

# REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL



## Kelowna RCMP Detachment



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Mayor and City Council  
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August 18, 2010

Dear Mayor Shepherd and Councillors:

**Re: Kelowna Municipal RCMP Detachment Policing Activity Report for June-July 2010**

**All Crime Statistics are featured at the end of this report. Statistics reflect Monthly totals for June/July 2010, and comparators of June/July 2008 & 2009.**

**Downtown Enforcement (DEU) Unit Highlights:**

DEU Statistics for the months of June/July		
Files: 690 total: (June: 320) (July: 370)	Arrests: 167	RTCCs: 16

The Downtown Enforcement Unit also conducted Phase 2 of the annual undercover street level project during the latter part of July. This phase was very successful and resulted in the arrest of 16 people and a total of 37 charges. These numbers are not reflected in the stats provided today as the paperwork was completed in August.

Bike patrol members have been very busy dealing with transients, special events and activities in the downtown core.

The Center of Gravity Sports and Entertainment event was held August long weekend. From a policing perspective, the event was well organized and implemented. Approximately 16,000 attended. The overall site capacity was set at 6,000, however, that number was reached just once in 3 days. The licenced area was set at a maximum of 1700, but only reached 1200. We will be recommending 1200 maximum for next year based on the size of the designated area. There were 25 Provincial Violation Tickets and 31 By Law Tickets issued, as well as 14 arrests. We will continue to work with the event organizer on a full review of this year's event and future planning. BC Security worked well with our officers and must be commended on a superb job. The evacuation of the lake due to the Stewart fire went well as staff and guests were pleased with the level of communication.

**Community Operations Support Unit (COSU) June/July Highlights**

School Liaisons (SLO) had a successful year in 2009/2010, completing several projects and initiatives. The SLO's were quite active in criminal investigations involving graffiti and mischief. Cst. Ritchie Li has gone back to General Duty and Cst. Mark Slade will be moving into his SLO position.

The new Drug Prevention Program will roll out into the schools later this fall. The program has yet to be named by the students who will be selected by senior staff at SD23. Reserve Constable Frank McConnell will be assisting with implementing the lessons to grade 6 students in the area.

**Crime Stoppers Statistics: June/July 2010**

	<b>June 2010</b>	<b>July 2010</b>
<b>Tips</b>	87	86
<b>Cases Cleared</b>	5	10
<b>Arrests</b>	6	14
<b>Rewards Paid (\$)</b>	\$0	\$100
<b>Property Recovered</b>	\$1,400	\$0
<b>Drugs Seized (\$)</b>	\$193,675	\$512,500
<b>Total Recovered</b>	\$195,075	\$512,500

**R.C.M.P. Auxiliary Program**

The Kelowna RCMP Auxiliary Program is presently operating with 50 Auxiliary Members, four of whom are on Leaves of Absence. The program is running 17 shifts on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. 13 Auxiliaries are bicycle trained and will be augmenting the RCMP bike patrols this summer.

An Auxiliary Training Course will be commencing in September; the program is looking for between 20-25 candidates from over 50 applicants.

**Kelowna Municipal Traffic Section - Stats for June/July 2010**

These statistics reflect the total number of Violation Tickets and Notice and Orders given by both Traffic Section and General Duty members combined.

Kelowna City/Highway:

Violation Tickets: June: **855** July: **642**

Notice and Orders: June: **794** July: **440**

**RCMP WATERCRAFT**

19 Charges - Small Vessels Act (non-criminal)

35 Warnings

67 Investigation files (crashes, liquor, speeding and general operation)

**GENERAL INVESTIGATION AND SERIOUS CRIMES UNITS**

These sections have been extremely busy with heavy file loads for June and July. The following is a sampling of some of the files cleared by the various sections.



### **General Investigation Section:**

Officers assisted in a shooting incident in Rutland mid-June. The victim was uncooperative but charges were laid with the accused now out on bail.

A fraud ring in many communities in the valley resulted in a male and female being arrested for at least 15 offences and charges being laid. They were stealing identities and manufacturing credit cards.

Officers assisted with the Kirschner structure fire and are still investigating the cause, along with a possible arson on Tartan Road.

### **Crime Reduction Target Team (CRTT) / Property Crimes Unit (PCU):**

A stolen Ford 150 truck was recovered with four occupants inside. Two were charged with Possession of Stolen Property and Drug offences. The driver is a prolific offender that moved from Vancouver Island. Three days later, members executed a search warrant on the driver's residence and recovered the canopy for the stolen truck, as well as other stolen items.

### **Drug Section:**

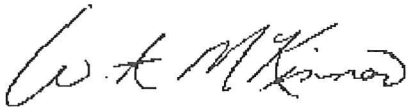
On June 10, 2010, based on intelligence and surveillance, members stopped a vehicle and arrested a male and female. A loaded handgun, \$5000, and a bottle of suspected drug GHB were seized from inside the vehicle. 1500 rounds of AK47 ammunition and a loaded prohibited magazine for an assault rifle were found in the trunk. Both suspects are facing numerous drug and firearms charges.

Three drug search warrants were executed on three residences in the space of a week. Almost 1500 marihuana plants were seized, along with 2 kilograms of packaged marihuana bud. Also seized were 3 dirt bikes and 2 ATVs. In total, 5 persons were arrested in connection with the marihuana grows, and face charges of Production, Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking, Possession of Stolen Property and Theft of Hydro Electricity.

### **Resources**

The City of Kelowna was billed for **142** full-time regular members for both June and July.

There will be a change in Senior Management at the Kelowna Detachment next month. Inspector Cam Forgues is transferring to Southeast District. Inspector Rick Flewelling will move into his spot as the Operations Support Officer and Inspector Paul Driscoll from Southeast District will be the new Operations Officer.



W.A. McKinnon  
Superintendent  
Officer in Charge  
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JUNE		
2008	2009	2010

JULY		
2008	2009	2010

Kelowna City RCMP
Total Files

4751	4459	4366
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5130	4835	5047
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PRIMARY UCR CODING
Homicide
Robbery
Assault
Sex Offence
Break & Enter
Theft of Motor Vehicle
Theft Over \$5000
Theft Under \$5000
Drug Offence
Provincial Liquor Offence
Impaired Driving Offence
24-Hour Driving Suspensions
Motor Vehicle Accidents
Fatal Motor Vehicle Accidents

0	0	0
15	17	10
115	129	104
8	5	5
72	131	61
86	80	72
13	9	6
370	436	360
88	73	61
144	151	268
26	25	36
41	30	29
88	68	45
1	0	0

0	0	0
12	18	13
134	158	118
6	3	11
82	112	120
71	116	70
17	14	6
439	435	348
74	71	83
170	163	391
24	38	27
49	39	41
102	76	72
0	0	1