

**Weyburn Police Service**  
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November 22

The Weyburn PS once again had a number of calls regarding internet and phone scams. They range from the 'Grandparent Scam' where someone from the police call a family member asking for bail money for someone to the CRA scams to letters from Publisher's Clearing House. As always, we ask that you don't give our personal information over the phone or internet until verifying who you are dealing with.

The Weyburn PS had 2 formal complaints regarding school age teens sharing sexually explicit photographs of same-age peers. What typically happens is that someone takes a photo of their private parts then shares it with usually a boyfriend or girlfriend. However, what we have seen happening lately is that this image is then being shared with the original recipient's friends without the sender's permission or knowledge. This is an extremely serious matter and can lead to criminal charges with mandatory jail sentences. What may have seemed 'fun' is actually a criminal offence of Distributing Child Pornography. If convicted the sender (or all people who subsequently sent the image) face mandatory jail time.

As reported earlier the Weyburn PS arrested and now charged a 29 year old male in relation to a November 17<sup>th</sup> incident where the accused Evaded the Police while they were attempting to conduct a traffic stop. This individual was also arrested on outstanding Warrants from the Saskatoon Police Service and the Biggar Detachment of the RCMP.

The Weyburn PS assisted Weyburn EMS in dealing with a potential drug overdose. The person was transported to the Weyburn General Hospital.

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November 23

The Weyburn PS received a report of a vehicle driving past a School Bus displaying flashing lights and STOP arm. We wish to remind drivers that it is the law to STOP from either direction when a School Bus has the STOP arm activated and displayed. When the Flashing lights are activated that should be a warning to the drivers that the bus is about to stop and they are not to pass until the lights and Stop Arm are switched off. Providing a proper licence plate can be provided to the police the Registered Owner of the vehicle can be held legally responsible for the actions of that vehicle and would receive the ticket.

As the result of a curfew check on release conditions a 33 year old male was arrested without incident for breaching his release conditions. He is now facing additional charges of Breach of Undertaking, Possession of Marijuana and Possession of LSD.

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December 3

Police attended to a local hotel in regard to a report of noisy guests who were at a Christmas party, those involved complied with Police request and no charges under the noise bylaw were issued.

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December 5

Police were on routine patrol when a concerned citizen waved Police down to report a suspected impaired driver about to drive away in his vehicle. Police investigated and stopped the adult male driver before he left the scene. He was arrested for care and control and subsequently he blew over three times the legal limit. The male was charged with impaired and over .08 and was later released from custody to appear in court at a later date.

Police received a report from a local business of an individual caught on the store camera stealing items. The investigation is ongoing and charges are pending.

Police received a report of a vehicle pulling a toboggan with youth down a city street. Police responded, but the vehicle was not found. Police want to remind motorists of the seriousness of this action. What appears to be harmless fun could end in severe consequences where the person on the toboggan could be seriously injured.

Police conducted a curfew check on an adult female. The investigation determined she was not a home per her curfew and she was charged for fail to comply with probation order.

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December 8

Police attended to a local residence for a domestic disturbance in progress. Police were able to mediate the situation with the adult male agreeing to stay away from the residence for the evening.

Members of the Weyburn Police Service, while conducting a traffic stop in the City, located evidence to indicate the occupants of the vehicle were involved in the drug trade. Police arrested three adult males; an 18 year old and 19 year old from Edmonton, Alta. and a 45 year old from Weyburn. The 18 and 19 year old are facing charges of possession for the purpose of trafficking cocaine and proceeds of crime. Police seized the vehicle and a little over \$4000.00 cash and a quantity of cocaine. Both were remanded for court in Regina on Monday Dec 11. The 45 year old male was charged with Possession for the Purpose of trafficking cocaine and was released by a Justice of the Peace for court at a later date.

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December 9

Police received a call of a dispute between renters and a landlord that was getting out of hand. Police attended and were able to mediate the situation. Police remained on scene to keep the peace until the renters moved their property out of the apartment.

In the early morning hours Police conducted a traffic stop, and the subsequent investigation determined the adult male driver had consumed enough alcohol to warrant a 72 hour suspension.

In the evening and morning hours Police received numerous reports from varying areas in the City of vehicles having been entered and gone through with articles stolen. The investigation is ongoing and Police want to remind everyone to lock their vehicles and remove any valuables. If anyone has any information regarding these incidents of theft, please call the Weyburn Police Service or crime stoppers.

Police also received multiple reports from citizens reporting possible impaired drivers. Police want to thank the public watching out for the safety of each other and calling in these potentially dangerous driving incidences.

The Weyburn PS seems to be experiencing more and more instances where young people are being found driving and in possession of marihuana. To be crystal clear on this – nowhere in the Country will youth under 18 or 19 year of age be permitted to possess marihuana in public after July 1, 2018. Anywhere leading up to July 1, 2018 it is still a criminal offence for anyone to possess marihuana (unless by a medical prescription). Nothing in the law has changed yet, and nothing in the law will allow youth to possess marihuana in public after July 2018!

**If you or anyone you know has information about a crime, the Weyburn Police Service urges you to contact Crime Stoppers by phone 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or call Weyburn Police Service at 306-848-3250.**