



ATTACKS ON QUEER COMMUNITY PARALLEL ANTISEMITIC ATTACKS

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There has been an alarming increase in the number of anti-LGBTIQA+ attacks in recent years, often overlapping with antisemitism:

- Melbourne gay venues Laird Hotel and Eagle Leather defaced with the same white supremacist decals on the same night Jewish venues were targeted. [1]
- Fresh concrete path in Melbourne defaced with “Kill Gays” and swastikas. [2]
- Gay men targeted by violent gangs in Melbourne and other cities. [3]
- Neo-Nazis present at hardline anti-trans rally [4]
- Melbourne golf course defaced by homophobic and antisemitic graffiti [5]
- Neo-Nazis target Jewish drag queen in Melbourne [6]
- Anti-LGBTIQA+ hardliners threaten violence against Monash library and force closure of drag storytime event. [7]

Aleph Melbourne is concerned that the same ideology is being used to drive attacks on both the LGBTIQA+ and Jewish communities. Neo-Nazis and White Supremacists want to eradicate gays as much as they want to eradicate Jews.

We call on the government to treat anti-LGBTIQA+ hate as seriously as antisemitic hate. There is no room for either in Australia.

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[1] <https://qnews.com.au/gay-bar-laird-hotel-graffitied-with-homophobic-vandalism/>

[2] <https://www.ouinperth.com/alarm-as-anti-gay-messages-and-nazi-graffiti-found-in-melbourne/>

[3] <https://www.thesaturdaypaper.com.au/news/law-crime/2025/07/19/apps-used-baiting-tools-homophobic-attacks>

[4] <https://thenewdaily.com.au/news/state/vic/melbourne/2023/03/18/neonazis-trans-clash-melbourne>

[5] <https://www.starobserver.com.au/news/melbourne-golf-club-vandalised-with-anti-semitic-homophobic-graffiti/195492>

[6] <https://www.starobserver.com.au/news/national-news/victoria-news/drag-performers-are-at-the-receiving-end-of-alt-right-attacks-in-melbourne/223642>

[7] <https://www.ouinperth.com/monash-council-cancels-drag-storytime-event-following-violent-threats>

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