



Quarterly Police Report  
Town of Mahone Bay  
July 2017

## **1. LUNENBURG DISTRICT STAFF**

- 1 Staff Sergeant
- 2 Sergeants
- 7 Corporals
- 33 Constables
- 7 Administrative Staff
- 1 Police Dog Service (Chester Office)
- Crime Analyst (Covers numerous areas including Lunenburg District)
- Senior Safety Coordinator (Jointly Managed with BPS)

## **2. LUNENBURG & QUEENS TRAFFIC SERVICES**

- Five member Provincial Unit working out of Lunenburg District (Cookville & Chester)
- Dedicated Traffic Enforcement throughout Lunenburg and Queens Counties.

## **3. LUNENBURG DISTRICT FLEET**

- (15) Patrol Cars
- (3) Patrol SUVs
- (5) Unmarked Police Vehicles
- (2) Police Boats
- (2) ATVs
- (4) Patrol Bicycles

## **4. DISTRICT FACILITIES**

- Chester Detachment
- Lilydale Detachment
- Cookville Detachment
- New Germany Community Office
- Mahone Bay Community Office

## **5. GENERAL INVESTIGATION SECTION (Lunenburg County)**

Highlights of GIS files over the last quarter include:

- GIS worked in conjunction with our SCEU members on a number of

investigations including a rash of ATV thefts and the execution of search warrants for drugs at various residences throughout the County.

- During the quarter our GIS arrested a third suspect in the Mahone Bay Pharmacy robbery.
- Our GIS member arrested and charged a male for sexual assaults he committed on two young females in Lunenburg Town between the years of 1999 and 2004.
- Our GIS member assisted patrol members on a number of occasions over the quarter by writing warrants for Break & Enters and Theft investigations. In a number of these cases, these efforts have resulted in the recovery of stolen property and charges against those believed responsible.

#### **6. SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE OFFICER (Lunenburg County)**

During this quarter Cst Rod Francis completed the following duties:

- Worked with school administration on a daily basis to improve student/staff safety.
- Conducted 42 “Cyber Crime and Bullying” presentations to school staff, parents, and students.
- Attended 6 “Hub” meetings.
- Conducted numerous interviews with children involved in sexual assault and/or child abuse files.
- Worked with Family Child Services on a weekly basis regarding suspected abuse/neglect cases.
- Continues to work on a number of child autism cases where police have been involved.
- Represented Lunenburg County District RCMP at the Royal International Tattoo.

#### **7. COMMUNITY POLICING OFFICER (Lunenburg County)**

Cst Angela MacEachern remains off duty.

. In the meantime, the following activities are be actioned by other members:

- Weekly Hybrid Hub
- Crime Stoppers
- Auxiliary Constable Coordinator
- Lunenburg Victim Services Coordinator
- Lunenburg County Community Alcohol Partnership
- Comstat

- Assisting our Senior Safety Coordinator
- Evaluate and action various community requests on demand when applicable

## 8. CALLS FOR SERVICE

Between April 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 and June 30<sup>th</sup> 2017, Lunenburg District had a total of 2,814 occurrences which included Criminal Code Investigations, Provincial Act Investigations and Assistance Investigations.

- There was an **increase** in self-generated traffic stats of 49 % this quarter compared to the same quarter last year.

## 9. SIGNIFICANT / NOTEWORTHY

Some significant files throughout the District this past quarter are noted below:

- Lunenburg District members responded to a call where a women reported that she was held against her will and sexually assaulted in the Chelsea area. Members executed a warrant and processed the crime scene utilizing our Forensic Investigation Section. An arrest was made and the investigation is continuing.
- Members identified, arrested and charged a male that was observed masturbating while watching individuals swim at the Best Western pool in Cookville. The male was released on conditions that he not attend any public areas where children are likely to be present such as pools, parks, and beaches. The same individual was subsequently arrested and charged with breaching his conditions by attending Rissers Beach.
- Through investigating numerous complaints of thefts in the **Mahone Bay** and Lunenburg Town areas, officers were able to identify a male and female who were on an inter-provincial crime spree from Ontario to Nova Scotia. The individuals had stolen 4 vehicles and were using the stolen vehicles to commit thefts from business's including liquor stores and unlocked cars. Both were arrested and charged. Police recovered stolen property including identification, credit cards, vehicles, electronics and jewelry from areas throughout Nova Scotia.
- RCMP responded to 7 ATV thefts over a three week period in Lunenburg, Kings, and Halifax Counties. Our SCEU and GIS Units took over these files and coordinated the investigations. No charges have been laid to date in these matters. Our District completed a public advisory media release advising of the issue and provided tips to prevent further thefts. Since the release, no further thefts have been reported. Additionally, police did recover one stolen ATV and returned it to its owner.

- A member stopped a vehicle in relation to a report of an impaired driver. The driver was arrested for impaired driving. Both the driver and the passenger provided fictitious names to the police, however, their real identities were determined in short order. It was further learned that the male had a parole warrant for his arrest for second degree murder. The male was returned to prison. Both individuals are facing charges in relation to this incident.
- Members located human remains off Highway 103 near Exit 11. Police used the RCMP Cadaver Dog “Doc” during the investigation. Foul play is not believed to be a factor in this incident. The Medical Examiner’s office is working on a positive identification of the remains.
- After a spree of thefts from vehicles and sheds in the Chester area, members identified suspects and arrested them. The two males are currently charged in relation to a number of these incidents. As a result of the investigation, police recovered stolen property including chainsaws and electronics.
- Lunenburg District members assisted SCEU and GIS with a three day search of a property in the Martin’s River area. Police utilized the RCMP drone, our Special Tactical Operations Unit, Police Dog Service and an excavator. Police seized a large amount of marijuana and cash along with a smaller amount of meth pills. Two individuals have been charged in this matter.
- Lunenburg District members assisted SCEU and GIS with a search warrant in Marriott’s Cove area where police seized cocaine and cash. Two individuals have been charged in this matter.
- Lunenburg District members assisted SCEU and GIS with the execution of a search warrant at a residence on the Gold River Reserve where they seized a quantity of cocaine. Police arrested and charged the resident who had just been released from prison for drug trafficking and was on parole conditions.
- Members responded to a weapons call in Cornwall and upon arrival were confronted with a very agitated male with a knife. The male was threatening to kill himself and the police officers. Members negotiated with him for over an hour before deploying the CEW which assisted in disarming the individual who was taken into custody and remanded to jail.
- During this past quarter, patrol members responded to 104 mental health distress calls.
- Members investigated 20 sudden deaths including 1 suicide this quarter. As a result of intervening in critical moments, officers were able to prevent approximately 12 suicides and assist in getting individuals the medical assistance they required.
- Sixteen individuals were charged with impaired driving by alcohol, one person was charged with impaired by drugs and sixteen drivers were issued seven day suspensions for alcohol.

- In addition to the work of the South Shore Traffic Services Unit on our roadways, Lunenburg District members issued either a ticket or a written warning in 798 vehicle stops this quarter.
- In addition to the a/n tickets, police charged 10 individuals with driving while prohibited/suspended.
- RCMP members conducted 58 check points throughout the quarter in various locations throughout the county.
- The Mobile Speed Trailer has been deployed in various areas based on calls from the public.
- Traffic enforcement operations (Distracted Driving, Move Over Legislation, Stop Signs, Crosswalks, Seatbelts) were set up throughout the quarter in various locations throughout the District including all zones, MODL, MODC, **Mahone Bay**, and Lunenburg Town.
- Visibility Patrols have increased in **Mahone Bay** and Lunenburg by having Reservist Jean-Guy Richard on bicycle patrols.
- Members are continuing with our “Crime Reduction Strategy” which specifically targets the small group of identified individuals committing a large amount of the property crime in the area. A total of 48 curfew checks were conducted this quarter.
- Members participated in Canada Day events throughout the County in Red Serge and/or attended events and conducted foot patrols to engage with the public.
- An RCMP member from Federal & Serious Organized Crime attended a community hall in Chester Basin and provided a presentation to the public on the dangers of Fentanyl. The session was very well attended by members of local fire departments, Health Services, EHS, Family and Child Services, Teachers, Mental Health and Addictions, members of the public, and municipal officials from throughout Lunenburg County.
- The District had two more members trained as boat operators this quarter and continue to conduct regular boat patrols throughout the County. This quarter also included our first ever “live tweeting event” during our patrols on the water as a way to educate boaters via social media on the various boating rules.

## 10. TOWN OF MAHONE BAY

During this quarter, Mahone Bay had a total of 60 occurrences which included Criminal Code and Provincial Act investigations.

- Police responded to a complaint of an elderly male involved in a fall from a ladder while painting at a local business. The male died as a result of his injuries and

investigators were assisted by the Medical Examiner's Office and the Department of Labour.

- Police responded to 5 separate incidents involving persons suffering from various mental health issues. In all 5 cases, the person was escorted to the South Shore Regional Hospital or IWK for further assessment and follow-up.
- Police responded to one complaint of Fraud involving a senior receiving calls from Revenue Canada demanding money. In this case, no money was provided and Lunenburg District members continue to educate the public on the proliferation of email and telephone fraud.
- Members have continued to increase visibility throughout Mahone Bay with numerous foot patrols and bike patrols with the assistance of Reservist Jean-Guy Richard.
- Members continue to assist with special events through increased enforcement and traffic control during this quarter, members assisted with the Maritime Motorcycle Touring Association in late May.

## **11. STREET CRIME ENFORCEMENT UNIT & OTHER DRUG ACTIVITIES**

SCEU's stats for the quarter are:

- **3** Drug Search Warrants executed
- **1** Criminal Code Warrant executed
- **6** Individuals Charged
- **2** Criminal Code charges laid
- **10** Drug charges laid
- Property Value Seized (Recovered): **13,386.00**
- Estimated street value of drugs seized: **232,745.00**
- Cash seized: **59,680.00**
- Firearms Seized: **8**

Respectfully submitted,

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