 'ladies' section and that he had called the police. The camp guy, who had been arrested for loitering in a similar area in Melbourne, did not wish to get involved. The reporter, who had seen two of the four 'bashers' earlier in the evening, agreed to institute the complaint for him.

The injured man was taken to hospital by ambulance where he was found to have a broken jaw, broken cheekbone and a broken collarbone. He was not a pretty sight. His face and head were extensively cut.

Detectives told the reporter, after a search of the Bondi Beach area, that two similar beatings had occurred the previous evening. Both victims had to be hospitalised.

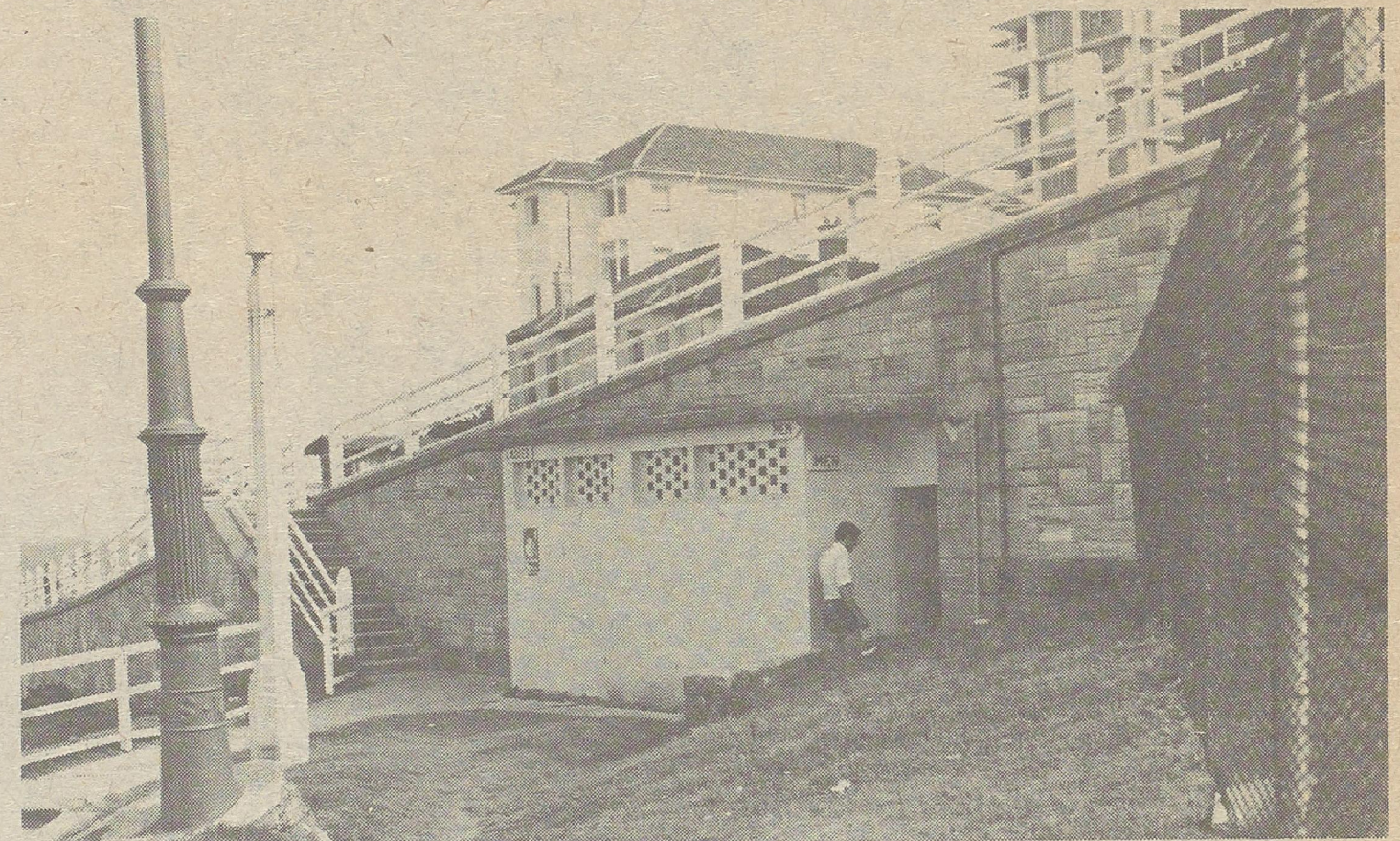
The Police are genuinely concerned about these brutal assaults and have difficulty in investigating the crimes since the camp crowd are frightened to get involved. The pacifist nature of the average camp guy means that many people witnessing assaults do not come forward to help police with their enquiries.

### WAVE OF VIOLENCE

Increased plain clothes patrols are operating in the area to combat the wave of violence. Reports have been received that more than a dozen people have been arrested for soliciting, indecent acts and loitering

in the area during the past two weeks.

"Stallion" does not usually publicise beats but the dangers of this area have to be stressed to avoid further vicious assaults. **KEEP CLEAR - YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED.**



*NOTTS ANENUE TOILET—Police are worried*

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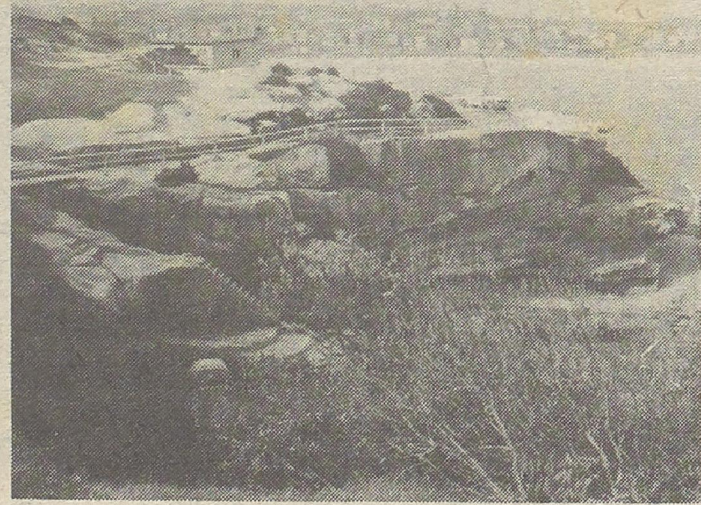
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