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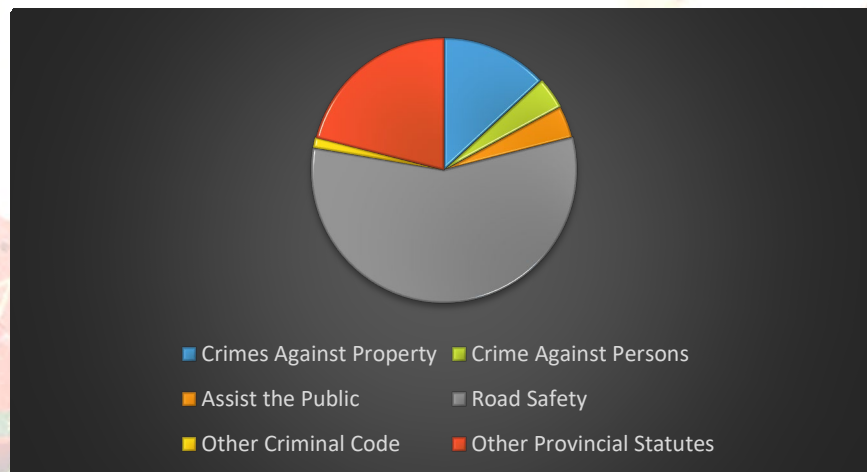
December 2024



Halfway Cove

The Month in Review

Guysborough County District RCMP responded to 81 calls for service during the month of December, 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 December 29th, RCMP responded to a theft of a 1999 Honda 300 4 Trax from Upper Glencoe that is believed to have occurred sometime in the last two months. A photo of a similar model is pictured below. If you know the whereabouts of this off-highway vehicle, please contact Guysborough District RCMP at 902-533-3801 or Crime Stoppers at www.crimestoppers.ns.ca or by calling 1-800-222-8477, or by using the P3 mobile app.



Cst. Nathan Sparks retired from the RCMP this month. Cst. Sparks spent 14 years of his career in Guysborough District. He was well known for his community involvement and work with youth. We will miss Nathan dearly and wish him well on his next chapter.



Crime Prevention

Thinking about a New Year resolution? Why not prioritize your safety? May we suggest:

1. Start the New Year with strong passwords for all of your online accounts;
2. Check your online digital presence by deactivating or deleting any accounts you no longer use. Check the privacy settings on the ones you keep and refrain from sharing personal information whenever possible;
3. Think before you click. A small act, like pausing to think before you click, can make all the difference. Scammers love to use enticing links and attachments or rush you into quick decisions to defraud you or steal your information;



4. Lock your doors on your house, garage, shed and vehicles! Criminals look for opportunities, don't make it easy for them;
5. Never leave valuables visible in your vehicle;
6. Invest in security cameras for around your property or seasonal residences.

Safe Roadways

On December 2nd a Guysborough District RCMP member was on patrol in Peas Brook when he noticed a vehicle travelling 150 km/hr in an 80 zone, passing two vehicles. RCMP activated emergency equipment but the driver failed to stop. Further investigation into the offence led police to a youth driver. The driver was charged with the following:

Section 163 of the Motor Vehicle Act; Operating a motor vehicle on a highway in a race, contest, or performing a stunt and fined \$2422.50,

Section 83 of the Motor Vehicle Act; Failing to obey a Peace Officer by not pulling over when directed to do so and fined \$237.50;

Section 100 of the Motor Vehicle Act; Failing to drive or operate a motor vehicle in a careful and prudent manner.

The driver was also issued a 24-hour driving suspension.

Guysborough District RCMP are committed to road safety on Guysborough Country roads and will not tolerate anyone who endangers the safety of other motorists on the roadway. If you witness someone driving in an unsafe manner, call the police.



Nation Impaired Driving Enforcement Day was December 7th. Guysborough District RCMP were on the road completing check stops and stopping vehicles. During the check stops, a total of 37 cars were stopped. Seven warnings were issued to drivers. We are happy to report, no impaired drivers were found on Guysborough County roads on this date.

Throughout Nova Scotia, RCMP officers spoke with 3,886 drivers at 87 checkpoints on this date with the majority of motorists enjoying the holiday season in a safe and responsible manner.



**Driving Impaired
Has Consequences**

STAY SAFE DRIVE SOBER



On December 29th Guysborough District RCMP stopped a vehicle in Guysborough Town. The officer arrested a male driver for impaired operation and brought him back to the detachment to provide a sample of his breath which confirmed that the motorist was over the legal limit. The 67-year-old was released on an Appearance Notice to attend Antigonish Provincial Court on February 12th and was also issued a 90-day driving suspension.

In Our Community



Pictured: Cpl. Jeff Brooks, Detachment Services Assistants Melissa Richards & Denise Wood, Cst. Garfield Levy, Gary Connolly & Cst. Tammy Hudak
Guysborough District RCMP employees hosted three Cram-a-Cruiser events for local food pantries this month in Canso, Guysborough & Sherbrooke. Three truckloads of groceries were collected, as well as \$1000 to help the food banks stock their shelves. Thank you to everyone who donated to these events!



Pictured:

Cpl. D'Arcy Doucette,
Cst. Andrew Fidler,
Detachment Assistant,
Jody MacDonald



Cst. Hudak stopped by the Fanning Education Centre Canso Academy to visit grade 9 students who were holding a bake sale in support of the hospital.



CST. ANTONY FINK COLLECTED TREAT DONATIONS FROM COWORKERS TO FILL RESIDENT'S STOCKINGS AT MILFORD HAVEN.



Cst. Andrew Veinot added some holiday fun to Canso detachment.



On December 18th Cpl. Jeff Brooks and Cpl. Erin Dillon presented Deacon Catherine Hartling and Councillor Mary Desmond with a Letter of Appreciation from the Commanding Officer of the Nova Scotia RCMP; Assistant Commissioner Dennis Daley.

Both Hartling and Desmond were instrumental in the RCMP's apology to African Nova Scotia communities and all persons of African descent that was given in September 2024.



Sherbrooke Members served students breakfast on their last day of school prior to their December break. Pictured are: Cpl. D'Arcy Doucette, DA Jody MacDonald, Cst. Andrew Fidler, & Sgt. Natasha Farrell



The Sherbrooke Office sponsored a family this Christmas through the Lions Club. The crew stopped by the Lions Club to see if they needed any help with this great initiative. When they say "it takes a village", we're pretty sure they're talking about Sherbrooke

Fanning Education Centre/Canso...
Fanning Canso · 37m · 📷

It's a good thing her radar malfunctioned this morning or a good number of you would have been getting tickets for Christmas. 😄 Thank you to Cpl Jeff Brooks for being such a good sport and bringing smiles to our student's faces this morning.



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Canso RCMP were kept busy with a mischievous elf at the Fanning Education Centre. Cpl. Brooks decided to put the Elf's energy to something productive & asked her to run the radar (ok, it was a hairdryer) in the school zone to slow drivers down.

From all of us at Guysborough County District RCMP, have a safe and joyous holiday season.

If you need us, call us, we will answer;
24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

