Unauthorised Site Access

Zekria Sayed - 16yrs, drowned while swimming with his three cousins at a Mt Gravatt quarry on Sunday 10 November 2013.









This is not a first!!

- 1999 A man was found unconscious after riding his trail bike over a face at a Brisbane quarry.
- 2000 23yr old trail bike rider dies after falling 9 metres over a quarry face.
 Bobcat rolled and was then set on fire by trespassers at a quarry (NSW).
- 2001 Loader driver ran over and killed a 13yr old trespasser he was chasing (NSW).
- 2005 Large quantity of explosives and detonators stolen from surface coal mine.
- 2008 24yr old man dies when he jumped from a highwall at a coal mine near Brisbane into water 37 metres below.



NZ is not immune either

- 2011 Man arrested for trespassing at Pike River coal mine.
- 2012 The two men killed in an abandoned Coromandel mine died of carbon monoxide inhalation.
- 2018 Police arrest protestors at Karangahake Gorge prospecting site.

- A teen injured himself jumping into the water at an old Auckland quarry, ambulance officers warn of potential fatalities.

 2019 - Trespassers leave West Coast mining company with over \$500k damages.





Why is it that people trespass?

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Obligations under legislation

HSAW Act Section 37

"A PCBU who manages or controls a workplace must ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the workplace, the means of entering and exiting the workplace, and anything arising from the workplace are without risks to the health and safety of any person."





Hazards are obvious!! Risks vary??

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How to manage unauthorised access

- Understand the nature and extent of the problem at your site
 - Water
 - Machinery and other temptations
 - Location

- Engage with your local community
 - Schools
 - Community events
 - Sporting groups
 - Open days







How to manage unauthorised access

✓ Consult with local police

- Response times
- Laying of charges
- Media

Review security measures

- Out-of-hours security
- Cameras
- Holiday periods







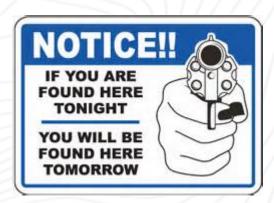
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Review policies around reporting and charging of trespassers

- Prosecution
- Incident reporting internal, HPI

✓ Erect barriers and signs

- Appropriate barriers
- Direct signs
- Follow through with threats





Fencing and barriers

• Fit for purpose – needs to preclude entry

Easy to maintain









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