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**EAST HANTS DISTRICT RCMP - Enfield and Rawdon Detachments**

**QUARTERLY POLICING REPORT  
FOR  
THE MUNICIPALITY OF EAST HANTS  
January 1 – March 31, 2018**

This is the final quarterly report for fiscal year 2017/2018, for the period January 1 – March 31, 2018. RCMP East Hants' focus this past fiscal was on our provincial goals of road safety; overall crime reduction, and cybercrime. On behalf of RCMP East Hants, I want to thank the citizens of East Hants for your continued support this past year.

- ❖ **Road Safety** – During the last quarter, our Road Safety priorities focused on intersection safety, distracted driving and seat belts. I am pleased to advise that East Hants RCMP had no fatal injuries. There was one serious injury collision this last quarter. Overall, there were six (6) injury related collisions and one (1) off road collision with injuries. We know that serious incident collisions have been scattered throughout East Hants, and based on our past numbers, we have been relatively stable and low in this area. This is directly attributable to increased patrols, increased target check stops and roadside driver education by members. We have also been targeting our youth with increased monitoring in school areas and through youth driver presentations.
  - For April, May and June 2018 respectively, our focus will be on aggressive driving/speeding, motorcycle safety and distracted driving. We plan on engaging our local media and the municipality's media to broadcast these events.
- ❖ **Crime Prevention and Reduction** - We continue to spend considerable time focusing our efforts on crime reduction initiatives to reduce 'Crimes Against Persons' and 'Property Crime'. Examples of 'Crimes Against Persons' include: assault, robbery, threats, harassment, etc. Examples of 'Property Crime' include: Break and Enter, thefts, damage to property, etc.
  - In 2017, East Hants had 399 Reported Crimes Against Persons and 708 reported Crimes Against Property. Although stats are captured at a particular moment in time and change frequently, we can say that we have had a minor overall reduction on both fronts when compared to last year.
  - The Conditional Sentence Offender program was completely changed this past year. A review of the administration process for tracking compliance, effective and timely offender checks and the processing of offenders found in violation of their CSO was implemented. During this period East Hants members have conducted numerous CSO checks and have charged several high risk offenders found to be in violation of their CSO. On average, RCMP East Hants have approximately ten (10) CSO's per month.
  - Our School Liaison Officer continues to be one of the most active in the province and delivered several internet safety, sexting and cybercrime presentations to parents and students this last quarter. She also continues to be engaged with our students and attends school events for drug awareness education purposes and motor vehicle/patrolling for driver education.
- ❖ For 2018/2019, our provincial priorities are:
  - Crime Prevention and Reduction which will contribute to the overall safety and security of all Nova Scotians.
  - Road Safety which will contribute to safe roads and highways in Nova Scotia.

- Mitigating cybercrime in NS.
- Connecting with Aboriginal communities by enhancing relationships.

The above-noted provincial goals will be accomplished through a variety of measures. As your police force, we would like to ensure that the provincial priorities are in line with local concerns. The Municipality is encouraged to come forward with any goals, targets and concerns that you would like to see accomplished during fiscal 2018/2019. It is important to RCMP East Hants that we address any concerns and/or complaints impacting our citizens, and that we remain engaged and involved in our community.

#### **4th QUARTER - SIGNIFICANT POLICE OCCURRENCES:**

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- The RCMP's Provincial Child Exploitation (ICE) Unit arrested a man for child pornography offences. On January 11, the RCMP's ICE Unit searched a home, assisted by the RCMP's Technological Crime Unit, Special Tactical Operations Team and East Hants District RCMP. Investigators were directed to the residence after they were contacted by Vacaville Police Department in Northern California that an elementary school student was being sexually exploited online. Matthew Tyler White, 25, was arrested at his home without incident. He has been charged with Luring a Child, Invitation to Sexual Touching and Accessing Child Pornography. He was brought before court in Shubenacadie where he was released on conditions. The matter is now before the court. *In Nova Scotia it is mandatory for citizens to report suspected child pornography. This means that anyone who encounters child pornography material or recordings must report it to the police. Failing to report suspicious activity and materials could result in penalties similar to failure to report child abuse set out in the Child and Family Services Act. The RCMP encourages citizens to be a voice for children who are victims of sexual exploitation by reporting any suspected offences to your local police or by using Canada's National tipline for reporting online sexual exploitation of children at [www.cybertip.ca](http://www.cybertip.ca).*
- Between January 19 - 24, 2018, a series of break and enters occurred in Zones 3, 4, 6 and 12. Locks were broken off metal storage containers and gates at businesses. Nothing of substance was reported missing. The investigation continues on these break and enters.
- On January 24, 2018, a suspicious house fire in Zone 14 was reported. The fire appeared to have been started in garbage at the base of the home. Statements were taken and evidence was checked by forensic services. The investigation continues.
- On January 28, 2018, three calls were received within 20 minutes of an intoxicated intruder entering homes in Zone 5. A highly intoxicated 26 year old male was arrested for mischief and released later in the day.
- East Hants had a rash of theft of/from vehicles in January 2018. On January 18, 2018, a Dodge Ram was stolen from Zone 3R. The vehicle was locked. It was parked in a driveway in front of a garage. An RCMP bulletin was sent out with negative results. On January 19, 2018, there were three reported theft from vehicles in Zone 6. All of these vehicles were unlocked and miscellaneous items were taken, loose change, tablets, etc. On January 20, 2018, a Dodge Caravan was stolen in Zone 6R. The vehicle was later recovered in Regina,

SK. On January 26, 2018, an ATV was stolen from Zone 7. All of these investigations remain active. The public is encouraged to report any suspicious activity and to lock your doors on your vehicles, residences, and garages/sheds.

- On January 30, 2018, East Hants RCMP urged motorists to drive for the winter road conditions after responding to 18 collisions in a 10 day span. Most of these collisions were deemed to be weather-related. Drivers need to adjust their driving habits in poor weather. Drivers are urged to give enough space between you and the vehicle in front; drive with headlights on; make sure your vehicle is ready with snow tires and that your windows are clear. Drivers are also asked not to use cruise control during bad weather conditions and to take extra care during icy conditions at intersections.
- On February 13, 2018, a 62 year old male reported that he was assaulted by a male who identified himself as a police officer. The male approached him in a parking lot and pushed him while he was writing down the man's license plate. Afterwards, as the vehicle was leaving, the same male opened the vehicle's door and hit the 62 year old man on the leg. The investigation is ongoing. The suspect has been identified and investigation is continueing.
- On February 16, 2018, there was a break and enter in Zone 4. The front door was open, a window was smashed, and bedroom drawers were overturned. Members attended and cleared the house. Nothing was reported as stolen. There were no witnesses and no physical evidence. Neighbourhood inquiries were made without success. Investigation is ongoing.
- On February 20, 2018, East Hants District RCMP released a sketch of a suspect in an armed robbery that occurred in Mount Uniacke. The incident (previously reported) occurred in the early hours of December 14, 2017, at a service station on Hwy. 1, when a man entered the business and asked the clerk for cigarettes. He then produced a large black knife, and asked for all of the money. Another vehicle entered the parking lot, and the clerk told the suspect to leave. He fled the store on foot and got into the passenger side of a vehicle which was parked on the side of the road. The vehicle headed in the direction of Lower Sackville. Nothing was stolen and no one was hurt. RCMP members made an immediate patrol to the area and did not locate the suspect(s). The suspect is described as a short white man in his late 20's with a thin build. He had some stubble on his face. The investigation remains ongoing. Anyone who has information about the these incidents is asked to contact East Hants District RCMP
- On February 26, 2018, a red Dodge pickup truck lost control in the southbound lanes of Hwy 102 near Lantz. It rolled and came to rest in the ditch. The male driver was out of the vehicle when police arrived on scene, however there were two female passengers who needed to be extracted from the truck. Both women, one of whom was in the front passenger seat and the other in the back seat of the truck on the passenger side, sustained serious but non-life threatening injuries. All three passengers of the vehicle were transported to hospital by ambulance. An RCMP Collision Analyst was called to examine the evidence at the scene. Highway 102 was closed in the southbound lanes between Exits 9 and 8 until approximately 10:30 p.m.

- On February 28, 2018, in Zone 4, a school bus was coming to a stop to pick up a student when it was rear ended. The driver of the vehicle and a passenger on the bus were treated for minor injuries on scene and released. There was minor damage to the bus, but the car had severe damage. Driver inattention was the cause of the accident.
- On March 3, 2018, in Zone 2R, East Hants RCMP received a 911 report of a motor vehicle collision. A lone vehicle left the roadway and rolled, landing on its roof. The vehicle lit on fire but was extinguished. The driver was taken to hospital with minor injuries. No signs of impairment.
- On March 26, 2018, East Hants RCMP received a 911 report of a Dodge pickup truck which lost control on Highway 102 and resulted in a rollover. Information reported that there were three (3) occupants trapped inside the vehicle badly injured. The occupants were extracted from the vehicle by Fire and all were transported to hospital with serious injuries. The file is still under investigation and we are awaiting receipt of information from the traffic analyst.
- On March 28, 2018, in Zone 14, a person gave a 16 year old student a cigarette which contained a firecracker. When it was lit, it blew up in the student's face. The student did not have any injuries, but did experience ear ringing. Social Media made this event seem larger than it was. Matter is concluded without charges.
- On March 28, 2018, East Hants RCMP received a complaint of a suspicious vehicle in Zone 5. There have been several complaints of vehicles that frequent the area and which branches off onto a logging road. Members made a patrol and located a parked vehicle with four teenage occupants. The smell of fresh marijuana led to the arrest of the vehicle occupants. The matter has been resolved.

#### **COMMUNITY POLICING:**

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- East Hants RCMP participated in many community events over the last quarter. Recent patrols for events include jamborees, Chase the Ace, jam sessions/dances, tournaments, etc.
- The East Hants Crime Prevention Association meets approximately every three months. The Association will re-launch the "Think of Me" campaign which was a great success last year. Campaign cards will be passed out to our schools for students to complete artwork on the cards. Once the cards are completed, they will be passed out by members at checkpoints throughout East Hants. These cards have a very positive effect on driver behavior. Preparations for Police Week in May will also begin soon with active participation and representation from East Hants District RCMP.
- "Crime Stoppers promotes the reduction of crime through community based effort to provide appropriate authorities with the information needed to lay charges against those responsible. Crime Stoppers endeavors to encourage the community to assist local law enforcement agencies in the fight against crime by overcoming two key elements that inhibit community involvement: Fear and Apathy. Crime Stoppers goal is to make our communities a safer place to live and conduct business. A person can contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (T.I.P.S.) or via the web (Submit Secure Web Tip) and relays

their information anonymously. During the call, the tipster is given a confidential number which is what they will use whenever they call to update the police coordinator's office. The onus is on the tipster to re-contact Crime Stoppers. If the case is solved by the tipster's tip, and an arrest is made and charges are laid, the tipster qualifies for a cash reward. The amount of the award is determined by Crime Stoppers volunteers". For further information regarding the program please visit: <http://crimestoppers.ns.ca/online-tips/>.

- To date, there have been 33 tips reported this year for East Hants. It cannot be confirmed that tips originated in our area, but rather it is a tip about crime(s) in our particular district.

**DETACHMENT ZONE OVERVIEW – REPORTED OCCURRENCES BY ZONE:**

<b>Zone</b>	<b>Area</b>	<b>October 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017</b>	<b>January 1, 2018 – March 31, 2018</b>
3	Everything within Elmsdale	239	148
4	Lantz	100	110
5	Enfield	174	151
6	Milford	122	92
7	Shubenacadie	109	97
12	Lower Nine Mile River, Horne Settlement, Belnan, Hardwoodlands, Renfrew	94	98
13	Admiral Rock, Rawdon, Urbania, Barr Settlement, Rines Creek, West Indian Road, North Salem, Cheese Factory Corner, East Gore, Georgefield	78	78
14	Maitland, 236 South Maitland, Noel Shore, Kennetcook, Upper Kennetcook, Highway 215 & 354, Selma, Latties Brook, Northfield, Lake Road, White Settlement, Millers Corner, Maple Grove.	64	61
2R	East Walton, Walton, Tennecape, Moose Brook, Minasville, Burntcoat, Pinnacle Hill.	23	10
3R	Stanley, Clarksville, Riverside Corner, Gore, West Gore, Rawdon Gold Mines, Centre Rawdon, Greenfield, South Rawdon	78	51
6R	Hillsvale, East Uniacke, Lakelands, South Uniacke, Mount Uniacke.	147	113
10R	101 Highway section – (Exit 3DM 289 – 278)	29	30
No zone	Other – Assistance calls to other police agencies	64	38
	<b>TOTAL CALLS</b>	<b>1321</b>	<b>1077</b>
All	Non police calls for service - Enfield and Rawdon Detachments – Criminal Record Checks, Vulnerable Sector Checks, Civil Fingerprints for employment, pardons, VISA for entry to US, etc.	340	296