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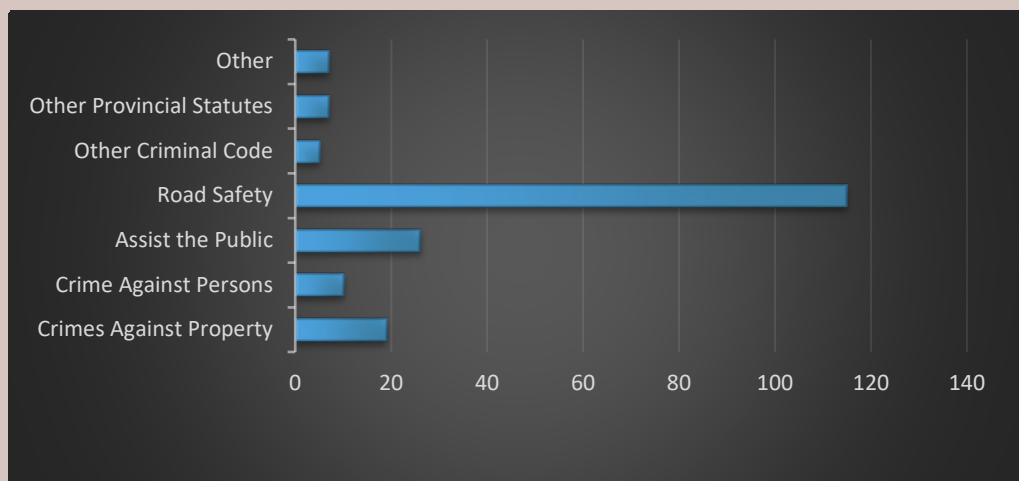
July 2025



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## The Month in Review

Guysborough County District RCMP responded to 178 calls for service during the month of July 2025. 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

**Four additional trail sites have been added to roads in Guysborough County that can now be used for Off Highway Vehicles, effective July 1, 2025.** These streets/roads have been identified as the following:

- Prince Street & Church Street, Guysborough Town
- Larry's River Road, Isaacs Harbour
- Sonora Road & Route 211, Port Hilford
- Old Hill Road, Sherbrooke.

These areas are in addition to the previous piloted area that was approved in Sherbrooke in 2022.

For a full list and maps of the areas you can access via ATV's and OHV's in the province of Nova Scotia, please visit All Terrain Vehicle Association Nova Scotia - Approved Road Trails at [www.atvans.wildapricot.org](http://www.atvans.wildapricot.org) or [www.novascotia.ca/road-trails-act-overview](http://www.novascotia.ca/road-trails-act-overview)

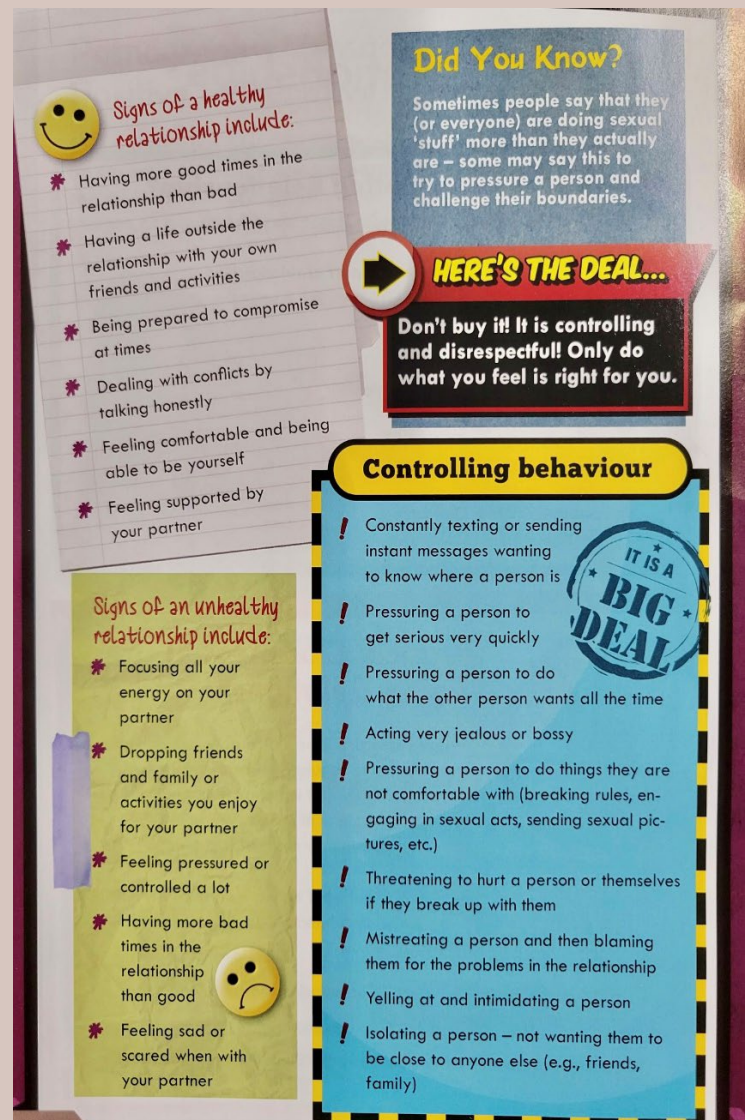
**With the addition of these new access areas, it is important for users to follow the following laws:**

- When operating in designated areas OHV can travel at no more than 25 km/h
- OHV's are only permitted to travel in designated areas from 30 min prior to sunrise to 30 min past dusk
- OHV can be driven on the shoulder of the designated highway only in the same direction as traffic
- If making a left-hand turn, OHV can move to the lane when safe to do so to make the turn
- OHV must ride in a single line & are not permitted to pass
- Operation with a passenger younger than 9 years old is prohibited in designated areas unless the OHV is designed by original equipment to carry a driver & passenger.

## Crime Prevention

Healthy relationships are important no matter what age you are. During the summer months, is a great time for adults to discuss relationships with their teens and young adults to help identify signs of controlling behaviour and discuss what a healthy relationship vs. unhealthy relationship looks like.

Guysborough RCMP has books available for youth that discuss consent and relationship "red flags". If you would like one, stop by and ask one of our officers or Detachment Assistants for a copy.



**Did You Know?**  
Sometimes people say that they (or everyone) are doing sexual 'stuff' more than they actually are – some may say this to try to pressure a person and challenge their boundaries.

**HERE'S THE DEAL...**  
**Don't buy it! It is controlling and disrespectful! Only do what you feel is right for you.**

**Signs of a healthy relationship include:**

- \* Having more good times in the relationship than bad
- \* Having a life outside the relationship with your own friends and activities
- \* Being prepared to compromise at times
- \* Dealing with conflicts by talking honestly
- \* Feeling comfortable and being able to be yourself
- \* Feeling supported by your partner

**Signs of an unhealthy relationship include:**

- \* Focusing all your energy on your partner
- \* Dropping friends and family or activities you enjoy for your partner
- \* Feeling pressured or controlled a lot
- \* Having more bad times in the relationship than good
- \* Feeling sad or scared when with your partner

**Controlling behaviour**

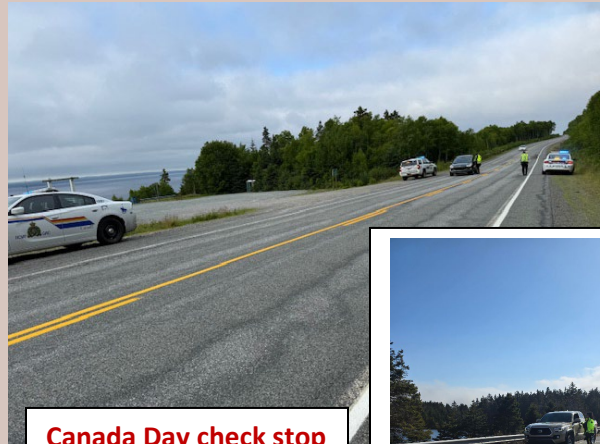
- ! Constantly texting or sending instant messages wanting to know where a person is
- ! Pressuring a person to get serious very quickly
- ! Pressuring a person to do what the other person wants all the time
- ! Acting very jealous or bossy
- ! Pressuring a person to do things they are not comfortable with (breaking rules, engaging in sexual acts, sending sexual pictures, etc.)
- ! Threatening to hurt a person or themselves if they break up with them
- ! Mistreating a person and then blaming them for the problems in the relationship
- ! Yelling at and intimidating a person
- ! Isolating a person – not wanting them to be close to anyone else (e.g., friends, family)

**IT IS A BIG DEAL**

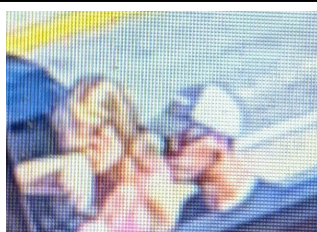
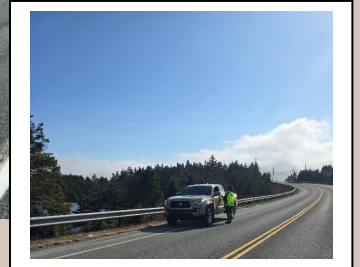
## Road Safety

Guysborough District RCMP conducted fifteen check stops in the County in July.

Some charges laid this month were driving an unregistered motor vehicle, displaying a license plate for the wrong vehicle, driving while a license to drive was suspended, failing to have a vehicle inspected, and exceeding the posted speed limit.



Canada Day check stop



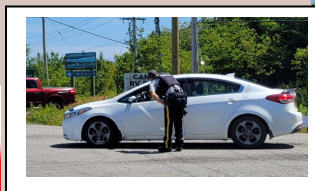
**Guysborough District RCMP wants to speak to the couple pictured. They were on Main Street Guysborough on July 9<sup>th</sup>, around 3 PM & fled the area quickly upon police activating their emergency lights.**

**If you recognize one, or both people, please contact Guysborough RCMP at 902-533-3801 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), [www.crimestoppers.ns.ca](http://www.crimestoppers.ns.ca), or by using the P3 app.**

On July 24<sup>th</sup>, Guysborough District RCMP teamed up with the Guysborough Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) for their annual check stop on Highway 16. The team was promoting sober driving during the busy events season in Guysborough County. The group of volunteers were asking motorists to “tie one on”, referring to their MADD red ribbons, to help spread the word about planning a safe drive home and never getting behind the wheel after consuming drugs or alcohol. The MADD volunteers handed out 250 goodie bags to motorists that went through their check point & all motorists seems supportive of their message.



**Pictured: Cpl. Kavanaugh, Cst. Pelly, Rev. Heather Manuel, Denise Wood, Cst. Jordan Bruce, Heather Toole**

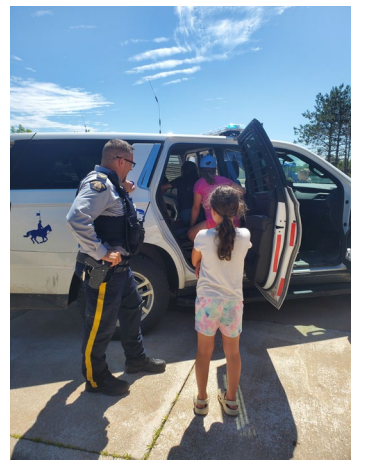


# In Our Community

**Cpl. Doucette & Cst. Fidler attended the Goshen Parade**



**Cst. Noah Nudo & Detachment Assistant Melissa Richards attended the Canso area festivities**



**Cpl. Doucette attended a Sherbrooke day camp to answer questions and give a tour of his police cruiser. There were a lot of questions & he got an invite to come back in August.**



**Cst. Hudak & Cst. Fink attended the Sunnyville parade & found a few future Mounties in the crowd that were given an official police hat to wear.**



**Cst. Thordarson stopped by the Smokey Hollow Kids Day in Country Harbour**



**RCMP were testing a new mode of transportation while on patrol at the Stan Rogers Folk Festival**



**Guysborough District RCMP recognized youth in the community being good citizens during the month & rewarded them with a coupon for a treat as part of the 'positive ticket' campaign.**



# DID YOU KNOW?

## OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE ACT & REGULATIONS

Have different rules for various age groups.

Ensure you are following the law!

CHILDREN 13 & UNDER	14 – 15 YEARS OLD	16 YEARS & OLDER
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make sure your parent or guardian can see you while you are riding.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allowed to drive anywhere your parent or guardian is allowed to ride as long as they can see you.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must complete the appropriate safety training program.</li> <li>Two ways to get your safety training certificate:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pass a safety training course;</li> <li>Pass a safety training test.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must be able to show proof that both you and your parent or guardian have both passed the approved training course for your OHV.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must be able to show proof that both you and your parent or guardian have both passed the approved training course for your OHV.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must not let anyone under 16 drive the OHV.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must wear personal safety gear.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must wear personal safety gear.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must have a valid Drivers License</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Can drive on a closed course, or outside a closed course <b>when supervised by your instructor during safety training.</b></li> </ul>		

### Exceptions for experienced riders:

You do **NOT** have to take a safety training course or pass a safety training test if.....

- ✓ You were born before April 1, 1987 **AND**
- ✓ You bought your OHV before April 1, 2006 **AND**
- ✓ You registered your OHV before September 30, 2007 **AND**
- ✓ You have a valid driver's license **AND**
- ✓ You are **NOT** a parent or guardian supervising a child or youth.

**NOTE:** If you violate the act or lose your driver's license, you will need to take the training.

Always check with property owners before entering their property & drive slowly and respectfully through communities.