

YOUTH CHARGED FOLLOWING ALLEGED SCHOOL THREAT

Officers from the Caledon OPP have charged a youth in relation to a threat made towards a local high school.

On December 11, 2024, just before 8:00 a.m., officers responded to a report of a social media message threatening the safety and wellbeing at a local high school, Police say. With the assistance of the Caledon OPP Major Crime Unit, the source was quickly identified and a youth was placed into police custody.

As a result of the investigation, a 17-year-old of Bolton was charged with:

Criminal harassment ;

Uttering threats;

Mischief.

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on December 30, 2024, to answer to the charges.

The charges have not been proven.

The identity of the person will be withheld under the provisions of the Youth Criminal Justice Act.

The OPP take all public safety threats seriously and provide resources necessary to assess and respond to such threats. The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information is asked to contact police at 1-888-310-1122 or Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) to remain anonymous.

ARREST IN STOLEN VEHICLE INVESTIGATION

Members of the Caledon OPP have laid charges in connection to a stolen vehicle investigation.

In December 2024, the Caledon OPP Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU) conducted an investigation into stolen vehicles at a rural property in the area of McLaughlin Road and Old School Road in the Town of Caledon, say Police. The investigation led officers to execute a search warrant at that location. Two stolen vehicles were recovered, as well as an amount of methamphetamine.

As a result, Lance Caines, 40, of Caledon, was charged with:

Possession property obtained by crime over \$5000;

Possession of a Schedule I substance ? Methamphetamine.

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on January 30, 2025, to answer to the charges.

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.

IMPAIRED CHARGES

Officers from the Caledon OPP have charged a driver with impaired operation for having a BAC (blood alcohol concentration) of over three times the legal limit.

On December 16, 2024, shortly after 2:00 a.m., an officer patrolling Highway 10 in Caledon came across a vehicle stopped at a green light at the intersection of Old School Road, Police say. A traffic stop was conducted. During the interaction, grounds were formed that the driver's ability to operate was impaired by alcohol and was subsequently arrested.

As a result of the investigation, Damanjit Dhur, 50, of Dundalk, was charged with:

Operation while impaired - alcohol;

Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus).

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on January 2, 2025, to answer to the charges. The driver's licence was also suspended for 90 days, and the vehicle impounded for seven.

The charges have not been proven.

The OPP also charged another driver with Impaired Operation last week.

On December 9, 2024, just after 11:00 a.m., an officer conducting a general patrol on Airport Road observed a vehicle travelling on Patterson Sideroad and failing to stop at a stop sign before proceeding on Airport Road, say Police. The officer conducted a traffic stop. During the interaction, grounds were formed that the driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle was impaired by alcohol and was subsequently arrested.

As a result of the investigation, Reuben Sagman, 31, of Toronto, was charged with:

Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus);

Speeding;

Disobey stop sign - fail to stop.

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on January 2, 2025, to answer to the charges.

The charges have not been proven.

Their driver's license was also suspended for a period of 90 days and the vehicle was impounded for seven.

The OPP remains committed to keeping our communities safe through enforcement and public education. Drivers who are impaired by drugs or alcohol continue to pose a significant threat on Ontario roads. Whether a driver is impaired by alcohol or drugs, impaired is impaired, and impaired driving is dangerous regardless of the source of impairment. If you suspect that someone is driving while impaired, it is important to call 9-1-1 to report it.

The OPP is counting on citizens to help ensure that no one in their presence gets behind the wheel if they have consumed alcohol or taken drugs. The more people who do so, the fewer impaired drivers they will be sharing the road with. If you know or suspect that a driver is impaired by alcohol or drugs, call 9-1-1. In doing so, you may save a life. You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.peelcrimestoppers.ca.

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Additionally, the Festive RIDE Campaign is currently running until January 1, 2025. The Festive RIDE (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere) campaign is an annual police enforcement and education initiative aimed at taking impaired drivers off Ontario roads during the holiday season.

For more information about the penalties of driving impaired, visit: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/impaired-driving>.