



**Quarterly Police Report  
Town of Mahone Bay  
July 2020  
2020/2021 Fiscal Year  
1st Quarter**

**1. LUNENBURG DISTRICT STAFF**

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

**2. SOUTHEAST TRAFFIC SERVICES**

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

**3. LUNENBURG DISTRICT FLEET**

- (15) Patrol Cars
- (3) Patrol SUVs
- (5) Unmarked Police Vehicles
- (1) Police Boat \*\*\* (New Boat delivered in June 2020)
- (1) 4 Seat UTV (Side x Side)
- (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)**

Lunenburg District GIS assisted Southwest Nova Major Crimes Unit during the initial stages of a homicide investigation in Kings District.

Lunenburg District GIS is assisting Chester Detachment with an ongoing investigation involving a theft of in excess of \$5000.00.

Lunenburg District GIS took the lead in conducting the investigation into a missing 29 year old male from Lunenburg County in June. The male was subsequently located deceased several days later. The circumstances surrounding the males death are not believed to be suspicious based on the investigation.

Lunenburg District GIS also assisted South Shore Integrated SCEU with multiple CDSA investigations where surveillance was conducted followed by targeted vehicle stops which resulted in the seizure of cocaine, methamphetamine pills and cash.

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

Cpl. SLAUNWHITE remains off duty long term due to illness. Cst. Tim LYNCH continues to fulfill the role of Acting NCO I/C of Lilydale Detachment as well as supervise the SSRO/CPVS members.

In response to the schools closing as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic and resource pressures as a result of members being off duty long term due to illness, restricted duties, work from home accommodations Cst. Ted BAILEY and Cst. LYNCH have been temporarily reassigned to supplement the General Duty Detachment Members.

It is anticipated that both will return to their substantive role in September provided schools return in some capacity.

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

Cst. Sonia UPSHAW's duties have been restricted to administrative duties throughout this quarter for medical reasons. Resources were required by "H" Division as a result of the "H" Strong investigation as well as to ensure the Division Emergency Operations Centre could fulfill it's responsibilities in response to the unfolding Covid-19 situation. As a result Cst. UPSHAW was reassigned for what is believed to be a longer term to the RCMP "H" Division Covid Team.

Cst. UPSHAW has enlisted the assistance of other members and one of the Chester Detachment Services Assistants to monitor the Victims Services Program and continues to complete security clearances for new Victim Service program volunteers.

## 8. CALLS FOR SERVICE

Between April 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 and June 30<sup>th</sup> 2020, Lunenburg District had a total of 2,526 occurrences which included Criminal Code, Controlled Drugs and Substance Act, and Provincial Act Investigations.

During the same quarter in 2019 Lunenburg District had a total of 3,316 occurrences.

A review of occurrence types shows the majority of the difference is as a result of a reduction in the number of Motor Vehicle Act occurrences attributed to the Province's and the RCMP's response to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

## 9. SIGNIFICANT / NOTEWORTHY

Some significant and noteworthy items this past quarter include the following:

- During this quarter Lunenburg District's resources were impacted as follows: Two members remain Off Duty Long Term due to illness or injury. Two Members currently have duty restrictions as a result of illness or injury. One member was off for a period of time and a second was provided a work from home accommodation due to elevated risks associated with Covid-19.
- A candidate has been identified and selected to fill the vacant Street Crime Enforcement Unit Supervisor position and is expected to arrive in September.
- A candidate has been identified and selected to fill the vacant watch supervisor position however his arrival date is not known at this time.
- We are still awaiting the replacement of an SUV that was removed from service following a collision during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter in the 2019/2020 fiscal year.
- The New Rossborough Police Vessel has been fully operational since June of this year. Multiple proactive patrols have been conducted between Chester and Lunenburg to date.
- The Senior Safety Coordinator had to modify or restrict some services in response to the Covid-19 pandemic.
- Lunenburg District members dealt with two occurrences of individuals discharging firearms unsafely and in public areas during this quarter. In each instance the suspect was identified arrested without incident. Firearms were located and seized in each instance with various firearms and weapons related charges being laid for each incident.
- There were 29 reported Break and Enters during this quarter versus 8 reported during the same quarter last year. 7 of these complaints were determined to be unfounded (No offence occurred) There were only 8 reported occurrences of thefts from Motor vehicles during this quarter which is consistent with the same quarter

the previous year.

- 11 sexual offences were reported this quarter including 3 that are still under investigation, 1 where there was insufficient evidence to proceed, 3 that were determined to be unfounded and 4 where where the suspect was identified but the victim did not wish to pursue charges.
- There were no reported occurrences of distributing intimate images without consent during this quarter.
- Members responded to 98 traffic related collisions this quarter which includes one collision related fatality this quarter which is still under investigation.
- Members investigated 17 sudden deaths which included two apparent suicides during this quarter.
- Members responded to 107 calls for service regarding individuals having a mental health crises. This was almost double the number of calls during the same quarter for the previous year.
- Police dealt with 69 incidents of possible impaired driving during this quarter. Of those investigations 15 individuals were charged with impaired driving, 16 were determined to be unfounded, 37 occurrences resulted in insufficient evidence to proceed and 1 remains under investigation. 6 of these occurrences indicated the driver was possibly impaired by a drug or combination of drugs and alcohol.
- 9 alcohol related roadside suspensions were also issued during this quarter.
- In addition to the work of the South Shore Traffic Services Unit (noted in a separate section below) Lunenburg District members issued 149 Summary Offence Tickets and 214 Written Warnings during vehicle stops this quarter.
- RCMP members conducted 42 check points throughout the quarter in various locations throughout the county. The number of checkpoints is significantly lower during this quarter as a result of the RCMP's response to the Covid-19 pandemic in limited contacts between essential service providers and the public.
- 31 Offender Management compliance checks were conducted during this quarter to ensure offenders were complying with court imposed conditions.
- As part of Lunenburg District's Road Safety Objective 6 additional members have been trained to operate the Side by Side Utility Vehicle which enhances our ability to conduct proactive patrols of the trail system. During this quarter several patrols have been made of the Trail System between Hubbards, Blockhouse and Lunenburg with a focus on impaired and dangerous driving on the trail system.
- Lunenburg District dealt with 48 Health Protection Act occurrences and 91 Quarantine Act occurrences. Members complete compliance checks on individuals under the Quarantine Act as and when required.
- As a result of the Covid-19 pandemic the RCMP has ensured Business Continuity while adhering to applicable restrictions under the Emergency Management Act and Health Protection Act. RCMP Detachments were closed to the public during this quarter.

- “H” Division RCMP’s Covid-19 Response Team continues to deal with Business Continuity issues related to Covid-19 while ensuring the health and safety of our employees within the province.

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

Cpl. Jody ALLISON was promoted to Sergeant within Halifax District and has departed Lunenburg District near the beginning of this quarter. Cpl. Derek MCALPINE will replace Cpl. ALLISON and is expected to arrive in September.

Lunenburg District SCEU worked with Bridgewater Police Service SCEU/GIS Members with executing a CDSA search warrant at a Bridgewater residence. Drug paraphernalia was seized along with four grams of cocaine and 5000.00 dollars in cash.

Lunenburg District SCEU was tasked to assist Southwest Nova District Major Crimes Unit during the preliminary investigation into a homicide that occurred in Kings District.

Lunenburg District SCEU assisted with an aggravated assault file were a male received serious but non life threatening injuries after being stabbed with a pitch fork. A male was arrested and charged as a result.

Lunenburg District SCEU assisted Detachment members with writing several judicial authorizations to further an investigation into a fatal motor vehicle collision where impairment may have been a factor.

SCEU’s stats for the quarter are:

- **2** Criminal Code Warrants Executed
- **2** Search Warrants Executed – Other Statutes
- **3** Targeted Vehicle Stops/Search Executed
- **4** Individuals Charged
- **6** Criminal Code charges Laid
- **8** Drug charges Laid
- **\$1,000.00** Value Of Property Seized/Recovered

- **\$1,200.00** Value of Drugs Seized
- **\$13,000.00** Value of Offence Related Cash Seized

## **11. DEDICATED TRAFFIC SERVICES STATS**

These below statistics are in addition to the “Road Safety” work conducted by Lunenburg County District members.

- **219** SOTS
- **39** Written Warnings
- **16** Checkpoints
- **0** Impaired Drivers
- **1** Roadside Suspensions

## **12. TOWN OF MAHONE BAY**

- Speed sign data continues to be used to identify problematic areas and determine the appropriate deployment of resources by the RCMP.
- Lunenburg District Members responded to 2 false 911 calls at locations in Mahone Bay.
- 4 Assaults were reported in Mahone Bay during this quarter. One resulted in charges being laid, one was unfounded and the remaining victims did not wish to pursue charges.
- An adult male was charged with assault with a weapon, assault and weapons related offences following a domestic violence incident.
- 1 Checkpoint was completed in Mahone Bay during this quarter.
- There were 4 Impaired Driving occurrences during this quarter. Two were determined to be unfounded and the vehicle or driver were unable to be located in the other two instances.
- There were three reported occurrences related to Off Road Vehicles in Mahone Bay during this quarter. In one instance the operator was identified and issued a written warning under the Off Highway Vehicle Act.
- There were 4 reported Break & Enters reported in Mahone Bay, two of those were investigated and it was determined that no offence occurred.
- Southeast Traffic Services issued summary offence tickets for 8 occupant restraint or seatbelt violations during targeted enforcement initiatives.
- Multiple foot patrols and bicycle patrols have been conducted by Reservist RICHARD and several proactive patrols have been made into Mahone Bay in the new police vessel.
- Several patrols have been made using the side x side vehicle on the trail system in and

around Mahone Bay in response to concerns raised related to the operation of ATV's and dirtbikes in the community.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Mahone Bay**  
**Statistics and Crime Rates**  
**April 1st to June 30th**  
*(Includes Occurrences taken by Call Back Unit)*

Protected "A"

Type of Crime & Occurrence Type	2020	2019	Change Between Latest & Previous Year
Offences Related to Death	0	0	0
Sexual Offences	0	0	0
Assaults	5	2	3
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0
Extortion / Intimidation	0	0	0
Criminal Harassment	1	0	1
Indecent   Harassing Comm.	1	1	0
Uttering Threats	1	0	1
Arson	0	0	0
Break and Enter	4	1	3
Unlawfully in a Dwelling House	2	0	2
Theft Over	1	0	1
Theft of Motor Vehicle	0	0	0
Theft of Other MV / Motorcycle	0	0	0
Take MV w/o Consent	0	0	0
Theft Under	2	3	-1
Shoplifting	0	1	-1
Theft (mail, bicycle, et al)	0	0	0
Theft from Motor Vehicle	1	0	1
Possession of Stolen Goods	0	0	0
Fraud	4	1	3
Identity Theft	0	0	0
Mischief Damage to Property	1	2	-1
Mischief Interfere with Enjoyment	3	0	3
Possession	0	0	0
Trafficking	1	0	1
Import/Export	0	0	0
Production	0	0	0
Cannabis Act	0	1	-1



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Dangerous Op of MV	0	1	-1
Impaired by Alcohol	4	0	4
Impaired by Drug	0	0	0
Failure/Refusal	0	0	0
Driving while Disqualified	3	0	3
Fail to Stop or Remain	0	1	-1
Seatbelt Violation	8	4	4
Intersection Violation	5	0	5
Speeding Violation	1	6	-5
Insurance Violation	1	2	-1
Road Side Suspension (Alcohol)	1	0	1
Road Side Suspension (Drug)	0	0	0
Collision - Fatal	0	0	0
Collision - Non - Fatal Injury	0	1	-1
Collision - Reportable	3	6	-3
Collision - Non Reportable	1	1	0
Off-Road Vehicle Act	3	0	3
Municipal By-laws	2	0	2
Parking Offences - Provincial	1	0	1
Other Traffic Offence/Violation	5	30	-25
Other Traffic Related Duties	0	1	-1
Checkstop	1	11	-10
911 Call/False Alarm	5	9	-4
Coroners Act	1	1	0
Breach of Court Order	1	1	0
Liquor Act	1	0	1
Involuntary Psychiatric Treatment Act	2	0	2
Missing Person	0	1	-1
Municipal Bylaw - Other	0	1	-1
Other	17	6	11
Suspicious P V P	2	2	0
Trespass At Night	0	1	-1
Crime Prevention	1	7	-6
Health Protection Act/Quarantine Act	6	0	6
<b>Total Occurrences*</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>-6</b>

*\*Includes Unfounded and Unsubstantiated Occurrences*