

# Police nab teens on stealing spree

**P**OLOICE have arrested and charged two juveniles over a spate of property thefts from cars and homes last week.

The two males, aged 15, were hit with 30 charges each following their arrest on Wednesday.

Police will allege that the duo stole items, including valuable equipment and Christmas presents worth about \$10,000.

The charges include break and enter, 10 larceny offences each and entering a vehicle without consent, Detective Sergeant Matt Woods said.

The pair has been granted strict conditional bail until their appearance before Goulburn Children's Court on January 10.

Police were inundated with complaints on Monday, December 3 and Tuesday, December 4 about thefts around Ruby St, Buffalo Crescent, Gibson St, Victoria St and one in Wright Place.

"About 17 people had items stolen from cars and houses mostly around that area," DS Woods said.

"We put numerous police on the

investigation, led by the Proactive Deployment Unit."

Police will allege the pair stole cash, equipment, including GPS units, a bicycle worth \$3800, another bike which they later dumped and Christmas presents. DS Woods said for people already struggling, this was particularly hard.

Officers claimed the duo used remote control devices to access some of the targets.

This week police searched a Bellevue St home where they allegedly found property connected with the theft.

They were able to recover the majority of stolen property, including \$2,170 worth of items taken from a Kinghorne St address between December 2 and 3. A Green Express wheel electric bike, a pope brush cutter and a black skate helmet was stolen.

DS Woods told the *Post* the pair was arrested following information compiled by police but community input was also a vital factor. He thanked the public for its help.



**CAN I HELP?**: Young Sam Studdart, one, dressed as one of Santa's elves for the Goulburn Railway Club's Christmas party held at the Workers Arena on Sunday. Photo: Darryl Fernance.



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