



Halifax District RCMP Community Newsletter

Police Week 2011

Police Week, a joint venture of Halifax Regional Police and Halifax District RCMP, will take place at the Dartmouth Sportsplex on May 5, 6 and 7 with displays, demonstrations, a bike rodeo and dozens of police officers available to answer questions from the public. This event is a kickoff to National Police Week, which takes place the following week.

For RCMP Staff Sergeant Mike Taylor, one of the organizers of the event this year, Police Week is more than a display of hardware and programs.

It's a chance to demystify police work and give people a chance to see how police work with the communities they serve to make their neighbourhoods safer.

"This is an excellent opportunity for police and other law enforcement

agencies to present what we do to the public," Taylor said. "At the same time, it's a great chance for the public to find out more about police programs and services available to them."

Police Week activities will involve busing children to the Sportsplex from schools around HRM to participate in the displays and demonstrations. Admission is open to everyone and is free.

The opening ceremonies on Thursday, May 5 will feature a dynamic demonstration by the Emergency Response Team, an Explosives Disposal Unit demo and a look at how police service dogs work with their handlers.

The free bike rodeo on Saturday, May 7 will include valuable safety information for children who are just learning to ride or will serve as a timely refresher for everyone else.

Taylor said Police Week is always a hit with youngsters who often clamour for a chance to participate in some of the interactive displays offered by Halifax District RCMP and HRP.

"Kids also tend to ask the best questions," Taylor said.

Taylor said the three-day event will help answer many of the questions people have about police work and dispel some of the myths.

Police Week 2011 will take place at the Dartmouth Sportsplex on the following days: May 5 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m.; May 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m.; and May 7 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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