

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL



Kelowna RCMP Detachment



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Mayor and City Council
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August 22, 2011

Dear Mayor Shepherd and Councillors:

Re: Kelowna Municipal RCMP Detachment Policing Activity Report for June and July 2011

Downtown Enforcement Unit (DEU) Highlights

DEU Statistics for June and July 2011		
Files: 334	RTCC's: 70	Provincial-Municipal Charges: 420

DEU's summer bike patrols have been working diligently in the downtown core, beaches and public accesses during the summer months. The above noted statistics reflect the increased illegal activities that DEU members have encountered, as a higher number of persons are conducting such activities outdoors where DEU members have opportunity to intervene.

Community Operations Support Unit

The Community Operations Support Unit (COSU) will be welcoming it's new Special Programs Coordinator, Bill Finney, who replaces Kerry Solinsky on August 15 and brings 30 years of service in the RCMP with him. Bill recently retired from the RCMP as a Sergeant in charge of the Fraser Valley Integrated Police Dog Services. Bill will be in charge of the Kelowna RCMP Auxiliary Program and all "in service" police training for Regular Members.

The Kelowna RCMP Auxiliary Program will begin training another troop of Auxiliary Members in January 2012. The call has gone out for any qualified persons interested in becoming Auxiliary Members to contact the Kelowna RCMP by the cut-off date of September 15, 2011.

Kelowna RCMP Auxiliaries have provided valuable policing assistance this summer in the areas of foot, bike and gator patrols, as well as crime scene security. Auxiliary Members involved in the canvass team were recently used in an aggravated assault file that resulted in a homicide.

Violence in Relationships Coordinator

Corporal Amanda Jones is tasked with reviewing every Violence In Relationship (VIR) file that is created to ensure consistency with respect to the adherence of VIR policy, to offer guidance, and to investigate when necessary.

During the months of June and July 2011, Corporal Jones reviewed 325 VIR files, 249 of which were created within the City of Kelowna. As a result, 65 Reports to Crown Counsel were forwarded requesting various charges relating to Domestic Violence. The number of files reviewed during this period does not reflect the total number of files generated, as there are a number of files yet to be reviewed.

An investigation was conducted into a suspect selling drugs via dial-a-dope. Members targeted this individual and arrested him in possession of 3.8 grams of cocaine. The suspect is facing drug charges.

The Target Team located a vehicle with stolen licence plates. A subsequent search of the vehicle located marihuana and crystal methamphetamine. The driver faces charges of Possession of Stolen Property and Drug Possession. The driver is also the subject of a theft of copper wire investigation.

Acting on information received, members of the Property Crime Team executed a search warrant and arrested a male and female at a storage unit that housed a marihuana grow operation, crystal methamphetamine and two loaded handgun magazines. The male is facing drug related charges.

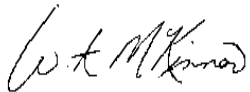
Municipal Drug Unit

Drug Unit members assisted the Downtown Enforcement Unit in a street level undercover drug operation in the downtown core in July. 20 people; 12 males and 8 females, were arrested for 40 drug and breach related charges. All of those arrested are known to police and all have related criminal histories.

Members of the Drug Unit also assisted other units with drug and criminal code investigations and were involved in several marihuana growing operation take-downs in June and July.

Resources

The City of Kelowna was billed for **139** full-time regular members for both June and July, 2011.



W.A. McKinnon
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Crime Statistics Kelowna RCMP June / July 2011

	Total Jun 2010	Total Jun 2011	Total Jul 2010	Total Jul 2011	Total Jun 2010 & Jul 2010	Total Jun 2011 & Jul 2011	Percent Change * Jun & Jul 2010 vs. Jun & Jul 2011
Calls For Service (all 3 detachments)	5997	6043	7159	6828	13156	12871	-2.17%
ANY LINE OF SCORING							
Homicides	0	1	0	0	0	1	N/C
Robberies	11	12	10	10	21	22	4.76%
Assaults	106	103	118	146	224	249	11.16%
Sex Offences	6	7	9	10	15	17	13.33%
Break & Enters	62	79	124	62	186	141	-24.19%
Thefts of Motor Vehicle	76	47	66	62	142	109	-23.24%
Thefts over \$5000	11	6	9	15	20	21	5.00%
Thefts under \$5000	372	368	357	300	729	668	-8.37%
Drug Offences	59	68	78	118	137	186	35.77%
Provincial Liquor Offences	296	218	543	311	839	529	-36.95%
Impaired Driving Offences	44	22	27	20	71	42	-40.85%
24-hour Driving Suspensions	67	20	72	20	139	40	-71.22%
Motor Vehicle Accidents	170	144	172	153	342	297	-13.16%
Fatal Motor Vehicle Accidents	0	0	0	2	0	2	N/C
Spousal Assaults	44	41	47	44	91	85	-6.59%
Domestic Disputes	39	50	57	35	96	85	-11.46%
Prisoners Lodged (all 3 detachments)	445	453	514	534	959	987	2.92%

Calls for Service counts were determined from Completed Calls on PRIME. File counts were determined using only founded General Occurrences and using UCR codings from any position, so a file may fall into more than one category. Files were divided into the three different local detachments using the location (i.e. PRIME zone) of the file, and Prisoners Lodged counts were obtained from Kelowna Cells.

*N/C = Not Calculable