

Tobin, jumped bail in Adelaide whilst awaiting trial on drug charges, thus dangling the carrot of an extradition escort trip to exotic parts ever since. No doubt that the officer-in-charge of the case, Detective Inspector Ed Tyrie, is waiting in the wings. Closer to home it resulted in our operational Detective Inspector Peter Darlaston, (affectionately known to the bold as 'Darls') putting a bit of titian on the television.

The next incident resulted from an advertising promotional campaign which flooded the Adelaide Casino with funny money. Funny or not the supposedly non-counterfeits did in fact deceive, when notes were accepted as legal currency, and the paper chase was on.

The necessity to prevent financial loss to the less discerning called for media and AFP co-operation and Darls did his duty.

Finally, the last of the three incidents was the previously mentioned break and enter of a Family Law Justice's residence. The sight of 'Sam' on the scene excited the press and our 'Darls' was constantly on the dog and bone.

Bones get broken and put out of joint — Senior Constable Wally Trenorden has not fully recovered from injury incurred on a cricket field in Darwin, but like all here, is pleased that our indoor cricket team took out the trophy locally.

At the time of writing, the football season is about to start. Coincidentally, footballs stuffed with heroin are also in the news. Central Region's Drug Unit can hardly kick that off the front page, but they do have their moments. The latest pinch was of an alleged drug courier named Galpin. Galpin's gulping resulted in him putting in considerable potty duty and his life was probably saved when a prudent precautionary X-ray revealed his appalling arithmetic. Taken when it was supposed that suppositories had revealed or released all the evidence, it was discovered he had miscounted and it was back to potty duty again.

Mobility or movements, dare we now finish this article by reminding his erstwhile colleagues that our new Commander Superintendent John Vincent is pedalling merrily and energetically the highways of Adelaide.

Yours Truly
Ray Nias (Sgt)

CENTRAL REGION CRICKET — THE JOHN VINCENT SHOW

Reporter Det. Sen. Con. Eric Dix

SUNDAY, 22 February, saw the Central Region members and ancillary staff journey to Flinders University to take on Temme's Family Court staff in cricket. Senior Constable Eric Temme is our man at the Family Law Court.

The game consisted of 33 overs, no LBW, no out first ball, and retirement at 25.

Family won the toss and elected to bat on a green top. Senior Sergeant Ray Elphick, Fedpol captain for the day, opened the bowling using Senior Constable Brenton 'Agent Orange' Davy with a tail wind and Senior Constable Eric 'Dorothy' Dix pushing into the breeze. Agent had trouble finding the pitch to start with, however, by the time he was into his third and final over he was looking dangerous. Superintendent Vincent was behind the stumps and after only a few overs it was apparent to all and sundry (sundry — cricket term) he had officiated in the capacity before. Son

David was in the field and it became clear quite early it was going to be the "John Vincent and Son Show" as they combined to dismiss the opposition.

Fedpol with some fine fielding and bowling were able to dismiss Family Court for 121 all out.

At the resumption after the long break, Fedpol opened with Senior Constables Jack 'Sniffer' Ford and Phil Hooper. After getting the side off to a good start the remainder of the Fedpol boys were able to attain the required runs with two wickets in hand. Best with the bat was Senior Constable Kim 'Kimbo' McAtee who contributed 25 not out-retired.

OPERATION VULCAN

AN interesting case involving the freezing of assets of a person in the drug scene, where no actual drug seizure or charges ensued, is that of Operation Vulcan.

Central Region RIU initiated the operation at the of 1984. Target was an alleged major heroin dealer who by the time the operation commenced had been out of gaol for about 10 months after a

lengthy incarceration.

In-depth financial analysis revealed a rapid accumulation of assets purported mainly to be horse racing winnings.

Evidence gained from a protracted surveillance exercise was eventually used by the NSW Homicide Squad who arrested and charged the target with a NSW murder. At the time of the murder arrest, the target was also served with a notice under Section 243 of the *Customs Act 1901*, whereby all his assets were frozen. These assets were over \$A500000 and included \$100000 cash and a house. They had been accumulated in less than two years.

The Taxation Department was also kept informed of the operation, and based on Federal police figures, raised an assessment of \$300,000 + on the target.

The Section 243 matter is currently in abeyance pending the outcome of the murder trial.

Major collation tool used was a DRUN program on the AFP computer. During the extradition proceedings in Adelaide, the facts that the target had large assets, and that the subject had a criminal record were suppressed. As a consequence, no details of the Section 243 action were publicised by the news media.