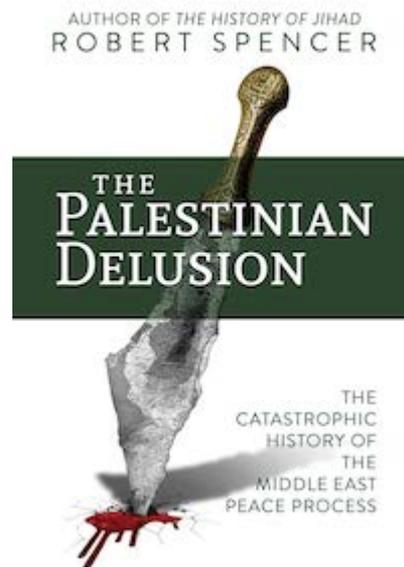


Australia: Muslim teen stabs man exiting gym, rushes at cops brandishing his knife, cops say it's not terrorism

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Yet another convert to Islam somehow gets the crazy idea that his new religion calls for violence against unbelievers. Authorities remain resolutely incurious about this recurring phenomenon.

“Radicalised teen’ shot dead by police in Willetton after stabbing,” by Heather McNeill, Hamish Hastie and Rebecca Peppiatt, [WAToday](https://www.watoday.com.au), May 5, 2024:



A “radicalised” teenage boy was shot dead by police following an “extremely confronting” incident in Perth’s southern suburbs on Saturday night.

WA Premier Roger Cook said a 16-year-old boy was shot by a police officer after rushing him with a knife in a Bunnings car park on High Street in Willetton about 10pm.

“A 16-year-old male armed with a knife who had already wounded a member of the public, rushed the attending officers, in response a police officer discharged his firearm fatally wounding the male,” he said.

“There are indications [the teenager] had been radicalised online.

“Members of the WA Muslim community who were concerned by his behaviour contacted police prior to the incident and I thank them for their help.

“Our police responded within minutes, they encountered a very confronting situation but their rapid and professional response kept our community safe.”

WA Police Commissioner Col Blanch said several people called triple zero concerned about the actions of the teenager, after he indicated he was going to hurt people.

The teen, who was a Caucasian male who had converted to Islam, also called police and told them he was going to commit acts of violence, but did not tell the phone operator who or where he was.

Three minutes after the first triple zero call from a person at the scene, three police officers arrived at the Bunnings car park and found the boy running around with a large kitchen knife. Two officers drew their Tasers, a third drew his firearm and ordered him to drop the weapon.

The teen lunged at two officers, who both deployed their Tasers, however the boy was wearing baggy clothes and was not brought down.

When he lunged at the third police officer, he was shot.

Blanch said the teen had a complex mental health history and was taking part in a rehabilitation program for people who had been radicalised online.

He had been in the program since he was 14.

“We believe he was very much acting alone. We do not believe there was a network involved,” he said.

Blanch declined to declare the event a terror incident....

A man aged in his 30s, not known to the teenager, was stabbed in the back before police arrived. It's understood the man was exiting a nearby 24-hour gym when he was attacked....

WA Police Minister Paul Papalia said the community violence extremism program the teenager was taking part in was based on a neo-Nazi program in the Netherlands and focused on de-radicalising people....

Official sources briefed on the investigation said the alleged assailant in the church stabbing was part of a loose network of teenagers who communicated on encrypted apps. The federal sources, who were authorised to publicly disclose details of the briefing, said counter-terrorism police believed some members of the group were engaging with radical Islamic material....