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# Memorandum

Date: November 5, 2013  
To: Chief Jean-Michel Blais  
From: Sergeant David W. Reynolds  
Re: Traffic Section Report – October 1-31, 2013

The Traffic section's monthly theme for October was **"School Bus Safety"** in compliance with the provincial calendar. This included education check points, school zone drop off and pick up visits for high visibility effect as well as target enforcement in certain locations. GO file 143612 covered all of the individual spots we attended during the month as well as the enforcement stats. We conducted 39 individual site visits throughout HRM. Eighteen SOTs were issued on the enforcement end relating for non-compliance of school bus pick up or drop off zones.

The provincial theme for November is **"Vehicle Inspection Stickers and Liability Insurance Compliance" GO 161208.**

SOTs issued for the month of October, 2013:

Traffic:	396
Patrol:	1,085
Total:	1,481

Other motor vehicle section enforcement stats for October:

Signs and signals:	226
Cell phone:	89
Seat belts:	6
Crosswalk violations:	14

SOTs issued 2013 (Jan.–Oct.):

Traffic:	4,554
Patrol:	17,820
Total:	22,374

Traffic officers also investigated the following specific traffic complaints:

- 146590 – Fairview overpass, complaint of lane hopping violations
- 151358 – MacAlpine Ave. at MicMac St., complaint of school bus violations
- 154260 – Ian Forsyth School, complaint of parents parking illegally at school, obstructing fire lanes
- 154282 – Spring Ave. at Bellevista, complaint from crossing guard of crosswalk violations
- 155399 – Young Ave/, complaint of speeding and racing
- 20940 – Dutch Village Rd. at Central Ave., complaint of vehicles failing to yield to pedestrians in crosswalk - former complaint re-opened

Also during the month of October, Traffic officers participated in the following events:

On October 1, Traffic officers assisted members of the Aboriginal community as they and others gathered at St. Mary's Basilica to celebrate "Treaty Day". We conducted traffic control after the church service as they paraded from Spring Garden Rd. to Grand Parade for a second service.

On October 10, Sgt. Reynolds attended the Halifax Forum parking lot where an event sponsored by Ford of Canada was conducted. It was a demonstration designed to bring attention to the hazards associated with distracted driving. We also added the event to our HRP Trafficcop Facebook page.

On October 16, Traffic officers attended the annual "March Against Violence" in the north end of Dartmouth as members of the community walked through the Pinecrest neighbourhood from Farrell Hall.

On October 20, nearly all police motorcycles were on the road to assist and participate in the annual police memorial service that began at City Hall and paraded along Barrington St. to St. Mary's Basilica for a service.

On October 24, Sgt. Reynolds attended the monthly meeting of the HRM Crosswalk Safety Committee at City Hall.

On October 30, Traffic officers conducted a cell phone interdiction event on Bedford Highway near Sullivan's Hill and issued 27 tickets in a two-hour time frame.

Additions made to our Trafficcop Facebook page included the following for the month of October:

1. Conducting daily vehicle inspection of personal cars; i.e., tires/lights/obstructions in windows.
2. Asking folks to take into account the ever decreasing amount of daylight this time of year and to wear brightly coloured clothing.
3. Asking parents to drive the way they would like to see their children drive by setting a good example when behind the wheel.
4. Reinforcing the importance of not illegally parking at or near schools when dropping off children.
5. Releasing an information piece on distracted driving.
6. Information on neighbourhood pace cars.

**Respectfully submitted,**

Sergeant David W. Reynolds  
NCO i/c  
Integrated HRP/RCMP Traffic Section



HRM Policing Services  
2013 3rd Quarter Statistics



	3rd 2012	3rd 2013	# Change	% Change	YTD 2012	YTD 2013	# Change	% Change
<b>PERSONS</b>								
Homicide	2	1	-1	-50.00	10	6	-4	-40.00
Attempt Murder	3	9	6	200.00	18	27	9	50.00
Robbery	72	51	-21	-29.17	212	167	-45	-21.23
Assaults	796	649	-147	-18.47	2129	1971	-158	-7.42
All Others	10	6	-4	-40.00	28	28	0	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>883</b>	<b>716</b>	<b>-167</b>	<b>-18.91</b>	<b>2397</b>	<b>2199</b>	<b>-198</b>	<b>-8.26</b>
<b>PROPERTY</b>								
Break & Enter	402	418	16	3.98	1154	1000	-154	-13.34
Theft Motor Vehicle	144	139	-5	-3.47	395	367	-28	-7.09
Theft > 5000	33	20	-13	-39.39	99	64	-35	-35.35
Theft < 5000	2398	2127	-271	-11.30	6447	5574	-873	-13.54
Have Stolen Goods	84	61	-23	-27.38	266	223	-43	-16.17
Frauds	245	313	68	27.76	853	997	144	16.88
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3306</b>	<b>3078</b>	<b>-228</b>	<b>-6.90</b>	<b>9214</b>	<b>8225</b>	<b>-989</b>	<b>-10.73</b>
<b>CRIMINAL OTHER</b>								
Prostitution	10	9	-1	-10.00	20	38	18	90.00
Offensive Weapons	83	87	4	4.82	249	244	-5	-2.01
Other Criminal Code	1963	1874	-89	-4.53	5853	5198	-655	-11.19
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2056</b>	<b>1970</b>	<b>-86</b>	<b>-4.18</b>	<b>6122</b>	<b>5480</b>	<b>-642</b>	<b>-10.49</b>
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE</b>	<b>6245</b>	<b>5764</b>	<b>-481</b>	<b>-7.70</b>	<b>17733</b>	<b>15904</b>	<b>-1829</b>	<b>-10.31</b>
<b>FEDERAL</b>								
General	23	26	3	13.04	50	44	-6	-12.00
Drugs	305	302	-3	-0.98	1018	914	-104	-10.22
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1068</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>-110</b>	<b>-10.30</b>
<b>PROVINCIAL</b>								
General	1717	1711	-6	-0.35	4931	4482	-449	-9.11
Liquor	673	568	-105	-15.60	1709	1435	-274	-16.03
Traffic	10700	11802	1102	10.30	37309	29766	-7543	-20.22
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13090</b>	<b>14081</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>7.57</b>	<b>43949</b>	<b>35683</b>	<b>-8266</b>	<b>-18.81</b>
<b>TRAFFIC &amp; COLLISION</b>								
Criminal Code	653	590	-63	-9.65	1805	1748	-57	-3.16
Collisions	2140	1988	-152	-7.10	6502	6109	-393	-6.04
<b>PERSONS</b>								
Fatal	4	5	1	25.00	11	14	3	27.27
Injured	299	244	-55	-18.39	801	667	-134	-16.73

**HRM Policing Services**  
**Environmental Scan of Quarterly Crime Statistics**  
**3rd Quarter 2013**

**Total City Wide Criminal Code Offences/Drugs**

Total Criminal Code offences reported in the third quarter of 2013 show a decrease of -481 reported offences or a change of -7.7% compared to the third quarter of 2012. Drugs for third quarter 2013 show a decrease of -3 offences or a change of -.98% compared to third quarter 2012.

Property offences accounted for **53%** of the reported Total Criminal Code offences, while crimes against persons account for **12%** and other criminal code offences account for **33%**.

**Violent Crimes**

Homicides decreased by -1 incident in 2013 compared to the third quarter of 2012 or -50% .

Attempt murders increased by +6 offences in 2013 compared to the third quarter of 2012 or +200%.

Robberies decreased by -21 offences or -29.17%.

Assaults decreased by -147 offences or -18.47%. Assaults account for 91% of violent crimes in the third quarter of 2013.

Violent crime experienced a decrease in the third quarter of 2013 over 2012 by -167 offences or -18.91%.

**Property Crimes**

Break and Enters increased by +16 offences or +3.98%.

Stolen motor vehicles decreased by -5 offences or -3.47%.

Theft over \$5,000 decreased by -13 offences or -39.39%

Theft under \$5,000 decreased by -271 offences or -11.30%

Have Stolen Goods decreased by -23 offences or -27.38%

Frauds increased by +68 offences or +27.76%.

Property crime shows a decrease of -228 reported offences or -6.90%.

**Criminal Other**

Includes prostitution, gaming/betting, offensive weapons, and other criminal code offences (arson, property damage, indecent acts, counterfeiting, etc) has decreased by -865 or by -4.18% .

Prostitution offences decreased by -1 offence in the third quarter of 2013 over 2012 or -10%. Please note offences such as drug and prostitution are sensitive to directed enforcement and detection.



**HALIFAX REGIONAL POLICE ZONES**  
**Assaults – Break & Enters – Theft Under**  
**July - September 2012/2013 Comparison**

**Assaults**

Assaults Level 1 account for 60% of the total Assaults in the 3rd quarter of 2013 compared to 63% in 2012 and experienced a 24% decrease in 2013 over the same period last year.

Assaults with a Weapon Causing Bodily Harm accounted for 18% of the total Assaults in 2013 compared to 21% in 2012 and experienced a 31% decrease over the same period last year.

All forms of Sexual Assaults combined accounted for 15% of the total Assaults in 2013 compared to 12% in 2012 and experienced a 19% increase over the same period last year.

Crime Type	2012	2013	%
1110-00 Murder, First Degree	0	0	0
1120-00 Murder, Second Degree	0	0	0
1130-00 Manslaughter	1	0	-100
1210-00 Attempted Murder	2	7	250
1220-00 Conspire to Commit Murder	0	0	0
1310-00 Aggravated Sexual Assault	0	1	100
1320-00 Sexual Assault – Weapon/CBH	2	0	-100
1330-00 Sexual Assault	65	65	0
1345-00 Sexual Interference	1	2	100
1350-00 Invitation to Sexual Touching	1	0	-100
1356-00 Sexual Exp Person W/Disability	0	1	100
1370-00 Luring a Child Via Computer	1	1	100
1385-00 Voyeurism	1	2	100
1410-00 Aggravated Assault Level 1	4	4	0
1420-00 Assault Weapon, Bodily Harm	127	87	-31
1430-00 Assault Level 1	383	289	-24
1450-00 Discharge Firearm with Intent	0	2	100
1455-00 Use Firearm or Imitation	0	2	100
1457-00 Point Firearms – Dangerous Use	1	0	-100
1460-10 Assault Police Officer	18	15	-17
1460-20 Assault other Peace Officer	7	7	0
1461-00 Assault w/Weapon CBH Police Officer	1	3	200
1462-00 Aggravated Assault to Police Officer	0	1	100
1470-00 Criminal Negligence Cause Harm	0	1	100
1480-00 Other Assaults	0	0	0

1515-00	Kidnapping	1	0	-100
1516-00	Forcible Confinement	7	5	-29
1530-00	Abduction of Person Under 14	1	0	-100

### Robberies

Robberies accounted for 8% of the total Persons Crimes in the 3rd quarter of 2013 compared to 8% in 2012 and experienced a 20% decrease in 2013 over the same period last year.

Crime Type	2012	2013	%
1610-10 Robbery With Firearms	7	5	-29
1610-20 Robbery, Other Offensive Weapon	13	15	-15
1610-30 Robbery, Other Type	34	23	-32

### Break & Enter

Break & Enter (Residence) accounted for 67% of the total Break & Enters in the 3rd quarter of 2013 compared to 53% in 2012 and experienced a 62% increase in 2013 over the same period last year.

Break & Enter (Other) accounted for 12% of the total Break & Enters in the 3rd quarter of 2013 compared to 11% in 2012 and experienced a 44% increase in 2013 over the same period last year.

Break & Enter (Business) accounted for 20% of the total Break & Enters in the 3rd quarter of 2013 compared to 34% in 2012 and experienced a 23% decrease in 2013 over the same period last year.

Crime Type	2012	2013	%
2120-10 Break & Enter (Residence)	133	216	62
2120-20 Break & Enter (Business)	85	65	-23
2120-30 Break & Enter – Home Invasion	2	4	100
2120-40 Break & Enter – Other	27	39	44
2121-00 Break & Enter – Firearms	2	0	-100

### Theft/Possession Under \$5000

Theft – other under \$5000 accounted for 49% of the total Theft Under \$5000 in the 3rd quarter of 2013 compared to 50% in 2012 and experienced a 15% decrease in 2013 over the same period last year.

Theft From Motor Vehicle accounted for 31% of the total Theft Under \$5000 in the 3rd quarter of 2013 compared to 34% in 2012 and experienced a 21% decrease over the same period last year.

Possession of Stolen Goods experienced a 35% decrease in the 3rd quarter of 2013

Crime Type		2012	2013	%
2140-70	Theft of Bicycle Under \$5000	76	77	1
2140-80	Theft – Other – Under \$5000	885	755	-15
2142-00	Theft From MV <=\$5000	611	485	-21
2143-00	Shoplifting \$5000 or Under	204	234	15
2156-00	Possession of Stolen Goods	63	39	-38

Halifax Regional Police			October 2013	
Date	Course	# Members / Civilians	Hrs Per Day	Total Hours
October 1 - 31, 2013	Firearms Training	194 Members	10 hrs	1940
September 30 & October 1, 2013	SFST Instructor Course	2 Members	8	32
October 3, 2013	HRM Respect in the Workplace	1 Civilian	8	3
September 27 & October 4, 2013	HRM Speed Reading & Memory Techniques	3 Civilians	8	48
October 4, 2013	HRM Condensed Version of Mandatory Training (Workplace Rights, Ethics, Diversity)	3 Civilians	8	24
October 7 - 10, 2013	SFST Training	3 Members	8	96
October 9, 2013	Diversity & Inclusion	1 Members	8	3
October 10 - 11, 2013	HRM Non-Violent Crisis Intervention Course	4 Civilians	8	64
October 14 - 16, 2013	CIT International Conference	2 Members	8	48
October 15 - 24, 2013	Investigating Offences Against Children	2 Members	8	128
October 16, 2013	HRM Mental Illness SOS Critical Training for Leaders	1 Civilian	8	8
October 16, 2013	Get More Power from your Brain	1 Member / 5 Civilians	8	48
October 16, 17 & 18, 2013	CPTED	5 Members	8	120
October 25 & 28, 2013	HRM Windows 7	17 Members / 26 Civilians	2	86
October 28 - 31, 2013	Crisis Negotiations Conference	1 Member	8	32
October 29 & 31, 2013	JEIN Training	37 Members / 16 Civilians	3	159
October 30 & 31, 2013	ICS 200	6 Members	8	96
		<b>Total Hours - October 2013</b>		2935
		<b>Previous Hours of Training</b>		14930
		<b>Total Hours To-Date</b>		17865