

RCMP Sundre

September 9, 2016

From August 12, 2016 to September 8, 2016, RCMP Sundre received 171 calls for service. The following is a breakdown of some of those complaints.

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| 911 Hang ups / False Alarms | 9 |
| Abandoned Motor Vehicles | 5 |
| Animal Calls | 3 |
| Breach of Peace / Cause Disturbance | 7 |
| Breach / Fail to Comply with Court Order | 2 |
| Careless Use of Firearm | 3 |
| Crime Prevention, Assistance to Public and Other Agencies | 29 |
| Drive While Disqualified | 1 |
| Impaired Drivers | 2 |
| Lost & Found | 4 |
| Liquor Act | 1 |
| Motor Vehicle Collisions | 21 |
| Person Crimes | 3 |
| Property Crimes | 36 |
| Suspicious Person, Vehicle or Property | 14 |
| Traffic Complaints | 20 |

STOP FOR FLASHING RED LIGHTS - The RCMP Sundre want to remind drivers that they play a key role in back-to-school safety. Be alert and extra cautious in and around school zones and playgrounds as well as near school buses. Nearly 50 per cent of the drivers involved in collisions with school buses committed an error. The most common error was following too closely. On average each year, approximately 238 children under 15 are killed or injured as pedestrians or cyclists (2010-2014). School buses in Alberta travel an estimated 450,000 kilometres a day - that's more than 10 times around the earth. 70 per cent of casualty collisions and nearly 90 per cent of property damage collisions involving a school bus occurred in urban areas. Your local RCMP will be focusing on back-to-school safety so let's make sure kids get to and from school safely this year. The penalty for failing to stop for a school bus with its alternating flashing red lights activated is \$543 and six demerit points and failing to yield to a pedestrian within a crosswalk is \$776 and 4 demerits.

SHOOTING COMPLAINTS - Sundre Detachment continually receives complaints regarding the careless use of firearms. People participating in shooting firearms need to be cognizant of

where they are shooting and that they are ultimately responsible for where that projectile goes. One of these matters occurred sometime during the month of July where a gate at a property on Coal Camp Road near the Red Deer River Ranch was struck by a bullet. Another incident over the Summer included persons shooting across the Red Deer River as rafters were coming down it. The criminal, civil and moral liability should an innocent person get injured or killed is huge so please use common sense and proper safety practices when using firearms.

AND ANOTHER IMPAIRED DRIVER REMOVED FROM THE ROAD - On the evening of August 30, 2016, Sundre members were Westbound on Hwy 27 near the Little Red Deer River store when a truck pulling a boat and trailer heading eastbound passed them. The trailer lights on the trailer were not illuminated so the members initiated a traffic stop. The driver had an odor of liquor, was in possession of liquor and appeared unsteady on his feet. Police attempted to conduct a roadside sobriety check on the male but the male refused to cooperate and attempted to get back into his vehicle. Bradley Baxandall (23) of Water Valley faces criminal charges for Refusing to Provide a Breath Sample, Obstruction, Resist Arrest, Mischief, Fail to Comply with a Court Order plus Provincial charges. Baxandall was released to appear in Provincial Court in Didsbury on September 26.

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