



## HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

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11 October, 2011

City of Hamilton  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, ON  
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Mayor and Members of Council:

**Re: Hamilton Police Service Monthly Reports (PSB 11-080 & PSB 11-087)**

Attached for your information and attention, please find copies of the Hamilton Police Service Monthly Reports. These reports highlight the following

- **Road Safety: Driving Down Collisions**
- **Cops with Choreography – Hamilton Police Male Chorus Gets Their Glee on for the new Original Global Series “Canada Sings”**
- **Badge Ceremony**
- **Hamilton Police Speed Trailer**
- **Staff Sergeant Robin Gauvin on Military Leave with NATO**
- **Constable Perry Mason Winner of Minister of Justice 2011 National Youth Justice Policing Award**
- **Chief’s Gala**
- **Hammer Cruisers – They can Sing, Dance and Win**
- **Recruiting Information Night**

If you any questions or concerns that may arise from the reports please do not hesitate to contact myself or our office at the number below.

Sincerely,

Nancy DiGregorio  
Chair  
Hamilton Police Services Board

Attachments (2)

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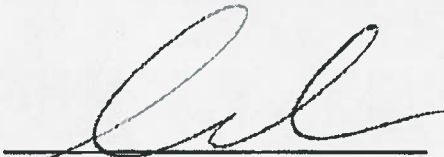
**HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD**

**- RECOMMENDATION -**

**DATE:** 2011 July 25  
**REPORT TO:** Chair and Members  
Hamilton Police Services Board  
**FROM:** Glenn De Caire  
Chief of Police  
**SUBJECT:** *Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report  
(PSB 11-080)*

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board direct the Administrator of the Board to refer this report, in its entirety, to the City of Hamilton, for information.



Glenn De Caire  
Chief of Police

**FINANCIAL / STAFFING / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

**FINANCIAL –** n/a

**STAFFING –** n/a

**LEGAL –** n/a

**BACKGROUND:**

**Road Safety: Driving Down Collisions**

We are half way through the year and I just want to acknowledge some great work that is being done everyday by our officers and support staff. This information comes from our monthly traffic report that each Division receives.

On the enforcement front, our hazardous moving violations have increased 9% from last year and other traffic violations are 7% higher. This shows a great effort by Hamilton Police Service. One of the core functions of our job is to educate the public through traffic enforcement. When a motorist is stopped for speeding or some other traffic infraction we begin an interaction with a citizen who will remember it for a long time, exactly where and when they got that ticket. At the same time, when an officer has activated his flashing lights, it reminds the 500 or so other people who pass by, driving or walking, the importance of obeying the traffic laws.

This awareness impacts our traffic collisions. While we are experiencing a 1% increase over last year, the last three (3) months have been exceptional. We are down 15% in traffic collisions over the last three (3) months. This is after a 7% reduction in 2010. If this trend continues, we will have another exceptional year. These statistics reveal our efforts are making a difference.

We hear from citizens that they feel police should be going after criminals instead of conducting traffic enforcement. The benefit of stopping cars for traffic enforcement is sometimes a gateway to uncovering criminal activity. For example, if the driver that is pulled over is suspended, this provides the officer with the opportunity to make an arrest under the *Highway Traffic Act* or Criminal Code based on the reason for the suspension. Time and time again, a routine traffic stop will result in a criminal arrest.

This leads to the next area where we are seeing some exceptional results. This June, we arrested 49 people for Impaired with 22 Operation Lookout reports. Through Operational Lookout, we encourage citizens to call in if they suspect an impaired driver. Total charges for alcohol related driving in June 2011 was 80, which is up from the 49 of June 2010.

In Support Services a new awareness program has started. It is called the "*Last Drink Program*". Every month Support Services completes a Last Drink Report that provides details on where arrested impaired drivers state they had their last drink. The report is very revealing and provides officers which establishments may be over-serving their patrons.

Road safety is a shared responsibility. Through enforcement and education, with citizen participation, safety on our roads will continue to improve.

Upcoming events:

**Cops with Choreography**

**Hamilton Police Male Chorus Gets Their Glee on for the new Original Global Series "Canada Sings"**

Now in its 50th year, the Hamilton Police Male Chorus is one of the oldest police choral groups in North America and very much known for bringing harmony to the communities they serve. We all know they can sing, but can they dance? That question will soon be answered in the upcoming Global TV series Canada Sings.

Set to broadcast on Thursday, August 24, 2011, at 9:00 p.m., members of the Hamilton Police Male Chorus will perform as The Hammer Cruisers in this six-episode series. Each episode of Canada Sings features two (2) glee clubs facing off in front of judges Rob Van Winkle, aka Vanilla Ice, Jann Arden and Simple Plan's Pierre Bouvier, in order to win \$10,000.00 for their charity of choice.

Fittingly, the charity selected by The Hammer Cruisers is the Service's in-house charity, Project Concern.

With the help of world class choreographer Christian Vincent, dance captain of Madonna's Drowned World Tour, and professional vocal coach and fellow Hamiltonian Sharron Matthews, the group prepared for their musical performance with hours of intense rehearsals. The episode will include behind-the-scenes footage.

Over the years the Chorus has proudly represented the City and Police Service of Hamilton at various public and private functions, both in Canada and internationally, and has performed for two U.S. presidents. Locally, the Chorus performs at senior's centres, churches, schools, professional sporting events, corporate functions and numerous charity fundraisers.

The Chorus is entirely comprised of active and retired members of the Hamilton Police Service, the majority of which are patrol officers or detectives. Most of the songs in their repertoire are performed in four-part harmony, a cappella, and include well-known rock & roll tunes and medleys from the 1950s and 1960s, old spirituals and hymns, and various North American folk songs, as well as the Canadian and American national anthems.

The Chorus has a proven track record in song; we await their kick-line! Visit their website at: <http://web.me.com/frameofmind1/HPMC/Welcome.html>. Canada Sings is created by Insight Productions for Shaw Media.

### **Badge Ceremony**

The Badge Ceremony for new Hamilton Police Service recruits, promotees and welcoming of new civilian Service employees will be held on August 18, 2011. Start time is 7:00 p.m. at Michelangelo's on Upper Ottawa.

### **Chief's Gala**

Thursday September 22nd, 2011 at Liuna Station in the Central Ballroom

360 James Street North, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5

\$125.00 Per Person

Reception: 6:00 p.m. • Dinner: 7:00 p.m. • Dance: 9:00 p.m.

Dress: Black Tie Optional • Mess Kit

We hope you can join us for an evening of wonderful entertainment by Michael Burgess, star of Les Misérables, along with multi-talented performer and producer Sharron Matthews and classical guitarist Gary Santucci. Proceeds from this event will be donated to Crime Stoppers of Hamilton and Project Concern. To reserve your tickets, email: [chiefdecaire.galadinner@hamiltonpolice.on.ca](mailto:chiefdecaire.galadinner@hamiltonpolice.on.ca), phone: (905) 546-4808.

GD/C. Martin

## HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

### - RECOMMENDATION -

**DATE:** 2011 September 19  
**REPORT TO:** Chair and Members  
Hamilton Police Services Board  
**FROM:** Glenn De Caire  
Chief of Police  
**SUBJECT:** *Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report  
(PSB 11-087)*

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board direct the Administrator of the Board to refer this report, in its entirety, to the City of Hamilton, for information.



Glenn De Caire  
Chief of Police

#### **FINANCIAL / STAFFING / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

**FINANCIAL –** n/a

**STAFFING –** n/a

**LEGAL –** n/a

#### **BACKGROUND:**

##### **Hamilton Police Speed Trailer**

In partnership with the City of Hamilton, the Speed Trailer program began June 2, 2011. The Trailer is a stand alone unit that is used to alert drivers to the speed they are traveling in relation to the posted speed limit. The trailer contains a large speed message board that flashes if the vehicle caught in the radar beam is in excess of the posted speed limit. The trailer has the capability of capturing the date, time and speed of the vehicles that pass through the radar beam.

This capability gives City Traffic Engineers statistical data to determine if traffic calming measures are required or if a review of the posted speed is warranted. This statistical data gives the police the information needed to strategically deploy resources in an area where they will be the most successful.

The Speed Trailer is deployed on a weekly basis and its location is based on information from the Service's Divisional Patrol Crime Managers. It is currently on Aberdeen Avenue, near Chedoke Avenue and is booked until the end of November.

#### **Staff Sergeant Robert Gauvin on Military Leave with NATO**

A Reserve Force Legal Officer, Captain Robert Gauvin is the second Hamilton Police Officer to take part in the Service's new military leave policy. Captain Gauvin was deployed on July 22, 2011 as part of a NATO mission.

There are 16 members of the Military Reserve Force presently serving with the Hamilton Police. In addition to their demanding police duties, these members devote countless hours to their military units in their off-time. Three Hamilton officers have deployed on United Nations missions to provide training to police officers in Bosnia and Guatemala in the aftermath of civil conflicts.

#### **Constable Perry Mason Winner of Minister of Justice 2011 National Youth Justice Policing Award**

A Certificate of Distinction was awarded to Hamilton Police Service's Constable Perry Mason, by the Minister of Justice, for his years of commitment and dedication to working with youth who come into contact with the law. Over the past 32 years, Constable Mason has gained extensive policing experience in dealing with bullying and youth justice issues. He is one of the first police officers in Hamilton to use restorative practices and has become an expert on restorative justice and healing circles.

#### **Chief's Gala**

What was the 'Policeman's Ball' has been reinstated as the Chief's Gala. Being held Thursday, September 22, 2011 at Hamilton's Liuna Station, Police Chief Glenn De Caire is hosting this fundraising event, which features dinner, entertainment and dancing. Tickets are \$125.00 and sponsorship opportunities are available.

The entertainment line-up is being headlined by Michael Burgess, star of *Les Miserables*. The night also includes multi-talented performer and producer Sharron Matthews, vocal coach for the Hamilton Police Service's 'Hammer Cruisers' (as seen on *Canada Sings*) and classical guitarist Gary Santucci.

So far, over 300 tickets have been sold and sponsors include Pioneer Energy, KPMG, CIBC, Columbia International College and Effort Trust. All proceeds from the evening will be donated to Project Concern and Crime Stoppers of Hamilton. For ticket and sponsorship information, please contact Crime Stoppers of Hamilton at 905-546-4808 or visit [www.hamiltonpolice.on.ca](http://www.hamiltonpolice.on.ca).

**Hammer Cruisers – They can Sing, Dance and Win**

Congratulations to our very own Hamilton Police Male Chorus Hammer Cruisers. They did themselves and this Service proud with their winning performance on Canada Sings. The effort that the chorus members put forth has been exceptional. Many have been members of the chorus for a great number of years and the entire chorus represents the Hamilton Police Service in the most professional manner.

Special thanks to Pieter Ciere, Peter Bailey, Scott Collings, and Glenn Jarvie for the promotion of the event and a special thank you to Staff Sergeant Steve Hahn for his work with the production company.

Today, we are richer as a Service. Our Project Concern gets the \$10,000 cash prize for the Chorus' winning performance to continue to do all their great work.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Recruiting Information Night**

Hamilton Police Service Recruiting Unit will be holding a Recruiting Information Night on Tuesday, September 27, 2011, from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at Hillpark Secondary School. Everyone is invited, registration is not required.

GD/C. Martin