Cottage Watch Tip Sheet.

As per usual, the local OPP conducts routine patrols of seasonal properties to support the crime prevention initiative.

Noise complaints - Most frequently received from properties that have been rented out. Perhaps you can have property owners add to their list of reminders for renters to be conscious and respectful of neighbours and how easily noise travels over the water.

Residence Alarms - There are a few properties in the area that have had multiple false alarms (alarm is activated; Police respond and discover there is no intruder or trespasser). Ensure that each residence with an alarm system has their company review the system to ensure proper working order, as residents are billed by the District an additional \$250/call over and above 1 false alarm/year (billed annually on property tax bills).

Thefts - There have been a few reports of snowmobiles and a trailer stolen from resident's properties. In all cases the possessions were not safely secured or stored. Safe storage and/or security measures (i.e. video surveillance) are required in order to avoid theft of property.

Bears - Refer to the following website regarding emergency and non-emergency situations: http://www.ontario.ca/environment-and-energy/report-bear-problem-bear-wise

Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

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