

This week in police news...

Results of Extensive Police Investigation into Concerns about Pet Poisonings: No Evidence of any Poisoning: Shelburne Police launched an extensive and exhaustive investigation five weeks ago in response to a cat owner and a dog owner reporting unexplained deaths of their pets.

The public became increasingly concerned when a citizen posted posters around town claiming seven confirmed pet poisonings. This information was further distributed through various social media sites.

The Shelburne Police is re-iterating that there have been no confirmed pet poisonings brought to the attention of the police.

The five week long investigation involved numerous statements and interviews from pet owners, evidence collection, scene investigation as well as collaborating with local veterinary offices and the University of Guelph Veterinary Services.

Over the course of the investigation local veterinary services stated that they have not had any confirmed pet poisonings, nor have they had any legitimate concerns brought to their attention.

Further Shelburne Police officers exhumed a deceased cat that belonged to one of the pet owners that wondered if their cat had been poisoned. This cat was driven by officers to the University of Guelph Veterinary Services and Shelburne Police paid for extensive tests including autopsy and broad base toxicology tests. The results of the expert examination and tests were all negative for any toxins or poisons.

There are no reasonable grounds to believe that any pet poisonings have taken place in the Town of Shelburne. This is based on the combination of the information obtained from local veterinarians, the University of Guelph autopsy and toxicology results and the police investigation as a whole.

Thank you Shelburne for the Great Response to This Year's Stuff-a-Cruiser!: The members of the Shelburne Police Service want to thank everyone who donated food, toys and cash at our annual stuff-a-cruiser event.

The response from the community was overwhelming making this year's event another success. All the items donated benefit the efforts of Dufferin Child and Family Services as well as the Salvation Army.