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PART A - QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

A1. POLAIR 3 - REPLACEMENT + REGULATIONS

A. The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: Minister, I will move on to another issue. Could you indicate to the Committee what the position is with the Government in relation to the presentation in the budget regarding moneys for the replacement of Polair 3, which I understand is to be replaced?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I will have to take that question on notice.

B. The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: Minister, are you aware that Polair 3, from what I understand, does not meet future Civil Aviation Safety Authority [CASA] regulations?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I will take that on notice.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

A. There are no plans to replace Polair 3 in this year's budget.

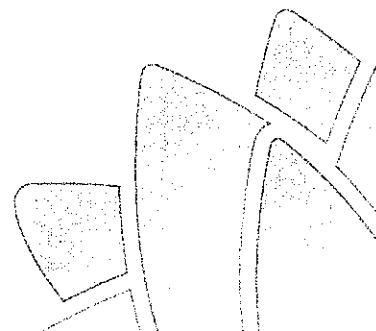
B. Polair 3 continues to meet CASA regulations and can be operated.



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A2. POLAIR 3 - REQUESTS FROM POLICE

The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: Therefore I take it that the New South Wales Police Force has not made any application to the New South Wales Government with regard to the replacement of those three helicopters?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I will have to take that question on notice. But discussions between Treasury and government departments, whether they be the Police Force or other departments, happen all the time, and long-term plans are put in place, even though they may not be embodied in the present budget.

The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: Minister, therefore you are not aware as to whether the Police Force has made an application for moneys to purchase three new helicopters?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I will have to take that question on notice.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

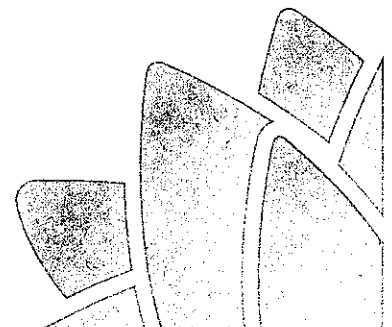
Replacement of NSW Police Force assets is guided by the Total Asset Management Plan, with capital expenditure prioritised according to operational requirements



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A3. ANPR UNITS

A. The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: Minister, earlier you mentioned the automatic number plate recognition system. How many Highway Patrols will be without automated number plate recognition at the end of the program?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I would have to go back and check up on the actual figures. But our plan is, I think, unless I am mistaken, to roll out 120 of them at a cost of \$3.8 million.

...

B. The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: Returning to automated number plate recognition for a moment, in April 2010 you indicated there were eight trial units. How many do we currently have?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: How many trial units?

The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: Yes.

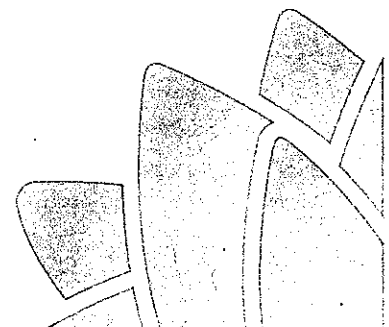
Mr MICHAEL DALEY: There was a prototype running around in Assistant Commissioner Hartley's car, as I understood it, and we were going to add seven additional trial units. I think that is the case.

The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: I take it therefore that we still have the same number of automated number plate recognition units now that we had in April this year when you made the announcement in relation to their success?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: That was a trial. The budget provided for the number I referred to a minute ago from 1 July, and they are currently being rolled out. As of today we are rolling two out a week. I do not know how many are out on the road now but I can get that information for you. I will take that question on notice.

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ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

Each of the 63 Local Area Commands with a Highway Patrol Unit will be issued with one Automated Number Plate Recognition system by June 2011. A further 57 systems will be deployed in 2011-12, bringing the total to 120 statewide.

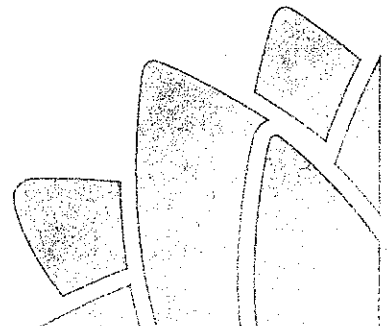
As at 23 September 2010 there were 22 ANPR systems deployed across NSW, in line with project timeframes.



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A4. HIGHWAY PATROL + COVERT CAMERA INFRINGEMENTS

The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: ... Will you explain what protections there are for the continuing offence of someone who gets picked up by a speed camera run by the Roads and Traffic Authority? ... A continuing offence is where, for example, someone is travelling on a road, they get unwittingly picked up by a covert speed camera, they travel another two or three kilometres down the road—they may have cruise control on—and they get picked up by the highway patrol. They do not know they have just been booked three kilometres beforehand. What processes do you have in place to ensure that that person is not being booked twice for the same offence if they have not changed their speed and they have continued to commit a speeding offence over a period of two or three kilometres?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: That is a question for the Minister for Roads, but really nothing has changed in relation to fixed speed cameras. You can drive through a fixed speed camera on multiple occasions on any given day and be booked on multiple occasions without knowing it now.

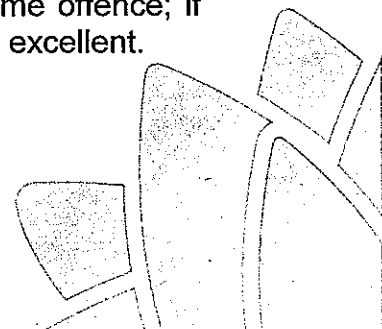
The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: But, of course, the difference with that is that the Highway Patrol knows that the fixed speed camera is there and they know that it is on 24 hours a day seven days per week. There are very strict operating procedures in relation to how close they can use their highway patrol cameras to the fixed speed camera. I am interested to find out what protections are in place when the Highway Patrol person does not know that the covert camera is only a short distance away because they are not told on a daily basis and therefore someone may get booked twice.

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I do not know the answer to that. I will have to take that question on notice. That is a procedural issue for Highway Patrol—for the Traffic Services Branch effectively ... I go back to my earlier answer and I will take your question on notice in relation to whether procedures are in place for Highway Patrol or police officers in the vicinity of locations where mobile speed cameras are operating.

The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: My concern, when you are taking that question on notice, is that you cannot be booked twice for the same offence; if you could look at that in conjunction with your answer that would be excellent.

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ANSWER :

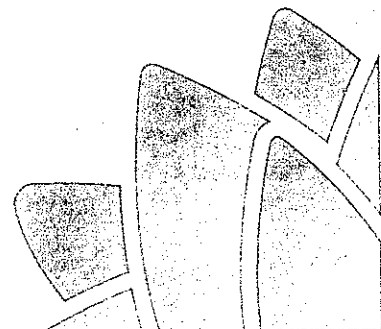
The NSW Police Force has advised me :

Current NSW Police Force standard operating procedure recommends that police do not conduct speed enforcement activities within a kilometre of the site of a fixed speed camera, to avoid possible multiple infringements for a continuous offence. This distance is not mandated and can be varied for operational reasons.

There have been a number of discussions with the RTA regarding the effect of their camera operations on police enforcement activities and police will continue to work with the RTA on this issue.



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A5. TRANSIT OFFICERS

The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: Will you indicate to the Committee what the progress of the transferring of the State's transit officers over to the NSW Police Force is?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I will have to take that question on notice.

The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: Is that currently a matter that you are considering?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: In what sense?

The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: The transferring of the transit officers over to the control of the NSW Police Force?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I will take that question on notice.

ANSWER :

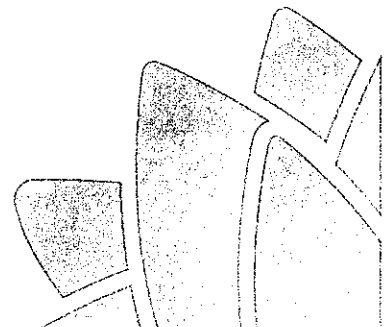
Discussions on this matter are ongoing.



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A6. FIREARMS - SHOOTING RANGE APPROVALS

The Hon. ROBERT BORSAK: ... Is it the case that the New South Wales Firearms Registry is progressively reviewing the range approvals issued to shooting ranges in New South Wales, and has this review resulted in a dramatic reduction in the number of ranges on which the .338 Lapua and .50 BMG rifles can be used?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I am not sure. I can take that on notice.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

While the Firearms Registry conducts a program of range inspections to assist shooting clubs to maintain compliance with the conditions of their range approvals, the Registry has not been progressively reviewing range approvals. It is therefore not the case that there has been any dramatic reduction in the number of live firing ranges on which the .338 Lapua and .50 Cal BMG rifles can be used.

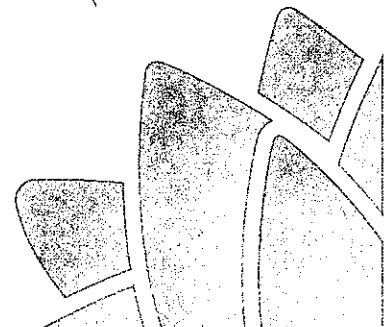
It should be noted, however, that the types of firearms and events approved for each range are determined by the application of Range Danger Area Templates (RDATs), and the two weapons mentioned require a much larger RDAT than many other firearms.



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A7. FIREARMS REGISTRY BUDGET + AUDIT

The Hon. ROBERT BORSAK: Minister, would you advise what the budget for the Firearms Registry is, how much it was last year, how much it actually cost to run last year, how many errors were found in the Register of Firearms during the audit of data conducted in conjunction with last year's amnesty and what percentage of records were found to be erroneous?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I am sure you will not mind if I take that on notice.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

2010-11 budget allocations are currently in progress and this figure is not yet available. The Firearms Registry 'nett total cost of service' budget for 2009-10 was \$6.828 million. Actual expenditure was \$7.105 million.

During the Firearms Amnesty conducted in 2009, a total of 24,104 unregistered firearms in the possession of licence holders were identified. It should be noted that the failure to have an existing record of these weapons is not necessarily an 'error' by the Firearms Registry, as opposed to a failure of owners to ensure that weapons were reported.



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A8. WATER CANNON - COSTS

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: Minister, are you aware what the total cost of the police water cannon has been, including staff, maintenance, garaging and fuel for each of the last two financial years?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I will take that on notice.

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: In terms of the costs of maintaining, staffing, fuelling and training in relation to the water cannon, which has never yet been fired in anger, are you doing an ongoing assessment of whether that is actually the best use of taxpayers' resources?

Mr SCIPIONE: As I said, we maintain a capability for the day that we may in fact need to use it. The costs associated with using that particular item would not necessarily be high, simply because we have not had to use it. It is not as if it has been damaged or it has been overused. It is more the case that we would simply keep it primed ready to go, and that in itself would probably be more associated with training and the ongoing soft dollar costs, as it is known.

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: Will you get back to the Committee on those ongoing soft costs?

Mr SCIPIONE: You have asked for those details and we can provide those, yes.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

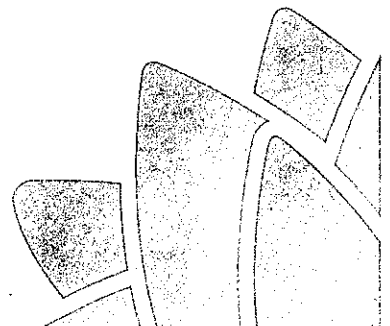
Since 23 January 2007 the vehicle has used 3479 litres of diesel fuel. A specific figure for the expenditure on fuel is not available. \$692.32 was spent on maintenance (to replace two batteries) in February 2008. No specific garaging or staff costs have been incurred.



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A9. WATER CANNON - STAFFING

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: Are you aware of how many staff are attached to it?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: The Commissioner may be able to elucidate on that, but I do not know.

Mr SCIPIONE: It is part of the riot squad. It is attached as a permanent asset at the riot squad. The riot squad totals some 100 people, but certainly in terms of those dedicated specifically to the water cannon, I would need to take advice. I do not think we have people dedicated explicitly.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

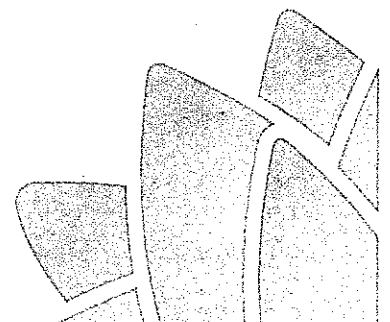
No officers are attached to the water cannon on a permanent basis. 30 police officers attached to the Public Order and Riot Squad are trained to perform one of the three crew roles in the manning of this vehicle if required.



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A10. WATER CANNON - PURCHASE PRICE

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: What was the purchase price of the water cannon?

Mr SCIPIONE: I will have to take that on notice. I would not want to mislead you.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

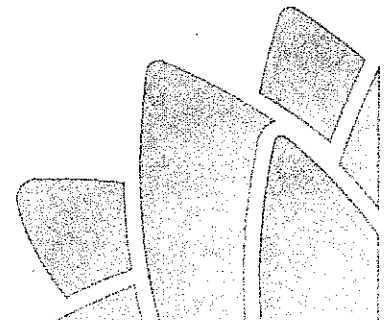
Records indicate the cost of the water cannon, including base vehicle and fit-out, was \$472,291.35.



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A11. FIREARMS - AUDIT OF POLICE FIREARMS

The Hon. ROBERT BORSAK: How many firearms does the New South Wales Police Force have for its members, including specialist units? Has the New South Wales Police Force ever conducted an audit of its firearms? If so when was the last one carried out and how many were unable to be located? Are you aware that in Victoria in its first such audit in 20 years it was found that nearly 200 guns could not be located? If there has been no recent audit will you undertake to have one done and the results provided to this Committee?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I will take that question on notice.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me that it currently possesses 17,713 firearms of various types for operational police use.

Since 2006 the following audits have been carried out :

- o Glock Pistols (May-June 2006) : all weapons accounted for statewide.
- o State Protection Group weapons (mid 2007) : all weapons accounted for.
- o Police Armoury weapons (June 2010) - all weapons accounted for.
- o Tactical Operations Unit weapons (monthly) - all weapons accounted for as at August 2010.
- o Marine Area Command weapons (quarterly) - all weapons accounted for as at September 2010.
- o Weapons and Tactics Police and Review weapons (August 2010) - all weapons accounted for.

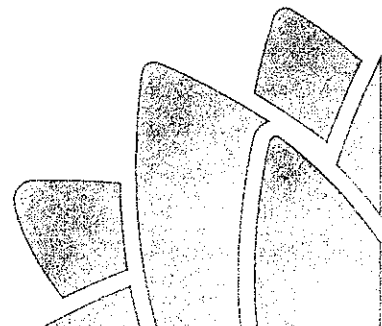
Additionally, individual Commands have conducted regular audits of all weapons in line with Command Management Framework requirements.



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A12. CBD EMERGENCY WARNING SYSTEM

The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: ... I want to discuss the failure rate of the system?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: We do not have that information. I would have to take that on notice. It is operated by the Roads and Traffic Authority. The Minister for Roads technically is the correct person to ask that question.

The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: I understand that but it falls within the purview of the Police. I am interested to find out the current failure rate of the 93 that are there?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: We will take that on notice.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

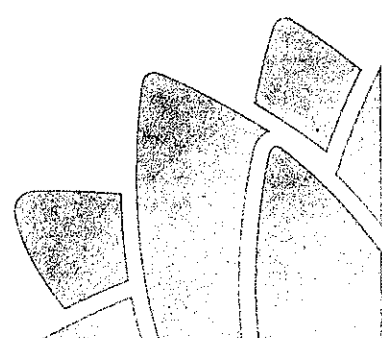
Tests of around 10 of the CBD Emergency Warning System sites (or around 20 speakers) are conducted each month, with a systemwide test conducted annually. Results of site testing conducted from January 2010 to July 2010, in which 65 sites were tested, produced successful tests at 58 sites, giving an 89% success rate.



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A13. DECEMBER GRADUATING CLASS

The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: Minister, you mentioned earlier the current class at the New South Wales Police Academy, the December class we would call it, the one graduating. Was I correct in hearing that you mentioned that they would come online in January?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: No. The Government promised at the last election to fund 750 new positions by December 2011. We have brought online 350 already and there are another 250 positions to come online on 1 January 2011. The funding for those additional positions has been provided for in this budget. In relation to class sizes, class sizes are determined well in advance by the police, not by the Government or the Minister. They take into account various things such as the position numbers that are coming online. A large class will be graduating in December of around 800 officers. I will take the question on notice and get the exact numbers for you.

...

The Hon. MICHAEL GALLACHER: Ms Burn, how many are in the academy of what we would call the December class? I recognise you say 630 are expected to attest. How many are in that class?

Ms BURN: I cannot say off the top of my head; I do not know the accurate figure, but I am happy to get that for you.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

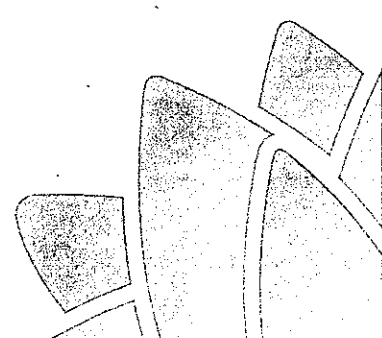
As at 22 September 2010, there were 765 students remaining in the current class.



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A14. FIREARMS REGISTRY - CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS

The Hon. ROBERT BORSAK: This question relates to another issue with the time in which it takes the Firearms Registry for a permit to acquire [PTA] involving credit card payments. I have been told that the registry is now telling people that because of a new accounting system just put in place, that an application paid for by a credit card cannot be processed immediately, as is the case in shops, restaurants, the Roads and Traffic Authority and any number of other places. Why is that the case? Or is it, as some shooters are suggesting to me, yet another attempt to slow things down?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I will take that question on notice.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

The system implemented at the Firearms Registry approximately 18 months ago provides an immediate confirmation of a credit card payment approval for an application for a Permit to Acquire (PTA) a firearm. The system incorporates payment and receipting approvals, loading the application into the Integrated Licensing System, conducting all necessary checks and approving a PTA to an issued status.

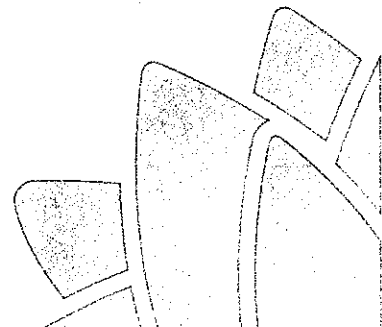
This process currently averages 9 days, representing a 300% improvement over the past 2 years. This has been achieved at a time when PTA applications are averaging over 5,000 a month, which is a 20.5% increase in the number of applications received over the past 2 years.



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A15. FIREARMS - SOUND MODERATORS

The Hon. ROBERT BORSAK: The following questions are in relation to the prohibition under the Firearms Act 1996 of sound moderators on firearms, specifically long-arms used for conservation hunting in New South Wales. First, what statistics and international studies are or were used to justify the prohibition on the use by licensed, responsible conservation hunters of long-arm firearms fitted with moderators on public safety grounds in New South Wales? Second, how does this compare with other countries, such as New Zealand, South Africa and the United Kingdom, where moderators can be fitted and used on long-arms for hunting? Third, what is the health impact on New South Wales citizens and the cost to the New South Wales health system because of the prohibition on moderators on long-arm firearms? Fourth, if no such study had been done before the recent review of the regulations, why was it not undertaken?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I will take that on notice too.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

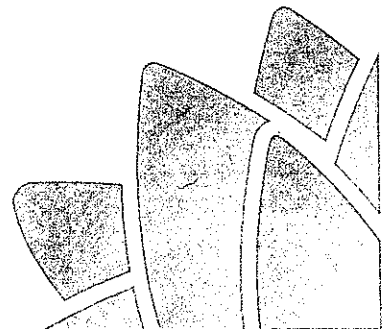
It is the role of the NSW Police Force to enforce existing legislation. Currently, sound moderators are highly controlled by Australian Customs, requiring approval from the Commonwealth Attorney General to import.



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A16. FIREARMS - PERMITS FOR SAFARI TOUR OPERATORS

The Hon. ROBERT BORSAK: ... First, how many applications and permits have been issued by the commissioner each year since 2004? Second, how many applications and permits have been rejected by the commissioner each year since 2004? Third, what has been the cost each year since 2004 of processing these applications and permits? Fourth, what has been the cost to NSW Police each year in dollars and man-hours since 2004 in policing, investigating and enforcing clause 59 of the Firearms Regulation 2006? Fifth, how many incidents related to safari operators have police investigated each year since 2004? Sixth, how many prosecutions have been successfully completed each year since 2004? Seventh, is this just not needless red tape and contrary to the State Plan given the requirements licensed under the Game and Feral Animal Act and the requirements for visitor firearm permits for international visitors?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I will take that on notice.

ANSWER :

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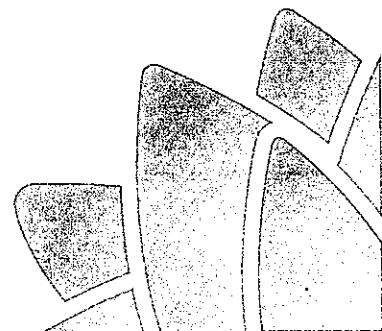
No applications for permits to operate safari tours involving firearms have been rejected since 2004. The numbers of applications and permits are as follows :

2004 - 6
2005 - 6
2006 - 4
2007 - 4
2008 - 2
2009 - 2
2010 - 2

No permits have been revoked over the period and in all cases permits have either expired or been withdrawn at the permit holder's request. Permits are issued for 5 years.

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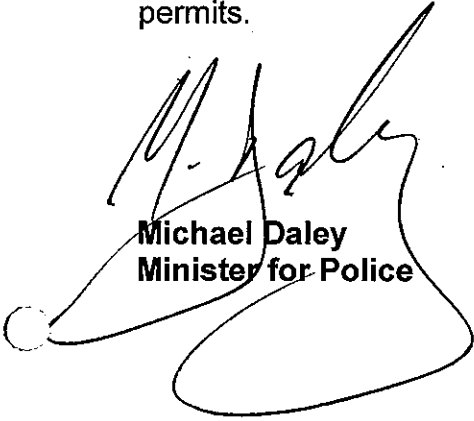
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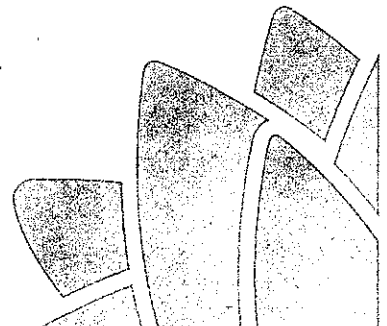
The cost of processing permits to operate safari tours involving firearms is no different to any other application. Given the small number of applications, the impact on Firearms Registry workload would be minimal. Police records are unable to identify any incidents or investigations relating to the holders of safari permits.



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A17. FIREARMS - PERMITS TO ACQUIRE

The Hon. ROBERT BORSAK: During the previous 12 months how many of the applications for a permit to acquire a firearm were received from licensees who did not already have a firearm registered to them? For the same period, how many permits to acquire were for a second or subsequent firearm?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I will take that on notice.

ANSWER :

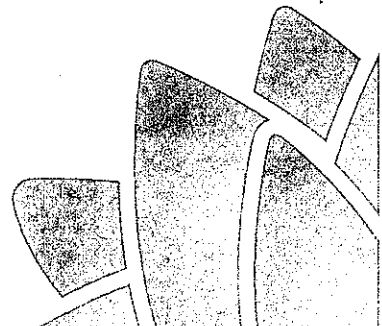
The NSW Police Force has advised me :

There were 18,622 Permit to Acquire applications where there were no firearms registered or licence status restrictions.

There were 36,819 Permit to Acquire applications for second or subsequent firearms.



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A18. FIREARMS - NUMBERS OF FIREARMS

The Hon. ROBERT BORSAK: From the records of the New South Wales Firearms Registry what are the most recent figures for the number of firearms held by licence holders in New South Wales and what are the current figures in relation to registered handguns and long-arms?

Mr MICHAEL DALEY: I will take that on notice.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

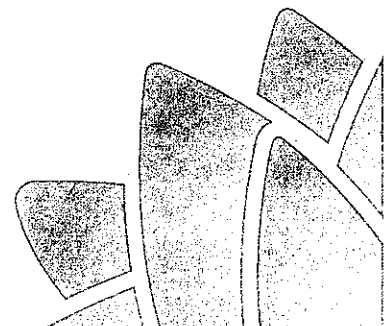
As at 4 September 2010, there were 739,635 firearms in the possession of licence holders. There were 699,344 longarms and 40,291 handguns.



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A19. LICENSED PREMISES - OFFICER ASSAULTS

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: Commissioner, have you had any formal reporting or other communication with the Newcastle Local Area Command following the restriction in pub trading hours with the 3.00am early close?

Mr SCIPIONE: There has been an enormous amount of reporting and research done on this. Certainly, the Bureau of Crime Statistics & Research, Don Weatherburn in his own right as the State statistician, has reported. There has been much commentary and certainly, from my perspective, the advice that I have received has been, I would suggest, full and wholesome in terms of what effect we have seen from this.

...

Mr SCIPIONE: If you were to rely on Don Weatherburn's material, clearly you have seen a reduction in violence in and around licensed premises, particularly in regard to some premises that were named in the determination that was made by the courts in Newcastle that imposed the restrictions. There has been a reduction in the number of officers who have been injured.

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: Just stopping you there—and I do not mean to interrupt—but in terms of reduction in the number of officers injured, do you have any statistics in terms of the numbers of officers who have been saved from injury as a result of the changes?

Mr SCIPIONE: That is very difficult to forecast in terms of how many did not get assaulted because there were some trading restrictions. That is impossible for me to forecast.

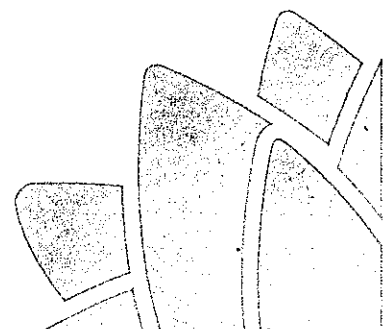
Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: What about comparisons before and after?

Mr SCIPIONE: I have not got those numbers with me. I can certainly get that information.

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Mr MICHAEL DALEY: The Bureau of Crime Statistics & Research uses a two-year period to show trends. Under the offence category of "Assault", assault police has decreased in the two-year period by about 400 offences, almost an 11.5% decrease.

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: Commissioner, you will give us the statistics on notice?

Mr SCIPIONE: Certainly.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

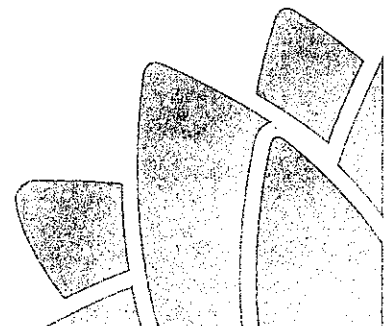
A review of Injury Management data has revealed that assaults on post-88 officers declined by 14.73% statewide from 2008-09 to 2009-10, and declined by 28.57% in Newcastle City Local Area Command in the same timeframe. However, the data does not isolate alcohol-related assaults.



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A20. TASERS - INCIDENTS OF OBSCURED RECORDING

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: Since the incident of the unlawful arrest and tasing of Ali Alkan on Oxford Street in March 2009, have there been any other cases of a taser where the officer has obscured the video or audio recording device in the course of its operation? ... It was not about complaints though; it was about the number of incidents where the officer has obscured the video or the audio recording device. I am not talking about complaints; I am talking about the number of times it has happened.

Mr SCIPIONE: I have not got those figures here with me.

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: Could you review those reports and produce the figures?

Mr SCIPIONE: Yes.

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: You will still give me the answers, just the sheer numbers, to see if there is a problem there for either the police or for the general citizens of NSW?

Mr SCIPIONE: I will take it on notice.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

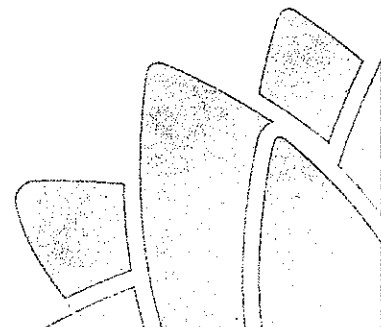
During the period 30 March 2009 to 26 September 2010 there have been 146 instances (or 12.7%) where the Tascam has been covered by the Taser operator. Where it has been identified that a Tascam has been covered by the operator, the Region Taser review committee notifies the Taser operator and provides advice.



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A21. GLOCKS, TASERS + OC SPRAY KITS - LOST OR STOLEN

A. Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: Commissioner, do you know how many standard issue police Glock handguns were lost, stolen or otherwise misplaced in 2008-09 and 2009-10?

Mr SCIPIONE: In terms of the inspection of firearms, certainly here in New South Wales we treat the safe handling and the holding of firearms very, very seriously. Over the past 5½ years in New South Wales there have been two firearms that have been reported stolen, one of which we have subsequently recovered. That is in 5 ½ years, that is not in the last year.

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: But also lost or otherwise misplaced?

Mr SCIPIONE: Similarly, I think we have been asked that question by Mr Borsak and we are going to provide the information, particularly with regards to the current state of the audit.

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B. Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: Could you also provide the statistics for tasers and the OC spray kits as well?

Mr SCIPIONE: In terms of what statistics?

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: The numbers that have been lost, stolen or otherwise misplaced in the last two financial years?

Mr SCIPIONE: We will take that on notice.

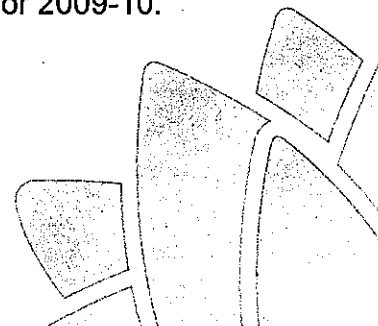
ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

No police Glock handguns or Tasers were lost or stolen in 2008-09 or 2009-10.

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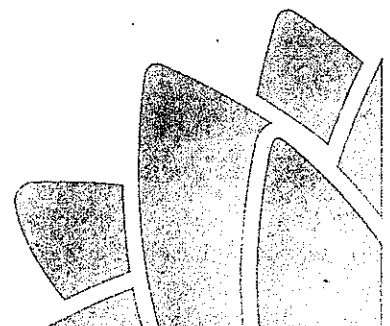
<u>OC SPRAY KITS</u>	<u>2008-09</u>	<u>2009-10</u>
Lost	8	6
Stolen	1	2
Later recovered	2	1



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A22. SECURITY INDUSTRY - FIREARMS USED IN CRIMES

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: Could you provide statistics on the number of occasions firearms that have been originally sourced through the New South Wales security industry have been identified for use in crimes in the last two financial years?

Mr SCIPIONE: Certainly I can take that on notice.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

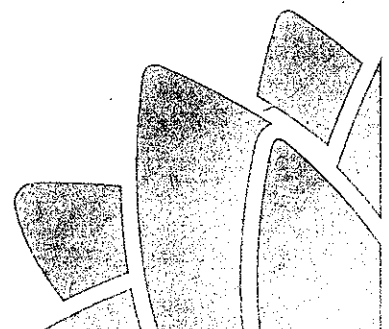
The Forensics Ballistics Unit indicates that five firearms originally issued to the New South Wales security industry and subsequently stolen from licence holders have been identified as being used in crimes in the last two financial years.



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A23. SECURITY INDUSTRY - FIREARMS LOST OR STOLEN

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE: Again, could you provide the figures in relation to the number of firearms lost, stolen or otherwise misplaced from your records and from the New South Wales security industry for the last two financial years?

Mr SCIPIONE: Certainly we can take that on notice.

ANSWER :

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

Firearms Registry data indicates the following numbers of firearms issued to the security industry have been reported lost or stolen in the last two financial years :

2008-09 : 32
2009-10 : 4



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