



MAGISTRATES COURT of TASMANIA

CORONIAL DIVISION

Record of Investigation into Death (Without Inquest)

*Coroners Act 1995
Coroners Rules 2006
Rule 11*

I, Olivia McTaggart, Coroner, having investigated the death of Bradley John Kremmer

Find, pursuant to Section 28(1) of the Coroners Act 1995, that

- a) The identity of the deceased is Bradley John Kremmer, date of birth 15 August 1990;
- b) Mr Kremmer was 31 years of age, married and lived in Clarendon Vale. He has two children with his wife and he was employed in both the construction and furniture removal industries. He was physically healthy but engaged in excessive drinking and also illicit drug use. Mr Kremmer did not hold a motorcycle licence. In April 2022, Mr Kremmer purchased a Yamaha YZF-R1 (1000cc) motorcycle using compensation funds in respect of his incarceration as a youth at Ashley Youth Detention Centre

At 4.50 pm on Thursday 14 July 2022, Mr Kremmer was riding his motorcycle on Schouten Street, Warrane at high speed approaching the T-intersection of Schouten Street with Dampier Street. He then attempted to make a right-hand turn onto Dampier Street. In this process, he lost control and both he and his motorcycle slid across the road at the intersection, colliding with the gutter on Dampier Street. At this point, he and his motorcycle were thrown into the air before coming to rest in a gravel car park adjacent to the road approximately 10 metres from the curb. Ambulance paramedics attended quickly and Mr Kremmer was taken to the Royal Hobart Hospital, where immediate and intensive medical treatment, including surgeries, took place in an effort to save his life. However, he passed away early the following morning due to uncontrollable blood loss from his injuries;

- c) The cause of Mr Kremmer's death was multiple chest and abdominal injuries sustained accidentally in a single motorcycle crash in which he was the rider of the motorcycle; and
- d) Mr Kremmer died on 15 July 2022 at Hobart, Tasmania.

In making the above findings, I have had regard to the evidence gained in the comprehensive investigation into Mr Kremmer's death. The evidence includes:

- The Police Report of Death for the Coroner;
- Death Report to Coroner of Tasmanian Health Service;
- Affidavits verifying identification;
- Opinion of the State Forensic Pathologist, who conducted the autopsy;
- Toxicology report of Forensic Science Service Tasmania;
- Ambulance Tasmania records of attendance and 000 call recording;
- Medical records for Mr Kremmer from Knopwood Medical Centre and Tasmanian Health Services;
- Affidavit of Lara Crawford, wife of Mr Kremmer;
- Affidavit of Jodie Percey, mother of Mr Kremmer;
- Affidavit of Naomi Bartle, witness to the crash;
- Affidavit of Noel Clark, Transport Inspector who examined the motorcycle after the crash;
- Affidavits of five attending and investigating police officers, including Crash Investigation officers and Forensic Services officers, together with photographs and body worn camera footage;
- CCTV footage of Mr Kremmer driving his motorcycle on Schouten Street just prior to the crash;
- Record of prior convictions for Mr Kremmer; and
- Crash History Report for the area produced by the Department of State Growth.

Comments and Recommendations

The evidence in the investigation revealed that Mr Kremmer had consumed alcohol and methamphetamine before riding the motorcycle. These substances were likely to have impaired his ability to control motorcycle. His reckless behaviour in travelling at very high speed in a suburban street approaching a T-junction was the sole cause of the crash and his death.

There were no issues in respect of the condition of the motorcycle, the weather or the road that were connected to this fatal crash.

I extend my appreciation to investigating officer Constable Daniel Sharman for his investigation and report.

The circumstances of Mr Kremmer's death are not such as to require me to make any recommendations pursuant to Section 28 of the *Coroners Act 1995*.

I convey my sincere condolences to the family and loved ones of Mr Kremmer.

Dated: 18 September 2023 at Hobart in the State of Tasmania.

Olivia McTaggart

Coroner