

Firearms stolen from workshop

On January 14th officers from the Nottawasaga OPP investigated a break-in that occurred to a locked home workshop situated on the 4th Concession of Adjala-Tosorontio Township between the 5th Sideroad and County Road 5.

The break-in was reported to have occurred between the 2nd of January 2015 and the 14th January 2015, as the homeowners were away during that time frame. Stolen from the workshop were several pieces of recreational equipment and 12 firearms; ranging from hand guns to long guns.

OPP Scenes of Crime officers processed the scene and collected evidence to assist investigators as this investigation continues. Any person with information regarding the person(s) responsible for this incident, please contact the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) at 1-888-310-1122, or Nottawasaga OPP at 705 434-1939. Should you wish to remain anonymous, you may call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), or find them on the web at www.crimestoppersdm.com. You could be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000.

Normally criminals use the environment to help select the targets they choose. They do this by looking for good and bad environmental cues. Good cues, from the criminal's perspective, include papers and flyers that aren't picked up, over grown landscaping and open garages, to name a few. Bad cues to a criminal include unobstructed sight lines with witness potential. It is important to objectively look at your property, and limit the crime opportunities around your home or business. Here are some tips:

- ? Stand back and critically look at your property, as if you were the offender.
- ? Address the obvious factors that may have contributed to this crime.
- ? Advise your neighbours of the break-in and ask for their assistance in watching your property during the next few months. Also, pay extra attention to their homes.
- ? Make sure your home looks occupied, even when it's not.