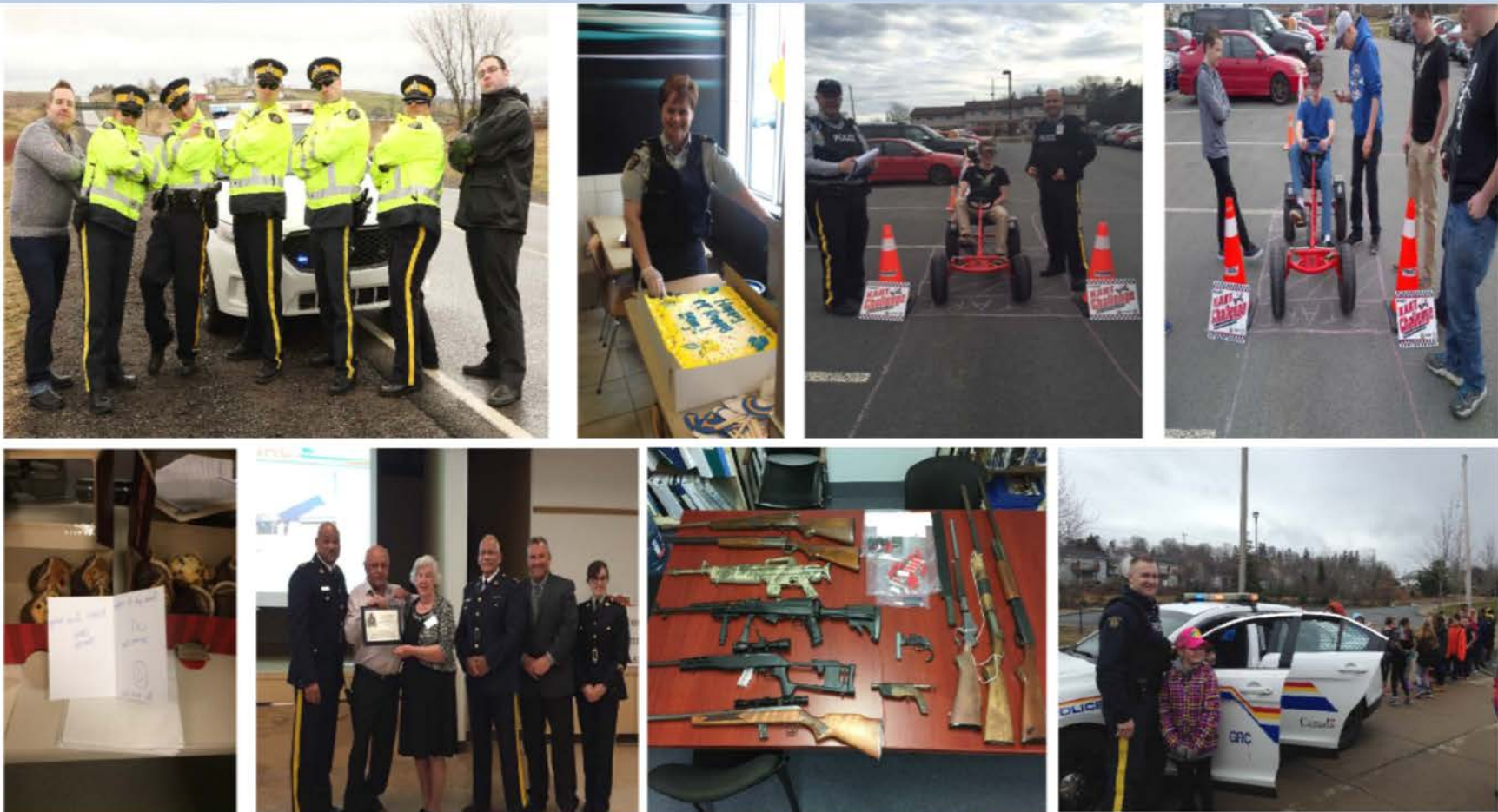




## Halifax District - Board of Police Commissioners Dashboard

May 16th, 2016

## Community Engagement



Left to right – ‘Cop Light Bling’: Nova Scotia RCMP drops new music video to spotlight ‘Move Over’ law / Cop Light Bling featuring 2 of Halifax Districts Metro Traffic Service Officer’s. The YouTube video became an instant hit around the world and has had over 600 thousand views to date! Cst. Paula Reid from Tantallon Office serves up some ‘McHappy’ with some cake at the McDonalds McHappy Day event in Tantallon. Members of RCMP Stetsons and Spurs Youth Group from the Cole Harbour and Preston Chapters participated in the MADD Kart Challenge with Cst. Mitchell and Dole. Students learned about the dangers of driving while impaired by wearing Fatal Vision Goggles which simulated impairment. The youths also tried the “marihuana” goggles which drastically affected their performance. The youths had fun and learned the importance of driving without impairment or distractions. Sackville RCMP have been receiving cards of thanks and yummy treats from students at local schools, thanking police for keeping them safe during all the recent school events. National Volunteer Week was in April and Halifax District highly values the dedication of our volunteers, at the Beaver Bank town hall meeting the Beaver Bank Volunteer Association were presented a plaque for their 20 years of service. In Musquodobit Harbour a disturbing Facebook post of weapons for sale assisted in a recent gun seizure took more than 10 guns off the street. Cst. Foley with Sackville Heights Elementary students, learning about Bike/Helmet Safety, Road Safety, Stranger Awareness and of course the Police Car Demo. Maybe there is a future officer in his 60 + line of students!



## Community Engagement

### Supporting our community partners

You may have noticed the teal "End Sexual Violence" ribbons (shown here in this photo of Cst. Alicia Joseph) on a number of our police vehicles in April. We are proud to have partnered with Avalon Sexual Assault Centre in support of Sexual Assault Awareness Month.



### Working together to end gun violence

On May 5, HRP/RCMP Partners in Policing and clergy and leaders from the African Nova Scotian community met to discuss ways to work together to end gun violence in our community.



### Keeping Point Pleasant Park safe and enjoyable for all

A large number of motorists have been gathering in the lower parking lot of Point Pleasant Park on Sunday evenings to participate in or observe vehicle stunts. We've received reports of dangerous driving, alcohol consumption, vandalism, illegal parking and littering. This has been an ongoing issue for a number of years and it starts to ramp up every spring.

Since mid-April, we've been conducting special patrols in the lower parking lot to prevent illegal and dangerous activities and ensure EHS Life Flight's mobile critical-care ground-transfer unit can access the roadway from the helipad that is adjacent to the lower parking lot.

Officers monitor activities in the area and issue Summary Offence Tickets should the situation warrant.

We've also been working with other park partners to ensure that the park is a safe place for citizens to enjoy.

#### VEHICLES GATHERING in Point Pleasant Park

##### The issue

A large number of motorists have been gathering in the lower parking lot of Point Pleasant Park on Sunday evenings to participate in or observe vehicle stunts. HRP has received reports of dangerous driving, alcohol consumption, vandalism, illegal parking and littering. Access to the lower parking lot for other park users is also restricted by these activities. This has been an ongoing issue for a number of years and it starts to ramp up every spring.

##### What HRP is doing to address the issue

We'll be conducting special patrols in the lower parking lot of the park to prevent illegal and dangerous activities and ensure EHS Life Flight's mobile critical-care ground-transfer unit can access the roadway from the helipad that is adjacent to the lower parking lot. Officers will monitor activities in the area and issue Summary Offence Tickets (SOTs) should the situation warrant.

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##### Legislation used to address the issue

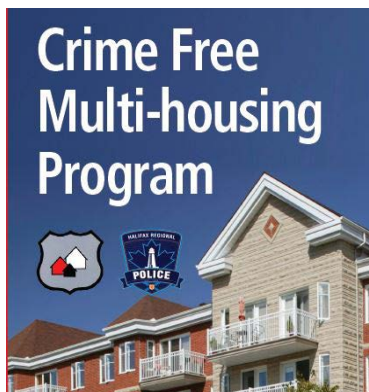
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Halifax Regional Municipal Parks are considered to mean, "any land, owned, leased, or controlled by the Halifax Regional Municipality."

### Reducing crime in rental communities

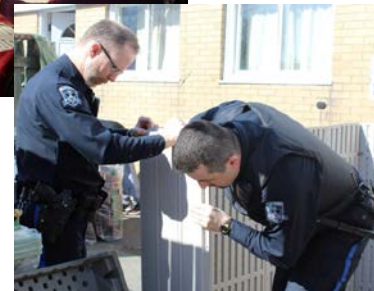
HRP is hosting a training session on May 12 for apartment owners and managers who are interested in having their building certified as part of the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program.

More info is available at <http://www.halifax.ca/police/CrimeFreeMulti-HousingProgram.php>



### Lending a helping hand

Csts. Jim Bennett and Chris MacPhail, Community Response Officers for the Bayers Westwood community, rolled up their sleeves and pitched in at the Bayers Westwood Parent Resource Centre on May 5.



### Serving up a smile on McHappy Day

Our officers helped out at a number of local McDonald's on McHappy Day, May 4. Money raised will go toward supporting local children's charities and over 20,000 families across Canada each year who are staying at Ronald McDonald House while their kids are being treated.

