

# FROM THE CRUISER

## GUYSBOROUGH COUNTY DISTRICT RCMP-GRC

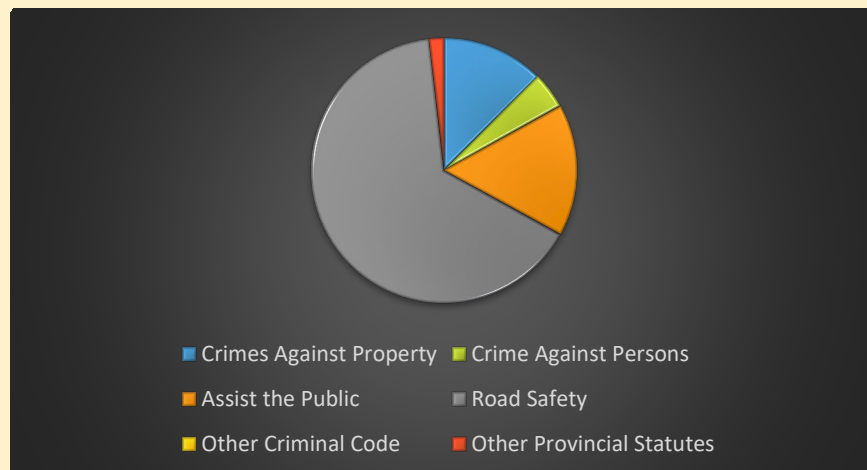
August 2024



Giants Lake

### The Month in Review

Guysborough County District RCMP responded to 116 calls for service during the month of August, 2024. Below is a chart showing the nature of those calls:



***\*Some calls of a sensitive nature are not included in the above chart***

## News Stories

On August 8<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM, Guysborough District RCMP received a complaint of a missing person from Little Dover. The fifty-year-old man was last seen leaving the area in a boat two days prior. Guysborough RCMP, in partnership with the Marine Security Operations Centre (MSOC), Coast Guard, and Ground Search & Rescue, initiated a search for the man. His vessel was located on the evening of August 8<sup>th</sup>. The man was located deceased the following morning on a local island. Foul play is not suspected. Our thoughts are with the family.



**MSOC vessel that assisted in the search**

Guysborough District RCMP responded to a complaint of suspicious activity on Crown land in Cameron Settlement during the month. Upon arrival officers located drug paraphernalia and unsecure firearms. RCMP is working with DNR on this investigation. Firearms have been seized. Anyone with information can contact Crime Stoppers at [www.crimestoppers.ns.ca](http://www.crimestoppers.ns.ca) or calling 1-800-222-8477, or by using the P3 mobile app.



## Crime Prevention

As our children return to school, have conversations with them about who they are hanging out with at school, & who they are talking to online. Re-enforce what healthy friendships and relationships look like. Is anyone pressuring them to do something that makes them uncomfortable? Have they sent a photo to someone and now regret it? There are websites that can help navigate difficult conversations.

[NeedHelpNow.ca](http://NeedHelpNow.ca)

[Cybertip.ca](http://Cybertip.ca)



As the weather changes seasonal residences start getting used less frequently, the RCMP would like to remind cottage owners of the following safety tips for keeping thieves away from your property over the winter months:

- Keep properties well lit even when you aren't there; Install motion lights;
- Check on the property regularly or ask someone that lives close by to do so;
- Remove valuables, and take inventory of what is left behind, take photos;
- Secure windows and doors;
- Security cameras can assist in identifying anyone that should not be on the property.

## Safe Roadways

On August 2<sup>nd</sup> Guysborough District RCMP responded to a vehicle in the ditch on Highway 316 near Larry's River. RCMP, Fire and EHS arrived on scene and located a male in the driver's seat sleeping. RCMP read the roadside demand for a breath sample, and later arrested the driver for failing to provide a breath sample and issued a 90-day driving suspension. The driver will appear in Antigonish Provincial Court on September 11, 2024 at 9:30 AM to enter a plea.

On August 29<sup>th</sup>, just before 3 AM Guysborough District RCMP were called to the scene of a single vehicle crash in Queensport. Upon arrival, officers located an 18-year-old man in the pickup truck with minor injuries. The male was transported to hospital for medical care. RCMP read the man the alcohol screening blood demand as part of their investigation. This investigation is continuing.

There have been multiple complaints regarding speeding vehicles throughout the District, as well of breaking which is causing marks on the pavement in communities, and at times, loss of control of these vehicles on the road, making it dangerous for motorists. Stunting is an offence under subsection 163(1) the Motor Vehicle Act of Nova Scotia. The definition of a "stunt" is as follows:



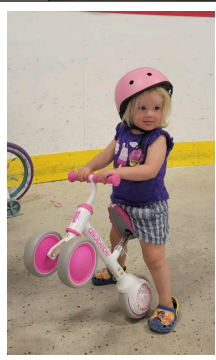
- a. Attempting to lift all or some of a vehicle's tires from the surface of the highway, other than when using left axles on a commercial motor vehicle;
- b. Attempting to spin or circle a vehicle without maintaining control of the vehicle;
- c. Driving on the portion of the highway designated for use by oncoming traffic for longer than necessary to overtake 1 or more other vehicles;
- d. Driving with a person in the trunk of the vehicle;
- e. Driving from a position in a vehicle other than the designated driver's seat;
- f. Driving 50 km/hr or more above the lawful rate of speed;
- g. Driving without due care or attention, reasonable consideration for others on the highway or in a manner that may endanger other persons, including any of the following:
  - (i) Driving in a manner that indicates an intention to prevent another vehicle from passing safely,
  - (ii) Stopping or slowing in a manner that indicates an intention to interfere with the movement of another vehicle;
  - (iii) Driving as close as possible to another vehicle, pedestrian or fixed object,
  - (iv) Making a left turn at an intersection controlled by traffic control signals immediately after the signal facing the vehicle changes to solid green and before a vehicle that was stopped facing a red light in the opposite direction is able to proceed straight through the intersection.

If you witness someone "stunting", call the police. If you can provide any of the following information, it is helpful to investigators:

- Vehicle description; Color, make, model, identifying features;
- The license plate;
- Identity or description of driver or occupants;
- Video or photographs for evidence.

## In Our Community

RCMP Members and Detachment Assistants hosted the 24<sup>th</sup> annual Bike & Scooter Rodeo at the Canso Arena on August 14th in memory of Kaila Feltmate. 25 children took part in the Rodeo, learning road safety while navigating courses to practice control, steering, emergency stopping, hand signals, looking both ways & helmet fitting. Each child received a certificate of completion. Pictured are DA Melissa Richards (Canso Det), DA Denise Wood (Guysborough Det), Cst. Tammy Hudak, Cst. Antony Fink, Sgt. Natasha Farrell.



**Cst. Veinot attended the parade in Whitehead**

Cst. Fink attended the Route 16 Thunder Rally in support of Canso Minor Hockey & Figure Skating



Cst. Fink attended the Erinville Come Home Days beanbag tournament.

Cst. Fink attended the Seaman's Memorial Service in Canso, laying wreath on behalf of the RCMP



**Cst. Veinot attended the Regatta Softball tournament.**



Cst. Fidler & Cst. Veinot made patrols through Larry's River & Port Felix during the Bike Race

Cpl. Michon and Cst. Fidler attended St. Mary's River Days Cardboard Boat Race at Sherbrooke Village.



**Cst. Veinot lead the Canso Regatta Parade**



## Did You Know.....

### Nova Scotia's RCMP goes beyond the officers you see in your community each day



The Marine Operations Security Centres consist of partnerships between federal agencies that support a national response to perceived and real marine security threats to the country. The agencies that comprise the MSOCs are:

- 1) Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA)
- 2) Canadian Coast Guard (CCG)
- 3) Department of National Defence (DND)
- 4) Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)
- 5) Transport Canada (TC)

There are 3 MSOC Centres – Halifax (East), Niagara (Great Lakes/St. Lawrence Seaway), and Esquimalt (West) - each Centre co-locates the staff of their respective government agencies to work together and share intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance in support of Marine Domain Awareness. The area covered by MSOC-East

includes all of the Atlantic and Arctic Oceans, and the RCMP is the only MSOC partner that has a combined law enforcement and national security mandate.

#### Coastal/Airport Watch/Border Integrity

The RCMP team based in Halifax has two 9m Rigid Hull Inflatable Boats that conduct coastal patrols throughout Nova Scotia with a focus on gathering intelligence, and has taken on the roles and activities including those of National Ports Enforcement, Border Integrity, Coastal Watch and Shiprider. The team also develops intelligence through Airport Watch pertaining to the use of aircraft and landing sites to facilitate smuggling of people and contraband.

#### Shiprider

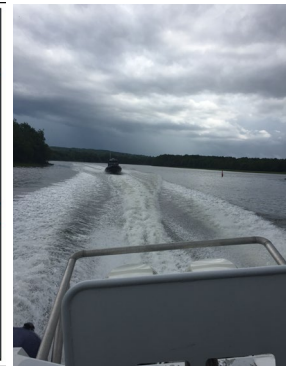
MSOC-E RCMP members are part of a unique Canadian/US cross-border law enforcement program known as Shiprider. The program involves the use of law enforcement vessels and planes that are jointly crewed by specially trained and designated Canadian and U.S law enforcement officers. These officers are authorized to enforce the law on both sides of the international boundary line. Working together, armed Canadian and U.S law enforcement officers are able to transit back and forth across the border to help secure it from threats to national security, as well as prevent cross-border smuggling and trafficki



MSOC Watch Floor



Coverage area of each MSOC



MSOC vessels on Pictou waters