

RCMP Priorities for Parksville Presented to Council

At the February 1 Committee of the Whole meeting, Staff Sergeant Brian Hunter presented to Council, the RCMP policing issues and priorities for Parksville.

Priorities for the coming year include reduction in property mischief/crimes; reduction in the abuse of drugs which includes production, trafficking and use; enhance relationships and cultural awareness with Qualicum First Nation; and working to contribute to positive youth interactions and overall road safety.

Mayor Ed Mayne stated that, "the Oceanside region is capably served by the Oceanside Detachment of the RCMP. I wish to publicly congratulate the Oceanside Detachment for exceptional service to the community. I am personally very proud of our local RCMP."

He further stated that, "We are fortunate to be served by the RCMP and to share policing resources with other communities throughout the Oceanside region."

The work of the German Ju Jutsu Systems Foundation is having an impact on youth-related crime. Since the program was implemented, youth are learning new skills in martial arts and special tailored programs and the City of Parksville is the beneficiary. Vandalism in the City of Parksville has reduced significantly and there is no doubt that this is a worthwhile project.

Said Mayor Mayne, "We are proud of the role that the City of Parksville has played in the formation of the German Ju Jutsu Systems Foundation and proud of the work and accomplishments of the German Ju Jutsu Systems Foundation."

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