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Explanatory Note

This document presents the results of research into a chronology of reports relating to events at North Cronulla beach on 11th December 2005. The research relied on data and information extracted from four major sources being the NSW Police Computerised Operational Policing System (COPS), the NSW Police Computerised Incident Despatch System (CIDS), NSW Police Commander Decision Logs and other general reports to NSW Police. This timeline intends to detail a sequence of events prior, during and after the events at North Cronulla. The series of events is not intended to be an exhaustive list of every reported occurrence contained within information holdings. Instead, the research focused on identifying reports with a clear relationship to what has become commonly known as the 'Cronulla Riots' and events having an aspect of racial motivation. It is acknowledged that other reports relating to the 'Cronulla Riots' and related incidents in surrounding suburbs are contained within NSW Police systems and were not included in this timeline. However, their exclusion was based on the information being substantially duplicated by another report/s or the information provided no further value to the reader in gaining an accurate and comprehensive understanding of events as they unfolded.

Glossary

ANPR	-	Automatic Number Plate Recognition
BRA BOYS	-	Shortened term for 'Maroubra Boys'
CIDS	-	Computerised Incident Despatch System
COPS	-	Computerised Operation Policing System
EAGLE.I	-	Information management system for criminal investigations
ENOGGERA	-	Strike force formed to investigate crimes arising from Cronulla riots
GMR	-	Greater Metropolitan Region
HASHAMS	-	Locally known car park on General Holmes Drive, Kyeemagh (near intersection of Beehag Street) that has taken on the name of a restaurant that formerly existed at that location.
HWP	-	Highway Patrol
IMR	-	Inner Metropolitan Region
INDIGO	-	An electronic log of events and/or decisions in the Police Operations Centre during operations
LAC	-	Local Area Command
MIRT	-	Major Incident Response Team
NORTHIES	-	Shortened term for North Cronulla Hotel
OMCG	-	Outlaw Motor Cycle Gang
OSG	-	Operations Support Group
POC	-	Police Operations Centre
REU	-	Radio Engineering Unit
SETA	-	Name of police operation aimed at managing public disorder at Cronulla on 11 December, 2005 and associated widespread incidents thereafter
SITREP	-	Shortened term for Situation Report
VIKINGS	-	Police unit primarily used for High Visibility Policing
VKG	-	NSW Police Radio Network Operations Centre

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LOCATIONS

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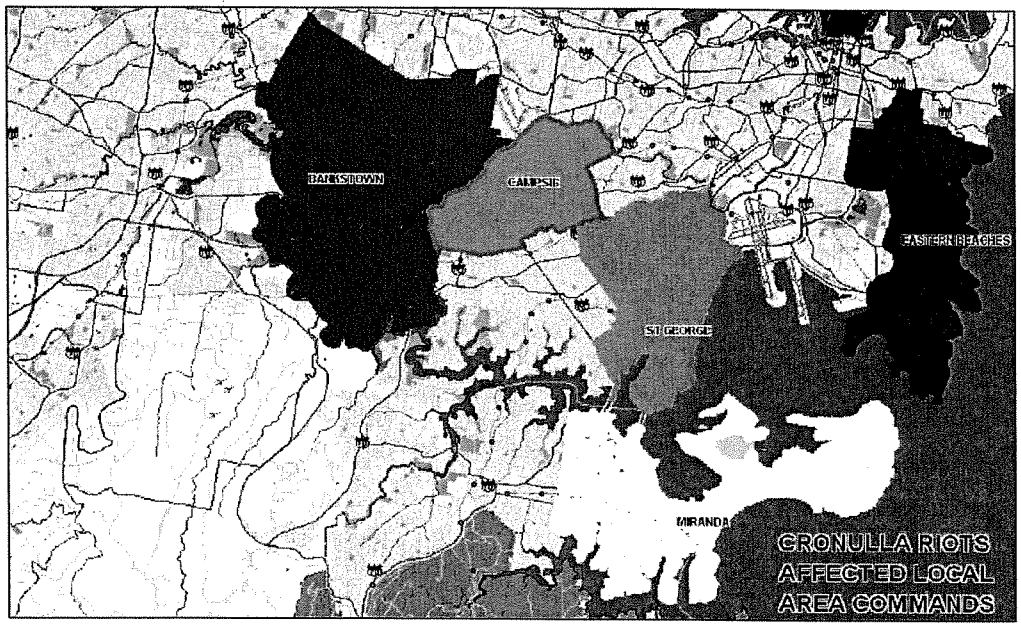


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North Cronulla Beach

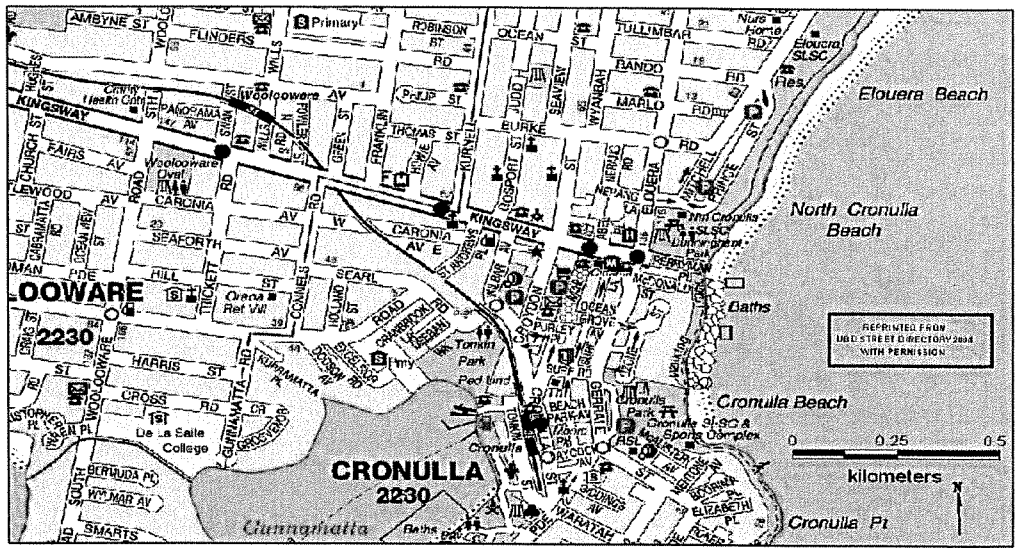


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Maroubra Beach

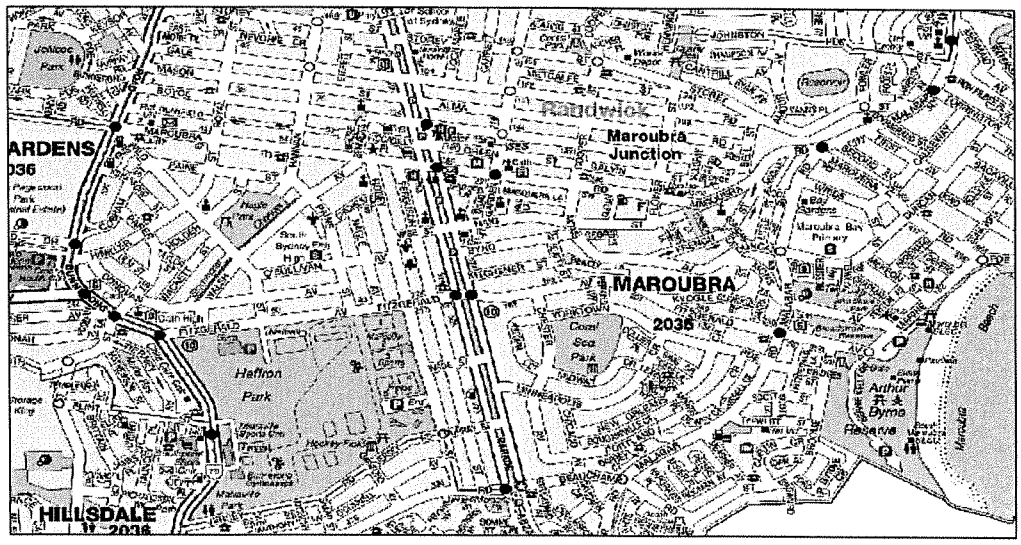


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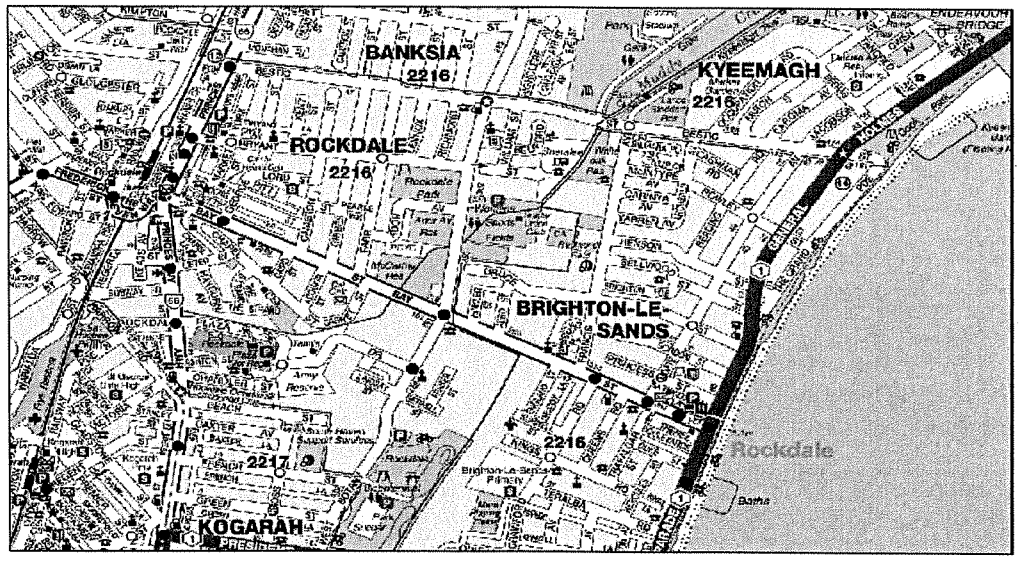


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Parks

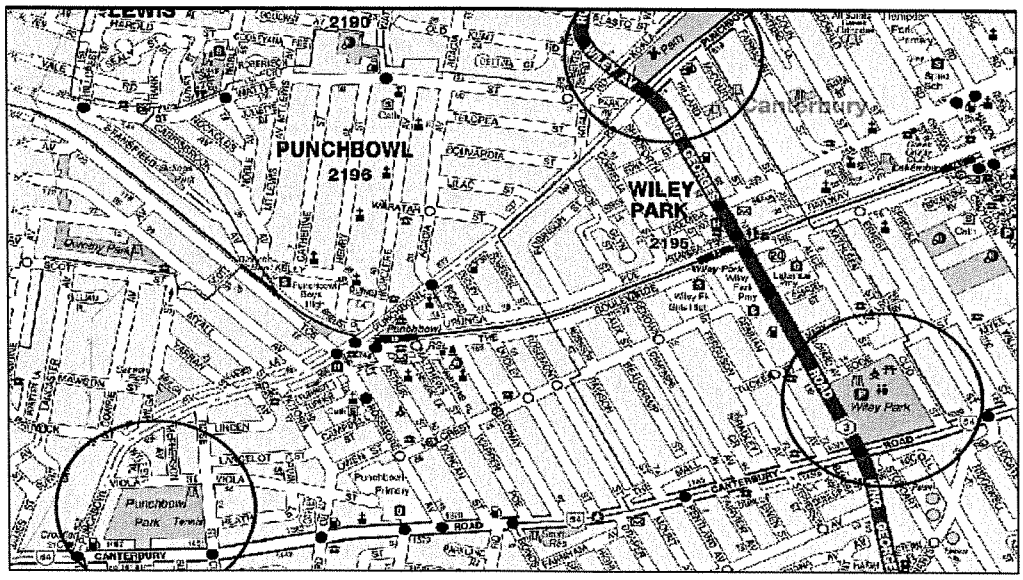


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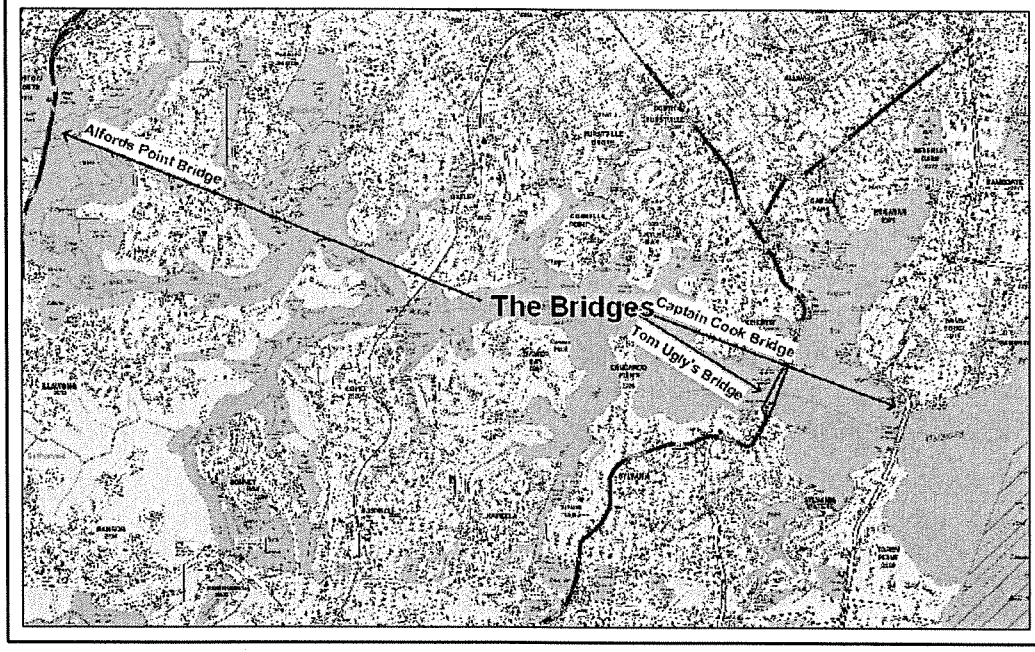


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AUSTRALIA DAY 2005

26/01/2005	10:00pm	Australia Day at Cronulla	Cronulla

Between 6am 26/01/05 and 3am 27/01/05 34 police from Miranda LAC were rostered to perform High Visibility Policing duties within the Cronulla area, with particular attention being given to Dunningham and Cronulla parks. Very few incidents were report until 10pm.

About 10:15pm a crowd of 2000 to 3000 young people entered into civil disobedience against attending police. The crowd was fuelled by alcohol, the temperature and the atmosphere surrounding the event. The police were attempting to gain [control] of the crowd and to detain people when the crowd began throwing bottles at the officers. Police reinforcements were called upon and a strategy was employed to force the crowd from Dunningham Park. Police moved the crowd onto the Kingsway and closed the roadway due to the volume of people in the area. Further violent confrontations occurred and further arrests took place. The crowd was eventually dispersed in the direction of Cronulla Railway station and moved from the area to waiting trains. [1]

There was no underlying ethnic tension identified as underpinning this event, however it serves to indicate the level of public order issues occurring within this area.

2/05/2005		Formation of the Cronulla Safety Action Group	Cronulla

Following events of the 26th January, 2005 the Cronulla Safety Action Group was formed. This group consists of the Mayor of Sutherland Shire Council, police from the local area command, Shire Wide Youth Services, Cronulla Chamber of Commerce, the Manager of the Cronulla Plaza and staff from the Sutherland Shire Council including engineering, community relations and community safety officer.

The inaugural meeting of this group took place on the 2nd May 2005. [2]

OCTOBER LONG WEEKEND 2005

1/10/2005	2:50pm	Dispute at North Cronulla Beach	Cronulla

About 2:50pm police were called to North Cronulla Beach as people were causing trouble and attempting to start fights with others at the beach. Police attended and found about 30 Middle Eastern males. One (1) male failed to comply with a move-on direction and was arrested.

As a result of the arrest a young person has pushed out his chest and approached the Constable. The Constable pushed the young person back and told him to go away. The young person has pushed out his chest and attempted to push past the Constable to get to the arrested male. The young person was becoming aggressive towards police and the young person pushed the Constable. The Constable used his OC Spray and gave the young person a short burst of spray to the face. The young person complied with a move-on direction. At the time there were four (4) police to 40 persons. The situation de-escalated and the group dispersed. A short time later police spoke with the young person, he apologised and was decontaminated. [3]

[1] Source: E:77287596
[2] Source: S/F NEIL eagle.i IN-66 – Collective minutes of the Cronulla Safety Action Group meetings 2005
[3] Source: COPS – E:48832401, E:25461967.

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2/10/2005	3.30pm	Dispute at North Cronulla Beach	Cronulla

About 3:30pm 2/10/05 a group of 'Lebanese' males and a group of 'locals' gathered at the Cronulla Mall outside McDonalds Restaurant and an altercation occurred. The groups separated and the 'Lebanese' males moved to North Cronulla Beach whilst the 'locals' group remained at the mall. Both groups were spoken to by police and no further incident observed. [4]

3/10/2005	12:12pm	Dispute at North Cronulla Beach	Cronulla

About 12:12pm 03/10/05 Police attended the North Cronulla Surf Club at the request of the surf lifesavers as a group of 40 Middle Eastern males and a group of 70 local youths had gathered for what was believed to be a brawl. Police attended and spoke with each group. Males from each group admitted that some of them had attended the area to brawl after an incident the previous day in Cronulla Mall where members of both parties were allegedly assaulted. Both groups were moved on and police remained at the scene to monitor the situation.

About 30 minutes later members of the public contacted police and advised a brawl was taking place on the beach walkway in Prince Street. Police attended and found the two groups scattering. Several youths were issued with a 'move-on' direction and two were escorted from the area for their own safety. Police maintained a constant presence in the area around Cronulla Beach. Police issued multiply 'move-on' directions.

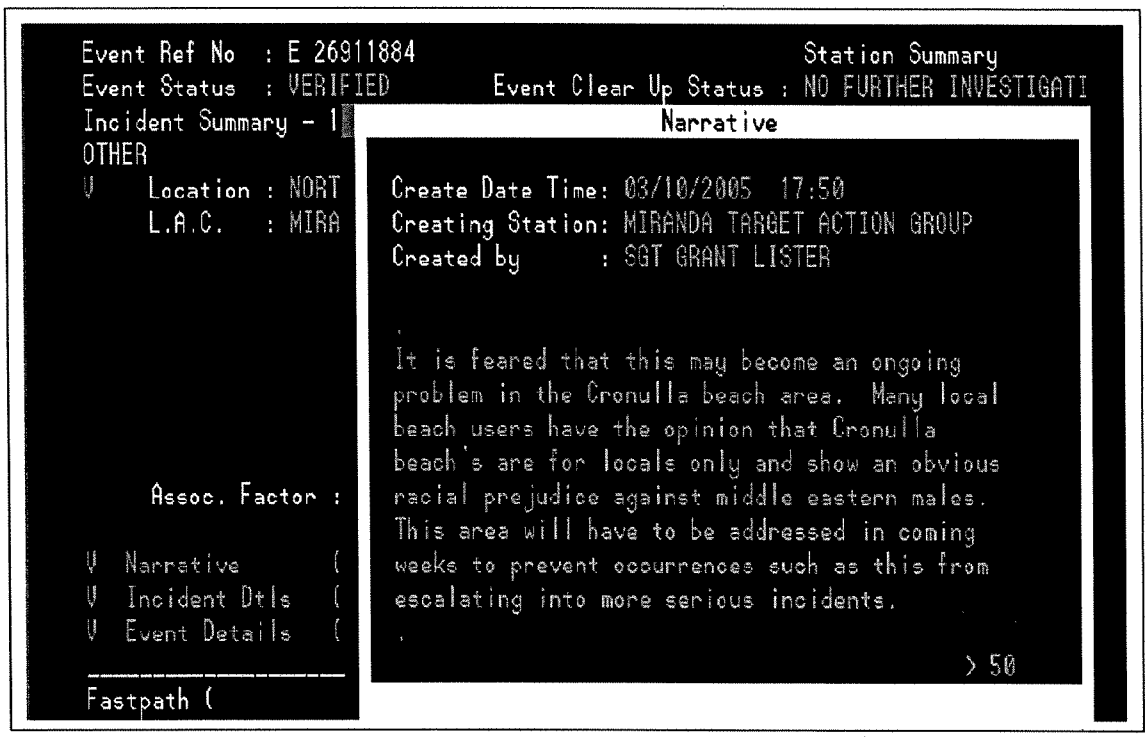
During the course of the afternoon the number of Middle Eastern males increased to in-excess of 100. Police were advised the males had arrived at Cronulla to assist the initial group who were out numbered by the local youth.

Police maintained the presence at North Cronulla Beach until 5:30pm. During this time further 'move-on' directions were issued to groups of Middle Eastern males on the beach. The group had been wrestling, throwing and playing football on the beach, which had been having a negative impact of families and other beach users. All 'move-on' directions were complied with.

The police attending indicated this incident as being an on-going problem at Cronulla Beach as many local beach users are of the opinion that Cronulla's Beaches are for locals only. A warning was also given by the police of this problem escalating. The relevant COPS entry is depicted overleaf. [5]

[4] Source: COPS – E:82304398
[5] Source: COPS – E:26911884

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OTHER INCIDENTS 2005

28/10/2005	2:15pm	Assault in toilets at North Cronulla Surf Club	Cronulla

About 2:15pm three school students were in the North Cronulla Toilet block getting changed after finishing a surfing sports day with their school. Four (4) young persons of Middle Eastern appearance were also in the toilet block getting changed. One of the school students made eye contact with one of the Middle Eastern youth and made a private joke with his friend about his appearance. The Middle Eastern youth asked the school student if he had a problem. The Middle Eastern youth pushed the school student over. A Middle Eastern youth then said "I don't like his hair let's smash him." A fight has then ensured. One school student was fallen to the ground. Another school student has requested the Middle Eastern youth to back off. The Middle Eastern youth then commenced punching and kicking the school student on the ground. The fight was eventually stopped and police were called.

Police located the Middle Eastern youth at Cronulla Railway Station and all were spoken to, their details obtained and allowed to continue home whilst police further investigated the matter. Following later inquiries all four Middle Eastern youths have been arrested and interviewed. One Middle Eastern youth has been charged with AOABH x 2 and Common Assault, three other Middle Eastern youths have been officially cautioned and the matter is finalised.

One 5/12/05 a male by the name of Phil or Bill contacted 2UE and spoke with Alan Jones. The caller stated his son and two young males were assaulted in the Cronulla Surf Club change room during a Surf training exercise. The caller claimed both his son's friends were knocked unconscious. The caller advises POI's were Lebanese. The caller claims police were involved and the POI were identified and officially counselled. [6]

15/11/2005		Meeting of the Cronulla Safety Action Group	Cronulla

The concern raised in the report of the incident at North Cronulla Beach at 12.12pm on 3rd October, 2005 was discussed at a meeting of the Cronulla Safety Action Group on the 15th November, 2005. The Miranda Local Area Command Crime Manager advised the meeting of escalating anti-social behaviour between local youths and visitors from outside the Shire. As a result it was resolved that life guards would be advised to contact the duty officer at Miranda Police if they had any concerns of possible anti-social behaviour on the beaches. The Sutherland Shire Council Community Safety Officer was to advise the Multi-Cultural Officer of these concerns and the Miranda Crime Manager advised that there would be an increase in police patrols on the beach during summer. [7]

25/11/2005	11:30pm	Assault outside Cronulla RSL Club	Cronulla

The victim left the Cronulla RSL Club and was walking north along Gerrale Street towards Northies when he was approached by three (3) Middle Eastern males who attacked the victim. The three (3) males had then fled on foot. During the attack the victim fell awkwardly on the ground and broke his ankle. The victim was helped to Sutherland hospital by some witnesses. The victim did not report the matter until 16/12/2005. [8]

[6] Source: 2UE AJ 05/12/05 – 5:50am / COPS E:25142617 / Case C:27784383 / H:112059693
[7] Source: S/F NEIL eagle.i IN-66 – Collective minutes of the Cronulla Safety Action Group meetings 2005 & COPS E:26911884
[8] Source: COPS – E:25565023.

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SUNDAY, 4th DECEMBER 2005

4/12/2005	3:00pm	Assault upon lifesavers	Cronulla

Three Caucasian members of the North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club, (victim 1), (victim 2) and (victim 3) had just completed duty on North Cronulla Beach and were walking in the direction of the club house. They walked up a ramp leading from the beach. A group of about eight Middle Eastern youths were on the beach at the bottom of the ramp and had been observed there for some three hours. It would appear that as the three members of the surf club passed the group of Middle Eastern men, the members of each group were staring at each other. A verbal exchange took place in which a member from both groups accused the other of staring at them. At this time one of the Middle Eastern males said to the victim , in response to the staring accusation, "I'm allowed to, now fuck off and leave our beach". The victim said during this verbal exchange, "I come down here out of my own spare time to save you dumb cunts from drowning, now piss off you scum". As this verbal confrontation took place the Middle Eastern group formed a half-circle around the Caucasian males. There was an attempt by one of the Middle Eastern men to calm the situation and it appeared that he had been successful and the confrontation was over. However, at this time the Middle Eastern male who was involved in the initial verbal altercation swung a punch at the victim which missed. Some pushing then occurred between both groups which escalated to a fight.

During the fight victim 1 fell backwards onto the ground hitting his head. He was semi-conscious shaking with blood coming from his head and appeared to be the most seriously injured. Victim 2 and victim 3 were all assaulted by being punched.

At that time another member of the North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club (victim 4) was working on the beach as a life saver. He saw a scuffle taking place between a group of Middle Eastern men and three fellow members of the surf club. He started walking towards the fight and saw victim 1, punched in the face by a Middle Eastern man. This assailant then ran along the beach in the general direction of victim 4, called out to him and this person then turned around and punched him to his face. The offender then kept running to the south end of the beach.

Police and ambulance were called to the scene. As police arrived the Middle Eastern males were leaving. A witness identified a suspect to police upon their arrival. Police spoke with the suspect who claimed he was not involved in the assault and that he was assisting the life savers. The suspect left the scene whilst police further investigated the incident. The victims were later treated for bruising and injuries. was taken to Sutherland Hospital by ambulance and treated for a cut above his right eye and discharged.

On 07/12/05 the accused (was arrested and interviewed at Newtown Police Station. During the interview again claims he was aiding the life savers.

Concerning the behaviour of this group of Middle Eastern men at North Cronulla Beach on the 4th December, victim 3 told police that he had noticed this group of men in the same area on the beach from about 12.00pm. He alleged they were standing around yelling and swearing in both English and another language. Victim 4 told police that he had been on duty at the beach from 1.00pm and up until 3.00pm, there were no problems with the crowd's behaviour and he had no incidents between these times.

During the course of the day police had not been contacted regarding the behaviour of this group of Middle Eastern men on the beach. [9]

[9] Source: COPS – E:25317035 & brief of evidence Police – vs – Ali OSMAN

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MONDAY, 5th DECEMBER 2005

5/12/2005		Life Savers Bashed	Police Media

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NSW Police **Public Affairs**

Surf lifesavers bashed - North Cronulla Beach

Monday 05 December 2005

Police are investigating an attack on two surf lifesavers at North Cronulla Beach in Sydney's south.

About 3pm yesterday (Sunday 4 December), four males of Middle Eastern appearance have confronted the male lifeguards and a verbal altercation has occurred. One of the lifesavers has then been punched in the face. A large number of Middle Eastern males have then converged on the area, surrounding the guards.

The pair was set upon and sustained several blows to their heads. The melee was eventually broken up and the offenders dispersed. The victims, aged 19 and 20, were taken to Sutherland Hospital suffering lacerations and bruising.

Police from Miranda Local Area Command attended the scene and spoke with a large number of witnesses in an effort to identify the offenders.

Inquiries into the incident are continuing.

Source: http://nswpsintranet/mediaRelease/mediaRelease.jsp?id=2005_releases/1205/mr10518 - Source Date: 13/04/2005.

The above media statement was prepared by the Police Media Unit and distributed to the media.

The media release was based upon a COPS entry which was prepared at 6.16pm Sunday 4th December, 2005 outlining that two victims who were members of the North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club had been assaulted by four Middle Eastern males.

That COPS entry was updated at 10.34am Wednesday 7th December with more comprehensive details outlining that four victims had been assaulted and a Middle Eastern man had been arrested and charged. [10]

[10] Source: COPS – E:25317035

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TUESDAY, 6th DECEMBER 2005

6/12/2005		Risk assessment	Cronulla

On Tuesday 6th December, 2005 the Local Area Commander at Miranda conducted a risk assessment and set up an operation on the Computerised Operational Police System (COPS) using the operation name 'SETA'. [11]

The main source of intelligence being received by police was the content of text messages being transmitted over mobile phones. Later investigations revealed that over 270,000 individual text messages were transmitted inciting a racially motivated confrontation at North Cronulla Beach on 11th December, 2005.

The following are samples of the text messages that were being distributed: [12]

"Just a reminder that Cronulla's 1st wog bashing day is still on this Sunday. Chinks bashing day is on the 27th and the Jews are booked in for early January"

"Every fucking aussie. Go to Cronulla Beach Sunday for some Leb and wog bashing Aussie Pride ok"

"All lebo / wog brothers. Sunday midday. Must be at North Cronulla Park. These skippy aussies want war. Bring ur guns and knives and lets show them how we do it"

"O fight each Aussie. Yulleh. Lets get hectic and turn gods country into wogs country. Habib will be cookin victory kebabs after. Tell all your cousins"

At the same time intelligence was being received by police from a variety of sources that Caucasian males were planning to converge on Cronulla Beach area on Sunday 11th December. Also, intelligence was received that Middle Eastern males were going to the same area to engage in a riot.

WEDNESDAY, 7th DECEMBER 2005

7/12/2005		Man arrested after lifeguard assault	Police Media

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Man Arrested After Lifeguard Assault

Wednesday 07 December 2005

A man has been arrested this morning in relation to the assault on a lifeguard at North Cronulla Beach on Sunday. Miranda Detectives arrested the 18-year-old Bankstown man at Petersham shortly before 10am. He has been taken to Newtown Police Station where he is assisting police with inquiries.

Source: http://nswpsintranet/mediaRelease/mediaRelease.jsp?id=2005_releases/1207/mr10533. Source Date: 13/04/05.

[11] Source: S/F NEIL eagle.i OD-64, Superintendent Redfern folder, vol.1, item 4, labelled 'B'
[12] Source: S/F NEIL eagle.i EX-01

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7/12/2005	4:15pm	Assault at North Cronulla Surf Club	Cronulla

About 4pm three males (and) were walking along the Esplanade at North Cronulla. The group stopped and spoke with a life guard for a short time about an incident on the weekend involving a previous assault. At the conclusion of the conversation made a racial comment ("Fucken' Lebs"). At this point four (4) unknown POI's approached and began assaulting him. Both and were also attacked by the group. From witness accounts the group consisted of males and females of Middle Eastern appearance and varied in size from 7 to 30.

As the altercation took place numerous Caucasian males moved into the area and the incident discontinued. Both groups remained at the location and verbal threats and insults were exchanged. At this point weapons were produced by members of the Middle Eastern group. Police arrived at the scene and began defusing the situation and dispersing the crowd. Several journalists attended the scene and photographs/video footage was taken. Police were speaking with two males (and) from the Middle Eastern group when they saw a photographer taking their photographs. The males (and) approached the photographer, confronted him and an altercation took place which resulted in charges being preferred. The remaining crowd was dispersed. [13]

7/12/2005	4:30pm	Photographer assaulted	

The victim ( ) is employed as a photographer. The victim attended the surf club at North Cronulla Beach and began taking photos of a group of Middle Eastern persons as they were being spoken to by Police. Two males from the group approached the victim and began yelling at him. Police have intervened. As police were dealing with these males another male) has approached the victim and an assault took place. Police arrested the POI. [14]

7/12/2005	4:40pm	Assistant Commissioner Goodwin advised of unrest	

Duty Officer rald and Superintendent Redfern notify the Region Operations Manager (Superintendent Hutchings) and the Region Commander Assistant Commissioner Goodwin in respect to unrest at Cronulla. [15]

7/12/2005	4:50pm	OSG operatives on standby	

Operational Support Group (OSG) Coordinator contact by Superintendent Hutchings to put 15 OSG operatives on stand-by. [16]

7/12/2005	4:51pm	Deputy Commissioner Scipione notified	

Deputy Commissioner Scipione briefed via mobile phone. [17]

7/12/2005	5:18pm	OSG deployed to Cronulla	

11 OSG operatives deployed to Cronulla Police Station with kit. 60 sets of OSG kit loaded into a pantech. [18]

[13] Source: COPS – E:25335225
[14] Source: COPS – E:217143091
[15] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[16] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[17] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
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7/12/2005	5:24pm	OSG deployed to Cronulla	

11 OSG operatives deployed to Cronulla Police Station with kit. 60 sets of OSG kit loaded into a pantech. [19]

7/12/2005	5:29pm	Deputy Commissioner Operations notified	

Deputy Commissioner Scipione briefed via mobile phone. [20]

7/12/2005	5:45pm	Vehicles leaving North Cronulla Beach	

Police from Campsie attended Cronulla beach to assist Miranda with a brawl at Cronulla beach. Whilst patrolling The Kingsway and Captain Cook Drive three (3) vehicles containing Middle Eastern males was observed heading away from Cronulla. [21] This brawl occurred at 4:15pm at North Cronulla surf club.

7/12/2005	5:45pm	Chief Superintendent Cullen provided SITREP	

Chief Superintendent Cullen contacted by Superintendent Hutchings and provided a situation report (SITREP). [22]

7/12/2005	5:49pm	Deputy Commissioner Scipione notified	

Deputy Commissioner Scipione briefed via mobile phone. [23]

7/12/2005	5:53pm	Briefing by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin	

Situational briefing from Assistant Commissioner Goodwin following conversation with Superintendent Redfern – Situation calm, 20 police deployed to the beach, Gunnamatta Park and Railway station. Council had locked the Prince Street gates. Hurstville and Sutherland Highway Patrol vehicles clearing the streets. The Media was quiet with Channel 7 helicopter in the air. Police Air Wing patrolling. Resources included 20 on the ground, 11 Vikings Street Crime Unit (VSCU) enroute, two (2) police dogs, Police Air Wing filming. [24]

7/12/2005	5:55pm	Lebanese travelling from Bankstown	

Duty Operations Inspector advised by a Highway Patrol Vehicle of a rumour about Lebanese travelling from Bankstown to Cronulla. The information had been heard over commercial radio. [25]

7/12/2005	5:26pm	Police Operations Centre (POC) on standby	

Superintendent Hutchings contacted Inspector Laycock and placed him on-call to attend the POC if required. [26]

[19] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[20] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[21] Source: COPS – I:83848698
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7/12/2005	6:18pm	Lebanese travelling from Bankstown	Intelligence

POC MIRT Commander (Superintendent Mason) placed on stand-by. [27]

7/12/2005	6:28pm	Locals meeting at Cronulla	Intelligence

Intelligence received about a SMS going around the locals to meet at Cronulla on Sunday. [28]

7/12/2005	7:10pm	Planning for following days	

Miranda Crime Manager (Detective Inspector O'Grady) contacted Region Commander concerning the police response for the following two (2) days. Superintendent Hutchings suggested a plan for the weekend should be emulated over the next two days. [29]

7/12/2005	7:30pm	Mobile command post on stand-by	

Assistant Commissioner contacted Chief Superintendent Hartley and placed mobile Command Post and VIP Cyclists be on standby. [30]

7/12/2005	7:35pm	Resources on stand-by	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin advised Superintendent Redfern of the following; [31]

- Resources on stand-by; POC, MIRT team (Superintendent Mason), 15 OSG, 60 sets of riot gear and VIP cyclists.
- SITREP and Forward Notice/Concept of Operations for the next days was being prepared by Superintendent Hutchings.
- Superintendent Hutchings 'Forward Notice' is attached to Annexure 3 of Assistant Commissioner Goodwin's 'Command and Activity Log'.

[27] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[28] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[29] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[30] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
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7/12/2005	8:10pm	Assault at McDonalds	Cronulla

OSG/Vikings Street Crime Unit were deployed to Cronulla concerning Anti-Social Behaviour. In the vicinity of McDonalds an Australian male approached a male of Middle Eastern appearance and struck him in the face. The Australian male was arrested, returned to Cronulla Police Station and interviewed. During the interview the suspect stated he had stepped in the middle of the Middle Eastern male and several males of Caucasian appearance after an argument and then hit the Middle Eastern Male. Racial/Ethnicity prejudice was identified as an associated factor. [32] Legal action has since been taken against one male offender. [33]

7/12/2005	9:22pm	MIRT concept adopted	

Superintendent Hutchings made the following arrangements; [34]

Detective Inspector O'Grady:

- Community Tensions Risk Assessment to be conducted each day.
- Staffing Orders required each day.
- Adoption of MIRT concept and planning with a separate Commander each shift.

Chief Superintendent Hartley:

- Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) operation for Thursday 8/12/05.

7/12/2005	10:25pm	Vikings application and community tension	

D/Inspector O'Grady submits Vikings Application and Community Tension Risk Assessment. [35]

7/12/2005	10:55pm	Planning Operation SETA	

Operation SETA (8/12/06 to 11/12/06) planned locally with Region Support. [36]

[32] Source: COPS – E:86533997
[33] Source: COPS – H:27029142
[34] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[35] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[36] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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THURSDAY, 8th DECEMBER 2005

8/12/2005	5:00am	Man charged over Cronulla incident	Media Unit

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Man charged over Cronulla incident

Thursday 08 December 2005

Miranda Police have charged a man after a number of incidents on the North Cronulla beachfront yesterday.
A 20-year-old man was arrested shortly before 5pm after a press photographer allegedly had his equipment damaged while taking photos near the surf club.
Police and ambulance officers were in the area following an earlier incident in which two men were involved in an altercation nearby. One man suffered minor injuries in this incident.
The Riverwood man was taken to Miranda Police Station and questioned before being charged with malicious damage in relation to the photography incident.
He was allowed conditional bail and is due to appear in Sutherland Local Court on January 12.

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Source: http://nswpsintranet/mediaRelease/mediaRelease.jsp?id=2005_releases/1208/mr10536 - Source Date: 13/04/05

8/12/2005		Middle Eastern youth plan an attack	Intelligence

A Community source advised police having overheard 40 Middle Eastern youths at a residence in Panania planning for violence at Cronulla beach on 11/12/2005 using weapons like knives and firearms. [37]

8/12/2005		'Big Problems at Cronulla' – Crime Stoppers	Intelligence

An anonymous caller to Crime Stoppers advised the Lebanese community have planned to cause big problems at Cronulla on 11/12/05. Crime Stoppers contacted Cronulla police station on 4:50pm 8/12/05 and relayed the information. [38]

8/12/2005		Brawl at Cronulla	Intelligence

Middle Eastern males are talking and texting each other about a brawl at North Cronulla on 11/12/05. [39]

8/12/2005		Incident at North Cronulla Hotel	Intelligence

Anonymous source contact Crime Stoppers and advised of a group of six (6) middle Eastern men talking about going in quick and doing a 'hit and run' at Northies Cronulla Hotel this weekend (11/12/05). They were talking about using a scanner and they need to find the easiest way in and out. The males were at Chullora Market Place in Greenacre at the time. The source thought the men were talking about a 'drive-by' shooting. Crime Stoppers advised Cronulla police 03:05 Friday 9/12/05. [40]

37 Source: COPS Intelligence Report I:27690083.
38 Source: COPS Intelligence Report I:26703016.
39 Source: COPS Intelligence Report I:25491733.
40 Source: COPS Intelligence Report I:27542480.

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8/12/2005	7:14am	General planning	

7:14am to 9:55am Assistant Commissioner Goodwin's Region Operations team and the Miranda Team are in a general planning phase, securing resources from deployment and developing plans. [41]

8/12/2005	10:15am	Request to initiate ANPR Operation	

Deputy Commissioner Scipione requests an Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) Operation be initiated from 8/12/2005. Inspector Tracy at Greater Metropolitan Region tasked with planning an Operation for Alford's Point Bridge. ANPR deployment on 11/12/05 at Alfords Point Road at midday. [42]

8/12/2005	12:30pm	Media interviews by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin conducted media interview on telephone with radio stations at Cronulla Police Station. [43]

8/12/2005	7:30pm	Briefing with Commander Counter Terrorism	

Region Operations staff attended Police Operations Centre (POC) and brief Assistant Commissioner Hazzard on the Cronulla Operation and the efforts being undertaken to source OSG. [44]

8/12/2005	4:30pm	Community tensions risk assessment	

The Community Tensions Risk Assessment emailed to Central Metropolitan Region Intelligence. [45]

8/12/2005	5:00pm	Operation SETA staffing complete	

The staff list was completed for Operation SETA by Region Operations staff. The list was forwarded to Deputy Commissioner Scipione, Assistant Commissioner Goodwin, Acting Inspector Hayston, Superintendent Redfern and D/Inspector O'Grady. [46]

8/12/2005	6:54pm	Operational orders	

Operational Orders and intelligence summary prepared on 8/12/05 for 8th to 11th December 2005. [47]

41 Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
42 Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log. eagle.i S/F NEIL OD-140
43 Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
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FRIDAY, 9th DECEMBER 2005

9/12/2005		Caucasian males attending Cronulla	Intelligence

Anonymous community source contacted Waverly police station and advised of two Caucasian males talking about going to Cronulla this weekend as there will be a bus load of 40 going from the west. The Community Source was of the belief the information related to predicted riots/assaults at Cronulla Beach. [48]

9/12/2005		'Clean Up Australia Day'	Intelligence

Patriotic Australian letters were posted in Aquinas College at Menai and surrounding suburbs. Reference was made to the 'spineless attack on the Life Guards at North Cronulla Beach. All Australians are called upon to unite and strike down the young men of 'Middle Eastern' appearance. [49]

9/12/2005	8:45am	Press conference by the Premier	Cronulla

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin, Superintendent Redfern and D/Inspector O'Grady briefed NSW Premier (Morris Iemma) and the Minister for Police (Carl Scully) at Cronulla Police Station. The Premier and Police Minister walked to Cronulla breach and held a Press Conference in Dunningham Park. [50]

9/12/2005	10:00am	Media briefing	Cronulla

Media conference conducted by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin outside Cronulla Police Station. [51]

9/12/2005	10:30am	Briefing with SETA team	

Briefing with on-coming SETA team – Assistant Commissioner Goodwin, Superintendent Redfern, Inspector Rae and Inspector Gray. [52]

9/12/2005	10:30am	Briefing with SETA team	

Briefing with on-coming SETA team – General Duties, OSG and Highway Patrol. [53]

9/12/2005	12:00pm	Meeting with Deputy Commissioner Scipione	

Meeting with Deputy Commissioner Scipione and Assistant Commissioner Goodwin re: SETA. [54]

9/12/2005	5:29pm	Meeting with the Commissioner	

Meeting with Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner Goodwin re: SETA. [55]

[48] Source: COPS Intelligence Report I:25473654.
[49] Source: COPS Intelligence Report I:25793506.
[50] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[51] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
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9/12/2005	1:05pm	Planning for possible strike force	

Superintendent Hutchings contacted A/Superintendent McErlain and discussed putting a team together similar to Strike Force Morwick. Resources considered included six (6) staff from Miranda and two (2) staff from St George TAG. [56]

9/12/2005	1:25pm	OSG tactical response	

Superintendent Hutchings and Chief Superintendent Cullen discuss the difficulties of two (2) groups coming together to fight each other. Chief Superintendent Cullen advised the OSG [57]

9/12/2005	2:30pm	Drive-by shooting at North Cronulla Hotel	Intelligence

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin briefed by Superintendent Redfern about intelligence concerning a drive-by shooting. [58]

9/12/2005	3:05pm	Beach operations over the summer	

Superintendent Hutchings contacts Superintendent Williams at Sutherland Command to develop a dedicated beach operation for summer until the threat subsides. [59]

9/12/2005	3:15pm	'OSG tactical plan	

Chief Superintendent Cullen meets with Superintendent Redfern and D/Inspector O'Grady to develop an OSG tactical Plan. [60]

9/12/2005	4:44pm	Contact with Commissioner of Community Relations Commission	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin contacts Mr Kerkyasharian, the Commissioner for the Community Relations Commission. Mr Kerkyasharian offered all resources of the CRC to quell tensions. [61]

[56] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
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9/12/2005	5:30pm	Resources increased	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin attends Cronulla Police Station and is briefed by the Miranda MIRT team and Chief Superintendent Cullen. Commissioner Moroney also attends meeting. Decision made to increase resources to; [62]

Saturday 10/12/05: On Ground - OSG increased from 22 to 52
(IMR 20, GMR 20 and Vikings 12).

Sunday 11/12/05: On Ground - OSG increased from 27 to 47, 7 SPG, Transport Unit and Water Police.
On Standby - 52 OSG (20 IMR OSG, 20 GMR OSG, 12 Vikings OSG) and two (2) MIRT s (Mason/O'Brien).

SATURDAY, 10th DECEMBER 2005

10/12/2005	1:00pm	Assistant Commissioner Goodwin attends Cronulla	

1pm to 4:30pm Assistant Commissioner Goodwin attends Cronulla for 3.5 hours and walked the area with Superintendent Redfern, discussing community tension, tactics and intelligence with Chief Superintendent Cullen. [63]

10/12/2005	6:58pm	OSG tactical plan developed	

Chief Superintendent Cullen emails the OSG tactical plan to Assistant Commissioner Goodwin and Superintendent Hutchings. [64]

10/12/2005	7:25pm	OSG tactical plan	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin forwards OSG tactical plan to Deputy Commissioner Scipione. [65]

[62] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
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[64] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
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SUNDAY, 11th DECEMBER 2005 (Day of Riot)

11/12/2005	8:00am	Crowd gathering at Cronulla	Cronulla

Crowd starts gathering in the vicinity of Dunningham Park and North Cronulla Surf Club.

11/12/2005	9:30am	Operational briefing Cronulla Police Station	

Briefing by Chief Superintendent Cullen at Cronulla Police Station. 92 personnel on duty and 68 personnel on stand-by. [66]

11/12/2005	9:52am	Eastern Beaches Commander contacted	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin contacted Superintendent Rogerson. [67]

11/12/2005	10:00am	Crowd gathering at Cronulla	Cronulla

A rally took place at Cronulla in the vicinity of the North Cronulla Surf Club. About 5000 people were in attendance, with the crowd consisting mainly of young Caucasian males draped in Australian flags and wearing beach attire.

11/12/2005	10:10am	OSG briefing at Cronulla Police Station	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin, Chief Superintendent Cullen and Superintendent Redfern briefed OSG. Issues discussed at briefing; [68]

- Highly emotionally charged.
- Groups of anti-social behaviour curb quickly, enforce law and jump on things immediately.
- Flags held out of cars.
- Mood of crowd can change quickly – take immediate action.
- Recent intelligence concerning 'Bra Boys.'
- Deployment of teams, possibly to Maroubra.
- Team Leaders to make call concerning lock ups – exercise restraint.

11/12/2005	10:30am	Marine Command briefed	

Superintendent Redfern briefed the increase presence of boats and briefed Superintendent Dalton. 12 personnel working. [69]

[66] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[67] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[68] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[69] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	10:40am	General Duties and HWP briefed	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin briefed on issues. The Highway Patrol were tasked to do the following; [70]

- Enforce law in respect to flags held out of cars.
- HWP surveillance.
- Street closures by Forward Commander (Inspector Corry).
- Police Presence on Beach
- Burke Street around-about block south bound traffic.
- Radio Channel – Zone 2 Channel 53 – check radios are changed.

11/12/2005	11:10am	Communication problems identified	

Sergeant Smith advised Inspector Rae communication issues have been identified. [71]

11/12/2005	11:30am	Communication problems – on going	

Sergeant Smith advised Inspector Rae of on-going communication problems. Considering changing over to Channel 38. [72]

11/12/2005	12:10pm	Prince Street to close	

Superintendent Redfern directed Prince Street be closed following advice from Chief Superintendent Cullen due to crowd safety issues and to deter further incitement of crowd. [73]

11/12/2005	12:13pm	Highway Patrol closed Prince Street	

Highway Patrol closes Prince Street. [74]

11/12/2005	12:14pm	OMCG Rebel Members	

Members of the Rebels OMCG sighted in Prince Street not wearing club colours. [75]

11/12/2005	12:25pm	Gates in Prince Street closed	

Superintendent Redfern confirms the northern gates in Prince Street are locked and assigned a car crew. [76]

[70] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[71] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[72] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[73] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
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11/12/2005	12:59pm	Male seeks refuge at North Cronulla Hotel	Cronulla

Large crowd chased a Middle Eastern male from Prince Street, Cronulla to the North Cronulla Hotel (Northies) and the male sought refuge inside. Police established a line to keep the crowd from entering the Hotel. Several scuffles occurred and one person was arrested. [77] Large crowd are chanting outside Northies, blocking Elouera Road. [78]

11/12/2005	1:00pm	Pigs heads left at Arncliffe RSL	Arncliffe

About 1pm unknown persons have dumped two pigs' heads on the front doorstep at the Arncliffe RSL. About one (1) hour earlier the pigs head had been seen by RSL staff in the park next to the RSL with a group of Middle Eastern males who had been poking the heads with sticks. [79]

11/12/2005	1:03pm	Road closures	

Superintendent Redfern requests Elouera road, Bourke road and The Kingsway be closed for pedestrian safety.[80]

11/12/2005	1:05pm	Prison van deployed	

Prison van deployed. [81]

11/12/2005	1:06pm	OSG Commander report on resources	

Superintendent Cullen states that there are sufficient police officers to contain the crowd and protect the Middle Eastern male seeking refuge inside hotel. [82]

11/12/2005	1:25pm	Crowd settles at North Cronulla Hotel	

Chief Superintendent Cullen advised the situation at the North Cronulla Hotel had subsided and the crowd is returning to the beach front. [83]

11/12/2005	1:31pm	Highway Patrol points to remain closed	

Superintendent Redfern advised the Highway Patrol points (road closures) to remain closed until further notice. [84]

11/12/2005	1:35pm	Advice to reopen roads	

Chief Superintendent Cullen advised Elouera road could be reopened as the traffic flow may assist in restricting pedestrian traffic on the roadway and may calm the situation. The road was reopened. [85]

[77] Source: COPS E:25992874.
[78] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[79] Source: COPS E:26024629.
[80] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[81] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[82] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005.
[83] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[84] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
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11/12/2005	1:35pm	POC called out	

Superintendent Hutchings called out to attend POC in a planning and logistics capacity. Senior Constable Fenech from the Inner Metropolitan Region Planning Unit called out to activate the POC and provide planning and logistics support. Acting Inspector Hayston called to attend Cronulla to assist Assistant Commissioner Goodwin as a staff officer. Superintendent Mason and his MIRT team called out to the POC. [86]

11/12/2005	1:43pm	Crowd calm	

Chief Superintendent Cullen there was a couple of people running around but no problems with Elouera road, open at this stage. [87]

11/12/2005	1:45pm	Debate at the 'sandpit' and male chased	Cronulla

About 1:45pm two Middle Eastern males, [redacted] (Solid male with White Shirt) and [redacted] (Slender male wearing yellow shirt) attended the sandpit in Dunningham Park Cronulla. The two males were standing behind the crowd. The crowd was listening to what [redacted] was saying on the megaphone. Someone identified the two males as Middle Eastern. [redacted] then started speaking to the two. [redacted] told the two males to "...tell the other Lebanese boys not to cause trouble." The crowd then started singing Waltzing Matilda. The crowd surrounded the two males. The crowd started throwing objects at the males. The males began to argue with the crowd. The two males were then attacked. The males were kicked to the ground and one blacked out. The police then arrived and rescued the males and escorted [redacted] back to the North Cronulla Hotel. [88]

[redacted] escaped the crowd and began running through Dunningham Park. The crowd began to pursue a Mr [redacted] through Dunningham Park. Police observed the accused ([redacted]) chase the male through the park, yelling obscenities at Middle Eastern male. When Mr [redacted] was about 20 metres from the Police the accused ran from the crowd and kicked Mr [redacted] in the stomach. As a result Mr [redacted] collapsed to the ground. Sergeant Shane Cox (a general duties supervisor) reached for Mr [redacted] whilst he was lying on the ground and pulled him to his feet and took him to a nearby police van where he was placed for his protection. Sergeant Cox then returned to the crowd and advised the accused he was under arrest for kicking Mr [redacted]. The accused, who was about 3 to 5 metres from Sergeant Cox, ran back into the crowd. Sergeant Cox ran back into the crowd and after a short search located and arrested the accused. The accused was delivered to an arrest team and conveyed to Sutherland Police Station where he was charged with Offensive Conduct, Riot and Affray. [89]

11/12/2005	1:47pm	Discussion - closure of North Cronulla Hotel	

Discussion related to the closure of the North Cronulla Hotel. Superintendent Redfern to speak with the management at the North Cronulla Hotel. [90]

[86] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[87] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[88] Source: Strike Force Enoggera ST-666
[89] Source: COPS E:25988640 / H:25573661
[90] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	1:50pm	Assault upon [redacted]	Cronulla

About 1:30pm [redacted] and [redacted] drove to Cronulla beach in [redacted] vehicle. They walked around the beach near the main wall and walked past a massive crowd. They sat on the wall near the beach and people were looking at them. Three (3) girls were looking and starting swearing. The crowd chants and started throwing sausages. They ignored the crowd and kept walking. The crowd followed the three. About 15 to 20 police began blocking the three from the crowd. The crowd started coming around the sides, hitting the three with sausages and bottles. [redacted] and [redacted] ran and the crowd followed them. The police remained with [redacted] and escorted her to hide behind a police van. A Police Officer waited with [redacted] and took her to Sutherland Hospital in a police vehicle. At Sutherland Hospital [redacted] met up with [redacted] and [redacted].[91]

11/12/2005	1:51pm	Road Closure – Burke and Elouera roads	

Superintendent Redfern closed Burke and Elouera roads again due to concerns with the number of people on the road.[92]

11/12/2005	1:52pm	Male escorted past command post	

A male was escorted past the Command Post by the OSG. The large crowd dispersed within two (2) minutes.[93]

11/12/2005	1:57pm	North Cronulla Hotel closed	

Superintendent Redfern spoke with the manager of the North Cronulla Hotel and they were happy to close their doors by consent.[94]

11/12/2005	2:00pm	OSG called out	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin requested the call out of an additional 40 OSG.[95]

11/12/2005	2:05pm	Commissioner Moroney briefed	

Commissioner Moroney contacted Superintendent Redfern who provided a briefing.[96]

11/12/2005	2:18pm	Forward commander tasked	

The Forward Commander (Inspector Corry) tasked to speak with General Duty and High Visibility Policing teams to approach and remain calm.[97]

[91] Source: Strike Force Enoggera Statement ST-363
[92] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[93] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[94] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
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11/12/2005	2:20pm	Advise to reopen roads	

Conference with Assistant Commissioner Goodwin, Chief Superintendent Cullen and Superintendent Redfern. The following issues discussed; [98]

- Happy with four (4) horses.
- POC being opened in stand-to. POC is to provide resources. Superintendent Hutchings in charge of POC. Superintendent Mason's MIRT called out to the POC to provide support.
- Command to remain at Cronulla.

11/12/2005	2:30pm	Assault upon two females	Cronulla

About 1:20pm . (17 old) and . (18 old) arrived at Cronulla and have walked around for a while. Just south of the North Cronulla Surf club in Monroe Park the two have had a verbal argument with and two other people over religion. This argument was broken up by police and both parties were told to go their separate ways. [99]

About 2:30pm in front of the North Cronulla Hotel both parties have met up again. ran towards and attempted to assault her. got in the way and a scuffle with ensured. Upon seeing the scuffle ran in to help. As a result and fell to the ground. fell on top of and has hit her in the head. Police separated the two and and have later attended the police station. has since been convicted of Assault Occasioning Actual Bodily Harm and received a Section 9 (12 Month) bond. [100]

11/12/2005	2:30pm	Crowd reduction - North Cronulla Hotel	

Advice from the Police Helicopter was the crowd outside the North Cronulla Hotel has reduced by one third. [101]

11/12/2005	2:30pm	Communication radio base station requested	

A portable radio base station requested. ETA 3:10pm. [102]

11/12/2005	2:35pm	Deputy Commissioner Scipione to attend command post	

Deputy Commissioner Scipione briefed by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin. The Deputy Commissioner advised he was attending the Forward Command Post. [103]

[98] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[99] Source: COPS E:25343575 & SF Enoggera ST-44
[100] Source: COPS H:26485103 & SF Enoggera ST-44
[101] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[102] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[103] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	2:40pm	Attack on Honda Prelude	Cronulla

Two males (and) were traveling in a gold coloured Honda Prelude ( ) along Elouera Rd. Due to traffic diversions they diverted onto Mitchell and in doing so encountered a large crowd who descended upon the vehicle. The crowd began striking and throwing bottles at the vehicle. The vehicle reversed into a driveway and drove off in a shower of hurled bottles. The vehicle was escorted from the area by a police cyclist. [104]

At one point during this incident a Caucasian male was seen to jump on the bonnet of the vehicle. The male then jumped off the vehicle and chased it down the street, Investigations by Strike Force Enoggera later identified this male as of Gymea Bay. has since been arrested and charged with Riot, Affray and Malicious Damage. [105]

At another point during this incident a Caucasian male approached the vehicle and punched the rear quarter window on the passenger side. As a result the window shattered. The vehicle is driven off down the street with several hundred people following. Investigations by Strike Force Enoggera later identified this male as a young person. This young person was charged with Riot and Affray. [106]

11/12/2005	2:43pm	Situation briefing	

Superintendent Redfern briefed Assistant Commissioner Goodwin of three (3) arrests so far. [107]

11/12/2005	2:47pm	Media strategies discussed	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin contacts Deborah Cornwell to discuss media strategy. Contact is then made with Daniella Ongara at the Police Media Unit (On-Scene) to defer media conference for another half hour. [108]

11/12/2005	2:52pm	Sutherland Mayor and State Member briefed	

Superintendent Redfern consults with Mayor Schreiber and Malcolm Kerr MP. [109]

11/12/2005	2:59pm	Males arriving at Cronulla Railway Station	

Chief Superintendent Cullen advised information had been received about Middle Eastern males arriving at the Cronulla Railway Station. [110]

[104] Source: COPS E:27813781.
[105] Source: COPS H:26735451.
[106] Source: COPS H:26324952.
[107] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[108] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[109] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[110] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	3:00pm	Assault at Cronulla Railway Station	

About 3pm a rumor went through the crowd that there were Lebanese persons on a train at Cronulla Rail Station. A large component of the crowd left the Dunningham Park area and moved south about 750 metres to Cronulla Rail Station. The crowd converged on the train station and attacked two males of Middle Eastern appearance. Both victims, [redacted] (Russian Born) and [redacted], took refuge inside a nearby train carriage. The crowd entered the carriage and began punching and jumping on the victims. Sergeant Craig Campbell entered the carriage and used his long baton to force the crowd from the carriage. Police formed a front and cleared the platform utilising OC spray and batons. [111]

11/12/2005	3:02pm	Cronulla Railway Station closed	

Superintendent Redfern received update from railway station due to rumours circulating in crowd about impending arrival of Lebanese person by train. Railway station closed. Additional police despatched there. [112]

11/12/2005	3:07pm	Cronulla Railway Station closed	

Chief Superintendent Cullen advised railway station has been closed by police. Location is now a focal point. No Middle Eastern males got off the train. An SMS caused the trouble. Additional OSG despatched. [113]

11/12/2005	3:08pm	Press conference confirmed	

Daniel Ongara advised a press conference has been planned for 3:30pm. [114]

11/12/2005	3:10pm	Operation near Alford's Point Bridge	

Assistant Commissioner Clifford advised he is mustering substantial numbers of Greater Metropolitan Region Highway Patrol for an operation near Alfords Point Bridge. [115]

11/12/2005	3:14pm	Three separate fronts	

Chief Superintendent Cullen advised the police response was dealing with three (3) separate fronts – Prince Street, Dunning Park/North Cronulla Hotel and the Cronulla Railway Station. [116]

11/12/2005	3:15pm	Middle Eastern persons on train	

Unconfirmed information from the Commuter Crime Unit was that Middle Eastern males are on the train and are heading towards Cronulla. Assistant Commissioner Goodwin directs that the train to be intercepted at Caringbah or Sutherland Railway Stations and sent back. [117]

[111] Source: COPS E:25298430.
[112] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005.
[113] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[114] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[115] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[116] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[117] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005.

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11/12/2005	3:18pm	Cronulla Railway Station – crowd disperses	

Crowd begins dispersing from the railway station and returning to beachfront area outside North Cronulla Surf Club. [118]

11/12/2005	3:19pm	Assault on [redacted] and Senior Constable Smith	Cronulla

About 3:19pm a crowd attacked a male of Middle Eastern appearance ([redacted]). A Highway Patrol vehicle was stationary at the intersection of Elouera Road and Mitchell Street Cronulla with the officer doing crowd control duties. The officer saw two young men of Middle Eastern appearance being set upon by a large crowd of people. One of the Middle Eastern men was kicked and punched. The Highway Patrol officer, Senior Constable Gary Smith intervened and used capsicum spray to subdue the assailants. The officer took the victim to his police vehicle to escort him from the area. The crowd commenced throwing beer bottles at the victim and the officer. Both were struck and the police vehicle was extensively damaged. The victim and the police officer were later treated in hospital for their injuries. As a result of investigations into this incident 17 people were charged. [119]

11/12/2005	3:20pm	POC in operation	

Superintendent Mason's MIRT in position at the POC. The POC log commenced on 'Indigo'. Superintendent Hutchings enroute to POC. [120]

11/12/2005	3:20pm	Crowd gathering outside Nando's Restaurant	

Police were walking amongst the crowd towards Cronulla train station from the beach. As the crowd passed the Nando's restaurant three (3) Middle Eastern males walked from the south side of the Kingsway, Police took these males into custody as the crowd were rushing towards them and took them inside Nando's for refuge. About 200 people gathered outside Nando's banging on the glass doors and windows. Diners already inside the location were moved from the glass. Within a minute a glass panel was broken by an unknown male. One male patron inside the restaurant then began to incite the crowd. Police removed this male from the public area and into the kitchen and requested he cease his behaviour. The Middle Eastern males were then taken to a caged vehicle at the rear of the restaurant and taken away without incident. [121]

11/12/2005	3:26pm	Cronulla Railway Station closed	

Information from Rail Corp Operations Controller was that Middle Eastern males are leaving voluntarily at this stage, if not the train will stop at Caringbah. [122]

11/12/2005	6:40pm	Crowd chanting	

Large group chanting. Assistant Commissioner Goodwin contacted Superintendent Hutchings to activate additional OSG. [123]

[118] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005.
[119] Source: COPS E:25438815.
[120] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[121] Source: COPS E:25520847.
[122] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005.
[123] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	3:45pm	Police Helicopter video feed to POC activated	

The video feed to the POC is activated. [124]

11/12/2005	3:45pm	Crowd activity	

Two lines of OSG outside Kiosk following the extraction of a Middle Eastern female wearing a Hajib into the Kiosk. The Bike Squad at North Cronulla Surf Club with two (2) injured victims. OSG moves large crowd back from clubhouse. Assistance afforded by small group of males (including [redacted]) clapping police and calling to move back as "police are our friends." [125]

11/12/2005	3:47pm	Radio Engineering Unit attends	

Mobile Radio Base Station being set up in Command Post – Zone [redacted] Channel [redacted]. [126]

11/12/2005	3:50pm	POC briefing	

Issues discussed during the briefing; [127]

- Decision to call out as many OSG as possible.
- Greater Metropolitan OCG to be mobilised.
- Two (2) prison vans.
- Video unit to Cronulla.
- Northern Region OSG mobilised.
- 46 spare sets of OSG gear available.

11/12/2005	3:57pm	Deputy Commissioner Scipione on scene.	

Deputy Commissioner Scipione on scene at Forward Command Post. Briefed by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin. [128]

11/12/2005	4:08pm	Further OSG arrive	

C/Super Cullen advise 7 or 8 [OSG] crews have arrived. [129]

11/12/2005	4:17pm	Superintendent O'Brien MIRT activated	

Superintendent O'Brien MIRT team activated and deployed to Cronulla. Estimated arrival time was 6pm. [130]

[124] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[125] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[126] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[127] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[128] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[129] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
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11/12/2005	4:20pm	Damage to an ambulance at the Surf Club	Cronulla

About 4.20pm an ambulance was being used to transport six Middle Eastern people, three who had been injured during earlier incidents and three who had sought refuge inside the North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club from the riotous crowd. Four Mounted Police and a number of OSG police provided security as the ambulance departed the area. The ambulance travelled from Prince Street into Mitchell Street. At this point the ambulance and escorting police came under attack by the crowd who were throwing beer bottles. Numerous bottles struck the ambulance smashing windows. One bottle passed through the sunroof of the ambulance and struck an ambulance officer in the back of the head. The ambulance was driven to a safe location and the patients were transferred to another ambulance and taken to hospital for treatment. Following an investigation three people were charged in relation to this incident. [131]

11/12/2005	4:20pm	Press conference	

Press conference conducted on the balcony of the North Cronulla Surf Club. [132]

11/12/2005	4:20pm	Assault police, Mitchell Road	Cronulla

After the ambulance was escorted from the area, the escorting police were walking down Mitchell Road towards the North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club. At this time Mitchell Road was lined with people drinking alcohol and yelling abusive taunts at police. Police observed a young person standing on the roof of a garage with about 20 others. This young person threw a bottle of beer in the direction of police which broke on the roadway near them spraying broken glass. The young person was then chased by police into Prince Street and arrested. He struggled with the arresting police and a crowd of about 500 people surrounded the arresting police and began to taunt and abuse them. The arresting officer was spat on by the crowd. The offender was eventually placed into a caged truck, conveyed to Sutherland Police Station and charged assault police and possess drug. [133]

11/12/2005	4.24pm	Special operations channel established	

Radio Channel – Zone Channel – working. [134]

11/12/2005	4:32pm	Request to close bottle shops	

Superintendent Redfern tasked Senior Sergeant Beattie to speak to local bottle shops concerning closure by consent. [135]

11/12/2005	4:35pm	Communication problems	Cronulla

Superintendent Hutchings contacts Acting Inspector Hayston and advised the POC needed to be able to speak to someone at the Forward Command Post as a point of liaison with the POC. Advised that no phone lines exist on that floor of the North Cronulla Surf Club. Contact to be made via mobile phone. Sergeant Stricker tasked to obtain an officer to the Command Post for POC liaison. [136]

[131] Source: COPS E:25728513, E:25921004, E:25892005, E:50043101, E:25372709.
[132] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[133] Source: COPS E:25372709 & H:25590727.
[134] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[135] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[136] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	4:40pm	Briefing with Deputy Commissioner Goodwin	

Deputy Commissioner Scipione briefed by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin. Request for more horses and discussion concerning the sustainability of police resources. Arrest strategies discussed. 142 personnel on the ground.[137]

11/12/2005	4:45pm	Further Vikings officers arranged	

Chief Inspector Noakes contact POC and advised arrangements made for an additional 30 Public Order Police.[138]

11/12/2005	4:55pm	Closure of bottle shops	

Advice received via VKG was that both bottle shops will be closing at 5pm. [139]

11/12/2005	5:02pm	Crowd disperses	

Chief Superintendent Cullen contacts Superintendent Hutchings in POC and advised crowd is dispersing. [140]

11/12/2005	5:10pm	POC briefing on the events of the day	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin contacted Superintendent Hutchings at the POC. Advised POC is in a logistic role and has no command role at this point. Briefing conducted about the events of the day. Advised Assistant Commissioner Clifford was calling all on duty HWP to undertake patrols of the Tom Ugly's to Campsie and Alford's Point to Bankstown routes looking for swarms. [141]

11/12/2005	5:17pm	Crowd disperses North Cronulla Hotel	

Crowd dispersing outside North Cronulla Hotel. [142]

11/12/2005	5:20pm	Disturbance at St George Hospital	Kogarah

About 5:20pm calls for assistance were received from St George Hospital staff due to a large group of Middle Eastern males congregating at the hospital in response to those injured during incidents at Cronulla. Bottles had been thrown and vehicles were damaged in the vicinity. [143]

11/12/2005	5:40pm	AM Police to remain on duty for 2 hours	

Superintendent Redfern advised that the AM shift Police to remain on duty for an additional two (2) hours. D/Inspector O'Grady tasked to deploy staff. [144]

[137] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[138] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[139] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[140] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[141] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[142] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[143] Source: COPS E:25387720
[144] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	5:42pm	Commissioner Moroney arrived	

Commissioner Moroney arrived at the Command Post. Commissioner briefed about the events of the day. [145]

11/12/2005	5:50pm	Hostile crowd surrounds guards in Mall	Cronulla

Large crowd gathered outside McDonald's restaurant in Cronulla Mall. Crowed surrounded two security guards of Middle Eastern appearance. The guards retreated into the restaurant and police formed a line to protect them. Police organised for a vehicle to attend the location and extracted the two guards as there were fears for their safety. Whilst police vehicle was at the front of the restaurant, a member of the crowd threw a beer bottle towards the vehicle which missed and smashed into the wall of the restaurant. The bottle thrower was then arrested. The crowd at the scene was hostile. [146]

11/12/2005	5:55pm	POC briefing	

POC briefing conducted with Superintendent Hutchings, Inspector Laycock, Senior Constable Smealie, Inspector Sheridan, Superintendent Mason, D/Inspector Albury and Sergeant Lodge. [147]

11/12/2005	6:00pm	Report of vehicles on Tom Ugly's Bridge	

Report of Middle Eastern Males in vehicles openly brandishing knives, south bound on Tom Ugly's Bridge at Blakehurst. [148]

11/12/2005	6:05pm	Commissioner addressed police	

Commissioner Moroney addressed police in stand down area. [149]

11/12/2005	6:10pm	Update of vehicles on Tom Ugly's Bridge	

Intelligence about two (2) car loads of Middle Eastern Males on Tom Ugly's bridge. [150]

11/12/2005	6:17pm	OSG (Riot) equipment relocated	

Further OSG (riot) equipment to be taken to Cronulla from SPC. [151]

11/12/2005	6:21pm	Update of vehicles on Tom Ugly's Bridge	

Highway Patrol had been advised by a member of the public about the intelligence. Advise Highway Patrol cars to keep a look out for suspicious vehicles. [152]

[145] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[146] Source: COPS E:25932903.
[147] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[148] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[149] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[150] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
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11/12/2005	6:22pm	CBD Street Policing Unit arrive at Cronulla	

CBD Street Policing Unit to attend Cronulla and patrol trains. [153]

11/12/2005	6:23pm	Highway Deployment to bridges	

Strong Highway Patrol presence on Tom Ugly's Bridge to Campsie and Alford's Point Bridge to Bankstown. [154]

11/12/2005	6:25pm	Future operational planning for Cronulla	

POC confirms with D/Inspector O'Grady that an ongoing Cronulla Operation will require 40 per day (10am to 7pm) – 20 General Duties, 10 OSG, 4 Highway Patrol, 2 General Purpose dogs. Planning in the POC commenced to ensure that numbers are obtained. [155]

11/12/2005	6:25pm	General planning	

Between 6:25pm and 7:07pm general planning was taking place at POC. [156]

11/12/2005	6:50pm	[redacted] Assault Police	Cronulla

About 6:50pm [redacted] was provoking a fight in Prince Street car park, North Cronulla Beach, with an unknown male. Police intervened and [redacted], who was heavily intoxicated, became aggressive towards police. He was arrested and conveyed to a nearby police van. Whilst escorting [redacted] his older brother, [redacted] became aggressive towards police and he too was arrested and placed in a police van. A search of [redacted] resulted in a small amount of cannabis being found on his person. [157]

11/12/2005	7:00pm	Vehicle swerves towards pedestrian	Cronulla

About 7pm a Black Mitsubishi Magna, registration [redacted] (NSW) was traveling west along the Kingsway, Cronulla. At the intersection of Cronulla St, near Cronulla Mall, the vehicle drove through a red light and swerved towards two pedestrians crossing the road. The pedestrians leap forward to avoid being hit by the vehicle. The vehicle continued west bound. One of the pedestrians was an off-duty police officer. This same vehicle was stopped later that evening in Brighton-le-Sands after a similar incident involved a police officer at a road block. [158]

11/12/2005	7:07pm	Commissioner's media briefing	

Commissioner conducted a media briefing. [159]

[153] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[154] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[155] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[156] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[157] Source: COPS E:25899749
[158] Source: COPS E:25749521. Related incident E:25376009
[159] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	7:30pm	Middle Eastern male chased by crowd	Cronulla

About 7:30pm Police saw a Middle Eastern male running down Prince Street, Cronulla, with numerous people chasing after him. Police performing crowd control duty formed a line to prevent these males getting to the Middle Eastern male. A male, [redacted], has attempted to push through this police line. [redacted], whilst attempting to push through the police line, has produced a bottle and threatened police. [redacted] has swung the bottle towards police and then smashed the bottle over his OWN head causing it to smash. [160] He was later charged Assault Police and Common Assault. [161]

11/12/2005	7:34pm	Assistant Commissioner Goodwin stand down resources	

- Assistant Commissioner Goodwin contacts POC and stood down the Mounties, the two (2) Police Helicopters (need them with night sun and thermals on standby), two (2) teams of OSG sent back to Macquarie Fields, Miranda dayshift and Bike Teams. [162]
- Two issues for POC; [163]
  - Ongoing support and Task Force - Need to kick off from tomorrow morning.
  - Similar response required next weekend – need to maintain the backlash.
- Reprisals were an unknown quantity. [164]
- Thanks to everyone in the POC.
- More arrests are being made now as crowd numbers have reduced.
- Assistant Commissioner Goodwin briefed the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner Scipione.

11/12/2005	7:45pm	Gathering on The Promenade	Brighton

At 7:45pm 20-30 males of Middle Eastern appearance carrying bats walking on The Promenade, Sans Souci and appear to be looking for trouble. Males are heading towards Myer Street. [165]

11/12/2005	7:48pm	Gathering Punchbowl Park	Punchbowl

60 youths of Middle Eastern appearance are waiting in Arncliffe Park. Community source stated they are waiting for a group of "Aussies" to turn up and then there will be a brawl. Informant stated the males had bats. Several similar calls received. [166]

11/12/2005	7:49pm	Gathering at Arncliffe Park	Arncliffe

60 youths of Middle Eastern appearance are waiting in Arncliffe Park. Community source stated they are waiting for a group of "Aussies" to turn up and then there will be a brawl. Informant stated the males had bats. Several similar calls received. [167]

[160] Source: COPS E:26376641
[161] Source: COPS H:25689721
[162] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[163] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[164] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[165] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 19:35. District/Channel: 'L'.
[166] Source: COPS I:25895019
[167] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 19:49. District/Channel: 'L'.

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11/12/2005	7:49pm	Gathering of Middle Eastern males	Brighton

10 vehicles containing Middle Eastern males have exited their vehicles and are running along as though they are looking for someone. The groups have returned to their vehicles and have driven off towards Ramsgate Road (x Wollongong Rd). [168]

11/12/2005	7:53pm	Armed males on The Promenade	Brighton

Three (3) car loads of Middle Eastern males have just arrived in their vehicles armed with baseball bats on The Promenade. [169]

11/12/2005	7:55pm	Police Air Wing on standby	

Air Wing contacted. Advised there is to be a helicopter on standby at Bankstown. Ready to go at short notice with night sun and thermal imaging. [170]

11/12/2005	7:55pm	Campsie Cars – zero tolerance [171]	Campsie

7:55pm	**(CA10)**	-	will send CA 36 to check situation. Other Cars to Stand off and wait. CA 10 will attend ASAP and assess action.
8:00pm	**(CA 36)**	-	Police attend the location at the request of Campsie Duty Officer. Approximately 100 males of middle eastern appearance and 16 vehicles were observed in Punchbowl park. Police did not stop and approach the males . . . . . The males were observed to get into several vehicles, with three (3) to four (4) persons per vehicle. The vehicles then dispersed in all directions.
8:05pm	**(CA36)**	-	10 males in Viola Street disrupting traffic. Males wearing hooded tops.
8:06pm	**(CA10)**	-	Patrol the area large group of males leaving in approximately 30 cars. There are four (4) persons per car. All cars patrol. Any anti-social behaviour or traffic offences to be treated with zero tolerance. Cars leaving in all directions.
8:10pm	**(CA15)**	-	Cars seen to be travelling east Canterbury [CB] Road.
8:11pm	**(CA10)**	-	Problem heading south to Cronulla, maybe Highway cars could keep a look out for offences.

[168] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 19:49. District/Channel: 'L'.
[169] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 19:53. District/Channel: 'L'.
[170] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[171] Source: COPS I:25895019 & linked CIDS created 11/12/2005 19:48. District/channel 'F'

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11/12/2005	8:00pm	Operation Debrief	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin conducts debrief. The following issues were discussed; [172]

- Investigation Strike Force being establish under a Detective Inspector.
- The same resources required for the following weekend.
- About 200 locals around Cronulla – police still covering railway station and mall.
- Communications (Superintendent Redfern) – special operations channel did not work well.
- Forward Command Post (Superintendent Redfern) – was not good enough.
- Video Feed (D/CoP Scipione) – No video feed at Command Post,
- Command Post (D/CoP Scipione) – To be be better set up for next weekend.
- Tactics (Assistant Commissioner Goodwin) – OSG not running effective as it did not draw the crowd to follow.
- Custody (Commissioner) – Mass arrest kits.
- OSG Equipment (Commissioner) – Not used as it was not necessary.
- Planning (Superintendent Redfern) – Inspector at LAC and one on Operation each day.

11/12/2005	8:07pm	Report of convoy enroute to Cronulla	Bankstown

About 8:07pm an anonymous male contact '000' and report of 500 males, armed with bats, were enroute to Cronulla from Bankstown. The size or precise route of this convoy was never verified. It was later reported that the convoy was last seen traveling to Wollongong. There is no further information whether it reached Wollongong or deviated elsewhere. MIRT tasked HWP vehicle to monitor. [173]

11/12/2005	8:13pm	OSG remain on stand-by	

Chief Superintendent Cullen tasked Superintendent O'Brien to ensure that all dayshift OSG remain on stand-by. [174]

11/12/2005	8:13pm	Gathering at Punchbowl	

Information from Campsie Duty Officer (Portelli) is that 100 Middle Eastern males have met at Punchbowl Park and have got in to about 40 motor vehicles and are heading to Cronulla. [175]

11/12/2005	8:13pm	Prince Street reopened	

Superintendent Redfern directed Elouera Road be reopened and Prince street to remain closed based on Chief Superintendent Cullen's advise. Superintendent Redfern directs all Highway Patrol constantly patrol Elouera road and monitor traffic. [176]

[172] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[173] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:07 – District/Channel 'L' and eagle.i S/F NEIL IN-105
[174] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[175] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[176] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	8:15pm	Vehicles move onto the M5	Wiley Park

CA38 advised VKG of youths turning left onto M5 from King Georges Rd Wiley Park. [177]

11/12/2005	8:18pm	Gathering at Punchbowl Park	Punchbowl

CIDS generated 11/12/2005 8:18pm. Community source contacted Campsie station and advised another group of people in 10+ vehicles arrived at the park. CA10 (Duty Officer) attended location and males left after seeing police vehicle. [178]

11/12/2005	8:19pm	Vehicle stop on M5	Wiley Park

CIDS generated 11./12/2005 8:19pm - CA37 followed a vehicle from King Georges Rd and onto the M5. The vehicle was stopped and the bona fides of the occupants were checked. No offences detected. [179]

11/12/2005	8:20pm	Vehicle convoy on M5	Wiley Park

CA37 advised VKG that a group of vehicles have passed them. CA37 advised of another car of aggressive males passing them. [180]

11/12/2005	8:20pm	Convoy on King Georges Road	Wiley Park

Community Source advised 10 vehicles full of Middle Eastern people travelling through red light at intersection of King Georges and Canterbury Roads.

Police Action: MIRT HWP vehicles tasked to monitor convoy. Convoy continued onto Wollongong. [181]

11/12/2005	8:21pm	Sutherland Shire Mayor briefed	

Mayor Schreiber briefed by Superintendent Redfern. [182]

11/12/2005	8:23pm	Report of Convoy from Bankstown and Greenacre	Greenacre/Bankstown

Community Source reported 100's of cars are heading from Bankstown and Greenacre containing Middle Eastern people hanging out of the windows screaming Cronulla. [183]

11/12/2005	8:27pm	Convoy enroute to Cronulla	Wiley Park

Miranda Duty Officer advised 40 car loads of Middle Eastern males have been sighted eastbound on the M5 east. [184]

[177] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:19 – District/Channel 'F'.
[178] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:18 – District/Channel 'F'.
[179] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:19 – District/Channel 'F'.
[180] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:19 – District/Channel 'F'.
[181] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:20 – District/Channel 'F'.
[182] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[183] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:23 – District/Channel 'G'.
[184] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	8:27pm	Crowd gathers at Bay Street	Brighton

A group of 60 Middle Eastern males walking up and down Bay street, intimidating passersby and preventing people from accessing various businesses. No weapons sighted. Police Action: Police attended and issued parking tickets to several vehicles along Bay Street near the restaurant and RSL. Further police required. [185]

11/12/2005	8:30pm	Convoy sighted by Highway Patrol	

Confirmation from Highway Patrol vehicle – vehicles heading "our way" on the M5. Three (3) inlets are being monitored. [186]

11/12/2005	8:30pm	Report of gathering at Wiley Park	Wiley Park

Community Source reported 100 males armed with knives and guns gathered at rear of Wiley Park, behind Carols. No actual sightings of weapons. [187]

11/12/2005	8:32pm	Report of convoy at road works	Yagoona

Community Source reported vehicles full of Middle Eastern males driving past the road works on the Hume Hwy, Yagoona (x Auburn Road) throwing bottles at workers. [188]

11/12/2005	8:33pm	Crowd causing problems at Bay Street	Brighton

A group of 20/30 youths were blocking the footpath and pushing/shoving each other. [189]

11/12/2005	8:35pm	Cronulla inlets being monitored	

VKG confirm with Superintendent Redfern the three (3) inlets to Sutherland Shire are being monitored by Highway Patrol vehicles. [190]

11/12/2005	8:36pm	Youths fighting Italian Restaurant	Brighton

Group of youths fighting with restaurant owner. Area patrolled nil sighted. [191]

11/12/2005	8:35pm	Convoy confirmation by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin requests confirmation of convoy sighted from Campsie Duty Officer. [192]

[185] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:27. District/Channel: 'L'
[186] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[187] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:32 – District/Channel 'F'. CIDS Ref: 050969852DF15263
[188] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:32 – District/Channel 'G'
[189] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:33. District/Channel: 'L'
[190] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005
[191] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:36. District/Channel: 'L'. / CIDS Reference: CIDS 050969861DL18004
[192] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	8:40pm	Desecration of Australian Flag	Brighton

Several calls received commencing 8:40pm. Approximately 300 Middle Eastern people gathered. The Australian flag was desecrated with individuals stomping, spitting, urinating on and driving over the flag. [193] After a short period a Middle Eastern male picked up the Australian flag and carried in onto the northern footpath of Bay street. An accelerant was poured onto the Australian flag and it was burnt. The accelerant appeared to come into contact with this male as the right portion of his track suit pants became engulfed in a clear blue flame. His pants remained alight for some time before a group of Middle Eastern males were able to assist him extinguish the flame. [194] Three males charged for malicious damage and possession of cannabis - [redacted] (born: 1981), [redacted] (born 1988) and [redacted] (born 1979) charged. [195]

11/12/2005	8:40pm	Report of Middle Eastern males in car park	Brighton

A white Tarago van containing Middle Eastern males was in the car park at the intersection on Ramsgate Road yelling threats to other people in a red BMW. Both vehicles left area. [196]

11/12/2005	8:07pm	Report of vehicles enroute to Maroubra	Maroubra

10 to 12 vehicles with Middle Eastern males on board heading towards Maroubra Beach. Vehicles proceeded through intersection of Maroubra and Bunnerong roads Maroubra. Vehicle are ignoring red lights and almost causing collisions. Last seen Maroubra Road towards Maroubra Beach. Occupants yelling out obscenities and racial comments. [197]

11/12/2005	8:45pm	Vehicle fire bombed	Maroubra

Police were at the intersection of Maroubra Road and Malabar Road Maroubra assisting Ambulance Paramedics when a convoy of seven (7) vehicles were observed travelling north in Malabar Road through traffic control signals at this intersection. Police then observed a white Holden Commodore travelling north with the convoy when a male occupant leant out of the vehicle and swung a long black object towards a marked vehicle in Malabar Road.

Police followed the convoy and saw it slow on several occasions. On one occasion, about 100 metres south of Moverly Road, the convoy slowed and an occupant from one of these vehicles threw a flaming object at a parked vehicle, which resulted in the vehicle catching fire. Police stopped the convoy and as they approached the convoy six (6) vehicles accelerated north along Malabar Road. The remaining vehicle and the occupants were searched which resulted in a baton being located inside the vehicle and the driver being identified as unlicensed. The vehicle was secured and the occupants issued with a move-on direction. No action was taken at the time due to other on-going public order disturbances. Strike Force Enoggera has charged several young persons with riot and affray. [198]

[193] Source: COPS E:25277230.
[194] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:40. District/Channel: 'L'./ CIDS Reference: 05096986DL18005 / 05096986DL18006
[195] Source: COPS E:25277230
[196] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:43. District/Channel: 'L'
[197] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:44. District/Channel: 'C'. / COPS E:25646411
[198] Source: COPS E:26117607.

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11/12/2005	8:45pm	Vehicles damaged along Maroubra Rd	Maroubra

Group of 15 vehicles with at least five (5) on board hitting parked vehicles. Occupants are exiting vehicles throwing items from vehicles. Heading toward Maroubra Beach. [199]

11/12/2005	8:45pm	Report of convoy on King Georges Rd.	Willey Park

Community Source reported up to 50 vehicles heading south bound on King Georges Rd Wiley Park (x Canterbury Rd). Informant believes they are heading to Cronulla. The vehicles are driving in convoy along King Georges Rd and are going through red lights and stopping other vehicles. [200]

11/12/2005	8:45pm	Maroubra attacked	Maroubra

First reports of Maroubra being attacked.

11/12/2005	8:47pm	Intelligence about OMCG	

Intelligence received that Rebels and Banditoes have combined forces to "bash" any Middle Eastern male in the area. [201]

11/12/2005	8:48pm	Convoy at Punchbowl	

Information from the POC was the group of cars sighted at Punchbowl are going to Maroubra and or possibly Cronulla. Information was from Campsie 10. [202]

11/12/2005	8:49pm	Maroubra being attacked	

First reports received by Command about Maroubra being attacked. [203]

11/12/2005	8:49pm	Brawl and rampage	Maroubra

- 30 to 40 Middle Eastern males on a rampage, armed with bats and other weapons, smashing up cars. Males are near the Fire Station on Maroubra Rd. [204]
- Large number of vehicles stopped and number of vehicles damaged. [205]
- Four (4) car loads of Middle Eastern persons throwing bricks threw car windows. One vehicle described as a red Daihatsu sedan. [206]
- 100 people fighting in street. Unknown weapons, unknown injuries. Police arrive whilst informant on phone. Large group of people fighting with poles. [207]

Numerous other calls received.

[199] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:45. District/Channel: 'C' / COPS E:25646411
[200] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:45 – District/Channel 'F'
[201] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[202] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[203] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[204] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:49. District/Channel: 'C' /COPS E:25646411
[205] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:49. District/Channel: 'C' / COPS E:25646411
[206] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:49. District/Channel: 'C' / COPS E:25646411
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11/12/2005	8:50pm	Assault on [redacted] in Maroubra Road	Maroubra

About 8:50pm 11/12/2005 Mr [redacted] arrived home at Maroubra Rd Maroubra in his brothers Champagne coloured Daihatsu Sirion. As Mr [redacted] stepped out the vehicle he was approached by a male person described as being of Middle Eastern appearance. This Middle Eastern male enquired as to Mr [redacted] race to which he replied "Greek." The Middle Eastern male then said,"Then you're alright mate." As Mr [redacted] was having this conversation another Middle Eastern male approached him carrying a baseball bat. This Middle Eastern male struck the vehicle Mr [redacted] had been driving. This group has continued along Maroubra Rd. When the group was about two (2) metres away the victim has turned towards the damaged vehicle. As he did this the Mr [redacted] was struck in the face. He fell to the ground and became unconscious. When he came to Mr [redacted] could feel severe pain to the left side of his face and blood in his mouth. He went inside, receiving first aid and remained there until the morning when he attended the City Hospital. [208]

11/12/2005	8:51pm	Report of Middle Eastern males and 'Bra Boys'	Maroubra

Informant ([redacted]) states a message received stating there are about 100 Middle Eastern males in the vicinity of Maroubra Rd and Anzac Parade with baseball bats. Overheard them saying they are on their way to Maroubra Beach to confront the Bra Boys. [209] EB15 reports large group at intersection of French Street and Maroubra Rd. [210]

11/12/2005	8:54pm	Report of assault at [redacted] French Street	Maroubra

Victim arrived at 43A French street after being assaulted by large group of Middle Eastern males armed with bats and iron bars. POI's last seen heading towards Maroubra Road. [211]

11/12/2005	8:56pm	Report of gathering at Punchbowl	Punchbowl

Report of a Group of Middle Eastern people gathering in the vicinity of Rosemont and Hillcrest streets, Punchbowl. [212]

11/12/2005	8:58pm	Police assistance required at Maroubra	

Report received from Maroubra calling for police assistance. OSG at Cronulla to be deployed to Bridges. [213]

11/12/2005	9:00pm	Report of a large group on Marine Parade	Maroubra

Group of 100 walking towards beach just turning into Marine Parade. Police are further down the road and are unsure if they can see this lot coming. [214]

[208] Source: COPS E:25976951
[209] Source: COPS E:25646411
[210] Source: COPS E:25646411
[211] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:54. District/Channel: C. COPS E:25646411
[212] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 20:56 – District/Channel 'F'.
[213] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005.
[214] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 21:00. District/Channel: C. COPS E:25646411

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11/12/2005	9:00pm	Assault at [redacted] on Malabar Road	Maroubra

About 9pm 11/12/2005 Mr [redacted] parked his vehicle and entered the Seven Eleven store on the corner of Meagher Avenue and Malabar Road. A short time later he returned to his vehicle. Whilst getting into the vehicle a group of six (6) to ten (10) vehicles containing four (4) to five (5) middle eastern males stopped nearby. About six (6) to seven (7) males approached him and one said,"Do you have a problem with Lebs?" Mr [redacted] said, "No." The middle eastern males then punched and kicked him several times to the body and head. Whilst the victim was being assaulted other middle eastern males smashed the driver's window, rear passenger side window and dented the rear drivers side panel. The males then left the scene. The victim received minor injuries. [215]

11/12/2005	9:00pm	Robbery at Payphone on Malabar Road	Maroubra

About 9pm 12/12/2005 Mr [redacted] went to the Telstra payphone on Malabar Rd South Coogee to contact his parents. Whilst dialing the number he heard a noise from behind him. As he turned he saw a group of middle eastern males yelling and walking behind him as well as a group of four (4) to five (5) males approaching him. The group have then continually (about one minute) punched and kicked the Mr [redacted] and have stolen his Nokia mobile phone. The males then walked away and the victim returned home and sought assistance. As a result of the assault the victim received general bruising and scratches. [216]

11/12/2005	9:00pm	Assault outside Maroubra Hotel	Maroubra

Between 8pm and 9pm 11/12/05 Mr [redacted] has just left the Maroubra Hotel when he heard a commotion coming from across the road on Marine Parade. Mr [redacted] walked over to see what was going on and as he stepped onto the footpath a group of males attacked him with baseball bats, knocking him unconscious. The victim was uncertain as to the events from this point other than being taken to hospital in a car. As a result of the assault the victim received a broken none in his left ear, swelling, bruising and cuts. [217]

11/12/2005	9:00pm	Female struck by baseball bat	Maroubra

About 9pm 12/12/2005 Ms [redacted] and Mr [redacted] were in their residence when they heard noise outside on Maroubra Road. They went out to where their cars were parked and saw both vehicles were damaged. They saw a group of ethnic males running east along Maroubra road carrying baseball bats and other similar weapons. Ms [redacted] started to walk off the roadway and onto the footpath when a male of Middle Eastern appearance ran east along the footpath and struck Ms [redacted] in the forehead with a baseball bat. The Middle Eastern male kept running east. Ms [redacted] stumbled to the foot path and Mr [redacted] came to her assistance and was holding her when another Middle Eastern male kicked Mr [redacted] in the back. Both victims were forced to the ground and the assailants continued running east. [218]

[215] Source: COPS E:48601602
[216] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 21:00. District/Channel: C. COPS E:25410224
[217] Source: Eagle.I 'Enoggera' ST-119
[218] Source: COPS E:25528556

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11/12/2005	9:00pm	Firearm produced on Maroubra Road	Maroubra

About 9pm 11/12/05 Mr [redacted] heard what he believed to be a small firearm being discharged. Mr [redacted] went to his front gate on Maroubra Road Maroubra and he saw several people walking down Maroubra Road towards the beach. As he did this a male of middle eastern appearance ran towards him. Mr [redacted] closed his self locking gate and prevented the middle eastern male accessing him. The middle eastern male start kicking the gate and then said to Mr [redacted], "I've got a gun. Get inside or you're dead." Mr [redacted] noticed the middle eastern male was holding a firearm. Mr [redacted] ran back inside his house and the middle eastern male later left. About 10 minutes later Mr [redacted] saw a larger number of people running back up Maroubra road from the beach. [219]

11/12/2005	9:00pm	Assault on Brazilian National	Maroubra

About 9pm the victim left his brothers place in the vicinity of Maroubra beach. As he walked towards the Surf Lifesaving Club a large number of armed males came from 'nowhere' and ran towards him in the vicinity of the grassed area on Marine Parade. One male of middle eastern appearance punched the victim in the head and the group began assaulting him. During the assault the victim was stabbed once to the lower right side of his body. The victim escaped the group and sort refuge in the ladies toilet at Maroubra Surf Club. The victim was later treated at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, receiving stitches to his wound. [220]

11/12/2005	9:00pm	Brighton-le-Sands being attacked	

Acting Inspector Hayston contacted POC and advised about Malicious Damage offences at Maroubra and ethnic males were burning an Australian Flag at Brighton-le-Sands. [221]

11/12/2005	9:00pm	Superintendent Rogerson contacted	Maroubra

Phone call to Superintendent Rogerson at home from station about brawl between Lebanese and Caucasian people. Maroubra MIRT activated whilst enroute to station Superintendent Rogerson contacted Superintendent Hutchings and was briefed about the situation. [222]

11/12/2005	9:05pm	Maroubra MIRT activated	Maroubra

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin contacted Superintendent Rogerson and activated his MIRT. [223]

[219] Source: COPS E:25579032
[220] Source: COPS E:25565014
[221] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[222] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil
[223] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	9:00pm	Brawl at Marine Parade	Maroubra

100 armed locals are arriving at Maroubra Rd and Marine Pde. Locals are converging on Middle Eastern Males. Brawl occurs.

POLICE: Need OSG Here.

POLICE: EB16 – Need some riot gear here to protect us.

POLICE: EB14 – Contact the POC we need more police.

POLICE: EB15 – We need more police – 1000s of the ******.

POLICE: EB15 – They are throwing glass.

POLICE: EB14 – Group running. Marine Pde heading towards *****. Locals engaging other group.

POLICE: IME60 – On the way (OTW) Code Rd with 2 other OSG.

POLICE: DOG29 – On the way from Sutherland.

By 9:10pm Ambulance request made to Marine Parade with male was on the ground. Situation has calmed with one (1) group having left. [224]

11/12/2005	9:05pm	Assistant Commissioner Goodwin leaves Cronulla	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin moves the Command to the POC as the situation was now on multiple fronts. Chief Superintendent Cullen and Acting Inspector Hayston also leave the Command post with Assistant Commissioner Goodwin. [225]

11/12/2005	9:05pm	Report of 1000's of Middle Eastern people	Cronulla

About 9:05pm a community source contacted police. Caller stated a friend had heard thousands of armed Middle Eastern people will be attending Cronulla at 9:30pm. [226]

11/12/2005	9:06pm	Report of gathering at Parry Park	Greenacre

Community source reported a series of fireworks or loud bangs in the vicinity of Parry Park, Wangee Road Greenacre (x Roberts Road). There are groups of Middle Eastern youths walking around. [227]

11/12/2005	9:13pm	Report of gathering Punchbowl Park	Punchbowl

Report of a large congregation of Middle Eastern males armed with knife/guns and batons getting ready to make their way to Cronulla as revenge to today's incident. All males are at Punchbowl Park. CA10 attended, patrolled the area and no vehicles sighted. [228]

[224] Source: COPS E:25646411
[225] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[226] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 21:05. District/Channel: L
[227] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 21:06 – District/Channel 'G'.
[228] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 21:13 – District/Channel 'F'.

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11/12/2005	9:20pm	Vehicles in Cook Park (Hashams)	Brighton

A Highway Patrol vehicle reports 30 vehicles at Cook Park. There were no problems with 60-70 people. Superintendent Redfern requests they keep observing [229]

11/12/2005	9:22pm	Information received about Maroubra	

Information to hand was over 100 vehicles damaged and over 100 persons armed with sticks fighting. [230]

11/12/2005	9:25pm	OSG teams deployed to Maroubra	Maroubra

Chief Superintendent Cullen deployed 10 OSG teams to Maroubra. [231]

11/12/2005	9:25pm	Search vehicles in Cook Park	Brighton

Direction for Police at Cook Park to go through cars thoroughly and search cars for weapons. 60 to 70 cars and 200 people there. [232]

11/12/2005	9:27pm	Tom Ugly's Bridge locked down	

Tom Ugly's Bridge down to one lane and filtering cars through. [233]

11/12/2005	9:30pm	Police locking down Cook Park	Brighton

About 9:30pm between 100 and 150 Middle Eastern people gathered in the car park at Cooks Park, Kyeemagh and immediate surrounds. Several cars belonging to the Middle Eastern people were parked within the confines of Cook Park, in the western and eastern sides of General Holmes Drive. Police arrived 9:30pm and began controlling the entry and exit points to the car park. About five (5) police officers began checking vehicles attempting to leave the car park. Shortly there after other vehicles began arriving and the crowd began converging on the police at the entry/exit points. Urgent police assistance was called for. The crowd became aggressive and began abusing police and taunting police. Many within the crowd were armed with weapons like bats, sticks, rocks and bottles. About 20 people within the group appeared to be the main agitators and continually ran towards police. The group then commenced throwing missiles at police, with these objects including bottles, rocks and concrete. These objects damaged several police vehicles parked nearby. A police sergeant then used his OC spray in an attempt to disperse the crowd. This affected the rioters in the front line but resulted in those behind the front replacing the affected members. [234]

11/12/2005	9:31pm	Assistant required at Cook Park	Brighton

A Highway Patrol vehicle calls for assistance at Cook Park to search vehicles. [235]

[229] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[230] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005.
[231] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[232] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[233] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[234] Source: COPS E:25738768
[235] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	9:31pm	PolAir enroute	Brighton

PolAir heading towards Maroubra. [236]

11/12/2005	9:34pm	Further police cars to Cook Park	Brighton

Further police vehicles required at Cook Park. Highway Patrol Cars from Captain Cook Bridge on the way. [237]

11/12/2005	9:37pm	Gathering at Hasham's	Brighton

100 cars from Cronulla have gone to Hasham's, near the intersection of General Holmes Drive and Bestic Street. [238] Approximately 200 persons in 59 – 80 vehicles assembled in the Hasham's Restaurant car park. 25 OSG police were deployed to the location. Numerous people were searched and FCANs issued for Street Offences. One OSG officer struck by vehicle accelerating from scene. Offender arrested and CAN issued. Minor injury to OSG officer. [239]

11/12/2005	9:39pm	Convoy leaving Hasham's	Brighton

From a Hurstville Highway Patrol vehicle – Many vehicles are leaving Hashams. The Highway Patrol vehicle wants to stop them but not enough vehicles to stop them. A Highway Patrol Vehicle stopping them now...effecting searches. Caged vehicle requested. [240]

11/12/2005	9:40pm	Superintendent Rogerson arrives	Maroubra

Superintendent Rogerson arrived at Maroubra Beach. [241]

11/12/2005	9:40pm	Assistant Commissioner Goodwin arrives at POC	Maroubra

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin, Chief Superintendent Cullen and Acting Inspector Hayston arrived at the POC. [242]

11/12/2005	9:40pm	OSG redeployed to Maroubra	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin directs 50 OSG personnel to be deployed from Cronulla to Maroubra. [243]

11/12/2005	9:42pm	OSG police arrived at Cook Park	Brighton

OSG Police arrived at Cook Park and charged at the group and began making arrests. Many of the rioters fled in various directions. About 20 Middle Eastern males were arrested and placed on their stomaches in the 'safe area'. After order had been resorted the car park was searched and police located piles of concrete and building rubble used as weapons against police. [244]

[236] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[237] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[238] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 21:37. District/Channel: 'L'
[239] Source: COPS E:25387720
[240] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[241] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil
[242] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[243] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005
[244] Source: COPS E:25738768

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11/12/2005	9:44pm	Report of gathering at Old Control Tower	Brighton

Report of a large group of Middle Eastern males stopped at a road construction site and had blocked roads off with witches' hats. [245]

11/12/2005	9:45pm	Deputy Commissioner Scipione briefed	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin contacted Deputy Commissioner Scipione and updated him regarding situation. Deputy Commissioner informed regarding one officer was run down and further resources were required. [246]

11/12/2005	9:46pm	Further OSG called out	Cronulla

Northern Region OSG called out. Two (2) Vikings OSG team redeployed to Eastern Beaches. [247]

11/12/2005	9:46pm	MIRT teams activated	

Tom Ugly's Bridge down to one lane and filtering cars through. [248]

11/12/2005	9:48pm	Report of gathering in Bestic Street	Brighton

Report of 10 vehicles with 50 Middle Eastern males were gathering and yelling in parking area. [249]

11/12/2005	9:50pm	Media assaulted at Cooks Park	Brighton

The victim, a Channel camera operator, attended Cooks Park with a work colleague in response to a possible disturbance there. The victim saw 200 people gathered at the park, some of whom were armed with timber sticks and one with a steel red. The victim began filming the activity of the group. Six (6) Middle Eastern males from this group then approached the victim, an argument ensued and the males attacked the victim. The victim was chased with a timber stick and assaulted. He eventually fell to the ground and was kicked several times. The victim lost control of the camera and as he attempted to get up he was struck on the back with a pole. He turned around and was struck to the face and forearm with the pole. The victim fell onto a parked car and was dragged off by an unknown person and punched to the face and kicked again. The victim saw a police vehicle 10 metres away and ran for help. As a result of the assault the victim lost the $95,000 camera. [250] About an hour later the camera was located by police on a grass strip on the eastern side of Cook Park. The repair cost to the camera was $900.00. [251]

11/12/2005	9:50pm	Arrests made near Kyeemagh boat ramp	Brighton

OSG police approached a large group of vehicles and people in the car park near the boat ramp of Kyeemagh. A Middle Eastern male inside a vehicle was confronted by police; he became non-compliant and was arrested. The vehicle was searched and two (2) different registration plates (one was stolen), three (3) wooden logs and two (2) golf clubs were located. These articles were confiscated and returned to St George Police Station. [252]

[245] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 21:44. District/Channel: 'L'
[246] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[247] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[248] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[249] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 21:48. District/Channel: 'L'
[250] Source: COPS E:26377453
[251] Source: COPS E:48621102
[252] Source: COPS E:25738768

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11/12/2005	9:53pm	Greater Metropolitan Region	

Contacted Assistant Commissioner Denis Clifford. Called for any available resources to head towards Cronulla, Brighten-Le-Sands and Eastern Suburbs. [253]

11/12/2005	9:57pm	Vehicles stopped on Captain Cook Bridge	

Police stopped several vehicles on Captain Cook Bridge and checked the bona fides of the occupants. The occupants indicated they were "not looking for trouble." [254]

11/12/2005	9:57pm	Deputy Commissioner Scipione briefed	Cronulla

Deputy Commissioner Scipione briefed on the following; [255]

- They are swarming the suburbs
- 200 cars damaged
- Inner Metropolitan Region OSG deployed to Eastern Suburbs
- 30 to 60 cars turning up, going into attack and then splitting up
- Northern Region OSG, two (2) OSG Teams from Macquarie Fields and Vikings from Castle Hill & Central Coast
- Hurstville, Campsie, Botany Bay, Eastern Suburbs, Eastern Beaches, Miranda, St George and Surry Hills LAC Commanders recalled to duty. All advised to activate their MIRT Teams.

11/12/2005	10:00pm	Malicious wounding Woolooware Golf Club	Brighton

About 10pm the victim (...) left ... with three friends. Upon reaching the driveway at ... Road they saw a vehicle bearing the Australian flag driving. One friend was in the process of pointing this vehicle out when another vehicle containing males of Middle Eastern appearance stopped across the road from them. A male from this second vehicle yelled out "Australian Dogs" and about three (3) exited this vehicle ran towards the victim and three (3) friends. All ran from this second group. One of the friends, as he was being chased, looked behind and saw the victim on the ground being kicked by two middle eastern males and two other middle eastern males were chasing two female friends, with one middle eastern male heard to yell "Get the Aussie sluts". The three friends sought refuge in nearby homes and police were contacted. A short time later the friends returned to the area and observed the victim had a knife blade imbedded in his back. Two persons have been charged with Malicious Wounding and Affray. [256]

11/12/2005	10:00pm	Gathering at Bay Street, Brighton-le-Sands	Brighton

200 males assembled in Bay Street, Brighton Le Sands. Bottles were thrown at Police and vehicles, with two (2) police vehicles being damaged. Operational Support Group (OSG) police were deployed to location with shields and batons and formed a line to move the crowd on. One female was later arrested and reported. [257]

[253] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[254] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005
[255] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[255] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[256] Source: COPS E:27711383 & H 27777263 & H:27848551
[257] Source: COPS E:25387720, H:26346914

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11/12/2005	10:01pm	Gathering at 7/11 Store	Rockdale

30 Middle Eastern youths were at the 7/11 Store, Railway and Watkins Street, Rockdale. Males appear to be planning something. [258] Police attended the location and saw several people running along Frederick street Rockdale. Police gave chase and eventually stopped and search two Middle Eastern males. No weapons were located during the search. [259]

11/12/2005	10:09pm	Forward command post (van) stood down	

The van used as the Forward Command Post in Prince Street, Cronulla was stood down and the officers are to work from the Command Post. [260]

11/12/2005	10:13pm	Report of vehicles towards Maroubra	Maroubra

About 10:13pm community source advised eight (8) vehicles speeding through red lights heading towards Maroubra (General Holmes Dr). [261]

11/12/2005	10:14pm	Further OSG	

Assistant Commissioner Clifford contact Assistant Commissioner Goodwin and advised as many OSG as possible going to Wetherill Park. Superintendent Darcy (Bankstown Commander) called out to organise all Greater Metropolitan Region Highway resources and an OSG Commander from Greater Metropolitan Region to go to Wetherill Park to organise staff and gear. [262]

11/12/2005	10:15pm	Cook Park search	Brighton

Middle Eastern males searched at Cook Park where 50 vehicles were parked. Persons search with nil find, however police located baseball bats, poles and knives on the beach area. [263]

11/12/2005	10:20pm	Vehicle swerved towards police officer	Brighton

About 10:20pm police established a road block at intersection of The Grand Parade and Bay Street, Brighton-le-Sands. A black Mitsubishi Magna, registration . . . (NSW), approached the intersection. The vehicle was waved around the police vehicle by Constable Pope. The vehicle then swerved sharply towards the constable, who was standing in between oncoming traffic and the stationary police vehicle. The constable took evasive action. The vehicle continued to drive along The Grand Parade without stopping. About 2am 12/12/05 the vehicle was stopped on King Street Mascot and the driver was arrested. [264]

[258] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 22:01. District/Channel: 'L'
[259] Source: COPS E:104531194.
[260] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005
[261] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 22:13. District/Channel: L
[262] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[263] Source: COPS E: 48634302
[264] Source: COPS E:25376009

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11/12/2005	10:20pm	Briefing of Deputy Commissioner Scipione	

Deputy Commissioner Scipione contacted and advised Maroubra is under control and locked down. Superintendent Rogerson advised three quarter of the Maroubra crowd have left and are possibly on the way to Brighton-le-Sands. [265]

11/12/2005	10:25pm	Gathering of Middle Eastern males	Brighton

12 Middle Eastern males were congregating at the intersection of Trafalgar Street and The Boulevard obstructing traffic. Request made to move crowd on. [266]

11/12/2005	10:27pm	Police vehicle damaged	Brighton

A group of Middle Eastern males have just vandalised an unattended police vehicle at the intersection of The Grand Parade and Duke Street Brighton. [267] About 10:38pm a community source advised seeing males throwing a shopping trolley at a police vehicle. [268] Police identified a second police vehicle had also been damaged. [269]

11/12/2005	10:27pm	Command post at Cronulla	

Cronulla Command Post still operating. [270]

11/12/2005	10:28pm	Middle Eastern males at Punchbowl Park	Intelligence

Intelligence received about Middle Eastern males gathering at Punchbowl Park intending to attend Cronulla. [271]

11/12/2005	10:30pm	Caucasian heading towards Hasham's	Maroubra

Superintendent Rogerson advised VKG he believed the Caucasians were heading to Hasham's diner from Maroubra. VKG were aware of the situation. [272]

11/12/2005	10:32pm	Briefing to Deputy Commissioner Scipione	

Deputy Commissioner Scipione contacted and advised a person had been stabbed at . . with Middle Eastern Males seen to leave – The Premier advised a large group had gathered at Punchbowl Park. [273]

[265] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[266] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 22:25. District/Channel: 'L'
[267] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 22:27. District/Channel: 'L'
[268] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 22:38. District/Channel: 'L'
[269] Source: COPS E: 25387720
[270] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[271] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005
[272] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil
[273] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	10:32pm	Briefing by tactical advisor Chief Superintendent Cullen	

Chief Superintendent Cullen advised the following teams were located at; [274]

- Brighton - 10 Teams of OSG (50 Operatives) on Grand Parade (x Bay Street).
- Cronulla - 15 Teams of OSG (75 operatives) awaiting transport on buses.
- Maroubra – There is no one at Maroubra at that moment.
- Command Post still running as at 10:27pm.

11/12/2005	10:37pm	Punchbowl Park	Intelligence

Campsie Duty Officer advised officers patrolled area and confirmed persons present in area and advised POC. [275]

11/12/2005	10:39pm	Report of males in Bay Street.	Brighton

Report of a group of Middle Eastern males running up and down Trafalgar Street, near Bay Street. [276]

11/12/2005	10:40pm	OSG recalled	Maroubra

30 North Region OSG recalled from home.

11/12/2005	10:40pm	OSG enroute to Maroubra	Maroubra

Sergeant Francis advised 30 OSG were enroute to Maroubra Bay Hotel for support. [277]

11/12/2005	10:44pm	Report of a bomb threat at Brighton	Brighton

Report from a male caller (Middle Eastern) stating there was a bomb in a car park in Brighton-le-Sands. When asked for the exact location caller advised police were already at the location and would find out when they hear the explosion. [278]

11/12/2005	10:45pm	OSG protective equipment - request made	Brighton

Permission requested for OSG to use protective equipment (riot equipment). Reports of projectiles being thrown at Brighton. [279]

11/12/2005	10:46pm	Briefing about stabbing at Woolooware Golf Club	

Briefing conducted about stabbing – advised incident was a random attack based on race. [280]

[274] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[275] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005
[275] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005.
[276] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 22:39. District/Channel: 'L'.
[277] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil
[278] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 22:44. District/Channel: 'L'.
[279] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[280] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005

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11/12/2005	10:48pm	OSG equipment – deployment granted	Brighton

Request for riot gear to be worn in Brighton made. Riot gear approved by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin due to officers getting pelted with brick and rocks. [281]

11/12/2005	10:54pm	Report of an armed males behind police	Brighton

Report of a group of 50 males at Bay Street, Brighten Le Sands. Males were armed with lumps of steel and pieces of timber and were coming up behind the police. The community source was in a high rise apartment and can see the males approaching. All males were on mobile phones. [282]

11/12/2005	10:55pm	Alford's Point Bridge not covered	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin conveyed message from Deputy Commissioner Scipione that there was no Highway Patrol Vehicles on Alford's Point Bridge. [283]

11/12/2005	10:56pm	Alford's Point Bridge not covered	

Superintendent Redfern contact by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin to get Highway Patrol deployment in order at Alford's Point Bridge. Advised Superintendent Redfern that Tom Ugly's bridge had been reduced down to one lane. Assistant Commissioner Goodwin stressed a similar operation on Alford's Point Bridge and Captain Cook Bridge. [284]

11/12/2005	11:00pm	Skateboard assault in Gymea	Cronulla

Victim assault by 10 males of Lebanese appearance whilst he was riding his skateboard along Gymea Bay Rd (x North St). One assailant said," You like bashing Lebs." The victims received five stitches to the head. The victim advised he knew one of the attackers as being a friend of a friend who works at the at Gymea. [285]

11/12/2005	11:00pm	Baseball bat assault upon [redacted]	Cronulla

About 11pm the victim ( ) went to the front footpath of an address in Elouera Rd Cronulla and saw several males of middle eastern appearance attacking motor vehicles with baseball bats. The victim ran towards the vehicles in an attempt to stop the males destroying the vehicles. A male of middle eastern appearance ran towards victim and struck him several times with a baseball bat. The victim eventually got on his feet and sort refuge in a nearby house. No suspects have been identified. [286]

11/12/2005	11:00pm	Vehicles damaged in Gordon Street	Brighton

Several vehicles driving up the road with people leading out and smashing parked vehicles. [287]

[281] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[282] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 22:54. District/Channel: 'L'
[283] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[284] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[285] Source: COPS E:25686446
[286] Source: COPS E:26163478
[287] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 23:00. District/Channel: 'L'

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11/12/2005	11:02pm	Report of males in Crawford Road	Brighton

Report of 30 Middle Eastern males walking up Crawford Road and heard the males saying they were heading towards Punchbowl Park. [288]

11/12/2005	11:03pm	Report of gathering at Punchbowl Park	Punchbowl

Report of 20-25 people loitering and yelling in Punchbowl Park. [289]

11/12/2005	11:14pm	Request for redeployment of Police Air Wing	

Request made to redeploy the Police Helicopter to Lake Illawarra to search for a child. Request declined due to the imminent danger in Sydney. [290]

11/12/2005	11:16pm	Response gathering at Punchbowl Park	Punchbowl

An estimated convoy of 40 cars at Punchbowl Park. A deployment is required to go through all of them. [291]

11/12/2005	11:21pm	Gathering at Punchbowl Park	Maroubra

20-30 males of Middle Eastern appearance are gathering in park. Informant advised the situation was extremely volatile and that police "need to attend immediately to prevent another Brighton-le-Sands." [292]

Police patrol the area about 11:30pm and saw a large group (30+) of Middle Eastern males with several vehicles congregating within the fringes of the park. About four (4) vehicles were blocking traffic along the street in both directions. Police stopped their vehicle behind these vehicles. The crowd surrounded the police vehicle and began attacking the police vehicle. Police were able to manoeuvre their vehicle away from the crowd and further police assistance was summoned. All the Middle Eastern males dispersed prior to further police assistance arriving. [293]

11/12/2005	11:22pm	Conflict between Police	Brighton

Running battles at Brighton. The groups are running and splitting apart, and then regathering. Arrests have been difficult. Different strategies are being tried. [294]

11/12/2005	11:28pm	Campsie MIRT in place	Campsie

Superintendent Richardson contacted POC and advised his MIRT is operating. Currently 30 to 40 people gathered at Punchbowl Park. Local cars calling for urgent assistance. Campsie Duty Officer is gathering other vehicles and heading down there on mass. [295]

[288] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 23:02. District/Channel: 'L'
[289] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 23:03 – District/Channel 'F'
[290] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[291] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[292] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 23:31 – District/Channel 'F'
[293] Source: COPS E:27810781
[294] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[295] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	11:28pm	Report of convoy leaves Punchbowl Park	Punchbowl

Reports of 30-40 car loads of Middle Eastern males have just left Punchbowl Park in a convoy. [296]

11/12/2005	11:32pm	Middle Eastern males smashing Vehicles	

Four (4) Middle Eastern males have smashed vehicles outside Crawford Road, Brighton. The males jumped over the fence into a car park behind Queens Road. One male is apparently injured as he fell off one of the garage roofs. [297]

11/12/2005	11:35pm	Cronulla command post relocated	

Superintendent Redfern advised Assistant Commissioner Goodwin he intended to move the Command Post back to Cronulla Police Station. Assistant Commissioner Goodwin. [298]

11/12/2005	11:35pm	Bridge operations – Highway Patrol vehicles	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin when speaking with Superintendent Redfern and enquires if Highway Patrol cars were in place for the bridge operations. Superintendent Redfern stated they were not in place because all of the Highway Patrol cars had been called to Brighton. One (1) OSG team, mobile supervisor and one other car were patrolling the Kingsway and other major roads. Assistant Commissioner Goodwin stressed, "I want the three (3) bridges locked down with Highway Patrol resources...down to one (1) lane with cones. [299]

11/12/2005	11:42pm	Bridge operations – Highway Patrol vehicles	

Superintendent Redfern advised four (4) Highway Patrol cars from Sutherland that had gone to Brighton had been redeployed back to the bridges – two (2) back to Alford's Point bridge and two (2) Captain Cook bridge. [300]

11/12/2005	11:49pm	Report of gathering at Roberts Park	Greenacre

Report of Community Source advised a gathering of 20 vehicles parked at Roberts Park, Waterloo Road Greenacre. There were 20 to 30 persons hanging around and yelling. [301]

11/12/2005	11:49pm	Briefing to Police Minister	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin contacts Minister for Police and briefed Cronulla was calm, issues at Maroubra and Brighton. Advised 200 OSG on the ground at the moment, it will be monitored and scaled back after the situation is analysed. [302]

[296] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 23:31 – District/Channel 'F'
[297] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 23:32. District/Channel: 'L'
[298] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[299] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[300] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[301] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 23:49 – District/Channel 'G'
[302] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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11/12/2005	11:52pm	Report of convoy leaving Roberts Park	Wiley Park

Report of Community Source advised 30-40 vehicle filled with male youths look like they are gathering to leave along King Georges Road. Area patrolled no vehicles sighted. [303]

11/12/2005	11:55pm	Vehicles damaged in Mitchell St Cronulla	Cronulla

A vehicle with Middle Eastern males has smashed the victim's vehicles. The victim advised police of a convoy of vehicles traveling around the surrounding streets. [304]

11/12/2005	11:55pm	Cronulla Railway Station closed	

Superintendent Redfern contacts POC concerning HWP on site at the bridges leading into the Sutherland Shire due to vehicles being redeployed to other areas in Brighton and Maroubra. It was determined to leave two (2) HWP at Alfords Point Bridge, two (2) HWP at Tom Ugly's until further notice. POC will task remaining bridges. [305]

11/12/2005	11:57pm	Convoy at Greenacre enroute to Cronulla	Cronulla

30 to 40 cars filled with male youths are at the intersection of Waterloo and Old Kent road, Greenacre. Inquiries are unable to establish with certainty that this was the same convoy that was intercepted by a Sutherland car as is indicated in the CIDS. Information from one of the constables on that car indicated that a convoy of about 50 cars was seen at The Boulavarde and Port Hacking Road. The Sutherland car commenced to follow the convoy to the intersection of Port Hacking Road and Taren Point Road where other police vehicles appeared and the convoy broke up with vehicles traveling in different directions and many doing 'U' turns. [306]

[303] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 23:52 – District/Channel 'G'
[304] Source: COPS E:26423665
[305] Source: Superintendent Redfern Command Log 11/12/2005.
[306] Source: CIDS created 11/12/2005 23:57. District/Channel 'L'

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Monday, 12th DECEMBER 2005

12/12/2005	12:01am	Assault on [redacted] – Eloura Road	Cronulla

About 12am Monday 12/12/05 the victim was walking north along Elouera Rd Cronulla speaking to his girlfriend on a mobile phone. The victim was near the intersection of Hume when the girlfriend heard him say over the phone,"What the fuck." Another male was heard to say, "Fuck you." The mobile phone then dropped out. It is believed the victim was then viciously assaulted. The victim was later admitted to St George Hospital in a serious but stable condition and treated for major bruising to the face, a fractured eye socket and nose and two stab wounds on his lower back. [307]

Further investigation by Strike Force Enoggera has identified four offenders. These males have been charged with Maliciously Inflict Grievous Bodily Harm, Robbery in Company Cause Wounding, Affray and Assault causing Grievous Bodily Harm. [308]

12/12/2005	12:01am	Gathering outside Cronulla High School	Cronulla

30 to 40 Middle Eastern males in several vehicles were hanging around. During the call some vehicles left the location on Captains Cook Drive. One male had a baseball bat. [309]

12/12/2005	12:01am	Mass arrest kits	

Direction from Chief Superintendent Cullen that all duty officers are to have mass arrest kits available for OSG in the case of mass arrests. [310]

12/12/2005	12:07am	Report of convoy on Tom Ugly's Bridge	

Report of 10 to 20 cars full of Middle Eastern youths are on Tom Ugly's Bridge, King George Road. [311]

12/12/2005	12:10am	Gathering at McDonalds [redacted]	Bass Hill

Community Source advised 15-20 Middle Eastern males are in the McDonald's car park attempting to tip over a vehicle. [312] Police attended 12:14am and observed a vehicle had been tipped onto its roof. No suspects have been identified and there was no CCTV. [313]

12/12/2005	12:11am	Brawl at Bexley	Brighton

30 Middle Eastern males in 13 vehicles are fighting outside [redacted] Seaforth Street, Bexley. Police spoke with three (3) people in a vehicle. They stated they were heading near the park as Brighton was too dangerous. Bona fides checked no problems. [314]

[307] Source: COPS E:25323637
[308] Source: COPS H:25916056 / H:26113838 / H:27663482 / H:25689137
[309] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 00:01. District/Channel: L
[310] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[311] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 00:07. District/Channel: 'L'
[312] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 00:10 – District/Channel 'G'
[313] Source: COPS E:25921104
[314] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 00:11. District/Channel: 'L'

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12/12/2005	12:12am	Conflict between police	Brighton

Running battles at Brighton. The groups are running and splitting apart, and then regathering. Arrests have been difficult. Different strategies are being tried. [315]

12/12/2005	12:15am	Report of armed males at Rockdale	Brighton

11 to 12 Middle Eastern males filling cars with golf clubs, hammers and sledge hammers outside the 7/11, 99 Railway St Rockdale. [316]

12/12/2005	12:17am	Report of convoy on Port Hacking Road	Cronulla

40 cars full of Middle Eastern males have just parked at the road works near the intersection of Port Hacking Road and Princess Highway, Sylvania. Occupants appear to be waiting for other vehicles to arrive. [317]

12/12/2005	12:19am	Convoy followed to The Boulevard	Cronulla

(SU17) followed the convoy onto The Boulevard just north of Taren Point road. [318]

12/12/2005	12:25am	Briefing and handover to Assistant Commissioner Clifford	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin commences a handover to Assistant Commissioner Clifford. [319]

12/12/2005	12:27am	Report of gathering of Caucasian youths	Lurnea

About four (4) Caucasian youths on mobile phone could be heard saying to get down here; we need Aussies to help smash Middle Eastern stuff. Community source believed they were heading towards the Lurnea shops where there are Middle Eastern owned shops. They also received a call from someone asking they 'take up arms against the Arabs and join fellow Australians.' [320]

12/12/2005	12:30am	Convoy stopped in Elouera Road	Cronulla

Police were patrolling Cronulla CBD when they observed a convoy of five (5) motor vehicles containing Middle Eastern male occupants. Three (3) of these vehicles were stopped and searched the occupants. The searches result in nothing being found. All were allowed to leave but informed to leave the Cronulla and surrounding areas immediately. The occupants complied with the police request. [321]

[315] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[316] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 00:15. District/Channel: 'L'
[317] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 00:17. District/Channel: 'L'
[318] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 00:17. District/Channel: 'L'
[319] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[320] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 00:27 – District/Channel 'K'
[321] Source: COPS E:27870888

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12/12/2005	12:30am	Attack on a yellow HQ utility	Cronulla

About 12:30am 12/12/05 had parked his vehicle, a , in Mitchell Road Cronulla. At the time was a passenger. Four (4) vehicles have then pulled behind their vehicle and about 15 males of Middle Eastern appearance exited the vehicles and began smashing vehicle. One of the males attempted to drag from the passenger side door. The males of Middle Eastern appearance have then left the scene. [322]

12/12/2005	12:32am	Report of a police scanner	Sans Souci

Four (4) Middle Eastern males walking down the street with a scanner which was loud. Males were in Alice Street, San Souci. [323]

12/12/2005	12:34am	Report of male armed with bottle	Cronulla

Middle Eastern males in a dark blue WRX tried to get victim out of vehicle. Male was armed with bottle. Males were last seen heading east on The Kingsway towards the beach. [324]

12/12/2005	12:35am	Report of male throwing objects	Cronulla

Cars full of Middle Eastern youth (30 to 50) are throwing objects at people passing by. [325]

12/12/2005	12:50am	All quiet in Brighton	Cronulla

Chief Superintendent Cullen advised very little occurring at Brighton. OSG now driving around Cronulla and Miranda. [326]

12/12/2005	1:01am	Vehicle stopped at United Service Station	Roselands

CA38 conducted a random vehicle stop on a vehicle containing five (5) Middle Eastern males. Police searched the vehicle and located a knife, scissors and sockets. [327]

12/12/2005	1:02am	Report of convoy on Roselands Road	Roselands

Report of eight (8) cars throwing items at passing vehicles and vehicles passing by are being surrounded by the eight (8) car convoy. Vehicles containing Caucasians were having bottles and projectiles hurled at them. [328]

12/12/2005	1:05am	Traffic Services enroute to Cronulla	

Superintendent Redfern advised POC that Traffic Services were coming back to Cronulla. [329]

[322] Source: COPS E:26117507
[323] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 00:32. District/Channel: 'L'
[324] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 00:34. District/Channel: 'L'
[325] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 00:35. District/Channel: 'L'
[326] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[327] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 01:01 – District/Channel 'F'
[328] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 01:02 – District/Channel 'F'
[329] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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12/12/2005	1:12am	Report of Middle Eastern males near unit	Cronulla

3-4 Middle Eastern males near [redacted] North Cronulla talking. Stated the Police helicopter just flew overhead and requested police patrol area. [330]

12/12/2005	1:15am	Convoy stopped in Ewos Street Cronulla	Cronulla

A convoy of eight (8) vehicles containing Middle Eastern males were stopped by OSG Police and Highway Patrol vehicles in Ewos Street. The occupants were searched. [331]

12/12/2005	1:17am	Standing down of resources	Cronulla

Superintendent O'Brien contact POC from Cronulla concerning the standing down of the following resources;

- Five (5) Highway Patrol getting fatigued as on since 8am. Enquired as to whether knocking them off was going to expose bridges. Sutherland Highway Patrol cars are at Tom Ugly's and Alford's Point. Assistant Commissioner Goodwin suggested Superintendent Redfern be stood down too. [332]

12/12/2005	1:22am	Briefing by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin conducted a briefing and addressed the following issues; [333]

- Need to pull together tonight SITREPS from all LAC's to prepare a briefing note.
- Planning for the future.
- Chief Superintendent Cullen advised that roads around Cronulla and Maroubra were empty.

12/12/2005	1:31am	Strike Force SETA established	

Strike Force SETA name of investigation into related incidents. [334]

12/12/2005	1:43am	Vehicle stop	Maroubra

About 1:43am 12/12/05 a Holden Commodore sedan was stopped with four (4) people on board due to the circumstances earlier that evening in Maroubra. When spoken to the driver claimed they were "just going for a drive" in the area. The vehicle was searched and a shortened broom handle. The occupant claimed this was a martial arts aide. [335]

12/12/2005	1:45am	OSG arrive	Maroubra

Chief Inspector Humphrey (North Region OSG Coordinator) arrives at location with 30 OSG operatives. [336]

[330] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 01:12. District/Channel: 'L'
[331] Source: COPS E:25920449.
[332] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[333] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[334] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[335] Source: COPS E:25758413
[336] Source: Superintendent Rogerson Debrief 22/03/06 OD:68

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12/12/2005	2:00am	Report of shots fired	Maroubra

Report of shots fired on Bedford Street, South Coogee. Vikings 20 and POLAIR 2 responds. [337]

12/12/2005	2:01am	Command planning	

Superintendent Carey to come in at 6am for MIRT Command in POC and Superintendent Owens to take over from Denis Clifford as the Operation Commander in the morning. [338]

12/12/2005	2:05am	Robbery with wounding	Rockdale

Two (2) Middle Eastern males assaulted a male [redacted] on the Princes Highway Rockdale. The victim was conveyed to St George Hospital suffering three (3) puncture wounds to the upper left arm and one (1) puncture wound to the right knee. During the incident the victim's mobile phone was stolen. The victim could provide little details about the offenders. Police checked CCTV footage from the 7/11 and St George Tavern. [339]

12/12/2005	2:55am	Superintendent Rogerson reviews standing down	Maroubra

Superintendent Rogerson converses with Assistant Commissioner Clifford regarding relief and standing down. [340]

12/12/2005	3:02am	Command handover in POC	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin ceased duty and handed command to Assistant Commissioner Clifford. [341]

12/12/2005	5:00am	Maroubra Beach locked down	Maroubra

Maroubra Beach stayed locked down until 5:00am. [342]

12/12/2005	6:00am	Superintendent Rogerson ceases duty	Maroubra

Superintendent Rogerson ceases duty. [343]

12/12/2005	8:25am	MIRT Commander arrives at Cronulla	Cronulla

Superintendent Graham arrives at Cronulla and is briefed by Sergeant Smith. [344]

12/12/2005	9:00am	Superintendent Rogerson commences duty	Maroubra

Superintendent Rogerson commences duty. [345]

[337] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil
[338] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[339] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 02:19. District/Channel: 'L'. / COPS E: 25888105.
[340] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil
[341] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[342] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil
[343] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil
[344] Source: Superintendent Graham Command Log 12/12/2005
[345] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil

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12/12/2005	9:37am	Relocation of Forward Command Post	Cronulla

Superintendent Harding sent email to Superintendents Redfern and Hutchins and Assistant Commissioner Goodwin requesting Forward Command Post be set up North Cronulla Surf Club for coming weekends operation and REU be on site to provide communication. [346]

12/12/2005	10:00am	Commissioner's briefing	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin held meetings with Deputy Commissioner Scipione and Commissioner Moroney at the Police Executive Office. Meeting then held with the Premier and the Police Minister. [347]

12/12/2005	10:36am	Lebanese youths with Lebanese flag	Cronulla

Anonymous source advise a group of Lebanese youths at Memorial Park Hurstville, Forest Road, with a large Lebanese Flag. The informant concerned a violent incident would occur. Police attended, youths not causing problems and flags put away during police presence. [348]

12/12/2005	11:00am	Premiers briefing	

The Commissioner, Deputy Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner Goodwin met with the Premier and the Police Minister. [349]

12/12/2005	11:16am	Report of 'All Arabs Unite' SMS	Brighton

Calls received about SMS circulating;
"All Arabs unite as one we will never back down to anyone the Aussies will feel the full force of the Arabs as one brothers in arms. Unite now lets show them who's boss destroy everything. Gather at Cronulla 18/12/2005 midday; spread the message to all Arabs meet up at the Lighthouse." [350]

12/12/2005	12:01pm	Media conference	

Media conference held in the Premiers Press Room. [351]

12/12/2005	12:15pm	Local Federal and State Members contacted	Maroubra

Superintendent Rogerson briefed local Federal Member (Peter Garrett) and Local State Member (Michael Daley). [352]

12/12/2005	12:30pm	Assistant Commissioner Goodwin at Sutherland Police Station	Cronulla

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin and Police Media (Kylie Keogh) travel to Sutherland Police Station for a briefing with Sergeant Campbell and Senior Constable Smith. [353]

[346] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[347] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[348] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 10:36 – Radio/District 'L'
[349] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[350] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 11:16 – District/Channel 'L'
[351] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[352] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil
[353] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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12/12/2005	12:40pm	MIRT planning and briefing	Cronulla

Superintendent Graham MIRT team conduct general planning and briefings throughout the day. Discussions about the strategies with teams in responding to the large number of vehicles en-route to Cronulla. [354]

12/12/2005	12:53pm	Briefings conducted	Cronulla

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin held meetings with Deputy Commissioner Scipione and Commissioner Moroney at the Police Executive Office. Meeting then held with The Premier and the Police Minister. [355]

12/12/2005	12:57pm	Report of Lighthouse Brighton	Brighton

Community Source overheard an Arabic conversation between two males in the Shell Service Station at Brighton that a group calling themselves '4 Brothers in Arms' are to meet at the lighthouse near Brighton before going to Cronulla. [356]

12/12/2005	1:37pm	Vehicle fire on Arden Street	Maroubra

About 12:30pm the vehicle was parked on Arden street whilst the driver went for a swim at Coogee Beach. Upon returning to the vehicle smoke could be seen near the ignition switch. The vehicle caught fire. The local Fire Brigade attended and extinguished the fire. [357]

12/12/2005	1:38pm	Report of metal poles stolen from work site	Maroubra

About 1:38pm a group of males on building site at Maroubra Road and Bona Vista Avenue, Maroubra. 10 – 15 metal poles stolen from site. [358]

12/12/2005	2:00pm	Caucasians being threatened and abused	Hurstville

A large group of Middle Eastern males outside Soul Pattersons Chemist, Forest Road, abusing and threatening Caucasian persons. Only about five (5) persons at location, all were calm. [359]

12/12/2005	2:00pm	Lebanese Muslim Association President contacted Campsie Commander	Lakemba

In addition the President of the Lebanese Muslim Association (Ahmed Kamaledine) attended Campsie to express concerns about the current situation. The Lebanese Muslim President advised the Campsie Commander Lebanese marshals would be provided to assist in managing the crowd. [360]

[354] Source: Superintendent Graham Command Log 12/12/2005
[355] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[356] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 12:57 – District/Channel 'L'
[357] Source: COPS E:27570180
[358] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 13:38 – District/Channel – 'C'
[359] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 13:54 – District/Channel 'L'
[360] Source: COPS E:26430165

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12/12/2005	2:10pm	Armed males at Maroubra Bay Hotel	Maroubra

2:10pm to 3:10pm - Police attend location and spoke with 50 "locals" who were congregating outside the Maroubra Bay Hotel as they had heard a "motor vehicle had just been bombed in Arden Street, Coogee. The locals [believed] a number of Middle Easterners were in the area and they wanted to Protect their Community." The group was advised the fire referred to was an electrical fault fire. Police dispersed thirty of the males over a period of an hour. During a later patrol police located and seized several metal poles. [361]

12/12/2005	2:19pm	Report of gathering near Maroubra Beach	Maroubra

Community source advised of 50 young males, approximately 15 holding sticks at Maroubra Beach, near Maroubra and McKeon Streets. Also several cars containing Middle Eastern males driving around. [362]

12/12/2005	2:19pm	Report of convoy with Middle Eastern males	Cronulla

A convoy of 20 cars containing Middle Eastern Males driving towards Cronulla on Burraneer Bay Road and called out to a female with a four (4) year old 'better start running'. Police patrolled Burraneer Bay Road and observed no vehicles/persons of interest. [363]

12/12/2005	2:28pm	Report of elderly male being harassed	Brighton

Anonymous female stated there was a group of Lebanese males harassing an elderly male who was sitting reading the paper on The Grand Parade, Brighton. Informant has no description as there were too many. Area patrolled no person sighted. [364]

12/12/2005	2:29pm	RSL flag replaced	Brighton

Road block in Bay Street, Brighton, established for 20 minutes to allow for the replacement of the Australian flag at the RSL. [365]

12/12/2005	2:30pm	Resources to be deployed	Maroubra

Superintendent Owen contact Superintendent Rogerson and advised the following resources could be available for Monday 12/12/06; [366]

- 15 OSG – 5pm to 5am
- 20 General Duties – 6pm to 6am
- Vikings – On Call

[361] Source: COPS E:25752068
[362] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 14:19 – District/Channel – 'C'
[363] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 14:19 – District/Channel 'L'
[364] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 14:28 – District/Channel 'L'
[365] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 14:29 – District/Channel 'L'
[366] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil

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12/12/2005	2:35pm	Intelligence about a fight at Bondi Maroubra	Maroubra

Intelligence received from Inspector Carrick (Waverley) about a meeting of Middle Eastern people on Monday night at Belmore Park and that they were going to Bondi for a fight. [367]

12/12/2005	2:47pm	Report of possible brawl in Coogee	Maroubra

Community source advised his son stated he had heard a brawl was going to occur in Coogee involving a group of Middle Eastern males. The informant believed the males were going to fire bomb vehicles. [368]

12/12/2005	2:56pm	Staffing for Cronulla and Eastern Beaches	Cronulla

Superintendent Owens forward email to Assistant Commissioner Goodwin and Deputy Commissioner Scipione with staffing; [369]

50 OSG Staff (5pm to 5am)

- 20 OSG at Cronulla
- 15 OSG at Eastern Beaches LAC
- 15 OSG (mobile with Highway Patrol – three (3) per vehicle) St George

Vikings staff on call (30 staff)

40 General Duties Police (6pm to 6am)

- 20 to Cronulla
- 20 to Maroubra

Highway Patrol Vehicles

7 Vehicles and drivers (10 Additional vehicles working within the Inner Metropolitan Region)

Dog Squad: Four (4) dogs

Horses: Eight (8) 10am to 4pm.

PolAir – One (1) helicopter (4pm to 2am) – Thermal imaging and downlink capacity

Major Incident Response Team (MIRT)

- Cronulla - Superintendent Nolan
- Eastern Beaches – Superintendent Finch
- POC – Superintendent Benson

12/12/2005	3:00pm	Items located outside Maroubra Bay Hotel	Maroubra

Superintendent Rogerson informed that 30 items comprising of poles, stakes and other items were found outside the Maroubra Bay Hotel and Caucasians had left the hotel. Numerous sweeps of Arthur Byrne Park and the beach area for weapons of violence resulted in 100 items being seized. [370]

[367] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil
[368] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 14:47 – District/Channel – 'C'
[369] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[370] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil

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12/12/2005	3:01pm	Middle Eastern males at Coogee	Maroubra

In response to a call for service EB37 (Eastern Beaches) attend beach at Coogee and advised of numerous Middle Eastern males on the Beach. No problems detected. [371]

12/12/2005	3:06pm	Report of gathering of Middle Eastern	Miller

40 Middle Eastern males are blocking traffic on Corriedale Street, Miller (x Cartwright Ave). [372]

12/12/2005	3:25pm	Caucasian males collecting weapons	Maroubra

Two (2) vehicles full of Caucasian males at Chapman and Fenton Avenues Maroubra pulling large wooden pieces of wood from skip bins. Police attend location at 3:27pm, located the skip bins but saw no person of interest. [373]

12/12/2005	3:29pm	Bra Boys carrying cricket bats	Maroubra

EB140 spoke with Bra Boys, two of whom were carrying cricket bats, on Fenton and McKeon Streets Maroubra. The Bra Boys advised they were preparing to play a game of cricket on the beach. No offences detected. [374]

12/12/2005	3:51pm	Café next to newsagent Rockdale	Brighton

Approximately 25 Middle Eastern males coming and going from the Café for the past hour. Appears to be having "some sort of meeting". Informant is concerned they are up to no good. Police attend 3:52pm – one of the shops nearby is a hairdresser owned by some Middle Eastern males. No offences detected. [375]

12/12/2005	4:22pm	Report of males preparing to attack	Maroubra

Community source saw several Middle Eastern males in the vicinity of Maroubra beach loading weapons into vehicles. The males were overheard saying they were going to attack in an hour. Police patrolled the location at 4:35pm and observed no person of interest. [376]

12/12/2005	4:30pm	Intelligence - Middle Eastern activity	Lakemba

Information was received at the Campsie LAC concerning Middle Eastern activity generated from the Arncliffe Boys and Lakemba boys. These males were believed to be forming up at various locations throughout the Campsie Command to retaliate against the 'Bra Boys' who were believed to be heading to the Campsie Command from Maroubra to cause a revenge attack on the Lakemba Mosque. [377]

[371] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 14:47 – District/Channel – 'C'
[372] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 15:06 – District/Channel 'K'
[373] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 15:25 – District/Channel – 'C'
[374] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 15:29 – District/Channel – 'C'
[375] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 15:51 – District/Channel: 'L'
[376] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 16:22 – District/Channel – 'C'
[377] Source: COPS E:26430165

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12/12/2005	4:40pm	Weapons stock pile	Maroubra

Superintendent O'Ryan (POC) contacted Superintendent Rogerson and advised a stock pile of weapons was near McMahon Pool near the rocks area. Decision made to conduct further search of area. [378]

12/12/2005	4:41pm	Assistant Commissioner Goodwin completes duty	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin completed duty at Sutherland. [379]

12/12/2005	4:44pm	POC briefing	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin contacted the POC from Sutherland Police Station and provided a briefing. Main issues; [380]

- Intelligence from Superintendent Rogerson is that Bra Boys and [redacted] are going to meet. Bra Boys are having a meeting at Broome and Fitzgerald (Maroubra) this evening. Assistant Commissioner Goodwin stated he would ask Superintendent Rogerson to speak [redacted] that we are appealing for calm.
- Two (2) Intelligence analysts from Task Force Gain.
- Discussion about setting up a planning team, back filing and Commands meeting first response.
- Difficulties with OSG Numbers, with 72 officers only available.
- Two (2) independent MIRT teams for Cronulla and Maroubra until further notice.
- POC Commander will be a Superintendent 24/7 – Assistant Commissioners will be called if the situation escalated.
- Assistant Commissioner Goodwin – I am always the Operational Commander.

Consideration given to setting up Operation SETA as an LAC.

12/12/2005	4:50pm	Report of revenge attack on mosque	Brighton

Information received by police relating to Australian based gangs intending a revenge attack against the Lakemba Mosque.

12/12/2005	4:50pm	Arncliffe Boys meeting at Arncliffe Park	Lakemba

- Intelligence received about Arncliffe Boys meeting at Arncliffe Park to go to Cronulla.
- 'Bra Boys' to go to Bankstown.
- Lakemba Boys forming up. [381]

[378] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil
[379] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log
[380] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log
[381] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005

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12/12/2005	5:00pm	Assault at Bankstown Square	Bankstown

Caucasian male had left the Sanity Music store within Bankstown Square with his girlfriend when approached by five Middle Eastern Males. One Middle Eastern male said, "Aussie fucks." The group then attacked the victim. The girlfriend called for security and the group ran off. [382]

12/12/2005	5:10pm	Gathering at Punchbowl Park	Lakemba

Information from Strike Force Gain was that Lakemba Boys were forming up in Punchbowl Park and Albert Street, Lakemba. [383]

12/12/2005	5:10pm	Cronulla Boys to go to Mosque	Lakemba

Information from Ethnic Liaison Officer at Campsie was that the Cronulla Boys 'Bra Boys' will go to the Mosque at 7pm. [384]

12/12/2005	5:15pm	Command briefing	Lakemba

Commander Richardson briefed MIRT team. [385]

12/12/2005	5:20pm	Vehicle attacked outside Dan Murphy's	Brighton

The victim had stopped his vehicle in traffic on Cross Street, Hurstville in front of Dan Murphy's when approached by three Middle Eastern males. These males kicked and punched the victim's vehicle and kept threatening the victim for about 1.5 minutes. After the attack the males ran along Cross Street yelling and cheering. The victim later advised police he believed his vehicle was attacked as he had a hand size Australian Flag sticker on his vehicle. [386]

12/12/2005	5:27pm	Armed males outside Maroubra Bay Hotel	Maroubra

Anonymous source observed 15 males gathering at location, one was armed with a baseball bat. [387]

12/12/2005	5:30pm	POC advised of intelligence	Lakemba

The Police Operations Centre (POC) was notified of this intended threat and Risk Assessment were conducted to assist with the deployment of staff. [388]

[382] Source: COPS E:25963377
[383] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[384] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[385] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[386] Source: COPS E:25528156
[387] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 17:27 – District/Channel – 'C'
[388] Source: COPS E:26430165

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12/12/2005	5:39pm	Report of males at Brighton RSL	Brighton

Anonymous female advised of six (6) Middle Eastern males on 'P' level car park at the Brighton RSL. The males were throwing bottles and had possession of a wheel and a fire extinguisher. Police attended 6pm, area patrolled no person/vehicle sighted. [389]

12/12/2005	5:44pm	Male assaulted outside Oporto's	Brighton

10-15 Middle Eastern males assaulted a single Caucasian male outside Oporto's, Bay Street, Brighton-le-Sands. The Middle Eastern males commenced pushing the Caucasian males as he attempted to enter Oporto's. [390]

12/12/2005	5:45pm	Report of convoy enroute to Cronulla	Cronulla

Community source received a text message that 60 cars of Lebanese were on the way to Cronulla with baseball bats smashing cars on their way. The Cronulla MIRT identified this information as incorrect and that there were no convoys heading towards Cronulla. [391]

12/12/2005	5:47pm	Report of gathering in Fenton Ave	Maroubra

Anonymous community source observed 15 males gathering outside 2-4 Fenton Avenue. The males were loading sticks and golf clubs into a utility and a white vehicle. [392]

12/12/2005	5:59pm	Hostile crowd Arthur Burn Reserve	Maroubra

Approximately 20 males gathering at the Arthur Byrne reserve. Males carrying large pieces of wood. There are lots of cars in the car park. [393] Police looked through the windows of several vehicles belonging to the group and observed pieces of wood, baseball bats and other items inside these vehicles. Police have then searched one young person's vehicle and located 15 steel rods about one (1) metre in length. Police have removed the rods which antagonised the group. Police decided the most appropriate action would be to remove the items and record the vehicle owners' details. Police also search the surrounding park and located a large number of improvised weapons, which included poles, sticks, golf clubs and trolley handles. These items were seized and taken to Maroubra Police Station. There was not sufficient information to warrant action against any person. [394] The following is a VKG operator generated sequence of events; [395]

18:01 - EB140 - 70 Persons here
18:05 - DOG29 - Any need for us to expedite
18:12 - EB14/B10 To attend
18:13 - EB14 - Take a number of weapons off persons and a group is hostile EB10 to make an assessment
18:17 - EB14 - Group is moving north towards the car park
18:22 - EB14 - All persons are moving towards McKeon Street
18:24 - EB14 - Arthur Byrne Reserve
18:25 - EB10 - Stuck in traffic on Marine Parade, will be there shortly

[389] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 17:39 - District/Channel: 'L'
[390] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 17:44 - District/Channel: 'L'
[391] Source: Superintendent Graham Command Log 12/12/2005
[392] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 17:47 - District/Channel - 'C'
[393] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 18:01 - District/Channel - 'C'
[394] Source: COPS E:25866158
[395] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 17:58 - District/Channel - 'C'

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12/12/2005	6:00pm	Command briefing	Lakemba

Commander Richardson briefed Campsie Officers. [396]

12/12/2005	6:06pm	Gathering at Mosque	Lakemba

Information received from Senior Constable in the field that 100 youths have congregated inside the Mosque, no weapons sighted. Pray time to commence 7:45pm. [397]

12/12/2005	6:06pm	Muslim Radio asked for calm	Lakemba

advised that he has organised for Muslim radio to ask for calm. [398]

12/12/2005	6:10pm	Call for calm at Mosque	Lakemba

asked to talk to youths and ask for calm. [399]

12/12/2005	6:35pm	Assault at Arncliffe Park	Arncliffe

The victim was driving near Arncliffe Park, Wollongong Road, with a male passenger when a group of Middle Eastern males have pulled in front of the victim's vehicle. The Middle Eastern males smashed the drivers side window, have broken off the offside mirror and have punched both the victim and her passenger. The victim has driven off and attended Sutherland Police Station to report the matter. The victim and her passenger were later conveyed to hospital for treatment for injuries including a suspected broken/ dislocated jaw. Neither the victim nor passenger was able to identify any offending male. [400]

12/12/2005	6:38pm	Pedestrians harassed outside Oporto's	Brighton

Group of 12 Middle Eastern males harassing passersby and motorists. Police attended 6:40pm. Youths left prior to police arrival. [401]

12/12/2005	6:42pm	Assault opposite Maroubra Bay Hotel	Maroubra

Channel 7 report (Robert Ovadia) was opposite Maroubra Bay Hotel when he was threatened and spat on by some youths. The males have moved, the reporter was not injured and only wish to bring the issue to the attention of police. [402]

12/12/2005	6:45pm	Weapons located Arthur Byrne Reserve	Maroubra

Weapons located in Arthur Byrne Reserve. In excess of 40 items found in laneway behind shops. [403]

[396] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[397] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[398] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[399] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[400] Source: COPS E:25968750
[401] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 18:38 - District/Channel: 'L'
[402] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 18:42 - District/Channel - 'C'
[403] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil

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12/12/2005	6:45pm	Report of armed males in Bay Street	Brighton

Two males wandering Bay street (x Moate Ave) carrying a red aluminum baseball bat. Males left scene on foot along Prince Street. [404]

12/12/2005	6:54pm	Situation heating up in Brighton	Brighton

Call received 6:54pm stating the two Middle Eastern males had stashed the red metal poles in a garden box outside the Men's Barber shop on Moate Avenue. The males then continued walking along Bay Street. Area patrolled no vehicle/person of interest sighted. [405]

12/12/2005	6:55pm	Crowd increased at Mosque	Lakemba

Advised from field officer was that there were 250 males inside Mosque. [406]

12/12/2005	6:59pm	Gathering at Arncliffe Park	Arncliffe

Call 1: (6:59pm) - Anonymous male advised 30 males of Caucasian and Middle Eastern appearance yelling at vehicles passing by. [407]

Call 2: (7:04pm) - Male contacted Sutherland police station and advised a large group of Middle Eastern males will be congregating at Arncliffe Park to plan a retaliation. The following police actions were recorded within the Call 2 record; [408]

7:13pm / SG14: attended location and observed 100 males outside the RSL club in Wollongong Road. Males not causing trouble at that moment.

7:19pm / SG14: all under control, going to speak to some of the more senior members of the group.

7:39pm / SG10: Spoke to representative from people here, they will move the crowd. No offences detected. We'll just monitor.

7:47pm / SG13: 150 Middle Eastern males gathering in cars.

7:47pm / SG14: Intelligence from locals, possible heading to location.

7:57pm / SG15: We have driven past the park and still 50 people there, appear to be families. All good.

8:01pm / SG10: Spoke to some local representatives, all on side and settled down. Majority of problems went to Lakemba.

Call 3: (7:36pm) - Community Source advised a large gathering of 1000 youths at Arncliffe Park, near the RSL. Was worried there may be a riot again. [409]

Call 4: (7:51pm) - Approximately 200-300 persons are standing in park and car loads of Middle Eastern people are arriving. Some have possession of Golf clubs, walking up Wollongong Road towards Forest Road. [410]

12/12/2005	7:06pm	Gathering at Lakemba Mosque	Lakemba

250 Middle Eastern people attended to Lakemba Mosque to protect it. [411]

[404] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 18:45 - District/Channel: 'L'
[405] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 18:54 - District/Channel 'L'
[406] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[407] Source: COPS E: 25587564 / CIDS created 12/12/2005 18:59 – District/Channel 'L'
[408] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 19:04 - District/Channel 'L'
[409] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 19:36 - District/Channel 'L'
[410] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 19:51 - District/Channel 'L'
[411] Source: COPS E:26430165

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12/12/2005	7:06pm	Assault upon journalist	Lakemba

A media crew arrived and started videoing the activities. As a result an altercation occurred between the media and some youth. Police (BK300) responded and called for urgent assistance. [412]

12/12/2005	7:09pm	Campsie Command Post established	Lakemba

Command post setup in the Campsie Major Incident room. Resources were immediately deployed. [413] Superintendent Richardson, Chief Inspector Birch, Senior Sergeant Allison, Sergeant Rooke and Constable Chard in Command Post. [414]

12/12/2005	7:10pm	Forward command post established	Lakemba

A Forward Command Post was set up on the corner of Wangee Road and Yangoora Road, Lakemba. Sergeant Corcoran was the Forward Commander in Campsie 13. [415]

12/12/2005	7:10pm	Major incident response	Lakemba

7:10pm to 12:23am - During this period the local police, OSG and Community members assisted in the control of the crowd. [416]

12/12/2005	7:15pm	OSG deployment	Lakemba

Superintendent Owens (Operations POC Commander) contacts Superintendent Richardson – 15 OSG deployed to Campsie Station. [417]

12/12/2005	7:35pm	OSG deployed to Wangee and Yangoora Roads	Lakemba

OSG directed to attend intersection of Wangee and Yangoora Roads by Forward Commander. [418]

12/12/2005	7:47pm	Report of Convey enroute to Botany Bay Park	Botany Bay

Approximately 10 vehicles carrying at least three (3) Middle Eastern males are heading towards Botany Bay Park Captain Cook Drive (x Kurnell Rd). [419]

12/12/2005	7:47pm	Middle Eastern male armed with large knife	Maroubra

Community source advised a Middle Eastern male brandishing a large knife in a Nissan Skyline enroute to Maroubra Beach. Vehicle details broadcast as general information for police. [420]

[412] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 19:06 - District/Channel 'G'. / COPS E:26430165
[413] Source: COPS E:26430165
[414] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[415] Source: COPS E:26430165
[416] Source: COPS E:26430165
[417] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[418] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[419] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 19:47 - District/Channel 'L'
[420] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 19:47 - District/Channel - 'C'

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12/12/2005	7:53pm	Report of Caucasian males harassing female	Moorebank

Female wearing a scarf was on the way to Fernwood Gym Moorebank when stopped by a group of Caucasian males in a vehicle. The males abused and swore at her, stating they were going to hit her. The female had children with her in the vehicle. The males were last seen in a black coloured Holden Commodore on Heathcote Road towards Cronulla. [421]

12/12/2005	7:55pm	Handover to Superintendent Nolan MIRT	Cronulla

Handover to Superintendent Nolan MIRT commenced. Superintendent Nolan had control of the following resources; [422]

- OSG - 15
- General Duties: 21
- HWP - 7 HWP vehicles with one (1) HWP officer per vehicle

12/12/2005	7:55pm	Request for additional OSG	Lakemba

Request for more OSG received. POC contacted re: request. [423]

12/12/2005	7:59pm	Gathering at Wheat Park	Sadlier

Community Source advised a group of 30 Middle Eastern males are gathering at Wheat Park, Celebration Road Sadleir (x Bobin Rd). Source heard a male state the Lakemba Mosque had been attacked and they [The Group] are going to get the Aussies. Numerous males had left but there were still some at the park.

20:04: GV:15 - (Green Valley attended and observed 10 Middle Eastern males at the locations.

20:06: GV:15 - Everything is fine, no need to expedite. Further cars required at location.

20:08: GV:15 - 7 Celebration Road having a get together – some of them playing footy in the park – have advised them to go inside.

20:10: GV:15 - Backon.

Note: The VKG Dispatcher had checked District/Channel 'G', had identified a Disturbance/Signal 1 at Lakemba Mosque. Have advised GV14 and vehicle will patrol the local Mosque's. [424]

12/12/2005	10:00pm	Assault in Rossmore Street	Punchbowl

Male assaulted by a group of Middle Eastern males. The victim stated the assault was racially motivated however he could not recognize the attackers. [425]

[421] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 21:07 - District/Channel 'K'
[422] Source: Superintendent Graham Command Log 12/12/2005
[423] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[424] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 19:59 - District/Channel 'K'
[425] Source: COPS E:21755939

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12/12/2005	8:05pm	Change of police radio channel	Lakemba

Radio announced all cars to change police radio channel (Zone 2 – Channel 53). [426]

12/12/2005	8:05pm	Briefing about Lakemba Mosque	

Superintendent Hutchings contacted Assistant Commissioner Goodwin about information relating to the Bra Boys going to the Lakemba Mosque. 200 people at the Mosque to protect it. 100 coming from Auburn. Cameraman / Media present and assaulted. [427]

12/12/2005	8:15pm	Radio channel not working	Lakemba

Police radio contacted. Radio channel not working. Channel changed to Zone 2 – Channel 64). [428]

12/12/2005	8:16pm	Additional OSG resources	Lakemba

Superintendent Owen advised 20 more OSG were enroute to Campsie. [429]

12/12/2005	8:20pm	Direction to POC	

Direction given by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin to POC MIRT Commander (Superintendent Benson) – POC to inform OSG and Highway Patrol vehicles about possible form-up point at Punchbowl. [430]

12/12/2005	8:24pm	Gathering in Punchbowl Road	Lakemba

100 people gathering in Punchbowl Road. [431]

12/12/2005	8:25pm	Request for assistance Maroubra Road	Maroubra

Inspector Hodder (Eastern Beaches LAC) requested HWP to patrol Maroubra Road. [432]

12/12/2005	8:28pm	Gathering at Cronulla Railway Station	Cronulla

From City Rail security, Caucasian male at the Rail Station concealing a cricket stump under clothing. The male has threatened to use it "on the Lebs if they turn up." The male is in company with another person. Police attended 8:36pm – Two males located and implement found [433]

[426] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[427] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[428] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[429] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[430] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[431] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[432] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
[433] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 20:28 – District/Channel 'L'

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12/12/2005	8:28pm	Report of gathering at Arncliffe Park	Arncliffe

150 Middle Eastern males gathering in Arncliffe Park near shops. No weapons sighted [434]

12/12/2005	8:44pm	Gathering in Punchbowl Road increased	Lakemba

1000 people gathered in Punchbowl Road. Road is blocked at intersection of King Georges Road. Situation starting to get out of hand. [435]

12/12/2005	8:45pm	Request for assistance	Maroubra

At 8.25pm duty officer Eastern Beaches requested use of Highway Patrol resources allocated to Cronulla Forward Command Post, to be re-deployed from the Lakemba Mosque to Maroubra. Sergeant Quinn (HWP Supervisor) advised Superintendent Nolan (Forward Commander – Cronulla) that the Highway Patrol vehicles cannot be released from the Lakemba Mosque at the present time due to crowd control duties. [436]

12/12/2005	8:50pm	OSG deployed to Wangee and Yangoora Roads	Lakemba

OSG directed to attended intersection of Wangee and Yangoora Roads by Forward Commander. [437]

12/12/2005	8:50pm	Fire Brigade arrive	Lakemba

Inspector Brogan from the Fire Brigade arrived at Campsie Command Post. [438]

12/12/2005	8:55pm	Commander's Intent	Botany Bay

Resources under Superintendent Nolan briefed. Staff advised their area of operations were Cronulla Mall, the Railway Line and the Beaches. The Commander's intent was High Visibility Policing (HVP), maintaining public order and to arrest any offenders by taking swift and affirmative action. [439]

12/12/2005	8:58pm	Deputy Commissioner Scipione briefed	

Deputy Commissioner Scipione briefed by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin. [440]

12/12/2005	8:59pm	Report of convoy at Sutherland	Sutherland

A group of 20 vehicles with Middle Eastern males onboard are making their way from Sutherland to Cronulla. [441]

[434] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 20:33 – District/Channel 'L'
[435] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[436] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
[437] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[438] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[439] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
[440] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[441] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 20:59 - District/Channel: 'L'

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12/12/2005	9:00pm	Meeting with Bra Boys	Lakemba

Superintendent Richardson advised by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin that a meeting between Bra Boys and their leader was successful in sending them home. [442]

12/12/2005	9:09pm	Middle Eastern people Lakemba Mosque	Lakemba

Information received from the public that large numbers of Middle Eastern people were enroute to Cronulla. The information sources include MSN chat room - that 3000 Lebanese people are on their way from the Mosque at Lakemba to terrorise Cronulla. [443]

12/12/2005	9:09pm	Report of gathering at Fitness First Gym	Lakemba

Anonymous female advised a large number of Middle Eastern males have gathering at the Fitness First Gym at Bankstown with baseball bats and are coercing others to "join in for a good time bashing Aussies...tonight's the night." Police attended 9:30pm – Nil find. [444]

12/12/2005	9:10pm	Announcement to crowd	Lakemba

advised after meeting with Bra Boys, they [Bra Boys] have dispersed and a large group of them are going home. [445]

12/12/2005	9:10pm	Command post relocated	Cronulla

Superintendent Nolan moved the Command Post to Cronulla Police Station and established Cronulla Surf Club as the Forward Command Post with Inspector McGhee as the Forward Commander. [446]

12/12/2005	9:14pm	Report of 700 people enroute to Maroubra	Maroubra

Known community source contacted '000' and advised 700 to 800 people were enroute to Maroubra. [447]

12/12/2005	9:15pm	Local Member Tony Stewart contacted	Lakemba

Local Member Tony Stewart contacted. [448]

12/12/2005	9:15pm	Gathering at Lakemba Mosque	

Massive Brawl at the Lakemba Mosque. Police call for urgent assistance. Anonymous source advised 100 people gathering in town where Mosque is and will be heading by car towards Cronulla and they will be smashing everything. [449]

[442] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[443] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 21:09 - District/Channel: 'L'
[444] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 21:09 - District/Channel 'G'
[445] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[446] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
[447] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 21:14 - District/Channel - 'C'
[448] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[449] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 21:15 - District/Channel: 'L'

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12/12/2005	9:18pm	Police Minister Scully briefed	Lakemba

Police Minister Scully briefed by Assistant Commissioner Goodwin. [450]

12/12/2005	9:25pm	Convoy on the Kingsway	Cronulla

The victims were driving along the Kingsway after finishing a meal at the Hogs Breath Café in Cronulla. As they approached the intersection of Wilbar Avenue they observed a large number of vehicles blocking the Kingsway. As the victim's vehicle stopped another vehicle containing 4 to 5 males of Middle Eastern appearance alighted from their vehicle. The victim observed 2 to 3 Middle Eastern males had possession of golf clubs. The Middle Eastern males ran towards the victim's vehicle with golf clubs raised. The victim quickly reversed from the scene and drove to Cronulla police station. [451]

12/12/2005	9:25pm	Convoy at Liberty Petrol Station in Miranda	Sylvania

15 vehicles with Middle Eastern males sighted at the Liberty Petrol. OSG210 attends location and detain five (5) males. OSG210 observe cars leaving at high speed heading along Port Hacking Road towards Sylvania. [452]

12/12/2005	9:25pm	Crowd dispersing	Lakemba

Forward Command advised crowd is quiet and slowly dispersing. Representatives on loud speaker advising persons of situation. [453]

12/12/2005	9:30pm	OSG redeploy	Lakemba

Controlled re-deployment of OSG to 100 metres south of Punchbowl Road and Wangeee Road. [454]

12/12/2005	9:34pm	Gathering at Punchbowl Park	Punchbowl

10 cars arrive in Punchbowl Park. Estimate from community source that approximately 70 persons of Middle Eastern appearance. More cars arriving. Police attended 9.52pm and estimate between 50 – 80 vehicles at location. Nil offences observed. [455]

12/12/2005	9:40pm	Close down arterial routes with OSG	

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin contacts Superintendent Benson in POC about intelligence received from D/Superintendent Ken McKay concerning a group of Middle Eastern males going to swarm upon beach suburbs. Assistant Commissioner Goodwin direction to Superintendent Benson to confer with MIRT teams at Cronulla and Maroubra to close down, if necessary, monitor arterial routes with OSG and HWP flying resources. [456]

[450] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[451] Source: COPS E:25655511
[452] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 21:25 - District/Channel: 'L
[453] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[454] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[455] Source: Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 21:34 - District/Channel 'F'
[456] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.

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12/12/2005	9:42pm	Bricks thrown at police	Lakemba

Sutherland Highway Patrol requested assistance at Wangee and Lakemba Roads due to bricks being thrown at police. [457]

12/12/2005	9:44pm	Police Minister briefed	Lakemba

Police Minister Mr Scully briefed by Superintendent Richardson. [458]

12/12/2005	9:45pm	Large crowd from Lakemba on enroute	Cronulla

Superintendent Benson (POC MIRT Commander) advised Superintendent Nolan information had been received about a large crowd from Lakemba was heading towards Cronulla or Maroubra. Superintendent Benson requested to shut down entrance to Cronulla to identify large numbers of people travelling in convoy and to assess this information quickly. [459]

12/12/2005	9:50pm	Gathering in Punchbowl Park	Lakemba

80-100 Middle Eastern people congregating at Punchbowl Park. [460]

12/12/2005	9:53pm	Police Minister briefed	Lakemba

Second briefing for Police Minister Mr Scully by Superintendent Richardson. [461]

12/12/2005	9:53pm	SMS received for gathering	Cronulla

Anonymous female advised her husband received a SMS – "Show them who's boss. Destroy everything, gather at Cronulla on the 18/12/2005 midday, spread the message to all Arabs meet up at the Lighthouse." [462]

12/12/2005	9:56pm	Vehicles leaving Punchbowl Park	Punchbowl

30 – 40 vehicles leaving Punchbowl Park. Community source reports that group is chanting they are on their way to Cronulla. Police on-site monitoring gathering at park confirm sudden activity of 30 – 40 vehicles heading south on King Georges Road. Memo broadcast on Channel 'L'. [463]

12/12/2005	9:59pm	Decision to shut down bridges	Cronulla

Superintendent Nolan decided to take five (5) Highway vehicles from Lakemba and redeploy one (1) vehicle to Captain Cook bridge, two (2) vehicles to Tom Ugly's Bridge and two (2) vehicles to Woronora. [464]

[457] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[458] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[459] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
[460] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[461] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[462] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 21:56 - District/Channel: 'L'
[463] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 21:53 - District/Channel: 'L'
[464] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005

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12/12/2005	10:00pm	Assault of [redacted]	Cronulla

The victim heard screaming from outside his room on The Kingsway (x Wilbar Ave) and went out to move his vehicle to avoid possible damage. Before the victim could move his vehicle he was attacked by 10-15 Middle Eastern males. The victim was hit with an iron bar, punched countless times to the head and body and hit with a bottle. The victim sustained facial lacerations, possible broken left forearm, bruising and abrasions. Two persons have been charged. [465]

12/12/2005	10:00pm	Superintendent Finch arrives in Maroubra	Maroubra

Superintendent Finch arrives in Maroubra to relieve Superintendent Rogerson. [466]

12/12/2005	10:02pm	Convoy on Captain Cook Drive Kurnell	Kurnell

3-5 vehicles containing Middle Eastern males driving in a manner dangerous and committing road rage. Driving out towards Kurnell on Captain Cook drive. [467]

12/12/2005	10:04pm	Convoy on King Georges Road Beverly Hills	Lakemba

Several calls received about 20-30 vehicles with persons hanging out of vehicles screaming, waving flags and baseball bats. Vehicles on King Georges Road, Beverly Hills. Vehicle heading towards Cronulla. [468]

12/12/2005	10:05pm	Gathering in Punchbowl Park	Lakemba

Approximately 40 people and 15 cars in Punchbowl Park. [469]

12/12/2005	10:07pm	Convoy opposite Caltex Service Station	Penshurst

Number of Middle Eastern people are blocking road at the Caltex Service Station. [470] 100 cars blocking the road verbally abusing each other. [471]

12/12/2005	10:08pm	Vehicles dispersed Punchbowl Park	Lakemba

Vehicles dispersed from Punchbowl Road. [472]

12/12/2005	10:08pm	Convoy passing Aquatic Centre	Hurstville

Vehicles dispersed from Punchbowl Road. [473]

[465] Source COPS E:25524972
[466] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil
[467] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:02 - District/Channel 'L'
[468] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:05 - District/Channel 'L'
[469] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[470] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:07 - District/Channel 'L'
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12/12/2005	10:09pm	Convoy road block continued	Penshurst

50 car loads of Lebanese have blocked road opposite the Caltex Service Station, Forest Road, Penshurst. The persons are yelling "Aussies are going to die." [474] Numerous youths are running all over the place, blocking the road. [475]

12/12/2005	10:10pm	OSG redeployed to Cronulla	Cronulla

OSG redeployed to Cronulla. [476]

12/12/2005	10:12pm	Convoy throwing bottles	Blakehurst

30-40 vehicles with persons on board throwing bottles at passing cars. All vehicles in a procession and have their hazard lights on heading towards Cronulla. In excess of 20 to 30 vehicles sounding horns and revving engines south bound on Kings Georges Road, Blakehurst (X Walton Street). [478]

12/12/2005	10:12pm	Convoy on Tom Ugly's Bridge	Sylvania

Approximately 20 car loads of Lebanese have stopped on the Tom Ugly's bridge, Princess Hwy, Sylvania. [479] 100 males waving cars down to join them. [480]

12/12/2005	10:13pm	Armed males on King Georges Road	Penshurst

Several males walking down street on King Georges Road Penshurst (x Percival St) armed with baseball bats and knives. Informant couldn't give any description of people with weapons. [481]

12/12/2005	10:10pm	Motorcyclist assaulted on The Boulevarde	Cronulla

The victim was riding his motorcycle along The Boulevarde and stopped in traffic at the intersection of Taren Point road. A red Toyota Corolla containing Middle Eastern males had stopped next to him. The occupants of the vehicle repeatedly said, "Cheap Aussie." The occupants of this vehicle exited carrying baseball bats. The victim then rode between vehicles in an attempt to escape for the attackers. Middle Eastern occupants of other stationary vehicles began exiting and the victim passed these vehicles dodging doors as they were being opened. As the victim passed the stationary vehicles he was hit from behind with a hard object. The cycle jacket being worn took the impact and he continued to manoeuvre his way through the traffic. As the victim neared the front of the traffic he observed a hand gun which was pointed in his direction from a vehicle. The victim, fearing for his life, turned left onto Taren Point Road and accelerated away. A vehicle pursued the victim. The victim turned into another street and lost the pursuing vehicle. The matter was then reported to Miranda Police. [482]

[474] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:09 - District/Channel 'L'
[475] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:10 - District/Channel 'L'
[476] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
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12/12/2005	10:16pm	Convoy on Kings Georges Rd Hurstville	Hurstville

40 vehicles driving in manner dangerous, all with hazards on, occupants hanging out of vehicles and obstructing traffic. [483]

12/12/2005	10:18pm	SMS warning at Zoolous Restaurant	Cronulla

Patrons of Zoolous Restaurant Cronulla receive SMS concerning something big about to happen any minute at Cronulla. [484]

12/12/2005	10:18pm	Convoy on Captain Cook Bridge	Sylvania

30 vehicles displaying 'P' plates containing Middle Eastern males on Captain Cook Bridge, heading towards Cronulla about five (5) minutes ago (Call received 22:22hrs). [485]

12/12/2005	10:19pm	Convoy - Blakehurst towards Sylvania	Sylvania

60 car loads of males headed towards Sylvania from Blakehurst, apparently part of the crowd congregating to go to Cronulla. [486] Cars turning onto Port Hacking Road (x Princess Hwy) Sylvania. [487] 100 vehicles at Sylvania Southgate, Princess Hwy Sylvania. Vehicles filled with Middle Eastern males armed with bats. [488]

12/12/2005	10:20pm	Report of gathering at Punchbowl Park	Cronulla

Information received from anonymous male stating 400 people gathering in Punchbowl area in preparation to attend Cronulla. [489]

12/12/2005	10:20pm	Convoy south on King George Road	Punchbowl

Approximately 20 vehicles, containing Middle Eastern males, driving through red lights with hazard lights on and yelling out of the windows. Convoy heading towards Cronulla – eta 10. [490]

12/12/2005	10:21pm	Escalation of risk	Cronulla

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin contacted Superintendent Nolan and advised the risk rating had escalated to extreme. Assistant Commissioner Goodwin requested police to close arterial routes into Cronulla and have POLAIR assess the situation. Superintendent Nolan advised Assistant Commissioner Goodwin the roads blocks had been tasked at 9:58pm. [491]

[483] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:26 - District/Channel 'L'
[484] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:18 - District/Channel 'L'
[485] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:22 - District/Channel 'L'
[486] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:19 - District/Channel 'L'
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[491] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005

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12/12/2005	10:21pm	Close bridges	Cronulla

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin direction Superintendent Nolan (Cronulla MIRT) to mobilise resources and close down bridges and arterial roads into area, specifically Tom Ugly's, Captain Cook and Alford's Point Bridges if necessary. The Strategy of reduced lanes and observations of all motorists. OSG/Highway Patrol flying teams to be utilised. [492]

Superintendent Nolan (Forward Commander, Cronulla) had already given direction to shut down bridges at 9.59pm. Highway Patrol vehicles redeployed from Lakemba Mosque to Captain Cook Bridge, Tom Ugly's Bridge and Woronora Bridge. [493]

12/12/2005	10:21pm	Report of 600 vehicles enroute to Cronulla	Cronulla

Community source advised 600 vehicle convoy traveling towards Cronulla Beach. All vehicles contain Middle Eastern persons who are hanging out of vehicles yelling, screaming and trying to pick fights with people as they drive along. [494]

12/12/2005	10:22pm	Report of convoy at Sylvania	Sylvania

Large group of cars driving on Port Hacking Road, honking horns and waving iron bars out the windows. [495] 100 vehicles full of Middle Eastern males traveling towards Cronulla terrorizing motorists. Informant believes convoy was traveling to Caringbah then to Kingsway and then to Cronulla area. [496]

12/12/2005	10:25pm	Report of gathering on Port Hacking Road	Sylvania

15 vehicles containing Middle Eastern people gathering on Port Hacking Road, Sylvania. [497]

12/12/2005	10:25pm	Report of disturbance The Boulevarde	Caringbah

Large disturbance occurring, cars everywhere. Anonymous male thinks people might be blocking the roads. [498]

12/12/2005	10:25pm	Road block established	Cronulla

About 10:25pm 12/12/05 numerous vehicles carrying Middle Eastern males were sighted entering the Cronulla Area. As a result police went to Gannons Road and Captains Cook Drive Caringbah and stopped vehicles leaving the area. [499]

[492] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[493] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
[494] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:21 - District/Channel 'L'
[495] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:22 - District/Channel 'L'
[496] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:22 - District/Channel 'L'
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12/12/2005	10:26pm	Report of convoy on The Boulevarde	Miranda

100's and 100's of vehicles have just passed through The Boulevarde, Miranda (x Ingara Ave). Vehicles contained Middle Eastern people. Vehicles have stopped and it sounds very aggressive. [500] 40 vehicles containing Middle Eastern males armed with baseball bats heading south on Taren Point Road, Caringbah. [501] Community source advised thousands of Middle Eastern Males gathering outside 134 The Boulevarde, Caringbah (x Taren Point Road) [502]

12/12/2005	10:26pm	Convoy on The Kingsway	Cronulla

15 vehicles containing Middle Eastern males on The Kingsway, heading towards Cronulla. [503]

12/12/2005	10:28pm	Convoy throwing bottles at cars	Sylvania

Six (6) cars containing Middle Eastern males are traveling along The Princess Hwy, Sylvania. The males are throwing bottles out of vehicles and abusing other motorists. [504]

12/12/2005	10:28pm	Report of convoy from Illawarra Region	Engadine

Anonymous males advised his Muslim friend had stated there are heaps of cars heading from Illawarra to Cronulla and are going to meet at McDonalds at Engadine. [505]

12/12/2005	10:29pm	Convoy southbound Captain Cook Drive	Caringbah

50 vehicles travelling together and carrying club locks, baseball bats and steel bars. Yelling they are traveling to Cronulla to start another riot against the Aussies. [506]

12/12/2005	10:30pm	Convey on The Kingsway	Woolooware

40 vehicles on The Kingsway, Woolooware (x Port Hacking Rd). Vehicles are traveling toward Cronulla. [507] Occupants in a few vehicles had their heads covered with cloths and masks. [508]

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[503] Source: CIDS CREATED 12/12/2005 22:26 - District/Channel 'L'. COPS E:25943503
[504] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:28 - District/Channel 'L'
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12/12/2005	10:30pm	Police officer almost run over	Cronulla

About 10:30pm Police (OSG 201) observed a convoy of 25 vehicles on Elouera Road, Cronulla traveling in a northerly direction beeping horns and leaning out of vehicles yelling at the police in the vicinity. Police were following the vehicles when they observed people alight from these vehicles and start throwing missiles at parked vehicles. Upon reaching the intersection of Elouera and Burke roads a white hatch entered the roundabout. A police officer was on the road yelling for this vehicle to stop. The white hatch kept going and the police officer jump out of the way. The Police vehicle (OSG 201) pursued the hatch around the convoy of vehicles and eventually stopped the vehicle near North Cronulla Surf Club after another police vehicle blocked its path. The occupants of the white hatch were searched and several items were confiscated. All three persons were given a move-on direction to leave Cronulla and released due to the urgent nature of other incidents occurring at the time. As at 22/04/2006 no police action has been taken against any person. [509]

12/12/2005	10:30pm	Illegal transmission via VKG	Cronulla

10:30pm to 11:30pm Illegal transmission on Police radio forced VKG to change to a digitally encrypted channel to prevent further disruption. Broadcasts included talk back radio transmission with topic of discussion being immigrants. [510]

12/12/2005	10:30pm	Vehicle damaged on The Kingsway	Cronulla

About 10:30pm the victim was out the front of his unit at The Kingsway Cronulla when silver Nissan Pulsar stopped near the victim's vehicle which had been parked on The Kingsway. A person inside the Nissan Pulsar has begun damaging the victim's vehicle. The victim has approached the Nissan Pulsar and was grabbed by a male inside the vehicle. The Nissan Pulsar has driven off and the victim was made to run along side the vehicle. The victim fell over when he was let got by the person inside the Nissan Pulsar. The victim received some minor grazing. [511]

[509] Source: COPS E:25943503
[510] Source: I:25399752
[511] Source: COPS E:26471065

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12/12/2005	10:30pm	Assault at Antonio's Pizzeria	Cronulla

About 10:30pm 12/12/2005 the victims has left a Pizzeria on The Kingsway, Caringbah after attending a Christmas Party. The victims had just entered their vehicle parked out front of the restaurant when a larger number of vehicles, containing both Lebanese and Caucasian males, were observed traveling west along The Kingsway. The male victim had just exited his vehicle as he wished to check the welfare of a nearby friend when a number of males of Middle Eastern appearance approached him. The victim was struck to the face with a bottle and punched and kicked repeatedly by up to six (6) males. [512]

Fearing her husband was going to be seriously assaulted the female victim exited the vehicle yelled to the middle eastern males,"Please Stop." As she said this a Middle Eastern male ran towards her and punched her in the face with his right hand. This action caused the female victim to fall backwards and strike her head on the concrete, rendering her unconscious. The Middle Eastern males got back into their vehicle and left. Both victims were transported to Sutherland Hospital by Ambulance and treated.

Police inquiries led to the driver of a vehicle involved who refused to supply police with identity of passengers who was subsequently charged and convicted with $700 fine. Vehicle seized and forensically examined. Further charges against the driver are AOABH (2 counts), Riot, Affray, Malicious Damage, Common Assault.

12/12/2005	10:30pm	Assault at traffic lights on Gannons Rd	Cronulla

About 10:30pm 12/12/05 was driving his vehicle north on Gannons Road Caringbah. He had just passed the intersection of Gannons Rd and Denman Ave when his vehicle was boxed in by three other vehicles, forcing to stop. A male of middle eastern appearance has exited one of the vehicles and repeatedly yelled out to "Come out protect the Shire." The middle eastern male has opened the driver's door and began punching in the face. Several more middle eastern males have entered vehicle and began assault him. Another male has smashed the front and rear windows of vehicle with a baseball bat. The assault lasted for about two (2) minutes before a police vehicle with sirens could be heard driving from Miranda along The Boulevard. The males have then left the scene. During the assault the victim received minor bruising and a small puncture on his right skin. [513] A person has been charged with Malicious Wounding with Intent to cause GBH, Riot, Affray, AOABH, and Malicious Damage.

12/12/2005	10:30pm	Male assaulted with rock and car	Cronulla

The victim was walking along the Kingsway (x Wilbar Ave) Cronulla when he saw a convoy of vehicles driving down The Kingsway. The victim continued walking when he saw one vehicle containing Middle Eastern males turn right into Wilbar Avenue. A short time later the victim was struck by a rock and fell to the ground. The vehicle from the convoy has driven in his direction and struck the victim in the leg. The victim jumped up, ran to a nearby unit and reported the matter to police. No offending persons or vehicles have been identified. [514]

[512] Source: COPS E:26034028, H25829772 & H50572902
[513] Source: COPS E:25932004 & H27263534
[514] Source: COPS E:25370470

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12/12/2005	10:30pm	Vehicle stop in Elouera Road	Cronulla

Vehicle stopped in Eloura road Cronulla for traffic offence. Whilst speaking with driver a baseball bat was observed in rear seat. The driver stated he kept the bat for protection. Police advised the driver it was an offence and the driver stated he did not intend to commit an offence and asked the police if they would take the baseball bat and destroy it. Police issued the driver with a warning and confiscated the bat. [515]

12/12/2005	10:30pm	Vehicle stop in Elouera Road	Cronulla

Police stopped a vehicle in Elouera Road. As police approached the vehicle the driver reversed his vehicle towards police. The vehicle was searched and a knife located under the front passenger's seat. The driver was arrested and charged with Custody of Knife, Not Comply with Police Direction and Reckless Driving. [516]

12/12/2005	10:30pm	Superintendent Richardson conducts debrief	Lakemba

Superintendent Richardson debriefed team. [517]

12/12/2005	10:31pm	Convoy blocking Taren Point Road	Cronulla

Convoy blocking Taren Point Road, Taren Point and are travelling through red lights [518] 20 or more vehicles with Middle Eastern People blocking Taren Point Road, Taren Point (x Kingsway). [519]

12/12/2005	10:31pm	Report of 400 cars on Port Hacking Rd	Miranda

Anonymous male advised 400 cars on the way to Cronulla on Port Hacking Road, Miranda. Occupants of a vehicle threw rocks at the informant's vehicle. [520]

12/12/2005	10:31pm	Convoy travelling on Taren Point Road	Taren Point

Convoy on Taren Point Road, Taren Point. Vehicles blocking traffic going through red lights. [521]

12/12/2005	10:31pm	Convoy at The Boulevarde and The Kingsway	Cronulla

30-50 vehicles on Princes Hwy, Sylvania enroute to Cronulla have split; some have gone through The Boulevarde and some through the Kingsway. Occupants yelling at other vehicles. [522]

12/12/2005	10:32pm	Convoy southbound Captain Cook Drive	Cronulla

A Convoy is blocking Taren Point Road opposite Caringbah High School. [523]

[515] Source: COPS E:25530223
[516] Source: COPS E:25529956 / H:25873462
[517] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
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12/12/2005	10:32pm	Convoy on Alfords Point Road	Cronulla

60 vehicles with Middle Eastern occupants on Alfords Point Road. [524]

12/12/2005	10:33pm	Convoy on Kingsway	Cronulla

60 vehicles with Middle Eastern occupants on The Kingsway heading towards Cronulla. [525]

12/12/2005	10:33pm	Convoy on Kingsway	Cronulla

Lots of vehicles driving along Gerrale Street, Cronulla (x McDonald Street) with Middle Eastern people onboard heading towards Cronulla Beach. [526]

12/12/2005	10:33pm	Report of a couple chased on Ingara Ave	Miranda

Community source advised two Middle Eastern people were chasing a male and female down Ingara Ave, Miranda (x The Boulevarde). [527]

12/12/2005	10:33pm	Convoy at construction site	Cronulla

10:30pm to 11:30pm Illegal transmission on Police radio forced VKG to change to a digitally encrypted channel to prevent further disruption. Broadcasts included talk back radio transmission with topic of discussion being immigrants. [528]

12/12/2005	10:34pm	House attacked on The Kingsway	Cronulla

Hysterical female contacts police and advised car loads of Middle Eastern males have just smashed the windows and thrown bottles at the house. The location of house is 151 Kingsway, Cronulla. [529]

12/12/2005	10:34pm	Report of gathering at the golf course	Cronulla

A group of approximately 100 vehicles heading towards Cronulla, another group are collecting near the golf course on The Kingsway (x Taren Point Rd). [530]

12/12/2005	10:34pm	Vehicles damaged Taren Point Road	Cronulla

Vehicles being smashed by Middle Eastern people along the street at Taren Point Road, Caringbah. [531]

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12/12/2005	10:34pm	Main disturbance - Elouera and Burke Roads	Cronulla

Main reports of incidents;

Assault with Weapons - Five (5) car loads of Middle Eastern people assault a group of males at the intersection of Elouera and Burke roads, Cronulla. The Middle Eastern people have weapons, baseball bats and knives. [532]

Convoy - 30 cars have converged on the intersection. [533]

Vehicles Damaged - People are jumping on cars and throwing trolleys at cars. [534]

Vehicles Damaged - Several occupants of vehicles are now smashing parked Vehicles. [535]

Vehicles Damaged - Community source advised 50-60 Middle Eastern people smashing up cars and everything in site with steel bars and baseball bats. [536]

Shots Fired - Shots Fired vicinity of Elouera Rd. No further information. [537]

Home Occupants Threatened - Approximately three (3) or four (4) Middle Eastern people armed with baseball bats threatening to go into a house and assault occupants. Male occupants are yelling back at the Middle Eastern people making the situation worse. [538]

Chased with bat - Informant advised a person has been chased with a baseball bat. [539]

Iron Bar - Community source saw a man run at unit with iron bar and has smashed windows. Unit at [540]

Being Chased - Sedan pulled up outside . Occupants started chasing informant's friends who are barricaded inside unit with eight strangers who were walking along street. [541]

Molotov Cocktails - Large group of Lebanese males with baseball bats and Molotov cocktails smashing cars. [542]

Vehicles Smashed - (10:39pm) vehicles being smashed along road. [543] Hoards of Middle Eastern people smashing vehicles at intersection Elouera Rd and Taloombi Street. [544]

Busload of Males - (10:40pm) A bus load of males have driven along and smashed cars and are letting off fireworks. [545]

Further Violence - (10:40pm) Vehicles have cordoned off the road, [occupants] have exited the vehicles and are smashing all parked vehicle and left. The persons of interest are yelling abuse at Caucasian residents. [546]

Male Struck with Baseball Bat - (10:41pm) Male struck very savagely with a baseball bat. The victim can no longer be seen. 5 or 6 Middle Eastern males are yelling "fuck Cronulla we'll get you." [547]

Windows Smashed - Windows being smashed in Trickett Rd, Woolooware (x Caronia Ave West) [548]

Vehicles Damaged - Vehicles being smashed in Girrilang Rd (x Elouera Road). [549]

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12/12/2005	10:35pm	Convoy in Cronulla	Cronulla

Groups of 60-70 vehicles converged on Cronulla in convoy, vehicles displaying the Lebanese flags and occupants assaulting pedestrians. [550]

12/12/2005	10:35pm	Assault upon [redacted] on The Kingsway	Cronulla

About 10:30pm 12/12/2005 the victim was inside his house and witnessed a large convey of vehicles travelling along Kingsway. The victim remained inside his house as he feared for his safety. About 10:35pm saw another male walking west on Kingsway with serious injuries. left his house to assist this male. At this point a large group of middle eastern males attacked him. was punched, kicked and hit with a bar. received bruising and small cracking to bones in his right arm, a cut to the right forearm requiring stitches and bruising to both knees after being struck by a baton. was unsure what happened to the other male victim. [551]

12/12/2005	10:37pm	Bridge lockdown	Cronulla

Attempts made to block bridges but vehicles had already arrived. [552]

12/12/2005	10:37pm	Vehicles damaged in St Andrews Place	Cronulla

All cars in St Andrews Place are being bashed with baseball bats by people of Middle Eastern Appearance. [553]

12/12/2005	10:38pm	Report of pedestrian hit by white Honda	Cronulla

Anonymous source advised the Persons of Interest involved in a situation where a pedestrian was knocked over by a white Honda are hiding in the vicinity of the Cronulla Bowling Club in Croydon Street, Cronulla. [554]

12/12/2005	10:38pm	Six (6) ambulances requested to Cronulla	Cronulla

30-50 vehicles on Princes Hwy, Sylvania enroute to Cronulla have split; some have gone through The Boulevarde and some through the Kingsway. Occupants yelling at other vehicles. [555]

12/12/2005	10:39pm	Vehicles damaged Tullimbar Road, Cronulla	Cronulla

Vehicles getting smashed by rioters that are walking past in Tullimbar Road (x Bando Rd). [556]

12/12/2005	10:40pm	Report of Guns shots at Woolooware	Cronulla

Community source advised having heard four (4) guns shots at the Woolooware Soccer Fields, The Kingsway Woolooware. Can also hear a helicopter. [557]

[550] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
[551] Source: COPS E:25585832
[552] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
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12/12/2005	10:40pm	Police Minister briefed	Lakemba

Third briefing for Police Minister Mr Scully by Superintendent Richardson. [558]

12/12/2005	10:40pm	Incidents near golf course	Cronulla

Mal/Dam - (10:40pm) At the corner of Wyanbah and Hume roads, there is noises of Malicious Damage, commotion and general disturbance. [559]

Mal/Dam - (10:40pm) Males are smashing vehicles and have run off towards the beach. [560]

Firearm - (10:43pm) Cars have pulled up and guns have been sighted. [561]

Shots Fired - (10:45pm) Cars circulating around past golf course enroute to Sharks Stadium firing shots at houses. [562]

Assault with Weapons - About 10:40pm 12/12/2005 was taking his rubbish bins out to the kerb on Kurnell Rd Cronulla when numerous vehicles slowed and bottles were thrown towards Several males then exited the vehicle with baseball bats and struck several times. The assailants then left the scene. The victim received general bruising. Police later recovered bottles, glass fragments and the remains of a baseball bat. [563]

12/12/2005	10:41pm	Report of convoy headed towards Cronulla	Cronulla

25 cars in Gannons Road, Caringbah (x Captain Cook Drive). Vehicles contain Middle Eastern males are yelling abuse. Vehicles headed towards Cronulla. [564]

12/12/2005	10:41pm	Vehicle stopped in The Kingsway	Cronulla

Police were stopped by the Fire Brigade in The Kingsway. The Fire Brigade identified a vehicle who's occupants had damaged number parked vehicles. Police stopped this vehicle and searched the occupants. The vehicle was searched and a 45cm long metal chisel was located. All four (4) occupants were arrested and taken to Sutherland Police Station. The occupants were spoken to and later released without charge due to insufficient evidence. The chisel was retained for DNA testing. The driver was issued with infringement notices for having unrestrained passengers. [565]

12/12/2005	10:42pm	Gathering near Sharks Stadium	Cronulla

Gathering - (10:42pm) 40 car loads of persons have gathered at the western end of Hume Road, Cronulla (x Elouera Road). [566]

Mal/Dam - (10:42pm) Occupants are running in the street and are smashing vehicles. [567]

Fire - (10:44pm) Fire at the rear of a truck or possible the truck. [568]

[558] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
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12/12/2005	10:42pm	Incidents along the Kingsway	Cronulla

Residence Chased - In the vicinity of the Kingsway and Church street residents were being chased by 10 to 20 Middle Eastern males armed with sticks. [569]

Mal/Dam - Gangs are destroying cars. Police need more backup, insufficient. [570]

Mal/Dam - Cars being kicked and items being thrown at vehicles. [571]

12/12/2005	10:42pm	POC sends additional resources	Cronulla

19 OSG Vikings and 15 rapid response HWP directed to Cronulla by the POC. [572]

12/12/2005	10:44pm	Assault upon [redacted] on The Kingsway	Cronulla

Assistant Commissioner Goodwin contacted Superintendent Benson. Advised 25 cars had converged into Cronulla. Assistant Commissioner Goodwin reinforced OSG/Highway Patrol on arterial roads into Sutherland Shire and Eastern Suburbs. [573]

12/12/2005	10:45pm	Road blocks attempted	Cronulla

Superintendent Nolan attempts to establish road blocks at Elouera Road and Hume Hwy, at Kingsway and Gosport Road, at Burke and Elouera Roads. Information received about the vehicles appearing to be heading back out of Cronulla. [574]

12/12/2005	10:49pm	Ambulance under attack	Cronulla

Ambulance is under attack on corner Kingsway and Banksia Road, Cronulla. [575] Ambulance requires urgent assistance as being attacked. Crew is no longer contactable. [576]

12/12/2005	10:49pm	Convoy on The Kingsway	Cronulla

Several hundred cars on The Kingsway Caringbah. [577]

12/12/2005	10:49pm	Vehicles damaged	Cronulla

Vehicles damaged in Sturt Rd Woolooware. [578]

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[570] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:43 - District/Channel 'L'
[571] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:43 - District/Channel 'L'
[572] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
[573] Source: Assistant Commissioner Mark Goodwin Command and Activity Log.
[574] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
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12/12/2005	10:49pm	Report of gun shots Flinders Road	Cronulla

Two (2) to three (3) gun shots heard in the vicinity of Flinders road, Woolooware. [579]

12/12/2005	10:49pm	Vehicles damaged Sturt Road	Cronulla

Numerous vehicles being damaged in the street. [580]

12/12/2005	10:49pm	Shops damaged in Caringbah	Cronulla

Four (4) car loads vandalised shop fronts opposite Caringbah Railway Station. [581]

12/12/2005	10:50pm	Report of gathering at McDonalds Engadine	Cronulla

Car loads of Lebanese people are congregating at McDonalds Princes Highway, Engadine. [582] Group is planning to travel to Cronulla. [583]

12/12/2005	10:50pm	Report of gunshots in Kurnell Road	Cronulla

Four (4) or five (5) gun shots heard near the corner of Kurnell and Sturt Roads Cronulla. Lots of cars in the vicinity. Neighbour has been shot in Kurnell Road, neighbour is male 50 old. Community source did not provide any further details. [584]

12/12/2005	10:51pm	Brawl on The Kingsway	Cronulla

Brawl on the location. [585]

12/12/2005	10:52pm	Convoy leaving Cronulla	Cronulla

Community source advises 30 cars were heading north out of the Shire, possible heading towards Brighton. Vehicles last seen outside [586] Groups of youths heading north on Taren Point Road in cars and on foot. Last seen south of Captain Cook bridge. Group is smashing shops as they go. [587]

12/12/2005	10:53pm	Report of smashing into house	Cronulla

Friend called informant and advised there are persons smashing into his house in Captain Cook Drive, Caringbah (x Crammond Blvd). There are children there. Subsequent call from informant advised his friend and his family are fine and do not wish to contact police. [588]

[579] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:49 - District/Channel 'L'
[580] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:49 - District/Channel 'L'
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[582] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:50 - District/Channel 'L'
[583] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:53 - District/Channel 'L'
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12/12/2005	10:53pm	Transit officers under attack	Cronulla

City Rail advised transit officers under attack by car loads of persons at Caringbah Railway Station. [589]

12/12/2005	10:54pm	Convoy outside Antonio's Pizza	Cronulla

Cars full of Middle Eastern males armed with baseball bats are smashing parked vehicles and any passing person. [590]

12/12/2005	10:55pm	Report of black 4WD containing Bomb	Cronulla

Community source advised see a black 4WD with hazard lights on parked in bushes has been driven into a pole in the vicinity of The Kingsway and Elouera Road, Cronulla. Informant believes that there is a bomb in the vehicle as it appears to be abandoned with all its doors open and its parked abnormally. [591]

12/12/2005	10:55pm	Report of armed males near golf club	Cronulla

There is a corner shop, opposite the Golf Club Hume Road, Cronulla (x Kurnell Road). Approximately four (4) males of Pacific Islander appearance are armed with knives (machetes). [592]

12/12/2005	10:55pm	Report of brawl Caringbah Railway Station	Cronulla

Anonymous source advised a large number of persons brawling at Caringbah Railway Station, numerous persons injured. [593]

12/12/2005	10:56pm	Roadblocks on bridges	Cronulla

Decision made by Superintendent Nolan to set up road blocks at Tom Ugly's, Captain Cook and Woronora Bridge to stop vehicles with Lebanese males re-entering Cronulla. [594]

12/12/2005	10:56pm	Convoy travelling west on The Kingsway	Cronulla

25 vehicles traveling west on The Kingsway heading towards Alfords Point Bridge via Menai by-pass yelling abuse at other motorists. [595]

12/12/2005	10:57pm	Convoy heading towards Cronulla	Cronulla

Channel 7 advised another group of 15-20 vehicles are heading towards Cronulla from Captain Cook drive then turned on to the Kingsway. [596]

[589] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:54 - District/Channel 'L'
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[594] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
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12/12/2005	10:57pm	Report of males on railway lines	Cronulla

From an off duty officer, six (6) or more Middle Eastern males walking along the railway lines heading towards Cronulla Railway Station. Currently about 500 metres away from Station. [597]

12/12/2005	10:58pm	Report of brawl outside Novotel	Brighton

Community source advised 100 persons fighting outside the Novotel in Bay Street, Brighton-le-Sands. Persons bashing occupants of vehicles stopped at traffic lights. Police attended 11:05pm – No fights at Novotel. [598]

12/12/2005	10:59pm	Convoy at The Grand Parade and Bay Street	Brighton

Anonymous male advised convoy of 15 vehicles with ethnic males heading north on The Grand Parade yelling abuse [599]

12/12/2005	10:59pm	Convoy gathering on Rocky Point Road	Sans Souci

Community source advised 50 vehicles blocking traffic awaiting other vehicles to catch up. Vehicles heading north along Rocky Point Road, Sans Souci (x Fontainebleau Street). Occupants are carrying bats and sticks. [600]

12/12/2005	11:00pm	Report of assault north of Railway Station	Cronulla

Eight (8) males assault another male on Gymea Bay Road, Gymea (x Kingsway). [601]

12/12/2005	11:00pm	BP Service Station at Sans Souci	Sans Souci

Community source advised of a silver Holden Commodore in the BP Service Station, San Souci (x Russell Ave). There was a large group of Middle Eastern people standing on the road and yelling. [602]

12/12/2005	11:00pm	Report of gathering in Bay Street	Brighton

Numerous Middle Eastern persons congregating on Bay Street and heading towards the beach. [603]

[597] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:57 - District/Channel 'L'
[598] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:58 - District/Channel 'L'
[599] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 22:59 - District/Channel 'L'
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12/12/2005	11:00pm	Attempt to run down police officer	Cronulla

Police were patrolling the vicinity of Kurnell Road and The Kingsway when information was received concerning 30 Middle Eastern males in Kurnell Road. As police turned into Kurnell road a blue Ford Laser containing Middle Eastern male was observed. Police stopped to speak with the occupants of this vehicle. Police identified themselves and asked the driver what he was doing in Kurnell Road. The driver shrugged his shoulders and said, "What." Police exited the police vehicle to speak further with the occupants. The driver of this vehicle has then revved the accelerated towards the police officer. The police officer took evasive action and the vehicle speed off east along The Kingsway. Police reported the incident via the Police radio and the vehicle was stopped a short time later in Elouera Road by other police. The driver was arrested and taken back to Miranda Police Station and charged. [604]

12/12/2005	11:05pm	Ambulance under attack	Brighton

Ambulance officers under attack at the corner of The Grand Parade and Bay Street, Brighton. Urgent assistance required. [605]

12/12/2005	11:08pm	POC redeploys OSG	Cronulla

POC requested OSG be redeployed. [606]

12/12/2005	11:08pm	Police road block	Maroubra

ES36 establish road block at location. No incidents detected. [607]

12/12/2005	11:09pm	Report of suspicious activity railway tracks Caringbah	Cronulla

Community source can see two (2) males doing something suspicious with a meter box near the train tracks on Banksia Rd Caringbah. [608]

12/12/2005	11:10pm	Point duty locations Maroubra	Maroubra

HWP and Eastern Beach vehicles conduct point duty at various locations. The following intersections included;

- Marine Parade and Maroubra beach. [609]
- Maroubra and Herowood Roads. [610]
- McKeon and Duncan roads. [611]

[604] Source: COPS E:25783971.
[605] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:05 - District/Channel 'L'
[606] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005.
[607] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:08 - District/Channel - 'C'
[608] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:09 - District/Channel 'L'.
[609] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:10 - District/Channel - 'C'
[610] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:11 - District/Channel - 'C'
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12/12/2005	11:11pm	Report of preparation of fire bombs	Cronulla

Community source had received a call from a friend who had been chased into a house by a group of Lebanese. The friend advised they [Lebanese] were outside making some fire bombs to retaliate. The group was in Thomas Street, Woolwooware (x Howie Ave). [612]

12/12/2005	11:14pm	Gathering at Punchbowl Park	Punchbowl

Males of Middle Eastern appearance commence congregating in Punchbowl Park. At 11.36pm report of 100 males in park. At 11.43pm report of 300 – 400 males now in park. 23:44pm report of men carrying baseball bats, bars, poles and machetes and damaging parked vehicles. CIDS reports from community sources on numbers and activities of gathering in the park not entirely consistent with reports from an unmarked police vehicle parked nearby monitoring the situation at Punchbowl Park over entire period in question. Plainclothes police supplied regular updates by mobile phone to the Campsie Forward Command Post. A marked police car patrolling the area at 11.29pm estimated approximately 100 persons in the park at 11.30pm. No offences were observed by the plainclothes police officers at the scene. These officers reported that the persons congregating were 'just standing around talking with each other'. Police helicopter was also requested to monitor activity in park. All persons in park eventually dispersed without incident in different directions. [613]

12/12/2005	11:14pm	Crowd reforming at Kings and Queens Roads	Brighton

Troublemakers from Cronulla area are congregating at the intersection of Kings and Queens Roads. They are reforming and returning to the area. [614]

12/12/2005	11:15pm	Superintendent Rogerson completed duty	Maroubra

Superintendent Rogerson leaves Maroubra. Risk to area significantly lowered. [615]

12/12/2005	11:20pm	Rampaging crowd in Bay Street	Cronulla

Police responded to a crowd brawling and causing trouble in the vicinity of Grand Parade and Bay Street. Police were confronted by a crowd of 100 Middle Eastern people who were rampaging west in Bay Street. The crowd was pulling council bins from their mounts and throwing them and other objects at shop windows. The crowd also threw objects at police vehicle and as a result two police vehicles were damaged. The crowd dispersed up several streets. A large number of police, including the Dog Squad and OSG, attended the area. The area was patrolled but no offenders were arrested and no injuries reported. [616]

[612] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:11 - District/Channel 'L'
[613] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:14 to 23:59 - District/Channel 'F', Ministerial response by Superintendent Richardson - RML 65383 – eagle.i S/F NEIL IN-37 and Chief Inspector Birch debrief - eagle.i S/F NEIL IN - 48
[614] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:14 - District/Channel 'L'
[615] Source: Superintendent Rogerson de-brief Strike Force Neil
[616] Source: COPS E:25468976.

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12/12/2005	11:27pm	Vehicles damaged in Bruce Street	Brighton

- About 10 persons sighted damaging vehicles in Bruce Street, Brighton (x Sellwood Street). [617]
- About 30 people using baseball bats, fence palings, rocks and fire extinguishers to damage vehicles and apartments. [618]
- Group of 6 persons smashing cars and phone boxes near the Shell Service Station. [619]
- Large group of youth making noise and there is a gas bottle in the middle of the street. [620]
- (23:34) - Middle Eastern male being chased by Police is in garage underneath unit wearing army pants and brown shirt. Police came with dog but were on the other side of the fence. The Male is still in the garage. [621]

12/12/2005	11.30pm	[redacted] convoy	Cronulla

Sometime in the afternoon Monday 12/12/2005 went to pick up two friends in Chester Hill enroute to the Mosque as many people were meeting there. When they reached the Mosque they realised they were late and that everyone had left. They drove to the Kingsway and met up with a large convoy of vehicles that were driving along slowly with their hazard lights on. They stopped on The Kingsway to pick up two strangers as their vehicle had broken down. Whilst on The Kingsway in the Cronulla area they stopped the vehicle and two of the occupants exited the vehicle and damaged parked vehicles with metal poles. The two occupants stopped a white utility travelling along The Kingsway and smashed that vehicle with metal poles. Both occupants returned to the vehicle and the convoy continued to Elouera Road.

When they reach Elouera road the convoy stopped. The occupants from vehicle exited and began smashing parked vehicles with the hundreds of other people. The group returned to the vehicle and drove to the BP Service Station at Taren Point. Their vehicle was refuelled and they then headed towards Brighton. They parked their vehicle for a while at Brighton.

About 11:25pm and his occupants were driving along the Princess Highway. They observed a silver Mitsubishi Lancer and pulled along side of this vehicle. Youssef and El-Sheick then exited the vehicle and attacked the Mitsubishi Lancer and its occupants with the metal rods. [622]

12/12/2005	11:30pm	Male assault leaving Novotel	Cronulla

Male was assaulted whilst leaving his work at the Novotel Brighton. He was stopped and assault by a group of Middle Eastern Males. [623]

[617] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:27 - District/Channel 'L'
[618] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:28 - District/Channel 'L'
[619] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:29 - District/Channel 'L'
[620] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:31 - District/Channel 'L'
[621] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:40 - District/Channel 'L'
[622] Source: COPS E:25588064
[623] Source: CIDS created 13/12/2005 00:47 - District/Channel 'L'

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12/12/2005	11:30pm	Male attacked in vehicle	Sans Souci

The victim was driving his silver Mitsubishi Lancer along the Princess Highway. Near the intersection of Park Road the victim stopped at traffic lights. Another vehicle, being driven by stopped beside him containing Middle Eastern males The driver asked questions of the victim's nationality and whether they were at Cronulla. A passenger in the second vehicle held up a baton. The male passenger has exited the vehicle with the baton and walked to the driver's door and yelled for the victim to get out of the car. This person started bashing the driver's window and rear window. The victim drove off and reported the incident to police. [624]

12/12/2005	11:30pm	Female attacked in vehicle	Cronulla

The victim was driving east on the Kingsway towards Cronulla and stopped at the intersection of Gannons road for a red traffic light. A vehicle containing Middle Eastern males stopped beside he and said, "you dirty bitch." The males then started throwing a barrage of rubbish at her, including an object that struck the victim in the head. The victim drove off and reported the matter to police. No details of the offending vehicle were obtained. [625]

12/12/2005	11:30pm	Gathering at 7/11 Convenience Store	Cronulla

11:30pm - A motorcycle assaulted earlier in the evening attended the 7/11 store. Upon arriving he observed 10 Middle Eastern males standing in the car park holding baseball bats. The victim then contacted '000'. [626]

11:35pm - Five (5) to 10 males chased one lady. Lady ran inside 7/11 store. Males are waiting outside. Lady is scared to leave. [627]

11:41pm - Caucasian male chased by Middle Eastern males armed with baseball bats and would not let him into the garage. [628]

11:43pm - 15-20 Middle Eastern males gathering outside location and threatening passerby's. [629]

12/12/2005	11:30pm	Assault in Restwell Street, Bankstown	Bankstown

The 50 year old female victim was walking from Bankstown Railway Station along Restwell street after completing work. The victim was approached by a Middle Eastern male and he took her handbag and hit her in the head with a solid object. This caused a laceration to the back of the victims head. The offender has then run off south along Restwell Street. The victim was conveyed to Bankstown Hospital with minor injuries. No offender has been identified. [630]

12/12/2005	11:32pm	Report of males chased	Cronulla

Community source advised her boyfriend and two (2) other males have been chased by Middle Eastern males in Thomas Street, Woolooware (x Kingsway). They are currently hiding inside. [631]

[624] Source: COPS E:25588064
[625] Source: COPS E:25409924
[626] Source: COPS E:26905363
[627] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:35 - District/Channel 'L'
[628] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:41 - District/Channel 'L'
[629] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:44 - District/Channel 'L'
[630] Source: COPS E:25909749
[631] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:32 - District/Channel 'L'

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12/12/2005	11:40pm	Report of convoy gathering on Bestic Street,	Kyeemagh

Community Source advised 7 or 8 vehicles stopped on side of Bestic Street, Kyeemagh (x General Holmes Drive). Whilst on the phone the source advised the vehicles were on the move towards Rockdale. [632]

12/12/2005	11:46pm	Gathering at Cronulla Leagues Club.	Cronulla

Numerous vehicles gathering at the Cronulla Leagues Club. [633]

12/12/2005	11:50pm	Replacement of police on the bridges	Cronulla

POC contacted by Inspector Sheridan for 12 additional general duty police to be used to relieve the Highway Patrol on the bridges. [634]

12/12/2005	11:51pm	Report of gathering in Gordon Street	Brighton

Outside Brighton-le-Sands (x Moate Ave). Persons are stopping in vehicles and talking on mobile phones. Information states vehicles are coming and going since 10:00pm. [635]

[632] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:40 - District/Channel 'L'
[633] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:46 - District/Channel 'L'
[634] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
[635] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 23:51 - District/Channel 'L'

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TUESDAY, 13th DECEMBER 2005

13/12/2005	12:01am Fire at Auburn RSL Tennis Club	Auburn

Security advised alarms had been triggered at the club at 12:00am. The Fire Brigade received a call for the club on fire at 12:13am. They attended 12:19am and observed the side door to the club was alight. The Fire Brigade extinguished the blaze by 12:45am. A subsequent investigation showed a five (5) litre petrol tin was empty on the ground against the wall leading down the side of the club. [636]

13/12/2005	12:10am	Insufficient police deployed to bridges	Cronulla

Sergeant Bradbury (HWP) supervisor advised Superintendent Nolan only enough police to deploy to Tom Ugly's and Captain Cook bridges. [637]

13/12/2005	12:12am	Report of gathering in Bankstown	Bankstown

Community source advise 20 Middle Eastern males gathering in Gordon Street, Bankstown. [638]

13/12/2005	12:20am	Convoy travelling through Bankstown	Bankstown

A convoy of vehicles heading south through Bankstown gathered in Gordon Street, Bankstown. A vehicle was stopped and searched. During the search one occupant from this vehicle stated they were heading to Cronulla. [639]

13/12/2005	12:25am	Campsie Command Post closed	Lakemba

Command Post officially closed by Superintendent Richardson after consultation with Superintendent Benson (POC MIRT Commander). [640]

13/12/2005	12:52am	Staff abused at Bankstown RSL	Bankstown

Five (5) Middle Eastern persons in three (3) vehicles are yelling abuse at staff and are threatening to assault them. The victim, a serving Military Officer, was with several friends at the Bankstown RSL. Whilst leaving he was approached by the group of Middle Eastern youths and was taunted, with the group saying, "Come on out you Aussie dogs." The victim remained near the entrance of the club. The vehicles had driven past his location and parked about 50 metres away from the club's entrance. The victim contacted police as he believed a trap had been set for himself and other Caucasian people leaving the premise. Police attended but did not locate any vehicles. [641]

[636] Source: COPS E:25390335.
[637] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
[638] Source: CIDS created 13/12/2005 00:12 - District/Channel 'G'
[639] Source: COPS I:25394325
[640] Source: Superintendent Richardson Commander Operation Log 12/12/2005
[641] Source: COPS E:25524433

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13/12/2005	1:00am	Assault at McDonald's	Bankstown

10-12 Middle Eastern Males assaulted another male at McDonald's, Hume Hwy Liverpool (x Atkinson Street). About that time the victim was walking home from a friends place when he was approached by a Middle Eastern male who said, "Are you an Aussie" The victim said, "Yes" and continued on his way. The victim was then attacked by a group of Middle Eastern males, the group kicked and punched the victim numerous times before running off towards the Liverpool RFA. The victim sustained bruising and was conveyed to Liverpool Hospital for treatment. The victim stated he did not know any of the offenders. [642]

13/12/2005	1:00am	Report of male being chased with weapons	Cronulla

The Community source was being chased by a group of males with weapons. The source was running along Perryman Place, Cronulla (x Kingsway) at the time. Police arrived at 1:05am and spoke with three (3) people, no offences detected. [643]

13/12/2005	1:10am	Resources deployed to bridges	Cronulla

Further police resources deployed to Alford's Point Bridge and Captain Cook Bridge. [644]

13/12/2005	3:00am	Sexual assault by Middle Eastern males	Maroubra

About 2:30am the victim caught a taxi from the Coogee Bay Hotel to the intersection of Lenthall and Todman Avenues Kensington. They began to walk home. About 3am the victim was about 100 metres away from her home when four (4) Middle Eastern males approached her from a nearby vehicle. One of the males approached her from behind and held a knife to her throat. The males pushed the victim into a brick wall, grabbed her hair and one male pushed his hand up under the victim's skirt. At this point two Caucasian males have approached and pull the victim away from the males. They told the victim to run away and don't look back. The victim ran to her unit and was not aware of what occurred between the males. [645] The incident was reported to police at 4:49pm and police attended the victim's unit at 5am where an investigation was conducted. Extensive police inquires and DNA testing failed to identify offender. [646]

13/12/2005	3:40am	Arrested persons released	Cronulla

Four (4) people taken into custody for Affray to be released from Sutherland due to identification issues. [647]

13/12/2005	4:45am	Staff debrief	Cronulla

Staff debriefed. Issues discussed included the delay in establishing road blocks. [648]

[642] Source: COPS E:25796018
[643] Source: CIDS created 13/12/2005 01:00 - District/Channel 'L'
[644] Source: Superintendent Nolan Command Log 12/12/2005
[645] Source: COPS E: 27377285 & C:25703666.
[646] Source: CIDS created 12/12/2005 04:49 - District/Channel - 'C'
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13/12/2005	10:30am Female chased by Middle Eastern males	Kirrawee

Informant was at intersection of Waratah Road and Princess Highway, Kirrawee. A vehicle containing Middle Eastern males stopped beside her and said,"Get off the phone, we're gonna come and get you Aussie slut and we're gonna rape you." The informant drove home and reported the matter. No person of interest has been identified. [649]

13/12/2005	1:00pm Assault by Middle Eastern males	Hurstville

About 1pm the victim was at Hungry Jacks on Forest Road, Hurstville. At the time a group of Middle Eastern Males were outside Hungry Jacks looking inside. The victim walked around Westfield for a short time and was then confronted by the group of six (6) Middle Eastern males. This group then kicked and assaulted the victim. During the assault one Middle Eastern male said, "You shouldn't fuck with us Lebo's. Fuck off out of Hurstville you stupid Aussie, you're nothing but a dog, do you want some too?" As a result of the assault the victim received a cut requiring stitches and general grazing and bruising. The victim was conveyed to St George hospital for treatment. A person of interest was identified at the time of the incident. [650] However in subsequent inquiries, victim declined to participate in an identification parade. [651]

13/12/2005	1:36pm	Report of Islanders enroute to Cronulla	Sutherland

Large group of Islanders arriving on trail from Sutherland. Gang known as "Crips" & were spoken to the previous day in Cronulla as they were looking for trouble. OSG in attendance. Area patrolled no person sighted. [652]

13/12/2005	2:06pm Report of Islanders causing trouble	Hurstville

15-20 Islander males at bus stop on Forest Road hassling passerby. [653]

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