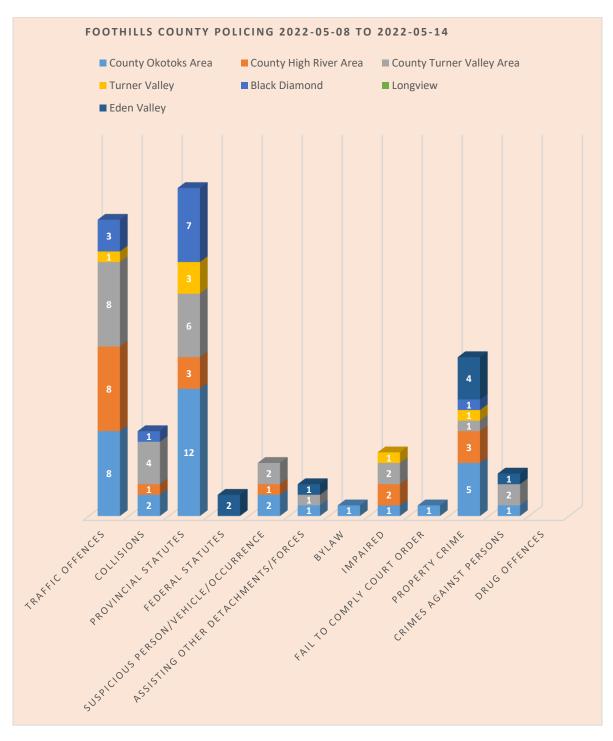


# MOUNTIE MOMENTS FOOTHILLS COUNTY POLICING

### **RCMP TURNER VALLEY DETACHMENT**



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#### WHAT WENT ON LAST WEEK?

On May 8, Foothills County RCMP responded to a complaint of a gunshot at a rural property. Investigation revealed that a neighbor had set off a bear banger to deter elk from damaging their yard.

On May 9, Foothills County RCMP were dispatched to a single vehicle collision on Hwy 762. Poor road conditions from overnight snowfall were a contributing factor in the collision. There were no injuries and no charges laid.

On the evening of May 10, Foothills County RCMP observed a vehicle flashing it's headlights repeatedly at traffic. A traffic stop was conducted, and the driver failed a roadside alcohol screening, resulting in an AALS license suspension and vehicle impound.

Overnight on May 10-11, the clubhouse of the Turner Valley golf course was broken in to. Small items were stolen. The investigation is ongoing as leads are pursued.

Early in the morning of May 11, a compressor trailer was stolen from a commercial site in Calgary. Foothills RCMP received notification from Calgary Police of a possible location of the stolen trailer at a property on Dunbow Road. Foothills County RCMP obtained a search warrant for the property, which resulted in the recovery of the stolen trailer and a second stolen trailer. Clayton Whaling (41) of Foothills County has been charged with possession of property obtained by crime and fraudulent concealment, and was released to appear in court on June 24.

Early in the morning of May 11, unknown suspects entered unlocked vehicles in Heritage Point, stealing items from vehicles including gift cards and change. The investigation is ongoing.

In the afternoon of May 11, Foothills County RCMP were dispatched a complaint of an erratically driving dump truck. The dump truck was located and stopped, and the driver failed a roadside alcohol screening, resulting in an AALS license suspension and the dump truck being impounded.

On May 13, Foothills County RCMP responded to a single vehicle rollover on 338 Ave by Hwy 2. The driver and lone occupant was transported to hospital by EMS for non-life threatening injuries. The cause of the collision is still under investigation.

On May 14, Foothills County RCMP stopped a speeding vehicle on Hwy 22 near Priddis Valley Road. The driver failed a roadside alcohol screening, resulting in an AALS license suspension and vehicle impound.

On May 14, Foothills County RCMP responded to a complaint of an erratic driver, locating the suspect vehicle on 498 Avenue. The failed a roadside alcohol screening, resulting in an AALS license suspension and vehicle impound.

On May 14, Foothills County RCMP located another impaired driver on hwy 22 near Priddis. The male driver received an AALS license suspension and vehicle impound.



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## **Q&A With Cpl. Ryan Eckersley**

I'm disappointed to report that over the week of May 8-14, Foothills County RCMP took five impaired drivers off the road. Each driver received a minimum of a \$1000 fine + 20% surcharge, 12 month license suspension, and 30 day vehicle impound.

It feels like the societal shift about driving after you've "had a few" has somewhat stalled. Those who tend to abide by rules put in place for the greater good continue to do their part, yet some still choose to take the chance and put others lives at risk for a multitude of reasons I can't understand.

Alberta's AALS program is swift, but I don't know if any amount of legislation on it's own can cause all people to make better choices.

Please continue to do your part and call 911 if you witness dangerous or possible impaired driving; we vow to continue our efforts to take impaired drivers off the road.