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Briefly

Two charged

Terrace Bay- Two Terrace Bay men have been charged with assault and are to appear in court in Schreiber on Feb. 24.

Darren Rolland, acting detachment commander of the Schreiber OPP, told the *News* police received a gun call on Jan. 27 at about 6:10 p.m. Police were told that two male subjects were outside the home of Jackfish Lake resident Donald Simister and threatening to shoot him.

According to the Schreiber OPP, the story began when the two men went to Jackfish Lake and entered the home of Thomas Burton, 28, and his wife Brenda, 30. The two men committed aggravated assault on Thomas Burton and assault with a weapon (a knife) on Brenda Burton.

Thomas Burton then fled the scene, chased by the two men, to the next residence belonging to Donald Simister. Burton then ran into the Simister home as Simister stood outside the home and stopped the two men before they could enter.

The two accused then fled the scene and returned to Terrace Bay and entered a residence there where they were located by Terrace Bay police. The home was kept under investigation by police while arrest warrants were being obtained.

The two were then arrested without incidence and remanded into custody later in Thunder Bay. The two have since been released on their own recognizance.

One man was charged with break and enter and assault with a weapon, and the other with break and enter and assault.

You must report accidents

The Terrace Bay Police Department also wishes to inform the public that under the Motorized Snow Vehicles Act it is required that all accidents over \$700, or when an injury is sustained, must be reported to the force. The department will charge persons who have not reported accidents of this nature.

Resident lashes out at council on A&W issue

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Info centre would help police

Ken Lusk **TERRACE BAY**
The News Police Chief Donald Kidder addressed council on Feb. 9th and expressed his desire to get CPIC for the police department (Canadian Police Information Centre).

CPIC will give written answers; factual rundowns of individuals, vehicle registrations, etc.

CPIC gives police departments all pertinent information on police matters as well as anything relating to any emergency situations.

Kidder thinks the township and the police department should grab this chance to get CPIC- the only cost factor would be one employee, Kidder told council.

Kidder said that without CPIC, police are not aware of necessary information on a person, which can lead to police officers being in dangerous situations.

Kidder assured council that if an additional employee was hired, that person "will be busy".

All that's needed from council is a show of interest, not a definite yes or no, said Kidder.

"We have to look at it," said Reeve Ramsay.

Councillor Jim Ziegler said, "I'm in favour. I can see the benefit to the officers involved; for their safety and public safety. (We should) say we're very interested."

Ziegler added that council should get more information on CPIC, such as costs, then sit down and decide whether to get it.

Councillor Chris Joubert though was not as gung ho as Ziegler.

"We have to look at (our) budgets. To me, we have to seriously look (at this)- get our priorities straight. I'm not prepared to make a decision tonight."

"If we don't have to (get CPIC), we would have a hard time justifying it. (We) need a little more time to analyze it, digest it; we're not saying no," said Reeve Ramsay.

Dangerous situations

Kidder told the *News* later that CPIC gives the police department information instantaneously-immediate protection Kidder calls it.

The present system works like this: the department has to ask for their information checks from other locations.

The information is phoned back later verbally. This method of transferring has caused confusion, said Kidder.

Kidder told the *News* about several situations when individuals were stopped by his department and police proceeded to run checks on them.

In the time that Kidder has been chief (Sept. 12, 1987), there have been at least 12 incidents when faulty information was given to his office placing the community and officers at risk, he said.

In one instance, information coming back to his office was negative, meaning the subjects were not dangerous.

It was later found out that several subjects were in fact dangerous.

In another instance, one man was on parole for manslaughter

and another was a drug trafficker.

At the time information was received, the force was told the men were not dangerous.

In another case, the returning information was in French and the officer did not have the time

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New Year's baby

David and Robyn LeBlanc and new year's baby Aaron

Councils give gifts to New Year's baby and family

Both the Schreiber and Terrace Bay councils presented the New Year's baby, Aaron Raymond LeBlanc, with many fine gifts recently.

Aaron Raymond, born to Robyn and David LeBlanc, was

born on January 4, 1988, at the McCausland Hospital. He weighed eight pounds, 12-and-a-half ounces.

The Township of Schreiber and many local businesses

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Bay manager questions council

Schreiber- The Hudson Bay Manager in Schreiber, Don Robb, approached Schreiber council on Feb. 9th concerning a problem that has been bothering him for some time- parking in the downtown core.

Robb stated in a letter read by council that there is an escalating problem with the lack of parking space downtown. He told council that by the time customers get downtown, all the parking spaces are taken by downtown business personnel and apartment dwellers.

Schreiber Reeve Mike Cosgrove told Robb the township's lawyer knows about the problem. It is being dealt with in the bylaw zoning update by the town planner, he said. (The township met with the planner on Feb. 15).

"Since I sent you the letter," Robb said, "the problem is worse since the credit union has

moved."

"Don, we do realize the problem," said Cosgrove. "We're talking with our planner to try to resolve it."

"I agree," said Councillor Tom Quinton. "The biggest culprits are the business people themselves."

Robb went on to say how cars could get a \$2 parking ticket, but can then park in that spot for 24 hours for \$2.

"Don't bank on that," said Counc. Gerry Godin and Bylaw Officer Keith Scott.

Robb said if the town can get the employee vehicles off the road, there would be room for the customers. "I have a lot behind the store. People don't want to use it. They don't want to walk the block or block-and-a-half. They want to park right in front of the doors." Robb added that by early morning, all the parking spots are taken up, and not by customers.

"We'll be looking at your concerns Don," said Cosgrove.

"The whole thing with the downtown markings and position

of (parking) meters has to be revised," Counc. Tom Quinton told Robb. "The whole gamut has to be looked at."

Terrace Bay council vote an affirmative for the A&W

Terrace Bay council held a special meeting in chambers on Monday, February 15, and voted yes for the A&W to begin operation in the recreation centre.

Clerk Treasurer Dave Fulton told the *News* that the A & W was approved by a 3 - 2 recorded vote. Councillors Ramsay,

Ziegler and Houston voted yes, and councillors Jaubert & King were opposed.

An exact date for the start of renovations is not confirmed, but the present lease expires on March 31.

More details next week.