

## Police Report Monday November 3

### Tweed/Byron Police District – Weekly Update

Over the past week, 35 people were arrested and charged at Tweed Heads and Byron Bay Police Stations with a variety of offences. In total, 59 people had legal action taken against them.

Notable matters of community interest include:

- 11 people were charged with domestic violence related offences, including 3 charges for assault, 3 charges for damaging property, 4 charges for contravening Apprehended Violences Orders, and 5 charges for stalking/intimidation.
- 33 people were charged for road/traffic offences. This includes:
  - o 17 charges for driving with a prescribed concentration of alcohol or under the influence of drugs (1 was a repeat offender)
  - o 4 charges for driving whilst disqualified (3 were repeat offenders)
  - o 3 charges for pursuits (including in stolen motor vehicles)
  - o 2 charges for driving whilst suspended
- A 15-year-old youth from Tweed Heads was charged with arson on 23 October 2025 after a large area of native bushland was destroyed near Dry Dock Road. He has been given conditional bail with an imposed curfew to next appear at the Tweed Heads Children's Court on 19 November 2025.
- A 19-year-old male from Bogangar was charged on 24 October 2025 with an aggravated break, enter and steal at a casuarina address and is being investigated for other property offences in Bogangar. He was bail refused to appear at the Tweed Heads Local Court on 3 November 2025.
- A 32-year-old male from Byron Bay was charged on 26 October 2025 with assaulting and hindering police after an early morning incident in Jonson Street, Byron Bay. He is to next appear at the Byron Bay Local Court on 10 November 2025.
- A 17-year-old male from Goonellabah was arrested and charged on 28 October 2025 with the sexual assault of a woman in the district. He has been bail refused to next appear at a Children's Court on 22 January 2026.
- A 17-year-old male from Kingscliff was charged on 29 October 2025 with trespass and shoplifting offences that occurred on both 22 October 2025 and 29 October 2025. Upon his arrest at a bus stop in Wharf Street, Tweed Heads he was in possession of a knife. He will appear at a Children's Court on 19 November 2025.

- A 40-year-old male from Wynnum West in QLD was charged on 29 October 2025 with driving a stolen motor vehicle bearing false front and rear plates, having custody of goods suspected on being stolen, custody of a knife and resisting police in Bogangar. He was bail refused to appear at the Tweed Heads Local Court on 3 November 2025.

- On 29 October 2025, the NSW Police Organised Crime Squad assisted by Tweed/Byron Police, together with NSW Health and the Australian Border Force, charged four people and seized more than 18,000 vapes, 1.9 million worth illicit cigarettes, 74kg of loose-leaf tobacco and five unregistered firearms in a week of action targeting illicit tobacco on the state's Far North Coast under Strike Force Franklin. Several search warrants were executed at a Mullumbimby commercial storage facility.

- o A 40-year-old woman from Mullumbimby was charged with 4 offences and will appear at the Byron Bay Local Court on 24 November 2025.

- o A 24-year-old male from Mullumbimby was charged with 3 offences and will also appear at the Byron Bay Local Court on 24 November 2025.

OPERATION CYCLESafe – Our officers remain engaged in an ongoing operation targeting e-motorcycles, e-bikes and e-scooter offences. Areas targeted include shopping centres and residential streets throughout the District. Tweed/Byron Police took the following enforcement action in October 2025:

- 40 riders had enforcement action taken against them.
- 56 legal actions were taken for 17 different offence types with 18 infringements issued.
- 33 cautions or infringement notices were issued for riders not wearing a helmet. Infringement notices are in the amount of \$423.
- 8 persons were issued cautions or infringement notices for using unregistered e-motorcycles on a road/road related area. Infringement notices are in the amount of \$844.
- 5 persons (aged 16 years or older) were issued cautions or infringement notices for riding e-bikes on a footpath. Infringement notices are in the amount of \$423 and incur 3 demerit points.

Tweed/Byron District Commander Acting Superintendent Matt Zimmer said 'the tragic death of two young boys in Queensland last week as a result of E-Bike accidents will have devastating lifelong consequences for their families and friends. This is a tragedy that no community should ever have to endure. We maintain our commitment to working with local schools by providing education about the dangers of unsafe riding behaviour and enforcement action will continue right across the District.'