

## **RENFREW OPP WEEKLY NEWS – APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2018**

**(RENFREW, ON)** - The Renfrew Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) investigated 237 calls for service between Monday April 23 and Sunday April 29.

### **Domestic Violence**

Arnprior and Renfrew officers investigated 7 domestic disputes during the past week. No criminal offences were alleged. If you or someone you know is living in or involved in an abusive relationship help is available. Contact Bernadette McCann House 24/7 for support, advice or the safety of a shelter at 1-800-267-4930. The Women's Sexual Assault Centre of Renfrew County is also available 24/7 for information and support at 1-800-663-3060. You could also attend the emergency department of any hospital in Renfrew County and ask to speak to a member of the Assault Response Team. In emergencies call 9-1-1.

### **Impaired Drivers**

On Thursday April 26 at 12:45 am OPP officers responded to a vehicle in the ditch on Norton Road in the Township of Greater Madawaska. The investigation revealed the male driver had been drinking. Following breath tests at the detachment Scott LOFTUS aged 28 of Admaston Bromley Township was charged with impaired driving, driving over 80, and novice driver - having a blood alcohol content above zero. He was released on a promise to appear in court in Renfrew on May 30. PC Mark O'Dacre led the investigation.

On Thursday April 26 at 2:25 pm OPP officers were notified of a traffic complaint. The caller indicated a tractor trailer hauling logs was weaving all over the road, on Highway 17 travelling eastbound near Cobden. PC Jason Golds located the suspect vehicle and stopped in on Highway 17 near Storyland Road in Horton Township. The male driver had been drinking, failed a roadside alcohol screening device and was arrested. Following breath tests at the detachment Steeve FOURNIER aged 45 of L'Islet Quebec was charged with impaired driving, driving over 80mgs and dangerous driving. He was released on a promise to appear in court in Renfrew on May 30.

On Friday April 27 at approximately 3:42 pm a caller advised they saw a male with open alcohol in his vehicle leave a chip stand in Cobden heading westbound on Highway 17. The suspect vehicle was located and stopped on Highway 17 near Highway 41. The male driver had been drinking and open alcohol was located in the vehicle. The male failed a roadside alcohol screening test and was arrested. Following breath tests at the detachment Ryan NICHOLLS aged 37 of North Dundas Township was charged with driving over 80mgs and having open alcohol in a motor vehicle. He was released on a promise to appear in court in Pembroke on May 29. PC James O'Dell led the investigation.

On Sunday May 29 at 2:20 pm Arnprior OPP officers dealt with a male who drove to the detachment looking to speak to an officer. The male driver had been drinking, and was a disqualified driver. He was also bound by a probation order which included a condition that he not consumes alcohol. The male was arrested and following breath tests he was charged with

care or control of a motor vehicle while impaired, driving while disqualified, and 2 counts of failing to comply with a probation order. Jeff LEAHY aged 53 of Ottawa was released on a promise to appear in court in Renfrew on May 30. PC Erin Joyce led the investigation.

### **Fraudulent Prescription Investigation**

Renfrew OPP officers are investigating after a Doctor reported being contacted by a pharmacy concerned with a prescription they had written. A female suspect has been identified who may have altered a legitimate prescription. Two pharmacies are involved and charges are pending. The Community Street Crime Unit is leading the investigation.

### **Crime Stoppers**

Crime Stoppers Pembroke/Renfrew County believes that someone may have information that could assist police in solving these crimes. If you have information on any criminal offence that results in charges being laid, you qualify for an award of up to \$2,000.00. Call Pembroke/Renfrew County Crime Stoppers at **735-8477** or toll free at **1-800-222-8477**. You could help solve a crime. All tips remain anonymous and you will not have to attend court. Crime Stoppers does not subscribe to call display. The telephones are answered 24 hours a day. Please visit the website [www.valleytips.ca](http://www.valleytips.ca).

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