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Working for our Communities



"Policing services across the country are under pressure from stressed municipal budgets, increased expectations from the public, ever-more accountability, the growing complexity of police services and criminal investigations, the escalating number of mental health calls [...], and salary pressures due to parity benchmarking with other police services when negotiating collective agreements.

"A consensus is emerging among the public, politicians, police associations and chiefs that the situation is becoming unsustainable and the way community safety services are delivered needs to change."

- Christian Leuprecht
Author of 'Where to Draw the Blue Line:
How Civilians and Contractors can let Police do the Policing.'
November 2019

"It's understandable that residents would look at a lack of visible police presence as a sign they aren't getting their money's worth. But sometimes this perception isn't actually reflective of good value.

"What should matter most are the metrics of community safety - most importantly, the frequency and severity of crime. If there is not a major crime problem then it may not be necessary for a more visible presence."

> - Editorial, Brunswick News Nov. 1, 2019

# RCMP-GRC

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE • GENDARMERIE ROYALE DU CANADA



#### The public sees:

- Police patrols
- Traffic stops
- Search and rescue
- High profile operations
- Police dog operations
- Arrests and charges
- Ceremonial duties and community outreach





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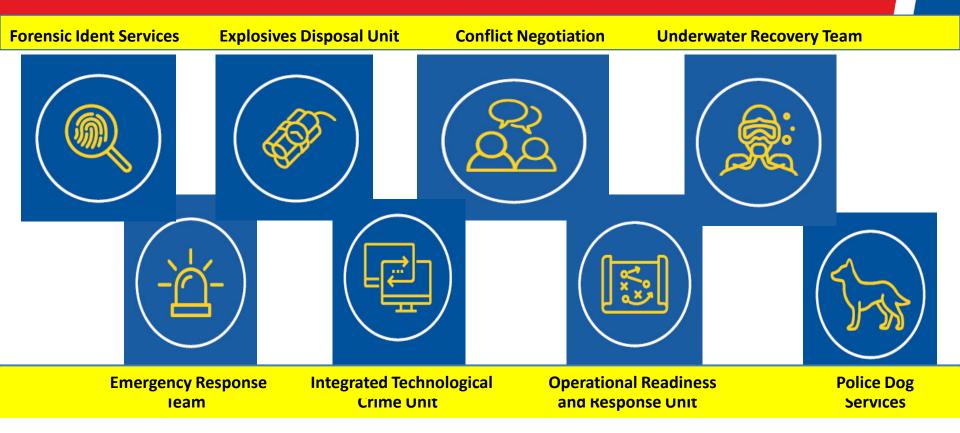
## ... in RSC 12, the RCMP also did <u>this\*</u>:



- Attended 92 sudden deaths.
- . Attended 524 Mental Health Act calls.
- Investigated 91 missing persons reports.



### **Specialized Policing Services**



## Drug trafficking investigation nets crystal methamphetamine, cocaine, pills and firearm; four arrests

News release

Summerfield, New Brunswick

Four people have been arrested, and various drugs and a firearm seized, as part of an ongoing investigation into drug trafficking in western New Brunswick.

On November 6, 2020, at about 9:45 a.m., police executed a search warrant at a residence on Back Greenfield Road, in Summerfield. During the search, police seized quantities of drugs believed to be crystal methamphetamine, crystal methamphetamine capsules, and cocaine, as well as drug trafficking paraphernalia, an unsecured firearm, and a quantity of money.

Four people were arrested at the residence. They are two men aged 27 and 34, and two women, aged 19 and 32.

The investigation was conducted as part of a coordinated law enforcement approach that involves resources from the New Brunswick RCMP, Woodstock Police Force and Fredericton Police Force. These efforts focus on disrupting and dismantling the trafficking of illegal drugs in our province, targeting those causing the most harm in our communities.

The four people arrested were later released. The 34-year old man and the two women are scheduled to appear in Woodstock Provincial Court on February 2, 2021 in connection with the investigation.

The investigation is ongoing.

The public plays an important role in helping to reduce, prevent and solve crime, including the trafficking of illegal drugs. Anyone with information about, or who suspects, illegal drug activity in their neighbourhood is asked to contact their local police. Information can also be provided anonymously through Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), by downloading the secure P3 Mobile App, or by Secure Web Tips at <a href="https://www.crimenb.ca">www.crimenb.ca</a>.



#### Four people arrested and drugs seized

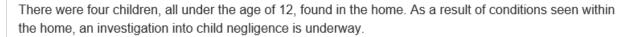
Canterbury, New Brunswick

News release

Four people have been arrested in Canterbury, N.B. as part of an investigation into drug trafficking.

On October 30, 2020, police executed a search warrant at two apartments in a single building on Main Street in Canterbury. Police seized a quantity of drugs, drug paraphernalia, two pellet guns and ammunition.

Two men, ages 32 and 40, were arrested along with two women, ages 26 and 30. All are from Canterbury. The 26-year-old woman was held in custody on an outstanding warrant. The other three individuals were released pending future court appearances.





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#### RCMP recover stolen property, including tools, firearms and ATVs

Centreville, New Brunswick

News release

The West District RCMP has recovered more than 30 items, many of which had been reported stolen, as the result of an ongoing investigation into a number of thefts in communities in western New Brunswick over the last number of weeks.

On October 7, 2020, members of the Western Valley Region RCMP executed a search warrant at a residence on Central Street in Centreville, N.B.

During the search, police recovered various tools and power tools, six firearms, some of which had been reported stolen, and two stolen all-terrain vehicles.

Police have identified a suspect believed to have been responsible for the thefts, and are actively looking for the individual.

The investigation is ongoing.







#### Nine people arrested; drugs, firearms, and a prohibited weapon seized

Tobique First Nation, New Brunswick

News release

Nine people have been arrested and a variety of drugs seized, as well as firearms and a prohibited weapon, as part of an ongoing drug trafficking investigation in the West District.

On September 23, 2020, at approximately 6 a.m., members of the New Brunswick RCMP executed six simultaneous search warrants at residences in Perth-Andover, Johnville, Tobique Narrows, and on the Tobique First Nation.

During the searches, police seized quantities of drugs believed to be cocaine, heroin and crystal methamphetamine, as well as pills believed to be hydromorphone and methamphetamine. Police also seized illegal cannabis, two firearms, one of which was loaded, ammunition, a conductive energy weapon, and drug trafficking paraphernalia.

Members of the RCMP's West, Northeast and Southeast Districts, Crime Reduction Units, Tactical Troop, Emergency Response Team, and Police Dog Services participated in the searches and arrests.

In all, nine people were arrested. They are four men from the Tobique First Nation, aged 22, 27, 43 and 44; three women from the Tobique First Nation, aged 24, 44 and 56; and a 19-year-old man and a 27-year-old woman from Johnville.

Three of the individuals appeared in court by way of a tele-remand on September 24.

Forty-four-year-old Shannon Perley, from the Tobique First Nation, has been charged with possession for the purpose of trafficking in hydromorphone.

Nineteen-year-old Brandon Schriver of Johnville and 44-year-old Timothy Sappier from the Tobique First Nation were each charged with breaching an undertaking to a police officer.

All three were remanded into custody and are scheduled to appear in Woodstock Provincial Court on September 25 at 10 a.m.

The other six individuals were released on documents to appear in court on December 8, 2020.

The investigation is ongoing.



## Update: Man wanted on warrant in connection with drug investigation arrested

## August 14, 2020

Upper Woodstock , New Brunswick

News release

An 18-year-old man from Upper Woodstock, N.B., who was wanted on an arrest warrant in connection with a recent drug investigation has turned himself into police.

Austin Roberts is charged with possession of a restricted weapon, unsafe storage of a restricted weapon, possession of methamphetamine for the purpose of trafficking, fail to comply with condition of an undertaking.

On August 12, 2020, members form the West District Crime Reduction Unit along with the Woodstock Police Force executed a search warrant at a residence on Court Street in Upper Woodstock in relation to a drug trafficking investigation.

Police arrested a 25-year-old man and a 36-year-old woman at the scene, and seized quantities of what are believed to be methamphetamine, hydromorphone and fentanyl. A loaded handgun and loaded shotgun, along with drug trafficking paraphernalia and cash, were also seized.



Later that day, Alex Busch and Violet Roberts, both from Upper Woodstock, appeared in Woodstock Provincial Court and were each charged with:

- · Possession of a prohibited weapon (two counts)
- · Unsafe storage of a prohibited weapon (two counts)
- Possession of methamphetamine for the purpose of trafficking
- · Possession of hydromorphone for the purpose of trafficking
- · Possession of fentanyl for the purpose of trafficking
- · Failure to comply with a judge's undertaking

They were both remanded into custody and are scheduled to appear in court again on August 17, for bail hearings.

Austin Roberts will appear in court by way of a teleremand on August 15.

#### Four people arrested; firearms, drugs and money seized

## August 5, 2020

Tobique First Nation, New Brunswick

News release

The West District Crime Reduction Unit has arrested four people following the execution of two search warrants at two separate locations as part of an ongoing drug investigation that began in late 2019.

On July 31, 2020, police executed a search warrant at a home on Route 105 in Tobique First Nation, where they seized five firearms, two prohibited weapons, several types of drugs, drug paraphernalia and an undisclosed amount of cash.

A 44-year-old man from Tobique First Nation, a 24-year-old man from Tobique First Nation, a 24-year-old woman from Tobique First Nation and a 23-year-old woman from Plaster Rock were arrested at the scene. All four individuals were released from custody and given an undertaking to appear in Woodstock Provincial Court at a later date.

Later that day, police executed a second search warrant at the Boats Gaming Centre on Route 105 in Tobique Narrows, where they seized several electronic devices.

Members of the Woodstock RCMP, Perth-Andover RCMP, the New Brunswick Emergency Response Team and Fredericton Police Force K-9 Team assisted during the search warrants.

The investigation is continuing.



#### Man facing 15 charges following break and enter

## June 23, 2020

News release

Johnville, New Brunswick

A 22-year-old man from Gordonsville, N.B. has been charged with 15 offences following two break and enters that occurred in Johnville and Carlow, N.B.

On June 16, 2020, at approximately 11:30 p.m., members of the Woodstock RCMP and Perth-Andover RCMP responded to a report of a break and enter that occurred at a home on South Johnville Road in Johnville. The suspect fled the home in a vehicle.

At 11:50 p.m., members of the Woodstock RCMP and Perth-Andover RCMP responded to another report of a break and enter on Lockhart Mill Road in Carlow.

Shortly before midnight, police located the suspect vehicle, but the driver refused to stop. The vehicle came to a stop a short time later and the driver and sole occupant was taken into custody.

Brandon Richard Lévesque appeared in court and was charged with the following offences:

- two counts of break and enter
- assault
- · assault causing bodily harm
- · two counts of threats to person
- threats to property
- · flight from police
- · driving while suspended
- theft
- · two counts of mischief under \$5000
- · two counts of failing to comply with release order
- · possession of stolen property

He appeared on June 17 by way of a tele-remand and was remanded into custody. On June 19, he appeared in Woodstock Provincial Court for a bail hearing. He was remanded into custody and is scheduled to return to court on July 8, 2020.

The investigation is ongoing.

"Our community is safe because of their dedication, and because of the continued investments we've made over the past two decades to ensure our force is right-sized for our need, something that's both easier and less costly for those communities served by the RCMP."

- Richard Stewart Mayor of Port Coquitlam, B.C. April 2019

"One of the other issues that can be significant is that the Federal Government indemnifies municipalities that use the RCMP from claims and compensation settlements, as well as legal services. Policing is a high-risk service -- from crashes to police dog bites -- and the risk for RCMP communities is covered by the Federal Government."

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