

ASSAULT INCIDENCES IN THE BONDI AREA WITH ATTACKERS BELIEVING THEIR VICTIMS TO BE HOMOSEXUALS.

VICTIM: [DM]
24 old
[REDACTED]
Bondi

INCIDENT: ASSAULT & ROB
DEMAND MONEY WITH MENACES.

DATE: 11.15pm
Thursday 21/12/89

BRIEF

NARRATIVE: Victim reported he was running in vicinity of Notts Ave, Bondi when he was confronted by about 10 youths. One of the youths then demanded money from the victim, the youths then began to assault the victim. During the assault the victim heard one of the youths calling him "Gay" and a "Poofter". One youth also threatened to throw the victim over the cliff. The victim stated in a statement that he was actually dragged towards the cliff edge but he broke away.

COPY OF CRIME INFORMATION REPORT ATTACHED.

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VICTIM: [134]
[REDACTED]
Forbes
Approx 30 old.

INCIDENT: ROBBERY
ASSAULT O.A.B.H.

DATE: 2.30pm
Friday 12.1.90

BRIEF

NARRATIVE: Property of victim was handed to Bondi Police on Saturday 13.1.90. Property was located in Wellington Street, Bondi near corner of Campbell Parade. Victim was contacted and attended Bondi Police Station on 3.15pm Sunday 14.1.90. The victim was spoken to and it was ascertained that he had been a victim of a "Poofter Bashing" Victim did not want to give a statement to Police even though it was obvious to Police that he had been the victim of a serious assault, suffering from 4 broken ribs, green tree fracture of the left upper arm, and a large indentation of the skull.

COPY OF INTELLIGENCE REPORT ATTACHED.

INFORMATION RE DEATH OF JOHN ALAN RUSSELL

I have made a thorough perusal of all records held at Bondi Police Station and the attached are the only two reports I found that may relate to a pattern involving assaults and the homosexual community.

I have conferred with **Constable CARTER of Bondi Intelligence,**
Constable GLEESON Bondi Police Youth
Liason Officer
Senior Constable LAMPRINOS of Waverley
Police Intelligence.


Though the south end of Bondi Beach falls within Waverley Police Station's patrol there have been no incidences reported that may assist with this brief.

I am of the opinion that though the number of reported incidents are low this does not give a true indication. I feel that victims of these type of assaults are reluctant to report the attacks due to their belief they may be ridiculed in the proceedings following the report.

The South end of Bondi is a known 'Beat' for homosexual activity . These activities are normally carried out discreetly however rumors have Police to believe that there are more assaults than statistics show.

Constable **GLEESON** has been spoken to and he states that though the hoodlem element in Bondi are aware that the south end of Bondi is frequented by homosexuals he believes that may participate in some attacks but due to vague descriptions no Police action can be taken.

Operations have been carried out by Police to have officers in Plainclothes however no incidences were reported or there any suspicious activity to be reported.


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