



that they go into a “Hold and Secure” or a “Lockdown”. I’d like to thank our partners at the Anglophone East School District, au District scolaire francophone Sud, all the teachers/staff, students and our Community Policing Unit for their tremendous work on these projects and drills.

On November 6th, we welcomed a group of twelve grade nine students from around the area to spend their Take Your Kid to Work Day with us at the Codiac Regional RCMP. They were truly an amazing group of youths. Led by our Community Policing Unit, we exposed the young people to various activities in our building and around the area. Students got to visit with some of our Patrol members and discover our police vehicles and then attended the Southeast Region Forensic Identification Services office located in Moncton. Students had a chance to take fingerprints and conduct mock analysis of police evidence. We fielded a tremendous amount of questions and had a great time.

On November 11th, I joined several current Codiac members and retirees at the Moncton Coliseum, to honour our vets at the annual Remembrance Day ceremony, then attended the Legion Branch #6 for a brief reception. Meanwhile, Insp. White was joined by other Codiac members and retirees at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Riverview, to honour our vets at the annual Remembrance Day ceremony. Following the ceremony, he attended the Coverdale Recreation Center with his family to attend the reception held there. And, Sgt. Hebert was joined by other members at Ecole Mathieu-Martin, for Dieppe’s annual Remembrance Day Ceremony. It is always an honour for us to attend these ceremonies and thank those who have given so much to ensure our way of life.

Then at 2pm, myself, Insp. White and Sgt. Hebert had the pleasure of attending the Veteran’s Health Centre on War Veterans Avenue. There, we took part in the 21st anniversary ceremony of the Codiac RCMP’s Honour a Vet Program. During the ceremony we presented a plaque which named and recognized all veteran residents. The plaque was presented to Ms. Gladys Constable, one of the most senior residents who is 105 years young.

Unfortunately this year’s Santa Claus Parade was cancelled due to poor weather on November 23rd. However, thankfully parade organizers managed to pull off a Christmas Miracle and hold a static parade at the Moncton Coliseum on December 1st. The Community Policing Unit once again, led a food drive at the Dec. 1st event, in partnership with the Peter McKee centre. Thanks to the generosity of residents we were able to collect over 1,200 lbs of food and over \$800 in cash donations.

Also, I am proud to report that this evening we are finishing our three “Stuff Police Cruiser” events. I’m extremely proud of our employees in the Community Policing Unit.

December 3rd at the Sobeys on Findlay Boulevard in Riverview, in support of the Albert County Food Bank. A total of \$1,800 in monetary donations and approximately 700 lbs of food was collected.

December 10th at the Sobeys on Vaughn Harvey in Moncton, in support of the Peter McKee Centre. A total of \$1,819 in monetary donations and over 500 lbs of food was collected.

The last Stuff a Cruiser event is currently underway at the Sobeys on Regis in Dieppe. We look forward to the results there.

I’d like to thank the three Foodbanks for the dedicated work they do year-round and for the generosity of local residents.

Crime Reduction Unit (CRU)

Our Crime Reduction Unit continues to deploy in all areas of the Codiac region on various priorities. In conducting their patrols, the focus remains on disrupting activities of those who cause the most harm in the community. Here are a few of their successes.

On September 17th, members of our Crime Reduction Unit and the Integrated Enforcement Unit were conducting open air drug enforcement in downtown Moncton, specifically on St-George Street. Members observed a male sitting in a vehicle in front of the hub shelter, who was known to police as being arrestable on an outstanding warrant. Subsequent to the arrest, members located a large amount of drugs, a weapon and drug trafficking paraphernalia. The male was subsequently arrested for possession for the purpose of trafficking and charged.

The Crime Reduction Unit and the Integrated Enforcement Unit are also currently investigating a large amount of ongoing files relating to illegal drugs and persistent property crime files. As indicated in the past, we track individuals who operate in our area and cause the most harm in the community. Currently, a total of 11 of the 15 most persistent offenders are incarcerated on various charges stemming from previous investigations and arrests. Our Crime Reduction Unit will continue to work in partnership with our Criminal Analysts to track, investigate and disrupt the activities of these offenders

I'd like to update the CRPA on an incident that was first reported to us on March of this year. We became aware of a situation where a young adult female had been brought to the Moncton area from Ontario and was allegedly victim of human trafficking for sexual purposes. As in all person's crimes, we took this situation very seriously. Since March, we had been working diligently with our policing partners with the Ontario Provincial Police and the Ottawa Police Service Human Trafficking Unit. Through the investigation we were able to identify a primary suspect residing and operating in the Moncton area. On October 29th, in coordination with the Ottawa Police Service Human Trafficking Unit, our Crime Reduction Unit, the Integrated Enforcement Unit, our General Investigations Section and Patrol members we executed three search warrants, including one at a residence on Worthington Avenue in Moncton, a vehicle belonging to the primary suspect and also a business located on Lewisville Road. Thanks to the dedication of our members, the initial female victim was saved and removed from the situation and a 36-year-old female from Moncton was taken into custody. The subsequent searches provided key evidence supporting human trafficking offences and also included the discovery of illegal firearms and ammunition. The female suspect was transported to the Ottawa area where she was remanded into custody and is facing a considerable amount of charges relating to violence and human trafficking.

Currently, Codiac RCMP does not have a dedicated team working solely on human trafficking files. Also, the majority of these files involve considerable work with inter-provincial policing partners and extensive travelling. Despite this, as previously reported to the CRPA and in this report, we are not spared from these violent and manipulative offences in the Codiac area. We have seen a considerable increase in associated reports and incidents. We will continue to pivot our resources on these complex files to ensure safety of all residents and the victims involved.

General Investigation Section (GIS) /Major Crime Unit (MCU)

Continue work on the most complex and time-consuming files.

I'd like to provide another update to the CRPA regarding a file which took considerable effort and resources to investigate.

In June 2023, the Codiak Regional RCMP received a report of a sexual assault that had occurred approximately ten years ago in the Moncton region. Through a subsequent investigation, police were able to determine that the individual had used a noxious substance to render the victim unconscious prior to the assault. Police executed search warrants at two locations in the Greater Moncton region, and arrested a 36-year-old man in connection with the investigation.

In July 2023, he appeared in Moncton Provincial Court, and was charged with a number of offences in relation to the investigation. He was remanded into custody pending trial.

Over the course of the investigation, police were then able to identify additional victims. Evidence suggests that the incidents occurred primarily in the Greater Moncton and Greater Edmundston regions from 2010 until 2023. However, the man did have periods of employment in Alberta and could potentially have carried out offences there.

On March 14th of this year, he returned to court to face additional charges. On March 21st, he plead guilty to several charges, including sexual assault, other violent offences and issuing a noxious substance.

On November 4th, 2024, the man charged in connection with the investigation, now 37-years-old, appeared in Moncton Provincial Court and was sentenced to 16 years in prison. He was also ordered to register with the National Sex Offender Registry. Following his release from prison, he will have to abide by conditions set out by court, including not to communicate with anyone under the age of 16, and to stay away from places they are found, such as pools, parks, playgrounds, daycares and schools. Due to the publication ban, further details are not available.

We would like to advise anyone that a sexual assault complaint can be made at anytime. If you are a victim of a sexual offence, please call us. We will listen, we will take your complaint seriously and we will act.

Next, in June 2023, Sgt. Hebert came upon a GIS file where a Warrant of Arrest had been issued in 2019 in relation to a child sexual assault. Considering the seriousness of the offences and that no actions had since been taken to locate the individual, GIS members were tasked to follow up on and locate the suspect. His family informed us he had ties to Ontario and may be located in that area. In May 2024, a press release was done and member of the public contacted Waterloo Police Services to say they knew where the suspect was located. Waterloo Police followed up, conducted surveillance, located and arrested the suspect.

On November 22nd 2024, two Codiak members travelled to Waterloo, Ontario where the suspect had been remanded. We were warmly welcomed by members of the RCMP "O" Division who also greatly assisted us with multiple transports of the prisoner. Waterloo Police members were given a Codiak Challenge coin as thank you gift. Both our members worked for 24-hour straight however, they enjoyed their experience and have made new friends/partners.



Patrol

On September 23rd, members of our Patrol Section responded to a collision between a vehicle and a pedestrian on Wheeler Blvd near the Mapleton exit in Moncton. Once on scene, we determined that a 67-year-old man had died on scene. The RCMP's Traffic Collision Reconstructionist attended the scene. Through the investigation, we do not believe that any criminality occurred and no charges have been laid. The collision occurred in mid afternoon and closed off one side of Wheeler for several hours. Thank you to motorists and residents for their patience and sincere condolences to the family of the departed.

On September 26th, members of our Patrol Section responded to a call for service in the late evening regarding a male causing a disturbance on St-George Street. Upon arriving on scene, members located the male and discovered that he was currently unlawfully at large. The male was arrested and taken into custody. During the search, members located prohibited knife on his person as well as a large amount of drugs which were packaged in a way consistent with jail smuggling.

On October 4th, just after 09:00am, members responded to a bomb threat at the Moncton Courthouse located on Assomption Blvd. In partnership with the Regional Sheriffs Office at the Courthouse, the building was safely evacuated. Members immediately began the investigation and were able to identify the suspect as the same individual who was facing two separate charges of robbery at a store in Riverview. Various RCMP support units were contacted and attended, including our Police Dog Service and the explosives Disposal Unit. After a brief period, we were able to clear the building and staff were able to resume their workdays. Our Crime Reduction Unit was tasked in locating the suspect.

On October 15th, members of our Crime Reduction Unit were able to locate the suspect at a residence on Cascade Avenue in Moncton. Based on the information we had and to ensure the safety of the public, several members attended the scene and we requested the assistance of the New Brunswick Emergency Response Team. Thanks to coordinated work, we were able to take the suspect into custody and lay new charges. He is currently remanded in custody and awaiting a future court date for all offences. I'd like to thank everyone for their patience in both of the circumstances, which was related to the same offender, and also point to the excellent work and coordination of our teams in conducting this arrest.

In another unrelated incident, on October 6th, members on Patrol, were called to a business on Shediac Road in Moncton where a report of a vehicle collision had occurred on Hwy 2. Once on scene, one of our members determined that one of the vehicle's drivers was in possession of a firearm. As the member attempted to place the male under arrest, the suspect brandished a firearm and pointed it at our member. Luckily no one was hurt, however the male managed to escape the scene after stealing another vehicle from an unsuspecting motorist. More members arrived on scene to support the first officer who had been alone and we pursued the investigation.

As the investigation progressed, we were able to identify the male and potential accomplices. On October 9th, thanks to the assistance of the Crime Reduction Unit, our Patrol Section, Police Dog Services, the Emergency Response team as well as the RCMP's helicopter, we were able to locate a vehicle in Moncton on Mountain Road with 5 individuals who were safely taken into custody. A few hours later, as members pursued their investigation, the primary target who had pointed a firearm and stolen the vehicle 3 days prior was located at a residence in Dieppe and taken into custody. Various serious charges have now been laid and the suspect remains in custody. Once again, the work done on this file is impressive, as we were able to coordinate our resources to place several people in custody and ensure public safety.

On October 17th, Codiak Patrol members responded to an incident where a vehicle was near Harrison Trimble High School in Moncton and an occupant allegedly pointed a firearm at an individual. We then received a subsequent call for service indicating that the same vehicle was in the Highfield Street. Several members swarmed the area and were able to locate the suspect vehicle on Assomption Blvd, where 4 young males aged 16 to 18 years-old were safely taken into custody. During the arrest and search a replica firearm was located and seized. No one was hurt during the incident.

On November 1st, 2024, at 12:24 hrs, the Codiak RCMP received a call from a Riverview resident advising that they had just found what looked like a needle in their daughter's Hallowe'en candy. They are unable to identify which house the candy originated from, however they were trick-or-treating in the area of Oakfield Drive. The piece of candy, a small Oh Henry candy bar, was seized. A metal object resembling a sewing needle was seen inside. The circumstances resemble that which was reported in Nunavut, the candy was different, however. Police have no leads at this time. A media release was completed. No further calls regarding this were received.

Due to the diligent work of our Patrol Section and our specialized investigators, fifteen of our most habitual offenders who are responsible for a significant amount of our calls for service relating to property crime and associated violent acts against persons are currently incarcerated. Some of these offences range from vehicle thefts, break and enters and other thefts. The majority of these fifteen offenders are set for release in the new year, however we will work with our various teams to keep the pressure on these individuals and others that cause harm in our community. Through the work of our criminal analysts, we can draw a direct correlation between identifying trends in our community and these offender's incarceration. I'm very proud of the work being done by all our employees, the dedicated work carried out through our busy summer months and the continued work done every day.

On December 4th, Codiak RCMP hosted a large-scale scenario at the Moncton International Airport. The scenario included several members from Codiak Patrol as well as various specialized investigators and support staff within the New Brunswick RCMP's Critical Incident Program. The scenario simulated a hostage situation at the airport and the subsequent police response. The exercise was a tremendous success, and helped us test our abilities when faced with a critical incident in such a large area. I'd like to thank the Moncton Airport Authority for their assistance and for being amazing partners and hosts.

Next, with the Holiday Season upon us, I'd like to remind all residents of the dangers of driving while impaired. As we get together with family, friends and coworkers, we all have a part to play in ensuring that everyone gets home safe. Members from Patrol Section will be out on our roadways during the weeks ahead and conducting impaired driving blitz operations. Have fun at your celebrations, but please make smart decisions and watch over one another.

On another similar note, I'd like to remind residents to always lock their doors at home whether you are home or not and also secure your valuables in a safe location. We will see an influx of people from around the province coming to Moncton for sporting events, concerts and shopping in the weeks leading up to Christmas. It's important that if staying at a hotel, that you remove all valuables from your vehicles.

POLICE OBSERVER PROGRAM

The Codiak RCMP has recommenced the Police Observer Program in the Greater Moncton area including the Town of Riverview. During the last two months, the RCMP has had close to 50 individuals take part in the Police Observer Program, mostly RCMP applicants. The purpose of the Police Observer Program is to familiarize the public with

the RCMP's role, increase community access to the RCMP, allow individuals to experience police-community interaction at the service delivery level and serve as a recruitment tool. The Program may only be considered for students, applicants to the RCMP, elected officials, members of the news media, and other individuals who wish to gain knowledge of police-related duties. Any participant willing to attend must have signed the application form and has consented to background checks and police database queries. We invite anyone willing to participate to contact us and we will gladly host individuals wanting to attend.

Tactical Traffic Enforcement Unit

On October 18th, the New Brunswick RCMP Tactical Traffic Enforcement Unit was in the Codiac area. As always, we partnered up with them to conduct a one-day intensive traffic blitz in the Codiac area. We focussed on the key areas which are reported to us by residents and elected officials, as well as vehicles which were in poor condition. A total of 103 tickets were issued. 55 vehicles were escorted to the parking lot of the Moncton Coliseum to undergo a safety and mechanical inspection. A total of 28 vehicles were towed and 21 were deemed unsafe. Very impressive results for a one-day event.

Vacancies

At a previous CRPA Meeting I spoke of our current vacancies at Codiac. I'd like to provide an update. In the last two months we have seen a sudden surge in new people either arriving at Codiac or planned to arrive. A total of seven new members from the RCMP Academy have either started with us or are on the way. Also, we have had the pleasure of accepting two Experienced Police Officers from other municipal police forces, and several members transferring into Codiac from other areas of "J" Division. Things are looking fantastic and positioning us very well for 2025.

B. Major Issues/Risks Since Last Report

C. Stakeholder/Community Consultations

We continue to meet with all relevant stakeholders in the community on a weekly basis.

D. Changes in Service Delivery Mode

There have been no changes to our service delivery model.

E. Developments in Policing in New Brunswick or Canada Since Last Report

F. Confirmation of Codiac Regional Police Service Compliance with CRPA Policies Since Last Report

I confirm that we are compliant to CRPA Policies since the last report.

G. Financial Report

Provided through the Finance Committee.

However, I'd like to thank all the board members on the CRPA for your continued support through our budget proposal process over the last months. Our hard work paid off with the recent approval of our budget proposal. We have a lot of work to do, to get it right. Also, with the completion of the new facility and our growth, 2025 will be a very exciting year for the Codiak Regional RCMP.

H. Risk Report

N/A

Finally, I look forward to seeing those that can attend this upcoming Saturday night for our Holiday get together. All the best to you and your families during the holiday period and a successful New Year filled with health and happiness.

Respectfully submitted,

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Codiak Regional RCMP