

RCMP Sundre - Crime Report, April 26, 2016

From March 16, 2016 to April 15, 2016, the RCMP Sundre detachment received 151 calls for service. The following is a breakdown of some of those calls:

911 Hang up	1
False Alarms	12
Animal Calls	4
Assaults	3
Disturb the Peace	6
B&Es and Thefts	10
Dangerous Driving	12
Drive While Disqualified	1
Impaired Driving	4
Mischief	11
Fraud	3
Suspicious Person/Vehicle	8
Motor Vehicle Collisions	19
MVC - Hit and Run	5

The following is a summary of a few of those calls.

Tip Leads to Arrest

On April 14, 2016, RCMP Sundre received a tip of a suspicious vehicle in the Sundre area. The occupants were said to be known to police for having a history of property related crimes. On April 15, 2016 at approximately 1AM, the vehicle was seen on Hwy 760 and based on the information provided to police by the public, a traffic stop was conducted. The driver and passenger were known to police for property related offences. During the interaction, police saw a hatchet inside the vehicle within reach of the driver. Police investigated further and the driver was found to be in further possession of two knives, a baseball bat and a baton style Taser. A 20 year old male from Calgary was arrested and charged with several weapon related offences.

Drunken Target Practice at 4 in the Morning

On April 15, 2016 at approximately 4:40AM, a concerned citizen called police to report that he could see vehicle headlights on the East side of the Red Deer River just North of River Road. He further reported that he could hear numerous gun shots being fired. Police attended and located two males that were attempting to leave the area in a pick up truck. Police conducted a traffic stop and found both the driver and passenger impaired by alcohol. A search of the vehicle turned up two restricted handguns. A 26 year old male from Sundre was charged with impaired operation of a motor vehicle and weapons offences.

Fire Destroys Home

In the early morning of April 22, 2016, Police attended the scene of a residential fire at 4238 - 325a Twp. Fire crews from Sundre and Olds along with EMS had been called by a passing motorist that saw flames coming through the roof of the home. Fire crews worked diligently to contain the fire to just the home which was eventually extinguished. The home was being rented by a family that were fortunately out of town at the time of the fire. No one was injured in the blaze but the home was completely destroyed. The cause of the fire hasn't been determined but the matter is not suspicious. (See Photo)



Improper Parking Update

For the month of March and April, the RCMP and the Town of Sundre CPO began a two part approach to deal with a growing number of parking and other non-moving infractions within the Town. Part one consisted of educational awareness where notice was placed in the Town section of the Sundre Round Up as well as notice sent out with the monthly utility bill. Warning letters were also sent to registered owners of vehicles that were found to be improperly parked. Part 2 of this initiative will commence on May 1 where any vehicle found to be in violation will have the registered owner receive a violation ticket in the mail for the appropriate offence.

The Alberta Traffic Safety focus for the month of May will be Young Drivers / Distracted Drivers. One of Sundre Detachment's objectives is to Contribute to Safe Roads so local RCMP members will be focussing on education and enforcement in this regard.

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