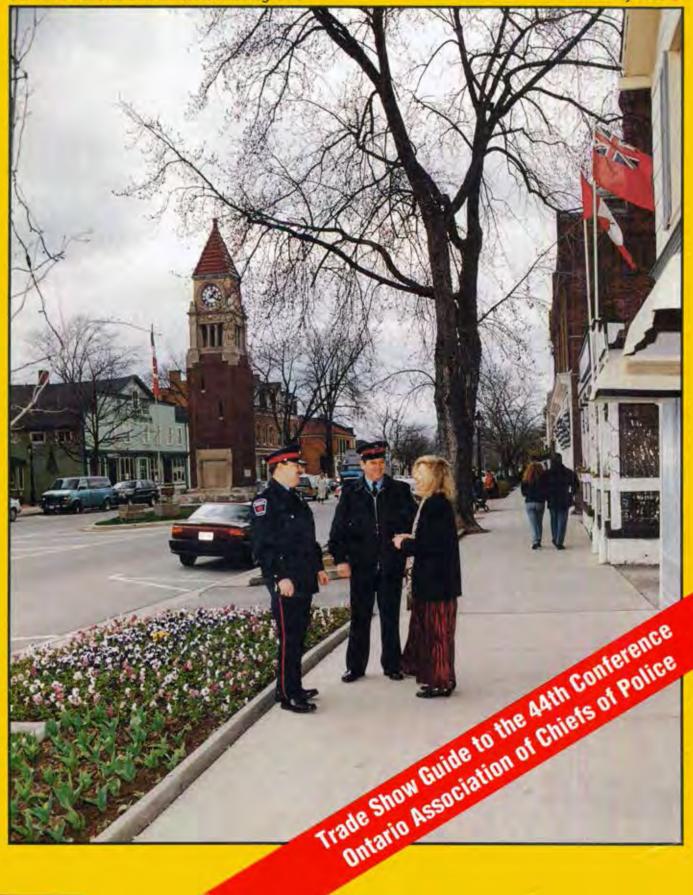
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This month's cover captures Niagara Regional Police Constables Gerry McKeown and George McCabe in friendly chatter with Niagara-On-The-Lake merchant Geraldine Cooper.

Todd McKinnon of Niagara Regional Police Forensic Ident section was sent on a mission to capture what he felt was the essence of the Region. What he came up with is surprising to those outside the com-

munity they police.

One would think he would get a shot of the Falls. But as Todd pointed out there is much more to the Region than just "The Falls." It is hundreds of square kilomteres of orchards, friendly communities, easy transportation routes and quaint towns and villages bristling with Canadian history. It is one of the first areas settled by our Loyalist forefathers and one of the last places you would like to see changed.

Niagara Regional Police Service has taken on the monumental task of hosting this year's Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police Conference and Trade Show. This daunting task was taken on in spite of considerable obstacles. The result will be impressive to say the least.

The Trade Show itself will, for the first time, be presented under a "Big-Top" type tent. Under this impressive structure you will find over 100 display booths showing off the best and newest in products and services of interest to anyone involved in emergency services or law enforcement.

In this issue you will find more details about this event along with the Niagara Regional Police Service itself. We have also supplied you with a trade show floor plan to help you optimize your time at the show.

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Publisher's Commentary

By Morley Lymburner

Identifying yourself is more important than ever

The demise and amalgamation of the smaller police agency appears to be the wave of the 90's. It is a sorry state of affairs that is driven by municipalities looking for an easy budget cut more than improved police service.

This unfortunate situation is caused by what could be loosely called a self fulfilling prophesy. Small town Canada historically has picked the best people from its numbers to act as protectors of the communities in which they live. The people chosen knew the communities intimately. When something happened the local cop was on top of it and even if charges could not be officially brought the officer knew whom he should be watching.

This kind of atmosphere was generally good enough to maintain a fairly law abiding community. Of course the whole concept of being a cop is to do your job so well that your services are rarely called upon and you, in effect, work toward a goal of having no work at all. Strange how it works eh?

The next logical step to the demise of a good police agency is when the towns folk say to themselves "we have a quiet little town here. What the heck are we doing paying for a police force that just sits around all day in their nice shiny police cars and look important." There is no thought put into why they have such a community. It is a simple matter of looking at the books and seeing what is needed and what appears to be not needed.

The town fathers look to the detachment situated just outside of town and see police officers sitting there as well. "What about just giving over some money to those guys and have them spin through town every once in a while and reduce our costs? It's not like we have a high crime rate here.

Well this is certainly a solution of a sorts and it just may work out in some places. But there is still this prickly feeling on the back of my neck that tells me it is not all for the best.

What really happens is the community loses even more control over something they never felt they had control over in the first place. Yes that's right! No matter how acquainted the community feels it is with the local constabulary they still do not feel completely comfortable with them. They are the law enforcers and the community always feels the police are the power brokers not the power sharers.

I find it hard to believe this discomfort feeling will improve when there are officers wearing a foreign uniform that has the authority vested in it by a far away Headquarters and bureaucracy?

When a municipal police officer takes up his position the officer (and the community) only needs to look at the shoulder patch to determine his first priority. It is much more clearly defined and is much easier for the officer to become more focused to his job.

Likewise the citizen must feel at least a little more comfortable approaching an officer which is readily identified with the community in which he or she lives. (Turn to page 54 in this issue to read about this aspect).

A recent study by Simon Fraser University revealed, for instance, that only 19 percent of RCMP officers were familiar with their own community policing mission statement. (See article on page 37 in this issue). The same study also found the RCMP to be more distant and less flexible than municipal police. With an organization as large as the RCMP and with such a huge mandate how could the study find otherwise.

In another study report from Stats Canada a small Manitoba Police Service was selected as that province's most efficient police force. This was based on cost efficiency and crime clearances. (See article on page 47).

How come?

Smaller groups work better as a team. There is a better feeling of accomplishment, more feeling of loyalty to the organization and community, they are better motivated to keep



their ear to the ground and their nose to the grindstone. Bigger is not always better.

So what is really needed in the real world? Here is one little step I think should be seriously considered.

Give more ownership to the street cop. If he is a member of a huge police agency he should, at the very least, be wearing the name of the community he is working with somewhere on his uniform. A breast bar, town flag or name bar under the shoulder patch. Let the community know where your first priority is. I even bet the extra cost will be picked up by the town or some community service club.

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The Last Noos

Newfoundland

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By Blair McQuillan

Herbert Spratt of St. John's Newfoundland was just 21 years old when he took the final steps to the scaffold on May 22, 1942. Spratt's path to the gallows began with the murder of his girlfriend, eighteen-year old Josephine O'Brien. The murder took place on March 17, 1942, St. Patrick's Day.

On that evening Spratt and Josephine visited the home of Edward, Herbert's brother. Herbert and Josephine were there to ask Edward to be the best man at their wedding, which was to take place on June 14th of that year. Edward left the house at about 5:30 p.m. to join his wife Maude and their children who were visiting friends.

Because it was St. Patrick's Day, Herbert and Josephine planned to go out to the Capital Theater to see "On The Beat" starring George Formby and Dorothy Hyson.

However, the two never made it to the show. Before going out that evening Josephine and Spratt were lying on the couch in the kitchen joking around with each other while they discussed their plans of marriage.

At that time Josephine revealed to Herbert that she was pregnant. Knowing that he had not been intimate with the young woman, Spratt flew into a blind rage and struck Josephine with his fist. Spratt then seized an iron and began to thrash Josephine repeatedly.

At 10:45 p.m. Spratt traveled to the home of his brother Raymond at 144 Water Street. Due to the way his brother was acting, Raymond believed Herbert was under the influence of alcohol. Raymond's wife Theresa and another Spratt brother, named Peter, arrived home shortly after Herbert. When Theresa asked Spratt what was wrong he told the family about the murder.

While Spratt was relating his story to his stunned and unbelieving audience on Water Street, Edward Spratt and his wife were shocked to find the body of Josephine in their kitchen.

Sergeant Manderson was on duty when Edward called the police lock-up on Water Street. The police van was not available at the time of the call, so Constable Harold Brazil was dispatched on foot (things haven't changed much since then). The officer was soon joined by Constables Barnes and Kelly while on route to the Plymouth Road home.

At the scene the officers found the

victim with her head bent back and face covered in blood. A blood-stained iron, a man's hat and a blood covered scarf were discovered beside Josephine's body.

Sergeant Case of the CID was brought into the investigation, which quickly led to Spratt's arrest. Spratt was taken into custody just seven hours after the murder. He was still wearing his blood stained clothes and made no effort to remove the blood from his hands.

The trial of Herbert Spratt began on Monday, April 27. Chief Justice William Horwood presided over the trial, with Attorney General L.E. Emerson representing the Crown and James Power representing Spratt.

The case was basically open and shut. The prosecution was based on Spratt's voluntary statement admitting guilt. In addition, Emerson also called twenty witnesses to the stand. The testimony included police and family statements regarding the location and behaviour of Spratt on the night of the murder.

The only evidence the defence could produce was a naval record of good service and Spratt's discharge due to medical unfitness. Power called Lt. Kevin Maher, R.C.N. Maher, who displayed a record indicating Spratt's service as a seaman on the battle ship Rodney from May 21, 1941, to June 10, 1941.

Spratt was transferred to another ship before being deemed unfit for service due to pulmonary tuberculosis. Records also showed that the Rodney had battled with the Bismark during Spratt's service on board the ship.

In his address Power reminded the jury that Spratt was very cooperative with the police. He also stated that the act Spratt committed was not premeditated but an instantanious reaction to the news of Josephine's pregnancy.

Power also explained that Spratt was under stress due to his experience with the Bismark. He also stated that his discharge had "caused him to suffer emotional periods and, because he was provoked, he attacked the unfortunate girl." In his conclusion, Power asked that the charge be reduced to manslaughter.

In his summation Emerson told the court that although Power had skillfully

handled the case there was no evidence to support the claim that the victim was going to have a baby. The fact that the deceased was not pregnant was later proven by two physicians.

In response to Power's request to reduce the charge to manslaughter Emerson said that because the two were only engaged and not married, there were no grounds to reduce the charge.

The jury retired at 4:10 p.m. and returned thirty-five minutes later with a guilty charge. However, Jury Foreman P.R. McCormack read the verdict with the jury's "sincere recommendation for mercy at the hands of the law or at the hands of His

Majesty's representatives."

Ignoring the jury's plea for leniency. Judge Horwood read the sentence in which he stated: "This Court doth ordain that you Herbert Augustus Spratt be taken hence to the place from whence you came and from thence to the place of execution and that you be hanged by the neck until you are dead ... "

For the next few weeks attention shifted to Governor Humphrey Walwyn. People were anxious to learn whether or not he would grant a pardon to Spratt. The Governor held meetings with the Commissioner of Justice, L.E. Emerson to discuss the situation.

Emerson began to gather reports regarding Spratt from the Superintendent of Her Majesty's Penitentiary; the Police Surgeon; the Prison Doctor; the Superintendent of the Hospital for Mental and Nervous Diseases and Justice Horwood.

G. Byrne, the prison superintendent, gave numerous details of Spratt's behaviour during his stay in prison. Byrne stated that Spratt "was subject to fits of hysteria and violent trembling" after his arrest on March 18th. "During these attacks he would endeavor to injure his head by banging it against the wall or on the head of his bedstock."

Byrne also stated that Spratt had become very calm after his sentencing and had not caused any trouble since the first day of the trial when he had a small attack involving "violent trembling"

Thomas Anderson and E. Leo Sharpe, were the two medical doctors charged with relating their views of Spratt's mental condition to the Justice Department. After meeting with Spratt the doctors concluded that "the possibility of (the) mental disease called schizophrenia must be considered."

Troubled by this report, Emerson called upon Fr. John Grieve, the Superintendent of the Hospital for Mental and Nervous Diseases, to visit Spratt and prepare a written statement. After meeting with Spratt at the prison, the doctor deemed Spratt to be mentally fit.

With all of his information in hand

Emerson set out to prepare his final report for the governor. He mentioned that the plea would only reduce the charge to manslaughter and that the death penalty was not considered to be a deterrent to murder when the crime was one of passion.

In addition Emerson mentioned Spratt's service record and the nervous upheaval he had suffered after the Bismark encounter. Emerson also noted that many of the jurors had only delivered a guilty verdict because they believed the sentence Spratt would receive would be a lenient one.

Despite the report however, the Governor of Newfoundland decided that the jury's recommendation for mercy be ignored. As a result of this decision the execution was carried out as scheduled.

On May 22, 1942, at 8 a.m. Herbert Spratt was taken from his cell and escorted to the gallows which awaited him in the northeast corner of the prison. The entire process took only two minutes. Spratt made the final ten steps up to the scaffold where he met death at the end of a noose.

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Curbing crime with a team of ACES



A police officer stands in the end zone of a police sponsored float promoting the ACES football club at Montreal's St. Patricks Day Parade. The young ACES team is a sponsored event that seeks to keep young people occupied and give them goals to strive for. The popularity of the project has spawned many spin-off programs.

By Philip Charbonneau M.U.C.P.D. Station 24

After several months of planning and thought, the Community Policing section at station 24 of the Montreal Urban Community Police Department initiated a program called A.C.E.S. FOOTBALL.

District 24 of the M.U.C.P.D. has a population of 24,000 residents, and the area is considered to be one of the poorest and highly criminalized districts in Canada.

In 1992, a newly formed Community Policing unit called A.C.E.S. was implemented in the area which encompasses Little Burgundy and Pointe St-Charles. The A.C.E.S. unit worked hand in hand with other community organisation to improve the quality of life of the citizens. A.C.E.S. stands for "Action Concertee Elaboration Solution". After the complete restructuring of all the community services in the area, there remained a barrier between various organisations and the community itself. A new approach was needed to break down the barriers and improve relations.

The A.C.E.S. unit along with traditional policing was successful in reducing the crime rate for two consecutive years, but at the end of 1993 it was noted that the crime rate was again on the rise.

It was at this point that police officers at station 24 decided immediate action must be taken before the criminal element regained control in the area. This gave birth to the A.C.E.S. Football program on September 10, 1994. The primary object of A.C.E.S. Football was and is to facilitate the approach and improve relations with the community. The theory was that once contact was made with the children of the area, doors would open to interaction with the adults.

The tools used to breach the barrier with the community was A.C.E.S. Football. Football is a team sport which requires discipline, intelligence, and foremost a collective effort to be successful.

In order to launch this project, a solid financial backing was necessary. \$10,000 was collected from generous sponsors, both commercial and private. The donations were used to purchase all new and high quality equipment. There was no charge to the players or their parents. The children helped in the fund raising by selling articles for the team.

A.C.E.S. Football is part of the Quebec Amateur Football Association and did well in the first year of existence. Team players are made up of 50% Anglophones and 50% Francophones. It is multi ethnic and multi racial. The children practice four times a week and have to make an effort in their school work. They must also demonstrate good social behaviour. The coaching staff, which is made up of off duty police officers, in cooperation with school officials and parents, follow up in the areas of schoolwork and conduct to ensure the children are keeping up to the norms of the program. Year-round after school, study programs are organised in French and English with the aid of professional teachers. The children have been brought to professional hockey and university football games. They have participated in a tour of the athletic facility at McGill University along with coaches and parents.

Today the youth of District 24 have responded positively and in large numbers. After a slight hesitation at the beginning, the parents are now strongly involved. A.C.E.S. Football is the talk of the citizens of Pointe St-Charles and Little Burgundy. All home games attracted between 150 and 200 spectators. Citizens of the area in great numbers, now support our team by wearing our team colours in the form of caps or jackets.

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Pierre Cadieux in his document, "Future Policing in Canada, Police Challenge 2000". The director of the Montreal Urban Police Department has also adopted the views of Mr. Cadieux.

The A.C.E.S. Football program is successful because of the involvement of motivated police officers who are willing to give of their time to ensure its success. The football team which is composed of players aged from 7 to 9 years old finished the 1994 season with a record of 5 victories and 7 defeats. For the 1995 season, we will add a mosquito team which is composed of 10 and 11 year old kids and also a cheerleading squad.

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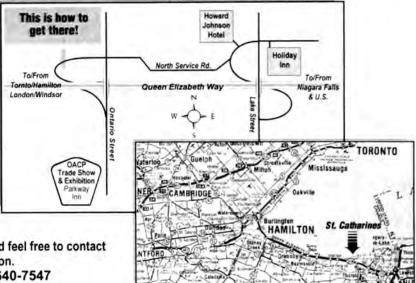
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Established on January 1st, 1971, the Niagara Regional Police Service is the oldest regional police service in Ontario. In an area of 1,862 square kilometres, the Niagara Regional Police Service patrols Ontario's largest geographic Region. The Niagara Regional Police provide policing and public safety services to some 391,000 residents, and an estimated 15,000,000 visitors annually.

The Regional Municipality of Niagara includes three medium density cities: St. Catharines/Thorold, Niagara Falls, and Welland. It includes four medium density towns: Grimsby, Fort Erie, Port Colborne and Niagara on the Lake. The Region includes world renowned tourist attractions such as Niagara Falls, the Welland Canal, and the Shaw Festival, to name a few. Niagara is also one of Canada's richest agricultural areas, with the nation's major soft-fruit growing area located within the Region.

A few of the unique policing challenges facing Niagara are: the combination of urban and rural development; the large annual influx of tourists; its proximity to the United States; the effect of the nations's busiest border crossings; a major summer cottage population in varying communities; and a waterfront shoreline that surrounds the Region on three sides.

The Service provides policing in Niagara with a budget of approximately \$56 million. This allows an authorized strength of 822 members, broken down to include 592 sworn members and 230 civilian support members.

Mission Statement and Purpose

The Niagara Regional Police Service is dedicated to serving and protecting residents and visitors within the Regional Municipality of Niagara.

Their mission statement clearly states each member will provide high quality policing services with integrity, diligence and sensitivity in partnership with the community and with the help of the people.

Members of the Niagara Regional Police Service believe...

- In pursuing excellence in every circumstance.
- In being fair and unbiased in the performance of duties in accordance with the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.
- In treating all victims of crime with compassion and understanding.
- In maintaining professional standards of conduct at all times.
- In developing creative solutions to policing concerns through co-operative community oriented policing.
- In striving to be active participants and leaders in the community.
- In providing a professionally satisfying work environment that respects employees' rights and encourages personal and professional growth.

A steady hand at the helm

By Morley Lymburner

Niagara Regional Police Chief Grant Waddell has a long and distinguished career in policing. Described by many as a sincere and committed person outside of police work he brings to the police service a considerable amount of stability



J. Grant Waddell Chief of Police

and dedication to the personnel of the police service and citizens of Niagara Region.

Upon taking up the responsibility of leading the agency toward the next century, Waddell has brought considerable insight and energy to a force under tremendous pressure over the past decade. Inquiries appeared to be the norm over the past 15 years and the agency has gained considerable insight and experience dealing with adversity.

The recent "Green Ribbon" project which culminated in the arrest of two people for the murders of two teenage girls, has taken a great deal of effort on the part of each member of the force. The investigation and the present trial has placed the Niagara Regional Police Service in a spot light of global proportions.

In the middle of all this activity the Niagara Regional Police have volunteered to play host to the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police 44th Annual Convention and Trade Show. Displaying hospitality that is a trademark of the region they have invited all law enforcement personnel to attend the trade show and enjoy the sights, sounds and events of the Niagara Region. The amount of energy expended to put on this memorable event is truly remarkable. The trade show in itself, with over 100 display booths, will be the largest event ever held by the OACP.

The Niagara Regional Police Service has held up well under trying conditions in the past and organizing the OACP Conference and trade show is no less challenging. Credit for a job well done is in order to all those who volunteered their services to ensure success. The steady hand of Grant Waddell at the helm has no doubt helped mold this great initiative. The future plans for the Niagara Regional Police Service is certain to be no less inspiring.

Mending Fences



By Gary Miller

Putting the Victim in the Charter of Rights

Tens of thousands of criminally accused persons are never called to account for their crimes at trial, the beneficiaries of rulings on delays and alleged procedural or technical errors on the part of the Crown or the Court but which have nothing whatsoever to do with the crime committed. In other words, the criminal offence giving rise to the process, no matter how heinous, is incidental to the process itself, that process inspired by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

For some time now, a growing school of thought has urged that victims' rights should have specific inclusion in the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. So often the victim is twice victimized, once by the crime and again by a charter that safeguards the interests of accused, but not the victim. It goes to the inadequacy of our mean-spirited and profoundly misnamed charter which excludes whole groups of Canadians while favouring and protecting those groups it stylized as "the disadvantaged".

Anticipating the furore that would arise as competing groups vied for favoured treatment, the architects of the New Order handed the Supreme Court's nine appointed judges virtually despotic power to interpret and rule over Charter decisions. Decisions which every citizen and every elected body would now have to bow down to. The Supreme Court justices, now with total power over the nation's laws & parliament, hold appointed office well into their old age without the need for public approval.

However, many well intentioned people are now speaking up for the victims of crime and believe with all sincerity that victims' rights can be added to the Charter to redress the unfairness. One such admirable person is Professor Ronald Sklar, Professor of criminal law and psychiatry, faculty of law at McGill University in Montreal.

Writing in the Globe and Mail in mid April, Professor Sklar argues,

"The Charter includes no guarantees of fairness of "justice" for the victim or the prospective victims. As the Charter is now constructed, unfairness is an argument available only to the accused. It may be time to rethink this imbalance... the federal and provincial governments may need to express recognition (of the imbalance) through basic changes to our Charter."

In a reasoned and balanced essay, Pro-

fessor Sklar refers to the Wray Budreo case. Budreo, who has literally dozens of previous convictions for sexual assault on young children, has now completed serving his sentence of six years for his latest string of sexual assault on three boys. While the law has no further hold on him as he has completed his sentence, the likelihood of his re-offending is extremely high. Should Budreo's rights under the Charter abrogate the rights of the community to be free of his criminal assaults on some of its most vulnerable members?

Proceedings to prevent Budreo's frequenting places where children under the age of 14 may gather under Section 810.1 of the Criminal Code are being hotly contested by his lawyers as violating Budreo's presumption of innocence guarantees under the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

Clearly the Charter favours the offender at the expense of the community at large. Sklar believes the imbalance can only be resolved by putting victims' rights into the Charter. How on earth did we get stuck with this charter?

At the beginning of the optimistic eighties, while Canada drifted and dreamed in the self satisfied glow of constitutional "patriation", a legislative sleight of hand was being prepared for our country which most of us knew nothing about and would not fully understand until years later.

In a master stroke of genius or treachery, depending on your point of view, Canada, (while expecting its government to bring home the British North America Act, our constitution from the United Kingdom which was only too happy to be shed of it), was also the unwitting recipient of a handy little addendum called "The Canadian Charter of Rights & Freedoms". This was Pierre Elliot Trudeau's surprise gift to his bemused countrymen.

As the nation now approaches the second millennium, few things have shaken its citizens' freedoms more than this amazing document, which came into force on April 12th of 1982 and would alter the course of our democratic development in ways we could hardly have guessed.

We Canadians already enjoyed unlimited rights & freedoms under common law. A charter would merely "enshrine" these concepts and, well, that had to be special, didn't it? What harm could a little "enshrining" possibly do?

This, at once seemingly reasonable and sweetly written Charter, was a revolutionary document, the brainchild of a suave, brilliant, dilettante. All legislated law passed by democratically elected representatives can be put to the test and rejected by the Charter empowered Supreme Court of Canada and placed under scrutiny by its unelected judicial watchdogs. If their lords and Ladyships don't like a law, out it goes.

While it states that everyone is equal, the Charter soon tells another tale. A host of special groups have been given special status. Some allegedly need special consideration to address past wrongs, some want special laws to fast track themselves into positions of power because they are "under represented." Some claim gender and racial strife. Some will gain special help to promote their foreign cultures in Canada. (Heaven forbid that newcomers should adapt to our culture, as some ministers in Ottawa have already arrogantly declared we in Canada have no culture.) Criminals and the accused are extended extraordinary rights and freedoms at the expense and disadvantage of the community that has been wronged.

Only those particularly specified in the Charter benefit from it and some 13 years later, this has now become an acknowledged fault of the document. At long last, someone has officially taken note of the glaring oversight, inevitable when legislation limits itself to written out rights and freedoms.

One group overlooked? The victims!

Initially, this refers just to the victims of crime. But in the broader sense, it might refer to all the victims created by all the bone-headed decisions arising out of the Charter as it confers favour after favour upon its named and chosen client citizens. For every action, there is a reaction.

Do not give ANYONE special rights. Can you imagine the horror of out-of-control victims' rights. EVERYONE will be a victim. Everyone will be at each others' throats as disadvantaged, as crime victims, as historically disadvantaged, as systemically disadvantaged, as racially disadvantaged... the list goes on and on and on. It is a nightmare which is now unfolding. The largest victims' group by far now: VICTIMS OF THE CHARTER!

And the only real beneficiaries? It's the lawyers. With huge legal aid bills, endless litigation, they are cleaning up!

We must junk the whole Charter, Throw the damn thing out. Return to our Common Law roots, still in force under the British North America Act. We must ensure that equal treatment means equal treatment. No exceptions.

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New mascot delivers the same message says police



On Thursday April 20th, 1995, the Metropolitan Toronto Police Service in co-operation with Pro Action, a citizens foundation for the promotion of police/community relations, teamed up to launch the newest addition to that agency, "Officer Pat Troll."

"Officer Pat Troll is a hugable, friendly Troll who wears a Metro Toronto Police uniform and will be working out of the Education section of Community Services," said a recent press release.

Officer Pat will be responsible for representing the police service at all public relations events including visits to schools, hospitals, parades and will promote all police programs.

The local media have had a bit of a hayday on this story and one report stated "Police have told Elmer the Safety Elephant to pack his trunk and get out of town."

Metro police advised the baby-faced grey pachyderm, loved by school kids since he first appeared in 1947, was too expensive. They stated that the officer Pat Troll mascot could be transported around for considerably less than the \$15,000 it now costs for Elmer.

Elmer was created by the late Vernon Page, a Toronto police inspector. In the safety mascot's first year, he and his six safety rules were credited with cutting the accident toll among Toronto school children by 44 per cent.

Elmer, chosen because an elephant

never forgets, came into his own in the early 1950s when Winnipeg animator Charles Thorsen dressed the now-familiar cartoon version in his trademark beanie.

Elmer was brought a little more up to date in 1993 when animator Terry Godfrey, of Toronto's Animation House, togged him out in a new suit of clothes and baseball cap.

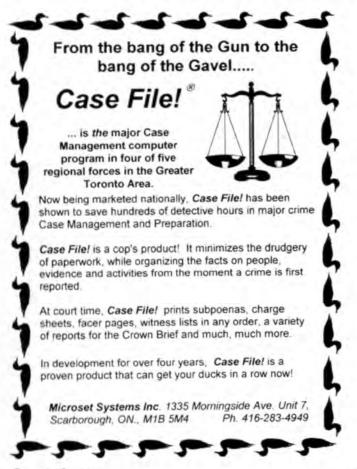
Despite getting down-played by Toronto, Elmer isn't going far. Supported by \$120,000 in annual corporate donations, he will still tour schools around Ontario and the Elmer awards for outstanding safety practices given annually to children who have prevented accidents, will continue.

And this is just fine for Harry Artinian, a retired member of Niagara Region police who spent 27 years touring local schools with Elmer. "You don't see Walt Disney getting rid of Mickey Mouse or Pluto," said Artinian.

"Contrary to reports out of Toronto, Elmer the Safety Elephant is very much alive and well here in Niagara," said deputy police chief Frank Parkhouse.

Parkhouse held a news conference in April to affirm support for Elmer and introduce a trendy new look for the elephant.

While Elmer still delivers the same seven rules of traffic safety, the new version is very much a 1990s kind of elephant. A green and yellow track suit appears to be the image of the age.



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Canadian Police Roadracing Team sponsors golf tournament



Proud winners of the "Arrive Alive - Drive Sober" Golf Tournament are seen showing off their Blue Line trophies. First place winners were John Bozic, Todd Custance, Noel O'Connor, Peter Smallman-Tew.

The recent golf tournament organized by the Canadian Police Officer Road Racing Team proved to be a huge success.

The "Arrive Alive - Drive Sober" Golf Tournament filled all 72 places on the Masters course of the Lionhead Golf & Country Club in Brampton, Ontario.

It took three attempts at a tiebreaker before the top three places could be awarded and the top team named as the representative team to enter the Lionhead Charity Classic tournament on October 3rd, 1995.

The BMW R 1100R motorcycle offered by BMW Canada Inc. for a "Hole in One" on the 8th hole was unfortunately not won by anyone. There were however quite a few breathless moments for a few players who came close.

For most of the players this was their first opportunity to play on the famous course and organizers were delighted to welcome a group of golfers who drove down from North Bay just for this event.

After playing the challenging 18 holes the players relaxed in the outdoor covered terrace of the clubhouse. Then, to the tunes of a tartan clad piper from the Peel Regional Police, everyone was piped into the banquet rooms where they enjoyed a buffet supper.

The following players received the main prize awards:

1st Place Team

John Bozic, Todd Custance, Noel O'Connor, Peter Smallman-Tew.

2nd Place Team

Jim Duncan, Bruno Ardino, Bill Farmer, Jim Mitchell.

3rd Place Team

Glen Ambrose, Dave McGinley, Brian Burtch, Rob Armstrong.

4th Place Team

Desmond Cowan, Brett Smiley, Steve Baugh, Brian Watson.

Longest Drive - Bill Goodchild

Closest to the Pin - Rob Armstrong; Fredy Wehrli; Jim Mitchell; Vytas Daraska.

The tournament organizers announced over \$6,000 was raised by this event in aid of community groups across Ontario whose purpose is to reduce impaired driving. Plans are currently taking place for the 1996 event and details will be announced in Blue Line Magazine.

Two Canadians receive World Police Game Medals



Constables Ken Rodd and Guy Furoy of the Peel Regional Police fired their Beretta Model 96G .40 calibre pistols while winning several medals at the 1995 World Police and Fire Games, held in March in Melbourne, Australia.

Rodd captured a silver medal and Furoy took a bronze in their respective classes during this international competition. They also teamed with two shooters from South Africa and New South Wales to capture a silver medal in the team match event.

They competed in police action pistol events which involved practical scenarios where the shooter must fire on the move and be timed as they move through the course.

"The targets are man-size and mixed with 'no shoot' targets," said Rodd. "It was very challenging. In some cases, the targets were only partially visible."

"In our class, we competed against a field of 230 shooters from around the world and our issue Beretta 96Gs performed flaw-lessly," he added.

Overall, the competition drew 7,000 shooters from 42 countries.



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EXPLOSIVES RECOGNITION



In the past three years, there have been several major bombings, and thousands of less serious bombings in North America, that have resulted in hundreds of deaths, thousands of injuries and millions of dollars in property damage. The recent detonations in Montreal, Charlottetown, Oklahoma City, New Jersey, California and Tokyo, show that these incidents can occur anywhere, anytime. In this article Blue Line's explosive expert will give you a run-down on explosives identification.

By Bruce Koffler

In Canada, an incident where the use of explosives is threatened, or where a device is actually placed on target, is generally responded to by police bomb technicians. They are given special training in the recognition hazards awareness, X-Ray imaging disruption, remote removal and destruction of explosives and improvised explosive devices.

Specialized Canadian military personnel receive parallel training. In Canada in 1995, there are 52 police explosives disposal units, and 20 military units thinly spread out across the country. They are generally located in or near major population centres.

However, in most cases, it is the nonspecialized constable on patrol whether in the city, on the highways or on rural roads, who will have the first encounter with explosives in any incident.

An incident need not be a criminal threat or a bombing. It could be the accidental recovery of stolen or abandoned explosives; stopping and searching a vehicle for something else and coming across commercial military or home-made explosives; or responding to a call about a suspicious package or device that somebody has reported in a building or attached to a vehicle.

Whether you are responding to a call, or accidentally come across something in a search, it is essential that you have some basic knowledge so that an action on your part does not create a tragedy.

Today, commercial and military explosives are manufactured in numerous shapes, dimensions, colours, wrappers, and trade names. Some of the old manufacturers have gone out of business or have been bought out by other companies. Many specialized explosives are made in other countries, and after approval by Natural Resources Canada, may be brought in and sold here.

With all the wars in this century, there are a wide variety of military explosives and ordnance items (grenades, mines, shells, booby trap switches) that have found their way into the hands of civilians. While many of these items are empty and inert, there are many that are loaded, live and

deteriorating with age.

Furthermore, there has been a flood of printed information available on the mailorder market in the past 5 years, covering how to improvise everything from C4 plastic explosive, to Semtex-H, expedient hand grenades, booby traps, liquid explosives, dust explosives, home-made detonators, pipe bombs, fuel-air bombs, fertilizer explosives, and flash-powder pyrotechnics. In the past couple of years, users of computer bulletin-board services and the Internet have been flooded with information on all these subjects and more. This information is there for the taking by anybody who wants it, and it cannot be recalled.

Not everybody that has access to this information, uses it. And those who do are often teenage experimenters, who have no criminal intent, but who may end up with no eyesight, missing fingers, and hundreds of puncture wounds all over their bodies. Or worse, their experiments may kill them or their buddies.

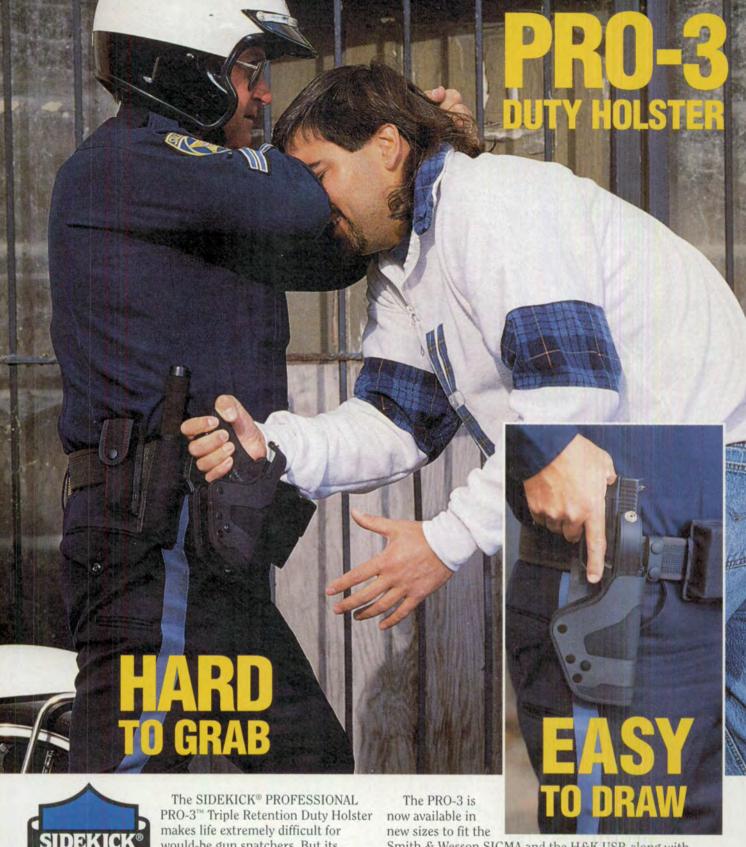
An explosive is comprised of one or more chemicals which are unstable, and given the right circumstances will spontaneously break down, releasing a tremendous amount of stored energy. This release is usually in the form of heat, light, highly-pressurized and expanding gas, and a shock front which is capable of shattering anything that gets in the way.

If the explosive has been confined, or the detonation occurs near windows, then an additional effect is that of sharp, high speed fragmentation. The detonation occurs as a result of what is known as a firing train— a sequence of events beginning with a tiny release of energy, that ultimately triggers the major explosion.

For instance if you are wearing a nylon jacket, or body armour in an outer nylon shell, when you slide across your car seat to get out, you are generating a powerful static charge in your body. If you then handle an explosive, this charge can be released from your body in the form of a tiny spark with sufficient energy to detonate some explosives. You would never know what hit you.

Not all explosives are so sensitive. But, as you are never sure what you are dealing with, always ground yourself after exiting from a vehicle, to drain away the charge from your body. (That does not mean that it is safe to touch a suspected explosive, but it is safer. Some deteriorated explosives and some types of home-made explosives are so sensitive that they will detonate without warning upon being moved or touched—even by a fly! Some can be made by an amateur in a matter of minutes).

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The general rule of explosives training for police in Canada is, that if you have not been specifically trained and certified at the Canadian Police College in Ottawa, in the handling of explosives, leave it up to those who have been.

And even the technicians have received training based on another rule: wherever possible, explosives should be examined remotely, handled remotely, removed to safety remotely and destroyed remotely.

What does "remotely" mean? It means that by the use of special instruments, clothing, equipment and vehicles, the officer is moved out of direct handling contact with an explosive or explosive device, and if possible, puts considerable distance between the officer and the suspicious item.

Recognition of Explosives

In Canada, the federal Explosives Act requires that any commercially manufactured explosive sold in this country carry the word "EXPLOSIVE" on the outer package, wrapper or label. The U.N. Dangerous Goods classification number and the graphic symbol for an explosive, in black on an orange background, must also be imprinted on the outer package. Individual cartridges and detonators (blasting caps), will only usually have the words "explosive /explosif" imprinted on them. Fire-



works are labelled as "FIREWORKS" and do not need to be libelled explosive.

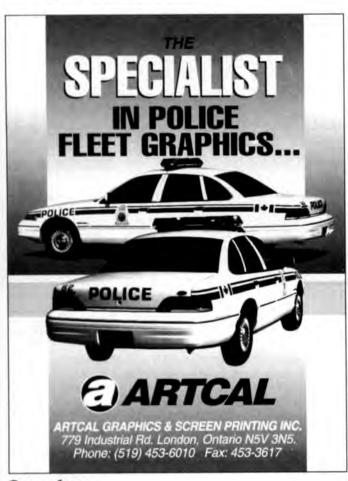
Explosives manufactured for commercial use (construction, mining, quarrying, boulder-breaking, pond blasting, seismic operations) will normally be found in their original cartridges. These could be brown, orange, white or yellow waxed paper tubes with the ends crimped inwards, similarly coloured spiral cardboard tubes with one end crimped to a scalloped point and the other sealed in a pie crimp (like a shotshell), heavy duty clear imprinted plastic bags, plastic film cartridges of various colours, with stapled ends, moulded rigid plastic tubes in red, yellow, blue, orange, pink or white. Some are sealed in metal shells with two protruding insulated wires (electric detonators) or with one or two protruding plastic tubes of any colour (nonel detonators).

No longer made and sold in Canada are safety fuse detonators, which are metal shells about 25mm (1/4") in diameter with one end open for insertion of the fuse.

Safety fuse is no longer made and sold in Canada. When it was sold, it was normally black or pale yellow, but other colours such as orange or white were sometimes found. It had a black core, made from black gunpowder.

Detonating cord (primacord) is often confused with safety fuse, but it is designed to detonate down its length. Its inner core does not burn; it is filled with a high explosive (usually white or beige) that sends a detonation wave through it at a rate of about 7,000 meters per second. The outer plastic or waxed fabric coating comes in many colours, but among the most common are bright yellow, red, blaze orange and forest green. Frequently you will see one or more spiral trace threads that form part of the outer fabric coating of the cord. These threads are usually black. but other colours are encountered, depending on age and country of origin.

TNT has for many years been sold loose in a flake or pellet form, or in a cast form called a booster or primer. As a booster, the TNT is poured as a liquid into a short cardboard tube, and allowed to harden. It may have one or two holes





running through the explosive, for insertion of a detonator or a length of detonating cord. It is yellow to straw colour.

A great deal of blasting is done today with explosives that look like a thick gel in a thin-walled flexible plastic cartridge sealed at each end with a metal staple. The cartridges may be opaque or clear, and may be coloured. These cartridges may be water gel or emulsion explosives.

Ammonium nitrate is a 35-36% nitrogen fertilizer sold at farm supply and garden supply stores. It may be purchased in bags of 50 pounds or more, or in bulk (truckload). When mixed with a liquid hydrocarbon, such as fuel oil or diesel oil the ammonium nitrate becomes sensitive to a shock wave from a booster, and can detonate. In this form, the mixture is called AN/FO or ANFO. It is illegal, under the Explosives Act, to mix AN/FO, creating an explosive, without having first obtained a licence to manufacture explosives.

The unusual appearance of ammonium nitrate fertilizer is small whitish balls (called prills), about 2-3 mm (1/8" -3/16") in diameter. If it has been ground up, it will be a whitish powder, but not shiny like salt or sugar. If soaked with fuel oil, it will look damp and may be discoloured by the colour of the oil (yellowish or pinkish).

Other home-made explosives can be:

- 1. gunpowder mixture of powdered charcoal (black), sulphur (vellow) and sodium nitrate or potassium nitrate (white). The powder will be a dark gray or black colour:
- 2. granular chlorine bleach (swimming pool chlorine), with an alcohol-based liquid
- 3. match heads, clipped off safety match books or strike-anywhere matches;
- 4. potassium chlorate (white powder) and vaseline (pale vellow cream) to make plastic explosive;
- 5. powdered metals such as aluminum. magnesium, zinc, mixed with other finely powdered chemicals, particularly with oxidizers such as chlorates, nitrates and iron oxide.

Detonators can be stolen from explosives magazines, but now there are a number of how-to manuals on how to make your own. The home-made types may look like .22 or .31 calibre small arms cartridges with wires protruding from one end. These improvised detonators are as deadly and as sensitive to handling, as are the manufactured ones.

Many types of explosives, especially the commercial and military types, can detonate without being contained. Their primary effect is the blast effect. If the bomber wants to produce fragmentation, he/she may glue or tape hard objects such as nuts, bolts, ball-bearings, nails, glass, etc. to the outside of the explosive. Or the explosive may be placed inside a container such as a glass jar or a metal or plastic pipe (pipe bomb). Some types of improvised (home-made) explosives cannot be detonated unless they are in a container, such as a pipe.

The explosive charge may be set off with a simple burning hose, an electrical or electronic or mechanical time delay device. or some type of booby trap device designed to operate when the victim does something to the device: -picks it up, inverts or tilts it opens it, cuts any tape, wires or string, or removes batteries -shakes it or drops it -rubs it, or moves it to another location -exposes it to temperature change, change of light level, or change of sound level

Without X-ray equipment and special training, it is impossible to determine what might make a bomb detonate. It may contain multiple triggering devices. So don't put yourself in the position of investigating such items!

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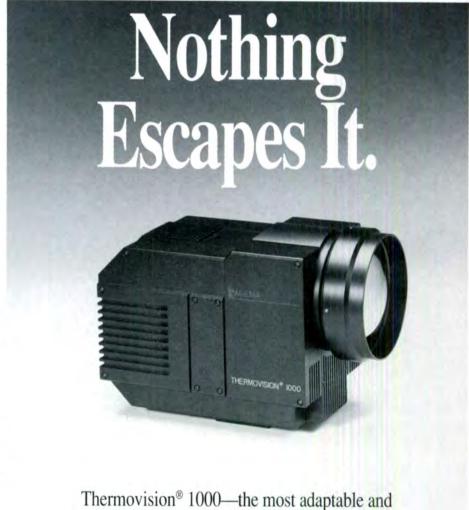
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The Drug Recognition Expert Program

by Jeff Steley

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In the early 1970's two police Sergeants from the Los Angeles Police Department were concerned with the growing problem with persons operating motor vehicles under the influence of alcohol and especially drugs, usually a combination thereof.

Both officers, Dick Studdard who was a senior Traffic Sergeant and Len Leeds, a senior Narcotics Sergeant developed the Drug Recognition Expert program. During their research and consultation with medical physicians and other experts they found that most of the drugs that could impair a person's ability to operate a motor vehicle safely could be separated into seven distinctive categories.

These categories and some examples are as follows:

Rentral Nervous System Depressants

(Alcohol, Valium, Barbiturates),

- Central Nervous System Stimulants (Cocaine, Methamphetamine, Ampheta-
- Hallucinogens (LSD, Psilocybin),
- Phencyclidine or commonly called P.C.P.,
- Narcotic Analgesics (Heroin, Percodan, Demerol).
- Inhalants (glue, paints, gasoline) and the final category is
- Cannabis (Marijuana, Hashish, Hash

During their research it was found that all of the drugs had unique and distinctive effects on the body's everyday functions. The officers developed a Symptomatology Chart that could identify and explain in court which drug or drugs were impairing the person at the time of contact with the

Certain drugs dilate the pupils, another constricts them, some categories elevate the body's temperature, pulse and blood pressure while others lower the vital signs. The Drug Recognition Expert is equipped with the necessary knowledge and medical instruments to accurately take these measurements.

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separate and identify the impairing drug categories by the use of the charts developed for the program.

If it sounds quite sophisticated and complex, well it is. Once the officer completes the required training, the officer receives a Certification as a *Drug Recognition Expert* from the United States National Highway Traffic Safety Administration as well as the International Association of Chiefs of Police. They must conduct at least four drug evaluations every two years to maintain their expert qualifications.

The academic process takes approximately three weeks to one month. After the completion of the in class training the officers participate in a field internship. The officers must perform a minimum of twelve drug evaluations. The officers must identify individuals under the influence in four of the seven drug categories, excluding alcohol. The findings must be backed up by toxicological certificates.

The drug evaluation includes a question and answer session to determine if the person has medical problems. The next step is the preliminary screening exam that consists of a Breathalyzer reading, eye examination and taking of the subject's first pulse. It is at this point that the *Drug Recognition Expert* will proceed with the evaluation if he suspects the suspect's impairment is caused by a drug. The evaluator at this point will know whether the person is suffering from an illness, fatigue or injury and will send them for medical treatment if required.

The initial eye examination is the most critical point of the testing. The officers are extensively trained in the area of *Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus* and *Vertical Nystagmus*.

Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus is the involuntary jerking of the eyes from side to side. Every person has Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus and three drug categories enhance this condition so that it becomes visible

Drug Recognition Experts use a formula that approximates a person's Blood Alcohol Concentration by estimating the angle of onset of Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus. This formula is usually accurate within 20 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood. If the blood alcohol reading is not consistent with the eye exam, the officer may suspect that another drug that causes Nystagmus is in the subject's body.

Four of the drug categories also cause Lack of Convergence, a fancy name for the ability to go cross-eyed. If one of these four drugs is in the subject's body their eyes will converge then approximately one second later, one or both of the subject's eyes will involuntarily pop back into its normal resting position.

The evaluations evaluate a person's clinical and psycho-physical signs. Drug abusers usually build up a tolerance to the type of drugs they use. The subject will display psycho-physical signs which a trained *Drug Recognition Expert* can detect.

Due to a person's tolerance of the drug the subject may have used a normal dosage just to feel good or stop from getting sick but the signs of impairment can still be detected. These persons may be able to somewhat perform the Standardized Field Sobriety Test but the person will not have any control over the clinical sign such as the person's vital signs. These are regulated by the person's brain and the person will obviously have no control over these clinical signs.

The subject's divided attention is tested by giving very simple instructions during the Standardized Field Sobriety Test. When a person is under the influence of a drug, they often lose the ability to concentrate on more than one task at a time. This is usually how the officers come into contact with the

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subjects. They will operate their vehicles concentrating on their speed but may disobey red lights etc.

The Standardized Field Sobriety Tests were developed and scientifically proven as effective ways of observing and recording a person's signs of impairment. The first test is the Romberg Test which tests the person's internal clock. The subject is asked to close his eyes, tilt back the head and while keeping his hands down by his sides, estimate thirty seconds. The officer notes and records body tremor, eye twitching as well as swaying back and forth. Certain drugs, like P.C.P., often speed up the body's internal clock whereas drugs like Depressants usually slow the body's internal clock.

During one evaluation in Los Angeles, a subject I had tested who was under the influence of P.C.P., estimated thirty seconds in ten seconds. Usually a normal person could estimate this time within four to five seconds. When asked how long he had counted for, he confidently stated "I've done these tests before, I counted to sixty".

The next test is the Walk and Turn Test were the subject must walk heel to toe for nine steps, turn and walk heel to toe back for nine steps. The subject must keep his hands to his sides and look at his toes as he counts his steps aloud. This exercise really tests a person's divided attention to concentrate on several tasks at one time. A non-impaired person can perform this test with little effort but a person under the influence of a drug will display numerous signs of impairment.

The next test is the One Leg Stand. The subject stands up straight with his hands at his sides. He is then asked to raise his right leg approximately six inches from the floor and while looking at his feet, count one thousand one, one thousand two etc.. until reaching one thousand and thirty. He then switches feet and repeats the test. The evaluator records body movements as well as the number of time the subject puts his foot down or quits counting.

The final test is the Finger To Nose



Officers trained in the Drug Recognition Expert program have a wide array of uses. With the tendency of some drinking drivers to switch or mix their alcohol abuse with drug abuse the training is a possible method to combat this dangerous habit.

Test. This test requires the subject to stand up straight with his hands at his side, tilt his head back and close his eyes. The evaluator instructs the subject to touch the tip of his finger to the tip of his nose and return his hands to his side. The evaluator again notes where the subject places his finger on his face and also notes if the subject uses the wrong fingers out of sequence.

The Standardized Field Sobriety Tests are used by the officers in the street to form their grounds for arrest of driving under the influence and the Drug Recognition Expert will again have the tests performed under more controlled conditions.

Once the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests are completed the subject's eyes are examined in four different lighting conditions. It is at this point the officer will observe whether the subject's eyes dilate, constrict or have no reaction at all. The subject's pulse is also taken at three separate intervals, blood pressure and body temperature is also taken. The final examination is the documentation of injection sites. The officer is equipped with a special

illuminated magnifying glass that enables the officer to clearly see injection sites. The officers are taught the difference between illegal and legal injection sites, types of needles used whether new or old, as well as the estimation of the time of injection.

When the entire evaluation is complete the *Drug Recognition Expert* takes the totality of the findings and makes his opinion as an expert as to which category or categories the subject is under the influence.

This is the first of a two part series on the Drug Recognition Expert program. Next issue you will read about the author's personal experiences and acceptance of the program by the courts, police and public.

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Firearms smuggling report released by Federal Solicitor General

The report and recommendations of the Firearms Smuggling Working Group was released jointly last month by the Honourable Allan Rock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, the Honourable Herb Gray, Solicitor General of Canada and the Honourable David Anderson, Minister of National Revenue.

The report, The Illegal Movement of Firearms in Canada, includes seven recommendations. Among them is a proposal to establish a national task force with representation from federal agencies, police services across Canada as well as provincial and territorial firearms officers. The task force would be responsible for promoting national coordination, policy development and information sharing in order to strategically target the illegal importation, circulation and criminal use of firearms.

In response, the federal government agreed to create a dedicated unit within the Criminal Intelligence Services of Canada, a partnership of Canadian police and enforcement agencies, to promote information sharing on criminal activities including firearms smuggling, trafficking and other firearms abuses.

Further, the mandate of the Firearms Smuggling Working Group will be extended for three years to promote interagency cooperation domestically and internationally; to develop a national information base on firearms seized in criminal offences; and to develop and support



Canada-U.S. cooperation to combat firearms smuggling and trafficking.

Bill C-68 already deals with many of the recommendations of the working group, by creating new offences and penalties for firearms smuggling and trafficking, controlling future imports and exports of firearms and banning many firearms with no legitimate use. The proposed firearms licensing and registration system is the foundation for all of these enforcement and regulatory measures.

The working group, consisting of vari-

ous federal and provincial governments and law enforcement agencies, was established by the Minister of Justice in April 1994 to assess the magnitude of the threat to public safety posed by smuggled fire-

> arms. The working group consulted experts in police and en-

forcementagencies in Canada and the United States and

collected research data on firearms recovered by police in nine Canadian cities and various detachments of the RCMP before making their report.

Ten police forces representing more than 40% of the Canadian population and serving both rural and urban Canada participated in the research study. The police recov-

ered almost 9,000 firearms in 1993 from criminal investigations and prohibitions, as well as non-criminal incidents such as suicides and found firearms. About half of the recovered firearms were linked to a criminal offence.

The report shows that about half of the firearms used in crime were ordinary rifles and shotguns; handguns accounted for another 21%. Approximately half of the handguns used in criminal incidents were legally registered to owners in Canada.

"These statistics clearly indicate that the misuse of legally acquired firearms is a major problem that needs to be addressed. A universal firearms registration system that would record all firearms owned in Canada as well as those entering or leaving the country would provide better information to police investigating crimes and lead to a safer society in Canada," said Minister Rock.

"The working group findings released today provide a good indication of the threat posed by illegal firearms," said Minister Gray. "The creation of a national task force is key to helping law enforcement agencies effectively combat and eventually stop the illicit trafficking and smuggling of firearms in this country."

"While smuggling is only one dimension of the firearms control issue, it is one that Revenue Canada takes seriously," said Minister Anderson. "We have already taken steps to enhance control of the movement of firearms at border points and, with other law enforcement agencies, we will continue to support initiatives designed to provide Canadians with safer homes and streets."

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Radio show novel way of communicating with community

by Myron Love



This June, Sgt Craig Cochrane is marking his first anniversary on air as host of the monthly RCMP call-in show on

Norway House radio station CJNC.

Sgt Cochrane, an 18-year RCMP veteran, explains that the Norway House detachment launched the show to better communicate with the 5,000 residents of the far flung primarily native community located about 800km north of Winnipeg.

"RCMP policy encourages detachments to try to establish community consultative groups to work with us," he notes. "The ideal is a committee with representation from a good cross section of the community and a team approach. In some areas, these community committees work well, in other cases they don't."

Norway House fit into the second category. Sgt Cochrane had called a town hall meeting to pass on information and organize a community committee. He invited the local media as well. Although several people expressed an interest in joining the committee, only one came to the first meeting.

"We got the message," he says.
"We kicked around some ideas at
that meeting and decided to try this
radio show. So far, it is working
out very well."

The genial host fills his hourly show with guests and information such as explanations of the new gun legislation and he takes calls from the public.

"Not everyone here has a phone but they all have radios and televisions," he points out. "People who might be reluctant to come to the office with a concern will phone the show to ask what the police are doing about a certain matter. It gives us an opportunity to ask what they are doing to solve the problem. The message we are trying to get across is that nine officers can't do everything.

We need the community working with us."

Former Mountie head takes up position with Montreal private investigation firm



KPMG recently announced the appointment of Norman D. Inkster as President of KPMG Investigation and Security Inc. (Enquete et securite KPMG Inc.). Mr. Inkster was formerly Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and President of Interpol. He continues as

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Anti-abortion speaker encourages activists to get cozy with cops

VANCOUVER - The U.S. anti-abortionist credited with developing a strategy of tracing the licence plates of abortion clinic workers spoke to an activist group on May 19 in Vancouver and suggested they get the assistance of sympathetic cops to gain advantages for their cause.

In a manual for anti-abortionists called Closed: 99 Ways to Stop Abortion. Joe Scheidler of Chicago writes of the valuable information that can be gleaned from licence plates.

"You can use licence plates to track down a lot of information," he says. "All you need to do is call the licence bureau or get someone to call for you, perhaps a friendly police officer or a lawyer."

The licence plate tactic is of particular interest to Vancouver abortion clinic worker Marg Panton.

Two weeks after her licence plate was called up by Delta police Const. Steve Parker, her car information was inexplicably accessed again by North Vancouver RCMP.

Parker is now facing an internal investigation under the Police Act after Crown counsel decided there was not enough proof to be benefitted from calling up licence plates to get a criminal conviction.

Parker is the treasurer of the anti-abortion Campaign Life Coalition.

RCMP can't provide a firm explanation as to why Panton's plate was called up, but say there was nothing suspicious about the three computer accesses, made two days apart in February 1994.

"It's very curious," Panton said this week, after getting a report from RCMP. "The RCMP were unable to verify the reason for the queries."

RCMP Sgt. Peter Montague said both officers who accessed the plate were interviewed and couldn't remember the exact reason they punched in Panton's plate number. Neither have connections to any anti-abortion group.

In his manual, Scheidler also writes that the "best arrangement is to have a friend in the traffic division or in the Secretary of State's office.

"With a little effort, you will always be able to find someone who will get the name and address of a vehicle owner."

Immediate breath demand not necessary in Alberta

Police do not have to demand a breath sample for an approved screening device test immediately after detecting that smell of an alcoholic beverage, the Alberta Court of Appeal has ruled.

The court heard an appeal brought by Gregory Kachmarchyk who was originally convicted of impaired driving by the Provincial Court, then acquitted by a Queen's Bench judge due to an 11 minute delay while the arresting officer checked the man's licence.

The Court of Appeal said the officer was entitled to complete his investigation before demanding breath samples.

"Though time is clearly of the essence in making the demand once a reasonable suspicion is formed, it does not follow that the demand must be made immediately upon first observing that there may be alcohol in the person's body," the ruling concluded.

"Reasonable time may be taken to ensure completion of essential aspects for the investigation and the formation of a reasonable suspicion," the court added.

Police union elects new leader

TRURO, N.S. - A Truro police officer is the new president of the Police Association of Nova Scotia.

Brian McDougall was elected to a two-year term during the association's annual meeting in Truro on the weekend of May 20th. He replaces Alex Brown of New Glasgow.

Cop ticketed people who don't exist

TORONTO - A police veteran of 28 years has been charged with ticketing people who don't exist.

Police say they began investigating complaints against the officer late last year.

He allegedly issued tickets for various infractions under the Liquor Licence and Highway Traffic acts or municipal bylaws - but no one named in the tickets was real.

Charged with fabricating evidence, forgery and misconduct is Const. Samuel Johnston. He has been suspended pending a court appearance in June.

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OPP officer killed in crash

TIMMINS, Ont. - A lumber truck collided head-on with a provincial police cruiser in Northern Ontario, splitting the cruiser in three pieces and killing the police officer inside.

Const. Ken Roy, 26, was pronounced dead at the scene Tuesday May 23.

The truck, which was empty and heading west, collided with Roy's eastbound cruiser on a "bad curve" on Highway 101 about 60 kilometres west of Foleyet, said Sgt. Steve Porter.

The truck driver suffered minor injuries.

Roy, a five-year veteran of the force, was returning to the South Porcupine detachment at the time. The accident forced the closure of a 100-kilometre stretch of the highway between Foleyet and Chapleau for about six hours.

"Everybody's shocked," said Sgt. Mike Jordan, who worked with Roy in South Porcupine for two years.

"He was very jovial, he always had a smile on his face. He was always respected by his peers and the public."

Police spent most of the day trying to determine the cause of the crash.

Roy previously served three years with the Rockland detachment. He was married and had a six-year-old daughter.

Conservation officers worried about gun legislation

TWEED, Ont. - Ontario's conservation officers say they fear proposed federal gun laws could endanger their lives.

"There is concern that (hunters) who are currently law-abiding but oppose the proposed changes may change their attitudes when encountering conservation officers if there is the possibility of incarceration and a criminal record," said Dan VanExan, president of the Ontario Conservation Officer's Association.

Conservation officers worry they'll bear the brunt of checking for registered firearms. They probably check more firearm owners than any other law enforcement agency, said VanExan.

"The protection of our natural resources may suffer, with the time spent pursuing these 'violators'," he said in a letter to federal Justice Minister Alan Rock.

The association recently made a submission to the federal standing committee on Bill C-68, which would require all guns to be registered and proposes jail terms for possession of unregistered firearms.

Saskatchewan's conservation officers also oppose the new gun law and have said they won't rush to enforce the bill if it becomes law.

Scotland Yard embarrassed by internal fraud artist

LONDON (AP) - Scotland Yard, which prides itself on being one of the world's finest detective forces, took eight years to notice that one of its accountants stole the equivalent of \$11.5 million Cdn of the force's money.

Anthony Williams, a 55-yearold civilian employee, started small - supplementing his \$68,000 Cdn salary by pilfering the police welfare fund at Scotland Yard's London headquarters.

He hit the big-time when he was put in charge of a secret \$15.5-million Cdn undercover operations fund. Unsupervised, he funnelled all but \$4 million Cdn of the money into his own accounts.

The villa he bought in Spain didn't tip off the famous noses at Scotland Yard. He said the money for his big house near London and luxury cars and lavish lifestyle came from an inheritance.

Not until after he bought the mansion in the Scottish Highlands, complete with the title "Lord Williams", did detectives get suspicious. He was finally arrested last July.

Last month, the case came to a close when Williams was sentenced to 7 years in prison.

Men arrested after explosives found by routine patrol stop

SARNIA, Ont. - Two men have been arrested after police found an explosive device in their pickup truck and later discovered dozens more in an apartment.

Officers noticed the device in a gymbag in the back of the pickup after stopping the "suspicious" truck on May 17th.

Nearby homes and apartments were evacuated and the area was cordoned off.

Officers from the Ontario Provincial Police bomb squad used a robot to blast the device - explosive black powder in a glass jar with a high-powered stream of water. It was destroyed without an explosion.

Police later searched an area apartment and found 59 stingers, a type of explosive that resembles children's plastic building blocks.

Const. Pat Morrissey of the bomb disposal unit said the Sarnia area has become "a hotbed of explosives" in the last few months.

About 2,500 pieces of explosive taken from an oil exploration company in nearby Oil Springs last November have not been recovered.

The larger pieces of explosive have the blasting power of a stick of dynamite and the smaller pieces, the stingers, could kill or maim.

Two Sarnia area 20 year-old males have been charged. The investigation is continuing

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FLASHES By Tony Mackinnon Police

"I FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE THAT THE ONLY THING NEW THE MARINE UNIT GETS THIS YEAR IS PING-PONG BALLS FOR YOUR SNORKEL!"

"Our Missing Children" program logo unveiled

Ottawa - On Saturday, May 20, 1995, dignitaries officially unveiled the "Our Missing Children' Program Logo in a pregame ceremony hosted by the Ottawa Lynx Baseball Club at Ottawa Stadium.

Richard Bergman - Deputy Commissioner RCMP National Police Services, Fermo Stefanelli - Director of Intelligence Service for Revenue Canada Customs, and Tom Ryan Director of Port of Entry Management for Citizenship and Immigration Canada, were the invited dignitaries to kick off the unique design.

In addition to the unveiling, several activities were organized by the "Our Missing Children" Program staff and their corporate partners to educate the general public about the preventative measures available for the protection of children.

In a dedication speech given by Deputy Commissioner Bergman, it was indicated that through this Inter-Departmental initiative to date, 384 children have been recovered at our borders and another 11 children have been returned from other countries.



In 1985, the Solicitor General of Canada announced a multifaceted program to help police forces investigate missing children cases in Canada. One component of the program was the establishment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) Missing Children's Registry, which officially opened on August 15, 1986. The Registry is linked to all Canadian police agencies through the Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC), all foreign departments through INTERPOL and with the United

States FBI through the National Crime Information Centre System (NCIC).

Project Return

In 1986, Revenue Canada Customs established the Canada Customs Missing Children's Program. The program resulted in the creation of a national training program for Customs officers, the development of profiles for missing children and their abductors, the creation of an up-to-date data base, and the appointment of ten regional coordinators and a national coordinator. In April 1991, the program was renamed Project Return. The Minister of National Revenue announced that Project Return would work in close partnership with Child Find Canada and Operation Go Home.

In July 1991, the National Coordinator of Project Return was seconded to the RCMP Missing Children's Registry. This began a unique joint forces operation coordinating both of these departmental programs from one office.

In June 1992, the Canadian Government approved a Child Development Initiative called "Brighter Futures: Investing In Canada's Children". This program solidified the existence of the Missing Children's Registry, which was unfunded until that time.

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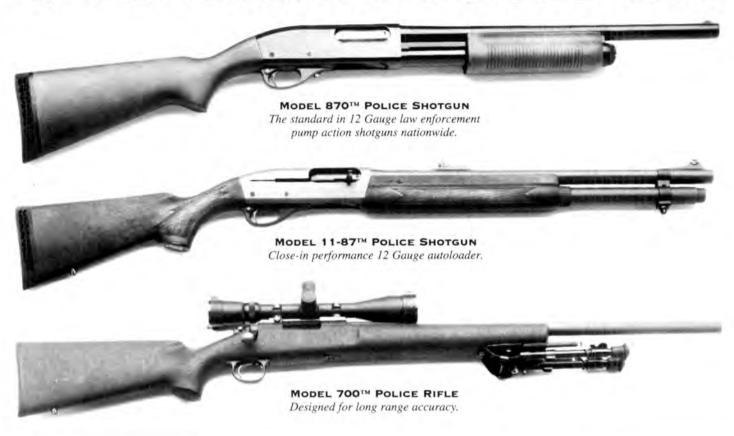
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Programs aimed at addressing these conditions of risk operate under four guiding principles. They are: prevention, promotion, protection and partnership.

In 1994, Citizenship & Immigration Canada joined Canada Customs in International Project Return and the RCMP Missing Children's Registry to form the "Our Missing Children - Nos Enfants Disparus" Program. This cooperative effort currently helps support the "Brighter Futures" principle of protection of children by allowing the three agencies to coordinate activities, share information, and access each other's contacts and sources. This association has provided a broader recognition amongst other enforcement agencies and organizations concerned with missing children.

Missing Children's Registry

In 1988, the Registry handled an average of nine new investigations per month. In 1994, the Registry handled an average of 50 new investigations per month, representing an increase of 559%.

The Registry has been involved in the location and recovery of children from all over the world - United States, Indonesia, Australia, Switzerland, France, United Kingdom, Greece, Chili, Korea, India and Japan.

On October 2, 1991, the Minister of

Justice announced the inception of the Transportation Program designed to assist in the recovery of abducted children. The Department of Justice Canada requested that the RCMP Missing Children's Registry administer this program.

The Transportation Program has been used in over fifty cases. The Missing Children's Registry negotiated with the airlines involved in this program and as a result the airlines will issue tickets for the return of parentally abducted children from anywhere they fly in the world. This is a significant development since Canada is the only known country that has a transportation program providing service outside their country.

The Missing Children's Registry has developed a reputation world wide as the Canadian response centre for missing children and is being recognized within Canada as experts in the field of investigations involving Parental Abductions.

International Project Return

Since 1986, this program has been responsible for the location and recovery of over 378 missing and/or abducted children. A national training program for Customs Inspectors has been developed. Indicators and profiles for missing children and their abductors as well as an up-to-date database has been created. 3,600 Customs

Inspectors have been trained and are on full alert for abducted and runaway children. In addition, International Project Return has been tasked with the training of the RCMP members stationed at all international airports in Canada.

International Project Return is now affiliated with law enforcement agencies in over 40 countries. International Project Return was presented at the Hague Convention in The Hague, Netherlands, the Customs Cooperation Council in Brussels, Belgium (124 member countries) and at the Caribbean Customs Law Enforcement Council.

Blue Line Magazine has been inserting a lost child in each issue since last year and readers are encouraged to copy this column and distribute it freely.

Beginning with an up-coming issue Blue Line will be inserting more details about known adductors of these missing children. "In general it is difficult for cops to identify missing children," Blue Line Publisher Morley Lymburner said, "I would sooner put in a photograph and more details about the abductor. Adults appearances do not change as much and their habits and routines are more easily traced. In other words, lead me to the abductor in these cases and I will soon come up with the missing child."

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Native women reported missing grossly exagerated by press

RCMP investigators probing the discovery of the remains of four native women near Saskatoon have realized that nearly 500 women have vanished in western Canada since 1992. But contrary to a Globe and Mail report last December figures indicate that around 25 percent of these are native women.

Police and native organizations were shocked last December when the Globe and Mail reported that all 470 lost females were native. Further investigation of the computerized list of native women between 16 and 30 years old reported missing in the West and the North revealed that only about 125 were native.

The revelation came about after police reported finding four dead native females in a bushed area near Saskatoon and started to make attempts at identifying the bodies.

Police were gravely concerned at the numbers reported missing in the Globe report. "The picture is grim enough without a reporter making it worse," a spokesman said in a recent interview.

Lucille Thomas of the Saskatchewan Native Women's Council said families lose track of young native women once they leave their reserves. "They leave for the city, and if they disappear after that, no one notices."

The first of the four bodies was found October 3rd and police began digging up more bodies at a rate of one a week. Three were buried within a few metres of each other.

Police identified all four of the bodies - Janet Sylvestre, 36, of LaLoche, Sask., Eva Taysup, 28, of the Yellow Quill reserve in Saskatchewan, and Shelly Napope, 16, of Duck Lake, Sask., and Calinda Waterhen.

On January 20th police arrested a John Martin Crawford, 32 years old, in the city of Saskatoon and charged him with the murders of Napope, Taysup and Waterhen. Police reported that at the present time they are unable to connect the accused with the Sylvestre murder and it is still considered to be an open file.

Investigators determined the bodies were left in the field at different times, likely in the spring and summer of 1992.

Other reports of missing persons are still being actively investigated by Saskatoon RCMP officers.



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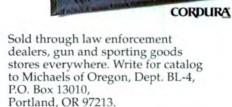
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"Most homicide victims die with their clothes on," explains SFU biologist Gail Anderson, a forensic entomologist. "As bodies become 'bloated' over time, the clothing tightens. And that can affect the ever-present insects which dead bodies attract."

Anderson studies the insects that infest decomposing bodies and from their life cycles, can accurately determine time of death, and other facts crucial to investigations. This summer, Anderson and two graduate students will study the behaviour of bugs on several clothed pig carcasses (the carcasses are obtained from local slaughterhouses), used in place of human bodies.

While the researchers have sufficient outer clothing (donated cotton uniforms), they are seeking donations of old underwear—bras, undershirts, underpants and socks—needed to complete the ensembles.



Researchers dressed two pig carcasses last fall and found that clothing not only altered the condition of the 'bodies,' it attracted more of each species of bug. (Anderson's studies of bugs found on bears killed by poachers first raised questions about the role of clothing, much like fur, in how bugs behave.)

Other conditions come into consideration. "Bodies tend to 'dry out' faster in the summer, but not as fast when they are clothed," notes Anderson. "Such factors could have an impact on bug behavior."

Anderson has worked on several high-profile murder cases with investigators in B.C. and across Canada. She collects insects and uses their life cycles to determine how long they have been alive on the body, then calculates the time elapsed since death.

Anderson and researchers Leigh Dillon and Shera VanLaerhoven will study bug activity on dressed pig carcasses in a variety of locations, including one site in central B.C. Like many murder victims, some of the clothed carcasses will be buried or partially buried.

Tracing the paths of insects can do more than accurately determine the time of death in cases where bodies are decomposing. Bugs also hold answers to other questions, such as whether the body has been disturbed or moved since the murder, or whether the site is where the murder took place.

"Clothing the pig carcasses will make our experiments that much more realistic," says Anderson. "And that should tell us even more about insects."

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Smaller police agencies more responsive to change report says

A recent study conducted on British Columbia police agencies reveals RCMP are less flexible toward community policing principles



There is rapidly growing recognition and acceptance of the role of the community in influencing the philosophy, management and delivery of police services. However little is known about whether rhetoric is being translated into reality-and - if a transformation is actually taking place.

An innovative new study by Dr. Jayne Seagrave, an experienced police researcher and graduate of Simon Fraser University's school of criminology, assesses the extent of change and further potential in B.C. municipal police organizations. She conducted in-depth interviews with police leaders in all the independent municipal police departments and RCMP municipal contract police detachments in the province.

"Many police agencies in Canada claim to have changed their practices to reflect community needs," she notes. "This has led to the introduction of community policing with initiatives such as community consultation, bike and beat patrols, neighbourhood deployment, and problem-oriented policing.

Seagrave found conflict between old and new models, especially in the RCMP, where only 19 per cent of officers in B.C. were familiar with community policing mission statements. The RCMP, with head-quarters in Ottawa, also seems to be less flexible than municipal police organizations.

"Police agencies are still in the very preliminary stages of changing traditional, hierarchical, paramilitary organizations into ones which endorse community policing," she reports. "Change is occurring in incremental fashion and will take place more easily in independent departments." Seagrave, who previously worked as a researcher with the 7,000 member Greater Manchester Police and the Home Office, in Britain, conducted the study for a PhD thesis at SFU.

This latest research included intensive interviews with all 31 chief constables and RCMP officers-in-charge in the province.

These data were supplemented with a survey of police officers and analysis of policy reports.

Last month she organized the police and academics conference to examine the increasing number of research projects by SFU criminologists and police. Studies include: an auto theft, for the B.C Association of Chiefs of Police; the impact of bars on crime in Vancouver's downtown eastside; consultative committees, with Langley RCMP; issues such as use of lethal force and aboriginal policing; and a customer satisfaction survey research project with Vancouver Police, by Seagrave.

"The need for more police-related research, stressed in the recent Oppal Commission report, is particularly important in Canada which, unlike the U.S. or U.K., has no central policy and research organization," she explains.

"More research needs to be done on community policing," concludes Seagrave. "Leaders may be catalysts who can either promote or restrict change, but it is the rank and file who must support the philosophy, because they are the ones who deal with the public on a day-to-day basis."

For more details on this subject or to obtain a copy of the study you may contact Jayne Seagrave at 604 291-3213.







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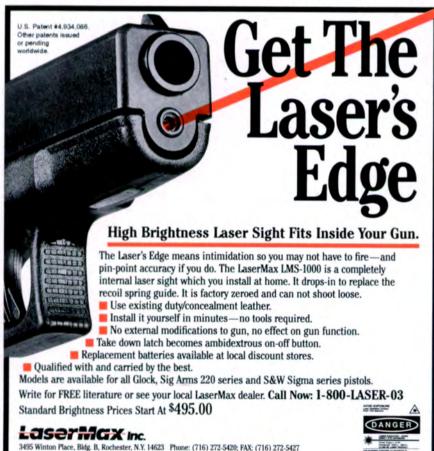
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Crime symposium focuses on making communities safer



From the shores of the Paciflc Ocean to the shores of the Atlantic. Tthey came from as far away as Coquitlam, B.C., Kenora, Ont., Laval, Que., Bathurst, N.B. and Clarenville, Nfld. Although many of them did not know each other, they all shared a common point of interest: wanting to further their knowledge with regards to preventing crime in their communities. Delegates at the 2nd annual Crime Prevention Training Symposium held in Toronto in April, got first hand information to take back with them. Many, like the delgates above, also scrutenized some fo the newest crime fighting technology on display. Martin Groleau, of the Ontario Provincial Police, files this report of the event.



by Martin Groleau

Carol Johnson, a private citizen who heads Crime Concern Toronto, a non-profit charity organization which runs Neighbourhood Watch and other business security programs, says the Crime Prevention Symposium allowed her organization to expand its resource centre database and library.

"We had a representative attend every workshop, take notes and pick up handouts so that we can share that information with the crime prevention practitioners within our community," she explained.

Johnson was one of 250 delegates from law enforcement and community crime prevention groups from across Ontario and other provinces to take part in a three-day conference comprised of 16 crime prevention workshops and two seminars.

The 2nd Annual Crime Prevention Training Symposium, co-hosted by Crime Prevention Ontario and the Ministry of the Solicitor General and Correctional Services, provided opportunities to delegates from various communities to share information related to the prevention of crime.

"It also offered valuable insight to delegates in finding innovative solutions to solve the problems particular to their respective communities", added Rosemary Raycraft, conference coordinator. "Preventing crime is not only the responsibility of police but of community members as well." she continued.

Manufacturers specializing in the design of crime-deterrent devices were also on hand to display their latest technology.

Sexual assault prevention for children; the dynamics of wife assault; robbery prevention and trauma; crime prevention and detection against counterfeiting; assessing and managing aggressive behaviour; and drugs in the work place were among an impressive list of topics featured at this year's conference.

Gang-Related Crime And Cult Terrorism

Also featured was an American cult expert from the Pittsburgh area who spoke about cult terrorism, an increasingly prevalent type of crime in today's society and a current topic in the wake of the Oklahoma bombing which occurred only one week prior to the conference.

John Michalec of Ritualistic Crime Specialists Inc., who claims there are currently 5,800 various cults operating in Canada and the U.S., provided an insightful perspective on how to detect and prevent ritualistic crime whether it involves cult, occult or non-traditional groups.

Delegates Find Workshops To Be Current

Many delegates attending the symposium expressed satisfaction in being able to broaden their knowledge and awareness on crime-related issues.

"I think the symposium was an excellent source of information, as my role as Abuse Issues Coordinator is to keep up with the latest crime prevention initiatives while being a resource

person for other officers", remarked Prov. Const. Lesley Rice of the OPP's Field Coordination Branch.

"Being up on what's out there is very important in my work, as I am actively involved in defining protocol and mandates for officer training programs such as procedures in dealing with sexual assault or child abuse cases, which must constantly be updated."

Another delegate, Brent Wynnyk, who works within the Crime Prevention Unit of the Winnipeg Police Service, says he has already begun sharing and putting into practice some of the things he learned at the training symposium.

"Some of our presentations offer tips to business owners on how to protect themselves from fraud and robbery. One of the new alternatives that has been added to our seminar is the use of ultra violet light, which is a cost-efficient method for detecting counterfeit currency and bogus credit cards", noted Wynnyk.

Finally, Sgt. Larry Hudson of the Ontario Provincial Police in North Bay had this to say on the symposium.

"I thought the S.A.L.T. (Seniors And Law Enforcement Together) program presentation was extremely resourceful as the North Bay area is increasingly becoming a retirement community.

That workshop gave me some new ideas on how to work with seniors in order to set up a program that will respond to their needs.", said Hudson, community services coordinator and liaison officer with local community policing committees.

Crime Prevention Initiatives

Following the closing ceremonies of the symposium, 8 individuals and 6 community programmes, organizations and businesses were presented with provincial crime prevention awards. These awards were to recognize impressive contributions to crime prevention and community safety in the province of Ontario.

Many of the recipients were dedicated individuals who had donated numerous hours to such programs as Neighbourhood Watch; V.I.P. (Values, Influences, Peers); The Kids in the Hood; Ontario Students Against Impaired Driving; S.T.E.P. (Seniors Taking Extra Precautions); and CA-VEAT (Canadians Against Violence Everywhere Advocating its Termination).



Product News

New molded duty belt from "Mike's"



"Uncle Mike's" is now using a new moulded double-hook Velcro to line its Ultra Duty Belts.

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The new Velcro material is called "Ultra-Mate HTH," which is a moulded, rather than woven material. The hook configuration of the new Velcro mates tightly with loop material, but is not abrasive.

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Ultra Duty and Inner Duty Belts are now offered in six sizes from X-small 20-24 to XX-Large 50-54.

FBI adopts HK MP5



In February Heckler & Koch, Inc. announced the signing of a contract to deliver 1,636 MP5/10 10mm submachine guns to the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation. The MP5/10 submachine gun is a product developed especially for American law enforcement users.

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Beretta signs 16,000 pistol contract



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The pistol selected was the Beretta Model 96D Brigadier .40 calibre semiautomatic. This model comes with night sights, removable front sights and the "D" double action only operating system with slick slide design (bobbed hammer with no safety levers).

Delivery of the new weapons commenced in early April. For further details call (301) 283-2191.

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Pirate Program Creates Credit Cards

It's every bank's headache: a criminal running loose with a fake credit card number. But imagine if anyone could create numbers that would pass initial scrutiny and then churn them out by the thousands.



Over the last year an obscure computer program designed to create card numbers has begun circulating on major on-line computer services, like America Online, and the myriad electronic bulletin boards around the country.

Known as the Credit Master, the program - possibly one of several such programs-relies on a little-known truth about credit cards; their numbers are not all randomly generated: rather, the card numbers start with a standardised bank code, followed by a codified final digit that can be determined through a simple mathematical formula.

The codes and formulas are not exactly a secret, although banks do not generally like to talk about them. Criminals have long fiddled with the technique of generating such numbers, even though credit card officials, who first began noticing the program late last year, say it invites only the crudest methods of fraud.

Only 3 percent of the numbers the program generates actually correspond to active accounts with enough credit to make purchases. Moreover, the program cannot tell the expiration date, holder's name or other information related to a card, which are often checked before spending is authorised.

But because there are more and more ways to charge services by typing numbers into computers or touchtone phones, the program could help enable large-scale, trial-and-error automated sprees, in which hundreds of potentially valid card numbers were tested to find a handful that work.

Like "blue boxes" in the 1960s, which allowed anyone with a soldering iron to make free phone calls around the world, the card-generating program of the 1990s has become a vehicle to spread introductory high-tech crime to the masses.

Credit-card companies say they know of no significant losses as the result of Credit Master. And for many of those who have retrieved the program, crime has little to do with their interest.

The program is one in a long line of minor underground products that have been embraced over the years not for their potential use as criminal tools, but for the fascinating glimpse they offer into the mysterious worlds of telephone and credit-card companies. The anonymous authors of the program, who call themselves

Micropirates Inc., boast on its program's instruction page that "the possibilities are endless."

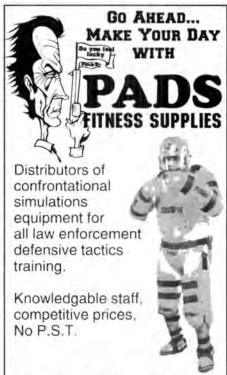
The only thing that Credit Master and similar programs do is generate credit card

numbers with the correct "checksum", or final digit on the card which is the result of a mathematical equation using all the preceding digits. The program is legal because it uses publicly available information. "We consider it a threat, but the formula was never meant to be hightech security screening," said Dennis Fiene, director of fraud control for Visa.

The numbers produced through the Credit Master program can be used only for purchases through phone or computer lines, because there is no card to show a merchant.

One of the biggest deterrents to using the program is the ease with which investigators can arrest hackers if they try to buy anything and then have it delivered.

Overall fraud is down at most credit card companies in the last two years, after doubling since 1982, as defensive tactics grew more sophisticated. The companies can now verify for merchants the shipping and billing addresses of a card holder.



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Canada to host major international law enforcement video conference



Making police training videos is not just a matter of point and shoot - as can be seen in this 1989 video production called "Seconds Can Save." Many videographers go far above the call of duty to get just that right shot or effect that can mean the difference between getting a message across or not. The goal is to recreate realism and when it comes to realism you can't get a tougher audience than cops.

by Tim Fletcher

Canada, for the first time, will be playing host to the prestigious annual training conference for the Law Enforcement and Emergency Services Video Association International (LEVA).

The 6th annual LEVA conference will be held in Toronto, October 11 to 14th, 1995. It is the only conference of its kind in the world.

Conference headquarters will be in the well-known SkyDome Hotel, which is offering special rates.

"This major event isn't geared just to video producers," says Al Mack, one of the organizers. Mack, a Staff Sergeant with Durham Regional Police, knows what he's talking about. He's also the president of the Ontario Police Educator's Association (OPLA). Mack adds, "LEVA knows well that video is involved in almost all aspects of police work, from ident, to interviewing, in-car videos just about everywhere. We are targeting these areas for membership and training."

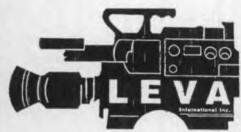
"This year, we're offering the most comprehensive training agenda ever!" enthuses John Sandeman, LEVA conference VP and manager of the Metro Toronto Police Video Unit. Noting that many police officers and other emergency service specialists get video-related jobs within their agency, but that the necessary training for it is hard to come by, Sandeman

says LEVA is the solution. "The 1995 conference, to meet the demand for training, has adopted a 'multi-track' approach covering production, learning, and forensic topics. Anyone using video in emergency work will find something of value."

Jamie Saunders, a LEVA past president and manager of the Niagara Regional Police Training Video Unit, affirms that the conference is not just a police-oriented conference. "For example, the 'Entry-Level Videography' seminar applies to any emergency services agency. It's geared to those just getting involved in this rapidly expanding field, but don't have a video background."

"A new feature this year will be 'day passes', says conference media coordinator Tim Fletcher, manager of the Hamilton-Wentworth video unit. "We're arranging the schedule so that someone with a particular interest can attend for just that day. "For example, a crime or fire scene specialist can attend just on Thursday, October 12th, and catch the lectures with Elliot Goldstein on legal aspects of gathering and presenting visual evidence. They could also take in the afternoon presentations on forensic computer recreations and video enhancement.

"Equally, trainers might be interested in the interactive multi-media presentations. On Friday, we have the FBI presentation on documenting fire/bomb scenes



and homicide scenes."

The day passes, of course, include admission to the exhibits floor and lunch.

It's hoped that Toronto's central location will encourage those within reasonable distance - Ontario and the north-eastern States - to attend on day passes. This applies to fire, ambulance, corrections, and any other emergency services specialists who use or may someday need to use video on the job, as well as ident and crime-scene specialists.

LEVA, founded in 1989, started as a dynamic group of law enforcement video specialists and educators. It has since acquired hundreds of members from around the world, including many in Canada.

Fire departments, public ambulance agencies and other emergency-service and law-enforcement related agencies are all eligible for membership. Corporate sponsorships are also available to the business world.

The LEVA annual conference has been an integral part of the organization from the beginning, and has expanded continually in scope.

Originally geared to the training video producer, it was recognized early on that video in police and emergency work could be applied to a wide variety of scenarios, and that the people undertaking these assignments require specialized training.

LEVA is also the only networking agency where emergency services video specialists and trainers can share information and technology applications across different disciplines.

For more information on the 1995 Toronto LEVA 6th annual Training Conference, contact:

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Winnipeg Police recognizes first officer to be killed on duty

by Myron Love

Constable John Beattie has finally received his due.

Back on April 13, 1911, the Britishborn 28-year-old bachelor, who had recently joined the force, became the first Winnipeg officer to be killed in the line of duty when he was electrocuted while investigating a fire. In Winnipeg's history, only six police officers have been killed on active duty. For some

on active duty. For some unexplained reason though, Beattie's name was left off a plaque commemorating those officers which was erected at the Public Safety building last year.

The oversight was discovered by Constable
Murray Milligan of the Department's Research and Planning office while going through the police mu-

seum. When he mentioned the matter to Chief Dale Henry, the Chief asked him to find out what happened. According to Henry, there was no trial

to follow. "We called police departments

in eastern England to help us find any distant relatives he had who might still be living," Henry says. "The BBC picked up the story and we did a telephone interview with them."

> Milligan took it upon himself as a personal challenge to find relatives of Beattie's. The search led to Africa and Australia but all the leads turned out to be fruitless.

> > On October 7, the Department held a memorial service for Beattie in front of his unmarked grave and unveiled a new foot marker. On November 4, a special plaque was dedicated in his name at the Public Safety Building.

On a historical footnote, Milligan points out that Beattie's was the first funeral conducted in Manitoba by the Salvation Army for an individual who was not a Salvation Army member. The Winnipeg Police Department and the Salvation Army have enjoyed a close relationship ever since.

Another officer saved

Constable Bruce Shelest is thanking his lucky stars that he was wearing his personal body armour on the evening of Wednesday, March 8, 1995 when a suspect he was trying to arrest tried to stab him in the chest. The vest warded off the blow and saved the Winnipeg police officer from serious injury.

Superintendent Keith McAskill reports the vests are not mandatory but officers who have asked for them have to wear them. "There is no doubt they protect our officers from injury from weapons and accidents," McAskill added.

The life saving ability of personal body armour has been well documented over the past twenty years. The armour has protected officers from bullets, bottles, knives and in one case flying metal from an exploding air brake pod.

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Small town cops are Manitoba's most efficient, says study

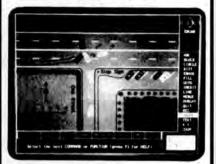


It's tough to fight the law in Morden. Members of the town's tiny police department are the most efficient crimefighters in Manitoba, according to a federal study.

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"The secret, I maintain, is having constables on the street," said Chief Ken Jensen, a 28-year RCMP veteran who has led the Morden force since 1985.

The federal study calculated a police officer in Morden handles an average 71 Criminal Code offences each year, compared to 70 per officer in Winnipeg, the Winnipeg Sun said in a report out of Ottawa.

Jensen boasted town constables solve 90 per cent of crimes. And the Morden force costs the equivalent of \$49 a year per resident, a third the per-capita cost of Winnipeg city police. The town has a population of about 5,000.

But Winnipeg police officials described the federal statistics as misleading.

"Common sense would dictate it's easier to investigate crime in a small town," said Inspector Keith McCaskill, an aide to Winnipeg's police chief.

Jack Haasbeek, president of the Winnipeg Police Association, said the capital city's higher rate of violent crime makes comparisons of cost and efficiency "far more complicated."

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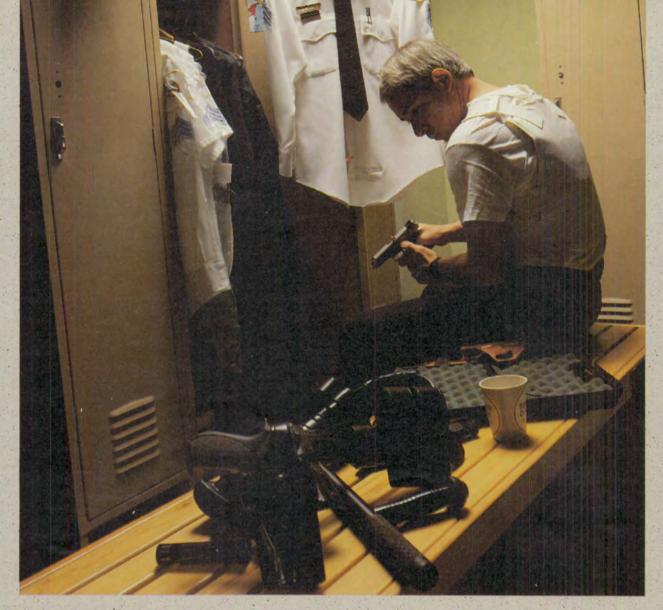
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Up-Coming Events

June 25 - 27, 1995 Association of Quebec Chiefs of Police - Trade Fair Trois Rivierre - Quebec

This annual conference will present a trade fair which will be open to all members of police agencies at the Delta Inn. The show will include around 50 booths of products and services of interest to law enforcement. For further details contact Giles Tremblay (819) 378-5433.

June 25 - 30, 1995 International Association of Airport & Scaport Police Conference Ottawa- Ontario

The 26th annual conference will be held at the Chateau Laurier Hotel. This event will be hosted by the Ports Canada Police. Topics discussed will include topical issues concerning airport and seaport security. For further details contact Richard Godin (613) 957-6797.

July 1 - 2, 1995 NWMP 120th Celebration Shoal Lake - Manitoba

The police and Pioneer Museum along with the Shoal Lake RCMP Detachment will be hosting a 120th Anniversary Celebration to commemorate the arrival of the North West Mounted Police. This will also coincide with Canada Day and Manitoba's 125 celebrations. For further details contact Ewen Booth at (204) 759-2390 or Fax (204) 759-2704.

July 3 - 7, 1995 Canadian Identification Society Halifax - Nova Scotia

This annual conference has a Trade Show associated with it that is open to members of police services. The event is expected to attract 20 corporate booth displays from companies interested in forensic ident issues. For details call Ron Yeomans (902) 426-1279 Fax (902) 426-8845.

July 14 - 29, 1995 2nd International Police Music Festival London - England

This year's festival will be hosted by both the Essex and Bedfordshire Constabularies. British Columbia's Greater Victoria Police Chorus invites police personnel to take advantage of a special group rate, travelling with the chorus on July 14, from Vancouver direct to London via Air Canada. For more information contact R.J. Adrian (604) 721-7599 Office or (604) 592-0811 Residence.

July 23, 1995 Eric Nystedt Memorial Run Sault Ste. Marie - Ontario

On July 3, 1993 OPP Constable E. Nystedt gave his life in the line of duty. Physical fitness was an important part of his life. On July 23, 1995, we dedicate a 10, 5 \$ 2 km race/run'trot in his memory and in the memory of others who have made the ultimate sacrifice. Race hosts - OPP/Hearst & Stroke Foundation. Can't come, how about a t-shirt to support the cause, For details: Sgt. Waffler (705) 945-6833.

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September 6 - 9, 1995 15th Annual North American Police Soccer Tournament Markham - Ontario

The York Regional Police Association Soccer Club cordially invites all law enforcement agencies from across North America to come and participate in this year's up coming event. This is an established tournament drawing both men's and women's teams from throughout Canada and the United States. For further details contact Steve Jennings or Dave Riches at (905) 773-1221 Ext. 7246 or FAX (905) 508-4694.

September 14 - 16, 1995 M.O.I.A. Conference London - Ontario

The Michigan Ontario Identification Association Conference will include guest speakers, plenary sessions and a trade show of interest to persons involved in Forensic Identification. For registration information contact Mr. Olszewski at (519) 661-5614 or Fax (519) 661-6494.

September 15-17, 1995 International Police Diver Symposium Hamilton - Ontario

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September 23 - 29, 1995 33rd International Association of Women Police Conference Milwaukee, Wisconsin

This year's conference will be hosted by the Milwaukee Police Department at the Pfister Hotel. Conference will consist of guest speakers and training sessions. For registration information write IAWP PO Box 37872, Milwaukee, WI

September 30 -October 1, 1995 Police Martial Arts Association Conference and Course

Chilliwack - British Columbia The two day sessions will feature confrontational analysis, advanced physical trauma shock suppression, police baton training etc. Preregistration is required. For more details contact the Association at Phone/Fax (506) 387-5126.

October 16 - 18, 1995 Safety Education Workshop Mississauga - Ontario

The Ontario Traffic Conference will be holding it's 34th annual Workshop at the Airport Day's Inn. Scheduled topics are Youths & Violence, Teaching Techniques, Multiculturalism in schools and drug awareness to name but a few. For further details, contact Wendy Evenden at (905) 830-0303 Ext. 7907 or Judy Woodley at (416) 598-4138.

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Police music festival to be held in England

July 14th marks the date when the Greater Victoria Police Chorus will be off to merry old England.

The chorus is set to attend the 2nd International Police Music Fes-

tival. The event, which takes place over fifteen days, will be hosted by the Essex and Bedforshire Constabularies.

The first ever International Police Music Festival was held in Victoria in May 1993. The event was a total success, which included talented performers from as far away was Hong Kong.

Due to the overwhelming success of the concerts and the development of camaraderie amongst the performers, a second festival was agreed upon and plans are now final.

This year's trip to London includes three concerts to be performed at the Charter Hall Colchester, Brentwood Centre and Cliffs Pavilion Southend respectively.

Aside from attending concerts visitors and performers will have ample

opportunity to engage in many social activities. Among the planned events are a bust trip to Cotswolds, a trip to Kew Gardens and an opportunity to take in the theatre. The Greater Victoria Police Chorus extends a cordial invi-

tation to any law enforcement personnel who wish to attend this event.

A special group rate is available for those would like to travel with the chorus. Those who do travel with the chorus are free to set their own agenda as far as which concerts they wish to attend and when they wish to book a return flight.

6th Annaul Diver Symposium set to take the plunge



Hamilton is set to play host to the International Police Diver Symposium which is open to

all police fire, military and medical personnel.

The sixth annual symposium will focus on an array of subjects including Open-water air crash recoveries, marine support provided to law enforcement in drug interdiction cases, medical considerations for divers and emergency oxygen administration.

Aside from the scheduled seminars attendants will have the opportunity to look over various search and recovery products which will be available for demonstration and open-water exercises by numerous distributors and manufacturers.

There will also be static displays as well as marine crafts and helicopters from several agencies participating in joint training exercise. The International Police Diver Symposium is independently organized. However, it is supported by the National Association of Underwater Instructors.



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Community Constable Organizes Youth Offenders Into Clean-Up Crew

by Myron Love

Shelly Graham has found a constructive solution to the problem of youth crime in her area. She put a group of young offenders to work painting over graffiti and most were

happy to oblige.

"We see these kids all the time," says Graham who is based in a store front office in north Winnipeg. "Many of these kids are repeat offenders who can't be charged because they are too young. Either that or we can't prove anything even though we know who did it."

Graham's clean-up crew was one of those things, she says, you do on a whim. She drew up consent forms and approached the parents of kids who were suspected of a variety of assaults an theft and drugrelated offences. The parents, she reports, were more than willing to sign. Many of them felt they had lost control of their children.

Of the 15 kids she targeted, 13 showed

Handgun Safety

up - a high percentage considering the area and the type of kids involved. The material was donated by businesses. They painted over the graffiti on 12 homes and businesses.

"We had a lot of kids surrounding us while we were painting," Graham recalls. "Many of them wanted to help but we didn't have enough brushes. The problem with a lot of these kids is that they want something to do. We have a 12-year-old who comes into the front office regularly and just sits and draws."

Among the painters was a 19-year-old

member of the Indian Posse - Winnipeg's largest youth gang - just received from Headingly Jail. Graham got the idea to set up a mural outside an area hotel for the neighbourhood kids to express themselves. The 19-year-old volunteered with the help of 12 fellow Indian Posse members to safeguard the mural and discourage graffiti elsewhere.

"This turned out very well," Graham notes. "We are now trying to work with the Youth Justice Committee and other agencies to organize further community service activities and like this for young offenders."

Regina Police work with local McDonalds to produce community outreach



Regina Police Service

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Constable Marlene Dormuth

Badge No. 417

Years of Service: 12 Present section: School Resources

Past sections worked in: CPIC Operator, Patrol,

Communication Centre, Inquiry Desk

Home Town, Fort St. John. B.C.

Hobbies/Interests: Downhill skiing, family

activities

I am married to Ken and we have 2 children. Mark is 5 years old and Annie is 2 years old.

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Lifeskill Tip: If misused or abused, drugs can be very dangerous and addictive.

by Insp. V.B. Forbes

The Regina Police Service recently produced a series of 24trading cards featuring police officers from the various sections within our police department.

The cards feature pictures of police officers on the front and personal information about each on the back. A safety tip was also included as a reminder of the lessons learned through the Regina Police Drug and Lifeskills Program which is delivered to all Grade 4 to 6 students through our School Resource Section.

The cards were sponsored by McDonalds Restaurants. Distribution of the cards was done through School Resource Officers and McDonalds Restaurants in Regina. In total 74,000 cards were distributed in a 4 week period.

Following the distribution of the cards, an essay contest was organized. Grade 4, 5 and 6 students were encouraged to write an essay based on the tips found on the back of the cards. Prizes were awarded to the winners of the contest and an award night at McDonalds Restaurant took place.

We found the cards to be very popular with the students involved directly in the Drug and Lifeskills Program.





75th Anniversary of the name "Royal Canadian Mounted Police"



February 1st, 1995, marks the 75th anniversary of the name "Royal Canadian Mounted Police". The Mounties were established in 1873 to serve as a frontier police force on the western prai-

ries and, by the end of the century, in the Yukon and Northwest Territories. In June 1904 King Edward VII granted the Force the use of the prefix "Royal", this becoming the Royal North West Mounted Police.

At this time, the RNWMP was responsible for provincial policing in Alberta and Saskatchewan only and all policing in the Yukon and Northwest Territories.

Due to the exigencies of the First World War, Alberta and Saskatchewan formed their own provincial police forces.

At the end of the war, the federal government decided to reorganize the Mounted Police as a national police force. The Dominion Police, a small federal police force which originated in the 1860's, was amalgamated with the RNWMP and the new force was name the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

For the first time in its history, the RCMP had been delegated responsibility for federal law enforcement in all provinces and territories.

In 1928, the RCMP resumed responsibility for provincial policing in Saskatchewan. Four years later, five additional provinces contracted with the Force to undertake provincial policing: Alberta, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. British Columbia and Newfoundland followed suit in 1950.

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The applicant must have Grade 12, a valid Province of Saskatchewan driver's licence, have more than one year's experience in another police force, be a graduate from the Saskatchewan Police College or an equivalent recruit training course sponsored by another police force. Applicants should be currently employed as a police officer or absent from police work for no more than two years.

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by Al Evans



The town of Redcliff, Alberta, is located 8 km. west of the City of Medicine Hat and because of it's abundance of natural gas, Redcliff is now referred to as the Greenhouse Capital of the prairies, providing cucumbers and cut flowers to Canada and the United States vear round.

The Redcliff Town Police began serving its citizens in 1912, and were very proud to do so for the next 80 years.

As 1987 was the 75th Anniversary of this agency, Chief Mike Pearce felt it would be a good time to change the name to the Redcliff Police Department. He then designed the proposed logo, which would be used for all badges, door decals, shoulder flashes and letterhead. The Police commission approved the design and the new logo was born.

By keeping the old town symbol in the centre, depicting the red cliffs, South Saskatchewan River, the glass factory and the gas flame, the patch was able to maintain some history of the town. This was surrounded by a circle containing the new name, "Redcliff Police Dept.", and the year of origin in the top banner along with the Latin phrase "Integritas in Officio" (Integrity in the Service) in the bottom banner. The Oueen's crown sits on top as is customary and Alberta wild roses encompass the logo.

In February 1992 the Town Council decided to contract policing services to the City of Medicine Hat. The department was disbanded and its members amalgamated. Fortunately, all members of the Redcliff Police Department are still able to serve the 3600 citizens of Redcliff.

Anyone in possession of one of these shoulder flashes is very fortunate as this most colourful patch is no longer made and is truly a collectors item.

Al Evans is an avid patch collector and a past member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Medicine Hat Police Department. He is still an active member of the International Police Association.

Al has been diagnosed with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (A.L.S.) better known as Lou Gerhig's Disease which is at present incurable and untreatable.

Al is no longer able to work and one of the few hobbies he still enjoys is Police Patch Collecting. His goal is to have the largest and most complete police patch and memorabilia collection in the country. He wishes to turn this collection over to Chief Bill Spring for display with the Medicine Hat Police Department.

All has agreed to share some of his knowledge in a monthly column about the more interesting patches in his collection. If you have an interesting or extra patch of your agency it would be appreciated if it could be donated to this worthwhile collection. Send all donations to:

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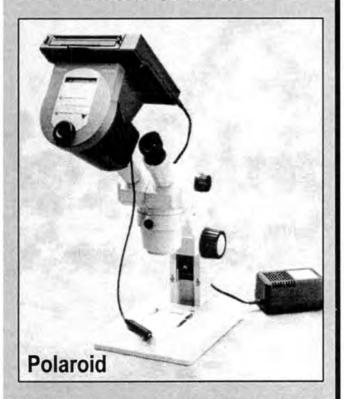
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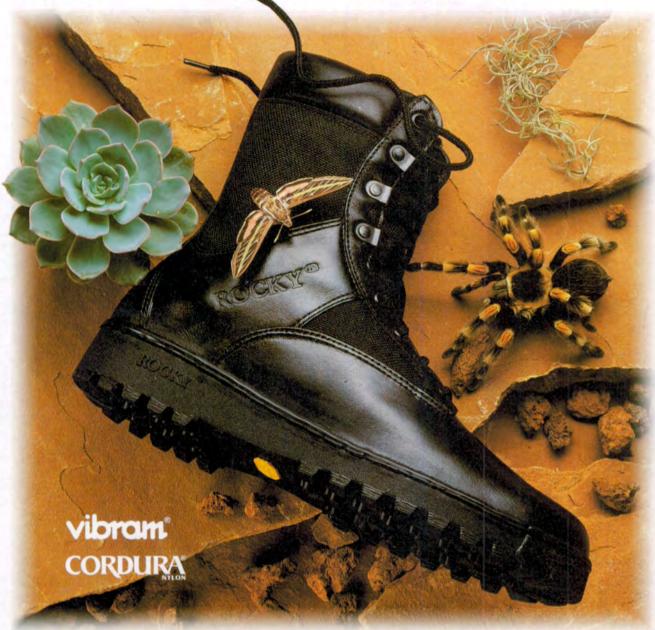
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