

## This week in police news...

Shelburne Police Service responded to 101 calls for service between October 6th and October 13th 2013.

Canada's Wireless Industry Launches Initiative to Help Law Enforcement Agencies Combat Theft of Wireless Devices:

The Canadian Wireless Telecommunications Association (CWTa) and its wireless carrier members have launched a national blacklist of wireless devices that have been reported as lost or stolen. Canada's wireless carriers have committed to implementing the blacklist to assist law enforcement agencies with their efforts to combat the theft of wireless devices.

The authorization of any GSM, HSPA, HSPA+ or LTE wireless device on any participating Canadian carrier's network will include verification that the IMEI (International Mobile Equipment Identity) number of the device has not been reported as lost or stolen on that network or any other participating Canadian network as of September 30, 2013. The blacklist will also include devices that have been reported as lost or stolen by US carriers that are connected to the GSMA IMEI Database.

To help protect Canadians when purchasing a wireless device from a private source, the ProtectYourData.ca Web site now features a convenient tool that allows Canadian consumers to simply enter the IMEI number of a wireless device to find out immediately if that device has been blacklisted in Canada. If the IMEI number has been blacklisted, that device will not be able to be used on any participating Canadian network.

It is imperative that customers contact their service provider to immediately report a lost or stolen phone to have their device deactivated. It is only when the device has been reported that the service provider can then add the device to the blacklist. All instances of theft should also be reported to local law enforcement as well.

**Shelburne police make an Impact:** Over the Thanksgiving long weekend the Shelburne Police Service, along with their Municipal police partners and the O.P.P, participated in Operation Impact, a Provincial traffic initiative and Canada's largest annual road safety campaign.

In the interest of keeping the roads safe and curbing aggressive driving, the Shelburne Police Service issued 56 tickets for a variety of offences, including speeding, disobeying stop signs and failing to have insurance.

Remember it is everyone's job to keep our roadways safe.