RENFREW OPP WEEKLY NEWS – April 16th, 2018

(**RENFREW, ON**) - The Renfrew Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) investigated 233 calls for service during the past week.

Domestic Violence

Arnprior and Renfrew officers investigated seven domestic disputes during the past week. One male was charged with criminal harassment and six counts of failing to comply with direction in a detention order, a male was charged with two counts each of assault with a weapon, assault and domestic mischief, and a female was charged with assault and two counts of failing to comply with a probation order. No other 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.

Break and Enter

Officers are investigating a break in at an home in Arnprior. During the early evening hours on Thursday April 12 someone cut the screen and reaching in to unlock a back door at a unit on Caruso Street in Arnprior. Nothing appears to have been stolen, and the intruder then unlocked the front door to leave. PC Scott Childerhose is investigating.

On Friday April 13 a victim reported their home on Mount Road in Greater Madawaska Township had been entered. The break-in occurred on Tuesday April 10 and the victim found a window open and thought they had simply left it open. They later discovered several items missing and reported the incident. Stolen property includes jewelry, cash and key fobs for two vehicles. Sgt Hayley Sarault is investigating.

Sexual Assault

PC Janet Guy is investigating a sexual assault that was reported to the OPP in Renfrew on Friday April 13. The adult female victim reported the incident which occurred in Renfrew on Sunday April 8. The suspect is known to the victim. The investigation is continuing.

Thefts

PC Dave Peace is investigating the theft of scrap metal in Renfrew. The victim reported a vehicle attended his property on Bridge Street in Renfrew Sunday April 8 and removed a large steel chimney and steel engine. A suspect vehicle was observed and the licence plate was obtained. The investigation is continuing.

A trail camera was stolen from a rural property on White Lake Road in McNab Braeside Township. The camera was stolen sometime between March 1 and April 12 2018. PC Kyle Brown is investigating.

Thefts from unlocked vehicles continued to be problematic last week. Victims reported thefts from their unlocked vehicles overnight during the past week from Queen, Lochiel and Bank Streets, and Patrick Avenue in Renfrew, and Proper Street, Robbins Lane, Sereney Street, and River Road in the Braeside area of McNab Braeside Township. Motorists are reminded to remove valuables from their vehicles, and lock your vehicle when not in use. Remember, Lock it or Lose it.

A victim reported the theft of jewelry and a GPS unit from their home sometime during the past month. The residence in Cobden is accessed by homecare workers and cleaning staff on a regular basis. There is no evidence of a break in. The stolen property is described as: a white and yellow 24 carat gold wedding band, a gold Cartier model bracelet with black rectangular stone 24 carat gold, a gold Cartier model necklace in 24 carat gold, a ruby ring 24 carat gold, a sapphire ring with 25 carat gold and a Magellan GPS, black in colour. PC Sarah Darraugh is investigating.

Fraud Warning

Numerous attempted frauds were reported to the OPP this past week, with the fraudsters claiming to be with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA). They insist you will be arrested if you don't send them money immediately or provide them with your Social Insurance Number (SIN). The CRA already has your SIN, and if you owe them money they will correspond with you through the mail. Do not give them anything, just hang up. Report fraud attempts to the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre at 1-866-495-8501 or online at <u>www.antifraudcentre.ca</u>

Gun Amnesty Continues

The OPP in collaboration with participating municipal police services is holding a Gun Amnesty during the month of April. The gun amnesty is for any Ontario resident who wishes to voluntarily surrender unwanted or illegally-owned firearms, weapons, accessories or ammunition.

Interested gun owners are urged to call the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 to arrange for officers to attend and safely retrieve the weapons. Gun owners can also use the OPP website button -- <u>www.opp.ca/gunamnesty</u> -- or the Citizen Self Reporting tool to notify police. <u>Under NO</u> circumstances should anyone deliver guns or ammunition directly to police facilities.

Stolen Vehicles

A stolen vehicle was smashed into a tree in the victim's yard. Overnight on April 12 someone entered a property on Charbonneau Street in McNab Braeside Township. They then drove a 2013 Honda Civic into a tree on the property. PC Mark O'Dacre is investigating.

Overnight on April 12 a black 2003 Mazda 3 was stolen from a residence on River Road in McNab Braeside Township. All windows on the car are tinted except the rear window, and the driver's window is only half tinted. PC Mark O'Dacre is investigating.

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 <u>www.valleytips.ca</u>.

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