

## RURAL CRIME WATCH



Rural Crime Watch is a community driven, community led, police supported Crime Reduction collaborative program.

Volunteers have a vested interest in their community, they share the common goal of safe homes, safe community. They know who live in their area. They will share information via email, twitter, or telephone. Volunteers: Observe-Record-Report to their local detachment any unusual or suspicious activities in their surroundings. The RCMP will inform the Rural Crime Watch group when there is criminal activity in the area.

Statistics show that areas where there is an organized crime watch tend to have a significant reduction in criminal activity. By reporting suspicious activity in your area immediately to the RCMP or 911, you become a citizen concerned about the quality of life in our community. We become the extra eyes and ears, and report suspicious activity to the police. Rural Crime Watch is a part of the Community Based Policing program, and has already been proven successful.

Volunteers will have to complete a security check with their local RCMP.

Becoming a member of Rural Crime Watch does not take up a lot of your time. Volunteers are another set of eyes and ears for your local police when they may not be in your area. Working together helps the police solve crime and prevent further crime. This makes our communities a safer place to live.

## Role of the Members

- Report all unusual or suspicious vehicles or occurrences immediately to the RCMP or for emergencies: 911
- Respond to RCMP fan-out messages.
- Make an inventory of your property and mark all your valuables with your Driver's License Number.
- Display your Rural Crime Watch signs as soon as you receive them.
- · Attend any information meetings held in you area and take an active part in your community.

## Membership Benefits - Why Join RCW?

- · Encourages becoming aware of suspicious activities by getting to know your neighbour.
- The eyes and ears of a safe community
- · Membership ready to assemble if/when patrolling becomes necessary
- Communication system a great way to send info across the County in a hurry
- Signage discourages intruders. Potential Criminals know what the yellow signs mean AND MOVE ON
- Be included in our Crime Watch Fanouts!

To join email: parklandruralcrime@gmail.com