

Police investigating rash of commercial Bolton break-ins

A man police believe is responsible for eight commercial break-ins in the Bolton area is on the loose and Ontario Provincial Police hope the public can help identify him.

The incidents all occurred between June 13-22 and in almost every case the front glass door had been smashed.

Here's a breakdown of the crimes:

Between June 13 at 7 p.m. and June 14 at 9 a.m., the suspect broke into a commercial property located on Highway 50 south of McEwan Dr. E. During this time, the suspect made through the front glass door. In this incident cash was reported stolen.

On June 14 at about 12:19 a.m., the suspect committed another break and enter at a commercial property on Highway 50 south of McEwan Dr. E. In this incident, the suspect made entry into the building by smashing the front glass door stealing cash and beverages inside.

Between June 14 at 9 p.m. and June 15 at 8 a.m., the suspect committed a break and enter at a commercial property on Highway 50 south of McEwan Dr. E. During this time, the suspect smashed the glass to a perimeter door and stole cash from inside the building.

On June 16 shortly prior to 12:42 a.m. the suspect committed a broke into a commercial property on Healey Road. During this incident, he smashed the front glass door of the building and gained access inside. Once inside, he stole cash prior to departing.

On June 21 at about 2:38 a.m., he hit a commercial property on Highway 50 south of Hopcroft Road. Once again, the front glass door was smashed and the suspect stole cash and beverages.

On June 22 at about 1 a.m., the suspect committed a break and enter at a commercial property on McEwan Dr. E. In this incident the suspect stole cash as well as beverages.

Around that same time, it's believed the suspect broke into a commercial property on Healey Road. In this incident no items were reported stolen; however, the front glass door was broken.

A few hours later at 5:45 a.m., officers responded to a break-in at a commercial property on McEwan E. In this incident no items were reported stolen; however, the front glass door was broken.

Anyone with information in relation to these crimes is asked to contact Det.-Const. Steve Linton of the Community Street Crime Unit ? Caledon OPP detachment at (905) 584-2241 or toll free at 1-888-310-1122.

ASIS International provides us with some tips for securing your commercial property:

? Doors ? Since commercial burglaries tend to occur in empty buildings during non-business hours, such as nights and weekends, anything and everything that helps secure the doors is worth considering. Lock-throw covers, wrench-resistant rings installed on all outside cylinder locks, and secure hinge pins should be standard issue on all perimeter doors.

? Alarms ? A good commercial security system should have magnetic contacts on every moveable door and window, motion detectors, and glass impact sensors (if glass is present in the perimeter). In addition, loud sirens should be installed in the front, rear, and inside the facility. Strobe lights inside and out the facility are also a good investment. The system should be monitored so law enforcement is dispatched when an attempted or actual intrusion takes place. Generic warning signs and decals should also be highly visible.

? Glass ? While glass can be easily broken, consider using window laminates. Convenience Group Inc. 3M Architectural + Window

Film Solutions states that ?window film helps hold the glass in place, criminals don't have the quick access they need to successfully smash and grab merchandise. Often the window slows them down to such a degree that they may choose to move on to an easier target.?

Golf cart stolen

Caledon OPP is investigating a report of a stolen golf cart that occurred from a golf course located in Palgrave sometime during the overnight hours of June 23-24.

The golf cart is described as a grey 2018 Yamaha Quie Tech EFI. The estimated value of the golf cart is \$6,000.

If you have any information in relation to this crime, please contact Provincial Constable Justin Maguire of the Caledon OPP detachment at (905) 584-2241 or toll free at 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, you never have to testify, and you could receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000 upon an arrest.