MACHETE ATTACK IN STRATHTULLOH LEAVES FOUR MEN HOSPITALISED, SUSPECTS ON THE RUN

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A group of machete-wielding men are on the run after attacking four people sitting in their car in Melbourne's west on Thursday evening.

Police said the assault occurred about 5.45pm on Boxing Day. A group of males, armed with edged weapons, attacked a group of four men sitting in a vehicle in Basildon Court, Strathtulloh near Melton.

The offenders fled the scene in a small white vehicle, which was last seen heading north on Basildon Court.

Police searched the area thoroughly but were unable to locate the vehicle or the suspects.

The victims were taken to hospital in a serious but stable condition.

A crime scene has been established, and the investigation remains ongoing.

Investigators said they believe the parties involved are known to each other.

The attack comes just days after an 18-year-old boy was killed in a wild knife brawl allegedly involving up to 40 people in the neighbouring suburb of Kurunjang on Friday night. A 15-year-old boy has been charged with his murder and residents are concerned about the escalating violence in the area.

Anyone who witnessed the incident, with dashcam/CCTV footage or information is urged to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

