

OPP posts statistics for Christmas Ride Program: 587 impaired drivers charged

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The Ontario Provincial Police have published the results of their Festive Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere RIDE cam-

paigned that ran between November 24, 2017 and January 2, 2018

587 impaired drivers were charged during that time. An additional 366 drivers were issued "warn

range suspensions" and had their licences temporarily suspended for having blood/alcohol levels between 0.05 and 0.08.

These numbers are slightly down from the 2016-17

RIDE campaign last year. During that time, 623 impaired drivers were charged and 366 drivers had their licences suspended.

The OPP stepped up their RIDE enforcement efforts by conducting 9,830 RIDE events, compared to 7,343 events the previous year.

During 2017, 44 lives were lost in alcohol/drug-related collisions on OPP patrolled roads.

Of the 587 drivers charged with impairment this year during the RIDE campaign, 29 of them were charged with drug-impairment. The OPP maintains

a heightened awareness of impaired driving laws around the clock. In 2017, officers charged 4,915 drivers with alcohol-impairment and 238 with drug-impairment charges. During that time, they also issued 2,995 "warn range suspensions."

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Dear Editor:

I would like to express my sincerest congratulations to The Tanner as it celebrates its 20th anniversary of covering every day news and events that mean a lot to Acton and area residents. The Tanner is another reason why Halton Hills is small town living at its best!

Having a small town newspaper in today's age has many challenges. Many small towns no longer have a local newspaper. Many have merged with larger newspapers while others have simply closed. The Tanner has provided an avenue for local businesses, community organizations and others to advertise at very reasonable rates.

Journalistic excellence and the unfailing dedication to the interests of the Acton community have been consistent factors in each issue of The Tanner for the past two decades.

May The Tanner continue its operation in the Acton community for years to come. Congratulations and best wishes to the Tyler family and the staff at The Tanner.

Sincerely,

Mayor Rick Bonnette
Town of Halton Hills



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