

Glen Anthony CONNOR

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aka **CHUCK**

NSW Police Academy Class 205

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # 21608

Rank: Commenced Training at Goulburn Police Academy on Monday
13 August 1984 (aged 22 years, 5 months, 8 days)

Probationary Constable – appointed 26 October 1984 (aged 22
years, 7 months, 21 days)

Constable – appointed 26 October 1985

Acting Sergeant – Death

Stations: Wollongong G.D's, Wollongong Rescue Squad,
Sutherland, South Region Dog Squad, South Region Prosecutors

Service: From 13 August 1984 to 24 September 2000 = 16
years, 1 month, 11 days Service

Awards: National Medal – granted 30 August 2000

Born: Monday 5 March 1962

Died Sunday 24 September 2000 about 11am

Age: 38 years, 6 months, 19 days

Cause: Hang gliding accident – Pilot

Event date: Sunday 24 September 2000

Event location: Bald Hill, Stanwell Tops, NSW

Funeral date: ?

Funeral location: ?

Buried at: ?

Memorial: the “Chuck Connor” trophy for “reteam on Course Dux”



Glenn Connor

24 September 2000

Acting Sgt Glen "Chuck" Connor, 38 old, who lived at Otford, died about 11am in a hang gliding collision at Stanwell Tops.

He had a female passenger from Albion Park Rail and collided with another paraglider, being piloted by Vitali Kouznetsov from Hurstville as the second glider took off from Bald Hill they became entangled. The woman and Vitali survived the crash.

Glen was also the owner / operator of "Skybound Hang Gliding School" and had been a qualified hang gliding instructor since 21 July 1983 with approximately 1850 hours hang gliding experience.

Glen's wife, Sue and brother Adrian were on the hill and witnessed the accident.

Glen used to work at Wollongong G.D's, South Region Dog Squad

around 1992 & his dogs name was 'Jet' and, from memory,
Wollongong Prosecutors.

At the time of his death he was stationed at Sutherland
Prosecutors.

May Glen forever Rest In Peace.

Accident location [codepeople-post-map]

Bradmania boost to 'Burgh auction

The Don's bat hits six for charity

By LISA CARTY

A rare and valuable cricket bat (left) signed by Sir Donald Bradman will be auctioned in Helensburgh next month.

The auction, at a charity fundraiser for the family of policeman Glenn Connor, comes as Bradman memorabilia collectors find they've hit a six since the Don died last month.

Values of signed cricket bats and other collectables had risen with one item auctioned on Saturday going for \$9000 more than expected, an expert said.

Steve Yerbury, a director of a Sydney company which supplies sporting memorabilia for charity fundraisers, said interest in Bradman items was high.

He expected values of some items would subside but "quality" Bradman items would continue to appreciate.

Saturday's South Australian auction of a Bradman-signed bat - it bore signatures of three of the five cricketers named as the greatest of the century - had been a good indicator, he said.

The bat had been expected to realise between \$4000 and \$5000 but went for \$13,500, Mr Yerbury said.

Mr Yerbury said his company had not raised the price it charged charities out of respect for The Don.

All money beyond the reserve went to the charity, he said.

Next month's Helensburgh auction, at a charity fundraiser,



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would be a test of the market, Mr Yerbury said.

His company was supplying the fundraiser organisers with a signed bat bearing a portrait of the Don, presented in an impressive frame.

It was one of only 100 Bradman-signed bats left in the world, he said, and the signing had been done under the auspices of the Bradman Foundation.

Mr Yerbury said before the Don's death the average price of such items was \$4500.

Sgt Connor, a 38-year-old police prosecutor from Otford, died last September when his hang-glider collided with a paraglider at Bald Hill.

The fundraiser will be held at Helensburgh Workmen's Club on April 7.

Sir Donald Bradman A.C.

The Bradman World Records

Original Test runs of 117 (1930) - Highest Test score of 380 for Australia - 1948. Most Test matches completed 10. Runs Test made in a day 301 (1930). Highest Test average 82.83.

1926-1929 v England 4 Tests 847 runs H.S. 123 66.35 ave	1936-1937 v England 5 Tests 119 runs H.S. 370 59.68 ave
1938 v England 5 Tests 574 runs H.S. 136 132.8 ave	1938 v England 4 Tests 434 runs H.S. 144 no 108.50 ave
1938-1939 v West Indies 5 Tests 847 runs H.S. 201 74.30 ave	1936-1947 v England 8 Tests 889 runs H.S. 154 97.4 ave
1938-1939 v South Africa 5 Tests 888 runs H.S. 209 no 78.56 ave	1947-1948 v India 3 Tests 142 runs H.S. 201 101.25 ave
1938-1941 v England 4 Tests 596 runs H.S. 182 no 64.52 ave	1948 v England 5 Tests 603 runs H.S. 173 no 77.37 ave
1944 v England 5 Tests 738 runs H.S. 164 82.75 ave	1948-1949 v West Indies 5 Tests 699 runs H.S. 173 no 89.88 ave
In Chair Captain Summary 1933-1949 241 matches 2883 runs 2867 runs H.S. 422 no 89.14 ave	New South Wales 1927-1934 23 matches 823 runs H.S. 252 no 107.14 ave
1949-51 v Australia 16 Tests 1493 runs H.S. 317 113.97 ave	Donall Bradman was Australia's top Test batsman in 1948-49

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Armed hold-up at service station

By ANNA PATTY

An armed bandit threatened a Wollongong service station attendant with a shotgun last night before taking a small amount of cash.

Dean Mellor, 24, sounded a hold-up alarm at 7.10 pm after he was robbed at the Shell service station on the corner of Corrimal and Burelli Sts.

Police were quick to arrive and interview the shaken attendant.

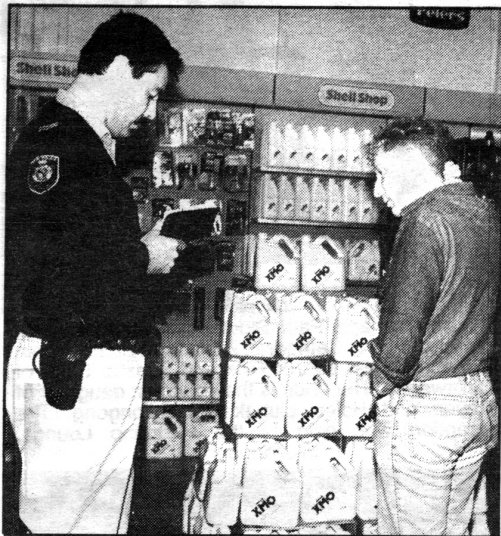
Mr Mellor told police a man aged about 25, 170 cm tall, dressed in black and wearing a black balaclava, threatened him with a single bared sawn-off shotgun.

He said the man told him to "give me the f...ing money".

"It's the first time I've been robbed," Mr Mellor said later.

Detectives and search dogs scoured the area for the bandit last seen running behind the garage towards the Wollongong City Council car park.

Police said the dogs picked up the bandit's scent in the car park but lost it again in Stewart St.



● ABOVE: Senior Constable Greg Callender of Wollongong police interviews a very shaken Dean Mellor after a man armed with a sawn-off shotgun robbed the Corrimal St Shell service station.

● RIGHT: Constable 1st Class Glenn Connor of Engadine Dog Squad gives sniffer dog Jet a lift in pursuit of the robber.

Pictures: LES SMITH.



Armed hold up at service station.

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Monday 10 February 1992 with police dog Jet

October 2 2009 – 10:54AM

Hang-gliders hurt in Stanwell Park crash landing

• BRETT COX

Two hang-gliders had to be rescued by helicopter from a rock at the bottom of a cliff after they were injured during a tandem flight at Stanwell Park.

The delicate rescue operation occurred under a darkening sky after an unexpected change of wind forced the emergency landing about 4.30pm yesterday. Hang-glider operator Tony Armstrong, 55, of the Stanwell Park Hang-gliding and Paragliding School, was initially knocked unconscious while landing on the rock.

He was later taken by helicopter to St George Hospital with head injuries and is in a stable condition.

The other man, an Irishman in his 30s visiting Australia on a working holiday visa, received cuts to his leg and was driven by ambulance to Wollongong Hospital.

Mark Mitsos, secretary of the school, told the Mercury northern suburbs man Mr Armstrong had more than 25 years' hang-gliding experience and had spent thousands of hours in the air off Bald Hill.

"There was a very sudden change in wind direction and he effectively had to make an emergency landing down at the bottom – and there's not too many options down there," Mr Mitsos said.

Local hang-glider Matt Radzyner said sudden wind changes at

Bald Hill were almost impossible to predict. He praised Mr Armstrong.

“He would have been in control the whole time and he obviously put his passenger first because his passenger had much lesser injuries.

“He took the brunt of the crash.

“The injured Irishman used his mobile phone to call five friends waiting on Bald Hill, who walked 40 minutes down a steep track to the men’s aid.

Ambulance officers began the trek just after 5pm, but the rescue helicopter reached the injured men first and winched them back to the top of the cliff.

The friends were transported to a nearby beach.

The most high-profile hang-gliding accident in recent times at Bald Hill occurred in September 2000 and left two dead.

Police officer Sergeant Glenn Connor, of Otford, was flying tandem with an Albion Park Rail woman when their gilder became tangled in the lines of a paraglider being flown by Hurstville man Vitali Kouznetsov.

The woman survived.

<https://www.illawarramercury.com.au/story/622998/hang-gliders-hurt-in-stanwell-park-crash-landing/>
