



## GANANOQUE POLICE SERVICE

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# MEDIA RELEASE

## **News items for the period between June 20<sup>th</sup> and June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

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Officers of the Gananoque Police Service investigated 70 occurrences during the seven day period ending June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011. This included 21 criminal occurrences, 3 motor vehicle collisions and 4 calls to 911 for assistance. Officers laid several charges under the Highway Traffic Act. Officers also made two arrests under the Liquor Licence Act and one arrest under the Highway Traffic Act.

### **June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

The Gananoque Police Service is investigating three break and enters which occurred to three local businesses in the early morning hours of June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Anyone with information concerning these events is asked to contact the Gananoque Police Service or Crimestoppers.

### **June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011**

On June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 officers of the Gananoque Police Service along with officers from Project Islander conducted a Controlled Drug and Substances Act Search Warrant on a Gananoque residence which resulted in the seizure of a quantity of ecstasy pills. A 32 year old male was arrested and charged with possession for the purpose of trafficking a Schedule III substance. The male was released on a Promise to Appear and Undertaking to appear in court at a later date.

### **June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

On June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011 officers of the Gananoque Police Service conducted a RIDE spot check on King Street East in the Town of Gananoque. During the RIDE program officers arrested one 65 year old male who fled from police engaging police in a short pursuit. As the result of his actions the male was arrested under the Ontario Highway Traffic Act with escape by flight willfully engaging police in a pursuit. The male was released at the scene on a Summons to appear in court at a later date.

The public is reminded that police conduct RIDE spot checks at all times of the day and night and that cooperation of the public is paramount to the safe and effective enforcement of this program to prevent serious injury or death to all members of the public.

On May 21, 2011 officers of the Gananoque Police Service responded to a domestic violence complaint. During the police investigation a member of the public sustained injuries. The Special Investigations Unit was contacted and invoked their mandate.

When police officers are involved in incidents where someone has been seriously injured, dies or alleges sexual assault, the SIU has the statutory mandate to conduct independent investigations to determine whether a criminal offence took place. The effective fulfillment of this mandate, with all of its associated challenges, remain critical to fostering public confidence in policing in the province by ensuring thorough and independent investigations that stand up to public scrutiny.

On June 22, 2011 the Gananoque Police Service received a letter from the Director of the Special Investigations Unit Ian Scott who advised that the unit had determined there were no reasonable grounds to believe that the named subject officer committed a criminal offence in relation to the injury sustained by complainant. The Special Investigations Units findings have exonerate the officer of any wrong doing and the file has been closed.

The Gananoque Police Service would like to advise the public that a **Bike Auction**, will be held at the Board of Works property located at **655 Charles Street North, Gananoque on July 9, 2011**. A showing will be held at 11 am with the auction taking place at 12 o'clock. A number of other found or seized items will also be up for auction. If any member of the public has turned in found property to the police and wish to lay claim to that property must do so before July 9, 2011 by contacting Sergeant Junior White at 613-382-4422.