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Teens arrested in gang bust

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Two teenage boys are allegedly part of an armed hold-up gang that raided two pubs and stole a dentist's luxury BMW in a highly publicised carjacking in Sydney's east, police say.

Two 17-year-old boys and a 20-year-old man were arrested by Robbery and Serious Crime Squad detectives after they searched three properties at Birrong, Ultimo and Ryde late yesterday afternoon.

Police said they found small-arms, a rifle, ammunition, cash and drugs, while a Subaru RX believed to have been used in the hotel robberies was seized in a street near the Ryde address.

On Monday night, three men armed with guns and a wrench held-up a pub at Ryde and police believe they then robbed a second pub about 10 minutes later at Woolwich, in Sydney's inner north.

The alleged gang has also been linked to a carjacking in early May, in which a Chiswick dentist was robbed of her luxury BMW convertible in a "ram-and-steal" incident in Clovelly.

The woman had been driving when three men in a red Subaru - later found to be stolen - crashed into her 2004 silver BMW convertible, stealing it after she got out to check for damage.

All of the males arrested yesterday were charged with three counts of armed robbery, aggravated car jacking and a number of weapons offences.

One of the teenagers will face Bidura Children's Court today and the 20-year-old will front Central Local Court today.

The other teenager was further charged with drug possession and two counts of using a weapon to avoid apprehension.

He will face Hornsby Children's Court later today.

Police said it is the second alleged hold-up gang the Robbery and Serious Crime Squad has broken up in the past week, following a string of armed robberies targeting hotels and eateries.

Two men and two teenagers faced court on Friday charged with offences relating to four armed robberies at restaurants and hotels earlier in the year.