

# Halton Police community survey results



Ninety-six per cent of respondents to the Halton police community survey felt Halton police are honest and fair, polite, approachable, well trained, respect-

ful of human rights and representative of the community they serve.

A report summarizing the results of the community survey was released last week. The survey was aimed at gauging the opinions of Halton residents on policing matters. Survey recipients were asked questions relative to their experience with the Service, perceptions of crime in the community, feelings of

safety and police priorities. The questions asked were intended to provide comparative results for similar surveys conducted, most recently in 2009.

A survey package was mailed out to 2,205 random households and returned surveys were completely anonymous. Survey results were obtained from 503 responses (22.8 per cent response rate).

Highlights included:  
 • 64 per cent of respondents had some form of contact with the HRPS over the last five years.

• Respondents perceived the top five concerns in their community as: aggressive/careless driving, vandalism, residential break-ins, thefts from cars and drugs in schools.

• 98 per cent of respondents expressed feeling safe within their homes during daylight hours, and 96 per cent felt safe within their homes after dark.

• During daylight hours, 97 per cent of respondents felt safe in public parks, but that number dropped to 67 per cent after dark.

• 36 per cent of respondents were most fearful of having someone break in to their homes while away, and 24 per cent were fearful it would happen while they were home.

• 37 per cent of respondents were afraid of being a victim of a drunk driving accident.

• 51 per cent of respondents felt police should spend more time controlling illegal drug use and 43 per cent felt police should spend more time enforcing traffic laws.

• Preferred methods of contacting police were via telephone (57 per cent) email (38 per cent) and the HRPS website (26 per cent).

Ninety-three percent of respondents were very satisfied or reasonably satisfied with the work of the Service, and many

people complimented officers' professionalism and compassion. However, others expressed a desire for officers to slow down when responding to calls, and be more mindful of their driving habits overall.

"We really value receiving feedback from the public on policing issues that matter most to them. It helps us understand how the public perceives our Service, and policing and public safety issues in general, so that we can tailor our priorities to better align with theirs," said Halton Police Chief Steve Tanner, "I am extremely proud of the work done on a daily basis, 24/7 by all of our uniform and civilian members. The satisfaction ratings within this most recent survey clearly illustrate the extremely high level at which our front-line staff perform and are a credit to our police service and to the policing profession. It is an honour to have the results

of this current survey that clearly illustrate our close and very successful partnership with our community."

Overall, the 2012 survey results were consistent with the most recent 2009 survey and will be considered in the business planning process, assigning priorities, developing or fine-tuning existing community programs, crime prevention and education activities and enforcement.

Data collected through the survey will assist the Service and the public in developing strategies to address various problems and issues, and as an input to the Corporate Business Planning process.

For a copy of the community survey summary report, please visit our website at [www.halton-police.ca](http://www.halton-police.ca)

You can also connect with the Halton Regional Police Service on Twitter @HaltonPolice or with Chief Tanner at @Chief-Tanner

## Knox Presbyterian Church

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Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

In a world of change, come and worship  
 the unchanging God.

- April 7 - "Faith and Works"
- April 13 - BAKE SALE & LUNCH - All welcome
- April 14 - "Taming the Tongue"
- April 21 - "Wisdom's Fruit"
- April 27 - "ELVIS" Steve (Kabakos) Michaels 7:30 p.m.
- April 28 - Mission Awareness Sunday -  
 Speaker Rev. Rodger Hunter

ALL WELCOME to Bible Study every Tuesday at 7 p.m.



# NOTICE

INFO: 888-853-0053

## LOCATION CHANGE FOR VIDEO DANCES

# NOW AT ACTON LEGION

We are excited to announce our new location for the Video Dances in Acton. Here's why: Easier drop off and pick up for parents, more space to party, air conditioning to keep it cool.

STARTING THIS FRIDAY APRIL 5

for more information: [www.videodanceparty.ca](http://www.videodanceparty.ca)

## MOVIES IN THE PARK 2013

### SAVE THE DATES

Acton We've booked the season!  
**June 15, July 13, August 17, August 31**  
 more dates/information: [www.partycinemas.com](http://www.partycinemas.com)



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# Learn Or Improve Your Golf

Jane Cullen - Rockwood, Ontario

"I have been playing golf for the last 23 years, I love it! Last year, 2012, I was going to quit, my game had completely fallen apart. I had too much money and time invested in this pass-time and decided to take lessons. I was fortunate enough to find Gordon. My goal was to break 100, not come close but to actually do it. Not only did I break 100, more than once, but came very close to breaking 90, and beating my husband! I would recommend Gordon to anyone, he is knowledgeable, very patient, understands and works with the abilities of the person he is working with. Can't wait until Spring!"

Dr. E.J. Wachts - Guelph, Ontario

"Simply, Gordon improved my golf more than any other instructor I've ever had!"

FILLED EARLY LAST YEAR

### Short Game School \$150.00

- Three hours of learning how to score.
- Putting styles and drills.
- Chipping, how to attack the situation.
- Pitch shots from 75 yards in.
- Bunker shots.
- Good for all skill levels.
- Your game booklet.
- Notebook, pens and bottled water supplied.
- Student to instructor ratio: minimum 4 to maximum 6.
- Popular, filled early last year.
- Payment upon registration.



WAITING LIST LAST YEAR

### Ladies Clinics \$99.00

- Golf in No Time
- Last year very popular clinic more times were created with a waiting list
- One hour classes, once a week for five weeks
- Very relaxed atmosphere, bring a friend
- Clinics cover both long and short game
- Always open for discussion on rules and etiquette
- Literature given out
- Good for any Ladies, beginners to experienced golfers
- Payment upon registration



#### SPRING START DATES

DATE	TIME
Sat. April 27	10:00am - 11:00am
Mon. April 29	10:00am - 11:00am
Mon. April 25	5:00pm - 6:00pm
Mon. April 26	6:00pm - 7:00pm
Mon. April 28	7:00pm - 8:00pm
Tues. April 30	6:00pm - 7:00pm
Tues. April 30	7:00pm - 8:00pm
Thurs. May 2	6:00pm - 7:00pm
Thurs. May 2	7:00pm - 8:00pm
Sat. June 1	10:00am - 11:00am
Mon. June 3	10:00am - 11:00am
Mon. June 3	6:00pm - 7:00pm
Mon. June 3	7:00pm - 8:00pm
Tues. June 4	6:00pm - 7:00pm
Tues. June 4	7:00pm - 8:00pm

### "Little Tiger" Juniors \$75.00

- Age 4 to 7 years old.
- Four week program - one hour each week.
- Fun and short game instruction
- Instruction on etiquette and safety.
- Juniors require own clubs - "It would help"
- Payment upon registration



DATE STARTING	TIME
Sat. May 11	11:30am - 12:30pm
Sat. June 8	11:30am - 12:30pm
Sat. July 6	11:30am - 12:30pm

### Junior Golf Camps

- Every week July & August
- 5 Day Sessions \$190\*\*
- 4 Day Sessions \$155\*\*
- Payment upon registration



**Gordon Crossman**  
 Director of Instruction C.P.G.A. (P.G.A. of Canada)

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