

A very unsafe journey

It is late Tuesday night. I have just returned home after collecting my daughter from Royal Park, Parkville. Her tram ride was cut short by an announcement that the tram was running late and the driver had been instructed to dump all passengers, with no warning, in one of the darkest parts of the park, far from main roads. This was so it could get back on schedule and attempt to address Yarra Tram's abysmal punctuality record.

This is the same park, and almost the same location, where a young woman was brutally murdered less than a year ago. Less than a kilometre away, another young woman was also murdered, after a violent sexual assault, about two years ago. Unfortunately Yarra Trams applies its policy of dumping passengers frequently. Who at Yarra Trams believes that abandoning them at such a location, after dark, is not taking this policy to an extreme?

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