

NEW INFORMATION ON DARLING HARBOUR DEATH

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Police investigating the death of a 21-year-old man, who had moved to Sydney to start university studies, are hoping new information will be able to help piece together his last movements.

The body of Scott Stuart Miller, of Orange in central-western NSW, was found at 7.50am on Monday 3 March 1997 by passers by at the foot of a seven metre stone wall, at the northern end of Wharf 4, Hickson Road, Darling Harbour.

Detective Senior Constable Michael Lane, of the Rocks, said Mr Miller was last seen by a friend outside the Orient Hotel in The Rocks about 1.30am on Sunday 2 March.

Police had recently received information that a Millers Point man was approached by two men on Sunday 2 March. The men claimed they had hit a large dog and wanted to know where they could dump the animal.

"One of the men was pointing towards Millers Point and said his car was severely damaged. Both men appeared to be excited and nervous. The Millers Point man pointed the two men in the direction of the wharf area along Hickson Road, directly underneath High Street.

"The two men were on foot and the local resident could see no vehicle or dog.

Det Lane said the Millers Point man went for a drive around the area later that morning to see if he could find the damaged vehicle. The man saw a small red car, of an unknown make, parked in Windmill Street, Millers Point.

"It is believed the vehicle had some front end damage and was not a local car. At this stage of our inquiries it is unknown if the red car is the vehicle in question.

"We are appealing for public help to locate the two men as we believe they might be able to assist us with our inquiries. The first man is described as Caucasian, in his early 20s, 167cm tall, short brown wavy hair, light build, medium complexion, clean shaven and wearing a light coloured shirt and dark trousers.

"His companion is also Caucasian, in his early 20s, 170cm tall, light brown long straight hair past his collar, slight build, green eyes, medium complexion, clean shave and wearing a light coloured t-shirt.

"Anyone who has any information which might assist police - no matter how minor it might seem - is urged to contact The Rocks detectives on (02) or Crime Stoppers on 1 800 333 000. All information will be treated confidentially," Det Lane said.

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