

WEST HANTS REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
Police Advisory Board Meeting Agenda amended
April 24, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.
Sanford Council Chambers, 76 Morison Drive, Windsor, NS
(also Facebook livestreamed)

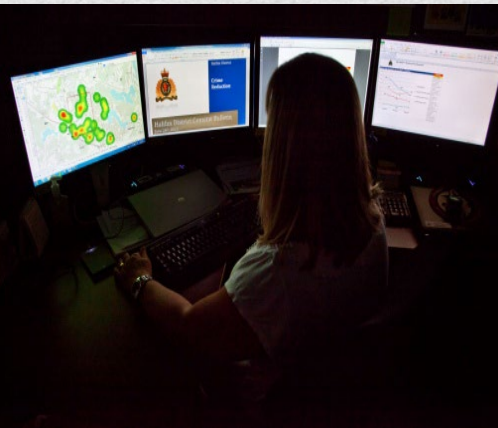
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1. Call to Order
2. Attendance
3. Announcements
4. Approval of the Agenda
5. Declaration(s) of Conflict of Interest
6. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – January 09, 2023
7. Presentations
 - (a) Barb Coleman, Division Criminal Intelligence Analysts (DCAS) (attached)
8. Business Arising from the Minutes / Old Business
 - (a) Noise and Community Standards By-law Update – S. Thornton (verbal)
 - (b) RCMP Retroactive Pay Update – CAO Phillips (~~verbal~~)
 - a. 2023-04-24 NSFM Correspondence – Contract Policing and Retroactive Pay Amounts for RCMP Officers
 - (c) Ministerial Appointee role with Dept of Justice (verbal)
9. Reports
 - (a) West Hants Quarterly Report 2022-2023 Q4
10. New Business (all verbal discussion)
 - (a) Security Cameras within communities
11. Correspondence
 - (a) 2023 External Stakeholder Update re. Body-Worn Cameras Testing
12. Next Meeting Date / Adjournment (Quarterly: Jan-Apr-Jul-Oct, and typically the 3rd Monday) – July 17, 2023



H Division Criminal Analysis Section





Please....

NO

Cellphones

Videotaping

Posting on social media

- Introductions
- What we do
- Who we are
- How we contribute to crime reduction
- Benefits
- Q & A

Agenda

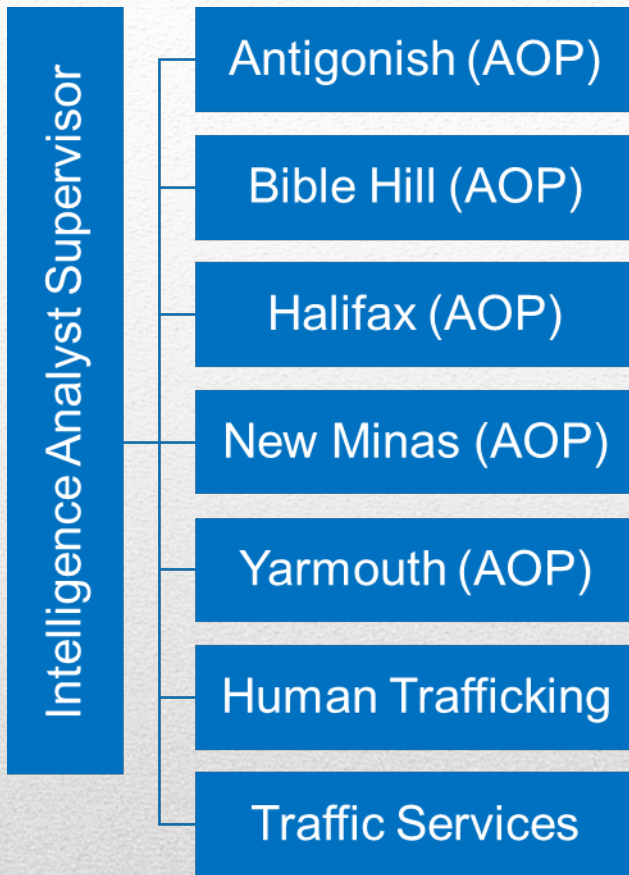
An intelligence analyst uses logic and critical thinking on complex issues or questions involving incomplete, ambiguous data in order to provide actionable intelligence to decision makers that is sufficient to withstand scrutiny in court.



Intelligence Analysis

- 21 Intelligence Analysts
 - Three teams - one provincial and two federal
- Mandate: Provide actionable intelligence to decision makers
- Analysis is done to support strategy, operations and front line investigations

H Division Criminal Analysis Section (HDCAS)



- District/Detachment Management and frontline
- Advance investigations, operations, or initiatives
- Identify repeat offenders, drains on policing resources, and crime trends/patterns/problems

H DCAS – Provincial Team

- DCAS Suite
- Federal Mandates
- Development Hub
- Cannabis portfolio
- Firearms portfolio
- Strategic analysis to decision makers or tactical analysis to specialized units

H DCAS – Federal Team B

- Federal Mandates
- Directed source development
- Lead generation

H DCAS – Federal Team C

- To provide actionable intelligence to decision makers to assist in the planning and prioritization of work to meet operational requirements and to utilize resources as effectively and efficiently as possible.
 - Identify emerging trends in criminal activity to guide actions that will control, reduce or prevent crime
 - Inform investigative teams how to best achieve tactical objectives
 - High level overviews of emerging crime trends and threats for situational awareness and to support government policy, strategy development and priority setting

DCAS Mandate



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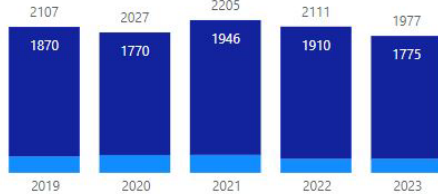
MONTHLY DISTRICT/DETACHMENT AREA STATISTICS MARCH 2023
DATA CURRENT TO 2023-03-31

H DIVISION

Kings

Reported Occurrences YTD (Excluding Traffic)

● Unfounded Occurrences ● Founded Occurrences

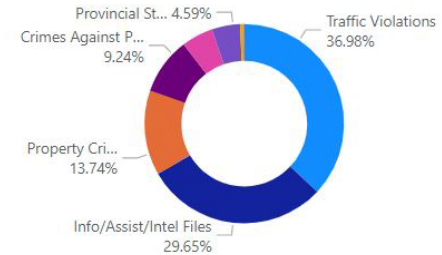


Reported Occurrences (Excluding Traffic)

Year ● 2019 ● 2020 ● 2021 ● 2022 ● 2023



2023 Reported Occurrence Composition



Numbers Above - All Reported Occurrences
Numbers Below - Exclude Unfounded Occurrences

Crimes Against Persons	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Assault	97	96	63	85	84
Extortion / Harassment / Threats	55	57	73	75	106
Kidnapping / Hostage / Abduction		1		1	
Offences Related to Death	1	1		3	4
Robbery	1	1		2	
Sex Offences	28	17	20	18	27

Property Crimes	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Arson	3	3	2	4	2
Break and Enter	42	29	18	21	27
Fraud	156	153	102	106	84
Mischief	79	69	89	105	112
Possess Stolen Goods	3	2	3		8
Theft of MV	2	6	8	8	4
Theft of Other MV	2	2	6	6	5
Theft Over \$5000	2	1	1	3	2
Theft under \$5000	116	106	96	119	126

Non Criminal Occurrences	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
911 Call	4	10	18	13	16
Assistance to General Public	61	57	45	59	2
Mental Health	199	112	116	144	180
Missing Person	86	38	109	134	81
Offender Management	28	23	12	2	2
Suspicious PI/VIP	64	69	82	71	83
Wellbeing Check	40	77	96	87	90

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Monthly Statistics

- Operational forum where decisions are made and people are held accountable
- Collaborative effort
- Non-confrontational
- Proactive vs Reactive
- Evidence-based



Comstat (Halifax)

File# 2021-55555 Catalytic Converter Theft Series

File: 2021-1234 HIGHWAY 3, CHESTER
Occurred: March 18 to 21
Catalytic converter stolen from Ford Super Duty Truck

Activity on PE1 Associated to Reported Theft

Jack BANDIT conducts internet queries for BC34 5K282 AA (the emission label found on a Ford F350 catalytic converter).
2021-03-19 at 03:04

Jessica LNU asks Jack BANDIT how he is making out. BANDIT replies "Jimmy SLIM and I almost home".
2021-03-19 at 05:30

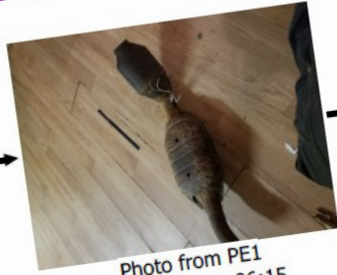


Photo from PE1
2021-03-19 at 06:15
GPS 44.654321, -64.123456
Residence of Jimmy SLIM



Photo from PE1
2021-03-19 at 07:08
GPS 45.123456, -64.654321
Residence of Bill CROWBAR



Photo from PE1
2021-03-19 at 05:30
GPS: 44.123456, -64.654321
Highway 14 between Chester and Windsor

Analyst Note: Evidence found on PE1 indicates BANDIT was responsible for 15 additional catalytic converter thefts in Colchester (1), Kings (2), Lunenburg (4), and West Hants (8). Photos, communications, internet queries, and GPS coordinates indicates:
- BANDIT, Jim SLIM and Bill CROWBAR are working together
- Stolen goods are being stored at CROWBAR's residence and BANDIT's shed
- they are using SLIM's truck (blue Ford F150, NSP: AVA-555) to travel between locations

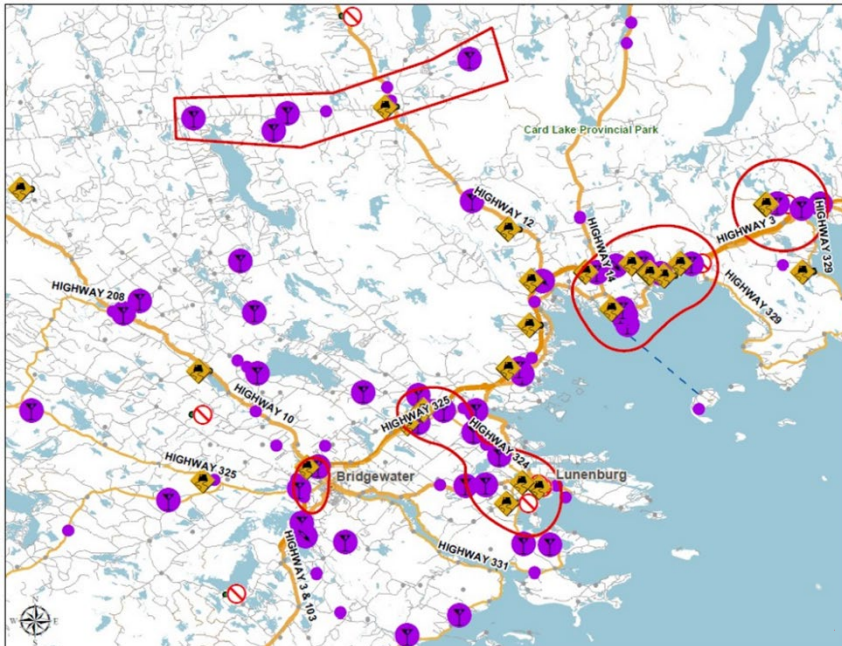
Completed: 2021-04-21 By: RCMP HDCAS

Shoplifting gloves
metal blade
utility knife
shoe

ehicles

sses in
ots
during non-business hours

Multiple Jurisdiction Series



- Overnight Thursday night into Friday Morning
- Sunday afternoons between 1 PM and 5 PM
- With a focus on:
 - Highways 3, 10, & 324
 - Forties Road and New Russell Road
 - Town of Chester and Mahone Bay

Road Safety Initiative

Data Anonymized for Demonstration Purposes Only

- Files with nexus to HT
- Database queries
- Open Source queries
- Lifestyle/vulnerability reports
- Background/history reports
- Link analysis
- Financial analysis



Human Trafficking







Quote

"This initiative is one of several that focuses on crime reduction in our communities and, the dedication and effort by West Hants District RCMP members, to identify and apprehend prolific offenders at large in the community, is a testament to their continued promotion of public safety." says S/Sgt. Dave Ferguson, West Hants District RCMP Commander.

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Warrant Reports

**KLMP Kings District
Kings East
Curfew Check Candidates**

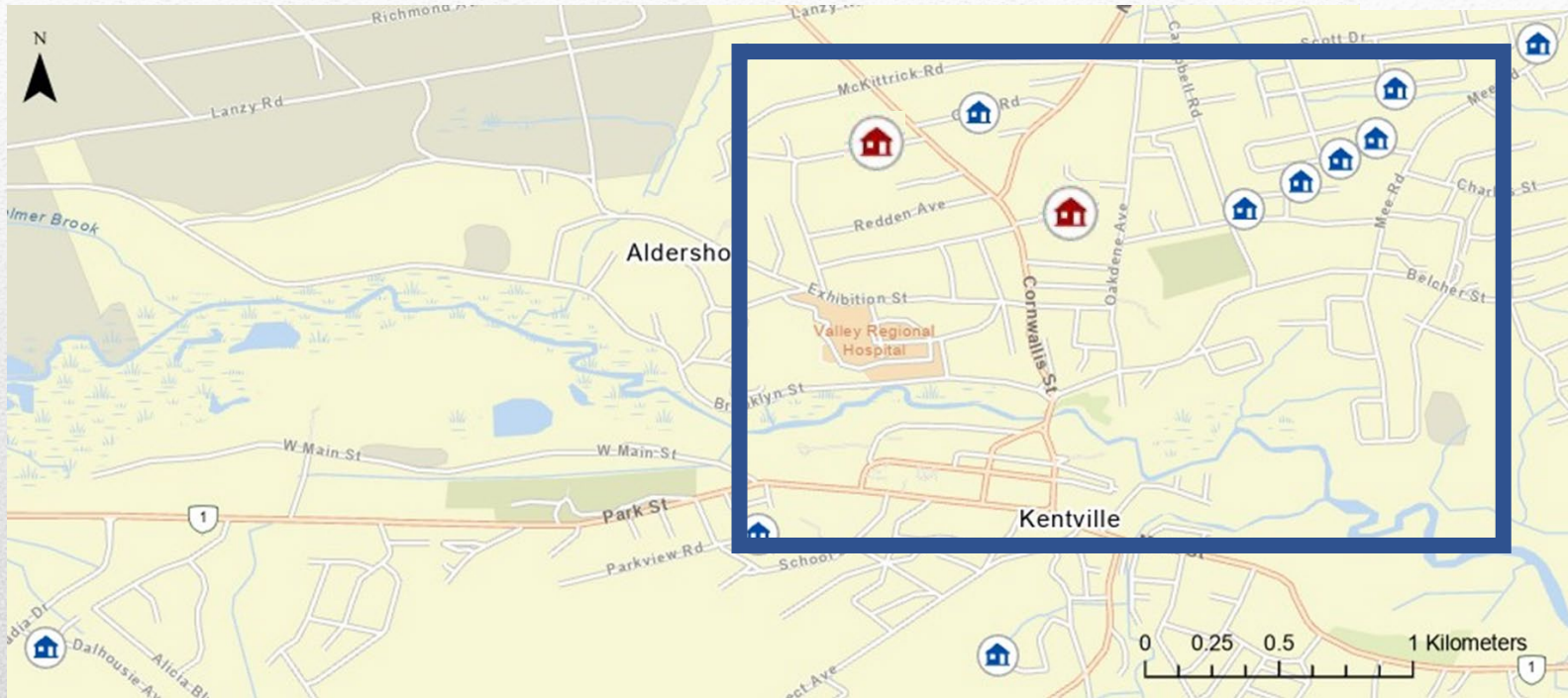
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	JONES	Dominic	1991-05-21	10 Marie Crescent North Kentville	Start: 2015-01-14 End: 2015-07-13	HOUSE ARREST U-til 2015-04-13 then CURFEW 10 PM to 6 AM	Standard plus 3 hours as approved. Allowed on property.	Order# 1726831 - Standard Conditions. Prove compliance at the door.	CSO (PPT)
	KENNY	Jeffrey	1992-06-12	17 Old Dyke Road New Minas	Start: 2015-03-16 End: 2015-04-13	CURFEW 10 PM to 6 AM	Except when dealing with a medical emergency or attending a medical appointment involving you or a member of your household.	Order# 1745205 Standard Conditions. Prove compliance at the door.	RECOG WITH SURETY (Possess weapon, assault with a weapon x2, mischief x2, breach of probation x9)
	REGAN	Jason	1991-07-06	1234 Garden Crescent New Minas	Start: 2014-10-29 End: 2015-01-21	CURFEW 10 PM to 6 AM	Medical emergency or attending medical appointment involving you or member of household	Order# 1703762 - Standard conditions. Prove compliance at the door	RECOG (B&E, possess break in inst., wearing mask, mischief, CDSA poss., PSP, FTC)
	TURNER CAUTION: D, CD, V	Kelly	1980-10-23	654 Fowler Street Wolfville	Start: 2015-01-29 End: 2015-05-28	HOUSE ARREST	Standard plus 3 hours as approved. Plus when exercising access to children which supervisor knows about.	Order# 1730564 - Standard conditions. Prove compliance at the door.	CSO (Assault x2)

att Updated: 2015-04-28
by: Sheri Beason

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Operation Breach

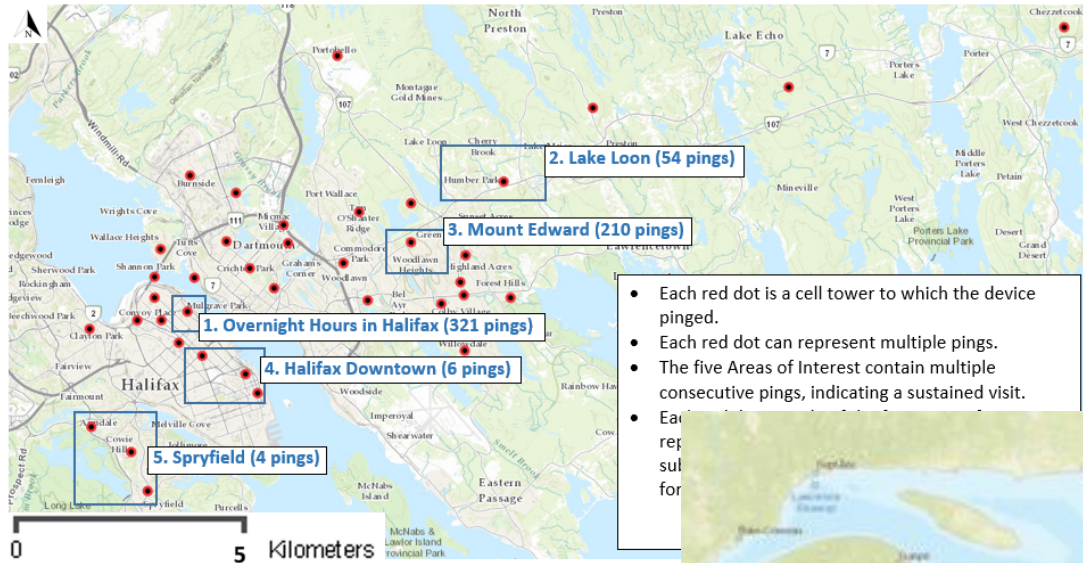
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Prediction Analysis

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Areas of Interest based on LBS Data for 902-555-1212



- Each red dot is a cell tower to which the device pinged.
- Each red dot can represent multiple pings.
- The five Areas of Interest contain multiple consecutive pings, indicating a sustained visit.
- Each red dot represents a single ping.

* Squares on the map outline the Areas of Interest and are for visual reference only. They do not represent the device's possible geographical range.



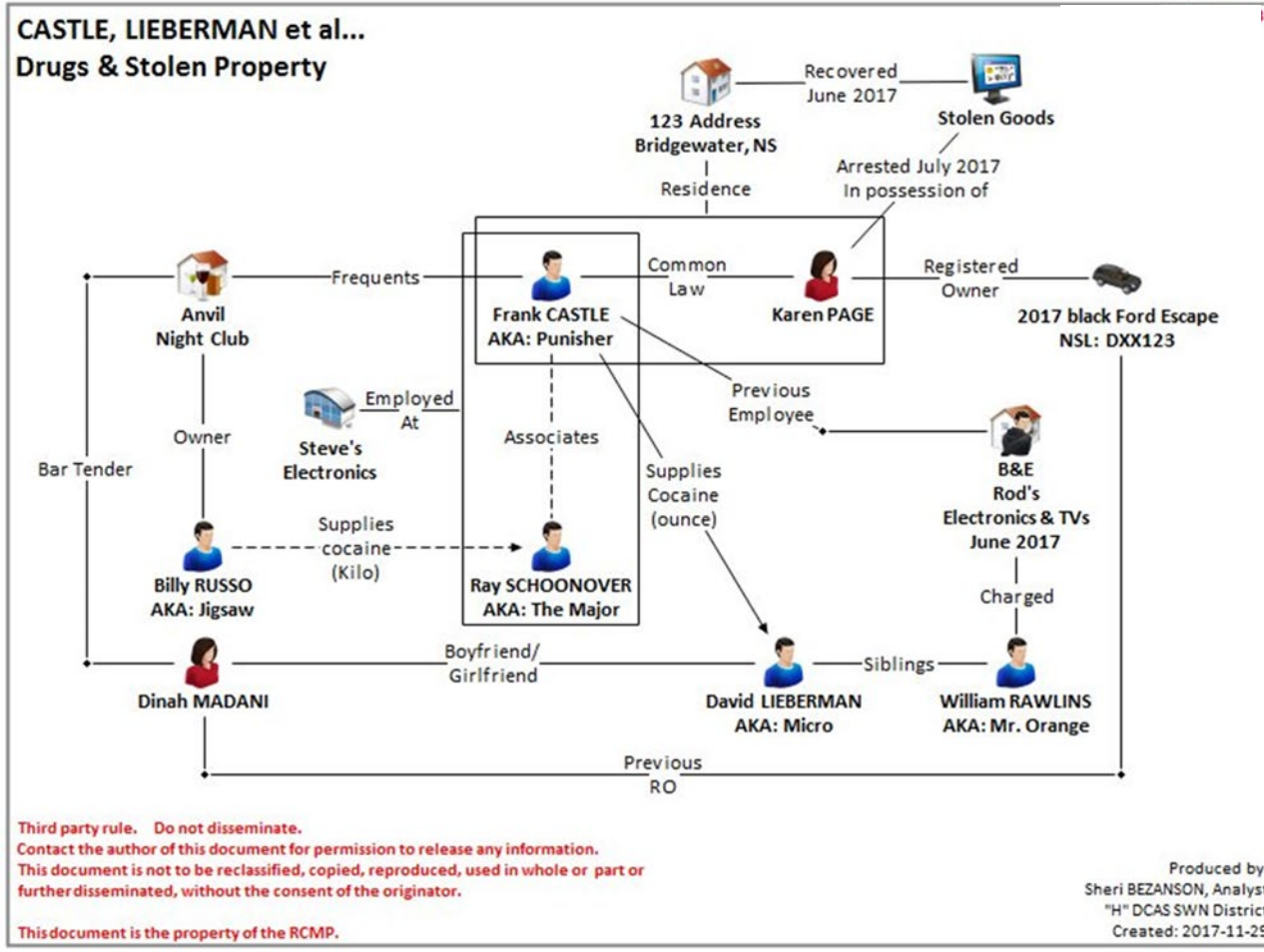
Movement Analysis

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- Links between people, locations and crime
- Quickly identify key individuals
- Accurate versus relying on memory
- Identifies patterns of life

Communication Analysis

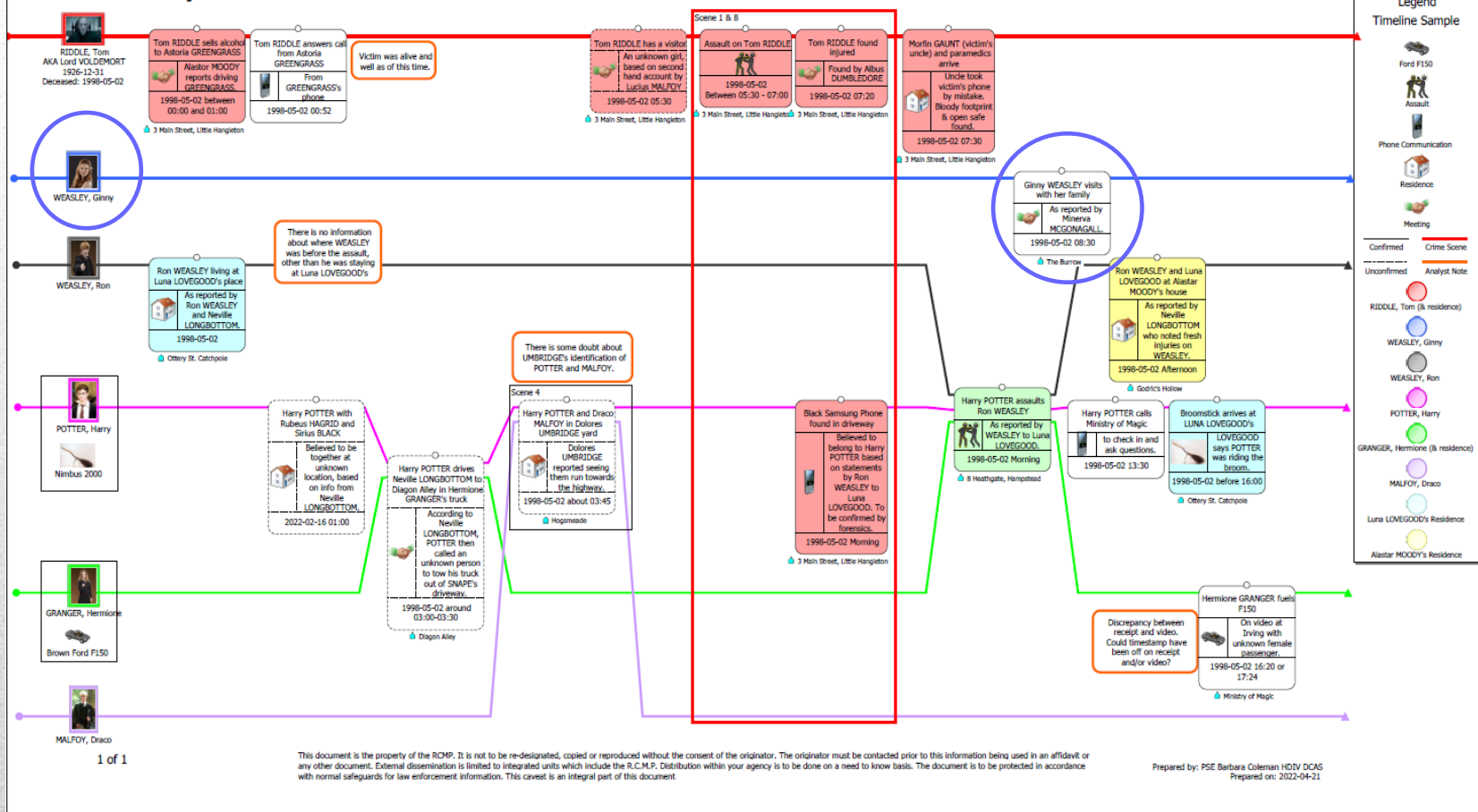


Association/Link Charts

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MCU RIDDLE File

Day of the ASSAULT 1998-05-02



Time Lines

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- Evidence-driven
- Brings focus to daily operations
- Ability to conduct directed patrols
- Maximizes use of time
- Closes gaps in data

Benefits to Investigators



- Intelligence led
- Brings focus to daily operations
- Allows us to know what is 'normal'
- Assists in allocation of resources

Benefits to Management



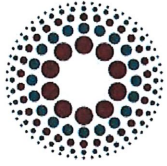
Reduce

- Crime Rates
- Fear of Crime
- Victimization

Benefits to Community



Questions



**NOVA SCOTIA
FEDERATION OF
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Town of Port Hawkesbury

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April ²⁴~~XX~~, 2023

The Honourable Marco Mendicino, P.C., M.P.
Minister of Public Safety
House of Commons Ottawa,
ON K1A 0A6

Delivered via email

Dear Minister Mendicino,

Re: Contract Policing and Retroactive Pay Amounts for RCMP Officers

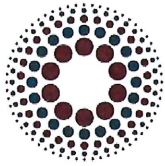
We are writing to urge a reconsideration of the recent federal budget announcement regarding retroactive RCMP contract costs. Municipalities in Nova Scotia are already responsible for a wide range of growing costs related to policing services. The additional financial burden of retroactive payments resulted from conditions that were not contemplated in the 2012-2032 Policing Service Agreements, nor were we provided a seat at the negotiating table when they were being decided.

In Nova Scotia, we have four Municipal Policing Services Agreements (MPSA), and one former MPSA, that are impacted by the 2017-2021 Collective Agreement with the National Policing Federation (NPF). In total, their outstanding retroactive costs are **\$1,527,146**. These retroactive costs range from \$111,402.16 to \$516,706.29. Based on their 2020-21 general operating budgets, this represents between 2.2% and 4.1% of total expenditures. In Nova Scotia, policing services already occupy a significant portion of municipal budgets, ranging from 15.4% to 26.7%.

While municipalities were advised to prepare for an added financial burden, the information provided from Public Safety Canada (PSC) fell far short of actual costs. We are extremely disappointed to learn that no financial relief will be provided outside of the regular cost-share formula and that the extended payment timeline is a maximum of only two years.

A lack of information sharing and poor communication continue to plague this process. Lack of clarity in communicating the process of requesting an extended payment timeline and a clear lack of understanding of how municipal councils function, and how decisions are made, has created confusion. Having municipal representation at the table could have helped avoid many of the challenges we are collectively facing.

Municipalities will struggle to pay these retroactive costs and it may come at the expense of other important work that municipalities are mandated to do. They already hold a range of costly responsibilities and work hard to balance the books while providing a high standard



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of services and public safety. Therefore, we believe that federal assistance in this matter is called for.

We anticipate an increased level of transparency in the current collective bargaining process and efforts by the PSC and Treasury Board to conduct a quick round of bargaining to avoid another build up of retroactive costs. We also appreciate the current consultation on the strengths and weakness of contract policing, which will doubtlessly feature discussion on how such downloaded costs can be avoided.

Despite positive signs of an open discussion going forward, we continue to disagree that retroactive payment costs should be allocated based on the regular cost-share formula. Municipalities are already doing impressive work on some of Canada's most pressing problems with minimal access to revenue. We call on the federal government to express their respect for municipal governments by reconsidering their decision in this matter.

Kind regards

Brenda Chisholm-Beaton
President, Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities

[Mayors of each MPSA]

cc:

Andy Fillmore, M.P. Halifax

Hon. Sean Fraser, M.P. Central Nova

Kody Blois, M.P. Kings-Hants

Chris d'Entremont, M.P. West Nova

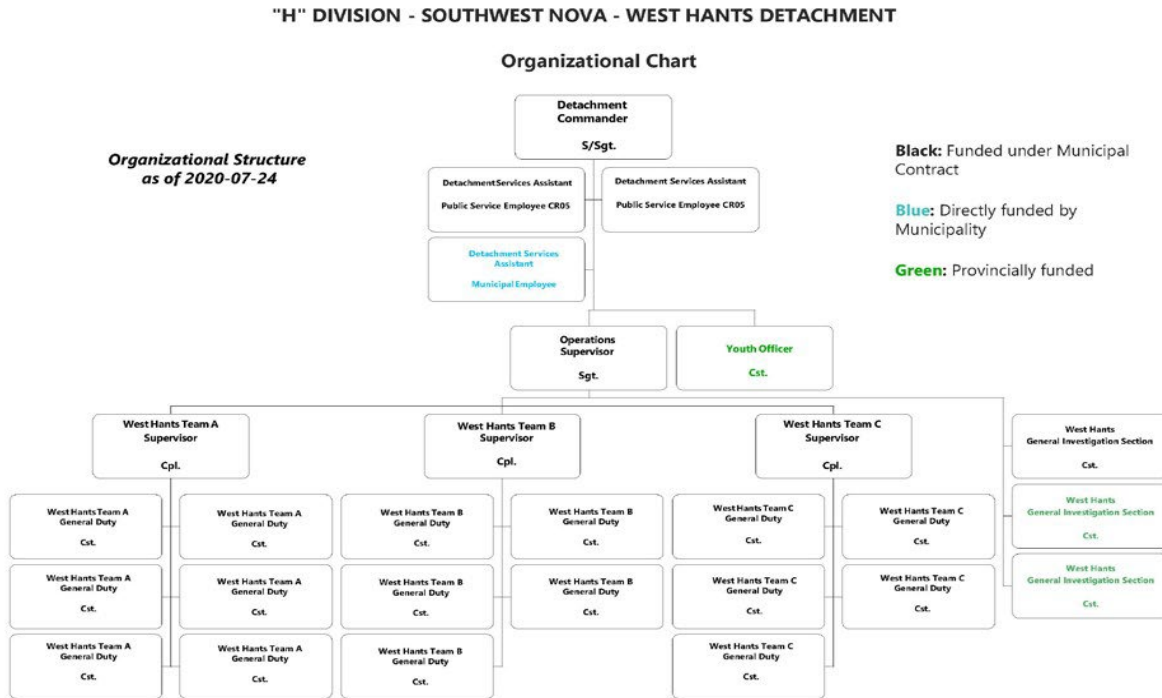
Rick Perkins, M.P. South Shore-St. Margarets





**Quarterly Police Report
Municipality of West Hants
April 2023
2022/2023 Fiscal Year
Fourth Quarter
January – March 2023**

1. WEST HANTS DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



- **1 Staff Sergeant (District Commander)**
- **1 Sergeant (Operations Manager)**
- **3 Corporals (Shift Supervisors)**
- **16 Constables (Investigators)**
- **1 Constable (General Investigations Section Investigator)**
- **2 Constables (Street Crime Enforcement Unit) – Provincial**
- **1 Constable (School Safety Resource/Youth Liaison) – Provincial**
- **2 Public Service Employees**
- **1 Municipal Employee**

1.1 FULL TIME EQUIVALENT UTILIZATION FOR ESTABLISHED POSITIONS

Pay Class	Established	FTE Utilization	Hard Vacancy	Soft Vacancy
S/SGT-01	1	1.00	0	0
SGT-01	1	1.00	0	0
CPL-01	3	3.04	0	0
CST-01	17	14.87	0	1
CR-5	2	2.00	0	0
Grand Total	24	21.91	0	2.00

Note: Data as of April 12th, 2023

- **Constable** – Constable transferred to Millbrook Detachment effective December 30th, 2022. Replacement has been identified by Career Development and Resourcing however no arrival date has been established.
- **Constable** – Constable who was off duty since 2021-03-30 (30 days+ Medical) continuing graduated return to work that commenced in October 2022.
- **Constable (Restricted Duties)** – Constable working restricted duties since 2021-08-10 (30 days+ Medical) Retired effective 2022-09-21. The new member who arrived from Depot Division in December 2022 occupied this position and is scheduled to complete the New Member Field Coaching Program in June 2023.
- **Constable (Restricted Duties)** – Constable working restricted duties since 2021-11-03 is off duty effective March 30th, 2023 undergoing treatment that will hopefully see them return to full duties in the future. (30 days+ Medical)
- **Constable** – Constable off duty for medical reasons since September 22nd, 2022. (30 days+ Medical)

***Positions funded by Province through Additional Officer Program and position not reflected in FTE establishment*

2. WEST HANTS DISTRICT FLEET

- (7) Patrol Cars (6 Municipal, 1 Provincial)
- (4) Patrol SUVs
- (3) Unmarked Police Vehicles (2 Municipal, 1 Provincial)
- (2) All Terrain Vehicles
- (2) Patrol Bicycles

3. WINDSOR/WEST HANTS DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT 2022/2023

P12 Report (Report Prepared by RCMP Senior Financial Analyst Mitchell CARR)

*** Report not available as of the date the quarterly report was finalized (2023-04-20) as 2023-04-20 is the final date for adjustments to be posted.

4. CALLS FOR SERVICE

Calls for Service Include unfounded and unsubstantiated Criminal Code, Federal & Provincial Statutes as well as Assistance to other agencies and by-law enforcement within West Hants District. Calls for service also includes those investigations managed by the Street Crime Enforcement Unit funded by the province through the Additional Officer Program.

2021/2022 FY	2022/2023 FY	4th Quarter 2021/2022	4th Quarter 2022/2023
4,998	5,290	1,285	1,193

5. WEST HANTS DISTRICT CRIME STATISTICS

Caveat for the following Data Table:

All data are working data and are subject to change through ongoing investigations and data quality measures.

*Statistics represent first line scoring, consistent with Stats Can. Files marked unfounded and unsubstantiated have been removed. Files marked insufficient evidence to proceed are **included**.*

Detachment information is parsed from the "Notes" field in the PROS data. If the location was not properly entered in this field, the stat will not be included in the dashboards.

Traffic stats and stats coded to Traffic Units have been removed.



West Hants
January to March Statistics

Protected "A"

(Includes Traffic Services and Occurrences taken by Call Back Unit)

Type of Crime & Occurrence Type	2023	2022	Amount of Change
Crimes Against Persons			
Offences Related to Death	0	0	0
Sexual Offences	7	2	5
Assault	27	29	-2
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction	0	0	0
Robbery	1	0	1
Extortion / Intimidation	3	1	2
Criminal Harassment	5	0	5
Indecent Harassing Comm.	5	12	-7
Uttering Threats	23	18	5
Property Crime			
Arson	3	1	2
Break and Enter	13	9	4
Unlawfully in a Dwelling House	0	0	0
Theft Over	3	1	2
Theft of Motor Vehicle	10	3	7
Theft of Other MV / Motorcycle	2	3	-1
Take MV w/o Consent	1	1	0
Theft Under	29	26	3
Shoplifting	17	10	7
Theft (mail, bicycle, et al)	0	0	0
Theft from Motor Vehicle	13	6	7
Possession of Stolen Goods	2	1	1
Fraud	19	36	-17
Identity Theft	2	0	2
Mischief	29	62	-33
Drug Enforcement			
Possession	1	1	0
Trafficking	0	4	-4
Import/Export	0	0	0
Production	0	0	0
Other	2	1	1



West Hants
January to March Statistics

Protected "A"

(Includes Traffic Services and Occurrences taken by Call Back Unit)

Type of Crime & Occurrence Type	2023	2022	Amount of Change
Traffic			
Dangerous Op of MV	2	0	2
Impaired by Alcohol	7	15	-8
Impaired by Drug	3	1	2
Failure/Refusal	0	1	-1
Driving while Disqualified	4	4	0
Fail to Stop or Remain	6	10	-4
Seatbelt Violation	12	53	-41
Intersection Violation	11	12	-1
Speeding Violation	39	45	-6
Insurance Violation	1	1	0
Road Side Suspension (Alcohol)	0	0	0
Road Side Suspension (Drug)	0	0	0
Collision - Fatal	0	1	-1
Collision - Non - Fatal Injury	9	5	4
Collision - Reportable	30	41	-11
Collision - Non Reportable	32	43	-11
Off-Road Vehicle Collision	0	1	-1
Municipal By-laws	0	0	0
Other Traffic Offence/Violation	101	139	-38
Other Traffic Related Duties	4	0	4
Checkstop	24	7	17
Other			
911 Call	23	33	-10
Breach of Court Order	22	23	-1
Liquor Act	10	10	0
Mental Health Act	68	55	13
Missing Person	16	22	-6
Municipal Bylaw - Other	5	5	0
Other	291	294	-3
Suspicious P V P	29	43	-14
Trespass At Night	0	2	-2
HPA (COVID-19) - Offences only	0	3	-3
HPA (COVID-19) - Other activities	0	3	-3
QUA (COVID-19) - Offences Only	0	0	0
QUA (COVID-19) - Other Activities	0	7	-7
Total Founded & SUI Occurrences	966	1,106	-140
Total Occurrences*	1,034	1,184	-150

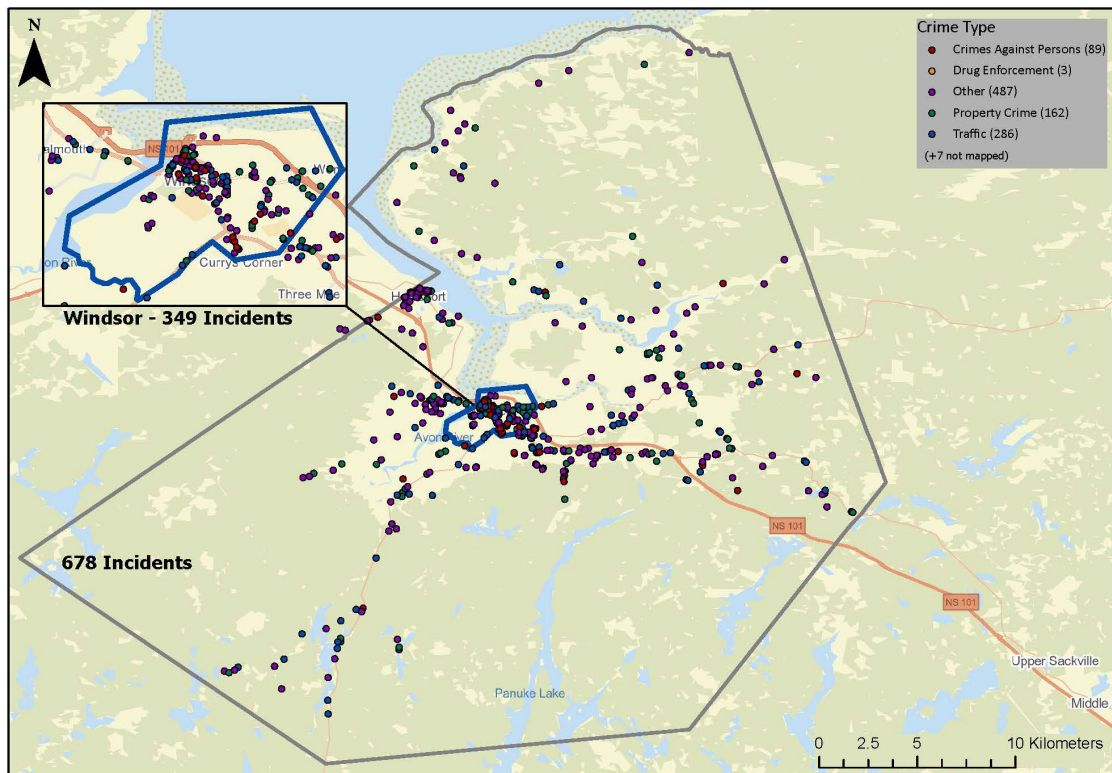
**Includes Unfounded and Unsubstantiated*

6. CALLS FOR SERVICE MAP (WEST HANTS)



West Hants Calls for Service (1,034 Incidents) January 1, 2023 to March 31, 2023

Protected A



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7. ROAD SAFETY REPORT

*** Report not available as of the date the quarterly report was finalized (2023-04-20) as 2023-04-20 is the final date for adjustments to be posted.

West Hants Road Safety Report (Report Prepared by RCMP Traffic Services Data Analyst Michelle FISHER)

Purpose:

This report is intended to give an overview of collisions and enforcement in Nova Scotia by District/Unit to guide intelligence led policing regarding Road Safety. If you require specific details not contained within this report, please contact the author.

Limitations:

*Raw data is obtained from PROS, Versadex and PAT as well as submissions from Southwest Nova District (SWN), Northeast Nova District (NEN) and Halifax District (HDD)

**Fatal and Serious Injury collision causal factor information is collected from PROS and Versadex as well as Medical Examiner's Reports and CARS reports.

****All causal factors in this report are based on preliminary findings. Impaired results are waiting for toxicology for confirmation.*

- West Hants RCMP Members conducted twenty-four check stops at various locations throughout West Hants during this quarter.
- West Hants RCMP Members issued thirty summary offence tickets and seventy-one written warnings during this quarter.
- West Hants RCMP has implemented a Strategic Traffic Enforcement Program initiative that has seen a documented enforcement effort in specific areas identified as a concern. During this period enforcement efforts were focused on Payzant Drive, Windsor.

8. GENERAL INVESTIGATION SECTION

- West Hants GIS is continuing their assistance to a Foreign Law Enforcement Agency related to a Mutual Legal Assistance Treaty request to gather specific information associated to an ongoing investigation being conducted.
- West Hants GIS is managing an investigation into an allegation that a resident of West Hants lost in excess of \$500,000.00 related to cryptocurrency investments. Cst. TRENHOLM is attempting to determine whether an offence such as fraud or theft is substantiated. “H” Div. Digital Forensic Services and Cryptocurrency subject matter expert has been engaged.
- West Hants GIS assisted General Duty investigators with multiple investigations that were either time sensitive or required additional resources to move the investigation forward.

9. SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE OFFICER

Cst. Richard COLLINS has remained very active within West Hants Schools throughout this reporting period.

- Cst. COLLINS maintains a positive presence within West Hants schools and is responsible for dealing with the majority of occurrences that originate within the schools.
- Cst. COLLINS has conducted multiple presentations to West Hants schools related to winter activities/sled dog sports accompanied by his three huskies. These experiences are very beneficial to building and maintaining a positive relationship between youth and the police. Cst. COLLINS is affectionately known as “The Mushing Mountie”

- Cst. COLLINS continues to focus on School Zone Safety and conducts regular check stops or enforcement initiatives in various school zones throughout West Hants.
- Cst. COLLINS continues to conduct presentations related to bullying, cyber safety & intimate images to students within West Hants Schools.

10. STREET CRIME ENFORCEMENT UNIT (SCEU) (PROVINCIAL)

- Cst. ROBINSON's transfer from West Hants SCEU to the RCMP Major Crimes Unit was delayed to ensure we maintained the ability to deploy him to assist with General Duty Response when and where required until a suitable candidate was identified. A candidate was identified from within West Hants however the member will remain in their current General Duty position until their position can be filled. Cst. ROBINSON transfer was completed effective March 31st, 2023.
- During this quarter there was a significant amount of time required for preparing for trial related to a significant cocaine trafficker who was responsible for supplying the Annapolis Valley with cocaine previously. The trial proceeded and the accused was convicted. Sentencing is scheduled for June, 2023.
- Additional judicial authorizations completed to obtain additional evidence related to cocaine trafficking investigations that were reported during previous quarters.
- SCEU recovered a stolen pickup truck valued at over \$100,000.00 subsequent to an investigation. Forensic Identification Services was engaged. The matter remains under investigation.

11. SIGNIFICANT / NOTEWORTHY

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

- There were thirteen reported Break & Enters during this quarter. One resulted in charges being laid, four were determined to be unfounded and three remain under investigation. The remaining investigations resulted in insufficient evidence to proceed further.
- There were ten reported thefts of motor vehicles during this quarter. One resulted in charges and one resulted in the suspect being identified however the owner declined charges. Two remain under investigation and four were determined to be unfounded. The remaining occurrences had insufficient evidence to proceed.

- West Hants Detachment investigated sixteen incidents of individuals reported missing during this quarter.
- Seven sexual offences were reported during this quarter. Two resulted in charges being laid, one remains under investigation and the remaining investigations resulted in insufficient evidence to proceed.
- Members responded to seventy-one motor vehicle collisions during this quarter. Nine of these collisions resulted in injuries, thirty resulted in property damage and the remaining collisions were non-reportable. There were no fatalities on West Hants roads during this quarter.
- Members conducted seventeen human death investigations during this quarter.
- Members responded to sixty-eight calls for service related to individuals experiencing mental health crisis.
- Police dealt with ten incidents of possible impaired driving during this quarter. Charges were laid in five instances. One occurrence was investigated and determined impairment was not a factor. One remains under investigation. The remaining occurrences had insufficient evidence to proceed.
- West Hants RCMP continues to work with the Municipality and community partners in relation to a community-based approach to issues associated with homelessness in West Hants.
- As part of West Hants Detachments Crime Reduction Strategy police conduct periodic compliance checks on individuals who are subject to enforceable court conditions. During this quarter eighteen compliance checks were completed resulting in charges being laid against one individual who was non-compliant.
- West Hants Detachment hosted an African Nova Scotian flag raising event on February 1st to mark the beginning of African Heritage Month. Guests from our community and schools attended. Lunch was provided to the youth along with a tour of West Hants Detachment.
- In March multiple members of West Hants Detachment along with Assistant Commissioner Dennis DALEY, Commanding Officer for “H” Division attended a Kwanza in March dinner event hosted by Avon Valley Regional Centre for Education African Canadian Education Services.
- Sgt. FRIZZELL continues to meet periodically with the local Chamber of Commerce to discuss and address issues that impact the business community and the downtown core.

Respectfully Submitted,

Staff Sergeant David FERGUSON
District Commander
West Hants RCMP

Good day,

As you know, Nova Scotia was selected as one of the RCMP's three locations to test body-worn cameras in an operational setting prior to a national deployment. We will be working with Motorola Solutions Canada Inc who have been awarded the Field Test Service Contract for the body-worn cameras and the Digital Evidence Management Service (DEMS).

More specifically, Digby and Pictou detachments (Pictou Town and Stellarton), South West Nova Traffic Services (Chester, New Minas and Yarmouth Rural) and Cape Breton Traffic Services, will be participating in our Field Test expected to begin this spring. We will reach out again once our launch date is confirmed.

In the meantime, we have made significant progress to ensure a smooth deployment of our cameras:

- Our front-line members have conducted the required online and in-person training
- Our participating detachments have been equipped with the necessary technology and upgrades
- We have formed a Divisional Coordination Team to support front-line officers
- We have finalized a usage policy for all to abide by
- We have developed communication materials to keep our communities abreast
- We plan to launch a national survey on Day 1 of the Field Test to gather feedback from the public
- We plan to continue to engage with community groups to listen to their ideas and feedback

The Field Test is planned for 8 – 10 weeks. If the Field Test is successful, we will proceed to the implementation phase of the national roll-out of cameras where the remainder of our Nova Scotia detachments will begin using cameras. During this transition, our front-line officers who participated in the Field Test would continue to use their body-worn cameras during their daily duties.

For any further questions regarding our deployment plans, please contact our Body-Worn Camera and DEMS Program Manager, Jami Smith. She can be reached at jami.smith@rcmp-grc.gc.ca.

For more information on this initiative and to access a copy of our usage policy, please visit our [website](#).

www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/en/body-worn-cameras