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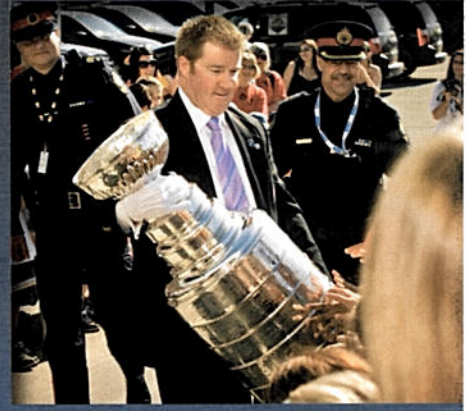


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BRANDON POLICE SERVICE 2010 ANNUAL REPORT



MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE

I am pleased to present this report on the activities of the Brandon Police Service for 2010. This past year saw our members involved in a number of special events, both locally and outside of the city.

Early in the year a member from the Brandon Police Service participated regionally in the security detail for the 2010 Olympic Torch Relay. Shortly thereafter, nine members of the Service joined with police officers from across the country, providing security at the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver. Our members served at various venues at both Whistler and Vancouver. From all accounts their experiences were both valuable and memorable. In May, the Service assisted with security duties related to the successful 2010 Mastercard Memorial Cup.

Also in 2010, the Service received approval to proceed on the construction of our new Headquarters, located at 10th Street and Victoria Avenue. In December the General Contractor, EllisDon commenced work on the \$13 million project.

We continued our partnerships with various agencies and community groups. Manitoba Public Insurance provided funding for the Roadwatch Checkstop Program, Citizens on Patrol Program and funded a speed display trailer. Members also assisted the Brandon Neighbourhood Renewal Corporation with Neighbourhood Watch. Our members were also active with the Special Olympic Torch Run and Crime Stoppers.

We have an active presence within the Brandon School Division by having School Resource Officers assigned at both elementary and high schools within the City. Our Community Resource Officers also provided presentations to Westman Immigrant Services.

We continue to collaborate with the Assiniboine Community College Police Studies Program by having a member from the Service seconded to the Program. We also have a member seconded to the RCMP Integrated Border Enforcement Team in Altona, Manitoba.

According to the Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, the Crime Severity Index, which measures the seriousness of reported crime rose slightly by 0.9% to 104.1 overall in 2010. In the violent crime category, it rose 6.6% to 103.2 and fell in non-violent crimes by 1.1% to 104.4. This is in comparison to the overall Provincial Crime Severity Index of 127.8 and violent crime of 162.3.

Again members of the Brandon Police Service were successful in solving crimes. 74.6% of violent and 38.4% of non-violent crimes were cleared in 2010, well above both the national and provincial averages.

Police Service members are proud of our accomplishments for the past year and are looking forward to both the opportunities and challenges facing us in the future.

Sincerely,
Keith Atkinson
Chief of Police



SUPPORT SERVICES REPORT

In keeping with the Brandon Police Service Strategic Plan, the Support Services Division conducted a significant review in 2010 of the Police Service Court related processes. This resulted in the "Court Action Plan" to improve the quality of court reports, increasing both the efficiency and effectiveness of court processes for internal and external stakeholders.

Support Services continued the organization's long standing commitment to training and development. In 2010 four new recruits completed the basic police studies program offered in partnership with the Assiniboine Community College. Additionally, an experienced officer was hired and took part in lateral officer training. With a total training budget of \$100,000.00 the Training Unit provided training to other police agencies and over 84 training opportunities consisting of 3264 hours of training to its Officers and Employees. Besides yearly in-house training, members attended specialized training in executive development, major crime investigation, major case management, incident command, forensic identification and drug investigations.

In late 2010 construction commenced on the new Police Service station and the training section, exhibits, and file storage were moved to the vacant historic Brandon Fire Hall. All members and employees of Support Services are anxiously anticipating the expected completion of the new Police Service Headquarters in early 2012.

I would like to personally thank all employees in Organizational Development, the Court Unit, Central Records, Training and the Finance Officer for the commitment and dedication to making 2010 a very successful year for the Support Services Division.

Shane F. Corley, Inspector
Support Services



COMMUNITY COMPLIMENTS

"We met with ... on a number of occasions to discuss the investigation procedures and results of some of his findings. He answered all of our questions openly and honestly, and he showed the utmost respect to our family. He validated our feelings and questions and was extremely sensitive and nonjudgmental when talking to our family and explaining details..."

"I just wanted to let you know the officer attending was most polite and treated mom and her passenger in a professional yet compassionate manner."

"Thank you for your quick response in recovering our stolen car and catching the "punks" that took it. We appreciate all you did!"

There were almost 1700 false alarms There were 335 missing person reports Animal Control Officers received 2548 calls
New Officers Members issued 3228 Provincial Traffic Offence tickets Community Policing made 45 public presentations

REPORT FROM OPERATIONS

The citizens of our community, and those who visit and do business here, can take great pride in the fact that there to serve them and keep them safe are the dedicated women and men of our uniform, crime and bylaw sections. This was clearly evidenced by their actions and efforts in 2010. One word can describe such efforts better than any other, "Dedication".

This dedication came in the form of conducting hours of traffic enforcement efforts, even in the coldest of temperatures. It came in the efforts of our District Policing members and their work in identifying and dealing with community issues through our Compstat model. It also came in the form of hours of investigative efforts in both our crime and patrol areas. This led to the conclusion of many cases, including the "Case of Interest" detailed in this report. The dedication also came in the form of the tireless efforts of our bylaw section, as they dealt with everything from animals on the loose to derelict vehicles and unsightly properties to parking violations.



On a more global level, the Operations Section of the Police Service partnered with other Manitoba police agencies to lobby government to bring about amendments to relevant legislation. This was done in order to bring about efficiencies in policing efforts and enhancing public safety across the Province of Manitoba in general, and in our City more specifically.

Partnerships played a big role in the success of the Operations Section. Such partnerships include working with the Brandon School Division on our School Resource Officer program, with Crime Stoppers to try and solve unsolved crimes and locate wanted persons, with Citizens on Patrol at the local and provincial level, with Manitoba Public Insurance on Road Safety initiatives and in numerous other valuable partnerships, all in the effort of public safety.

The year 2010 was a very successful year for the Operations Section of the Police Service. This success was the dividend on the investment of the dedicated efforts of our employees, with our community partners standing strong behind us in these efforts.

Ian R. Grant, Inspector
Operations Section

CASE OF INTEREST

On January 16, 2010 the Brandon Police Service entered into an investigation regarding a suspicious death in a Centennial Boulevard home. One adult male was charged with Second Degree Murder. This matter remains before the Courts.

BRANDON CRIME STOPPERS

 **CrimeReports**

CrimeReports.com combines police data with Google-based mapping so that members of the public can view police data in a high-impact map or summary descriptive format. Members of the public may also sign up to receive free email alerts.

www.crimereports.com

Animal Control Officers trapped 40 raccoons There were over 2700 Criminal Record Checks processed
Crime Stoppers received over 300 tips More than \$110,000 worth of property/drugs were recovered

2010 CRIME STATISTICS

Calls for Service Received 30,848
City of Brandon Population 43,993

Crimes Against Person800

Homicide – 2nd Degree 1
Attempted Murder 1
Sexual Offences. 82
Assaults 499
Forcible Confinement 2
Robbery. 26
Criminal Harassment. 15
Uttering Threats 137
Threatening/Harassing Calls 35
Other Violent Crimes 2

Crimes Against Property2504

Break & Enters 262
Theft of Vehicles 114
Theft Over \$5,000 10
Theft Under \$5,000. 1004
Possession of Stolen Property 22
Fraud 163
Property Damage 904
Arson 25

Other Crimes1006

Weapons Offences 31
Various Other Crimes 838
Impaired Driving 137

Controlled Drug & Substance Act74

Possession 29
Trafficking 45

Traffic Collisions1593

Fatal Traffic Collisions 2
Injuries in Motor Vehicle Collisions 147
Pedestrians Injured 20
Cyclists Injured 12
Damage Over \$1,000 1412

All statistics above are subject to change based on completion of officer reports and input. Statistics and the population estimate have been obtained as reported by Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

BRANDON POLICE SERVICE BUDGET

Administration \$ 807,590
Support..... \$ 3,114,990
Operations..... \$ 5,537,759
Crime \$ 2,076,660
TOTAL..... \$11,536,999

LAW ENFORCEMENT REVIEW AGENCY COMPLAINTS

In 2010 the Brandon Police Service received notification of twenty (20) complaints being filed with the Law Enforcement Review Agency.

Of these, eighteen (18) complaints were dismissed/ concluded and two (2) complaints are pending.

The Process for Filing Complaints Against Police Service Employees:

The Police Service requires that all complaints against employees, that are not formally resolved at the Supervisory level, be promptly and thoroughly investigated.

All Police Service employees are governed by the provisions of the Brandon Police Service Disciplinary Procedures By-Law. In addition, Police Members are also governed by the provisions of the Law Enforcement Review Act.

Anyone who feels aggrieved by the conduct or service provided by an employee may make a complaint by contacting the following:

Any employee of the Police Service (204) 729-2345

The On-Duty Supervisor (204) 729-2345

The Chief of Police (204) 729-2305

The Commissioner of the Law Enforcement Review Agency 1-800-282-8069

FAX: (204) 948-1014

e-mail: lera@mb.ca/justice/lera

The nature of the complaint determines whether the Police Service or the Law Enforcement Review Agency will investigate it. All complaints outside the scope of the Law Enforcement Review Act are investigated by the Police Service.

STAFF COMPLEMENT

Sworn 86

Civilian 27.8

PROMOTIONS

Cst. M. Melanson – Sergeant

T. Spitula – Support Assistant Specialist

SECONDMENTS

Cst. B. Conway – Integrated Border Enforcement Team (IBET)

Sgt. B. Klassen – Assiniboine Community College

Insp. H. Bryson – RCMP Integrated Security Unit – V2010 Olympics

RETIREMENTS

Insp. H. Bryson

S/Cst. C. Cox

NEW HIRES

Cst. D. McCallum

V. McKechnie

A. Pickett

M. Montgomery

Order of Merit of the Police Forces Chief Keith Atkinson



Excellence in Law Enforcement Cst. Darren Creighton



MEET "BLUE"

- Blue was born April 25, 2009
- He was born at the RCMP Dog Breeding Program
- He is pure bred German Shepard
- Blue's father was also a Police Service Dog
- Handler is Cst. Mike Kulchyski
- First official shift was September 14, 2010
- Very social, playful dog
- Loves going to work



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