

**INQUIRY INTO UNSOLVED MURDERS AND LONG-TERM
MISSING PERSONS CASES IN NEW SOUTH WALES
BETWEEN 1965 AND 2010**

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In the year 1971/1972 my friend and I were hitchhiking from in front of the Cabbage Patch Hotel Fairy meadow on a Saturday night - after a night of dancing. We were two females aged approximately 18. We lived at Barrack Heights & wanted to get a lift to Wollongong. The guy had a hat on and a roundish face & a flattish nose - not sure about a moustache. When we both got into the front of this car - we think the car was 2 colours & it had a front bench seat that we both sat on - Margaret next to the driver & myself next to the door. When we got into the car we both noticed a gun in the middle of the seat between Margaret & the driver - we both noticed this gun as soon as we got into the car - so we opened the front door of the car before he could take off - we both screamed for him to let us out of the car - the driver stopped quickly and let us out of the car & then he took off very quickly. There were a lot of people around so I am surmising that he was scared because we had screamed so loudly for him to let us out of the car. This was a very traumatic event for us and so we were in shock - we have never spoken about this to anyone until recently as we didn't think we could be of any help- but now we want to help any investigation in case it helped the police find evidence for the missing girls from Warilla & elsewhere.