

# Colchester RCMP Seeking Help

By Maurice Rees

Throughout the later part of October and November, Colchester District RCMP were seeking the public's assistance in numerous cases including:

- A suspicious fire at an auto recycling business on College Rd. in Valley. The fire was reported to the RCMP on October 19 at approximately 1:00 a.m. Some vehicles were on fire in the rear compound of the business. Volunteer firefighters were dispatched as well. When police arrived, several vehicles had already been completely destroyed by fire, suggesting they had been burning for an extended period of time before anyone noticed. The business has been the subject of several incidents of mischief and vandalism after hours.
- Help to locate a stolen All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) stolen between November 9 and November 12 from a residence on Onslow Mountain Road in North River, Colchester County. The ATV is a black CF Moto and has two teal colored front rims and two black colored rear rims. The ATV had Nova Scotia licence plate number JT526 on it at the time it was stolen.

Anyone with information about these incidents is asked to contact Colchester District RCMP at 902-893-6820. Should you wish to remain anonymous, call Nova Scotia Crime Stoppers toll free at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), submit a secure web tip at [www.crimestoppers.ns.ca](http://www.crimestoppers.ns.ca), or use the P3 Tips App.

In other RCMP advisories on November 17 RCMP investigated a fatal single vehicle collision in Upper Brookside, Colchester County. At approximately 9 a.m. a truck carrying two adults left Hwy 104, entered the ditch and collided with a tree.

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**Strong Camping Season**  
Nova Scotia's provincial parks had a strong 2019 season with nearly 80,000 campsite nights booked. Camping park attendance was up three per cent over last year at the end of August. Numbers dipped in September due to closures and cancelled reservations from Hurricane Dorian. All parks were closed during the hurricane and re-opened when it was safe to do so. Camper nights have gone up about 30 per cent in the past five years. There are 20 camping parks and more than 130 day-use and beach parks in Nova Scotia. About 60 per cent of campers came from Nova Scotia and 40 per cent came from other parts of Canada, the United States and other countries.

**Film Production Announced**  
The Final Draft, a 13-part series about the Nova Scotia book industry and features in-depth interviews with authors such as Lesley Crewe and Sheree Fitch, and behind the scenes work at publishing companies such as Nimbus Publishing Ltd will air on Eastlink TV in 2020. The Final Draft, produced by 2718 Productions Limited has been approved for a funding commitment of \$221,211 based on an eligible Nova Scotia expenditure of \$713,585. It is directed by Stuart Cresswell.

**Pilot Program for Export Companies**  
Nova Scotia Business Inc. (NSBI) is launching the Pitch Prep program in support of businesses looking to attract investment for the purpose of growth and increasing export sales, by helping to prepare for an investment. The program which will offset the costs of a consultant or accessing professional services to help companies seeking to grow through outside investment by funding 75% of eligible projects to a maximum of \$20,000. Stu Rath, investor and Junior Achievement 2018 Laureate, Nova Scotia Business Hall of Fame, says "When I'm being pitched by a company looking for investment, companies need to be clear on their competitive advantage - the ability of the management team to clearly define a company's value will be aided by a program like Pitch Prep." There is no application fee for this program and must be received no later than midnight on Jan. 10 and will go through a competitive process. Companies interested in applying for the Pitch Prep program should visit: <https://www.novascotiabusiness.com/pitchprep>

The occupants, a 70-year-old woman and an 80-year-old man, both from East Hants, were transported to hospital. The man was later pronounced deceased. The female was transported to the QEII Hospital in Halifax for further non-life threatening medical treatment. Valley Kempton Fire Department also responded.

Stunting continues to be a dangerous activity on Nova Scotia's highways and quick activity by RCMP resulted in two people being charged. The RCMP's Northwest Traffic Services, which cover Cumberland and Colchester Counties, charged two drivers for stunting on November 14.

At 11:31 a.m., a 23-year-old man from Dartmouth was clocked by police at 193 km/hr on Hwy. 104 in Sutherland's Lake, Cumberland County. Police initiated a traffic stop and charged the driver for stunting.

At 2:44 p.m., a 22-year-old man from Great Village was clocked by police at 168 km/hr on Hwy. 104 in Glenholme, Colchester County. Police initiated a traffic stop and charged the driver for stunting.

Both vehicles were seized and towed from the scene. The drivers' licences were suspended for seven days pursuant to the Motor Vehicle Act. The fine for stunting in Nova Scotia is \$2,422.50.

The RCMP continue to remind the public speed is one of the major causes of serious injury and fatal collisions on our roads. Road Safety is a priority for the RCMP, and drivers are reminded to make it their priority as well. If you see someone driving unsafely on our roads, report it by calling the RCMP at 1-800-803-RCMP (7267) or 911.



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