

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL



Kelowna RCMP Detachment

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February 25th, 2008

Dear Mayor Shepherd and Councillors:

Re: Kelowna Municipal RCMP Detachment Policing Activity Report - January 2008

Please note below the policing report reflecting key activities undertaken by the Kelowna RCMP for the month of January, 2008. I will highlight the key statistical data for the most common criminal activities, and provide a short narrative overview of criminal trends and resources.

Activity Type	January - 2008	January - 2007	Increase/Decrease
Crimes Against Persons	165	135	+ 22.2 %
- Homicides	0	0	0 %
- Robberies	8	9	- 11.1 %
- Assaults	151	113	+ 33.6 %
- Sex Offences	6	13	- 53.8 %
- Spousal Assault - M Offender	30	28	+ 7.1 %
- Spousal Assault - F Offender	3	6	- 50.0 %
- Domestic Dispute - No Assault	36	46	- 21.7 %
Break and Enters	80	131	- 38.9 %
Theft of Motor Vehicles	96	90	+ 6.6 %
Theft Over \$5000	7	10	- 30.0 %
Theft Under \$5000	356	412	- 13.5 %
Drug Offences	152	191	- 20.4 %
Provincial Liquor Offences	N/A	N/A	N/A
Impaired Driving	18	13	+ 38.4 %
24 Hour Driving Suspensions	68	41	+ 65.8 %
Motor Vehicle Accidents	167	247	- 32.3 %
Fatal Motor Vehicle Accidents	1	1	0 %
Calls for Service	4768	4985	- 4.3 %
Prisoners Lodged	474	454	+ 4.4 %

Downtown Enforcement Unit (DEU) - Highlights

The Downtown Enforcement Unit (DEU) underwent some transition during the month of January, however continued to work on "hot spots" of drug activity within the downtown area. They focused their attention towards two known drug houses. There has been some internal transfers and DEU will be welcoming new members to the section over the next couple of months.

DEU Statistics for the month of January (Total Number of Shifts - 65)			
59 Files	31 Arrests	9 Reports to Crown Counsel	11 Tickets Issued

Community Operations Support Unit (COSU) - Highlights

North West Rutland NIRC

The committee met again in January and was better attended than the previous meeting. A development proposal for an apartment complex was presented to the committee. The committee was generally in support of re-development, however they wish to provide input into the type of development that may occur in that area. This meeting was primarily an information session and the committee is set to meet again in March.

Crime Stoppers Statistic - January 2008

January was International Crimestopper's Month. Locally, supporters of the Central Okanagan CrimeStoppers were paid tribute to by way of a luncheon held at the Coast Capri Hotel.

	January 2008	January 2007
Tips	85	61
Cases Cleared	3	27
Arrests	1	8
Rewards Paid	\$0	\$0
Property Recovered	\$0	\$6550
Drugs Seized	\$0	\$3,800,400
Total Recovered	\$0	\$3,806,905

Drug Section - Highlights

The Kelowna RCMP Drug Section conducted a two week long investigation into the heroin trafficking activities of a local Kelowna man. This individual, who was observed conducting drug deals in various locations around Kelowna (including local community recreation areas and parks), was arrested in possession of ½ ounce of heroin. A search warrant was later executed on his residence in southeast Kelowna where another 6 ounces of heroin and several thousand dollars in cash were seized.

Traffic Services - Highlights for January 2008

# Tickets	Violations
725	Violation Tickets issued within the City of Kelowna
294	Notice & Orders (warnings or vehicle defects)
21	Municipal Bylaw Violation Tickets

A member of Traffic Services, during routine duties, conducted a vehicle stop after monitoring the descriptors of a suspect vehicle associated to a residential break and enter earlier in the day. As a result, three occupants were arrested for possession of stolen property from this break and enter. Follow-up investigation led to the development of a search warrant which was executed on a storage container where the suspects had stashed their stolen property. This is a great reminder how Traffic Services play a key role in criminal investigations because of the nature of their duties.

Special Events

Wendy's Dreamlift Day - January 30th, 2008

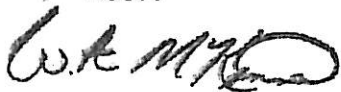
The Kelowna RCMP is one of many supporters of this event which was another huge success this year. This year, the event raised a record setting \$83,744.84 which will go to the BC Interior Dreamlift to Disneyland. Several local RCMP Officers participated by working the tills and flipping burgers in uniform.

Kelowna Chamber of Commerce Presentation - Supt. Marianne Ryan

Supt. Marianne Ryan, in charge "E" Division's Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit, was a guest speaker at a Kelowna Chamber of Commerce luncheon on January 15th. Her Unit's mandate is to target and disrupt organized crime and during her presentation she discussed the relevancy of her work to the activities here in the Okanagan, and primarily in Kelowna.

Resources

The City of Kelowna was billed for **130** full-time regular members for the month of November, 2007.



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