



GANANOQUE POLICE SERVICE

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Officers of the Gananoque Police Service investigated 49 occurrences during the seven day period ending October 23rd, 2011. This included 8 criminal occurrences, 2 motor vehicle collision, 4 calls to 911 for assistance, 4 Provincial Offense Notices and 3 Mental Health occurrences.

October 17th, 2011

Officers investigated a possible case of a 5 year old child possessing a firearm. Officers responded to the residence and spoke with parental guardians who provided officers with a non-functioning “air soft” replica handgun. Officers advised parents of preferred storage for such items and the incident was forwarded to the Children’s Aid Society for further follow-up.

October 17th, 2011

The Gananoque Police Service received information from the Canadian Coast Guard regarding a recovered abandoned boat in Clayton, New York. An investigation was commenced and it was determined a 21 foot Seaswirl Bowrider was stolen from a local marina in Gananoque. The boat was stolen in the late evening hours of October 16th, 2011 to the early morning hours of October 17th, 2011. The Gananoque Police Service, RCMP, Canada Border Services Agency and several American law enforcement agencies are participating in the on-going investigation.

October 21st, 2011

Officer responded to a report of a suicidal female at a local school who requested a mental assessment since she felt she was a danger to herself and others. The 15 year old female further reported a recent incident where she assaulted a 14 year old female with a weapon. During inquiry, female became irate and was apprehended under the Mental Health Act. Female was transported to Kingston General Hospital for assessment. An investigation was commenced and as a result she was charged with Utter Threats to Cause Bodily Harm and Assault. Female was released on a Youth Promise to Appear and Officer in Charge Undertaking to appear in court at a later date.

October 22nd, 2011

Officers received a report of a theft at a local Stone Street business. Officers attended business where it was reported that two Caucasian females with blond hair in their late 30's – early 40's were seen running out of the business with merchandise valuing approximately \$380.00. The two females were accompanied by a heavy-set male in his 30's. An Ontario license plate was given, resulting in an address of one of the possible suspects. Police attended residence where it was discovered that the suspect no longer resides. The investigation is on-going.

October 23rd, 2011

The Gananoque Police Service received a 911 call regarding a missing male who had Alzheimer's disease resulting in short-term memory loss. Male had left the residence approximately 10-15 minutes previous to the call in an unknown direction of travel. Officers conducted a search of the area and located the male. Male was returned to his wife's care.

October 23rd, 2011

While on patrol, officers observed an intoxicated female on King Street. The 19 year old female began yelling at pedestrians, attempting to fight them and then was observed throwing an object at a parked vehicle. Vehicle was found undamaged. Female was apprehended and charged with Public Intoxication and transported to the station where she was released the next day when sober.

October 23rd, 2011

The Gananoque Police Service received a 911 call regarding a verbally and physically aggressive male suffering from schizophrenia. Officers attended the William Street address and they located the 20 year old male. Officers spoke to the male who was suffering from mental health issues. Male was apprehended under the Mental Health Act for his own safety and the safety of others. Male was then transported to the Brockville General Hospital and later turned over to staff at the Elmgrove Hospital.

If you have information on these or any other criminal activity you may contact the Gananoque Police Service at 613-382-4422. The Gananoque Police Service dispatch system does not have call display and no one is required to identify themselves. The public can also call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477. Information that is provided is confidential and you will not be required to identify yourself. Crime Stoppers pays a monetary reward for information that leads to an arrest of a suspect.

Halloween Safety Tips

For Trick or Treaters

- ◆ Carry a flashlight
- ◆ Walk, don't run.
- ◆ Stay on Sidewalks
- ◆ Obey traffic signals
- ◆ Stay in familiar neighborhoods
- ◆ Don't cut across yards or driveways.
- ◆ Wear a watch you can read in the dark.
- ◆ Make sure costumes don't drag on the ground.
- ◆ Shoes should fit (even if they don't go with your costume)
- ◆ Avoid wearing masks while walking from house to house.
- ◆ Carry only flexible knives, swords or other props.
- ◆ (If no sidewalk) walk on the left side of the road facing traffic
- ◆ Wear clothing with reflective markings or tape.
- ◆ Approach only houses that are lit.
- ◆ Stay away from and don't pet animals you don't know.

Parents

- ◆ Make your child eat dinner before setting out.
- ◆ Children should carry quarters or a cell phone so they can call home.
- ◆ Ideally, young children of any age should be accompanied by an adult.
- ◆ If your children go on their own, be sure they wear a watch, preferably one that can be read in the dark.
- ◆ If you buy a costume, look for one made of flame-retardant material.
- ◆ Older children should know where to reach you and when to be home.
- ◆ You should know where they're going.
- ◆ Although tampering is rare, tell children to bring the candy home to be inspected before consuming anything.
- ◆ Look at the wrapping carefully and toss out anything that looks suspect.

Homeowners

- ◆ Make sure your yard is clear of such things as ladders, hoses, dog leashes and flower pots that can trip the young ones.
- ◆ Pets get frightened on Halloween. Put them up to protect them from cars or inadvertently biting a trick-or-treater.
- ◆ Battery powered Jack O'Lantern candles are preferable to a real flame.
- ◆ If you do use candles, place the pumpkin well away from where trick-or-treaters will be walking or standing.
- ◆ Make sure paper or cloth yard decorations won't be blown into a flaming candle.
- ◆ Healthy food alternatives for trick-or-treaters include packages of low-fat crackers with cheese or peanut butter filling, single-serve boxes of cereal,

packaged fruit rolls, mini boxes of raisins and single-serve packets of low-fat popcorn that can be microwaved later.

- ◆ Non-food treats: plastic rings, pencils, stickers, erasers, coins.

Have a safe and Happy Halloween!