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Weekly News Briefs

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During the week of August 29th, 2011 to September 04th, 2011 inclusive, the Oak Bay Police Department responded to 121 calls for service. Included in this number were:

False Alarms	8	Break and Enter	4
Mischief	9	Fraud	1
Theft Auto	2	Other Criminal Code	2
Motor Vehicle Accidents	2	Impaired	1

Files of interest:

On August 29th a report was received from a citizen in the 1000 block of St. Patrick Street that someone overnight had walked on top of her 2010 Hyundai motor vehicle damaging the hood and had also tried to break off a side view mirror. Forensic identification Section attended and lifted two footwear impressions. The investigation is on going.

On August 29th another report of mischief to a Volvo station-wagon was received from the 1100 block of St. Patrick Street where a citizen reported that sometime overnight someone had tried to break off the side view mirror of their car.

On August 30th police received a report of an attempted fraud where an 85 yr old citizen was contacted by telephone by a person purporting to work for a company called "Online Support For Windows". The caller repeatedly phoned over the course of a few days eventually convincing the citizen to provide access to their computer and also to provide their Visa card number. Fortunately, the citizen was able to cancel the transaction prior to any monies being charged. Police remind the public to be very wary of telephone solicitations, especially those desiring access to computers, banking information, or credit card information.

On August 30th police attended to a break and enter of a residence in the 400 block of Monterey Ave. Entry into the home was made via a basement window and a small amount of cash was stolen. Although the home is alarmed, the alarm system had not been turned on. Police continue their investigation.

On August 31st police investigated an auto theft from the 900 block of St. Patrick Street. The vehicle owner had parked the 1993 Honda Civic on the street and noticed it missing in the morning. The Honda was recovered the following day by Shawnigan Lake RCMP. The RCMP forensic identification unit is conducting an examination of the motor vehicle.

On August 31st at approx. 8:00pm police were alerted by a citizen of a possible impaired driver in the 600 block of Beach Drive near the Trafalgar look-out. Police subsequently formed the grounds for a breath demand from a 35 yr old Victoria male who was in care and control of a 1994 Toyota Corolla. The outcome of the breath test resulted in the driver receiving an immediate 90 day driving prohibition and his vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

During the evening of August 31st, a resident in the 800 block of Oliver Street discovered that his 1977 Triumph Spitfire automobile had been moved from his driveway into the centre of the street. It appears as though someone unzipped the window on the soft top, released the parking brake and pushed the car several houses up the road. Fortunately there appears to have been no damage.

On September 01st police investigated a significant amount of graffiti that was done to the playground area of Carnarvon park. An empty spray can left at the site of the graffiti was seized by police and turned over to forensic identification for fingerprinting.

On September 03rd at approx. 10:30pm an unknown motor vehicle was proceeding south in the 2900 block of Beach Drive at a high rate of speed, failed to negotiate a curve in the road, drove up onto the boulevard, lost control and sheered off a metal light standard. The vehicle continued to proceed south on Beach Drive leaving behind a trail of oil leaking from the under carriage. Extensive damage will have resulted to this vehicle. Police have seized paint samples left behind by the car as well as automobile pieces with identifying codes. ICBC and body shops have been notified. Police encourage anyone with information to contact the Oak Bay Police or Crime Stoppers.

On September 04th at approx. 1:30am a citizen was walking home and as she walked up her driveway in the 1500 block of Clive Drive, she observed a male standing inside an unlocked shed located at the far end of the driveway. When confronted, the male claimed to be looking for gas and quickly departed. A detailed description was not obtained. Nothing was taken from the shed. Police encourage all citizens to have secure locks on all garages and sheds. Police also caution citizens about the potential dangers and hazards of confronting an unknown person on or in their property. Police encourage citizens to exercise safety first.

On September 04th police received a report that sometime over night someone had entered a resident's home in the 2300 block of Windsor Road through an insecure bedroom window. Once inside, keys were located to the home owners 1998 Honda Accord which was parked in the garage. This car was stolen as was a wooden handled pruning saw. The vehicle was then driven to a residence in the 1300 block of Monterey Avenue. At this location, a 1988 GMC Jimmy had it's driver side door lock forced. There was a club steering lock device attached to the steering wheel and the suspect(s) then used the pruning saw stolen from the Windsor Road home and attempted to cut through the steering column. The club steering lock prevented the theft of this vehicle. The suspect(s) departed in the Honda Accord which has yet to be located. The GMC Jimmy was held for examination by the forensic identification section.

On September 04th at 8:30pm police responded to a residential alarm in the 3100 block of Norfolk Road. Police discovered prior marks on the exterior of a ground floor bedroom window with the window being forced open about half an inch. Entry was not gained and the audible alarm was activated. Forensic identification services attended and examined the scene.

Sgt. Ray Maxwell