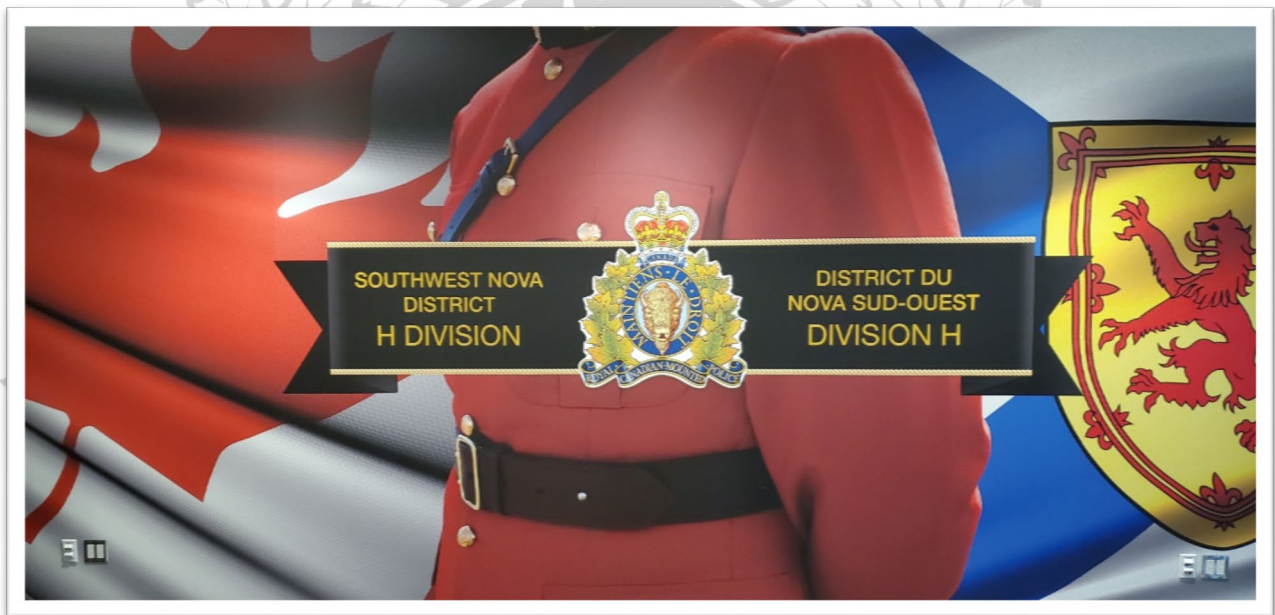


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# ***Berwick Policing Report September 2021***



***Royal Canadian Mounted Police  
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## Kings District Employees

A/Inspector Rob Jodrey, Kings District Commander.

Forty general duty constables police Kings District as first responders. These officers are supervised by 8 corporals, 2 sergeants and 1 staff sergeant.

Kings East School Safety Resource Officer is Cst. Jennifer Britton.  
Kings West School Safety Resource Officer is Cst. Jeff Wilson.

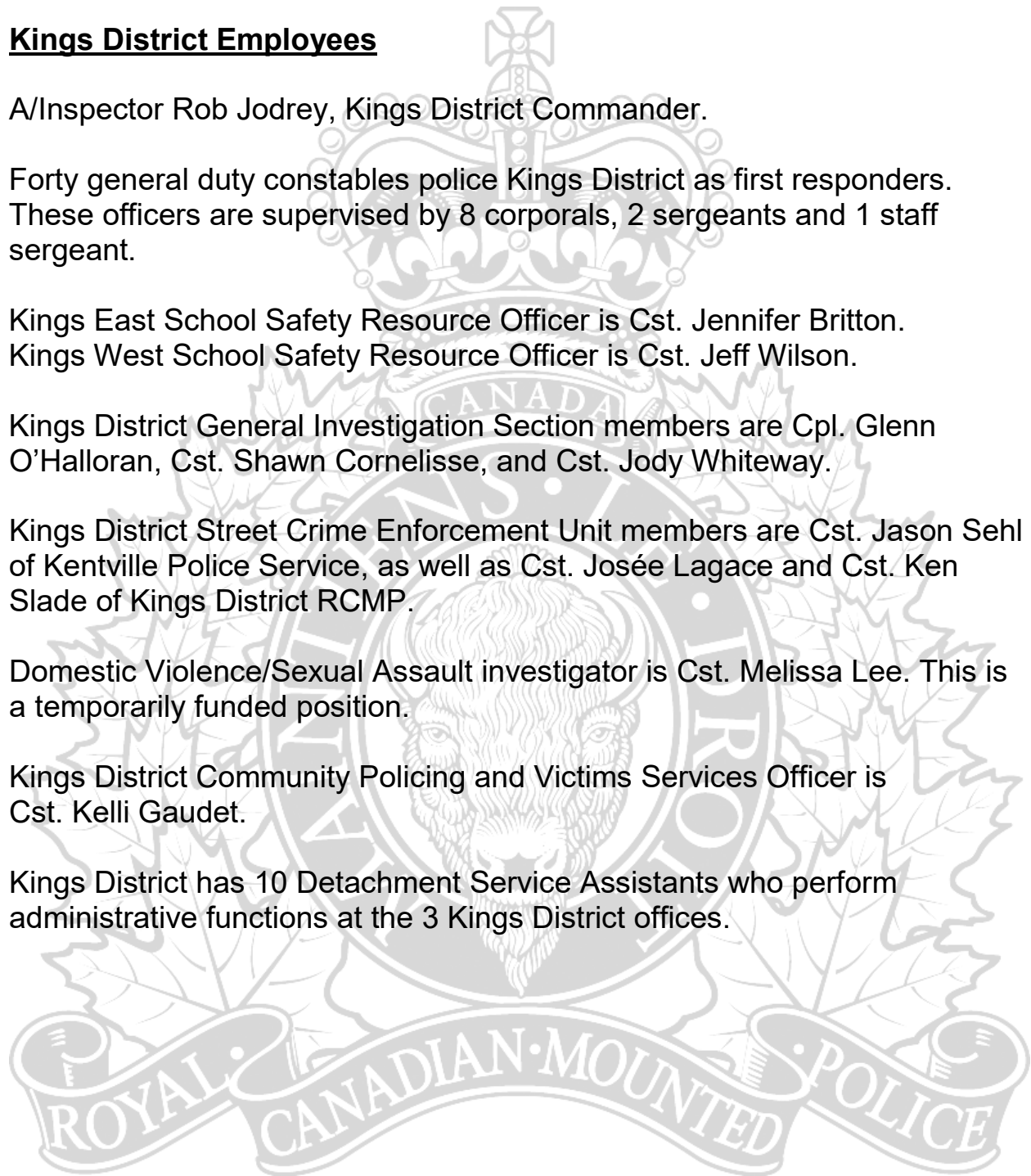
Kings District General Investigation Section members are Cpl. Glenn O'Halloran, Cst. Shawn Cornelisse, and Cst. Jody Whiteway.

Kings District Street Crime Enforcement Unit members are Cst. Jason Sehl of Kentville Police Service, as well as Cst. Josée Lagace and Cst. Ken Slade of Kings District RCMP.

Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault investigator is Cst. Melissa Lee. This is a temporarily funded position.

Kings District Community Policing and Victims Services Officer is Cst. Kelli Gaudet.

Kings District has 10 Detachment Service Assistants who perform administrative functions at the 3 Kings District offices.



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## School Safety Resource Officers

School Safety Resource Officers work as a resource to our local schools. Members provide presentations to every grade level from P-12 on current topics such as human trafficking, fentanyl, cybercrime, bullying, drug awareness and appropriate use of Social Media. Schools often request other presentations, which are customized to meet their needs. SSRO's update the National SafePlan every year for each Kings County School. SSRO's do the initial investigation in cases that stem from schools. SSRO's also provide support for school events that occur after traditional school hours.

Cst. Wilson's service area is from Annapolis County line to Central Kings Rural High School, which encompasses 11 schools.

Cst. Britton's service area is from Coldbrook District School to LE Shaw Elementary and encompasses 12 schools.

Distracted driving presentations, Human Trafficking presentations as well as "lock down drills" have been ongoing at several schools throughout the reporting period.

Both district SSROs worked closely with the schools within the entire district. Both Cst. Wilson and Cst. Britton remain heavily involved in the delivery of the mandated objectives while assisting other investigations that require their skills and experience with youth.

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## Highlights

SSRO Cst. WILSON continues to be active in the community with traffic enforcement and assisting with calls for service.

## Annual Performance Plan

The Kings District Annual Performance Plan runs from April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 to March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022. Objectives of Kings District Annual Performance Plan are:

- **Safe Roads and Safe Highways in Nova Scotia** - To date Kings District members have charged 53 people with impaired driving, issued 14 Roadside suspensions for alcohol consumption, issued 1428 traffic enforcement charges and conducted 126 check stops.
- **Reduction of Cybercrime in Nova Scotia**  
Community resource officers and Senior Safety Coordinator continue to educate students and seniors on Cybercrime.

### **Reduce Crime Against People**

Members continue to conduct physical checks on offenders/accused who are on court ordered curfews or house arrest with the goal to prevent recidivism.

## Calls for Service

In the month of September, Kings District responded to 1495 service calls. There were 94 service calls in the Town of Berwick during this reporting period. See the attached chart for breakdown of the service calls.

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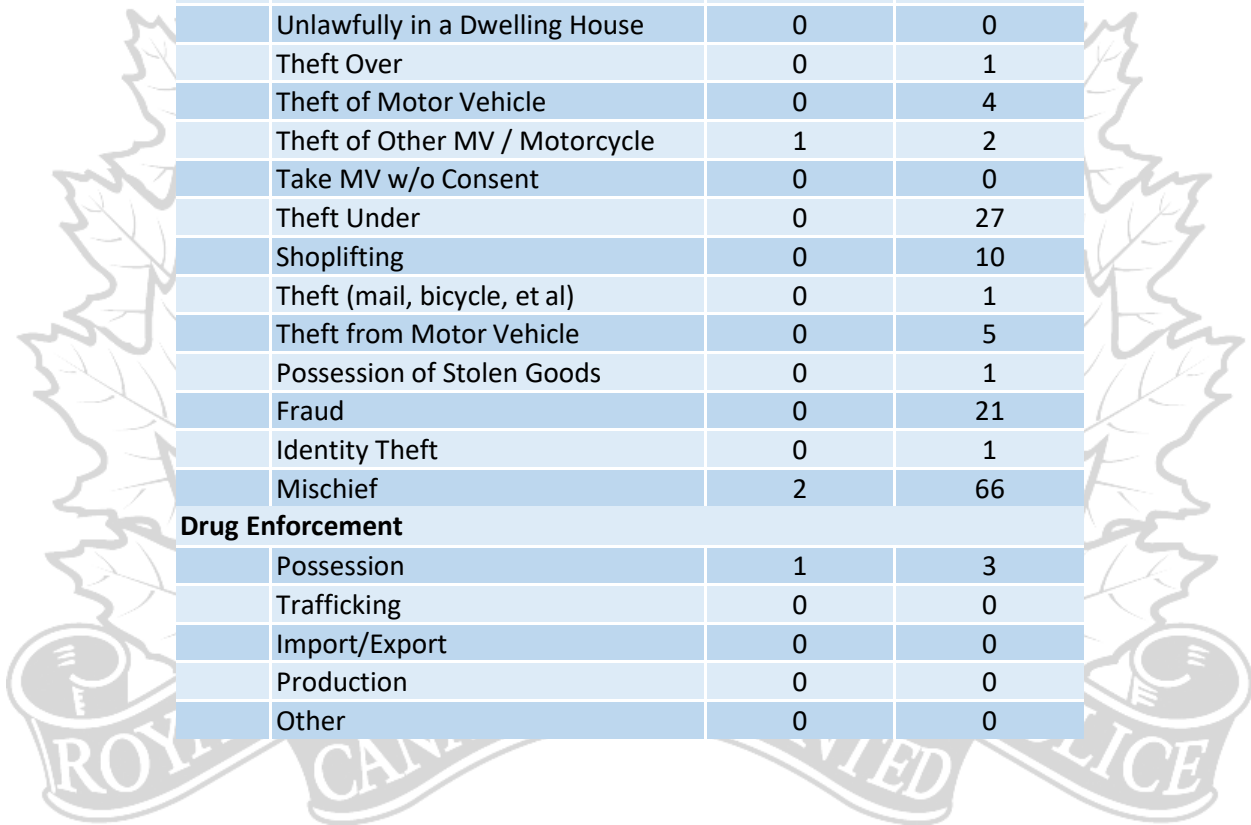


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Type of Crime & Occurrence Type	September Berwick	September Kings
	2021	2021
<b>Crimes Against Persons</b>		
Offences Related to Death	0	0
Sexual Offences	1	9
Assault	3	25
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction	0	1
Robbery	0	1
Extortion / Intimidation	1	0
Criminal Harassment	1	5
Indecent   Harassing Comm.	0	5
Uttering Threats	0	20
<b>Property Crime</b>		
Arson	0	0
Break and Enter	0	18
Unlawfully in a Dwelling House	0	0
Theft Over	0	1
Theft of Motor Vehicle	0	4
Theft of Other MV / Motorcycle	1	2
Take MV w/o Consent	0	0
Theft Under	0	27
Shoplifting	0	10
Theft (mail, bicycle, et al)	0	1
Theft from Motor Vehicle	0	5
Possession of Stolen Goods	0	1
Fraud	0	21
Identity Theft	0	1
Mischief	2	66
<b>Drug Enforcement</b>		
Possession	1	3
Trafficking	0	0
Import/Export	0	0
Production	0	0
Other	0	0



Type of Crime & Occurrence Type	August Berwick	August Kings
<b>Traffic</b>		
Dangerous Op of MV	1	2
Impaired by Alcohol	1	11
Impaired by Drug	0	0
Failure/Refusal	0	1
Driving while Disqualified	0	3
Fail to Stop or Remain	2	9
Seatbelt Violation	0	8
Intersection Violation	4	16
Speeding Violation	10	97
Insurance Violation	2	9
Road Side Suspension (Alcohol)	1	3
Road Side Suspension (Drug)	0	0
Collision - Fatal	0	0
Collision - Non - Fatal Injury	0	7
Collision - Reportable	6	41
Collision - Non Reportable	4	25
Off-Road Vehicle Collision	0	2
Municipal By-laws	0	33
*Other Traffic Offence/Violation	20	232
Other Traffic Related Duties	1	9
Checkstop	4	12
<b>Other</b>		
911 Call	4	33
Breach of Court Order	1	11
Liquor Act	2	25
Mental Health Act	5	49
Missing Person	2	46
Municipal Bylaw - Other	0	50
**Other	10	380
Suspicious P V P	1	33
Trespass At Night	0	1
HPA (COVID-19) - Offences only	0	4
HPA (COVID-19) - Other activities	0	1
QUA (COVID-19) - Offences Only	0	0
QUA (COVID-19) - Other Activities	0	2
<b>Total Founded &amp; SUI Occurrences</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>1381</b>
<b>Total Occurrences*</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>1495</b>



- \*”Other Traffic Offences/Violation” – These are other areas of the Highway traffic Act like expired sticker, fail to obey sign etc.
- \*\*”Other” – These are typically calls like VIN verifications, Crime prevention, Wellbeing checks, Lost and found and Coroners Act type calls.

### **Traffic Enforcement and Proactive Patrols Update**

In addition to the above, there were 8 violation tickets issued on Highway 101 near Berwick. There were 7 violation tickets issued on Highway 1 near Berwick.

Members continue to conduct traffic enforcement on the main street and other areas of high traffic volume. 35 motor vehicle associated traffic tickets were enforced and there was 1 impaired operation of motor vehicle violation in this period.

There were 392 patrols conducted with 13 foot patrols done in the parks and various sidewalks in the community. Police visibility continues to be high resulting in a reduction in offences.

### **Significant Investigations**

September has been another steady month district wide but in regard to Berwick there were no significant investigations to report. The start of “in person” schooling has kept everyone busy and reacquainting the public with school bus etiquette.

Members have been very busy with responding to various types of calls yet have continued to be proactive with traffic enforcement limiting the serious incidents. An increase in calls in the district had a corresponding increase in Berwick. There was a drop in Criminal Code calls and an increase in traffic enforcement.



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## **Kings District RCMP Arrest Impaired Driver near Port Williams**

Police File # 20211348673

On September 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:45 PM. New Minas RCMP were called to investigate reports of an impaired driver. Police made patrols of the area and located the vehicle near the corner of Tiny Parrish Rd. and Church St. in Port Williams. The driver displayed signs of impairment and was arrested. The driver was transported to Kentville Police Service for further investigation. A 46-year-old New Minas woman will be facing charges of Impaired Operation of a Conveyance and Operation of a Conveyance with a Blood Alcohol Level Over 80 mg%. The woman provided two breath samples that measured 120 mg%. The woman has been released from police custody and will appear in Kentville Provincial Court on a later date.

Kings District RCMP would like to thank the community members who contacted police with concerns regarding this driver.

If you believe someone is driving in a way that is an immediate threat to public safety, please call 911 when it is safe to do so. Include as much detail as possible, such as the location, direction of travel, vehicle and driver description and license plate number.

## **Kings District RCMP looking for information after Hit and Run in Coldbrook**

Police File # 20211350656

Kings District RCMP is looking for information with regard to a collision that occurred on September 8<sup>th</sup> at traffic lights on Highway 1 in Coldbrook at Exit 14. The driver of a grey coloured Lexus was waiting for at a red light when they were rear ended by another vehicle. After the light turned green the Lexus driver pulled over to exchange information with the other driver when the vehicle that collided with them left the area.

The vehicle of interest is described as a blue or turquoise Mazda. The model and licence plate are unknown however there should be considerable front end damage to the Mazda. The driver is described as female in their 20's with glasses and was last scene driving east toward

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Kentville. There were no injuries to the driver of the Lexus.

Road safety is a shared responsibility. Please call 911 if you believe someone is driving in an unsafe manner or is otherwise an immediate threat to public safety. Include as many details as possible, such as the location, direction of travel, vehicle description and license plate number.

### **Kings District RCMP Looking for Information Surrounding Farm Market Thefts**

Kings District RCMP are looking for information with regard to mischief and thefts in the Gaspereau Valley area. Kings District RCMP have determined individual(s) have been targeting cash boxes at local farm stands. The cash boxes are being removed with tools which also causes considerable damage to property. Produce and other merchandise is also being taken from the markets.

CCTV images have captured a person of interest and vehicle associated. The individual can be seen wearing a light coloured collared shirt, dark pants and with dark shaggy hair. The vehicle of interest is a silver or grey coloured sedan which appears to have a NS Temporary ticker in the rear drivers side window.

Anyone with information about these thefts is asked to contact Kings District RCMP in New Minas at 902-679-5555. 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.

**Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this report or any other community matters, please feel free to contact the undersigned.**

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