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## 18 year old male charged with Arson

On November 4th at approximately 5:50 am, members from the Nottawasaga OPP and the Essa Township Fire Department were called to 3rd Street in Angus in regards to a fire of a shed fully engulfed in flames.

The involved shed and its' contents were completely destroyed and the fire caused damage to two residence within the immediate area. The immediate and surrounding

dwellings were evacuated as a safety precaution while the fire was being extinguished.

On November 5th, members of the Nottawasaga OPP arrested and charged 18 year old Donovan Winch with Arson. The accused was released from custody and scheduled to appear in court on December 14th to answer to the charge.

## Boater harasses swans on Lake Simcoe

*The following crime was witnessed by an Innisfil resident.*

On this day at the end of the 2nd line of Innisfil, there were 6 beautiful Trumpeter Swans enjoying the quiet peaceful lake. A couple of Innisfil residents were enjoying the swans and before they knew it, a speed boat was coming down the lake towards them. Thinking nothing of it until it did a run past on the other side of the swans. Again only closer, then causing 5 of the swans to take flight including 2 cygnets (young swans).

What happened next was just not even imaginable. The boat at full throttle got closer and closer to this one swan who was calling out for the others. The boat then started running circles around the swan, over & over again. At one point the swan reared up in distress. This totally

unacceptable behaviour went on for about 10 min. Under the Migratory Bird Act, it states that no one shall injure or harass or harm in any way, any migratory bird. A very small part of this act. People need to be educated in this area and know that if you witness wrong doing against wildlife that you have a voice. Use it please. These birds can not speak out and depend on our speaking out for them. Or any wildlife for that matter. This boat did not even slow down at all. These 2 men should of respected these magnificent swans and stayed away. There are a lot of swans moving through the area right now, lets keep them safe. And boaters, please, respect swans & loons and all other waterfowl. Lets not forget, this water is their home.! We are the visitors. As for this incident, it is under investigation as we speak. Lets put an end to this kind of abuse to wild birds.!

husband was arrested and taken to the police station where he was later released on charges of assault with a weapon and mischief.

The accused, a 33 year old Bradford man, was released on a promise to appear and an undertaking entered into before an officer in charge.

### Break and Enter

On November 6, between 9:00p.m. and 10:30p.m. person(s) unknown forced open residential trailers on a farm property on Concession Rd 13 in the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury. A variety of property was taken including DVD players, DVD's, cameras and clothing.

The investigation is continuing.

### Recovered Stolen Vehicle

On November 6, at approximately 8:00p.m. South Simcoe Police located an abandoned white Plymouth Voyager van that was parked at the commuter parking lot at County Rd 88 and Highway 400 in the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury. The ignition was punched out and the vehicle had been reported stolen earlier to the Toronto Police Service. The investigation is continuing.

### Stolen Vehicle

South Simcoe Police are investigating the theft of a

blue Dodge Shadow bearing Ontario Licence plates AHTA 991 from the commuter parking lot at County Rd 88 and Highway 400 in the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury.

The theft occurred sometime between 12:00p.m. and 6:50p.m. on November 6, 2006. It is believed that the vehicle was driven to the Toronto area. The investigation is continuing.

### Sexual Assault

South Simcoe Police have charged a 59 year old Bradford male with sexual assault after receiving information on November 6, that a male who is known to the victim was to drive the female to her residence but instead of driving the victim home, the accused drove the victim to a parking lot where he began kissing her. When the victim resisted the male's advances, the male grabbed the victim's arm, ripping open her shirt and biting her on the neck. The victim screamed and she was able to get out of the vehicle and leave the area. Police located the accused later in the day.

The accused has also been charged with possession of a controlled substance.

The accused was released on a Promise to Appear and Undertaking with strict Conditions.

## Crime of the Week - Quick change artist

Crime Stoppers of Simcoe-Dufferin-Muskoka and the South Simcoe Police Service are requesting the assistance of the public in helping to solve a quick scam fraud.

On October 16th, an unknown male entered a Bradford Hardware Store. He made a small purchase and then began to make change for several large bills he had in his possession.

Through an intricate series of distractions and changes the male perform what is known as the "quick change" fraud. The male asked the cashier to make change for the large bills such as \$50 and \$100 bills for small bills, then continued to confuse the cashier by "helping" her count out the correct amounts and shifting her attention by doing several cash exchanges at once. T

here appears to be a female involved who distracted the other cashier from noticing what the male was doing.

There is no suspect information available other than a still photo provided by police.

Consider that you may hold the key to solving this crime. You can be part of the solution to keep your community safe.

If you have any information regarding the possible identity of the person(s) responsible for this or any other crime and wish to remain anonymous, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). Crime Stoppers does not subscribe to call display. Being anonymous, you will not testify in court.

Your information may lead to a cash reward of up to \$2,000. Crime Stoppers is here for your benefit. "Make a choice – have a voice!"

### Fail to Remain MVC

The South Simcoe Police are asking the public's assistance on solving a Fail to Remain MVC that took place in Bradford on Monday, November 13th, 2006 at approx. 8:20 p.m. on Simcoe Road. The victims vehicle was parked facing south on the west side of Simcoe Rd. when the suspect vehicle tried to pass a vehicle in front of it going south.

The suspect vehicle was passing on the inside lane when it struck the parked vehicle causing damage to the rear.

The suspect vehicle will have damage to the front end headlight area as glass was left at the scene.

The suspect vehicle is described as a dark colour pick-up truck (low riding) with a possible partial marker of 590-A.

It may be a Chevrolet product. If you have any information on this occurrence you are asked to call the South Simcoe Police Service or your local Crime Stoppers.

### Stolen Motor Vehicle

Sometime between 3:00p.m. on Monday, November 13th and 4:00a.m. on Tuesday, November 14th the owner of a motor vehicle parked his car at the 400 commuter parking lot at 400 and 8th concession of Innisfil. The owner advised that he went to work and when he returned he observed that his 2000 Cavalier motor vehicle, Grey in colour, licence plate# AFRF-729 was missing. He attended to the South Simcoe Police Service to report it stolen.

The owner advised police that the vehicle was locked and there were no keys in the it. South Simcoe Police are asking the public's help to locate this vehicle.

If you have any information on this occurrence you are asked to call the South Simcoe Police Service or your local Crime Stoppers.

## South Simcoe Police

### Possession under \$5000.00.

On the 4th of November, the South Simcoe Police Service took a theft report at a Cookstown address. Officers received information that a person known to the victim withdrew \$400.00 from their bank account. The investigating officer was unable to locate the accused and filed an arrest warrant for the 25 year old Cookstown man. On the 9th of November 2006, at approximately 1:20 AM the accused attended a Cookstown location on the premise that he was going to sell Crack Cocaine to a customer. Officers arrested the accused and transported him to the south division where he was charged with possession of stolen property under five thousand dollars and held in custody pending a show cause hearing.

### Arrest warrant executed for criminal harassment.

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The officers investigated the second male, a 22 year old Burlington man, and it was learned that a warrant for criminal harassment was on file with Halton Region Police Service.

### Domestic assault and mischief

On Thursday November 10th, at approximately 7:30 PM the South Simcoe Police Service received a 911 call from a Bradford residence regarding a domestic dispute. Officer arrived on scene and investigate the occurrence to learn that a husband struck his wife with a plate. The