

# Wilberforce & Area Police Volunteer Association

## ANNUAL REVIEW 2004

The Association had an extremely busy year, with 60 calls, well up from last year's numbers. The year 2004 started off on a sad note with the passing of our Secretary, Dorothy (Dolly) Ragnar. Dolly was very active not just with the Association, but in the Community as well and is missed by all.

WAPVA received 7 calls from the O.P.P. for assistance, and members assisted the Fire Department's First Response unit on 5 occasions. The Association also responded to a missing children call, luckily they turned up safe and sound a few hours later. An undisclosed security issue in Wilberforce saw WAPVA members providing security shifts for 48-hours until the problem was resolved without incident.

Association members were out in full force to assist the Police during a shooting incident in Wilberforce. Some assisted Police in a search, while others made refreshments and a hot dinner for over forty officers that were involved the operation.

Members found three abandoned and/or stolen snowmobiles and the Police were called to take them away. Members also found two ATV's, which were also turned over to Police.

The Patrollers out at night are still finding locations not properly secured or locked up, resulting in the owners being called to come out and lock up.

WAPVA once again provided security during Wilberforce's Country Good Times, directed traffic for the parade, and were also out for two nights during the Agricultural Fair as well as the Ball Tournament and dance in Harcourt. Members patrolled Wilberforce and Harcourt during Halloween, ensuring the Witches and Goblins had a safe and enjoyable night.

Our annual Roast Beef Dinner was a huge success, and was completely sold out. We would like to

thank everyone who took part for your support. Without your support we would not be able to carry on.

The Association recently made a \$200-dollar donation to help with the relief fund for the Tsunami regions that were so badly hit, as well calling for other Community Policing Associations to follow suit and provided donation links on the wapva.org website.

Members were out in force once again, checking and tagging Cottages. Regular patrols are being made on cottage- and back-roads, but it was frustrating seeing so many seasonal residences not locked-up properly. Members secured the locations as best they could, while the owners were contacted. Please ensure your residence is secure and locked when you leave.

The Association bought a generator for the Medical Center and O.P.P. Sub-Office and had the building properly wired so it can fully function in case of an Emergency. The location can also serve as a place to go for the seniors to stay warm, in case the power goes off.

It is the intent of the Association to provide a secure and quiet crime free area for all to enjoy and with your help and support we will reach that goal.

WAPVA would like to extend our sincere thanks to Agnew's General Store, Wilberforce I.G.A, Highland Ice Supply, Linkert Country Bakery and all the people who have made donations during the year, and for your ongoing support. It is greatly appreciated and we would not be able to function without your help.

The Association's general meetings are held every fourth Tuesday, of the months January, March, May, September and November, and are open to the public. New members are always welcome.

Visit our website: [www.wapva.org](http://www.wapva.org)

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### New WAPVA Executive for 2005

<b>President</b>	John Goverde
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