



**ORGANISED
CRIMINAL GANG
MANAGEMENT PLAN**



ROYAL RANDWICK RACECOURSE

Introduction

The Future Music Festival comprises of musical performances across multiple stages. It is scheduled for Saturday 10th March 2012 at Sydney's Royal Randwick Racecourse.

The Future Music Festival is regarded as one of the premier music festivals on the annual Australian summer calendar.

Future Entertainment is a company that has been presenting music festivals nationally for over fifteen years and pride themselves on presenting the world finest musical talent in some of Australia's most iconic locations.

Music festivals are now considered widely as significant cultural events and are very much cherished and anticipated by those who attend. They also provide an important social outlet for young people and music lovers alike.

The Sydney leg of the Future Music Festival is presented as part of a national touring festival encompassing Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth and Adelaide.

Purpose

This document has been developed to provide strategies and practices to minimize the impact of organized criminal gangs attending the Future Music Festival.

This document is also designed to provide stakeholder guidance in addressing the issues of organized criminal gangs through stakeholder roles, responsibilities and powers, standard operating procedures and management response.

Scope

This Organised Criminal Gang Management Plan has been specifically developed for Sydney's Future Music Festival 2012 event.

It has been created in response to communication from Chief Inspector David McBeath from the Eastern beaches Local Area Command of the NSW Police.

It addresses the alleged risk identified by Chief inspector David McBeath in 2010 (based on intelligence that neither Future Music Festival organisers or the AJC are privy to) in various communications regarding to the anticipated attendance of individuals associated with organised criminal gang members. This document is intended to provide clear guidance in relation to management and operational plans which can minimize the impacts of the identified risk, should that risk materialize. The promoters of Future Music festival and the AJC have no way of independently assessing any such alleged risk or of identifying members of criminal gangs without the primary assistance and co-operation of the NSW Police.

Event Conditions of Entry

The Future Music Festival has the ability to update the conditions of entry to the event with the following condition, provided by the NSW Police:

"No person wearing clothing, jewellery, or any other accessory displaying or indicating by form of wording, colours, logo, symbol or otherwise that they are members of or otherwise associated with; (Bandidos, Black Ulhans, Coffin Cheaters, Commanchero, Finks, Fourth Reich, Gladiators, Gypsy Jokers, Highway 61, Life & Death, Lonewolf, Mobshitters, Nomads, Odins Warriors, Outlaws, Pheonix, Rebels, Hells Angles, Scorpions, Notorious be allowed entry to, or be permitted to remain at the event."

This condition provides Future, the AJC, Event Security and the NSW Police the ability to deny anyone identified as per the above access to the event.

The Future Music festival also reserves the right to refuse entry to any persons deemed unsuitable for the event. This is published on every ticket and is also a broad ranging condition of entry.

The crucial issue here related to identification. Neither the Future Music Festival organisers, the AJC or Event Security are in a position to identify members of criminal gangs without NSW Police assistance.

Future Music Festival

The Future Music festival must provide a promoter representative as each entry gate who must work in conjunction with the NSW Police and Event Security.

Once an individual is identified by Police or Event Security as unsuitable for the event, access is denied and a full refund of the event ticket must be promptly issued and the individual must be escorted from the premises.

Future Music Festival can accommodate additional User Pays Police from the Gang Squad who are knowledgeable in organised criminal gangs, its members and how to identify them. If, in consultation with Eastern beaches Local Area Command, this is a possibility it should be implemented.

Randwick City Council

Future Music Festival will be seeking the Randwick City Council to include the above condition in the development consent for the 2012 Future Music Festival. This provides a regulatory means for the Future Music Festival to enforce this condition of entry.

NSW Police

The Future Music Festival has always, and will continue to be, supportive of employing a significant Police presence at the event.

The role of the NSW Police in the identification of the unsuitable individuals and enforcement of the conditions of entry is crucial and the key element to managing the risk.

NSW Police should make members of the Gang Squad who are knowledgeable in organised criminal gangs, its members and how to identify them available for the Future Music Festival.

These Gang Squad members should be placed at the entry points and in the Event Operations Centre observing the CCTV surveillance facilities. They should work in conjunction with the User Pays Police, Event Security and Promoter Representatives follow the steps below:

1. Identify the individuals who are unsuitable for the event based on the conditions of entry.
2. Deny them entry to the event by advising them of the conditions of entry.
3. Provide the individual with a full refund of the ticket.
4. Request they leave the event site and the local area without creating any disturbance.
5. If the situation escalates refer to NSW Police for further action.

Security Services

A significant security management plan is in place for the Future Music Festival.

The role of Event Security amongst others is to operate the event entry and exit points. They must enforce the conditions of the entry. Their role is to work in conjunction with the Gang Squad members, User Pays Police and Promoter Representatives and follow the steps below:

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CCTV Surveillance

The Future Music festival has increased its commitment to utilizing CCTV surveillance. There will be 12 wireless, 360 degree, rotating head cameras positioned at the entry points to the festival and also in strategically placed locations within the event. This will run in addition to the AJC in house CCTV system.

This is a crucial tool which will enable members of the NSW Police, and in particular the Gang Squad, to identify members or associates of criminal gangs and immediately enforce the conditions of entry to the event.

AJC Initiatives

The AJC can make a directive in accordance with section 13 of the Australia Jockey Club Act and the Australian Jockey Club By Law to prohibit members of organised criminal gangs identified at points of entry to the Racecourse by NSW Police from entering the Racecourse on the 10th of March. This is based on intelligence received by Chief Inspector David McBeath that certain criminal gang members were targeting the Future Music Festival, and in order to protect the members of the public against any such threat.

Advertising, Marketing and Patron Awareness

The Future Music Festival undertakes extensive communications with ticket purchasers prior to the event.

This communication takes place via the event website, emails to the event database and also via the ticketing company.

The communication includes relevant event information such as playing times, public transport plans and will also include the following messages (with accompanying information):

1. The Future Music Festival will have a significant Police and Security presence at the event and in the local area. Anti-social behavior and criminal activities will not be tolerated.
2. The Future Music Festival has extensive CCTV surveillance operating both within the event and at the entry and exit points. Please be aware your actions may be recorded and footage may be used in the event of criminal activity.
3. The Future Music Festival has strict conditions of entry. Please ensure you have read and understand these prior to attending the event. (A copy will be supplied with each communication of this message).