



Ontario Provincial Police

Grey Bruce Detachment

Detachment Commander: Inspector Paul Richardson

Report for the Southgate Police Services Board

September 2022

This report covers the period from July 1st, 2022 to August 31st, 2022



Calls for Service

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Southgate	1,571	1,783	1,669	1,827	1,901	1,900	2,806	1,938
Grey Bruce	16,742	19,979	19,302	20,598	22,308	21,415	25,517	18,551

Statistics for Township of Southgate

False Alarms		911 Hang Ups	
YTD 2022	50	YTD 2022	18
2021	51	2021	33
2020	38	2020	46
2019	39	2019	160
2018	24	2018	79

Crime

Violent Crime Southgate	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Homicide	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	5	5	2	7	8	6	5	6
Robbery	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Assault	23	17	32	23	20	26	38	17

Violent Crime Grey Bruce	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Homicide	2	0	0	5	1	2	1	1
Sexual Assault	48	72	42	65	61	66	86	49
Robbery	2	3	3	2	3	2	5	0
Assault	236	203	260	248	234	247	246	173



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Property Crime Southgate	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Fraud	24	23	20	32	22	30	12	10
Break & Enter	23	31	27	18	18	37	43	33
Auto Theft	4	4	6	12	8	19	15	9
Theft	43	68	48	77	52	49	61	35
Mischief	45	40	25	22	18	36	35	30

Property Crime Grey Bruce	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Fraud	214	263	233	242	297	208	167	108
Break & Enter	230	254	187	228	212	227	217	154
Auto Theft	48	38	45	67	94	88	76	62
Theft	569	514	414	521	414	415	386	281
Mischief	327	285	270	269	224	228	249	163

Drug Investigations	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Southgate	14	11	12	14	20	8	23	1
Grey Bruce	140	147	139	125	147	120	113	58

Other Investigations Southgate	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Domestic Disputes	41	52	64	64	103	111	115	69
Missing Persons	5	4	7	6	6	5	13	2

Other Investigations Grey Bruce	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Domestic Disputes	364	442	419	464	585	575	585	348
Missing Persons	44	59	70	71	67	60	46	87

Crime Unit



Supervisor: Detective Sergeant Byron SCHWASS

The Grey Bruce County Crime Unit (7 Detectives) led, assisted or managed 27 Benchmark Occurrences August 1st, to August 31st, 2022.

This includes 17 Sudden Death investigations as well as a 1 Criminal Harassments, 1 fraud investigation, and 6 reported sexual assaults.

This Unit is also assisting other Major Crime Units with investigations/statements, and providing guidance to uniform personnel on criminal investigations. Two DCs were actively engaged in court on the SPRUNG homicide, with pre trial motions in mid August.

The Grey Bruce Major Crime Unit continues to follow up leads, prepare for court, and investigate several ongoing Homicides which fall under the direction of OPP Criminal Investigations Branch (CIB). SPRUNG Homicide (Meaford) completed the preliminary inquiry for 1st degree Murder and is now proceeding to trial. SOLOMON Homicide (Saugeen First Nation) trial pending. The JACKSON attempt murder (North Bruce Peninsula), and the CHISAR homicide (male arrested for 2nd degree Murder) both are still under investigation.

All National and Ontario Sex Offenders, Hate Crime / Extremism Investigations and High Risk to re-offend Offenders and High Risk Domestic Violence Offenders continue to be managed by the Grey Bruce County Crime Unit.



Community Street Crime Unit
Supervisor: Detective Sergeant James BLAIR

Grey-Bruce Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU) were involved in several major investigations in July & August 2022.

In July 2022 a search warrant was executed in South Bruce Peninsula in which over \$150,000 of stolen property was recovered including firearms, ammunition, and motor vehicles. One party was charged. The execution of this search warrant solved over five (5) historic thefts dating back to 2019 and as far away as Barrie.

In August 2022 a search warrant was executed in Meaford in which firearms and ammunition were recovered and two parties were charged. Grey-Bruce CSCU continues to collaborate with South Bruce CSCU on joint investigations and search warrant executions as was the case when a search warrant was executed in Kincardine less than 24hrs after a Break and Enter to a commercial business. The stolen property was recovered, and one party charged.

CSCU located and apprehended a series of wanted persons in our detachment area and they were arrested on outstanding warrants as well as additional criminal charges.



Traffic

E-Ticketing

Grey Bruce	Warnings	Charges
July	164	522
August	132	308

Southgate	Warnings	Charges
July	15	32
August	18	34

Traffic Safety has been a core priority of the Grey-Bruce OPP in response to a vast increase in fatal motor vehicle collisions in the summer of 2022. Our newly implemented Traffic Management Unit (TMU) has assisted greatly with efforts to improve highway safety through proactive patrols, public education, enforcement and collision investigation. The unit consisting of two (2) constables and one (1) sergeant have been immensely effective in enforcing our local and provincial traffic objectives. The “Big 4” remain the leading cause of traffic related collisions and fatalities and with our concerted efforts and increased visibility we hope to make our roads safer for our communities.



Motor Vehicle Collisions

Impaired/ Over 80 (Alcohol & Drugs)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Southgate	9	8	3	7	12	7	15	3
Grey Bruce	98	109	101	76	141	101	101	56

Suspect Apprehension Pursuits

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Southgate	0	0	1	1	1	1	2	7
Grey Bruce	8	2	9	16	19	19	27	30

Traffic Complaint

July 2022	22
August 2022	31

Noise Complaint

July 2022	10
August 2022	1

Animal Complaint

July 2022	5
August 2022	3

Municipal By-Law

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Southgate Calls for Service	9	9	5	15	19	8	19	9

Paid Duties

Year	Paid Duties	RIDE	Officers	Hours
2020	26	20	64	488.5
2021	24	36	96	786
2022	29	20	49	361



Media

Provincial Constable Nick WILSON

Media Releases

2021	
January	29
February	31
March	32
April	17
May	31
June	30
July	23
August	14
September	20
October	27
November	20
December	22
Total	296

2022	
January	9
February	12
March	16
April	12
May	11
June	12
July	19
August	36
Total	127

Highlights

- Multiple high-profile incidents covered including two drownings, multiple major collisions, and multiple search warrants resulting in large seizures.
- Weekend stats reporting for holiday weekends.
- Multiple missing person investigations covered resulting in valuable tips and information
- Media release for the welcoming of Inspector Richardson to Grey Bruce.



#GreyBruceOPP

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Visit **@OPP_WR** Twitter and **@OPPWest** Facebook pages for West Region content.

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Social Media Help Resources

- [How to Sign Up with Twitter](#)
- [How to Follow People on Twitter](#)
- [How to Create a Facebook Account](#)
- [How to Follow a Facebook Page](#)



Community Services

- Assisted with call for services throughout Grey Bruce County.
- Multiple touch a truck events attended by OPP with the assistance of the Grey Bruce Auxiliary Unit.
- Grey Bruce STAR Situation tables attended, with multiple follow up calls regarding ongoing situations in Grey Bruce County.
- Continued meetings with local community support organizations to address and plan for police related interactions with vulnerable persons living within our communities.
- Attended multiple benchmark collisions to provide Technical Collision Investigation services.
- Continued to provide members of the public with updated stunt driving numbers utilizing the stunt driving signs in Northern Bruce Peninsula and Grey Highlands.
- Organized, coordinated, and assisted with bicycle rodeos within Grey Bruce using the OPP Ride Smart Program taught by Constable Belanger.
- Began organizing out of house speakers for platoon training surrounding topics such as fetal alcohol syndrome.
- Began coordinating training for fraud prevention for municipal employees.
- Attended Regional Road Safety meetings surrounding highway safety.
- Began working on project with Grey Highlands for safety videos about seasonal traffic safety.
- Assisted with media coordination and management for planned convoy event in Sauble Beach. Provided input at meetings surrounding messaging etc.
- Attended several youth events throughout Grey Bruce County – providing police displays, interaction, and answered questions.
- Taught programs to new secondary students at the Hanley Institute.
- Coordinated and engaged Auxiliary Unit for multiple public events across Grey Bruce.
- Stanley Cup community event in Sauble Beach for local star Kurtis MacDermid of the Colorado Avalanche (See photo page 13)



Court Bureau

Supervisor: Sergeant Henry THALEN

Grey Bruce Statistics July & August 2022

Record Checks	July 2022	August 2022
Level 1 & 2 Criminal Record Check	57	52
Vulnerable Sector Check	193	204
Total Record Checks	250	256

- The transition to E-ticketing has been completed and has streamlined the process
- Overnight bails continue to be conducted from the detachment by either audio or video. This has proven to be very successful and efficient.

Part-Time Unit

The part time unit is comprised of four officers whose primary responsibility are completing fingerprints for both criminal and civilian matters, serving court summons and subpoenas, and assisting with bail hearings and criminal proceedings.

	July 2022	August 2022
Summons & Subpoenas Served	32	37
Civilian Fingerprints	19	12



Auxiliary Unit

Unit Commander: Auxiliary Staff Sergeant Thomas BUCKLEY

Liaison: Acting Sergeant Shaun HIERLIHY

Unit Statistics

Active Members	12
Authorized Strength	17

Recruiting

- Effort ongoing.

Unit Activities

- The unit welcomes two new members; Michaela Littlejohn an experienced member transfer from Middlesex and Kyla Thalen a new recruit.
- Regular bi-monthly meetings have returned to in person.
- July:
 - 445.5 total hours for July, including 54 hours of patrol time conducted, 66.5 hours of training and various other activities.
- August:
 - 178 total hours for August, including 83 hours of patrol time conducted, 35.5 hours of training and various other activities.





MOBILE CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM FINALIZED

The Grey Bruce and South Bruce Ontario Provincial Police (OPP), in partnership with the Grey Bruce Health Services (GBHS) are proud to announce that a Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) has been finalized for the area.

GBHS and the Grey Bruce and South Bruce OPP, have entered into a community based, collaborative partnership to provide a Mobile Crisis Response Team to individuals and families within the Grey Bruce and South Bruce OPP detachment area, who are experiencing mental health and/or addiction related crisis.

The partnership aims to achieve the following goals and objectives for persons in Grey Bruce and South Bruce who contact police when experiencing mental health and/or addiction crisis:

- Individuals experiencing crisis will have access to timely crisis assessments by a skilled mental health professional.
- Individuals will have access to available and most appropriate level of service, in their home/community environment thereby potentially diverting unnecessary presentations to the local Emergency Departments.
- Individuals experiencing crisis/difficulties will be stabilized within their communities whenever possible, and with coordinated care, will have fewer episodes requiring crisis intervention and/or contact with police services.
- Individuals experiencing crisis will have transitional supports provided and improved coordinated care through timely follow up contacts, support in the transfer of care with the hospital when required, and referrals to case management support.
- Following crisis assessment and intervention, individuals will have improved access to ongoing supports and services through identified care pathways, and transitional support.
- Individuals experiencing crisis may, whenever possible, be appropriately deferred from the criminal justice system.
- Potential for reduced hospital visits to both local and Schedule 1 hospitals for persons experiencing a mental health and/or addiction presentations
- Implementation of an evaluation process and quality improvement to achieve a high quality of service.
- Participation in research, education, and training opportunities to support the activities of the MCRT.

Involved partners will continue working over the next few months towards the launch of the program, which is planned before the end of the year.