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Detachment

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LANARK COUNTY OPP DETACHMENT WEEKLY NEWS
April 20 - 27, 2020

(LANARK COUNTY, ON) – Between Monday, April 20 and Monday, April 27, 2020 officers from the Lanark County Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to 270 calls for service.

The calls included:

Motor Vehicle Collisions

Total: 7 Including:

Car / Deer: 1

Parking Lots: 1

Single Motor Vehicle off Road (“in ditch”): 1

While conducting foot patrol in the vicinity of Harvey and Drummond Streets in the Town of Perth on April 20, 2020 just before 11:00 p.m., officers from the Lanark County OPP heard a collision and saw smoke behind them on Harvey Street. The subsequent investigation revealed there to have been a collision with a large truck and trailer into parked vehicles. The truck driver, Joshua SYME, age 26 of Carleton Place, Ontario who sustained minor injuries from the collision, was arrested and charged with Impaired Operation and Impaired Operation – Over 80. The accused was released from custody on an Appearance Notice with a scheduled court date of June 22, 2020, at the Ontario Court of Justice in Perth.

A 45 year old driver from Ottawa, Ontario was charged with Disobey Stop Sign on April 21, 2020 just before 8:00 a.m. after the vehicle they were driving ended up in a ditch on Armstrong Line in Tay Valley Township. There were no reported injuries from the collision.

A single vehicle collision (motorcycle) on Roger Stevens Drive in Montague Township, April 25, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. resulted in minor injuries to the driver and a three-day driver’s licence suspension and other Provincial Offences for the 31 year old driver, a resident of Montague Township, Ontario.

Impaired Drivers – 1

A routine traffic stop while on patrol in the Village of Lanark on April 22, 2020 just before 8:30 p.m., resulted in the arrest and charge of the driver, John CAMERON, age 51, of Lanark Highlands Township, Ontario for Operation while Impaired - Over 80 as well as for Driving while under Suspension {Highway Traffic Act (HTA) S. 53(1)}. The accused's driver's licence was suspended for 90 days and his vehicle impounded for seven days. Release was in the form of an Appearance Notice regarding the impaired charge with a scheduled court day of July 6, 2020 at the Ontario Court of Justice in Perth. A summons was issued regarding the HTA offence.

Domestic Incidents – 12

Officers from the Carleton Place OPP were dispatched to a residence in Beckwith Township on April 25, 2020 after 1:00 a.m. regarding a domestic assault. Officers attended and conducted their investigation which resulted in the arrest and charge of one of the residents for domestic assault and mischief. The victim suffered minor injuries from the assault and the accused was later released from custody on an Undertaking with a scheduled court date of June 15, 2020 at the Ontario Court of Justice in Perth. The name of the accused cannot be identified in order to protect the victim.

A 43 year old resident of Ottawa, Ontario was arrested in the City of Ottawa on April 20, 2020 just after 9:00 p.m. on the strength of two outstanding warrants; one for being Unlawfully in a Dwelling House (May 13, 2019) and one for Failing to Appear in Court (May 19, 2019). The charges from Lanark County OPP are in relation to a domestic incident in the Village of Lanark reported to police in June of 2019. The accused was held in custody pending a bail hearing at the Ontario Court of Justice in Perth regarding the warrants and the original domestic assault and Fail to Comply with Undertaking charges.

Break and Enters – 3

Officers from Carleton Place OPP were called to a business on Industrial Drive in Mississippi Mills Township on April 20, 2020 just before 12:30 a.m. regarding a break-in and theft from the property and vehicles in the lot. It is reported that approximately \$10,000 worth of car parts was stolen from the numerous vehicles which were entered and damaged. Anyone with information regarding this incident or the whereabouts of the missing property is asked to contact police at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

Lanark County OPP were called to a property on Old Mine Road in Tay Valley Township on April 26, 2020 around 1:00 p.m. regarding a break-in and theft sometime between March 29 and April 26, 2020. Several items were reported stolen including the property's power source, a 10,000 watt generator and also a plasma cutter. The

combined value of the stolen items is approximated between \$17,000 - \$24,000. Anyone with information regarding this incident or the whereabouts of the missing property is asked to contact police at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

Thefts – 5

On April 20, 2020, Lanark County OPP were advised of multiple vehicles entered overnight from a parking lot on North Street in the Town of Perth overnight between April 10-11, 2020. Items stolen include a suitcase-style skating bag, custom figure skates, running shoes, pressure washer, power tools, alcohol, and several pair of prescription sunglasses. Anyone with information regarding this incident or the whereabouts of the missing property is asked to contact police at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

A 20 year old resident of McNabe-Braeside Township, Ontario was warned after several calls to the Carleton Place OPP regarding stolen road signs in the area of Clayton Road in Mississippi Mills Township on April 20 and 21, 2020. Thanks to several observant citizens who were able to provide the correct licence plate number, the sign stealer was identified and the signs returned.

On April 27, 2020, Lanark County OPP arrested Samantha GORDON, age 32, of the Town of Perth, Ontario on the strength of an outstanding warrant in relation to a break-in and theft incident on April 16, 2020 in the Town of Perth. The accused has been charged with Theft Under \$5,000 and Fail to Comply with Probation Order. She was released from custody on an Undertaking with a scheduled court date of July 6, 2020 at the Ontario Court of Justice in Perth.

Mischiefs – 3

Lanark County OPP are looking for assistance with two incidents which occurred in Montague Township within the past week. The first incident was reported to police on April 20, 2020 where a resident of a Dufferin Street address came home on April 19, 2020 and found their back porch door damaged and slices in a tarp shed on the same property.

The second incident took place at a business on Rideau Avenue North in Montague Township overnight between April 21-22, 2020, where several vehicles parked in the lot were rifled through and a window was damaged on one of the vehicles. The Smiths Falls Forensic Identification Unit attended and conducted their investigation into this matter.

Anyone with information regarding either or both of these incidents is asked to call police at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

Frauds - 4

Liquor Licence Act Charges - 0

Mental Health - 9

CRIME STOPPERS

Any person with information regarding any criminal activity should immediately contact the Ontario Provincial Police at 1-888-310-1122. Should you wish to remain anonymous, you may call Lanark County Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), where you may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000.00.

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