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Inside story of how a tip-off from the U.S. helped bring down a depraved paedophile ring involving young men from all walks of life - including a soccer coach and childcare worker now facing 300 child sex charges

- Police have rescued 46 children from the grasp of an alleged paedophile sex ring
- Justin Radford, 29, was first arrested on the NSW central coast in February 2020
- While searching through his phone police allegedly found links to larger sex ring
- Since then they have arrested a total of 14 men all with links to the horrific group
- · Authorities in NSW, WA, Qld, Europe, Asia and the United States are all involved

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When police arrested a video librarian at a home in Wyong, on the **NSW** Central Coast in February they had no idea the alleged horrors they had stumbled upon.

Detectives pounced on Justin Radford, 29, after a tip off from U.S authorities who believed he had allegedly filmed himself abusing two young children.

But an examination of his phone revealed those alleged crimes were just the tip of the iceberg.

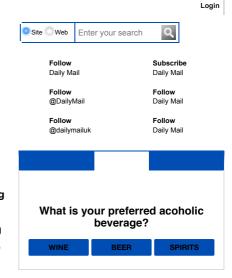
What forensic detectives uncovered was a horrific network of other offenders.

That started led to the start of Operation Arkstone and now the arrest 13 other men.

Radford's phone allegedly contained links to an international child abuse syndicate stretching across Australia and the world, with alleged victims in NSW, Queensland, Western Australia, Europe, Asia and the U.S.

Last week, 46 children - including 16 from one single Australian child care centre, the youngest of who was just 16 months - were rescued from the deprayed ring's grasp.

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Justin Radford - a TV library assistant for the major networks - was the first of 14 men charged with child abuse offences under the Australian Federal Police's Operation Arkstone



Police stumbled across the child sex ring after looking through Radford's phone following his arrest

Radford allegedly used a child under 14 to make child abuse material and incited a child under 16 into a sexual act, while also possessing videos of child abuse on his phone.

The alleged tattooed and spacer-disk earring wearing paedophile described himself on LinkedIn as having worked as a tape library assistant for Channel Nine since 2017.

But he was actually working for a company called NPC, a joint venture between Nine, Seven and Southern Cross Australia. He is no longer employed by NPC.

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Shortly after police swooped on Radford and forensic detectives began to comb his phone, they realised the serious links to another alleged ring member in Kendall.

The small town on the NSW mid north coast is the last place missing toddler William Tyrrell was seen in 2014.

Police converged on the town and arrested Timothy Luke Doyle, 27, and his partner Steven Garrad, 22.

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A former childcare worker, police allege Doyle had videoed children in his care and hit him with 303 charges.

Those close to Garrad have been threatened since his arrest.

During a court hearing for his matters last month, an application by Garrad's family member for his name to be suppressed was refused.

'In the evidence of [a family member], she says that people are entering her front yard,' his solicitor Douglas Hannaway said, The Mid-North Coast News reported.

'On five occasions, people came to her home during the night and turned the electricity off. People came into the yard and banged on the side windows.'

But despite their pleas, Magistrate Georgina Darcy ruled both Garrad and his also jailed boyfriend Doyle could be identified.

Police have been clear that those arrests are not linked to the hunt for Australia's most infamous missing persons case.

Accused child sex offender arrested in St Clair



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Pictured for the first time is childcare centre worker Timothy Luke Doyle who faces a whopping 303 charges

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Demi Lovato reveals she suffers survivor's guilt over rapper Mac Miller's overdose as she includes a song for him on her new album

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Detectives linked to Operation Arkstone also arrested Doyle's boyfriend Steven Garrad (right)

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Kate Garraway's husband Derek Draper 'is hospitalised AGAIN for serious medical procedure' amid long-Covid battle



Dua Lipa shows off her toned physique in a black bikini before slipping into a green slip dress as she shares sizzling snaps from her sunny getaway



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Police search the home of a suspect involved in an alleged child exploitation ring in Australia

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Pictures of Angelina Jolie's bruises allegedly sustained during a fight with ex Brad Pitt in 2016 are revealed: Star claims he 'grabbed her by the head, shoulders'



b Julie Bishop leads a who's who of Aussie showbiz and politics including Gladys Bergiiklian and Richard Wilkins as well as a swag of reality TV stars at a gala charity event



Married At First Sight's Brent Vitiello beams as he reunites with model girlfriend Taylor Davey at Sydney Airport



Olivia Wilde, 38, plants a kiss on Harry Styles, 28, ahead of a romantic dinner date in NYC... as she prepares for custody battle with ex Jason Sudeikis



Finland's 'Party PM' Sanna Marin faces MORE leaked video embarrassment: Married leader, 36, 'dances intimately with a man' at nightclub



Kylie Jenner risks wardrobe malfunction as she takes the plunge in VERY revealing dress attending sister Kendall's 818 Tequila party



Cara Delevingne clutches her chest while displaying heavily bruised legs in denim hot pants as she and stylishly dressed Sienna Miller enjoy a beach day in Ibiza



Parad Pitt brushes off bombshell FBI claim as he forms love hearts and flashes peace signs at Bullet Train event - after exwife Angelina Jolie revealed bruises sustained during 'mid-air fight' with star



Ben Affleck steps out with eldest daughter Violet, 16 (who is a dead ringer for mum Jennifer Garner) ahead of three-day wedding extravaganza with Jennifer Lopez



Kris Jenner and ex Caitlyn Jenner support daughter Kendall as they head to her 818 Tequila bash in Malibu



Married At First Sight Sexologist Alessandra Rampolla spotted going for a walk in Bondi, showing off her slimmed down figure, after 60kg weight loss





Pictured: An iPad seized by Federal Police during investigations in Queensland

As police continued to investigate the ring, they relied on the encrypted messenger service used by the group to communicate.

While Radford was based in NSW, they discovered he was talking to men across the country.

Among them was a 28-year-old from Hervey Bay who was arrested in May.

From there investigators allegedly discovered links to Grant Harden, 29, and in June this year arrested him at his western Sydney home.

Harden, from St Clair, has been charged with offences including raping a child under the age of 10 between 2017 and 2020.

He has also been charged with three counts of intentionally sexually touching a child, and charges relating to possessing and distributing child abuse material.

Court documents seen by Daily Mail Australia also allege that Harden 'did commit an act of bestiality with an animal... two dogs'.

Two days later, officers arrested an air conditioning mechanic, 48, allegedly known to Harden, after finding child abuse images and video on that man's computer.

The hunt continued in October when a 40-year-old man from Pialba - a town only a few minutes drive from Hervey Bay - was arrested.

Kendall Jenner reveals she drinks her tequi STRAIGHT with no mixer in a champagne glass as she stuns in white at 818 bash with Kim, Khloe, Kylie



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Finnish PM Sanna Marin, 36, seen dancing wildly in leaked video leads Pride events after being raised b



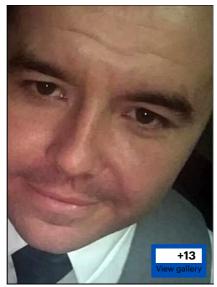
Jake Caldwell, 27, was then arrested in November and charged with four offences related to possessing and accessing child abuse material.

In total, 828 charges have been laid against the group.

The unnamed members include a retail assistant, supermarket employee, a chef, disability support worker, electrician and a court officer.

AFP Assistant Commissioner Lesa Gale said at the time detectives believe they have uncovered one of the biggest domestic child exploitation networks of recent years.

She said police would allege in court that some of the nine accused men had sexually abused children known to them and recorded videos and photographs of the abuse to share with others online.



Grant Harden, 29, has been charged with sexual offences

'We are continuing to try to identify other children who we suspect were preyed on by individuals in the alleged network,' she said. two mothers and posed 'topless' on fashion magazine cover







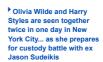












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Police have since arrested more suspects (pictured) and laid a total of 828 criminal charges in what they believe is an online domestic paedophile network



Operation Arkstone has seen arrests made across Australia and also in New Zealand, Europe, Asia and the United States (pictured)

skintight bodysuit as she attends sister Kendall Jenner's 818 Tequila event at SoHo house in Malibu





Scott Disick and buddy Sean Stewart wear matching Chrome Hearts hats while driving around Malibu in a silver Ferrari



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Ciara puts on leggy display in tiny lime green shorts as she goes shirtless under matching blazer at Ten To One Rum event in LA



Winnie Harlow slips into sexy white lingerie and matching fur coat for racy photoshoot in West Hollywood



Pictured: Australian Federal Police officers seized a USB during their investigations



Pictured: Two mobile phones seized by investigators during Operation Arkstone

'It is heartbreaking to think of any child being sexually abused, but it strengthens our resolve to hunt down perpetrators and bring them to justice.'

Of the victims rescued this month 39 are from NSW, six are in Western Australia and one is in Queensland.

AFP acting commander Christopher Woods said investigators from the AFP, NSW Police and U.S. Homeland Security have spent most of 2020 working tirelessly on the operation.

But the busts are potentially not yet over, with police believing the latest arrests will link them to even more extended members of the depraved child sex ring.

'Operation Arkstone is not over,' Justine Gough, AFP Assistant Commissioner Eastern Commander said.

'We've not ruled out further arrests in Australia or offshore.

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'Or sadly the identification of further victims in Australia and offshore. Our agencies are united and committed to chasing every lead and leaving no stone unturned.'



Police have rescued 46 Australian children - including 16 from a child care centre - in one of the biggest alleged child sex abuse cases to rock the country

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