

A SAFER TASMANIA

FROM OUR CHAIR

This year our annual crime blitz for Crime Stoppers Week has been our biggest yet.

From 27 May, Crime Stoppers Week focused on three themes:

- illicit drugs, particularly ICE
- theft and stolen goods
- and arson or deliberately lit fires

The impact of these crimes is more than just a monetary loss to businesses, families and communities as a whole. Drugs, theft and arson bring with them an emotional toll, as anyone who has experienced them will tell you.

Tasmanians responded to this campaign, and the week saw an increase in reports of over 30%. So thank you to everyone who supported the week, and showing commitment to building a safer Tasmania.

Calls to Crime Stoppers do make a difference!
If you know something, say something!

David Daniels OAM

Chair, Crime Stoppers Tasmania



Crime Stoppers Week Launch, Parliament
Crime Stoppers Tasmania Chair David Daniels OAM and
Tasmania Police Deputy Commissioner Scott Tilyard



SEEN SOMETHING
UNUSUAL?
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SUSS?
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WHERE YOU'D RATHER
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CONTACT CRIME STOPPERS
IF YOU THINK

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Since inception Crime Stoppers Tasmania has:

- ◆ Received over **50,000** anonymous reports
- ◆ Assisted with more than **4,000** arrests and the recording of more than **17,000** offences
- ◆ Contributed to the seizure of over **\$7.6 million** in drugs
- ◆ Recovered in excess of **\$5.1 million** worth of stolen and damaged property

CRIME STOPPERS WEEK

See something suss? Then call or click!

That was the message during Crime Stoppers Week 2019, enlisting the public's help to tackle crime and protect our communities.

Throughout the week, from 27 May 2019, Crime Stoppers encouraged all Tasmanian's to play their part in stopping the flow of illicit drugs, particularly Ice into the State, recovery of stolen goods and deliberately lit fires or arson.

Mr David Daniels OAM, Crime Stoppers Tasmania Chair said that together we have the power to stop crime and everyone must take responsibility for a safer Tasmania, which includes reporting anything suspicious to either the Police or Crime Stoppers.

The benefit in reporting through Crime Stoppers is that you can remain anonymous, which removes the fear of being identified, getting involved or of any reprisals.

"Anonymity and rewards are the true value of Crime Stoppers to the community," said Mr Daniels.



"Illicit drugs, theft and deliberately lit fires can have devastating impacts on individuals, families and communities as a whole," said Mr Daniels.

A formal launch was held at Parliament House and hosted by the Hon Michael Ferguson MP. The event was well attended by guests, Tasmania Police and Members of Parliament.

In his address, Mr Daniels emphasised the strong relationship between Tasmania Police and Crime Stoppers in helping to create a safer Tasmania.



The Hon Michael Ferguson MP, Crime Stoppers Tasmania CEO Mariae Leckie, Crime Stoppers Tasmania Chair David Daniels OAM and The Hon Elise Archer MP

In the North of the State, Police and their Drug Dogs highlighted that families and communities across the State are paying a high price for ice drug abuse. Crime Stoppers says that we all have the power to stop this.

Police have warned people who seek to profit from the distribution of illicit substances are on notice - 'we will identify you; we will investigate you and we will prosecute you.' Over recent months, Tasmania Police has seized millions of dollars' worth of illicit drugs and stopped them from coming into the State.

In the North West, Crime Stoppers and Police visited Total Ag solutions in Devonport, a longstanding local business where equipment has been stolen twice in separate break ins this year.

The final campaign for arson offered Crime Stoppers Tasmania's largest reward, \$10,000 for information leading to a conviction, on social housing arson attacks. Alarming, there has been an increase in properties being torched, diverting funds away from increasing the quality of social housing.

Crime Stoppers Tasmania CEO, Mariae Leckie says this situation is extremely distressing for our most vulnerable people in need of housing, as deliberate arson attacks are taking stock out of the pool of houses until they are repaired or rebuilt.

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STOLEN EQUIPMENT

Can you help recover equipment stolen from Total Ag Solutions in Devonport earlier this year, valued at \$38,000.

- Kubota RTV-X900 Utility Vehicle



- Kubota RTV 500 Utility Vehicle



Can you help? Report anonymously!

It is not only important to prevent theft through security and awareness; but to be aware of suspicious behaviour around business properties and personal premises; and wary of purchasing 'second-hand' goods.

NATIONAL WASTE WATER DRUG MONITORING

The Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission has released the seventh report of the National Wastewater Drug Monitoring Program, revealing that Tasmania has the highest average capital city consumption of MDMA, oxycodone, fentanyl and cannabis nationally.

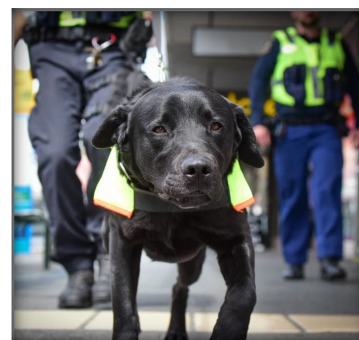
The June 2019 report shows:

- Tasmania has the second highest average regional consumption of cannabis in the country
- Average methylamphetamine/ICE consumption has increased in the State

Source: Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission



THANKS FANG



The Tasmania Police drug detection dogs (including Fang pictured) and their team do a fantastic job throughout the State.

Crime Stoppers Tasmania would like to acknowledge the support that they provide to our campaigns - past and future!

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