

Newsletter



Christmas, 2016

Alberta Citizens On Patrol Association



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*Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year
from our family to yours.*



Message from ACOPA President to all Citizens On Patrol

As it gets close to Dec 25, it is the time of year to be thankful for so many things in our busy lives. It is important to spend time with loved ones, including family and friends. With over 1500 Citizens On Patrol members in Alberta, each and every member plays an important role in being “extra eyes and ears” in their community. It does not matter if C.O.P. patrol in the daytime or the evening. Crime takes place all hours of the day and just having someone out there watching may be enough to deter a crime from occurring. Sometimes, C.O.P. feel that they may not be doing anything, but rest assured that every time a patrol takes place, it is an important patrol for the community.

Thank you to all the Liaison Officers who give their time to the C.O.P. groups. Without your support, C.O.P. would not be successful. Thank you to Sgt Josee Valiquette for your interest and support for ACOPA.

Thank you to each patroller for all the patrols you make over the year, for always watching your community even when you are not on patrol, and for all the special events that you volunteer for to assist with community events throughout the year. Each C.O.P. in Alberta makes a difference and you are thanked for your contributions.

Best wishes for the Christmas holidays and for the coming year from the ACOPA Board.

Bev Salomons, ACOPA President

NEW CLIPS FROM RECENT EVENTS

CP Holiday Train

Peace Officer Cory Monroe with ACOPA President Bev Salomons at the CP Holiday train in Josephburg on Dec 8 in minus 27 C.

Thousands of people came out in the frigid evening to see the CP Holiday train and see the entertainment. This was a fundraising event for the local food bank. Hot chocolate was available for free to everyone. There were 2 fires going for people to warm up and a huge pile of snow for kids to play on.



Beautiful Christmas decoration at front of Strathcona RCMP Detachment



Candy Cane Check Stop



Peace Officers, Auxiliary Officers, RCMP, Bev, COP and the RCMP Safety Bear. A positive check stop was held Dec 14 at the Strathcona Detachment with members of Strathcona County COP assisting, handing out candy canes and Christmas cards to people that passed through the check stop. This was also a fundraiser for the local food bank.



Strathcona County COP relaxing with Liaison Officer Cst Rick Green and a cup of hot chocolate after the Candy Cane Check Stop in Sherwood Park Dec 14. The check stop was a positive event to thank drivers for driving safely and to collect items for the local food bank.

Pincher Creek C.O.P.



Citizens On Patrol in Pincher Creek braved temperatures of minus 30 for their Christmas Check stop. Notice all the Santa hats the COP are wearing.