

# Themelis Arthur MACAROUNAS

27/10/2012

**Themelis Arthur MACAROUNAS**

**aka Tim MACAROUNAS**

**Maybe related to Lisa Macarounas – NSWPF  
# 44834**

**NSW Police Academy, Goulburn – Class #  
225**

**New South Wales Police Force**

**Regd. # 23???**

**Rank:** Commenced Training at Goulburn Police Academy on Monday  
5 January 1987 ( aged 21 years, 11 months, 8 days )

Probationary Constable – appointed Friday 27 March 1987 ( 22  
years, 1 month, 27 days )

**Final Rank:** Probationary Constable

**Service:** From 5 January 1987 to 20 October 1987 = 9  
months, 15 days Service

**Age at Leaving NSWPF:** 22 years, 8 months, 22 days

Time in Retirement: Zero

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Stations: Paddington – Death

Event date: Monday 12 October 1987 about 3.35am

Event location: Oxford St, near Oatley Rd, Paddington, NSW

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Death date: Tuesday 20 October 1987 @ 4pm in St Vincent's  
Hospital

Born: Thursday 28 January 1965

Age: 22 years, 8 months, 22 days

Cause of death: Motor vehicle collision – Pursuit – Driver

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Funeral date: Friday 23 October 1987

Funeral location: ?

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Buried at: Eastern Suburbs Memorial Park, 12 Military Rd,  
Matraville, NSW

Grave Location: General FM 32, G32, Plot 1435

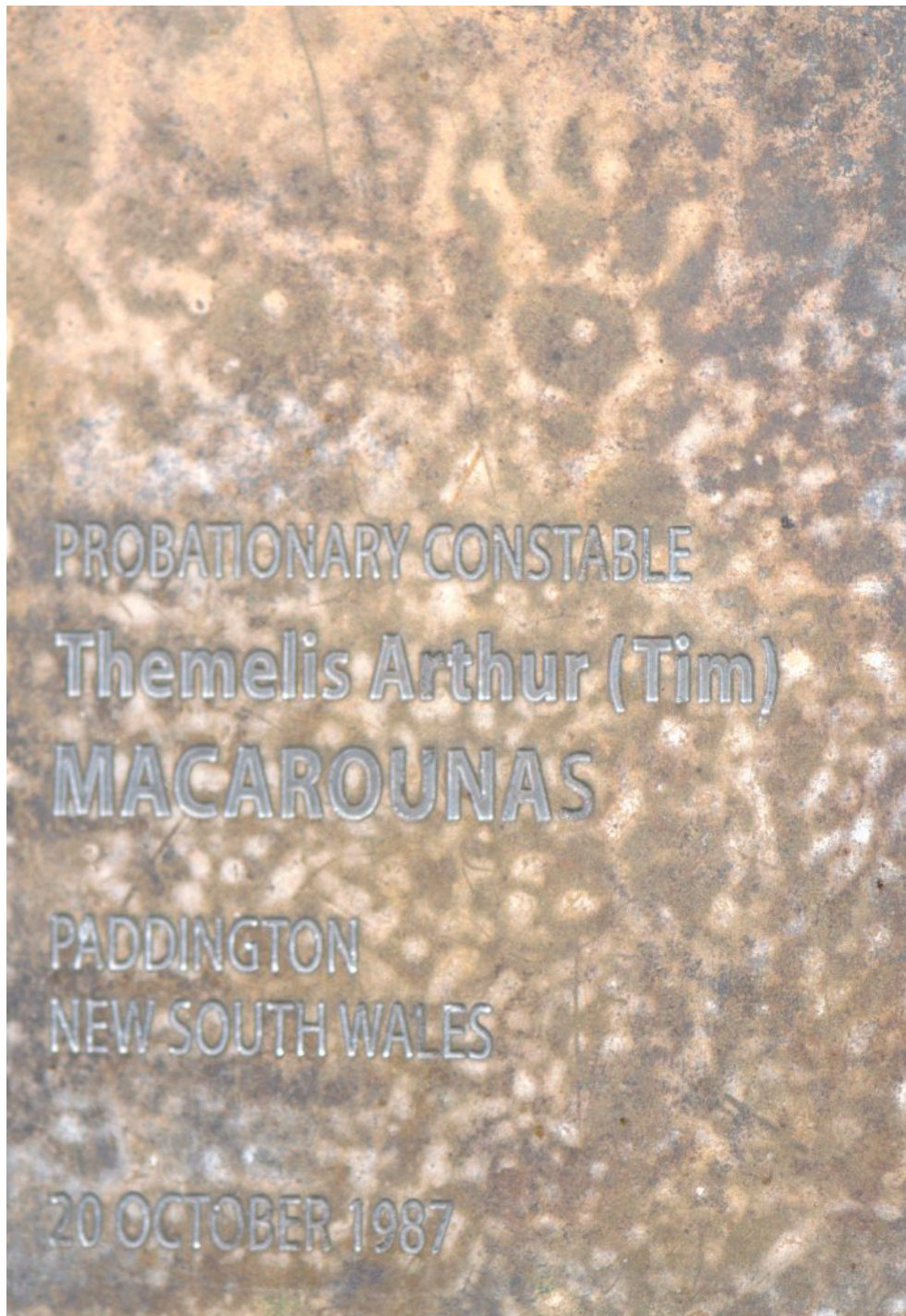
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Probationary Constable Themelis Arthur (Tim)  
MACAROUNAS



Photo: From Beyond Courage FB Group



Touch plate at the National Police Wall of Remembrance, Canberra



TIM **IS Mentioned** on the National Police Wall of Remembrance, Canberra

About **3.35am** on **12 October, 1987** the constable was driving a police vehicle along **Oxford Street, Paddington** assisting a Rose Bay Police vehicle in the **pursuit** of a **stolen car**.

As the constable's vehicle travelled around a sweeping left hand bend, the stolen vehicle, followed by the Rose Bay Police vehicle, was attempting a U turn at the intersection of **Oatley Road**.

**Constable Macarounas** applied the **brakes** however the wheels of his **vehicle locked** and the **vehicle spun** around before colliding with a **light pole**.

After being **trapped** in the damaged vehicle for about **forty minutes**, **Constable Macarounas** was conveyed to **St Vincent's Hospital** suffering severe head, chest and internal injuries.

He **died** on **20 October, 1987 @ 4pm**.

The constable was **born** in **1965** and joined the New South Wales Police Force on **5 January, 1987**. At the time of his death he was stationed at **Paddington**.

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Source: Kevin BANISTER **Inscription** Themelis (Tim) Macarounas 28.1.1965 – 20.10.1987 Aged 22 Yrs 9 Mths. In Memory Of Our Beloved Son And Brother Who Passed Away On The 20th October 1987 As A Result Of Injuries Sustained In An Accident On the 12th October Whilst In Pursuit Of A Stolen Vehicle In Oxford St. Paddington. "We Miss You So Much" Dad & Mum Anthony & Christopher-Troy.

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## Deadly toll

By Jonathan Pearlman

**November 6, 2004**

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August 24, 1988: Constable Peter Carter;

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June 14, 1989: Senior Constable Glenn Rampling;

January 14, 2001: Senior Constable James Affleck;

April 13, 2002: Senior Constable Christopher Thornton.

<http://www.smh.com.au/news/Police-Pursuits/Deadly-toll/2004/11/05/1099547386960.html>

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# Stewart COOK

27/10/2012

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Late of Nelson Bay

### Academy Class 110

### New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # 12431

Rank: Probationary Constable – appointed 3 April 1967

Senior Constable – appointed 3 April 1976

Sergeant 3rd Class – appointed 1 January 1983

Sergeant 2nd Class – Death

Stations: ?, Newcastle ( Carrington 3 April 1976 – 5 January 1968 ), Hamilton ( 6 January 1968 – 25 February 1969 ),

Tarro ( 26 February 1969 – 14 April 1975 ), Beresfield ( 15 April 1975 – 2 June 1977 ), Berrima ( 3 June 1977 – 18 October 1982 ),

Bowral ( 19 October 1982 – 7 October 1986 ), Newcastle District Licencing ( 8 October 1986 – 7 May 1987 )

Service: From 20 February 1967 to 7 May 1987 = 19+ years

## Service

Awards: National Medal – **granted** 22 April 1983 ( SenCon )

Born: Monday 9 January 1939

Died on: Thursday 7 May 1987

Age: 48 years, 3 months, 28 days

Cause: Motor Vehicle Accident – Driver – returning home from shift

Event location: Anna Bay, NSW

Event date: ?

Funeral date: possibly 14 May 1987

Funeral location: St Joseph's Catholic Church, East Maitland

Buried at: Cremated. Newcastle Crematorium, Beresfield, NSW

Memorial located at: Newcastle Cemetery, Anderson Dve,  
Beresfield, NSW





Newcastle Cemetery, Anderson Dve, Beresfield,  
NSW



**STEWART** is mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance



Touch plate at National Wall of Police Remembrance, Canberra

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**FURTHER INFORMATION IS NEEDED ABOUT THIS PERSON, THEIR LIFE, THEIR CAREER AND THEIR DEATH.**

PLEASE SEND PHOTOS AND INFORMATION TO Cal

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**May they forever Rest In Peace**

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About 8.10pm on 7 May, 1987, Sergeant Cook was returning home to Nelson Bay at the end of his shift. As he was driving through Anna Bay his vehicle crossed to the incorrect side of the roadway and collided with an oncoming vehicle. He sustained severe head and internal injuries and died a short time later.

The sergeant was born in 1939 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on 20 February, 1967. At the time of his death he was attached to the Newcastle District Licensing Section.

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Canberra Times (ACT : 1926 – 1995),

**Wednesday 21 June 1978, page 11**

**Rescue of chef in Berrima fire**

**BERRIMA:** A motel chef spent 20 minutes trapped by fire on a ledge 15cm wide and 13 metres above the ground at Berrima on Monday night.

Mr Michael Birt, 62, the chef at the historic White Horse Inn, now a motel and restaurant, found the stairs leading from his second-floor bedroom to safety were on fire.

He climbed through a window and on to the ledge outside his room to await rescue.

**Senior Constable S. Cook** and a bystander using an extension ladder they found nearby , rescued Mr Birt as the flames spread upward.

The fire broke out on the first floor of the 100-year-old brick building just after 9.30pm.

Mr Birt was the only occupant and was in his room when he smelt smoke and found his path to safety blocked by flames.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/131860242>

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## **Dana Therese HEFFERNAN**

27/10/2012

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**aka Therese**

**New South Wales Police Force**

**Regd. # 22775**

**Goulburn Police Academy Class 219**

**Rank:** Commenced Training at Goulburn Police Academy on Monday 14 April 1986 ( aged 19 years, 3 months, 11 days )

Probationary Constable – Attested Friday 27 June 1986 ( aged  
19 years, 5 months, 15 days )

Constable – No

Stations: Waverley – Death

Service: From 14 April 1986 to 17 April 1987 = 1 year, 3  
days Service

Awards: No Find on Australian Honours system

Born: Thursday 12 January 1967

Died on: Friday 17 April 1987

Age: 20 years, 3 months, 5 days

Cause: Motor Vehicle Accident – Driver – On Duty going to  
work

Event location: Cnr Avoca & Darley Rd's, Randwick

Funeral date:

Funeral location:

Buried at: Woronora Memorial Park, Linden St, Sutherland, NSW

Loc: General Plaque Lawn Sec: Wattle Lawn Lot: 5

Lat / Long: -34.03604, 151.04950







**DANA IS mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance**



On 17 April, 1987 Constable Heffernan was travelling to work at Waverley Police Station. At the intersection of Avoca Road and Darley Road, Randwick another vehicle drove through a red traffic light and collided with the constable's vehicle. As a result Constable Heffernan suffered severe head and internal

injuries and was found to be dead on arrival at the Prince of Wales Hospital. The driver of the offending vehicle was later charged with serious offences relating to the collision.

The constable was born in 1967 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on 14 April, 1986. At the time of her death she was stationed at Waverley.

### **Beyond Courage**

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## **32 YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE**

The **parents** of Dana are organising a **memorial service** for Dana at the **Woronora Cemetery** on **Friday 19 July 2019** at **10.30 am**.

They are calling on **classmates from 219** (June 86) and workmates from **Waverley** who might be available, to join family and colleagues to remember this great young copper and mate, taken from us too early.

**For unknown reasons, this Memorial Service has been cancelled.**

**Cal**

**6 June 2019**

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**Eastern Suburbs Police Memorial dedication**

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**Grave location:**

[codepeople-post-map]

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BACK : W.D. Eyles, M.C. Chaplin, I.J. Fletcher, A.G. Bell, B.J. Bain, N.G. Gardoll,  
W.C. Barnes, J.W. Denyer, P.M. De Kort, A.J. Cavanagh  
CENTRE : J.W. Alexander, S.W. Case, S.L. Coleman, J.B. Grummels, M.C. Alder,  
W.M. Fitzsimmons, R.G. Gilbert, B.M. Drew, G. Broughton, G. Dunningham  
SEATED : J.G. Gardiner, A.L. Fisher, K.M. Coyne, S.L. Campbell, Sgt. 2/C P. Cole,  
K.J. Browne, P.A. Baines, D.E. Fauchon, A.V. Foster



BACK : P.J. Krebs, D.S. Jackson, G.J. Hill, D.G. Lee, C.B. Jacobs, A.M. Lak,  
P.A. Hammon, W.A. Lee, S.G. Kepper  
CENTRE : P.A. Jones, A.J. Hood, B.W. Harding, T.J. Hansen, B.E. Howard, P.G. Johnson,  
B.V. Larkey, K.W. Hill, D.J. Leo, M.W. Johnson  
SEATED : F. Haji-Petrou, J.M. Harcombe, K.A. Harrison, K.A. Jones, Sgt. 3/C K. McVean,  
L.J. Horne, J. Henderson-Brooks, D.T. Heffernan, K.P. Guillaumier

Class 219

Lest we forget

1968 1ST SGT  
W. D. GARIBOLDI BURNS  
KILLED ON DUTY  
AT QUANG BINH  
1/17/68 AGE 32

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M. J. GARIBOLDI BURNS  
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1/17/68 AGE 32

1968 1ST SGT  
C. SOLARI NOV  
KILLED ON DUTY  
AT QUANG BINH  
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J. E. M. LOSEPPO GINS  
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AT QUANG BINH  
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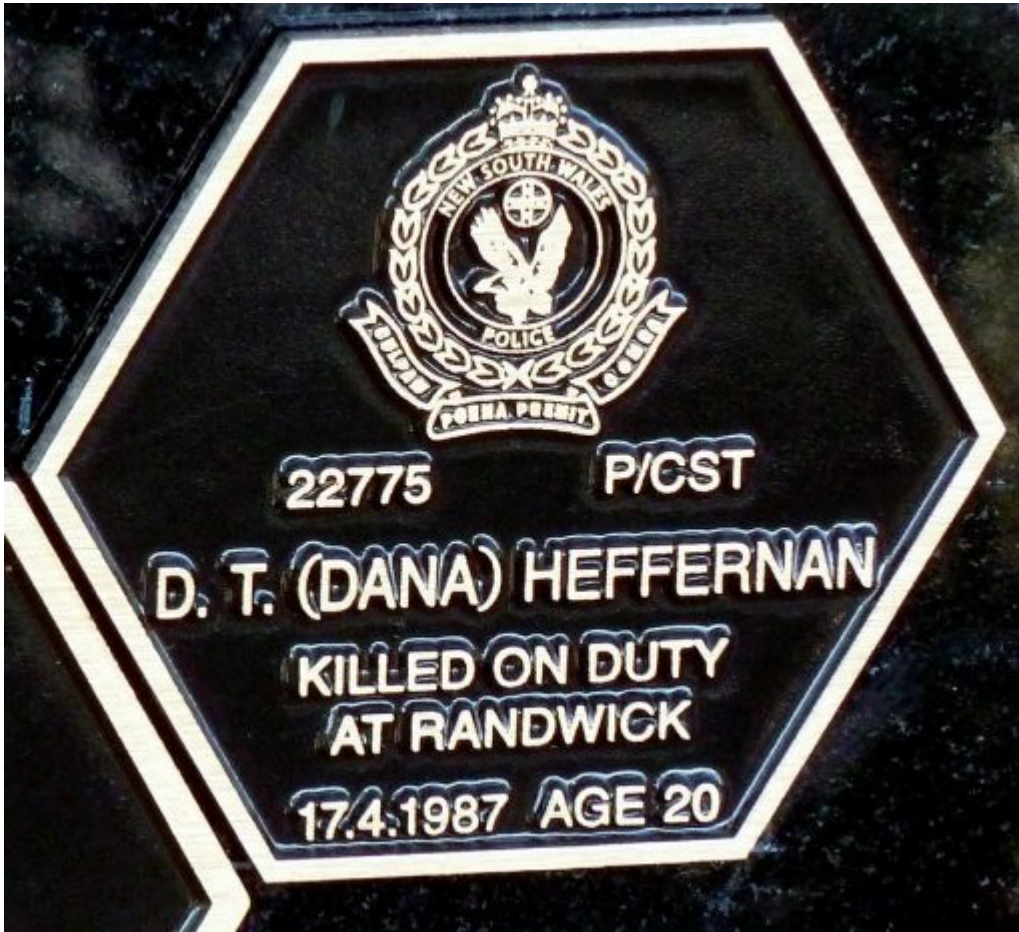
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# Stephen John TIER

27/10/2012

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### New South Wales Police Force

**Regd. # 18680**

**Redfern Police Academy Class # 163**

**Rank:** Commenced Training at Redfern Police Academy on Monday  
9 April 1979 ( aged 18 years, 11 months, 6 days )

Probationary Constable – appointed Monday 25 June 1979 ( aged  
19 years, 1 month, 2 days )

Constable – appointed 25 June 1980

Detective – appointed ? ? ?

Constable 1st Class – appointed 25 June 1984

**Final Rank:** Detective Constable 1st Class

**Stations:** ?, Dapto – Death

**Served:** From 9 April 1979 **to** 24 July 1985 = 6 years, 3

months, 15 days Service

**Born:** Tuesday 3 May 1960

**Age:** 25 years, 2 months, 21 days

**Died:** Wednesday 24 July 1985

**Cause:** Motor Vehicle Pursuit – Driver, Princes Hwy, Kembla  
Grange ( Unanderra )

**Funeral Date:** ? 1985

**Funeral location:** ?

**Grave location:** Lakeside Cemetery, Kanahooka Rd, Kanahooka,  
NSW

**Memorial location:** External Wall leading into Lake Illawarra  
Police Station and photo, on wall, inside Lake Illawarra  
Police Station

On 24 July, 1985 Detective Constable Tier was the driver, and single occupant, of an unmarked police vehicle engaged in the pursuit of an unknown vehicle on the Princes Highway, Unanderra. During the pursuit the police vehicle left the roadway and collided with a telegraph pole.

The constable was born in 1960 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on 15 January, 1979.

At the time of his death he was stationed at Dapto.

**STEPHEN is mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance**



Stephen Tier holding his son, Joshua Tier.





Det Cst Stephen John Tier – 20 April 1983  
playing Police Football for Wollongong.



**NSW Police Force**

**Detective Constable  
Stephen John TIER**

**Died in the line of duty  
Unanderra NSW  
24 July 1985**





Stephen TIER – Touch pad at the National Police Wall of Remembrance, Canberra.



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

STEPHEN  
JOHN  
TIER

BORN 3.5.1960  
DIED 24.7.1985

LOVED HUSBAND  
OF SUE  
LOVING DAD TO  
ANNE & JOSHUA

OUR LOVE WILL ALWAYS BE



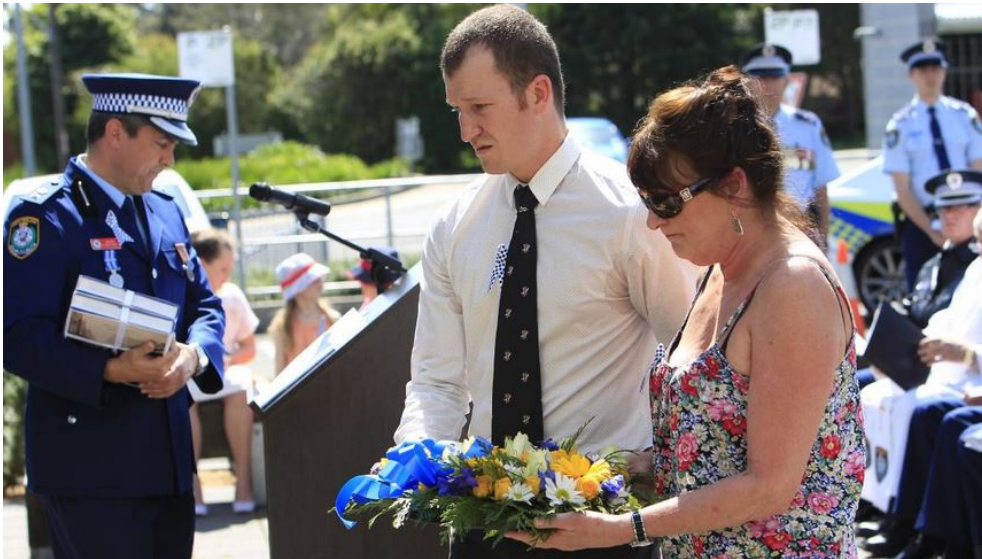
Stephen John TIER Memorial inside Oak Flats Police Station, NSW.

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## Police Remembrance Day:

JOSHUA BUTLER

29 Sep 2014, 3 p.m.



Family members lay a wreath for Det Const Stephen John Tier. Picture: ANDY ZAKELI Lake Illawarra Commander Acting Superintendent Andrew Koutsoufis to the left.

Almost 60 years on, Kenneth Nash still misses his uncle Allen.

Sergeant Allen William Nash, aged 40, was killed in the line of duty by a gun-wielding offender at Primbee in 1956.

Sgt Nash was one of eight officers stationed in the Lake Illawarra local area command who were recognised with memorial plaques on a wall of honour outside Lake Illawarra police station on Monday, as part of Police Remembrance Day commemorations.

Dozens of current and retired officers, families, friends, politicians, councillors and members of the public gathered at Oak Flats for a ceremony to unveil the memorial wall, and honour past and present officers.

Since 1862, more than 250 NSW Police officers have died in the line of duty.

<http://www.illawarramercury.com.au/story/2591540/lake-illawarra-officers-honoured-on-police-remembrance-day-photos/>

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# **Wayne Allen RIXON**

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**New South Wales Police Force**

**Police Academy Class # 158**

**Probationary Constable # 92154**

**ProCst # 92154**

## Regd. # 17???

**Rank:** Probationary Constable – appointed 3 April 1978

Constable 1st Class – Death

**Stations:** Mounted Police Unit, 10 Division GDs & 'C' District  
( Maroubra ) HWP

**Service:** From 23 January 1978 to 3 January 1985

**Awards:** No Find n Australian Honours

**Born:** Tuesday 27 August 1957

**Died:** Thursday 3 January 1985

**Age:** 27 yrs 4 mths 7 days

**Cause:** Motor Vehicle Pursuit – stolen vehicle – Driver –  
Urgent Duty

**Event location:** Hayes St & Dunning Ave, Rosebery

**Funeral date:** Wednesday 9 January, 1985

**Funeral location:** ? Church, Bega

**Buried at:** Bega Cemetery, Princes Hwy, Bega

Memorial location: ?



Constable 1/C Wayne Allen RIXON

### **Wayne IS mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance**

About 5pm on **3 January, 1985** Constable Rixon and Probationary Constable **Meredith Ireland** were travelling in a Police Highway Patrol vehicle in **Bannerman Crescent, Rosebery** when they became involved in the high speed pursuit of a **stolen vehicle**. As the pursuit continued along Hayes Street the stolen vehicle sped through stop signs at the intersection of **Dunning Avenue**. The police vehicle slowed at the intersection but unfortunately collided with a **truck** that had been travelling along **Dunning Avenue**. After hitting the truck the police vehicle spun around and slammed into a **brick wall**. Constable Rixon sustained severe head and internal injuries and had to be released from the police vehicle by the **Police Rescue Squad**. He was conveyed to the **Royal South Sydney Hospital** where he was found to be dead on arrival. **Constable Ireland** was treated at the **Prince of Wales Hospital** for lacerations and shock before she was allowed to leave.

The constable was born in **1957** and joined the New South Wales

Police Force on **23 January, 1978**. At the time of his death he was attached to the Maroubra Highway Patrol.



Wayne Allen RIXON – touch pad at the National Police Wall of Remembrance, Canberra



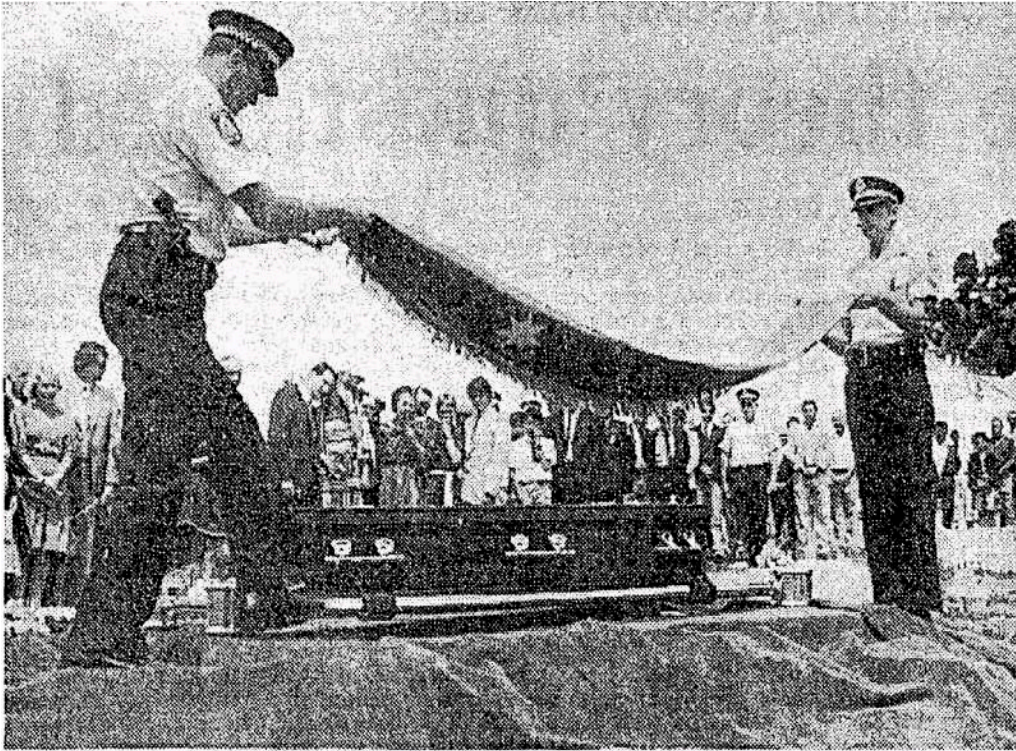
A plaque that Wayne's family had engraved, then placed in position by former members of Maroubra HWP and visited every year. At the intersection of Hayes St & Dunning Ave, Rosebery.

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Canberra Times (ACT : 1926 – 1995),

**Thursday 10 January 1985, page 9**

**Hundreds attend funeral of constable at Bega**



Sergeant Grahame Langford, left, and Sergeant Len Harris, of the NSW Police Academy, Redfern, fold the flag at the funeral in Bega yesterday of Constable First Class **Wayne Rixon**, of the Maroubra highway patrol.

From BRONWYN YOUNG, in Bega

Hundreds of people packed the church and lined the streets of Bega yesterday for the police funeral of highway patrolman Constable First Class Wayne Rixon, 27, killed in a high-speed car chase in Sydney last Thursday.

About 100 police in uniform and plainclothes had been arriving in Bega for the funeral since Tuesday.

Constable First Class Rixon was working with Maroubra highway patrol when he died on Thursday, but he grew up in Bega. Many of the people in the church and watching from the street had gone to school with

him. Police closed two roads for the funeral procession and its police escort.

The coffin draped with the Australian flag was carried from the church by six police officers.

Some of them had worked with Constable First Class Rixon in

Maroubra. A seventh police officer, Sergeant Grahame Langford, of the NSW Police Academy, Redfern, walked in front of the coffin carrying the constable's cap on a blue cushion. The caps of the six pallbearers lay on the roof of the waiting hearse.

Two mounted highway patrolmen in full ceremonial uniform headed the solemn procession which escorted the hearse from the church. Among those marching were Acting Commissioner Barney Ross, Assistant Commissioner, Traffic, Bill Fleming, and Assistant Commissioner, General, Ted Bunt. The police marched in slow step down the street to the pipes of the NSW Police Pipe Band.

When the procession neared the Bega Courthouse the ranks broke and formed a guard-of honour. The hearse passed between the lines and gathered speed as it turned on to the road to the Bega Cemetery.

**<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/rendition/nla.news-article122477525.txt>**

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## **The Canberra Times**

Wednesday 10 December 1975 p 38

### **Junior Open title .....**

#### **OUTSHONE**

Country boys, although outnumbered, outshone their metropolitan rivals in the Tully Park event.

Another Queanbeyan player, G. Gibson, won the Brian Todkill Memorial trophy in the 36 hole stabelford event for juniors

and school boys.

Wayne Carpenter, of Orange, won the junior country title with an aggregate of 148 and Wayne Rixon, of Bega, the country schoolboy title with 149.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/102190841>

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**The Canberra Times**

Monday 12 February 1973 p1



**Wayne Rixon**, 15, and his two sisters, Wendy, 11 (front) and Pam, 12, all of Bega, wait their turn to compete in motor-cycle scramble races at the Pialligo track, near Canberra Airport, yesterday.

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Thornton, 35, a highway patrolman, had been in the force for 15 years. He was, his mother says, "the best driver I have ever seen".

The reason for the chase that night in April 2002 is unknown. Both cars were seen travelling at high speed. Thornton was about 50 metres behind.

Meanwhile, Leonard Rowley, 56, an unlicensed driver, was driving to his local KFC to pick up dinner. He saw the first car flash past and judged – wrongly – that he had time to turn out in front of the patrol car. Thornton tried to avoid Rowley's car but clipped the back, veered onto the wrong side of the road and hit a power pole.

Thornton died on the spot, which is marked by a permanent stainless-steel cross. Rowley later received a suspended two-year sentence.

"His life from the age of 12 was about helping people," says Thornton's mother, **Freada Thornton**. "He was in the surf club and he was there to rescue people and then he went into the force and he was doing the same thing." His father, **Barry Thornton**, says: "He loved life. He had been in Gosford for 15 years and was so popular with the community there."

Police pursuits are, says Barry, a necessary evil: "If they don't catch the criminals there will be more deaths on the roads. The ones that they're in pursuit of are the idiots that have done the wrong thing to start with."

But pursuits have come at a cost to the NSW Police Department. Fifteen officers have died as a result of high-speed chases, beginning with the death of Constable George Boore in 1937.

Details provided by the NSW Police Association show a steady stream of fatalities involving cars and motorcycles. The full

list of casualties is as follows:

April 2, 1937: Constable George Boore;

June 2, 1954: Constable Cecil Sewell;

November 14, 1958: Constable Brian Boaden;

December 23, 1958: Constable William Lord;

October 14, 1961: Constable James Kinnane;

September 7, 1963: Constable Colin Robb;

December 2, 1976: Constable Terry Moncur;

January 3, 1985: Constable Wayne Rixon;

July 25, 1985: Detective-Constable Steven Tier;

October 20, 1987: Constable Themelis Macarounas;

August 24, 1988: Constable Peter Carter;

June 13, 1989: Constable Peter Figtree;

June 14, 1989: Senior Constable Glenn Rampling;

January 14, 2001: Senior Constable James Affleck;

April 13, 2002: Senior Constable Christopher Thornton.

<http://www.smh.com.au/news/Police-Pursuits/Deadly-toll/2004/11/05/1099547386960.html>

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Both **Wayne Rixon** and **Glenn Rampling** formed part of a 3 man team at the Mounties, going around mainly to country fairs performing vault tricks with the draft horse. Tragically both lost their lives in High Speed pursuits after leaving the

Mounties for other duties. RIP, both were good men.

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# Mark Joseph KOHUTEK

27/10/2012

## Mark Joseph KOHUTEK

AKA ?

Late of ?

Father to **Nathan KOHUTEK # 46086**

NSW Redfern Police Academy **Class # 152**

NSW Police **Cadet # 3063**

New South Wales Police Force

**Uniform # 6668**

**Regd. # 17394**

**Rank:** NSW Police Cadet – commenced 8 July 1974 ( aged 16  
years, 7 months, 5 days )

Probationary Constable – appointed 3 October 1976 ( 18 years,  
10 months, 0 days )

Constable – appointed 3 October 1977

Constable 1st Class – appointed ?

**Final Rank** = Constable 1st Class

**Stations:** ?, Traffic Branch – Nth Sydney HWP – Death

**Service: From** 8 July 1974 **to** 4 March 1982 = 7 years, 7  
months, 24 days Service

**Age at Retirement / Leaving:** 24 years, 3 months, 1 days

**Time in Retirement:** 0

**Awards:** No Find on Australian Honours

**Born:** Tuesday 3 December 1957 in Lambeth, England

**Died on:** Thursday 4 March 1982 about 5am

**Age:** 24 yrs 3 mths 1 day

**Cause:** Injuries, MVA – Rider – Police Bike – wet weather

**Event location:** Berowra Tollway, Mt White, NSW

( approx. 1km south of Mt White exit – south bound )

Event date: Thursday 4 March 1982 about 5am

Funeral date: ? March 1982

Funeral location: ?

Wake location: ?

Funeral Parlour: ?

Buried at: Rookwood Cemetery, Lidcombe, NSW

Memorial Garden 10, Position 411

Memorial located at: ?



MARK **IS mentioned** on the Police Wall of Remembrance

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exact Grave location: **TBA**

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**FURTHER INFORMATION IS NEEDED ABOUT THIS PERSON, THEIR LIFE,  
THEIR CAREER AND THEIR DEATH.**

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**May they forever Rest In Peace**

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About 5am on **4 March, 1982** Constable Kohutek was riding a police solo motor cycle along the **Berowra Tollway** between Newcastle and Sydney on his journey to the Sydney Harbour Bridge for the 'bridge lane change' system. As he was negotiating a sweeping bend, in the rain, **about a kilometre south of the Mt White exit** the cycle crashed into a rock median strip. As a result Constable Kohutek sustained fatal

head and internal injuries.

The constable was born in **1957** and joined the New South Wales Police Force as a cadet on **8 July, 1974**. He was sworn in on **3 October, 1976**. At the time of his death he was attached to the **Traffic Branch, North Sydney** ( under the Sydney Harbour Bridge ).

**Approx. location of collision:** [codepeople-post-map]



Left to right.

Back Row: P. Vickery, M. Cowie, W. Koenig, G. Callander, G. Morris, M. Knowles, I. Pedersen.

Middle Row: M. Szobotek, T. Walzer, J. Kirk, S. Corry, G. Parich, C. Bell, E. Green.

Front Row: A. Tuzos, E. Brown, Acting Sergeant L. Harris (Drill Instructor), Sergeant 2nd Class W. Coman (Instructor), Sergeant 3rd Class E. Johnson (Instructor), A. Murrkott, A. Wardrop.



NSW Police Cadets –  
Class 9, Phase III ( L – R )      Back Row: Phil **VICKERY**, Mick **COWIE**, Walter **KOENIG**, Greg **CALLANDER** ( 17463 ), Glen **MORRIS**, Mike **KNOWLES** # 17558 ( R.I.P. ), Ivor **PEDERSEN**

Middle Row: Mark **KOHUTEK** # 17394 ( R.I.P. ), Trev **WALTER** # 17459, J. **KIRK**, Steve **CORRY**, Glen **PORTCH**, Colin **BELL**, R. **GREEN**

Front Row: Anthony **TANOS**, R. **BROWN**, Acting Sgt Len **HARRIS** ( Drill Instructor ), Sgt 2/c William 'Bill' **COMAN** ( Instructor ), Sgt 3/c Keith **JOHNSON** # 7887 ( R.I.P. ), Andrew **MARRIOTT**, Andrew **WARDROP**



Class 152 were Sworn In on Monday 27 September 1976

17348	LARRY RAYMOND HILL	M	
17349	<b>PAUL STEWART PARMENTER</b>	@ BOMBA	M
17350	MICHAEL KENNETH ROBINSON	M	
17351	PETER FRANCIS MOSS	M	
17352	JOHN FRANCIS PURCELL	M	
17353	GEORGE MAXWELL SHIPWAY	M	
17354	C.L. JENKINS	F	
17355	GARRY ALWYN DOBSON	M	
17356	G.B. PARKER	M	
17357	<b>COLIN MICHAEL KELSON</b>	/ COL / PUSSA	M
17358	M.B. THOMPSON	M	

17359 P.L. MAYGER M  
17360 JULIE E. ESTELLE HERON / JULIE HERON  
F  
17361 D.J. ISEMONGER M  
17362 G.F. WARD M  
17363 WARREN J GEANEY M  
17364 I.R. BERRY M  
17365 G.S. REICHART M  
17366 T.A. BOON M  
17367 C.J. BRAID M  
17368 **A.J. HETHERINGTON** M  
17369 WILLIAM K. HARVEY @ BILL HARVEY M  
17370 B.W. EMMS M  
17371 W.A. AITKEN / JOCK AITKEN M  
17372 J.F. McGROGAN M  
17373 G.L. BOOTH M  
17374 **W.J. MAGANN** M  
17375 M.J. SLADDEN M  
17376 G.E. RICHARDSON M  
17377 P.R. CAMPBELL M  
17378 T.J. REJNOWICZ M  
17379 J.M. EGAN M  
17380 T.O. HARVEY M  
17381 G.A. HOOK M  
17382 C.J. HILLSLEY M  
17383 J.S. TRITTON M  
17384 K.J. POWER M  
17385 R.T. BEATON M  
17386 JEANIE B. RILEY F  
17387 I.J. SKEWES M  
17388 S.M. WILKINSON M  
17389 GEORGE A. SAWYER M  
17390 J.R. WITCOMBE M  
17391 M.A. HERNANDEX M  
17392 A.J. HILLIER M  
17393 D R SMITH M  
17394 **MARK JOSEPH KOHUTEK** M

17395	GARRY COLIN JAMES KEIR	M
17396	DAVID CHARLES UPSTON	M
17397	ROBERT JAMES ERSKINE	M
17398	STEPHEN NORMAN ARCHER	M
17399	MICHAEL ALEXANDER COWNIE @ MICK	M
17400	IVER SANDRO PEDERSEN	M

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## Ronald James BURLEY

27/10/2012

**Ronald James BURLEY**

**New South Wales Police Force**

**[alert\_yellow]Regd. #  
13096[/alert\_yellow]**

**Rank: Probationary Constable – appointed**

1 April 1968

Senior Constable – appointed 1 April 1977

**Stations:** ?, Gosford STP ( early 1970's ), Albury HWP, North Sydney Highway Patrol

**Service:** From pre 1 April 1968 to 5 May 1980 = 12+ years Service

**Awards:** No find on It's an Honour

**Born:** 31 August 1946

**Cause:** Motor vehicle accident – Police motor cycle rider

**Event location:** Calga Expressway, Berowra

**Age:** 32

**Funeral date:** ???

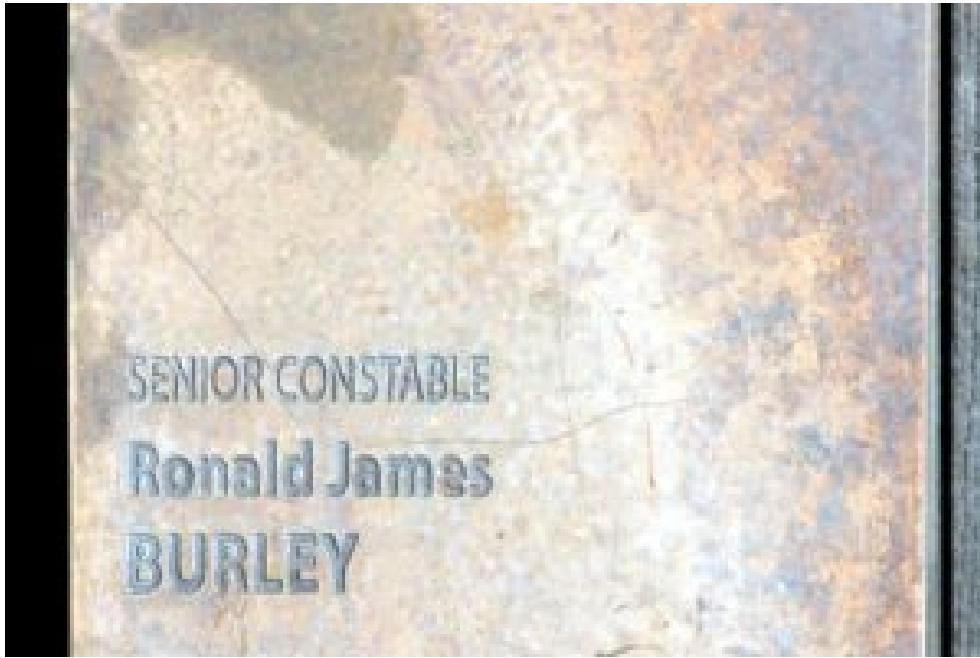
**Funeral location:**

**Buried at:** Palmdale Memorial Park, 57 Palmdale Road, Ourimbah.

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[alert\_green]RON IS mentioned on the Police Wall of

## Remembrance[/alert\_green]



Touch plate at the National Police Memorial,  
Canberra

About **3.10pm** on **5 May, 1980** Senior Constable **Burley** was riding a **police highway patrol motor cycle home** at the **completion** of his rostered shift. As he was riding along the **Calga Expressway** at **Berowra** the **stand** on the constable's **motor cycle** apparently **became loose** and struck the road surface. Unable to control the cycle Constable Burley was **thrown** to the roadway, sustaining severe head injuries. He died **before the arrival** of an ambulance.

The constable was born in **1946** and joined the New South Wales Police Force on **1 April, 1968**. At the time of his death he was attached to the **North Sydney Highway Patrol**.

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Geoff Flood

I worked with Ron at Gosford way back in the early seventies. One story that sticks in my mind was my introduction to the

old truckstop at Kangy Angy, near Ourimbah.

It was an absolute dump, but Ron convinced me to stop off for dinner one night. He knew the old woman that owned the place. He was that well known, that he didn't bother going into the dining area, instead he took me out the back to the kitchen, to meet the old sheila, who also did the cooking.

He ordered us a couple of steaks with vegetables. I was extremely concerned about the state of the kitchen, as it was filthy, but what did it for me, was she used an old pair of stockings to use as a strainer for our veggies. ???????? RIP old mate.



Ian Strahan

RIP.

I remember being told that he had been caring for a young child and was going through the adoption process when the accident happened. It would be nice to know how that child fared in life afterwards.



Les Michael

RIP mate, remembered well from old STPPTB days under the bridge ( *Sydney Harbour Bridge* ), stood in many a parade with Ron, and shared a laugh or two, at the antics that went on there during the old days.

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**Lindsay Vincent GILFEATHER**

27/10/2012

**Lindsay Vincent GILFEATHER**

aka Linds and Feather  
New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # ?

**Rank:** Detective Senior Constable ( had only completed the Detectives course 1 mth prior to death )

**Stations:** North Sydney circa 1971 – 75, 21 Division ( Special Squad ) – death

**Service:** From 12 December 1966 to 15 October 1977 = 10+ years Service

**Awards:** No find on It's An Honour

**Born:** ? ? 1946

**Died on:** 15 October 1977

**Age:** 30 – 31 old

**Cause of death:** Motor Vehicle Accident

**Location of death:** Southern Cross Drive, near the intersection of O'Dea Avenue, Waterloo

**Funeral date:** 20 October 1977

**Funeral location:** Cremated at Eastern Suburbs Memorial Park.

**Buried at:** Cremated at Eastern Suburbs Memorial Park. Ashes with family

**Memorial at:** ?



Senior Constable Lindsay Vincent  
GILFEATHER



As a kid, Lindsey used to ride Malibu Boards at Bronte Beach, NSW

**[alert\_green]LINDSAY IS mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance[/alert\_green]**

About **9.30pm** on **15 October, 1977** Senior Constable Gilfeather was driving a police car behind another vehicle in **Southern Cross Drive, Waterloo**. Near the intersection of **O'Dea Avenue** another vehicle made a right turn against the traffic lights in front of the two vehicles. Both vehicles took evasive action, skidded on the wet road and collided with each other. The police car then hit a telegraph pole. Senior Constable Gilfeather sustained extensive head and internal injuries and died a short time later. **Constable 1st Class McKenzie** was also injured, however he later recovered.

The constable was born in **1946** and joined the New South Wales Police Force on **12 December, 1966**. At the time of his death he

was attached to the No. 21 Special Squad, Criminal Investigation Bureau.



SENIOR CONSTABLE  
Lindsay Vincent  
GILFEATHER

WATERLOO  
NEW SOUTH WALES

15 OCTOBER 1977

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# Alan Wayne THOMPSON

27/10/2012

## Alan Wayne THOMPSON

Late of ?

### Double Police Fatality

Relations in 'The Job': **Craig THOMPSON**, NSWPF # ?????? ( ? – July 2022 )( Son )( Newcastle PAC )

## New South Wales Police Force

Redfern Police Academy **Class 110**

**Regd. # 12415**

**Rank:** Commenced training at Redfern Police Academy on Monday 20 February 1967 ( Aged 20 years, 1 month, 19 days )

Probationary Constable – appointed 3 April 1967 ( Aged 20 years, 3 months, 2 days )

Constable – appointed 3 April 1968

Constable 1st Class – appointed 3 April 1972

Senior Constable – appointed 3 April 1976

Stations: ?, Cessnock – Death

Service: From 20 February 1967 to 3 May 1977 = 10 years, 1 month, 0 days Service

Awards: No Find on Australian Honours system

Born: Wednesday 1 January 1947

Died on: Tuesday 3 May 1977

Age: 30 years, 4 months, 2 days

Cause: Motor Vehicle Collision – Driver – Police vehicle –  
On Duty

Event location: John Renshaw Drive near Buttai, NSW

Event date: Tuesday 3 May 1977

Funeral date: ? ? ?

Funeral location: ?

Buried at: ?

Memorial located at: 227 Maitland Rd, Cessnock, NSW ( Cessnock Police Stn )



ALAN is mentioned on the National Police Wall of Remembrance

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Funeral location: TBA

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THEIR CAREER AND THEIR DEATH.**

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**May they forever Rest In Peace**

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About 6.50pm on **3 May, 1977** both senior constables were returning from the Beresfield Crematorium following a funeral service for Senior Constable **Douglas Eaton** who had been murdered on **30 April**.

As they were travelling along **John Renshaw Drive** near **Buttai**, Senior Constable **Thompson** swerved to avoid a horse on the road. The vehicle left the roadway and overturned several times. Senior Constable **Scorer** was **killed instantly** and Senior Constable **Thompson** died a short time later in the **Royal Newcastle Hospital**.

Senior Constable **Thompson** was born in 1947 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on **3 April, 1967**. At the time of his death he was stationed at **Cessnock**.

Senior Constable **Scorer** was born in **Hamilton** in **1945** and joined the New South Wales Police Force on **14 April, 1966**. At the time of his death he was stationed at **Cessnock**.

One of the other 3 passengers, in the vehicle at the time, was Len FAIRHALL # 9029 who also suffered injuries

Source: Beyond Courage

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Class 110 – All the Police cyclist's from that Class. Sworn in 3 April 1967. **Back Row ( L – R ):**

?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?

**Front Row:**

?, ?, ?, Ron **SADLER**, ?, 'the Black Prince' Roger **DeLivera** ( born in Sri Lanka )



Class 110 at Redfern Police Academy.

160 members in the Class who were Sworn In on 3 April 1967.

Back Row ( L – R )

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 ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ( 28 )

4th Row:

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 ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ? ( 30 )

3rd Row:

?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?,  
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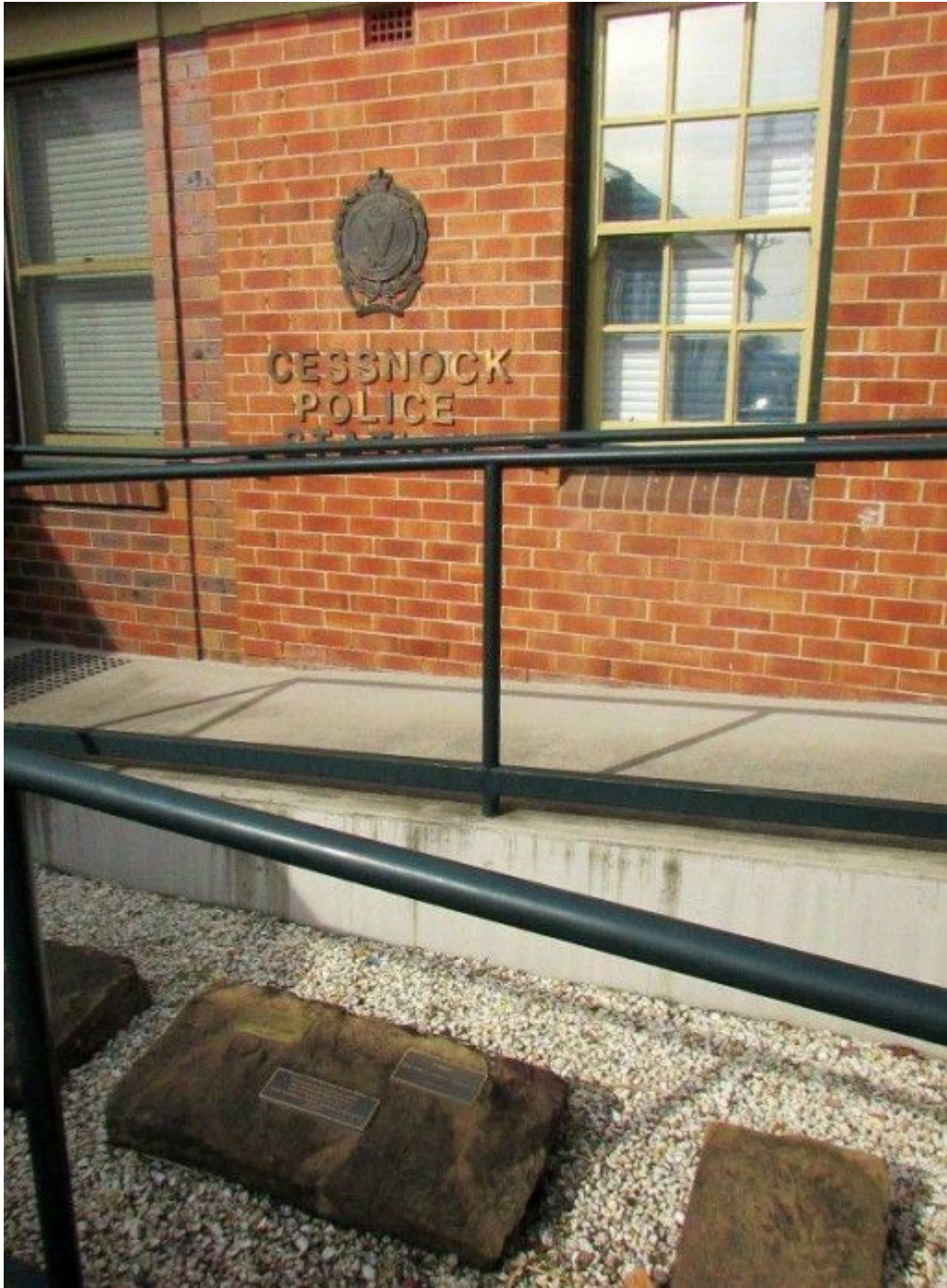
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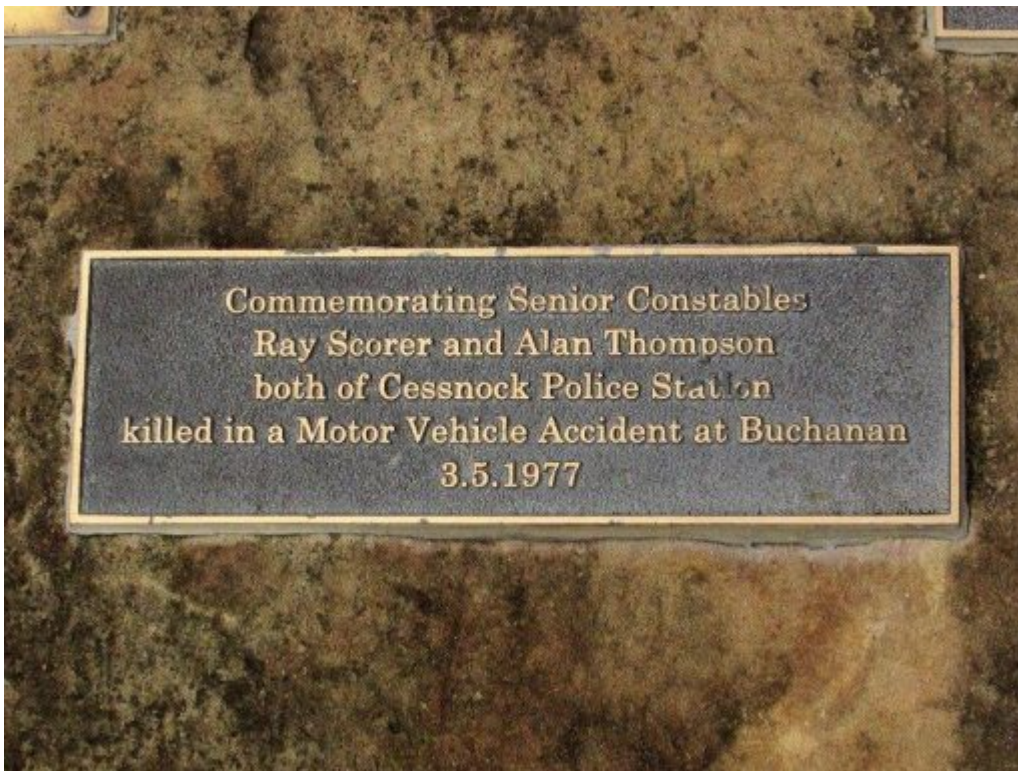
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 ? ( 33 )

Front Row:

?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, Ron SADLER #  
 12529, ?, Jan SHAW ( Female ), ?, ?, ?, ?, ?,  
 ?, ?, Roger DeLivera # 12493, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?  
 ?, ?, ? ( 31 )

Total = 153







<https://monumentaustralia.org.au/display/20759-senior-constables-ray-scorer-and-alan-thompson>

Dedicated on the 24 November 2005 and placed outside of Cessnock Police Station.

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Canberra Times (ACT : 1926 – 1995),

**Thursday 5 May 1977, page 15**

### **Crash kills two policemen**

SYDNEY: **Two policemen** were **fatally injured** on Tuesday night in a car crash near Newcastle while returning from the funeral of a colleague who was shot dead on Saturday.

Police said a car carrying five' policemen from Cessnock, overturned after apparently failing to negotiate a bend near Kurri Kurri.

Those killed were **Senior-Constable Raymond Scorer**, 31, of Aberdare, and **Senior-Constable Alan Thompson**, 30, of Cessnock. Each was married, with two children.

They had attended the funeral of **Senior-Constable Doug Eaton**, who was shot dead at a golf club at the weekend.

The three other policemen are in a satisfactory condition in Cessnock Hospital.

[trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/110844243](http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/110844243)

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7 July 2024

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**Robert Edward Michael LYNCH**

27/10/2012

**Robert Edward Michael LYNCH**

**AKA BOBBY**

**Late of Palm Beach**

**NSW Police Cadet # 0891**

# New South Wales Police Force

Uniform # 534

[alert\_yellow]Regd. #  
7532[/alert\_yellow]

**Rank**: NSW Police Cadet – commenced 23  
October 1950

Probationary Constable – appointed 4  
March 1953

Sergeant 3rd Class – appointed 1 April  
1968

**Final Rank** = Sergeant

**Stations**: ?, North Sydney STP ( HWP ) –  
Death

**Service**: From 23 October 1950 to 22 March  
1975 = 22+ years Service

**Awards**: No find on It's An Honour

**Born**: 4 March 1934 – Annandale, SW

**Died on**: Saturday 22 March 1975

**Age**: 41

**Cause**: Motor Vehicle Accident – Police  
Motor cycle – Rider

**Event location**: Wakehurst Parkway

**Event date**: 22 March 1975

**Funeral date**: Tuesday 25 March 1975 @  
1pm

**Funeral location**: Church of Our Lady of  
DoLour's, Arthur St, Chatswood

**Funeral Parlour**: Thomas Dixon Pty Ltd,  
249 Crown St, Darlinghurst

**Buried at**: Cremated at Northern Suburbs  
Crematorium

**Memorial**: Robert was a member of Whale  
Beach SLSC at the time and "The Big Swim"  
from Palm Beach to Whale Beach surf swim  
is named after him.



Senior Constable Robert Edward LYNCH

[alert\_green]**ROBERT** IS mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance[/alert\_green]

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**Funeral location: TBA**

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**May they forever Rest In Peace**

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On 22 March, 1975 Sergeant Lynch was riding a police highway patrol solo motor cycle home at the completion of his shift. As he travelled along the Wakehurst Parkway he started to overtake another vehicle. The vehicle suddenly swerved to the right to avoid hitting a bandicoot and clipped Sergeant Lynch's cycle. The cycle left the road and collided with a post. Sergeant Lynch was thrown off the cycle, sustaining severe injuries.

The sergeant was born in 1933 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on 4 March, 1953. At the time of his death he was attached to the Highway Patrol.

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Robert Edward **Michael** LYNCH ( although the **M** for **Michael** does **NOT** appear in the 1968 or 1969 Stud Books which is unusual ) was a Cadet # **0891** and joined the NSWPF Cadet system on the 23 October 1950. This would make Robert 16.5 years old when he joined the Cadets.

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### TREE.

**LYNCH.** — Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of the late **ROBERT (BOB) EDWARD MICHAEL LYNCH**, of Palm Beach will be celebrated at the church of Our Lady of Dolours, Archer Street, Chatswood tomorrow (Tuesday) at 1 p.m.

The cortege will leave the church on conclusion of mass and prayers for the Northern Suburbs crematorium.

**THOMAS DIXON PTY. LTD.**  
249 Crown St. Darlinghurst.  
Est 1835 AFDA 31 4102

**LYNCH.** — The Board of Directors and Members of Moby Dick Surfers Club Ltd. are invited to attend the funeral of their late Director and esteemed Member, **ROBERT (BOB) EDWARD MICHAEL LYNCH.**

Further particulars see family notice.

Viv Wither's Sec. Manager.

**LYNCH.** — Committee and Members of the Whale Beach Surf Life Saving Club are invited to attend the funeral of their late esteemed member, **ROBERT (Bob) EDWARD MICHAEL LYNCH.**

Further particulars see family notice.

F. A. Patterson Secretary.

