

Red Deer RCMP arrest four wanted suspects with loaded firearm

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Red Deer RCMP and members of the Alberta Law Enforcement Response Team (ALERT) arrested four people in a traffic stop the night of March 14, including 36 year old Quentin Lee Strawberry, who RCMP and ALERT members had been actively searching for throughout the day and evening; all four occupants of the vehicle were wanted on outstanding warrants, and police officers seized drugs and a loaded shotgun from the vehicle.

Shortly before 11 pm on March 14, members of ALERT on patrol located the suspect vehicle, a black Jeep Patriot, as it drove in north Red Deer. Red Deer RCMP and ALERT officers positioned themselves with tire deflation devices and prepared for a high-risk arrest before executing a traffic stop on Kerry Wood Drive near Bower Ponds. The Jeep drove for a short distance before stopping and the four occupants were arrested without incident.

RCMP verified that all occupants of the Jeep were wanted on outstanding warrants; during the arrests police located a loaded sawed off shotgun under the driver's seat and seized small amounts of cocaine, amphetamine, methamphetamine and fentanyl from the vehicle.

"These arrests were the result of shared intelligence and coordinated efforts between Red Deer RCMP and ALERT, as we all work toward our shared goal of reducing crime in Red Deer," says Inspector Gerald Grobmeier of the Red Deer RCMP. "We appreciate the valuable contributions of our ALERT partners in apprehending these suspects, and taking another loaded firearm off the streets."

36 year old Quentin Lee Strawberry was wanted on outstanding warrants out of Red Deer for assault with a weapon, assault causing bodily harm, weapons possession and failing to comply with conditions (X3).

Strawberry now faces the following additional charges:

- Criminal Code 403(1)(a) – Identity fraud
- Criminal Code 88(1) – Possession of weapon for dangerous purpose
- Criminal Code 91(1) – Unauthorized possession of firearm
- Criminal Code 92(1) – Possession of unauthorized firearm while knowing possession was unauthorized
- Criminal Code 94(1) – Possession of firearm in motor vehicle
- Criminal Code 95 – Possession of loaded prohibited firearm
- Criminal Code 117.01(1) – Weapons possession contrary to order X 2
- Criminal Code 145(5.1) – Fail to comply with undertaking

Strawberry was remanded to appear in court in Red Deer on March 19 at 9:30 am.

26 year old Dustin Charles Miller Dumais was wanted on warrants out of Olds including possession of weapon for dangerous purpose, resist/ obstruct peace officer (X2), possession of stolen property, mischief, impaired operation of motor vehicle, fail to comply with demand, and failing to comply with conditions (X3).

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- Criminal Code 91(1) – Unauthorized possession of firearm
- Criminal Code 92(1) – Possession of unauthorized firearm while knowing possession was unauthorized
- Criminal Code 94(1) – Possession of firearm in motor vehicle
- Criminal Code 95(1) – Possession of loaded prohibited firearm
- Criminal Code 145(3) – Fail to comply with conditions X 8

Dumais is scheduled to appear in court in Red Deer on March 23 at 9:30 am.

18 year old Megan Latter was wanted on warrants for possessing identity documents, failing to comply with conditions (X2) and failing to appear in court. Latter now faces two additional charges of failing to comply with court-imposed conditions – CC 145(3). Latter was remanded to appear in court in Red Deer on March 16 and is scheduled to appear again on March 20 at 9:30 am.

27 year old Shane Lee Milton Last was wanted on a warrant out of Sylvan Lake for using a forged document after an RCMP investigation into a forged cheque made out for \$4,600 in early February.

Red Deer RCMP continue to investigate and will issue an update if further charges are laid.

If you have information about this, or any other crime(s), and you want to remain anonymous, you can contact Crime Stoppers by phone at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), by internet at www.tipsubmit.com/, or by SMS (check your local Crime Stoppers [www.crimestoppers.ab.ca/] for instructions on how to do it.) You do not have to reveal your identity to Crime Stoppers, and if you provide information to Crime Stoppers that leads to an arrest(s), the recovery of stolen property, and/or a seizure of illicit drugs, you may be eligible for a cash reward.

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