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Event Ref No : E 14348559

General Event Details

Date/Time Reported : 03/06/2002 14:00
 Event Classification : ACCEPTED
 Clear Up Status/Date : CLEARED - 22/03/2004
 Created By : INSP FOX, PETER RAYMOND - CENTRAL HUNTER
 Updated By : DET MONGAN, JOHN PHILLI - CENTRAL HUNTER

Event Status : VERIFIED

Narrative Details

Date/Time Created
Created By

: 03/06/2002 15:35
 : CENTRAL HUNTER - FOX, PETER RAYMOND
 The victim has made an allegation against a catholic priest (POI) that between 1991 & 1995 he was sexually assaulted on numerous occasion. These assaults varied from fondling to both anal & oral intercourse. The victim alleged that threats were made by the priest that he would commit similar offences against the victim's younger brothers should he disclose the offences. The victim later left to live in Tasmania & over the years has come to terms with these offences, gradually disclosing them to his family and a counsellor. After watching the 60 minutes programme on 2/6/02 the victim was concerned that others could become victims of the same POI & has decided to report the matter to Police. It is alleged the offences occurred in the Clarencetown & Dungog areas whilst the victim was an alter-boy.

Date/Time Created
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: 09/05/2003 08:43
 : CENTRAL HUNTER - FOX, PETER RAYMOND

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The victim has led a troubled life since that time until disclosing to his family in late 2000. In June 2002 he was encouraged to approach Police with his allegations & investigations commenced. Police learned that Father FLETCHER had been notified of the investigation by a member of the Catholic Church & was permitted to continue his duties in the Branxton Parish.

Investigations continued over the next year & in March 2003 Father FLETCHER was stood down from the Branxton Presbytery.

Police contacted members of the church & Father FLETCHER presented at the Maitland Police Station on Wednesday the 14th of May 2003 with solicitor Eric LACEY & a support person Father Jim SAUNDERS. FLETCHER emphatically denied the allegations of sexual misconduct & disputed other matters pertaining to the investigation. He was very upset at the allegations & is generally not of the best of health.

Date/Time Created
Created By

: 18/03/2004 19:19
: CENTRAL HUNTER - FOX, PETER RAYMOND
Matter appeared before the Newcastle Local Court in February 2004 for a 48E application. The matter has now been committed for trial on a date to be fixed.

Police Involved
Police in Charge
Created By
Date/Time Created

: INSP FOX, PETER RAYMOND - CENTRAL HUNTER
: INSP FOX, PETER RAYMOND - CENTRAL HUNTER
: 03/06/2002 15:36

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Disseminations
For the Attention Of : ROBUFFO, LINDA KATHERINE - SCC POLICE CORRECTION INT
Dissemination Reason : MONITORING OF SEXUAL OFFENCES BY MEMBERS OF
SEXUAL ASSAULT TEAM.
Created By : INSP FOX, PETER RAYMOND - SCC POLICE CORRECTION INTE
Date/Time Created : 03/06/2002 15:46
Completed By : INSP FOX, PETER RAYMOND - 03/06/2002 15:46

Person Reporting
Name Used : AH

Record Name : AH
CNI Number/Summary : 16550875 - OV-WRXTAD-H-----
Date of Birth/Age Rge : Sex : M
Contact Address :
Home Phone :
Work Phone :

Case File - Table of Contents

No	Title	Type	Brief/ Sensitive	Date Logged	Status
1	ERISP INTERVIEW	AUDIO	IN BRIEF	08/04/2004	CURREN
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Event Link Details
Ref No. Linked Event : E 20846269
Assoc Type/Status : INVESTIGATION - CONFIRMED
Reason for Assoc. :
Ref No. Linked Event : E 22762312
Assoc Type/Status : CAUSE & EFFECT - CONFIRMED
Reason for Assoc. :

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Incident Details : 01/01/1991 00:01 to 31/12/1995 23:59
 Incident Date/Time : ACTUAL SEXUAL OFFENCE - INDECENT ASSAULT
 Incident Type : CHILD VICTIM REPORTED WHEN ADULT
 Further Class. : VERIFIED - ACCEPTED
 Incident Status/Class. : CLEARED - 14/05/2003
 Clear Up Status/Date : SEXUAL ABUSE RELATED
 Associated Factor : CHILD ABUSE RELATED

SEXUAL

Incident Location :
 Address : RESIDENTIAL RESIDENTIAL - DWELLING HOUSE - DETACHE
 Premise Type : CENTRAL HUNTER - MAITLAND - NA - NA
 L.A.C./Sector/Beat/NHW :

Modus Operandi Details
SEXUAL ACT METHOD

SEXUAL INTERCOURSE - ANAL/ORAL

Victim :
 Name Used/Status : AH
 Record Name : AH
 CNI Number/Summary : 16550875 - OV-WRXTAD-H-----
 Date of Birth/Age Rge :
 Tourist/Visitor State : NSW
 Tourist/Visitor Cntry : AUSTRALIA
 Aboriginal : NO
 Torres Strait Islander : NO
 Contact Address :
 Home Phone :
 Work Phone :
 Occupation/Skill : MANAGER - LARGE BUSINESS
 Background :
 Place of Birth/Naty : NEWCASTLE - AUSTRALIAN

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Org Of Interest :
 Organisation Name : DUNOG CATHOLIC PARISH
 Branch/Outlet Name : DUNOG
 Organisation Type : RELIGIOUS SECT
 CNI Number/Summary : 695177194 -VX-----
 Contact Address : DUNOG CATHOLIC PRESBYTERY
 57 BROWN ST DUNOG NSW 2420

Person Of Interest :
 Name Used/Status : FLETCHER, JAMES PATRICK PERSON CHARGED
 Record Name : FLETCHER, JAMES
 CNI Number/Summary : 657816910 - OV--RX----H--IDE---
 Date of Birth/Age Rge : 20/11/1941 Sex : M
 Drivers Licence/State : 2136PK NSW
 Tourist/Visitor State : NSW
 Tourist/Visitor Cntry : AUSTRALIA
 Aboriginal : NO
 Torres Strait Islander : NO
 Contact Address : RECTORY
 44 STATION ST BRANXTON NSW 2335
 Home Phone : 02 49381211

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Occupation/Skill

: CLERGY

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