



This Week In AFP History



23 June 2005: Prime Minister John Howard, Minister for Justice and Customs Senator Chris Ellison and Commissioner Mick Keelty share a quip about the weather during a tour of IDG's International Village after the Prime Minister declared it officially open.



30 June 2006: Plastic packs containing around 1.2 million ecstasy tablets were detected by Customs in packs concealed in 67 of 180 containers of printer's ink delivered in a shipping container at Port Melbourne.



June 1991: The Police Overseas Service Medal was approved as an award under the Australian Honours System.

23 JUNE 1983

- Twenty-four AFP members began investigating a new style of tax evasion dubbed 'bottom-of-the-harbour'.

23 JUNE 2005

- A new \$2.8 million International Deployment Group training complex was opened by Prime Minister John Howard in Canberra.

24 JUNE 1980

- Family Law Court judge, Justice David Opas, was shot and killed by an unknown assailant at his Sydney home. This was the first of several attacks on the Family Court which led to the AFP being assigned security responsibilities for the Family Court.

25 JUNE 1988

- In Melbourne, AFP and Customs officers began arrests in relation to 2.3kg of heroin found in luggage. Three men were convicted, with one of them receiving Australia's first life sentence for a drug importation.

30 JUNE 2006

- A joint AFP and Customs operation spanning NSW and Victoria resulted in the arrest of five people following the discovery of approximately 350kg of (MDMA) ecstasy tablets hidden in a shipping container of ink. The discovery of about 1.2 million ecstasy tablets, with an approximate street value of \$40 million, was at the time the second largest seizure of the prohibited drug in Victoria and one of the largest in Australian history.

ALSO IN JUNE

1991

- The Queen approved the Police Overseas Service Medal (POSM). It is awarded to recognise the contribution of members of Australian police services who serve with international peacekeeping forces.

1996

- Police from Amsterdam arrived in Perth to exchange information on the European and Australian connections of Operation Overhead which resulted in the arrest of seven people for their involvement in the importation of 716kg of ecstasy tablets from The Netherlands.

2000

- ACT Policing's Operation Oslo cut the number of stolen motor vehicles and the theft of valuables from cars by 21 per cent over the five-day period and Operation Dilute resulted in the arrest of 275 people who were charged with 890 offences, and netted about \$125,000 in seized property.

