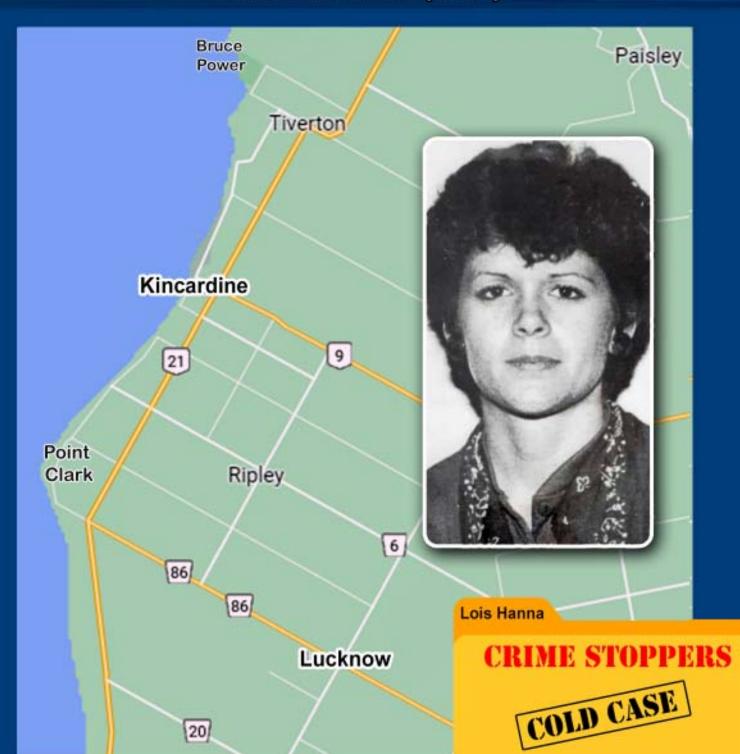
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LETTERS

I read with interest your recent edition of *Tip-ster Magazine*. I really liked your commentary because you promoted the act of contacting Crime Stop-

pers with tips while embedding this act into the larger issue of community safety. The reader can understand that there are a number of things that contribute to community safety and reporting tips to Crime Stoppers is an important way.

I also wanted to comment on the overall edition. I really liked the entire edition....I think it is really well done and I feel that I can see your fingerprints all over this....I liked Cal Miller's article.

I really believe in the value of Crime Stoppers and a Crime Stoppers Tip. I know some police officers want people with information to come forward and be witnesses but that is not going to work for some. As a former divisional detective and homicide detective having someone call in a Crime Stoppers tip can not only lead to solving one crime but it can lead to a cascade of good outcomes for example, solving a series of property and/or violent crimes where the offender(s) is a repeat offender or a few repeat offenders when multiple individuals are involved.

When crimes are solved, it is possible for victims and their families to find justice and when offenders who are repeat offenders are identified sooner

than later, it is tertiary Crime Prevention and reduces criminal victimization. I always used the expression "reducing victimization" because it gets people thinking about people (victims) being hurt.

Good Job Morley! and congratulations on the work you are doing with Crime Stoppers.

Mike Boyd Former Chief of Police Toronto and Edmonton Police

I read the entire magazine and found it most informative. I especially enjoyed the article on how Crime Stoppers began. Actually there wasn't an article that didn't resonate with what we've experienced.

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Kudos!

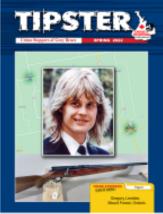
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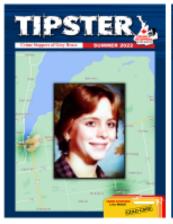














A publication that goes hunting

by Morley Lymburner UE, MSM

I am a volunteer editor with *Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce* with a primary focus of producing their new quarterly publication, TIPSTER Magazine. This copy is our fourth edition of the magazine which is delivered by email and posted on the *Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce* web site and Facebook Pages.

This publication is intended to become proactive in getting the news out about crimes in your community. It is understood that only significant and major crimes are of interest to newpapers, radio and television news sources. This leaves a significant amount of crimes where leads for the police become scant to non-existant. These crimes, although not appearing to be significant, are none-the-less major for the victims. In some cases they feel vulnerable and traumatized. The lack of leads to the police can be a further aggravating factor.

For a simpler analogy, *Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce* has decided rather than await the fish to take the bait we will use this publication as the sonar that hunts down the fish and notifies the fisherman where to find them.

I would invite anyone with a relevant story or message they would like to share about community Safety to submit it to me for consideration for publishing in the next and subsequent editions of the magazine.

Anyone wishing to become a free subscriber for this publication are asked to submit their email information to Crime Stoppers Program Coordinator *Drew Kalte at crimestopgb@bmts.com*.

We are looking for volunteers

- Anyone wishing to assist with the future development of the publication or its content are welcome to contact myself directly.
- Anyone interested in honing their writing, graphic design or even sales abilities are also invited to contact me.
- Any educators who would like to use this vehicle for training students are likewise invited to contact me directly.
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Two Drops of Blood

Lois Marie Hanna went missing from her Kincardine home in 1988 and never seen again. Two drops of blood on a door frame could lead to a suspect... with a Crime Stoppers Tip

by Morley Lymburner

Lois Marie Hanna would have turned 60 next February 3rd, but her birthday will go uncelebrated by the family who adored her. She vanished from her Kincardine home on July 4, 1988, and no trace of the then 25 year-old has ever been found.

The Hanna family knows Lois would have wanted them to move on with their lives, but the reality is that it is impossible for them to completely do so as long as she is missing.

"We're realistic people;" Jim Hanna said to the *Owen Sound Sun Times* in a story that ran in 2007. "The chance of Lois bouncing back into our lives alive, well and happy and healthy is probably pretty thin. But there's no closure, and that's the thing."

Background

Lois Marie Hanna was born on Feb. 3, 1963, in Wingham. She was the youngest of five children of Ernest and Olive Hanna and was raised with her brothers, John, Jim, Lloyd and Dave, on the family farm near Holyrood, in the former Kinloss Township. On her next birthday she will turn 60 years old.

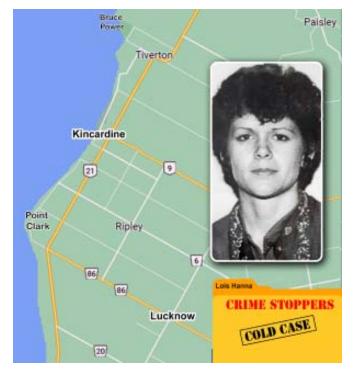
Struggling with the terminology of "will turn 60" as opposed to "would have turned 60" you can understand the anguish of her family. The difference between the words "will be" and "would be" echoes through all the years she has been missing.

Jim and Dave still live nearby and both remain fiercely loyal to their family and to their sister's memory.

"Spoiled, but not spoiled rotten," Jim said of his sister in the 2007 story. "Lois was a wonderful person... very approachable, bubbly, full of life, not judgmental, not threatening to anybody."

Lois was raised to be self-sufficient and sensible. She loved clothes and studied fashion at Fanshawe College in London. She entered and won two local beauty pageants, then was a runner-up at the Canadian National Exhibition competition in Toronto.

She worked for a women's clothing store called "MacG's", in Kincardine, and was reported to be very good at her job. Her boss, Debby McGregor, told



the *Globe and Mail*, in a 1988 interview, that Lois was "extremely conscientious and responsible... like my right arm."

"She really liked her boss, and they were more like family than employer-employee," Lois' brother Dave said.

Not long after her father died in 1988, Lois moved into a bungalow on Nelson Street in Kincardine. She owned a car, a burgundy Pontiac Grand Am, and spent as much time with her mother as she could spare.

Family responsibilities and work didn't have a monopoly on Lois' social life. She looked forward to the Canada Day weekend, when the 130th anniversary of Lucknow would be celebrated. There were three days of special events, capped off on Sunday, July 3rd, with a shirt-tail parade from the bowling alley to the arena, where a community dance took place.

Lois and her brother Dave were there, as were many of their friends. It was around 11:30 p.m. when Lois decided to call it a night. She had to open the

Kincardine store in the morning.

Lois' brother had no idea when he said goodbye to Lois he would never see her again.

Known Facts

On Monday, July 4th, Debby McGregor arrived at the MacG's shop around 11 a.m. and found a closed and locked store. Lois should have opened it an hour earlier. She called Lois' home, but there was no answer. She asked a mutual friend to go to the home and see if everything was all right.

The friend found Lois' car parked in the driveway. All three of the house's doors were locked and no one answered the knocks. Checking around the house the friend managed to get into the home through a bathroom window and discovered an odd scene inside. The television was left on and a cold, half-finished cup of tea sat on the counter. The clothes Lois had worn the previous evening were in her closet. Her purse, which held her identification, money and keys, was in its usual place on a cabinet. Nothing really appeared to be out of the ordinary, except Lois wasn't there.

Dave Hanna was notified and was surprised to hear Lois hadn't shown up for work. It was completely out of character for her to break a commitment and much less to do so without letting anyone know. When he was told her purse had been left behind, he immediately knew something was wrong. The whole family knew she never went anywhere without it.

The Search

The Kincardine Police Service, since amalgamated with the Ontario Provincial Police, were notified and an officer went to Lois' home. The Hannas now say police took the attitude that Lois had simply gone somewhere on her own and would soon return. Kincardine Police Sgt. Robert Chandler's initial comments to local media didn't appear to express any alarm. As reported in an article on July 5, 1988, police stated they had done their preliminary investigation and there is no reason to suspect foul play.

Frustrated, the Hannas organized their own searches, hired private planes to search the area and announced a \$10,000 reward for information leading to Lois' whereabouts. With little help from local police the family reluctantly settled on Lois' home as a base of operations for their search.

Jim Hanna later admitted using the house was not the right thing to do, because they may have destroyed any evidence that might have been there. "We had no help from local police so it was a case of the lesser of two evils," Jim was reported to have said. "If there was any chance of finding her, it had to happen right away."

The Ontario Provincial Police entered the investigation later that week and communication immediately improved between the family and law enforcement. Massive searches combed the area, aided by volunteers and police helicopters, dive teams and tracking dogs. Nothing worthwhile was found, but the family appreciated that people cared enough to help, taking time off work and using their own vehicles and equipment.

"The word went out that we needed help, and there were hundreds and hundreds of people that showed up day after day," Dave said. "That was probably the biggest single demonstration of how your neighbours care for one another in rural Ontario and we were damned lucky to have it."

Many theories have been posed and many were discounted. Police say Lois did not fall prey to Paul Bernardo or any other known serial predator at that time. Police are also sure there is no link between her disappearance and that of Lisa Maas, an Owen Sound woman who, coincidentally, also vanished in July 1988. (see the Summer edition of Tipster Magazine)

Followup

A case summary provided by police says more



Olive Hanna passed away in 2013 never knowing what ever happened to her daughter Lois.

than 600 people have been interviewed as part of the investigation into Lois' disappearance. Technical identification experts, a police artist, polygraph technicians, behavioural profilers and scientists from the Centre of Forensic Sciences have all worked with many officers on the case.

It has been reported that more than 20 searches have taken place over a period of about ten years. None have yielded anything of significance other than removing one

more place in the county that has been searched.

Despite the efforts of law enforcement, family and friends, no trace of Lois has ever been found.

The Hanna brothers are all in middle age now and have tried to move on but time has not eased their pain. That's especially evident when they talk about the relationship between Lois and her mother Olive. It was special, they say. The family's worst fear was that she would pass away without her ever having learned what happened to her daughter. That became reality in 2013.

Two Drops of Blood

The only lead police have was two pea-sized drops of blood. They are the only usable physical evidence ever found by police in the Lois Hanna case. They were found on a wall next to the side door of Lois' Kincardine home. For years, all that was known about the blood was that it came from a male.

In 1998, DNA technology provided police with a list of 14 persons of interest, all men. Police worked to eliminate names from that list, and said in early 1999 they had narrowed to one of those men. Det.-Insp. Walter Baker said at that time police were "cautiously optimistic there would be some resolution.

That resolution has still alluded police but they say all but one person has been excluded from consideration. One name remains on the list. In order to not jeopardize the case police will not identify this person, nor will they discuss what police are trying to do to either exclude or implicate him. They will not comment on whether it is the same person of interest from July 1988.

Police believed Lois had known the suspect person well. But the Hanna family initially refused to consider the possibility and the suspect was never taken into custody. He was a man the Hannas had known for many years. They felt they knew the man well enough to be able to say he was not involved. The Hannas then convinced police to back away from this person.

"We went more in his defence than anybody would have done, just to get the cops back on track

again," Dave Hanna, another of Lois' brothers, reported to media. The idea of a suspect familiar to Lois, however, now makes a lot more sense to the family.

In a statement to a local news reporter Jim Hanna said "You think about it. There was no disturbance in the house, there was no disturbance anywhere to be found. There was no physical evidence of any kind of a struggle in any way, shape or form in that house. No money was taken. All this stuff would indicate that if she left that house, chances are she left with someone she knew. She was under no stress whatsoever. Looking back at it, it seems pretty obvious."

New tips flood in every time a new appeal is made, but police seem no closer to cracking the case than they were almost 30 years ago. Rewards totalling \$50,000 remain available to anyone who can disclose what happened to Lois. Confidential tips to Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce could bring rewards of up to \$2000 with no need to ever reveal who the caller is. A perpetrator with any sense of conscience might just want to use this avenue to relieve the family of not knowing where she is.

Appeals over the years have kept the case, and Lois Hanna's name, in the public eye. Someone out there may just have that one extra clue that sets the stage for a final arrest or at least locating her remains. Either way there will be some closure for the Hannas.

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Overnight between September 16, 2022, and September 17, 2022, unknown person(s) attended an address in Conn, along Highway 89 in Southgate Township, and stole a white 2022 7' by 14' double-axle Darkhorse cargo trailer.

The trailer is described as having a Darkhorse logo on the front right panel and a checkered flag decal on the rear left.

Jeep Patriot



Sometime between 9:00 p.m. on September 24, 2022 and 9:00 a.m. on September 25, 2022, a beige Jeep Patriot was stolen from a residence along Sideroad 10 South in Brant Township.

The vehicle was unplated, however the serial number is on file with police.



Update: Stolen trailer Recovered Original Post: July 2022

Saugeen Shores Police are looking to locate a 2017 Black Atlas 816 Enclosed trailer that was stolen from the area of Mclean Cres in the Town of Port Elgin. Trailer plate attached at the time was #N2359T.

If you have any other information about the circumstances surrounding this theft please contact Saugeen Shores Police at 519-832-2500 or Crime Stoppers.

Volkswagen Camper Van



Sometime between 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on July 25, 2022, a red Volkswagen camper van with



white curtains, and bearing plates ADTZ 591, was stolen from a property in the 2000 block of Highway 21 in the Municipality of Kincardine.

Top Photo is a simular looking unit.

Auto Theft in Mildmay



Sometime between 12:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on July 25, 2022 a blue Honda Civic, bearing plates **BRTZ 923**, was stolen from a property along Absalom Street East in Mildmay.

Auto and Property theft in Wiarton



On June 20, 2022 at 9:22 p.m., police were contacted regarding the theft of a motor vehicle and personal property from a business on Berford Street in Wiarton.

Suspect is described as male, 25-35 years of age, with some facial hair, and wearing a black teeshirt, black hat, and blue or black pants.



The stolen vehicle is a silver 2005 Hyundai Santa Fe, bearing plates **CRJN 045**, and displaying two Ukraine flags on both rear windows and a miniature Pride flag on the driver's side mirror.

Mugging in Port Elgin

On July 13, 2022 around 2:45 p.m., a mid-teenage female was walking on Market Street in Port Elgin



near Nodwell Park, between Highland Street and Geddes Street, when two males forced her into the wooded area out of street view, physically assaulted her, and robbed her of her cell phone. The victim then fled the area.

The two suspects were last seen walking westbound through the wooded area in the direction of Geddes Street.

Suspect #1 is described as male white, young adult, 6'2", thin build, short brown "fluffy" hair, blue or green eyes, thin long face, zippered gray hoody, blue surgical mask.

Suspect #2 is described as male white, young adult, 5'5", heavier build, zippered black hoody, dirty light blue ripped jeans, blue surgical mask, possible orange ball cap, and walked with a limp.

The investigation continues and police are requesting that residents in the area check doorbell cameras or any other surveillance devices.

Alliston Graffitti Suspect



(Simcoe Crime Stoppers)

Do you recognize this person caught on camera? Alliston area police have been investigating numerous graffiti incidents to local businesses in Alliston, Town of New Tecumseth.

Warrant Issued For Murder Suspect



The Windsor Police Service has issued an arrest warrant for 52 year-old Gon Dao Yao for Attempted Murder and Assault with a Weapon in connect with a stabbing incident that occurred on September 4th in that city.

At approximately 7:30 p.m., on September 4th, Windsor police responded to a call that a person had been stabbed inside a grocery store. The male victim was taken to hospital with life-threatening injuries.

Through investigation it was determined the victim and suspect were involved in an altercation earlier in the day and the attacked appeared to be targeted.

Yao should be considered armed and dangerous. If you see him, do not try to approach or engage him. Contact police immediately or contact Crime Stoppers if you wish to remain anonymous.

Thefts From Automobiles On The Increase



There has been a increase in the number of thefts from cars in the region. Suspects are mainly looking for unlocked cars with valuables left in them. Car owners are cautioned to lock their doors and not to leave quantities of cash, cell phones, purses, wallets and electronic equipment inside. Anything of value such as gifts or items being moved from vacation homes should be kept out of sight.

HepworthTrailer Theft Still Unsolved



One year ago, on November 12, 2021 at 12:30 p.m., three unknown suspects attended a residence on Spencer Street in Hepworth and stole a Puma travel trailer. The suspects departed in two vehicles with the trailer in tow behind a white pickup truck with what is believed to be a forged "U-Haul" sign stuck to the door on the side; and a silver vehicle believed to be a Subaru. The trailer has never been recovered and stands out due to the extraordinary planning and execution of the theft.

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Did you find a deal that is too good to believe? Have you had a car parked on your street a bit too long? How about that car in the lot with no plates on it. Ever wonder if it is stolen? Well here is your chance to be a sleuth in your own neighbourhood.

Take down the serial number attached to the merchandise or vehicle. Make note of the date, time and location you saw the vehicle. Then go to CSTIP.ca and click on the PLUNDER CHECK button. This will take you to the *Canadian Police Information Centre* where you will be invited to type in those numbers. If the property is hot or wanted for investigation you will be notified to contact you local police OR call Crime Stoppers anonymously supplying the location and details where the property can be found.

30 Anniversary Golf Tournament A Huge Success

THIRTIETH ANNUAL TOURNAMENT



Sixteen Crime Stoppers volunteers kept the day running smoothly and were posted at each hole.



(L) Organizer Evan Hayter, Crime Stoppers Grey Bruce Chair Peter Reid and NHL celebrity Doug Gilmour display the ceremonial cheque for \$30,000.



The Nuclear Waste Management Organization made topped off the fund raiser with a special donation of \$1,000 to Crime Stoppers.



THIRTIETH ANNUAL TOURNAMENT





This Crime Stoppers group included, from left, former NHL goalie Les Binkley, Cory Hayter, Honourary Tourney Chair Evan Hayter, Larry Holmes of co-event sponsor Trillium Mutual Insurance and Doug Gilmour

by Sandy Lindsay - Saugeen Times

Under ideal conditions, Crime Stoppers hosted its 30th anniversary Golf Tournament, a major fundraiser, at Saugeen Golf Club on Thursday, August 11th.

A full slate of 144 golfers included celebrity golfers headed up by former Maple Leaf's Captain and a fan favourite Doug "Killer" Gilmour, Owen Sound's son former NHL Goalie Les Binkley and NHL Referee Kendrick Nicholson of Milverton in addition to several teams from local businesses.

At the end of the golf day the team of Mike and Steve Rutherford shot a score of 16-under and won the tounament.

A dinner and reception emceed by radio personality Fred Wallace, was held where Doug Gilmour was a crowd pleaser and received a standing ovation. This year, as in all past tournaments, auctioneer Len Metcalfe also raised the crowd's excitement as he lead the live auction.

Organizer Evan Hayter said that he was extremely pleased with the support and turnout. "This is our first time back after Covid and we have had a



Doug Gilmour thanks the Crime Stoppers crew at the evening banquet.



Two Crime Stoppers Volunteers, Margaret Visser and Debra Gaudet, hitching a ride to their hole positions.

great response."

Hayter also designed and presented each golfer with a special commemorative 30th Anniversary plaque individually signed by Doug Gilmour and featuring all the celebrities who have golfed over the years.

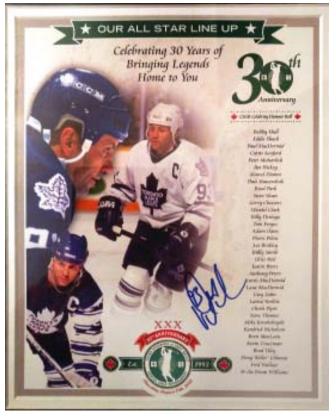
At the end of the night a cheque for \$30,000 was presented by Trillium in honour of the 30th Anniversary to Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce bringing the 30-year fundraising total to \$590,000.

First "Bucko" Award and Anniversary Plaques Presented



The 1st Annual "Bucko Award" presentation was made on August 18th at the Saugeen Golf Club. The award will be presented annually in remembrance of Dean Rutherford, the OPP Coordinator who worked with Crime Stoppers for over 17 years. This award was presented to the current Coordinator, Drew Kalte, at the 30th Anniversary Banquet. Award presenter, Honourary Tourney Chair Evan Hayter, pointed out Drew's hard work in helping to organize the tournament over the past 25 years. He said it seemed fitting and appropriate that Drew be selected as the first recipient of the award.





Attendees of the Crime Stoppers Tournament were presented with an autographed memento of the occasion in the form of a framed plaque signed by Doug Gilmour.

Over the past 30 years the Crime Stoppers Golf Tournament has attracted several stars from the world of sports including Marcel Dionne, Gerry Cheevers, Steve Shutt, Dale Hawerchuk, Brad Park, Pierre Pilote, Les Binkley, Bobby Hull, Pete Mahovlich, Paul & Kurtis MacDermid, Pat Hickey, Gregg Zaun, Justin Peters, Brett MacLean, Curtis Sanford, Larissa Yurkiw, Chris Neil, Adam Oates, Wendel Clark, Billy Smith, Sportscaster Brian Williams, former Leaf Steve (Stumpy) Thomas, Mike (Krusher) Krushelnyski and Doug Gilmour.

REMEMBER

You could be eligible for a reward up to \$2,000 if your tip leads to an arrest or recovery of property.



The Challenges After Hockey

Keeping organized in retirement



NHL alumni Les Binkley mugs a shot with Doug Gilmour

by Morley Lymburner

Doug Gilmour, retired hockey star and NHL Hall of Famer, talked about his love of golf while visiting Saugeen Golf Club for the Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce fundraising tournament in August. In true media scrum mode Gilmour answered all questions in an honest and forthright manner.

It was revealed he is quite a golfing enthusiast. He indicated when you have the warmer months away from a gruelling hockey season it is a great hobby. He belongs to the Burlington Golf and Country Club and he tries to play once or twice a week.

Gilmour said he is quite happy to see that Tournaments are back. "Thank God, they are back on," he said. "And it's so nice to get back out in the public to see everybody. I think I've played more tour-

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nament rounds than regular rounds this year."

When asked if he has a handicap he indicated it has gone up recently to 16. "I can't really put in my scores because when I start playing better everybody starts calling me a sandbagger. I told the pro I'm going to lie about my scores."

One person asked what he does to keep busy these days. He pointed out he is now 59 and is trying to be more selective where he goes and what he does. He has a marketing team working for him to help organize his life and keeps busy as a Toronto Maple Leaf ambassador.

Gilmour was asked what skills he sees as transferable from hockey to golf he pointed out handeye coordination as the most obvious but also the concentration side of it. "Once you don't play as much as you used to you have to lower your expectations," he said. "My short game used to be great but it's now average. I don't practice and I've never taken a lesson in my life. I watch a lot of videos and my wife told me to stop watching them because they are screwing me up."

Asked if he plays any hockey now Gilmour said he had been playing before COVID but his body just can't take it. "I play the charity games for Easter Seals but that's about it. I'm 59 and I don't want to get hurt."

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With more than 30,000 deaths in Canada more needs to be done to sound the alarm with those most at risk of an overdose.

In its pure form, overdoses are only moderately unpredictable, with most overdose deaths occurring at serum concentrations of between 150 and 250 ng/ml. In contexts of mixture-substance use, blood fentanyl concentrations of approximately 7 ng/ml or greater have been associated with fatalities. Over 85 per cent of overdoses involved at least one other drug, and there was no clear correlation showing at which level the mixtures were fatal. The dosages of fatal mixtures varied by over three magnitudes in some cases. This extremely unpredictable volatility with other drugs makes it especially difficult to avoid fatalities. The likelyhood of overdoes is extremely high when obtained from drug dealers with a lack of knowledge of the drug's content.

Naloxone can completely or partially reverse an opioid overdose.

Most of the recent increases in fentanyl deaths do not involve prescription fentanyl but are related to illicitly made fentanyl that is being mixed with or sold as heroin. Death from fentanyl overdose continues to be a public health issue of national concern in Canada since September 2015. In 2016, deaths from fentanyl overdoses in the province of British Columbia alone averaged two persons per day. In 2017 the death rate rose over 100 per cent with 368 overdose-related deaths in British Columbia between January and April 2017.

Fentanyl has started to make its way into heroin as well as illicitly manufactured opioids and benzodiazepines. Fentanyl contamination in cocaine, methamphetamine, ketamine, MDMA, and other drugs is common. A kilogram of heroin laced with fentanyl may sell for more than \$120,000, but the

fentanyl itself may be produced far more cheaply, for about \$6,000 per kilogram.

As of 2018, fentanyl was the most commonly listed opioid in overdose drug deaths, surpassing heroin. From 2013 until 2016, overdose deaths involving fentanyl were increasing by 113 per cent per year.

Myths and moral panic

In the late 2010s, some media outlets began to report stories of police officers being hospitalised after touching powdered fentanyl, or after brushing it from their clothing. Topical (or transdermal; via the skin) and inhalative exposure to fentanyl is extremely unlikely to cause intoxication or overdose (except in cases of prolonged exposure with very large quantities of fentanyl), and first responders such as paramedics and police officers are at minimal risk of fentanyl poisoning through accidental contact with intact skin.

A 2020 article from the Journal of Medical Toxicology stated that "the consensus of the scientific community remains that illness from unintentional exposures is extremely unlikely, because opioids are not efficiently absorbed through the skin and are unlikely to be carried in the air." The effects being reported in these cases, including rapid heartbeat, hyperventilation and chills, were not symptoms of a fentanyl overdose, and were more commonly associated with a panic attack.

A 2021 paper expressed concern that these physical fears over fentanyl may inhibit effective emergency response to overdoses by causing responding officers to spend additional time on unnecessary precautions. The media coverage could also perpetuate a wider social stigma that people who use drugs are dangerous to be around.

Prevention

Many public health initiatives have been started to prevent the misuse and overdose of fentanyl. One of the initiatives that have been started to prevent fentanyl overdose is from the CDC. The effort has been categorized as a Health Alert Network Advisory signaled to a multitude of professionals within the health field. The advisory explains four key action points.

Those points include:

(a) the local need to expand the distribution and use

of naloxone and overdose prevention education,

- (b) expand awareness, access, and availability of treatment for substance use disorders,
- (c) intervene early with individuals at highest risk for overdose, and
- (d) improve detection of overdose outbreaks to facilitate more effective response.

Sourced: Wikipedia, MacLean's, Canada.ca, CAMH.ca, CDC.gov, The National Institute on Drug Abuse.

Overdose prevention and safety tips

The best way to prevent an overdose is to avoid street drugs or counterfeit medications. However, if individuals use street drugs, taking the following precautions will help to lower the risk:

Never use alone

If you are going to use alone, call the National Overdose Response Service at **1-888-688-6677**. A non-judgmental peer will stay on the line with you for approximately 30 minutes to provide support if needed.

- Use only where help is available;
- Don't mix drugs;
- Take a test dose and wait before taking more of the drug;
- Get a free naloxone kit that can help to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose;
- Use only new drug paraphernalia supplies and avoid sharing supplies to reduce your risk of getting or passing on an infectious disease.

Signs of an opioid overdose

Opioids such as fentanyl slow down the part of the brain that controls breathing, and in the event of an overdose, can cause someone to stop breathing altogether, resulting in their death. Individuals having an opioid overdose will display one or more of the following signs:

 They may be nodding off, not waking up easily, or unresponsive;

- They may be breathing very slowly or not at all;
- Their lips and fingernails may be blue/grey;
- Their skin may be cold and clammy;
- Their body may be limp, possibly very tense or they may be shaking;
- They may be snoring or gurgling;
- They may foam at the mouth or throw up;

If you witness an overdose, it is essential to contact 9-1-1 as soon as possible. A naloxone kit alone may not be enough to reverse the fatal effects of opioids and medical attention may be required. As time is of the essence, naloxone can be administered while you wait for emergency services to arrive.

If naloxone is not available standby the victim and place them in a "recovery position." This means turn them on their side and move the high point leg out from their body and bend at the knee onto the floor. This will help prevent aspiration.

The Good Samaritan Drug Overdose Act can provide some legal protection for individuals that seek emergency help during an overdose.

To learn more about naloxone overdose prevention kits and where you can find them, visit the Fentanyl page of the Grey Bruce Health Unit website at www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca or www.ontario.ca/naloxone.



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TIP STATISTICS FOR JULY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

Total Tips (Phone, Web, and Mobile, including follow ups): 510

· New Tips (Phone, Web, and Mobile): 166

Tips Allocated: 210 (44 tips were allocated to multiple recipients)

• Grey Bruce OPP: 80 (38%) • South Bruce OPP: 45 (21%)

• The Blue Mountains OPP: 1 (0.5%)

• Owen Sound Police Service: 33 (16%)

• Hanover Police Service: 15 (7.5%)

Saugeen Shores Police Service: 14 (7%)

• West Grey Police Service: 7 (3%)

Neyaashiinigmiing First Nation Police: 0 (0%)

Ontario MNRF: 7 (3%)

• Ontario MOF (contraband tobacco): 1 (0.5%)

• Ontario MECP (environment, conservation, parks): 2 (1%)

• OPP Contraband Tobacco Enforcement: 1 (0.5%)

OPP Historic Crimes: 2 (1%)

• OPP AGCO Investigations: 1 (0.5%)

• OPP Anti Human Trafficking Coordination Unit: 0 (0%)

• RCMP: 1 (0.5%)

Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce

Statistics Since Inception May 1987

Tip Reports	17,671
Arrests	1,755
Charges	2,413
Cases Cleared	2,731
Property Recovered	\$4,596,746
Narcotics Recovered	\$49,859,344
Rewards Approved	\$285,835

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Tip Totals Year to Date

 426 new tips have been received over the three quarters of 2022, which is behind the three quarters of 2021 by 197 tips.

MEDIA

- LITE 99.3, Bayshore Broadcasting, Bounce Radio 92.3, Blackburn Radio (Cool 94.5 & 101.7 The One), Shoreline Classics, and Bluewater Radio continue to receive Crime of the Week segments that are sent out from our office on a weekly basis.
- Monthly Crime of the Week columns are forwarded to the Bruce County Marketplace magazine.
- Crimes of the Week are being forwarded to the Owen Sound Hub and the Saugeen Times online news, as well as Eastlink TV.

FUNDRAISING

- Nevada ticket revenues continue to assist in funding rewards; our tips line; promotional advertising; our P3 annual subscription; and the NACC afterhours call centre.
- We applied for funding from the Port Elgin, Hanover, and Owen Sound Walmarts for 2022 and have been successful with the Port Elgin and Hanover stores so far.
- In the first three quarters of 2022 Northern Bruce Peninsula, Meaford, and the Brockton Police Services Board have made donations. Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce is very grateful to the Police Services Boards and Municipalities of Grey and Bruce that have donated to our program!
- Funds continue to be received from the Direct Accountability Program, (court diversions).
- We held 50/50 raffles in conjunction with classic car show events on June 26th, July 31st and September 25th; plus our Sauble Beach Tuesday night 50/50 raffles (June 21st to August 30th), raising a total of \$891.
- Our 30th Anniversary Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Golf Tournament took place on Thursday August 11, 2022 at Saugeen Golf Club near Port Elgin, and raised \$30,000.

EVENTS AND PROMOTIONS

- We launched TIPSTER Magazine with the inaugural winter 2022 edition, spring and summer 2022
 editions, and now the fall 2022 edition set for October. This magazine features articles and editorials
 focusing on regional crime and community safety topics, and has been very well received by our
 partners and the community.
- We participated in the downtown Owen Sound Hottest Street Sale on July 9th and the Southampton Marine Heritage Society Fun in the Park event on July 23rd to raise awareness of our program.
- We held three classic car events this summer and raised over \$3,500.
- We participated in the Meaford Scarecrow Invasion Parade on September 30th.

CRIME STOPPERS BOARD

 With the resignation of one member and the addition of one new member we currently have eleven members on our Board of Directors, with one new prospective member currently in the application process. We are continuing to recruit new members to the Board and are seeking specific skill sets.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Attending the OSAAVA Volunteer Fair on October 24, 2022 in Owen Sound.
- Attending Santa Claus Parades at communities across Grey and Bruce counties.



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