

Two face trial over billboards

A man sprayed a billboard advertising Tooth LA beer with the words "You can stay with BUGA UP," the Parramatta Court of Petty Sessions heard yesterday.

Neville Biffen, 30, a Telecom employee, of Marne Street, Vaucluse, was appearing in the Parramatta Court of Petty Sessions with Geoffrey Coleman, 22, unemployed, of Morgan Road, Belrose.

Both are charged with defacing posters belonging to Philip Morris Ltd and Tooth and Company Ltd in Church Street, Lidcombe, in January this year.

Both men pleaded not guilty yesterday before Mr J. Hiatt, SM. They were committed for trial at the present sitting of Parramatta District Court.

The court was told that police had apprehended Coleman while

he was on a ladder with two cans of spray paint up against a Marlboro cigarette billboard, on which were sprayed the words "Horses smell better."

After questioning, Coleman had told police that it was Biffen who had sprayed the Tooth LA billboard.

Biffen had later gone to Lidcombe police station to inquire about Coleman's arrest, and was himself arrested.

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