

## Police warn ? Be careful around snowbanks

OPP are asking the public to exercise caution when comes to snowbanks and automobiles.

Parents are being asked to discuss the dangers associated with playing on or tunnelling into snowbanks with their kids.

With the amount of snow that has fallen this winter, and with more likely to come, the overall height of area snowbanks is impeding the safety of motorists travelling on the road as those exiting from driveways are unable to have a clear and unobstructed view of approaching traffic.

OPP?Central Region Commander Chief Superintendent John Tod is urging drivers to be extra cautious when backing out of driveways.

?The height of these snowbanks is making it very hard to see other motor vehicles and snowmobiles that also use our roads at this time of year,? he pointed out. ?If snowbanks cannot be reduced, backing into a driveway may be safer way to provide a means of exit when that time comes.?

?Traffic safety is a shared responsibility and everyone must do their part and make safety part of any travel plans,? he added.

?Winter is far from over, so let's work together to make it free from any unnecessary tragedy.?