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Gary Green

Quite a setting for the 87th Convention of the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police. Constable Brian Fox and Chris Preston show off some of the new and innovative equipment in use by the Victoria City Police Department. And there is no better setting than the grounds of the British Columbia Legislature. In this month's issue we present a view of the Victoria Police Department through the eyes and camera lens of Gary Green.

Incorporated as a city in 1862 Victoria has a history as colourful as its present. In 1868 it became the capital of the colony of British Columbia and remained so after the Colony became a province of Canada in 1871. Due to its strong British heritage and loyalty the city has held its Victorian era charm in spite of the presence of the United States on the south side of the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

Today the greater Victoria area is home to over 275,000 people and is an important sea port and west coast tourist attraction. Victoria is certainly an excellent choice for a convention site.

This issue will give you a profile on the companies who will be displaying their products at the CACP Trade Show along with contact numbers in case you can't make it to the show.

We hope you enjoy this issue and we look forward to presenting you with our next issue of Blue Line Magazine in September. Have a great summer!

Out Of The Blue

By David Bluestein
& Morley Lymburner



Police To Use More Humane Methods To Deal With Offenders

-FANTASYLAND- The government has given approval to police for the experimental use of pepper sprays and other non-lethal products to deal with violent offenders. The move is seen to be a more humane method of dealing with offenders who may be armed with weapons other than guns.

The move toward the use of such products was spurred on by the revelation that police officers in the province are not taught to shoot weapons out of the hands of offenders. The Police Services Board was horrified to find that officers were actually taught to kill people who were trying to kill them.

One member of the Police Services Board was quoted as saying, "this new regulation is a major victory for us!" She declined to say whom the victor or the vanquished are.

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Dead Cops The Forgotten Heroes

It all seemed so chummy at the Metro Toronto Police Services Board - the members nodding like little dolls; Alan Tonks saying repeatedly, "We're not that far apart," the chief and other senior officers sitting stone-faced, prisoners of protocol, unable to stop the freight train that is Susan Eng.

The board okayed most of a new set of guidelines that will make it more difficult for police officers to justify using their guns - not to actually use them, mind you, just to explain why they did. Such is the nature of modern policing, what many call "Monday-morning quarterbacking."

And in fact, but for a couple of points, the new guidelines are not that different from the rules that Metro Police already play by.

(The exceptions are not unimportant, in that they attempt to supersede the Criminal Code by narrowing when police can shoot after "fleeing felons," and expressly forbid the use of guns against anyone "only committing... a property offence.")

But for the most part, the new rules simply put into different form the principle that police use force only as a "last resort." There is nothing in this new barrage of paper to offend the good police officer.

What does, I suspect, give offence are the assumptions that underlie the entire discussion and which seem, to preoccupy Eng and her board.

They are: Metro Police are guilty of using excessive force (why else the need for more regulation?); the various police watchdogs are not vigilant enough (why else the call, met with grinning approval by most of the board, for yet another watchdog, this one to routinely audit the force's policies?); the police are not to be trusted (why else the concern Metro would use aerosol pepper spray, if so equipped, as an instrument of torture?)

The reception given two deputants at a Commission meeting tell the story. Both - Alan Borovoy of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association and Dr. Yaqoob Ehan of the Muslim Community Information

Services - were treated politely, but the board found Borovoy's proposal interesting enough to refer on, and several members asked questions. Khan was merely thanked.

Borovoy talked about the "survey" his association did this year. The association interviewed 114 people, all facing criminal charges. They were promised anonymity and asked if they had been badly treated by police.

It is hardly surprising, in my cynical view, that 44 replied in the affirmative. Yet Borovoy, for all intents and purposes, took the accused at their word, and used their tales to support his argument that racism and excessive force are "not an isolated phenomenon" and his pitch for a new watchdog.

Khan spoke in support of the force. Then he read aloud 16 names, names of officers killed during his time in Toronto.

He was in the neighborhood, in October, 1973, when Const. Leslie Maitland was shot by Rene Vaillancourt. He saw Maitland die on a sidewalk. "I can never forget that," said Ehan, eyes welling. "These men," he said, "were killed by criminals here in Toronto. No one has spoken of them..."

Do you know, in all the board meetings I've attended, that was the first time anyone - anyone - has bothered to remember those men?

I would bet that if Alan Borovoy had interviewed Rene Vaillancourt, he would have cried police brutality, too. And this board would have believed him, because guys like him are to be, and guys like Maitland - coppers - aren't.

Cristie Blatchford is a regular columnist with the Toronto Sun Newspaper. She has been a staunch supporter of the police profession and continues to be a courageous voice for those who are not permitted to speak.

A Ten Year Success Story

The New Westminster Police Summer Soccer School

By Frank Ciaccia



The concept of Community Policing appears to be gaining momentum across our nation as police forces recognize the need for community involvement in areas once regarded as "Police Only". Citizens are becoming involved in programs that not only contribute to safer neighbourhoods but also enrich the relationships between themselves and the police. One such program is the New Westminster Police Department's Summer Soccer School. But this program is far from new. In fact, it has been operating for ten years.

New Westminster and its population of approximately 40,000, is found in the center of the metropolitan area of Vancouver, British Columbia. Its Police Department is comprised of 140 police members and civilian support staff. In 1981, Jack FORDHAM, then a Staff Sergeant and now the newly sworn Chief Constable, decided to take his passion for the game of soccer and apply it towards an innovative police-community initiative. Thus, the birth of the Youth Summer Soccer School.

British Columbia has long been considered a hotbed for talented soccer players. The sport's popularity in this area is second to none. Because of the Province's mild winters, the youth leagues are scheduled from September through April, leaving the summer months for other sports and soccer schools.

The New Westminster Police Summer Soccer School is held annually in the final weeks of July. Between 250 and 300 children aged six to twelve will fill its enrollment usually by mid May.

An indication of its enormous popularity. For a fee of \$40.00 each child receives: a designer T-shirt, soccer ball, ball cap, 25 hours of instruction, a designer medal, McDonald's refreshments,



Constable F. Ciaccia (left) and New Westminster Chief Jack Fordham (right) pose with some of the 1991 medal award winners. The summer project was started by Chief Fordham in 1981.

prizes and souvenirs and feature presentations.

Although the children are taught soccer's basic skills throughout the week, the emphasis is on good sportsmanship and fun. Off-duty police officers volunteer their time along with numerous other caring adults to see that the program is a success each year.

One of the school's most popular features is the "McDonald's Kick-To-Win Board". From a distance determined by age, the children attempt to kick their soccer ball through openings on a stationary board. Their efforts are rewarded with McDonald's soft drink coupons provided by the local restaurant. In addition, the Kick-To-Win champion receives a trophy for his fine skills.

The children are also tested on skills such as dribbling, passing and shooting using standards established by the Canadian Soccer Association. This provides each participant an opportunity to attain a second medal in gold, silver or bronze. The younger children participate in colouring contests and take home instructional reading materials on the game.

Other activities are featured as well, such as the Police Service Dog demonstration. Serving members assigned to the Dog Section lecture the children on their duties and answer questions. Their dogs then demonstrate their incredible skills much to the amazement of the participants. A variety of police vehicles also make an appearance enabling the children to understand their functions and giving them a chance at some fun with lights and sirens. Through a very candid demonstration by the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia, the importance of wearing seatbelts is reinforced. Throughout the program the kids are also

exposed to videos on a variety of topics, both educational and entertaining.

At the conclusion of the program, an inspiring awards ceremony recognizes each participant and countless prizes and special gifts are distributed. Members of the past Vancouver Whitecaps (N.A.S.L.) and current Vancouver 86ers (C.S.L.) attend these ceremonies along with ranking officers of the Police Department to assist and meet with the kids. The grandstand is always full for this event as parents, siblings, friends and even the local media turn out to participate in the festivities.

A number of groups and organizations are to be recognized for their support to the Soccer School enabling it to be an overwhelming success. The New

Westminster School Board allows for the use of Mercer Stadium and its fields each year without hesitation. The Royal City Soccer Association lends its support by its promotions and encouraging its members to attend. The local McDonald's restaurant, operated by Mr. Peter ROBB, has donated thousands of drink coupons over the years. The New Westminster Police Benevolent Association, City Council and the New Westminster Police Board have all contributed to the school enabling the sponsorship of disabled children and those from lower-income families.

The coordination of the soccer school is currently the responsibility of Constable Frank CIACCIA, an eight year member of the New Westminster Police Department. Constable CIACCIA's experience in the game is quite extensive as he has been a member of the Canadian Olympic Team, Canadian World Cup Team and played professionally for the Toronto Blizzard of the former North American Soccer League. Needless to say, the assignment as coordinator has become a labour of love for Constable CIACCIA.

The New Westminster Police Summer Soccer School has involved better than 3,000 youngsters over the years. From the response of the community to the feedback of the participating officers, it is very apparent this program is by far the most successful police - community initiative in the City. Not only has it served to promote a better understanding between police and the community but perhaps more importantly, it has eliminated many of the barriers that exist between police and our youth.

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The survey was performed by the local police federation in an attempt to determine the membership's opinions on such issues as use of force and issued weapons. The survey was sent to all 130 female officers of the Police Force. The survey revealed 48 officers wanted night sticks as standard equipment while 38 did not. 44 members did not vote.

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August 3 - 7

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August 22 - 27

C.A.C.P Convention Victoria, British Columbia

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August 28 - 31

Canadian Fellowship of Christian Peace Officers Annual Conference Waterton - Alberta

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September 16-19

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September 21 - 25

Profile 2000 Toronto - Ontario

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October 14 - 15

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October 13 - 16

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Saskatoon - Saskatchewan

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February 8 - 12

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Ottawa - Ontario

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"The biggest problem faced by police in prosecuting frauds is proving there was knowledge the cheque is worthless, that there is intention to defraud, and more importantly, proving the identity of the offender," says Constable Dan Pugh, Public Relations Officer of the Chatham Police Department. "And anybody who is in the business of fraud does not give their proper identification for obvious reasons!"

Simplicity and low cost (\$12.50 plus taxes) are the attractive features of the program which should lower the incidence of false pretenses, fraud and forgery related crimes which ultimately cost merchants thousands of dollars in lost revenues.

"The success of the program will be two-fold," says Constable Pugh. "The criminal element will quickly realize the potential for getting caught is much higher and therefore will be less interested in targeting local merchants. Secondly, the police will have a much better chance of successfully prosecuting offenders."

The procedure for using the Instant Print pad is very simple: after obtaining proper identification from the customer, the cashier accepting the cheque requests he/she press their right thumb on the pad and then onto a clean area of the cheque. The ink leaves no residue and is colourless. The cashier then initials the cheque. (It should be noted as well that proper identification is ideally driver's licence numbers, signed major credit cards, telephone and address, or picture

ID. A Social Insurance number is useless to police as the information associated with a SIN number is confidential and restricted.

To date, there are over 20 businesses signed up for the program in Chatham. Businesses participating in the program will also be issued "Stop!" identification stickers for cash registers and doors courtesy of the CBDC and Chatham Police Department. This will ensure consistency and also aid in keeping potential defrauders from even entering the store. The fingerprint pads are approximately the size of a Loonie and they last ap-

B.C. Survey Reveals Alcohol A Big Factor In Watercraft Deaths

A recent Canadian Red Cross examination of British Columbia Coroners' reports noted that about 33% of those drowned in recreational boating accidents were intoxicated, and that figure rose to about 53% for drownings associated with small power craft operation.

At the request of the Canadian Red Cross, questions on boating were included in a recent B.C. wide Drinking Driving Counter Attack telephone survey, since impaired driving and impaired boating are both offences under the Criminal Code of Canada.

The survey revealed 36% of respondents said that they had been on a privately owned motorboat or sail boat in the previous year. 47% of boaters admitting to having consumed alcohol on one or more boating trips.

These results show that about one in three persons on the water is likely to be drinking. 58% of the sample who admitted to being a drinking driver within the previous month were recreational boaters, and 37% of the drinking drivers were drinking boaters.

60% of the drinking boaters and 50% of the non-drinking boaters said correctly that the regulations regarding drinking and boating are the same as for

proximately a year or 1100 prints.

For more information on the program contact Constable Dan Pugh at (506) 778-1222 or Fax (506) 773-6040.

100th Anniversary Of Code Featured In New Series

Starting in the September issue of Blue Line Magazine Richard DuPlain, our East Coast correspondent, will present a 10 part series on the history of the Canadian Criminal Code. This will commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the codification of Criminal Law in Canada. (1892-1992)

drinking and driving. However, there may be very little fear of apprehension, as only 40 to 50 charges are laid per year in B.C.

Approved Screening Devices to be used to fight back

RCMP Marine Operations in B.C. have been provided with pocket-sized hand-held breath test devices (RSDS) by the Counter Attack program. This summer there are plans to set up spot checks at loading docks and marinas. According to the RCMP, vessels could even be boarded. The law says that you must give a breath sample when asked, and if you refuse the penalties are the same as if you were proven to be impaired.

Like impaired driving, impaired boating is an important public safety issue. The Counter Attack Program will continue to work with the police, Coast Guard and Red Cross to educate the public about the dangers of alcohol abuse.

British Police Use Scarecrow Tactics To Combat Aggressive Drivers



Courtesy Police Review

The Ontario Solicitor General's office may wish to take note of this news item from Britain. In an attempt to curtail aggressive driving two English police forces started using prop cops to scare drivers into driving properly. One item is a life size plastic police car cutout while the other is a mechanical dummy dressed to look like a traffic cop. (*Okay! We can hear the comments already but this is suppose to be serious.*)

The life size mechanical officer, called SAM (Speed and Aggressive Moderator), comes complete with a police officer's uniform, a traffic officer's vest and cap (*and some might say an empty head*). His realism is enhanced with an imitation radar gun and a motorized head that swivels. (*Okay! Okay! Enough already!*) A female version of the officer was not planned. There were fears it might get stolen. (*Okay! No more! We promise!*)

Originally SAM was only used in exhibitions but the West Mercia Constabulary decided it might be effective in certain areas where traffic violations are a problem.

In another novel project the Northumbria Police started using two-dimensional plastic cut-out police cars that have been reported as very effective.

The mock-up police cars are made of plastic and are made the actual size of a real police car. They fold up and are easily transportable.

Northumbria police state they are quite effective when placed on overpasses near expressways. Each unit costs about \$500.00.

One study showed over half the motorists who were clocked as speeding reduced their speed to the limit when they saw the cut-out police vehicle.

In one particular location the imitation police car was effective at reducing the average traffic speed in a tunnel to the maximum speed limit. The tunnel was a particular problem in that the speeding cars were causing a vacuum effect which was putting stress on the wall tiles. However it was difficult to place a police car in position to reduce the speed. Further research is being done on a variety of methods to use this technology.

Other innovative ideas have come up including one which invites motorists to accompany police officers on highway patrol so they get a view from a police officer's perspective.

Cop Saved By Vest While Shooter Gets 14 years

A Toronto teen, whose shots at a Peel Regional Police Officer were stopped by his bulletproof vest, has been jailed 14 years.

Steven Thomas Mach, 19, pleaded guilty this past month in a Brampton, Ontario Court to the 1991 attempted murder of Constable Peter Vincent, who was fired at eleven times.

Mach was also known as Tinh Tu, a member of a Toronto street gang.

Constable Vincent stopped a car in Mississauga last October after becoming suspicious of the two male occupants. As he tried to arrest the driver for carrying a gun and a knife, Mach jumped out of the passenger seat and opened fire.

Mach then fired eleven rounds at Vincent with a .9-mm Beretta semi-automatic handgun, then chased the officer across the road. The officer had emptied his revolver and was in the process of reloading when Mach turned and fled. Mach and the driver of the car took refuge in a local house until they surrendered to police after an 8-hour standoff.

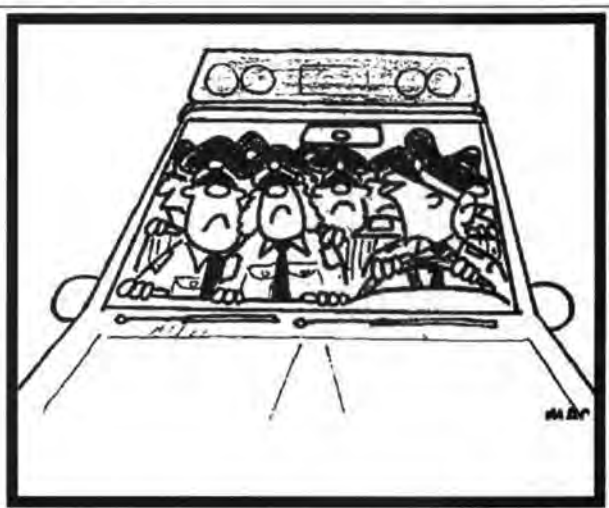
Constable Vincent's body armour stopped one shot that struck his back and left him with severe bruises.

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FLASHES

By Tony MacKinnon

"If I hear one more complaint about the shortage of cruisers... you six in the back seat can get out and walk!"



Automated Fingerprint Identification System

Part 2

Number 1,000 Was A Big Hit

By Gene Pankewich

The Metro Toronto / York Regional Police Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) team achieved their first crime scene identification in February 1990. They recently celebrated their 1,000th crime scene identification. This particular crime scene impression was originally developed in 1988 and resubmitted for an AFIS search by the officer who had attended the scene. This identification was achieved on March 10, 1992 after a crime scene to tenprint search of their own database which at the time consisted of 60,568 tenprint records.

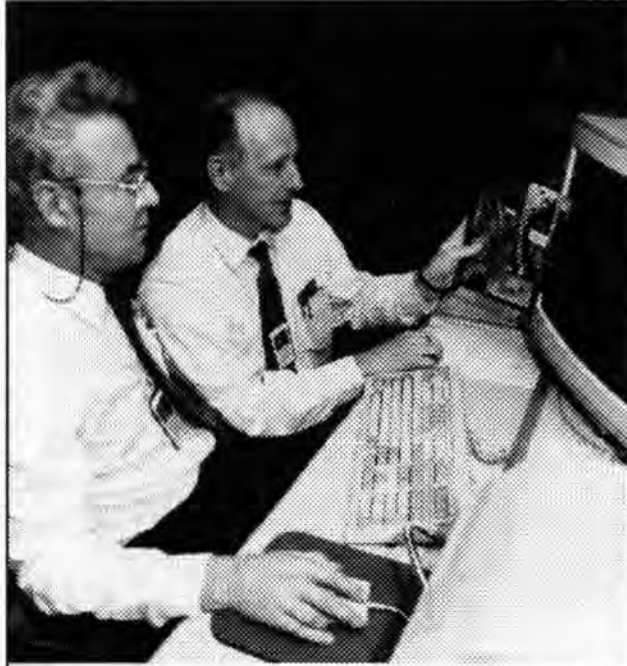
This identification was also unique in that it was the third time that the Forensic Identification Services Unit had identified an impression developed on the inside surface of a rubber glove left at the scene. The scene in this case consisted of twelve medical offices in one building. The person identified was first fingerprinted by the Metro Toronto Force in 1978.

The York Region and Metro Toronto Police tenprint and crimescene databases are growing daily as the AFIS team continue to load current and older tenprint and crimescene fingerprints.

In November 1991 the Metro Toronto/York AFIS team began searching the RCMP Printrak Orion Central AFIS database via the Canadian Printrak AFIS (X.25 Protocol) Network. This allows the York Regional Police Force and the Metro Force to search all the tenprints and crimescene prints in their (common) database and then search the national fingerprint records in Ottawa. They view the results of all these searches on their own workstations. By April 21, 1992, they had achieved sixty-eight (68) crime scene identifications following searches on the RCMP database.

The AFIS team was fortunate to recently acquire a (Group 4) Canon Digital

Fax Machine, after tests involving another Canon G4 machine in the Latent Fingerprint Section of the RCMP in Ottawa. This device uses a (286) computer, a 20 mg. hard drive and a laser printer to generate high quality grey level



Forensic Specialists; Det. Cst. W. Williams (holding rubber glove) and Det. Cst. W. Pearce verifying the crime scene impression developed inside the rubber glove with the assistance of the Printrak AFIS Unit.

fingerprints and photographs. It also sends and receives in the standard (G3) analogue fax transmission mode. The AFIS team now uses it daily and can verify an AFIS "hit" from the Ottawa database within minutes of requesting a photo-copy of the fingerprints for the corresponding FPS number identified.

There is another advantage to purchasing AFIS technology in Canada. It allows police agencies to become part of the first national AFIS network in the world. This is taking shape in Canada and has been driven by the RCMP and Printrak Incorporated. The current list of member agencies includes the RCMP in Ottawa, the RCMP in British Columbia, the Vancouver City Police Force, the Metropolitan Toronto Police Force, the York Regional Police Force, the Peel

Regional Police Force, the Hamilton-Wentworth Regional Police Force, the Ottawa City Police Force and the Gloucester City Police Force.

The Canadian Printrak AFIS Users' Network Group meets twice a year to set guidelines and make recommendations to all Canadian Printrak AFIS users to ensure the effective operation of this network. In March of 1992, the Quebec Provincial Police Force awarded an AFIS contract to Printrak Incorporated and they expect to become operational in June 1992. They were invited and attended the group meeting which was hosted by the Metropolitan Toronto Police Forensic Identification Services Unit this past May.

The RCMP have always been at the fore-front of AFIS technology usage. They, along with the Gloucester Police Force and Printrak Inc., are currently involved in testing the world's first AFIS transmission between two sites using satellite technology.

The R.C.M.P. have always realized the cost effectiveness of applying computer technology to the processing of fingerprints. They were one of the first agencies in the world to acquire AFIS technology from North American Rockwell, the company that devised the technology in the mid-1970's and then later sold it to the British De La Rue Company.

Printrak management has since purchased Printrak from De La Rue and Printrak Incorporated continues to develop the technology from the facilities in Anaheim, California.

Police agencies in Canada who have not yet acquired AFIS technology can still benefit from the automated reverse-search process by submitting their tenprint forms to the RCMP in Ottawa. The RCMP Orion system performs tenprint reverse searches against a database of unsolved crime scene impressions from across Canada. The higher the fingerprint quality on the fingerprint form, the higher the chance of a crime scene identification.

AFIS technology is particularly suited

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to dealing with the highest recurring criminal offence occurring in most urban jurisdictions - Break and Enter. All unit commanders are concerned when citizens in their area become the victim of a high profile crime. Once the crime is solved and the media attention fades, it is still the numerous entries into dwellings and businesses that face the unit commander each morning when the daily crime occurrences are reviewed. Assigning police officers to this type of investigation can be time consuming, costly and yield few results.

The nature of the break and enter offence rarely provides a witness factor and investigative units must decide how much time will be allocated for this type of investigation when more serious criminal offences are outstanding.

The break and enter crime scene is one where a properly trained forensic specialist, or scenes of crime officer, can attend and devote as little as one-half hour of time and develop evidence that leads to the identification of the offender. How much money is saved when an investigator is handed a supplementary report which identifies a fingerprint impression(s) of the perpetrator at a Break and Enter?

There are some other cost associated factors to consider when attempting to justify the purchase of AFIS technology. How much money is saved when an investigator requires only the complainant, the forensic specialist and the officer who fingerprinted the accused to complete a Court Brief? How much money is saved in Court when the Crown Attorney is provided a case with Prima Facie fingerprint evidence that more often than not leads to a guilty plea?

What price can be put on crime that is curtailed when the speed with which AFIS technology can achieve an identification is a factor in the apprehension of an active or dangerous criminal? What price can be put on the time and resources saved when an AFIS identification solves a homicide or bank hold-up?

What price can be put on the fear which prevents people from walking the streets in their own neighbourhood? The price of the pain and grief that befalls a victim of a serial sex offender, while a

photograph of a crime scene impression, which will identify him to the police, is sitting in an envelope en route to Ottawa for an AFIS search?

These are difficult questions to answer. It is clear, however, that when a dedicated forensic specialist, who has been given proper training and resources, is sent to a crime scene, there is a good chance a fingerprint impression of the

perpetrator will be developed. Combine this with a search against an AFIS database containing high quality tenprint records and a police agency gains a long term crime solving capability that also saves the taxpayer hard earned dollars.

When all the factors are considered, the question may be whether a Police Force can afford not to acquire AFIS technology.

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Criminal Personality Profiling Now Available In Canada

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In 1989 and 1990 the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the Ontario Provincial Police respectively were awarded fellowship positions. With the graduation of the 1990/1991 fellowship there are 32 police "profilers" strategically situated worldwide, working closely with each other and with FBI "profilers" in serving the law enforcement community worldwide.

Criminal Investigative Analysis is an investigative support service which can often make significant contributions in an otherwise stagnant or slow-moving case investigation. When properly used, it may often provide investigators with a behavioural composite of the most probable offender. This may serve to refocus a multi-directional investigation, reduce the general suspect pool, provide guidelines for prioritizing leads and thereby reduce valuable investigative man hours.

"Profiling" typically involves the behavioural analysis of a specific violent crime or series of violent crimes in their totality, and serves to describe the major personality traits and characteristics of the unidentified offender in such a way that he may be more easily recognized by the investigator.

The "profiler" usually focuses most of his or her attention upon the crime scene, forming subjective opinions with regard to the manner in which the crime

evolved and what the offender chose to do and not to do in relation to his environment and his victim. The "profiler" will also thoroughly study the case, focusing on the victim's background, the nature and extent of the injuries inflicted, the amount and nature of evidence secured, witness statements, investigator's reports, local demographics, etc. In most cases he or she will then render an opinion regarding the unidentified offender by offering a variety of the following descriptors:

Number of offenders, Race, Gender, Age, Marital status/adjustment, Intelligence, Scholastic achievement/adjustment Lifestyle, Rearing development, Social adjustment, personality characteristics Demeanor, Appearance and grooming, Emotional adjustment, Evidence of mental decompensation, Employment/occupational history and adjustment, Work habits, Residency in relation to crime scene, Socioeconomic status, Sexual adjustment, Criminal history, Motive, Post-offence behaviour.

The application of these services has proven, to be particularly beneficial in select cases of:

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In addition to, or in lieu of, providing full "profiling" services, investigative specialists in this field can frequently make significant contributions in the areas of:

Crime scene assessments, Personality assessments, Interview/interrogation strategies, Prosecution strategies, Equivocal death analysis, Insanity defence issues, Search warrant applications, Reactive and proactive investigative strategies.

When integrated into an overall investigative effort, complimented by other similarly progressive applications made available through DNA identification, computerized intelligence networking, automated fingerprint identification systems and expert forensic science and

crime lab resources, this technique opens new avenues to the field investigator in his tireless effort to resolve difficult major case investigations.

It should be emphasized that any request for this type of assistance, regardless of the agency from which the assistance is requested, will not in any way affect or dilute the original managerial control of a given case investigation. These support services are made available in a cooperative effort to render innovative investigative assistance in difficult cases, and their application is controlled exclusively by the requesting agency.

It should also be noted that the investigative specialists in this field routinely collaborate on the more difficult case investigations, and this Interaction maximizes the likelihood of making a positive contribution in a given case investigation. Since all of the investigative specialists have been extensively trained by the FBI Behavioural Science Unit in Quantico, Virginia, and maintain a close working relationship with the Behavioural Science Unit and with each other, standards in the application and development of this technique remain very high.

Agencies interested in availing themselves of this service or seeking further information regarding any aspect of this process may directly contact:

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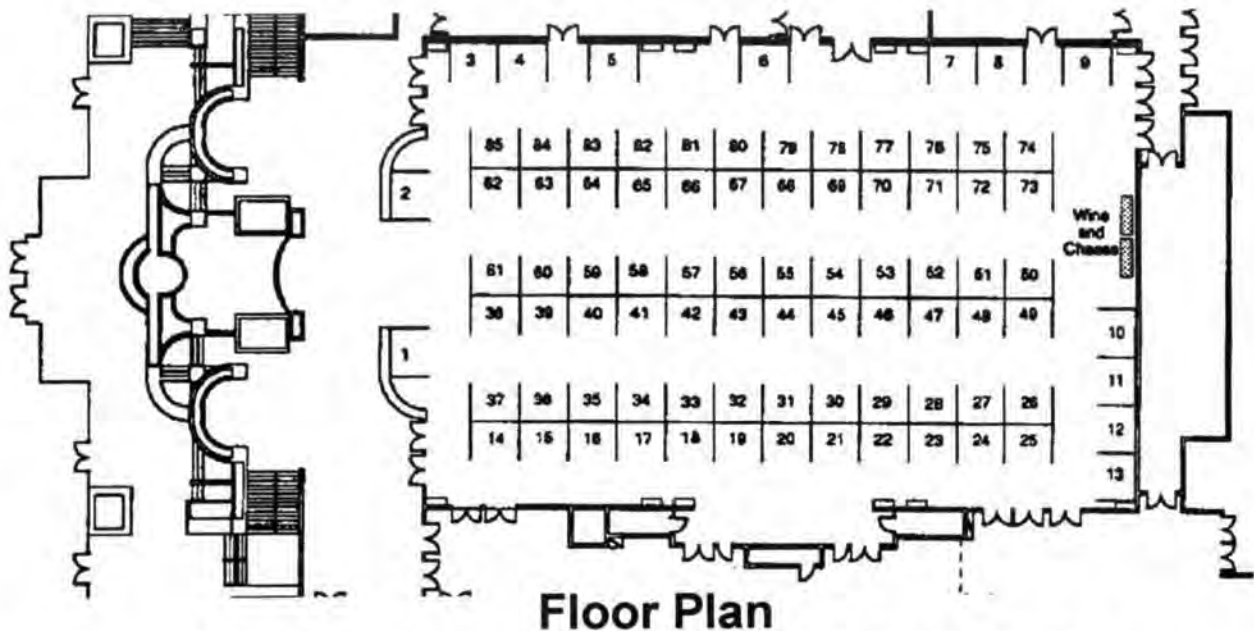
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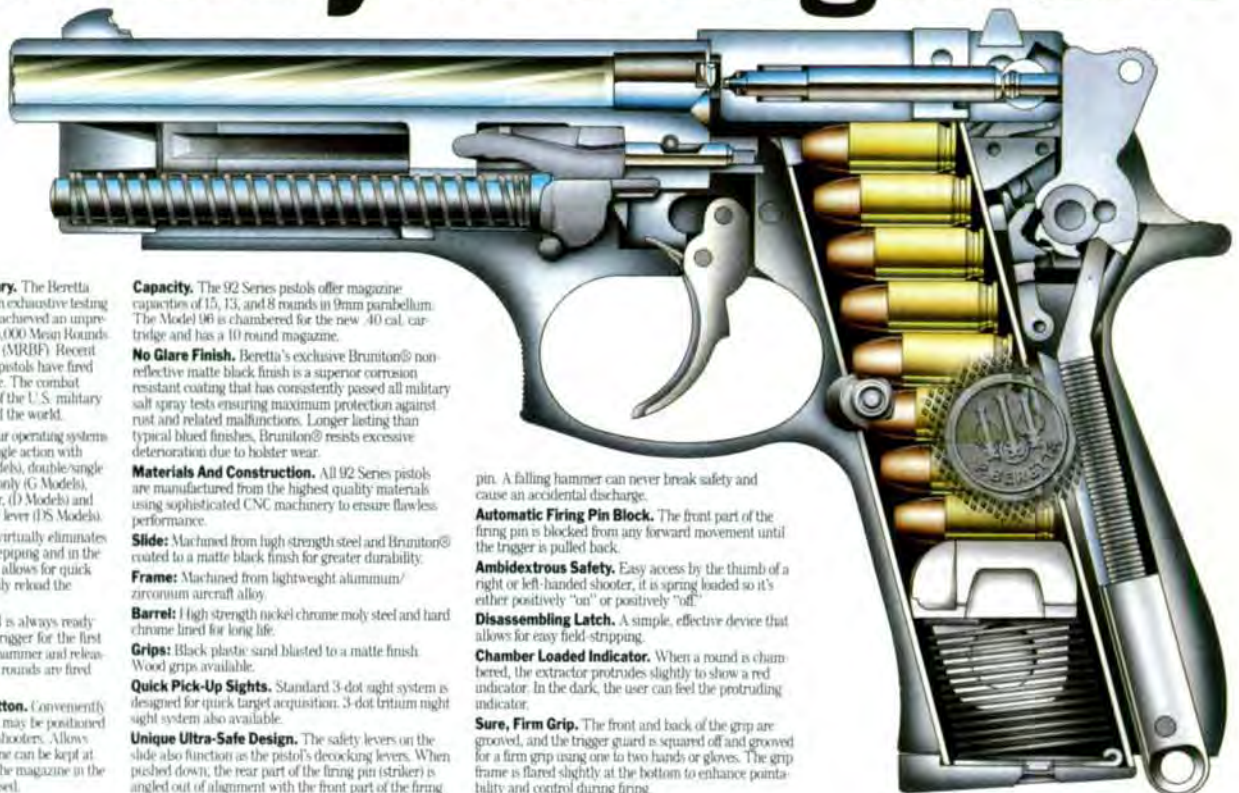
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By Wendy Leaver

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Policing Principles: *By Chris Braiden*

Part 5

Specialization By Function

Core Values

For whatever reason, few want to do the work we all joined up to do. Few are interested in community welfare and existence because they perceive the rewards to be elsewhere.

Of course, we learned the same thing years ago when we were kids playing hockey. No one wanted to be goalie. But who is the most important player on any successful hockey team? What the Roman, Aurilius, said 1,700 years ago is indeed very true, "Our lives become what our thoughts make them".

In their minds, these people are specialists, not police officers. They see themselves as functionaries who perform a task; they do not serve people. They live out the forecast of Ron Zemke, a Service Improvement expert who said "Left to our own devices, we pay more and more attention to things of less and less importance to our customers". It is common to have specialists working at a time when high priority calls are outstanding but they will neither volunteer nor be dispatched - to take those calls. It's not their job. People will simply have to wait until a Grunt comes free.

In summary, I believe this to be the inevitable outcome of Specialization by Function. People become specialists first and police officers second. In the police psyche, specialists are more important than Grunts and so the work that comprises 90 percent of total output becomes subordinate to the other ten percent.

This attitude needs to be turned around. The ownership phenomenon does occur, but of the wrong thing. But this should not be a revelation to anyone; it happens in private industry too. Raymond Smith, CEO of Atlantic Bell (1989 revenues - \$11.5B), described the same problem he encountered when he took over in 1989. He said, "In a large business, the most important de-



terminant of success is the effectiveness of millions of day-to-day interactions of human beings. If these contacts are contentious, turf-oriented and parochial, the company will flounder, bureaucracies will grow and internal competition will be rampant".

My experience is that policing has become a bunch of disconnected jobs with competing priorities; it needs to be a peacekeeping vocation. But what to do?

A CORE VALUE

Whenever I take on a new job, I need to have a clear focus of the bottom line; what is the object of the exercise? What is the one thing that dominates all else? I suppose what I am talking about is a Core Value.

Successful individuals, families, institutions and businesses all seem to have core values, and they never lose sight of it. To me, a core value serves as a beacon that prevents drift from the "Cause" of the family or the organization. Although people may take different routes, they all arrive at the same desti-

nation.

The primary task of the chief is to provide leadership that rises above unit and section goals. He does that by being up on the balcony, pulling things together and keeping everyone focused on the "Cause."

Public policing exists for a Cause; to make community life and that of the individual safe and secure for people and their possessions. But people come before possessions. Wealth must never dictate who gets police service, indeed research and experience tells us that the poor need us the most. The Cause, in turn, needs to be represented by a Core Value. Conventional policing does not meet this test. There doesn't seem to be a Cause or a Core Value that is supreme above all other. Law Enforcement is not a Cause, or even a Core Value; it is a function.

Certainly Convention has goals and objectives but these need a 'faith' to guide them. When there is no Core Value, there is bound to be drift from the Cause. To correct that drift, we must start with a Core Value, entrench it and then evaluate and reward everything, and everyone, against it. If this is done, I forecast the collapse of resumes and, most important, the emergence of a new hero in policing... The Grunt.

Finally, a Core Value must be visible to - and attainable by - all, regardless of their individual assignment. In Edmonton, for several years our primary goal has been Community Policing. Quite apart from what I say on this issue later on, that term is too blurry to be a Core Value. There are no hard edges to it; it seems to mean all things to all people. Secondly, it must be something that the guy working in Traffic, Stolen Auto, Narcotics, etc. can apply to his daily chores.

I was able to convince my chief we needed to hammer out a Core Value that reduced Community Policing to harder terms. The Executive Officers' Team had a one-day retreat for that sole purpose; we settled on "Committed to Community Needs" as our Core Value. We then put this suggestion to everyone in the organization and asked for others. After all those received were considered, "Committed to Community Needs" rep-

resented the thoughts of the majority and so it is now our Core Value. I will demonstrate its universality later.

OWNERSHIP OF TURF

Those of us who are charged with the responsibility of leading others in the workplace would do well to contemplate the words of John Steinbeck who said, "I find it necessary to contemplate man as an animal before I can understand him as a man."

I have learned whenever I want to institute a new idea, at home or at work, I always start out with the human element. I believe people willingly accept change only when an idea sells itself, and they accept it on their terms. For *problem-oriented policing* to become a reality, I advocate replacing *specialization by function* with *ownership of turf*. Let me explain.

I am convinced my city is not just a glob of 605,000 people. Rather, it is a collection of villages stuck together which are as unique as if they were villages in the conventional sense. And it has ever been thus. Think about what Plato said of his city 2400 years ago; "Any ordinary city is, in fact, two cities; one for the rich and one for the poor, each at war with the other. And in either city, there are smaller ones. You would make a great mistake if you treated them all alike."

Contemplate the difference between inner cities and suburbia; nevertheless, conventional policing treats all villages alike. I will continue to use the word 'village' to describe my idea.

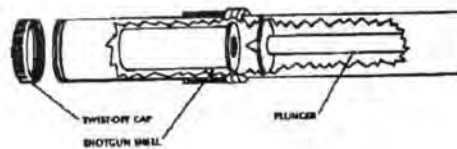
The ideal is to give ownership of a village to an individual police officer so everything of a policing nature in that village 'belongs' to that person. This general principle must, of necessity, remain flexible because the needs of all villages are not the same. Indeed, many villages in a typical city don't need much policing while others require intense attention for different reasons. In some cases teams of people need to be assigned to a village through permanent assignment. What has to happen is the reverse of convention. Instead of the Grunt being co-opted by the specialist, the specialist will be co-opted by the Grunt, when appropriate, to deal with village problems. The Grunt becomes the surgeon with everyone else in support.

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The Use Of Force Managing The Risks

By Robert Hotston
Supervisory Principles Editor

Use of force is fast becoming a critical concern in Canadian policing circles. From the internationally televised "Rodney King" incident in Los Angeles to local media coverage of incidents where police use force, the proper use of force is becoming the subject of much discussion by citizens, politicians, the media and the police themselves. Although the improper use of force may never be completely eliminated, there are a number of measures that can be taken to manage and reduce the risks inherent in police use of force.

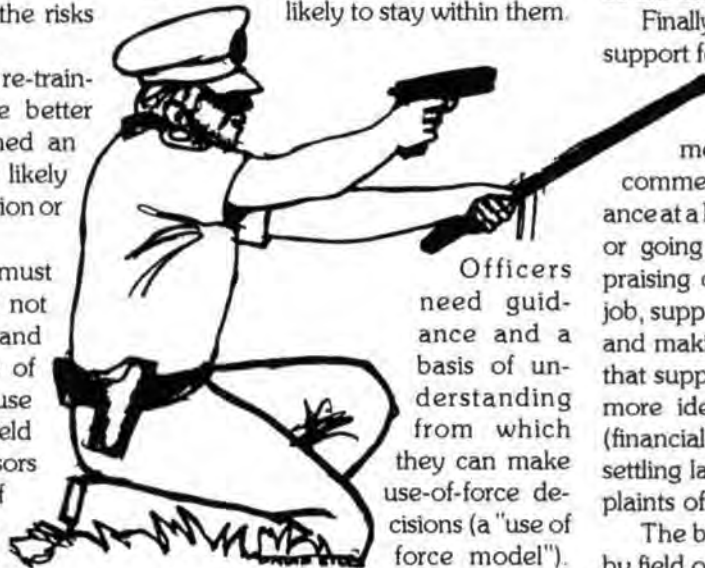
The first factors are training, re-training, and communication. The better trained, re-trained and informed an agency's officers are, the less likely they will be to take improper action or lose control of a situation.

Next, front-line supervisors must be trained, well-informed and not afraid to supervise. Supervisors and administrators must be aware of the self-defence, firearms and use of force training received by field officers. All too often, supervisors and administrators opt out of "hands on" training, perhaps believing they no longer need to maintain their skills and abilities. Even if such absences can be excused by too many demands and too little time, the result is supervisors and administrators tend to lose not only their technical expertise, but also their understanding of this critical portion of a field officer's job.

In the absence of such training and

understanding, it quickly becomes difficult, if not impossible for supervisors and administrators to objectively evaluate an officer's use of force or identify and correct adverse trends which current training may raise.

Supervisors also need to ensure the application of discipline which is fair, consistent and consistently applied. If officers know what the limits are, and know they will be held accountable if they are exceeded, they will be more likely to stay within them.



Officers need guidance and a basis of understanding from which they can make use-of-force decisions (a "use of force model"). While being

careful to avoid being overly restrictive, agencies must not be ambiguous about what is and is not an acceptable force response.

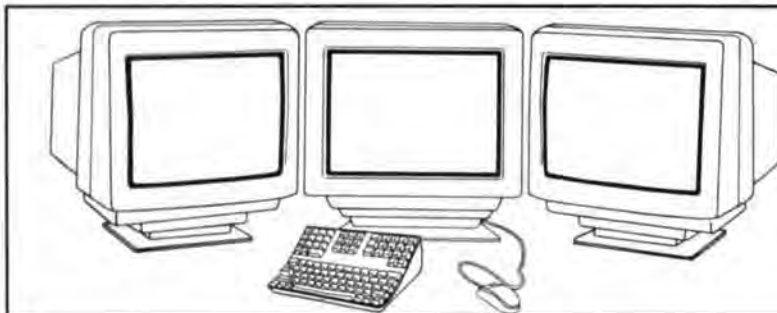
Trained supervisors who actively engage in the supervision of their officers become aware of instances of over-aggressive behaviour and can act to

provide remedial training or discipline before such behaviour manifests itself as assaults.

The police agency requires realistic policies and a strong commitment to them from management as well. If a policy is unrealistic it will be ignored and the norm will be "whatever works." If the management of a police agency is not committed to the policies, then they will not be enforced by supervisors and this message will filter down to the front line troops. There should also be a periodic review and revision of all use of force policies to ensure compliance with current training and law. What was "good enough twenty years ago" might not meet with the standards set by and acceptable to police training bodies, the courts and the public at large.

Finally, there should be demonstrated support for street officers from management and from management's "bosses", the politicians. This means more than an occasional commendation from the Chief, attendance at a Police Week awards ceremony, or going to police funerals. It means praising officers when they do a good job, supporting them when they are right and making sure the public is aware of that support. It may also mean taking a more idealistic rather than pragmatic (financial) approach to defending and settling lawsuits which stem from complaints of improper use of force.

The burden of force decisions made by field officers rests not only with them but also with those who supervise, train, administer and employ them. Consequently, a comprehensive, proactive approach to managing the risks inherent in the use of force by police officers will provide them with the abilities, skills, knowledge and support they need to make the appropriate decision when the time comes.



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Keeping Cheque Is Theft Says Supreme Court

Regina Vs. Milne

A man who kept and deposited a \$16,900 cheque sent to him by mistake has been found guilty of theft by the Supreme Court of Canada.

The accused was the owner of a company which did some work for the Hudson's Bay Company. Upon receiving the invoice The Bay sent a cheque for \$16,900 to the accused's company. The next week, due to a clerical error, a second cheque in the same amount was sent out to the accused.

Upon receiving the second cheque the accused deposited it into the company account book and very quickly thereafter began to drain the account of money.

The Bay store made numerous calls to the accused but were unable to get

hold of him to discuss the matter of the duplicate cheque.

In his defence the accused argued the cheque was made out to his company and due to this fact he had a colour of right to the property. The lower court agreed with the defence. In that hearing the court ruled The Bay "intended to pay these very funds beneficially to (the accused's company)..." when the accused got the funds it was his property not the Bay's.

This defence did not fly with the Supreme Court of Canada however. In a unanimous decision the court ruled that Milne (the accused) was aware the second cheque had been issued to his company by mistake, and knew he had been paid with a prior cheque."

The court continued by adding the accused "wrote cheques to himself on the company's account that reduced the balance to almost nil. This amounted to converting that money to his own use with intent to deprive the Hudson's Bay Company of its property."

The Supreme Court ruling continued by saying in this the accused "can only be convicted of theft if he fraudulently and without colour of right converted the money to his use with the intent to deprive the Hudson's Bay Company of its property or 'special interest' in it.

"It is the doctrine of conversion," the court said, "which covers a case such as this one where the initial possession of the thing in question was gained without a taking."

Gratification Not A Requirement For Sex Assault Conviction

Regina Vs. V.(K.B.)

The Ontario Court of Appeal recently ruled that an assault can be a sexual assault even if there was no sexual gratification intended or realized.

In this case the accused admitted he had grabbed his three-year-old son's genitals. He claimed the child was in the habit of doing the same kind of thing to both he and his wife. He advised the court it was done to show the child how much it hurt. The child had received severe injury to his penis, testicles and groin area.

In his defence the accused stated the injury had resulted from normal father child play and no sexual gratification resulted nor was planned by the accused.

The Criminal Code does not define sexual assault and the Appeal Court looked at the Supreme Court of Canada's list of relevant factors in the case of Regina Vs. Chase. In that ruling it was determined courts should consider the following;

- ❖The body part which was touched;
- ❖The nature of the contact;
- ❖Any accompanying words or gestures, including any threats, and
- ❖The intent or purpose of the accused, including the presence or absence of elements of sexual gratification.

In this case the majority of the court ruled "A sexual assault does not require sexuality and, indeed, may not even involve sexuality. It is an act of power,

aggression and control. In general, sexual gratification, if present, is at best a footnote."

The court concluded the accused's purpose was not sexual but Mr. Justice Osborne concluded the act was a "misguided and primitive disciplinary exercise," and "an aggressive act of domination which violated the sexual integrity of his son. It was no less a sexual assault than if he had done the same to a three-year-old daughter," he added.

The decision showed the court was concerned more about the effect of the application of this type of force on the victim rather than the mindset of the perpetrator.

Women Injured By Police Car Win Over \$20,000 Damages

Williamson Vs. Sokolowski

Two Smithers, B.C., women injured by a police car which was responding to an emergency call have won a civil action against the RCMP. The award included \$19,500 in damages plus costs of the civil action and interest accumulated since 1989.

In this case police received a call a man was threatening people with a bull whip. The officers responded to the call along with another car which was closer to the incident. While enroute the officers heard the second car was on scene. They killed their siren but left on their emergency lights to monitor the radio call. The cruiser continued on, however, at an established speed around 120 km/h in an 80 km/h zone. The police car then came into collision with the wom-

en's car which was stopped awaiting a left turn.

The RCMP attempted to defend itself by citing section 118 of the B.C. Motor Vehicles Act which permits police to ignore traffic laws in cases of emergency and also permits them to turn off their sirens where use would hamper the police in the performance of their duties.

The court pointed out that under subsection 3 of the same section it clearly states the police must "drive with due regard for safety having regard to all the circumstances of the case."

In this matter the court heard the women's car could have been visible to the officers 150 yards back from the scene of the collision but the car did not respond until only 70 yards back.

Mr. Justice Duncan W. Shaw stated in his judgment, "The inference I must

draw is that the (officer) failed to see that which it was her duty to see, and because of that, she failed to slow down the police vehicle in keeping with the dictates of safety."

The Justice continued by adding "the urgency of the duty the officers were performing" versus "the danger of approaching the intersection at a speed 30 to 40 km/h over the 80 km/h speed limit toward a vehicle signaling a left turn and failing to see the vehicle which was there to be seen in sufficient time to reduce speed safely."

In conclusion the court ruled that in a situation where someone is swinging a bullwhip and one officer was already on the scene, "did not justify what occurred here."

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Dynamic Arrest Techniques

Police Constables Garry Coles and Mike Dunn of the Halton Regional Police Service have made great strides in training and assisting many police agencies in establishing an effective bicycle patrol program. A big part of any course such as this is a demonstration of apprehending fleeing criminals.

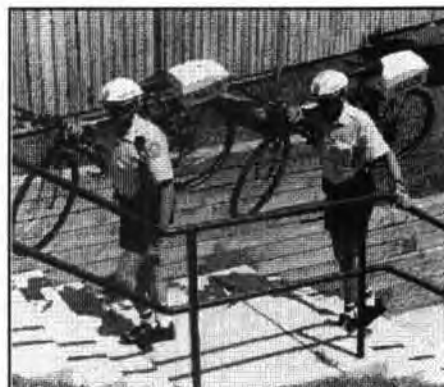


The dynamic arrest is one of the hardest things to teach. We have found that grabbing the person and applying the rear brake will usually end an escape. The person's feet leave the ground causing the person to fall. If you practice dropping your bike quickly, this will aid you in the arrest.



Obstacle Riding

P/C Dunn illustrates a stair decent. His head is up and all of his weight is back. We strongly suggest you start off at the angle illustrated in the photo, then progress to steeper declines. Once this is mastered, the rider needs to leave the bike less frequently.



Obstacle Assent

The officers utilize the shoulder carriers to climb stairs. The right hand is placed over the top of the handlebar to increase stability. We practice running while carrying the bike in this manner.

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Mechanisms of failure

Responding To Needs... Taking Risks

By Neil V. Thompson

The mind is incredibly powerful and it is very difficult for anyone not having done counseling to realize what it is capable of. For example, the "burning bed syndrome" as it is called is very common and yet is incredibly difficult to prove in court. The basic scenario involves a woman in an abusive relationship. She spends years with a man who beats and terrorizes her. She can't leave him. Why? Because she loves him, because she is afraid of being alone, because she has no money or job, or because she is afraid he will hunt her down and kill her. So one night, she takes his gun and kills him while he sleeps. There are logical explanations for why this happens.

It is a legitimate defense and yet there are dozens of women languishing in American jails, some as old as 69 years, doing 15 years or more for killing their violent, aggressive husbands. Did they have a choice? No, they did not. They come to sincerely believe that if they didn't kill him, he would kill them, and they're probably right. There are certainly enough cases which show this to be true. Yet these same women were

not allowed to enter evidence of their husband's brutality at their own murder trials. These were women with no criminal record. Housewives, mothers, in some cases grandmothers. There are two homicide trials underway in the Lower B.C. mainland where the husband/boyfriend was arrested and given conditions to stay away from his female partner, but they went out and killed them anyway.

I know it may be difficult to believe, but people are often driven by their unconscious beliefs and their inability to communicate their fears and feelings to others for fear of being laughed at or left alone. In my twenty one years with the Vancouver Police Department I have seen one of my brother officers murdered in the line of duty. Just off the top of my head I can think of a half dozen who have chosen to end their own lives. I can think of another half dozen whose careers ended under a cloud and several more who have succumbed to various temptations and face or have faced criminal charges and prison sentences.

I fully believe that each of them felt powerless to deal with their respective

situations. They responded to a need, they took risks and they lost. When police officers get off track, become involved with alcohol, drugs, prostitutes or excessive force, they have made a wrong choice. However, I believe many of them, in fact most of them exhibit behaviour and actions well in advance of the final major break that ends their careers or lives. I believe from past experience that this gradual deterioration in an individual is known to many people, but nobody seems to know what to do. And then it is too late.

I believe it is time for management and union to put aside our traditional adversarial role and work for the individual. It is time to realize the police family should be supporting the individual, not the other way around. I think it is time that members are able to go to representatives of both sides when they have genuine concerns about a member's health or emotional welfare. It's time we looked at an individual's problems with a view to doing the best we can for him/her, rather than with a view to disciplinary action. I would like to see the day when management and union would work together on crisis intervention teams, with the interests of the member foremost. Then at least if we lose him/her, we will be able to say we tried. The 'Mechanisms of Failure' need not be triumphant.

Letters To The Editor

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After reading your excellent April issue regarding speeding, I thought you should be informed of a joint operation conducted in the Sudbury area this past winter.

Sudbury Regional Police and the Ontario Provincial Police along with the Sudbury Trail Plan, Trail Wardens, participated in snowmobile spot checks on five weekends during the past season.

As you may be unaware, Sudbury has over 22,000 snowmobiles registered, along with over 2,000 km of groomed trails. Some lodge owners report business was up over 300% this year. Unfortunately

we had some enforcement problems, prior to the joint operation. Nine snowmobile fatalities occurred this season. Eight of the nine were caused by alcohol and excessive speed.

Sudbury Regional Trauma Centre conducted a five year study on snowmobile injury accidents and deaths and the month of February was found to be the month which contained the most accidents.

The joint operation begun in February to try to change this picture and the Trauma Centre reported a vastly reduced number of injuries and no deaths.

I would like to take this moment and thank; Police Chief Richard Zanibbi, Dep. Chief Dennis O'Neill, Sgt. Moe Guillet of the Sudbury Regional Police and Supt. Joe Crozier, Insp. Wayne Nethery and Sgt. Lynn Beech of the Ontario Provin-

cial Police, for their commitment to public safety, and organizing a successful joint program.

I would also like to thank the dedicated officers who participated in the program, for their professionalism and concern for public safety. Sudbury, like any place else, has no room for irresponsible snowmobilers. The program will continue for the entire 92/93 snowmobile season.

Here are some of the impressive statistics; 11 Impaired Driving, 1 Careless Driving, 91 other charges, 27 suspensions and 390 warnings issued after 4,220 snowmobiles checked.

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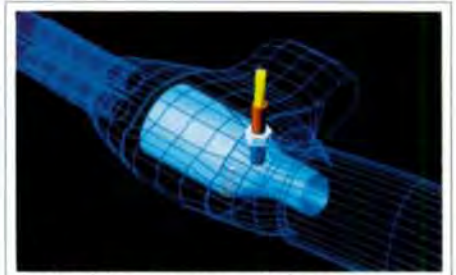
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