

DRUG TRAFFICKING INVESTIGATION

Members of the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have laid charges in connection to a drug trafficking investigation.

Earlier this year, the Caledon OPP Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU) entered into a drug trafficking investigation in the Town of Caledon, say Police. On September 12, 2024, with the assistance of the Dufferin/Nottawasaga/Southern Georgian Bay CSCUs and Peel Regional Police, search warrants were executed at residences and vehicles in Caledon and Brampton. Police seized items including suspected cocaine, fentanyl, methamphetamine, as well as identity documents, credit cards, and currency.

As a result of the investigation, Teddy Fordjour, 33, of Brampton, was charged with:

Possession of a Schedule I substance for the purpose of Trafficking - Cocaine - two counts;

Possession of a Schedule I substance for the purpose of Trafficking ? Methamphetamine;

Possession of a Schedule I substance for the purpose of Trafficking ? Opioid;

Possession of property obtained by crime under \$5000;

Failure to comply with release order;

Possession of a credit card;

Possession of an identify document;

Fail to comply with probation order;

Traffic in Schedule I substance ? Cocaine.

The accused was held for a Bail Hearing at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville.

The charges have not been proven.

If you suspect illegal activity in your neighbourhood, call 1-888-310-1122. You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.peelcrimestoppers.ca. When you contact Crime Stoppers, you stay anonymous, and you never have to testify.

FACEBOOK SCAM WARNING

The Central Region of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is warning the public about the risks of purchasing concert tickets and other items on Facebook.

There has been an increase in fraud reports on Facebook, particularly through Facebook Marketplace and Messenger, say Police. A common trend involves hacked Facebook accounts, making it seem like friends are selling concert tickets or other items. However, their profiles have been hacked by scammers exploiting the trust between you and your friends. The OPP advises the public to verify these transactions by contacting the person directly outside of Facebook or arranging to meet them in person.

Be aware of warning signs:

The price is suspiciously low compared to typical prices, seeming too good to be true;

The seller requests payment via e-transfer;

The messages consistently contain grammatical errors;

Listings are being posted for sale in Facebook groups.

To avoid becoming a victim, check with another family member or trusted friend to verify the information before sending money.

Anyone who suspects they have been the victim of cybercrime or fraud should report it to their local police and to the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre's online reporting system or by phone 1-888-495-8501. If not a victim but an attempt was made, report it to the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre regardless. For more information, please visit: Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre at antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca.

VEHICLE FIRE

The Dufferin County Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is investigating a vehicle fire that occurred in the Township of Melancthon.

?On September 15, 2024, at approximately 9:00 p.m., Dufferin OPP officers, along with Shelburne Fire, responded to a report of a fully engulfed vehicle,? say Police. ?The vehicle was located on the shoulder of 270 Sideroad in the Township of Melancthon.

?Upon police arrival, a confirmation was made that there were zero occupants within the vehicle. A license plate was recovered from the vehicle described as a small sedan, and it was reported as stolen a short time after by the registered owner.?

This investigation is ongoing, and police are asking if you have information regarding this incident, please contact the Dufferin County OPP at (519) 942-1711 or 1-888-310-1122. You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Crime Stoppers Simcoe, Dufferin & Muskoka at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.crimestoppersdm.com. When you contact Crime Stoppers, you stay anonymous, and you never have to testify.

MISCHIEF INVESTIGATION

Members of the Dufferin County Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are investigating a mischief at a local business that left a front door shattered.

?On September 13, 2024 at approximately 4:30 a.m., officers responded to a report of an alarm at a local business on Fourth Ave in the Town of Orangeville,? say Police. ?The investigation revealed that a front door had been shattered. At this time, investigators are actively looking for information that may lead to the identification of the individual(s) responsible.?

If you have information regarding this incident, please contact the Dufferin County OPP at (519) 942-1711 or 1-888-310-1122. You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Crime Stoppers Simcoe, Dufferin & Muskoka at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.crimestoppersdm.com. When you contact Crime Stoppers, you stay anonymous, and you never have to testify.

OPP OPEN HOUSE IN MONO

On Saturday, September 28, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., members of the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police are hosting a community open house at the Primrose detachment located at 506312 Highway 89 in the Town of Mono.

Dufferin OPP welcomes the residents in our community to drop by and experience some of the many specialized services available

to help keep Dufferin County a safe and wonderful place to live.

Some of the exciting features of this event include:

Canine Unit;

Emergency Response Team;

Urban Search and Rescue Chemical, Biological, Radiological, nuclear Explosives Team - with robot demonstration;

Mobile Crisis Response Team;

Speak to officers about career and volunteer opportunities within the OPP;

Check out police vehicles on display, watch radar/laser demonstration;

Photo opportunities on OPP ATV's and Snowmobiles;

Our guests will be treated to numerous booths with information about the vast array of OPP specialty units, volunteering and recruiting opportunities.

?Please join us, this is a great opportunity to view the specialized equipment that is used to maintain public safety. We are always looking for ways to connect with our community and look forward to meeting you.?

FAIL TO REMAIN CHARGES

Members of the Nottawasaga Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) attended a multiple motor vehicle collision in a residential area.

?On September 16, 2024, at 9:00 p.m., police were dispatched to a report of a dark-colored pickup truck that had collided with several parked cars on Margaret Street in Angus,? say Police. ?Upon arrival, officers discovered that the driver had fled the scene. By tracing the debris and damage along the roadway, they were able to locate the vehicle. The driver was found inside the truck and subsequently taken into custody.?

Dylan Stroud of Angus was subsequently charged with the following:

Operation while Impaired - alcohol or drugs;

Operation while Impaired - Blood alcohol concentration (80 plus);

Fail to Remain;

Driving motor vehicle with open container of liquor.

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Bradford at a later court date.

The charges have not been proven.

The driver is facing a 90-day licence suspension and a 7-day vehicle impoundment