Police target Easter road safety in Operation Compass

Operation Compass is a state-wide road policing operation over the Easter holiday period. It aims to increase driver awareness and journey planning, while reducing road trauma during this high risk time on our roads.

This five-day road policing enforcement campaign will run from Thursday 14th April to Monday 18th April, 2022.

Road Policing Advisor Sergeant Marty Wallace from Westgate Highway Patrol said the operation will be conducted throughout all operational police regions and police service areas during the five days, using all available personnel from local road policing units, general duties and other regional resources.

The police operation will be targeting the main causes of lives lost and serious injuries in crashes which are impaired driving, speed, fatigue, distraction offences and seatbelt compliance

Police will be out in force both to educate drivers and to enforce road rules, with a view to preventing lives lost and serious injuries.

Motorists are requested to stay within the speed limit, don't drink alcohol or take drugs and drive, leave your mobile phone out of reach, wear your seatbelt and make sure you are well rested. Fatigue is one of the biggest killers on Victorian roads.

Drivers planning to travel during this period can expect to see an increase in vehicles on our major freeways and highways throughout the state.

Road trauma isn't just about the lives that are lost – it's about the enormous impact on the community from the family members, to the emergency services workers who have to deal with these tragedies on a daily basis, and the police who have to deliver the devastating news to loved ones.

All of the community has a responsibility and a role to play in reducing road trauma.

Remember, travel safely so that you arrive at your destination safely and enjoy your Easter holiday weekend.

Sergeant Marty Wallace said Operation Compass aims to reduce road trauma and increase driver awareness. (Damjan Janevski) 274429_01

RoadSafe Westgate Community Road Safety Council Chairman Mr Jim Giddings said the work of his group along with initiatives like Operation Compass during the 2022 Easter holiday period would hopefully reduce the number of serious road crashes.

Holiday driving has its challenges and drivers should drive in the hours they are normally awake, take regular breaks to reduce fatigue and allow extra space between vehicles.

Report speeding drivers to Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

DRIVING IS NOT A GAME!

SPEED KILLS!

Don't make a Grave Mistake

Speed is the largest single factor in fatal road crashes on our roads. RoadSafe Westgate and your local council support reporting speeding drivers to Crime Stoppers.

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RoadSafe Westgate Community Road Safety Council is a road safety advocacy group that implements road safety programs and is supported by the municipalities of Hobsons Bay, Maribyrnong, Melton and Wyndham.

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