

EXTRACT - PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES

11th April, 1972

SUNBURY POP FESTIVAL (Question No.1,117)

MR. TREZISE (Geelong North) asked the Chief Secretary -

1. How many charges were laid by police arising from offences detected at the recent pop festival held at Sunbury?
2. How many persons were charged indicating the various offences alleged?
3. What was the outcome of each such charge?
4. What additional number of offences were reported to police from which no charges were laid, indicating the types of offences alleged and why no charges were subsequently laid?
5. Whether any complaints were made to police by business houses in the vicinity of the festival; if so (a) what were these complaints; and (b) what was the result of investigations of these complaints?
6. Whether the organizers of such festivals are compelled to indemnify local property owners for damage caused to such properties by festival crowds?

MR. HAMER (Chief Secretary)

The Answers are -

1. Twenty-one in respect of five offences detected within festival area and sixteen offences detected outside festival area.

2 and 3.

No of persons	Nature of charge	Result of charge
1.	Obscene exposure; and indecent behav.	2 Months imprisonment. Withdrawn.
1	Obscene exposure; and indecent behav.	1 Months imprisonment. Withdrawn.
2	Assault and robbery	Committed for trial
12	Drunk and disorderly	Each fined \$2 in default 12 hours imprisonment.
1	Assault with weapon	Fined \$50 in default distress
1	Assault by kicking	Adjourned until 21st April, 1972.

1 Protection application

Adjourned for 78 weeks on condition that subject of the application reside at the Good Shepherd Convent, Middle Park until attaining age of 17 years.

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No of offences	Nature of offence	Outcome of report
5	Larceny of wallet	Offenders not detected
4	Larceny of sleeping bag	" " "
1	Larceny of portable radio	" " "
5	Larceny of miscellaneous items of personal property	" " "
3	Larceny from motor car	" " "
1	Lost property	Property not recovered

5. No.

6. No.