# Nipigon OPP play big part in bus episode

by Sandy Harbinson

Nipigon OPP officers could scarcely believe their ears early last Wednesday morning, when a request came through for them to help stop a stolen (Greyhoundtype) bus. The bus belonging to Happy Time Tours had been stolen from the Grey Goose Buslines terminal around 2.45am., and was chased by police for almost 300 km. before it smashed into a rock cut, and

in flames near exploded Marathon.

Thunder Bay Police chased the bus for the first 100 km., then the OPP Nipigon Detachment took up the hunt and were still on the tail of the speeding vehicle when officers of the Marathon detachment shot the rear tires out just 40 km. west of their town.

As officers followed the big bus at a safe distance, others tried to halt it with roadside blocks, but

the driver paid no attention and kept on going at times reaching speeds in excess of 140 km/hr. The police had already taken steps in advance to keep other traffic off the road, but one vehicle that was already on the highway at the time found himself in the ditch after the bus tried to sideswipe him.

As daylight approached, police feared possible disaster if the bus were to mingle with the early

morning traffic, and that is when the decision to shoot at the vehicle's tires and radiator was taken.

Twenty year old Kelly Hardy from Thunder Bay was arrested as he fled the burning bus, and taken to Wilson Memorial Hospital in Marathon, where he was treated for minor injuries and released into police custody. He was charged with a number of offences including: Escaping lawful custody, Theft over \$1,000, Dangerous driving, Hit and run

and Failure to stop for police.

The bus, worth almost \$150,000, was burnt out and completely destroyed.

A Nipigon OPP spokesperson said it was a miracle that no one was killed or seriously injured as a result of the incident, but that

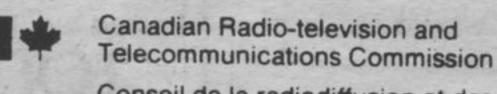
the police tactics of playing it cool and not trying to "chase" the speeding bus contributed a lot to the successful conclusion of the whole affair.



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