

## Shelburne man charged with impaired driving over weekend

On March 3, 2019, while on patrol, a Shelburne police officer noticed a vehicle driving with improper brake lights. At approximately 9:30pm the officer conducted a traffic stop on Jelly Street in Shelburne.

While speaking to the driver the officer became suspicious that the driver had consumed alcohol. The officer conducted a roadside test for alcohol which the driver failed. The driver was placed under arrest and taken to the Shelburne police station for further testing which he also failed.

As a result, 41 year old Russell Norton of Shelburne was charged with Operation while impaired- Blood alcohol concentration of equal to or over 80mg in 100ml of blood. Consequently, Mr. Norton has had his driver's licence suspended for 90 days and his vehicle impounded for 7 days.

A court date has been set for mid-March at the Ontario Court in Orangeville where Mr. Norton will be able to answer to the allegations.

### **March is Fraud Prevention Month**

March is Fraud Prevention Month and police are offering the following tips to help reduce the likelihood of becoming a victim of these crimes.

- Don't be fooled by the promise of a valuable prize in return for a low-cost purchase.
- Be extra cautious about calls, emails or mailings offering international bonds or lottery tickets, a portion of a foreign dignitary's bank account, free vacations, credit repair or schemes with unlimited income potential.
- Don't be afraid to hang up the phone, delete the email or close your Internet connection.
- Don't purchase a product or service without carefully checking out the product, service and company.
- Don't be afraid to request further documentation from the seller so you can verify the validity of the offer, product or company. Never buy ?sight unseen?
- Don't disclose personal information about your finances, bank accounts, credit cards, social insurance and driver's license numbers to any business that can't prove it is legitimate.
- Shred unwanted personal information such as bank statements, credit card bills, unwanted receipts, cheques, pre-approved credit applications and old tax returns.
- Check your credit report every year and report problems immediately.
- If a scam artist contacts you, or if you've been defrauded, report it! Your reports are vital to the anti-fraud efforts of law enforcement agencies.
- Always remember, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.