

## Occurrence Entry - Ross WARREN

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**Brief Description:** Attached to this text document is an occurrence pad entry submitted by D/Sgt BOWDITCH on 28/07/1989 in relation to the disappearance of Ross Bradley WARREN.

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28.7.89 9.50am	ENQUIRIES IN RELATION TO MISSING PERSON ROSS BRADLEY WARREN, b26.10.64	RECORD
7/1/89	MISSING PERSON: WARREN Ross Bradley born 26.10.64 of [redacted] Smith St, Woollongong. Ph:(042) [redacted] NSW lic: [redacted]	Detective Sgt BOWDITC Detective Sparrock P.C. Constables Ryan & Glascock Constable Robinson in Charge.
	A television announcer by occupation employed by WIN TV Woollongong. He has one conviction at Criminal Records relating to an offence on the 13.6.85 for Gross Indecency which relates to an incident in a toilet in Southport involving he and another male. His CNI Number is [redacted] (this information is not for publication or release to the media).	Inspector Cunningham informed. Detective Snr Sgt Zimmerj informed. Sen Sgt Maree Media Liason informed.
	On the afternoon of the 21st of July, 1989, the missing person left his work at Woollongong and drove his motor vehicle No. [redacted], a brown Nissan pulsar, to [redacted] Redfern where his visited a friend, Craig Howard ELLIS, [redacted], an accountant with no criminal record. This was a regular practice for Warren who would stay at Ellis's home approximately every second weekend. He stayed at the Redfern address where he ate and spoke to a number of people by telephone and he left there at approximately 11pm to go to Gilligans bar which is in the Oxford Hotel at Oxford Street, Taylor Square, where he met a fellow employee of WIN TV, Phillip ROSINI. They partook of a few drinks and visited a number of bars in Oxford Street until they parted company about 2am on the morning of the 22.7.89 outside Gilligan's Bar. Rosini and Warren made arrangements to meet at a function at the Horden Pavillion on the evening of Saturday the 22.7.89. Rosini has been interviewed by Woollongong Detectives and a statement obtained however at the time of writing it has not yet arrived at Paddington Police Station. Rosini stated that when he left Warren he was in a good frame of mind and did not appear to be worried or depressed in any way. He last saw him driving east in Oxford St towards Paddington.	Constable Emery, Missing Persons informed. Scientific and Finger prints informed and attended. Airwing and WaterPolo utilised. Missing Persons report submitted.

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7/14/89	<p>Warren was due to return to work at WIN TV at 5pm on the 23.7.89 however he did not arrive nor did he contact anyone from his employment. His friend Craig Ellis spoke with the management of the television station and became concerned for the whereabouts of Warren. At 8.15pm Craig Ellis and another friend Paul SAUCIS born [redacted] of [redacted] not known at Crim Records, attended the Paddington Police Station where they reported Ross Warren missing to Const Robinson of Paddington. Initial enquiries were carried out by the Constable however there were no fears for his safety at that time. Ellis and Saucis decided to carry out some enquiries regarding Warren's location and using their knowledge of him and his habits they went to the vicinity of Marks Park and Kenneth Street, Bondi, where they located Warren's vehicle, the brown Nissan Pulsar. It was not considered unusual for the car to be there as this was a regular haunt for homosexuals of nocturnal habits and in fact had been the location where Ellis and Warren had first met in April, 1988. On the morning of the 24.7.89 Ellis and Saucis again spoke to Constable Robinson and informed him that they had located the vehicle. Having regard to the knowledge of Warren's habits and the fact that he is normally a very responsible person and would not have failed to attend his work unless he was unable to he was circulated as being missing with a warning that fears were held for his safety. Later in the morning of the 24.7.89 Ellis and Saucis were conducting a search of the rocky area adjacent to the sea path which runs from Bondi to Bronte and on a ledge near the waters edge they located a set of keys which were later found to belong to the missing man. Following this both Ellis and Saucis &amp; Police carried out a residential canvas of nearby dwellings however with negative results. The Water Police and Air Wing were called in to assist foot POLICE in a search of the area again nothing was forthcoming from this search. On the 25.7.89 Police were unable to carry</p>	

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	out an air or sea search due to the heavy seas and poor visibility.	
	On the morning of the 26.7.89 an article as headlines in the Daily Telegraph that investigating Police were of the view that Warren had been murdered this is not the view of investigating Police nor did hte story or information regarding this emanate from this office.	
7/149	Later in the morning of the 26.7.89 I interview Craig Ellis and Paul Saucis at length and I am of the opinion that there concern for Warren's welfare is that of friends and that they are in no way involved in the disappearance of Ross Warren. Also on the morning of the 26.7.89 the missing person parents, Alan and Kaye WARREN of [REDACTED] Surfise Paradise attended the Paddington Police Station and they were briefed on Police enquireis to date. Both Parents were travelling to Woollongong and arrangements were made for them to rendezvous with Detective Sgt Dennis Green and Detective Dawson of Woollongong Police. Together with the Police a search was made of Warrens flat which did not disclose anything which may have been of use in the enquiry. A further search of the area was carried out by the Police involved in the enquiry how ever nothing further could be established. When Warrens car was recovered his wallet was found inside the vehicle and it contained some \$70.00 in money a lience, visa card and some personal papers. All documents have been retained by Police however the money has been returned to the parents.	
	A number of associates of the missing person have been interviewed and none can cast any light on the disappearance of Warren. All people spoken to indicated that he was a person held in high regard and although he was prone to fits of depression he was not the type in there opinion who would deliberately cause any harm to himself. I have spoken to Terry Moore the News Director and acting General Manager of WIN TV regarding Warren and he informes me that he is well regarded at his work, very punctual and efficient and in fact is quite an	

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	ambitious. He was not able to offer any explanation or suggest any reason for Warren not to arrive at work at the given time on the 23.7.89.	
	When Warren was last seen he was wearing black shoes, blue jeans, a white turtle neck shirt and a black sports coat. He is described as being 175cm tall, of medium build and fair complexion, short brown hair, green to hazel eyes and of caucasian appearance.	
7/14/89	The Police airwing have been contacted this date and are carrying out regular patrols along the eastern coastline in an effort to locate the missing person.	
	As previously indicated Ross Warren is a homosexual and it would appear that most of his friends are of the same persuasion. His parents are aware of his sexual preferences as are his employers. This aspect has not been released to the media specifically and until such times as his homosexuality becomes relevant in the enquiry I am of the opinion that it should remain enmarked 'NOT FOR PRESS'.	
	Investigating Police are of the opinion that the missing person has fallen into the ocean in some manner and it is anticipated that in the near future his body will surface and be recovered. I am not able to offer any explanation as to how he would have fallen into the water only that the area near where the keys were located is a treacherous rock formation which at the present time is secreting a lot of water and moisture from recent rains, there is extensive moss and slippery sections where from experience would not be difficult to envisage someone slipping on the rocks particularly after 2am on the morning of the 22.7.89. Enquiries reveal that the moon was full although the night was overcast and visibility would have been difficult and there had been a high tide at 11pm on the 21.7.89 thus leaving a high water level in the early hours of the 22.7.89.	
	Further enquiries are continuing and the appropriate authorities will be not	

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