



The Bulletin Winter 2008

Alberta Provincial Rural Crime Watch

Historic FORT MACLEOD

Join us in Fort MacLeod on February 13/14, 2009 for the **Annual General Meeting**, hosted by Zone 1 in the Fort MacLeod & District Community Hall - 307 25th Street (Hwy #3W) Fort MacLeod, AB.

Visit Head Smashed In Buffalo Jump and the Fort Museum (opened especially for guests for this weekend),

**A social will be held at the hall on Friday February 13, 2009 starting at 7:30 p.m.

The Annual General Meeting and symposium will start at 8:30 a.m. at the hall on February 14, 2009 - with registration and "meet and greet".

Pre-registration cut off date is January 28, 2009 at the Provincial office in Edmonton. Pre-registration is necessary for accurate numbers for the caterers.

Please note that registration has increased to \$50.00 per person and is non-refundable.

Deadlines for Submission to the Bulletin:

March 15, June 15, September 15 and November 22

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The year has roared by once again – either I'm slowing down more than I think, or time really is going by faster.

With the passing of time we have seen new members come to the Provincial Board, the change of executives at local association levels; new members joining, long time ones moving into the background, and for some the long salute goodbye. We recently saw the passing of one of our founding members – Lynn Roberts. To her family and friends - on behalf of the whole Board - my sincerest condolences to everyone. She made her mark, and she will be held in our hearts.

We were able to donate back to the communities all 20 of the computers that Encana donated last year, and a new batch is sitting in the office, waiting to be claimed. If your fan-out system is old and/or your computer just isn't up to speed, call the office, we can get a system out to you within days.

Harvest is done, cattle are being brought to home pastures, and family will be gathering for the holiday season. Anyone who is traveling over the Christmas season, - travel safe. Those of you who will be sharing your hearth with family and friends, be well and remember that people come to see YOU, not your house, or what you put on the table; it's the sharing that's important. Merry Christmas to all of you, and I look forward to seeing you in Fort MacLeod in February. Cheers!

Frank Debogorski

Thank you to UFA Co-operative and envelopes for Limited, our sponsor for providing the printing this publication.





R.C.M.P. – Recruiting, recruiting, recruiting.
The message stays the same; if you, or anyone you know may be interested in an exciting career, contact your local R.C.M.P. Detachment or the recruiting office at “K” Division Headquarters in Edmonton.



Economic, Environmental and Social Impact of Hunting and Fishing In Alberta

Through the coordinating efforts of the Hunting For Tomorrow Foundation, a number of provincial stakeholder groups with a vested interest in hunting and fishing have recently come together to more fully explore the range of economic, social, cultural and environmental benefits that can be attributed to hunting and fishing across Alberta, with a specific focus on that activity that can be constituted “sporting/and or tourism” related.

The stakeholder group has identified the need to obtain more comprehensive and updated data to assess the range of benefits of “sporting/and or tourism” focused hunting and fishing activity, including both the guided and unguided components. This information will assist the various stakeholder groups in the activities they undertake to:

- increase awareness of the role that hunting and fishing play in the tourism sector, and specifically the economic impact on the rural/regional and provincial economies;
- advocate and facilitate wildlife management planning and decision making that supports hunting and fishing activity across Alberta in a sustainable manner;
- facilitate communication strategies between members of the various

stakeholder groups and with the public-at-large regarding the benefits of hunting and fishing; and

- assist stakeholders in identifying growth opportunities for both the hunting and fishing sectors.

It is recognized that existing data for Alberta is currently not available and the most recent national data has not been updated for the past 10 years, therefore there is a need for more current information to support gaps of knowledge in this field.

Project Partners:

- Alberta Conservation Association
- Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development
- Alberta Fish & Game Association
- Alberta Hunter Education Instructors' Association
- Alberta Professional Outfitters Society
- Alberta Sustainable Resource Development – Fish & Wildlife Division
- Alberta Tourism, Parks and Recreation
- Hunting For Tomorrow

Hunting and Fishing in Alberta

Tourism is not just a single industry, but made up of many different sub-sectors. Guided and unguided hunting and fishing both form important components of Alberta's tourism industry, resulting in substantial license fees and levies on an annual basis. It is recognized that these consumptive activities involving Alberta's wilderness resources generate economic benefits similar to the larger tourism industry given that hunters and anglers also spend money on the same things as other categories of tourists: accommodation; food and beverage; recreation and entertainment; private automobile operation; use of public/and or local transport services; and retail services.

In addition to the tourism associated expenditures attributable to hunting and fishing activity, there are the capital and operational related expenditures associated with the activities of the various clubs/organizations and guided outfitters that assist in delivering hunting and fishing experiences throughout Alberta. Individual fishing/hunting enthusiasts also incur a range of capital expenditures in order to engage in their preferred activity.

With the capital, operating and tourism associated expenditures identified it is possible to quantify the economic, environmental and social value of tourism and hunting. There are however other benefits attributable to hunting and fishing, that can't necessarily be quantified, but can't be overlooked when assessing the overall value of these two important sub-sectors of the tourism industry. Examples include the environmental impact through license fees and stewardship programs, and the social and the cultural impact through organized initiatives including mentoring and education programs.

A consulting firm has commenced working on this project and the final report is expected to be completed by January, 2009. The fishing component is presently being collected and analyzed. Over the summer/fall, outfitters and guides will be surveyed regarding their activities, as well as data from various organizations will be collected and compiled. Individual hunters will be surveyed immediately following the fall, 2008 hunting season to collect information regarding expenditures, travel and time spent in the field. More information regarding this survey, along with the opportunity to participate voluntarily on-line will be available by the end of October, 2008

If you are interested in more information about this project or other hunting programs and what the various organizations are doing to promote hunting opportunities in Alberta, please contact Hunting For Tomorrow. Your involvement and support in this regard is certainly appreciated.

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October, 2008

TAKEN FROM THE HEADLINES:

September 30, 2008

Tough new legislation targets properties used for illegal activities

Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Act provides tool to improve safety

Edmonton... Albertans now have a new tool to combat illegal activities associated with gangs, drugs and prostitution in their neighbourhoods. The Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods (SCAN) Act, which comes into force October 1, creates a new sheriffs' unit to investigate public complaints about properties used for illegal activities and, if necessary, close those properties for up to 90 days.

October 15, 2008

Province developing new radio system for emergency responders

30,000 radios will connect emergency responders in Alberta

Edmonton... The Alberta government is developing a new province-wide networked radio system that will connect more than 700 emergency responder and government agencies during serious incidents or natural disasters.

October 22, 2008

Province to hire 110 new probation officers over next three years

Move to help prevent offenders from re-offending and re-victimizing Albertans

Edmonton... To provide more intensive supervision of offenders in communities, the Alberta government is hiring an additional 110 probation officers over the next three years.

October 28, 2008

New police units to target gangs and drugs Four dedicated enforcement teams to be set up across the province

Edmonton... To crack down on the drug trade and the gangs who profit from it, Premier Ed Stelmach announced the addition of 183 new police resources that will hit the streets next April.

November 6, 2008

New fund created to help communities target crime \$60 million fund marks next phase of Alberta's Safe Communities initiative

Edmonton... On the one-year anniversary of Alberta's Safe Communities initiative, the province has created a new \$60 million fund to strengthen and develop community-based projects and community-police partnership projects – marking the next phase of the strategy.

Tax Alert

The Canada Revenue Agency warns Canadians of mail scam

The Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) is warning taxpayers to beware of a recent scam where some Canadians are receiving a letter fraudulently identified as coming from the CRA and asking for personal information. The letter is **not** from the CRA. A [PDF version of the letter](#) is available on the CRA Web site at www.cra.gc.ca/alert.

The letter claims that there is "insufficient information" for the individual's tax return and that in order to receive any "claims," they will have to update their records. The letter attaches a form specifically requesting the individual's personal information in writing, via fax or email, including information on bank accounts and passports. This letter is not from the CRA and Canadians should not provide their personal information to the sender.

All taxpayers should be vigilant when divulging any confidential information to third parties. The CRA has well established practices to protect the confidentiality of taxpayers' information.

The CRA has notified the proper law enforcement authorities of this scam.

For information about this and other similar scams, or to report deceptive telemarketing activity, visit www.phonebusters.com, send an email to info@phonebusters.com, or call 1-888-495-8501.

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1. A bicycle can't stand on its own because it is two-tired.
2. What's the definition of a will? (It's a dead giveaway).
3. Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.
4. A backwards poet writes inverse.
5. In democracy it's your vote that counts. In feudalism it's your count that votes.
6. She had a boyfriend with a wooden leg, but broke it off.
7. A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.
8. If you don't pay your exorcist you get repossessed.
9. With her marriage she got a new name and a dress.
10. Show me a piano falling down a mineshaft and I'll show you A-flat minor.

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ASSOCIATIONS REPORT IN

Just a quick update from **Fairview - Clear Hills RCW**. Both Phone Tree fan out systems at the M.D. of Fairview and Clear Hills County offices are sending out message on behalf of Fairview RCMP and it's working well. We've had one success story so far where a message was fanned out and a local farmer called in and had witnessed the crime occurring. (theft of shed) Had he not received the fan out he would not have thought anything of it as it occurred in broad day light. We are still trying to get the Village of Hines creek on line but with staff turn overs it has been slow. Hopefully by spring. I've also been working with a Peace River member to try and get Grimshaw RCW up and going again.

That's all for now, have a Merry Christmas

Submitted by Sgt. Bruce Bracken

Rocky Mountain House R.C.W. Association conducted a successful fund-raising raffle this past spring and summer. We sold 1822 tickets out of a possible 1988 - realizing a net profit of \$5,224.60. The prizes were all won by local residents:

- 1st prize - Cub Cadet Zero Turn Lawnmower
Don Unwin
2nd prize - Stihl Mini Tiller c/w wheel kit
Paul Maciejowski
3rd prize - Stihl Easy 2 Start Weed Trimmer
Joan Swart

Our appreciation goes to Gateway Sales & Service for supplying the prizes at a reasonable cost. **Job** well done by the ticket sellers! **The** funds have been set aside for a future project namely, possibly hosting the 2010 AGM for the A.P.R.C.W.A.

Our Association also provided volunteers for different functions this spring and summer including Rocky Rodeo, Canada Day celebrations, Demolition Derby, Leslieville Antique Days and the Rocky Victim Services Golf Tournament. **These** fundraising efforts proved profitable and also provided us opportunities to promote our Association. **We** gained a few new members as a result.

In October our Association purchased two surveillance cameras. **The** use of these is being made available to any members in good standing. **Hopefully** this will assist in monitoring problem areas and perhaps help the RCMP detachment at some point. **Stay** safe everyone and see you folks at the AGM.

Submitted by M & B Hepburn

1st Article from British Columbia Rural Crime Watch Column November 19, 2008

Is she or isn't she? How would I know? How would I find out? Is it worth the risk if I'm wrong?

These are questions British Columbia male assailants are asking themselves.

Is she armed?

In Miami, Florida recently, the police department sponsored a defensive handgun course for thousands of women. The Miami Herald covered the event for several days and the assault statistics dropped dramatically and stayed low for almost a year.

"Is she or isn't she?" There was no answer. So the criminals with half a brain left women alone.

After about 12 months, the number of assaults began to rise. The paper ran the articles on the defensive handgun course again and the stats dropped immediately.

Do Canadian women carry concealed handguns? Of course they do. Illegally in most cases but the women RCW have spoken with philosophize that they would rather be judged by 12 than carried by 6.

RCW isn't condoning the illegal carrying of handguns by anyone. But it's happening. And we'll never know the number of assaults prevented by a woman brandishing a firearm at her would-be assailant and not reporting the incident.

The Canadian rural women who don't carry a handgun? The majority have a firearm within reach.

One female ruralist told RCW recently that she was just heading out the door to feed her cattle when she noticed a man breaking into one of her storage sheds. She didn't approach him but reached behind her kitchen door and retrieved a Winchester .30 .30. The low life criminal saw the rancher and immediately took off in his beater. 911 to her local detachment with a physical description of the thief and vehicle and within minutes the Mounties had him in custody. As a rancher this woman was not storing her firearm. It was in use and legal, provided she didn't have the clip inserted when it was behind her door.

Many Canadian women, and men, have a Concealed Firearm Permit from the state of Utah, <http://www.americancw.com> allowing them to carry a concealed handgun in 30 American states. This is the same permit for which Utah residents can qualify.

They've been cleared by the police and trained to carry a concealed handgun allowing teachers, staff and parents to have them on their person on school grounds, state buildings and businesses.

Many prominent Canadian women are proponents of concealed carrying for women. Vancouver School Board Trustee Sharon Gregson wrote recently about her shooting interests and political desires for women's personal safety. Ontario's Cindy Lightheart writes regularly for the Canadian Firearms Journal on women's right to carry.

Statistics Canada reports there are 130,000 B&E's reported to police in Canada. Many of these are against

ruralists, chosen because of their trust and isolation. **Many** are not reported, residents just absorb the financial loss, but never the sense of violation.

Thieves often do more than just steal your possessions. Rape, Robbery and Assault. Three times as many against elderly compared to other robberies.

"Rob you once. Rob you again. Why? Because I can. You undoubtedly haven't made any effective changes to your home security. You live in a vacant world of false trust seen through your rose coloured glasses. I'll wait until you've replace the stolen items with the insurance money and I'll come again. Maybe this time during the day." comments a known rural burglar.

British Columbia Cattlemen's Association estimates their members lose thousands of dollars yearly from rustlers, bush butchers, damage to buildings and equipment and recreational vehicles damaging crops and fields and leaving gates open allowing animals to wander onto highways. Many thieves believe they can steal from ranchers with impunity. Wrong.

Ranchers are RCW members and as such are knowledgeable in crime prevention techniques; locking their outbuildings and machinery, helping their neighbours, watching out for each other and patrolling their range land with help from other ranchers.

Several ranchers told RCW of an incident where ATV riders were chasing wildlife. They were on the tail of a cow moose and her calf trying to run them down. Both animals were exhausted, barely able to move when the ranchers rode up within 100 metres of the jackass riders. Each rancher pulled their saddle guns and let off a barrage of shots into the air then took off after them on horseback. The riders were terrified and hopeful, noted one rancher, not too stupid to come back to their territory.

RCW is not advocating such action as a crime prevention tool but merely pointing out that rural residents are not the push over that crooks assume.

Go to www.ruralcrimewatch.com and Column and scroll down to learn about overcoming fear and intimidation.

Also click on the Instructional DVD on the Home page and after viewing our DVD, check out the other crime prevention DVD's available on the side bar.

Submitted by Jon McCormick



Porter's Pig Spleen Weather Forecast:

Barrhead area for period of **November 24, 2008 to March 31, 2009**

Generally expect the winter temperatures to be above average day - time temperatures until Mid February 2009. Last part of winter to be below average probably resulting in a cold late spring. Snowfall generally will be below average with most of the snow occurring in 2009 especially in February 2009.

Last week of November should see above average day - time temperatures.

Minor snowfalls expected at month end or first part of December.

December 2008:

Expect warm weather to the 15th with some snow possible. Temperatures start turning colder after the 15th with coldest weather of December expected around Christmas time. (- 25 C degree range for low). Weather warms after Christmas before turning colder at month end.

2009:

January to end of February can best be described as unsettled weather with variable temperatures daily resulting in possibilities of cloudy days, fog, freezing rain or snow flurries and wind.

January 2009:

No long cold weather periods identified. Weather generally above average for day - time. Weather turning colder by month end. Despite the many days of snow flurries expect total snowfall to be below average for the month.

February 2009:

Weather warming from first to mid month however temperatures still very variable.

Temperatures turn colder to month end with unsettled weather continuing. Expect the heaviest snowfall period of winter to occur between the 7th to month - end.

March 2009:

This could be the coldest month of the entire winter with below average temperatures expected.

Temperatures continue to drop from 1st to the 10th. Weather warms to the 17th before turning colder to the 21st. Snowfall expected during this period.

Weather warms again to month - end.

That's all for now folks. Hope to give you a revised update in early 2009.

Cooking Wild: the Outdoorsman's Ultimate Cookbook!

Cooking Wild is here, the best cookbook ever created for hunters, anglers, foragers and anyone else who eats wild fish, game and greens!

Written by noted outdoor gourmet Linda Gabris and published by the people who bring you *Western Sportsman*, *BC Outdoors* and *The Outdoor Edge* magazines, *Cooking Wild* features 180 recipes for Canada's wild fish, game, birds and native plants — including recipes that can be made on the trail *and* in the kitchen.

And there's more: *Cooking Wild* is jam-packed with tips for harvesting, cleaning, preparing, cooking and storing your bounty, as well as safety tips and general outdoors know-how. It truly is the outdoors-person's ultimate companion.

"Linda Gabris has put together a compilation of recipes like I've never seen before. From exotic, gourmet fare that will impress friends and family right down to one-pan meals perfect for the spike camp, you'll find it all in *Cooking Wild*," says David Webb, editor of *Cooking Wild*. "It's an international-calibre book published right here in Edmonton."

Gabris has already been featured on the radio program "Let's Go Outdoors With Michael Short," and she's sure to attract even more attention with the book now in print.

"The outdoors community has never seen anything like *Cooking Wild* — it's going to blow everybody away!" adds Webb.

A limited amount of books will be printed. *Cooking Wild* is already half sold out! Order your copy of the 200-page book today for only \$24.95 (plus \$4 shipping and GST) by phoning 1.800.898.8811 or e-mailing: info@outdoorgroupmedia.com.

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INSURANCE ISSUES AND ANSWERS

All Associations are required by law to have Liability Insurance. It is a benefit of membership in the APRCWA. It covers "the other party" in the event of an accident. Below is a response to the breakdown of Volunteer Insurance and info on the other coverage that associations could opt for. (If anyone wants more of a breakdown of coverage, they can contact the office and get a detailed breakdown that was provided by Jubilee Insurance.)

Please be advised that the Volunteer Policy provides coverage for people from the community that randomly volunteer their time to the RCWA for a special project. These people will come to help out with a special project and will not be seen again until there is another special project that they might or might not want to volunteer for.

The Councilor/Trustee policy covers members from each RCWA should they get hurt while performing their duties that are required of them through the RCWA.

Both policies cover injury due to "Accident" only.

Submitted by Holly Neill, CRM

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11. When a clock is hungry, it goes back four seconds.
12. The man who fell into an upholstery machine is fully recovered.
13. A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in Linoleum Blownapart.
14. You feel stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.
15. Local Area Network in Australia: the LAN down under.
16. He often broke into song because he couldn't find the key.
17. Every calendar's days are numbered.
18. A lot of money is tainted. It taint yours and it taint mine.
19. A boiled egg in the morning is hard to beat.



Meet Molly. She's a grey speckled pony who was abandoned by her owners when Hurricane Katrina hit southern Louisiana. She spent weeks on her own before finally being rescued and taken to a farm where abandoned animals were stockpiled. While there, she was attacked by a pit bull terrier and almost died. Her gnawed right front leg became infected, and her vet went to LSU for help, but LSU was overwhelmed, and this pony was a welfare case. You know how that goes.

But after surgeon Rustin Moore met Molly, he changed his mind. He saw how the pony was careful to lie down on different sides so she didn't seem to get sores, and how she allowed people to handle her. She protected her injured leg. She constantly shifted her weight and didn't overload her good leg. She was a smart pony with a serious survival ethic.

Moore agreed to remove her leg below the knee, and a temporary artificial limb was built. Molly walked out of the clinic and her story really begins there.

'This was the right horse and the right owner,' Moore insists. Molly happened to be a one-in-a-million patient. She's tough as nails, but sweet, and she was willing to cope with pain. She made it obvious she understood that she was in trouble.

The other important factor, according to Moore, is having a truly committed and compliant owner who is dedicated to providing the daily care required over the lifetime of the horse.

Molly's story turns into a parable for life in post-Katrina Louisiana. The little pony gained weight, and her mane finally felt a comb. A human prosthesis designer built her a leg.

The prosthetic has given Molly a whole new life, Allison Barca DVM, Molly's regular vet, reports. And she asks for it. She will put her little limb out, and come to you and let you know that she wants you to put it on. Sometimes she wants you to take it off too. And sometimes, Molly gets away from Barca. 'It can be pretty bad when you can't catch a three-legged horse,' she laughs.

Most important of all, Molly has a job now. Kay, the rescue farm owner, started taking Molly to shelters, hospitals, nursing homes, and rehabilitation centers. Anywhere she thought that people needed hope. Wherever Molly went, she showed people her pluck. She inspired people, and she had a good time doing it. 'It's obvious to me that Molly had a bigger role to play in life.' Moore said. 'She survived the hurricane she survived a horrible injury, and now she is giving hope to others.' Barca concluded, 'She's not back to normal, but she's going to be better. To me, she could be a symbol for New Orleans itself.'



This is Molly's most recent prosthesis. The bottom photo shows the ground surface that she stands on, which has a smiley face embossed in it. Wherever Molly goes, she leaves a smiley hoof print behind. overs that you know.

From an email doing the rounds (bhf)

20. He had a photographic memory that was never developed.
21. A plateau is a high form of flattery.
22. The short fortune-teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.
23. Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.
24. Once you've seen one shopping center you've seen a mall.
25. Those who jump off a Paris bridge are in Seine.
26. When an actress saw her first strands of gray hair she thought she'd dye.
27. Bakers trade bread recipes on a knead to know basis.
28. Santa's helpers are subordinate clauses.
29. Acupuncture is a jab well done.
30. Marathon runners with bad footwear suffer the agony of defeat.

**2nd Article from British Columbia Rural Crime Watch Column for November 5, 2008
Fear. Intimidation**

“You’re going to get hurt! You’ll leave here in an ambulance! You’ll be in the hospital and in pain a very long time!”

That’s intimidation! Performed by a law enforcement officer trying to avoid violence during a bar check where the suspect is drunk, breaking furniture and fighting with anyone available. The member’s task was to remove the suspect peacefully if possible, or violently if necessary.

The member’s next words were, “Or, you can allow me to handcuff you and leave with me now peacefully. Your choice.”

She had honed her defensive tactic skills to intimidate the suspect.

The suspect wasn’t too drunk to choose wisely.

The suspect experienced Fear.

Fear! It can cripple you with greater force than any physical affliction.

RCW often hear of residents’ concerns of being harassed either in their home or elsewhere. Many citizens feel helpless, burying their heads and pretending it isn't happening and won't happen to them. Others decide there is no point in making the necessary changes. **They** sell their homes and move, then move again and again as they encounter other bullies who seek out their weakness. Others see the need for change and find it challenging, experience joy and excitement at retaking their environment.

Becoming proactive, organizing your friends and neighbours with Rural Crime Watch and learning ways

to deal with the bullies is the only real solution that will provide you with the opportunity to have an enjoyable lifestyle, free from Fear.

Rural Crime Watch is expanding provincially and in some communities the bad guys are retaliating with intimidation. Since there is strength in numbers, the bullies may try to divide and conquer. They may seek each person out and intimidate separately. This is where the strength in RCW exists, having friends and neighbours who will stand by your side against the bullies. President Franklin D. Roosevelt was right when he said, "We have nothing to fear but fear itself."

How can bullies isolate law-abiding citizens to harass and intimidate them?

In one rural community Mounties are investigating reports of lone women drivers being followed as they returned home from separate meetings. One woman was just heading out of town when a pick-up truck pulled in behind her and followed her. After making four turns and still being tailed by the truck, she headed for an all night diner. The driver turned off when she pulled into the parking lot. She had a physical description of the driver and the vehicle. She was not to be intimidated.

A second woman was rear-ended by a dark SUV as she waited for the one traffic light at about 5 am on her way to work. The woman stayed in her car and kept the doors locked and was calling 911 when the man approached from the rear. She kept the windows rolled up and told him she had called the police. This woman wasn't going to be intimidated either. However, it may have been wiser to head for a populated location and deal with the rear-ending later.

Bullies quickly discover that they can't isolate you in the market, gas station or elsewhere without other citizens coming to your aid. The bad guys also learn quickly that you and the community will not accept their harassment.

One ruralist, having been intimidated for years by several bullies, met one in the grocery store. She was minding her own business when he saw her and started his swagger down the aisle, bent on doing as he had always done, put Fear in her. But this woman wasn't the same as she was the previous month when he did his bullying. She had become a RCW member, had been reading, exchanging emails and had built her self-confidence. She stood sideways in the aisle; hands at her side, head erect watching him approach. As he walked by she knew he felt her changed aura. She was no longer his to harass.

Bullies play on intimidation and fear and when neither works they have nothing left. In many rural communities the bad guys have packed up and moved on because residents ceased to fear them, are looking out for each other, reporting suspicious and criminal activity to the RCMP and generally making criminal life and intimidation unprofitable for the low life criminals.

Go to www.ruralcrimewatch.com and "Column" for more information on Overcoming Fear.

Submitted by Jon McCormick

You think English is easy??? Read to the end.... a new twist

- 1) The bandage was wound around the wound.
- 2) The farm was used to produce produce .
- 3) The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
- 4) We must polish the Polish furniture.
- 5) He could lead if he would get the lead out.
- 6) The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
- 7) Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present .
- 8) A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.
- 9) When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
- 10) I did not object to the object.
- 11) The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
- 12) There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row
- 13) They were too close to the door to close it.
- 14) The buck does funny things when the does are present.
- 15) A seamstress and a sewer fell down into a sewer line.
- 16) To help with planting, the farmer taught his sow to sow.
- 17) The wind was too strong to wind the sail.
- 18) Upon seeing the tear in the painting I shed a tear.
- 19) I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.
- 20) How can I intimate this to my most intimate friend?
- 21) Can you empty this can?

