

The Tofield RCMP responded to 32 occurrences from December 13, 2021 to December 19, 2021 (inclusive). Also included in these calls for service were four traffic complaints/tickets, six suspicious person/vehicle complaints, two wellbeing checks, two 911 complaints/false alarms, five motor vehicle collisions and traffic enforcement provided by the K Division Traffic Unit.

On December 13, 2021, Tofield RCMP responded to a domestic disturbance in Ryley. RCMP attended and spoke to the complainant who advised that a vehicle window had been smashed during a verbal dispute between two parties. RCMP separated the two parties involved with no further incidents reported.

On December 14, 2021, Tofield RCMP responded to a neighbour dispute in Ryley. RCMP attended and spoke to both parties involved regarding an ongoing, non-criminal dispute between the two parties. RCMP again attempted to get the parties to work together to resolve their matters.

On December 15, 2021, Tofield RCMP responded to an assault in Beaver County. RCMP attended along with EMS and spoke to the victim who stated that she was physically assaulted by her domestic partner. On December 16, 2021, Shawn Frederick EMBLIN (48) of Beaver County was arrested and charged with the following:

- 1) Assault with a weapon.

Shawn Frederick EMBLIN was held for a judicial hearing and was released on conditions to attend Vegreville Provincial Court on December 20, 2021.

On December 17, 2021, Tofield RCMP responded to a theft complaint in Tofield. RCMP spoke to the complainant who advised that they had recently moved although one of their cats had been left behind and is now being held by a male in Tofield. RCMP spoke to the male and were able to have the feline friend turned back over to the proper owners without further incident.

On December 17, 2021, Tofield RCMP responded to a fraud complaint in Tofield. RCMP spoke to the complainant who advised that they had received a call from an individual from Telus who advised they would be sending new phones to the complainant and asked for their credit card number. The complainant initially provided the information although later researched this scheme online only to find that this was a fraud and immediately placed a stop payment on the transaction. The complainant was directed to report the incident online with the Canadian Anti Fraud Center at www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca.

**** Please take some time to go online at www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca to review and educate yourselves and others concerning the numerous schemes and fraud techniques that criminals are currently using. ****

On December 18, 2021, Tofield RCMP responded to an assault in Beaver County. RCMP attended along with EMS and spoke to the victim who stated that they were physically assaulted by a domestic partner. The parties were separated for the evening. This file is still under investigation.

On December 19, 2021, Tofield RCMP responded to an uttering threats complaint in Tofield. RCMP spoke to the complainant who advised that they have been receiving on-going text messages from a

past domestic partner. Review of the messages did not meet criteria to be a threat and the complainant was advised to block the number or look at changing their telephone number.

On December 19, 2021, Tofield RCMP responded to an assault complaint in Tofield. RCMP spoke to the complainant who advised that they got into a verbal argument with a family member concerning property. The parties were separated for the evening without any further incident.

UPDATES TO PREVIOUS INVESTIGATIONS:

On December 2, 2021, Tofield RCMP responded to a sexual assault in Holden. RCMP spoke to the victim who provided details of an incident which occurred in the past. On December 14, 2021, Roger HARRISON (51) of Edgerton Alberta, was arrested and charged with the following:

- 1) Sexual Assault;
- 2) Criminal Breach of Trust.

Roger HARRISON was held for a judicial hearing and was released on conditions to appear in Vegreville Provincial Court on January 17, 2022.

DECEMBER IS MAIL THEFT AWARENESS MONTH

With the holiday season upon us, criminals see this as an opportunity to steal mail, parcels and packages before Santa has an opportunity to deliver them to the good boys and girls out there.

Some things to consider to reduce your risk of mail and identity theft is:

- 1) Promptly pickup your mail. Try not to leave letters and packages in your mailbox or at your door for any length of time. Unattended mail is a treasure trove of personal information for potential thieves.
- 2) Track your package online and enable alerts with the delivery company so you know when it will be delivered,
- 3) If your mail does not arrive when expected, contact the sender to confirm they have your correct address,
- 4) Have someone at home to receive the package,
- 5) Never send cash in the mail,
- 6) Utilize holding your mail with your postal service if planning to be away for a period of time,
- 7) Change your address and re-direct your mail immediately or soon after you move,
- 8) When sending sensitive and financial information through mail, attend and mail at your local post office,
- 9) Never keep financial or sensitive mail or parcels inside an unattended or in plain view inside a motor vehicle,
- 10) Shred sensitive and financial documents,
- 11) Report overturned, vandalized mailboxes or suspicious activity at or around mailboxes to your local RCMP.

Theft of property can be reported online at <https://ocre-sielc.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/alberta/en>.

You can also report theft of mail or suspicious activity at your mailbox, by contacting Tofield RCMP at 780-662-3353 or your local police. If you wish to remain anonymous, you can contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), online at www.P3Tips.com or by using the “P3 Tips” app available through the Apple App or Google Play Store

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The Tofield RCMP would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holidays. With the ever changing temperatures and driving conditions, we would like to make sure you are safe when travelling during the holidays as conditions can change at a very short notice. Please take the time to plan and make sure that we all make it to our destinations safely. Happy Holidays to everyone and to those that call Beaver County home, from the staff at Tofield RCMP.

2021 TOFIELD RCMP COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SURVEY

Thanks to all those who have participated in the 2021 Tofield RCMP Community Engagement Survey. Sergeant Knelsen will now collect your answers and will respond to your top issues and concerns in the new year 2022. Sergeant Knelsen would like to thank everyone in advance for taking the time to work with him to become involved and identify community concerns during this challenging time.