



Royal City Men's Club

RCMC Newsletter

September 2025

September 11th.

Chief Colby & Deputy Chief Dan Gill: Policing and Protection from Scams

Presentation:

We have all heard about "Scams" Think it can never happen to you. You won't want to miss this presentation since scams are much more common and sophisticated than you may realize. They can happen to anyone.

Bio:

When Gord Cobey began his bachelor's degree at McMaster University, he already had an idea of the career he wanted to pursue.

"I applied to the RCMP a few weeks after starting university and was hired shortly after I completed my degree three years later," he remembers. "Policing was something I was interested in from a very young age".

As a youth, many of Cobey's football and hockey coaches were police officers and he liked the idea of "engaging in an interesting and meaningful career with many opportunities to serve and support the community."

Upon graduating from the RCMP training academy in 1994, Cobey requested a remote posting in northern Manitoba. He was sent to Gods Lake Narrows, a fly-in community 550 kilometres northeast of Winnipeg. Having grown up in eastern Ontario, Cobey had never lived or travelled extensively outside of his home province. "I thought it would be interesting and a great opportunity to learn." In fact, the first time he was ever on a plane was when the RCMP flew him to his first posting.

In his time in northern Manitoba, Cobey learned lessons that have served him well throughout his policing career. "When you're working in very remote communities, or any community, it is important that you build relationships with community members. The greatest lesson I learned was the importance of being kind and treating people with respect."

After seven years in Manitoba, Cobey and his wife – who were high school sweethearts -- moved their family back to Ontario, settling in Guelph where his wife had attended university. They have three adult children. Cobey continued to work for the RCMP until early 2019, when he was hired to replace retiring Guelph Police Chief Jeff DeRuyter.



10am. To be followed by Live Questions.

September 25th.

Mike Finoro: Life as a Corrections Officer

Presentation:

Life as a Corrections Officer - probably different from what you imagine.

Bio:

Mike Finoro, also known as Michele, has been a member of RCMC since 2023. He is of Italian descent. Married for 33 years to wife Lina. He has 3 children, one of which is special needs and also has 3 grandchildren.

Mike worked with the Ministry of Correctional Services, just under 39 years. Half this time as a Lieutenant/Manager. During his years in correctional services he was on the Riot Squad for 20 years which included Team leader and Coordinator. The last 5 years of his career was as Security Manager of the jail. Mike has volunteered at the Probation and Parole office in Guelph for 25 years. Now retired for 2 ½ years, spends his spare time doing small renovations, golfing, fishing, yard work, men's club, and spends quality time with family.



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Messages : Future Meetings

Oct. 9th. 2025

TBA

Oct. 23rd. 2025

Michael Grand: Role of Grandparents

Coffee/Breakfast 9:30am

September 4th. And 18th.

Coffee/Breakfast

RCMC Live Coffee Morning

9:30am at

Uptown Grill
694 WoolwichSt.

The Boathouse
116 Gordon Street

Activities & Events

OCT 3 Storm Hockey Game

September 12th.

An Evening at the Races
Elora Raceway - Cancelled

November 11th.

Remembrance Day
Sleeman Centre

November 2025

VBA Cabaret
Village by the Arboretum

December 11th. 2025

Christmas Luncheon
Victoria East Golf Club

See activities desk for more details

Other News

There is a new What's New section on the Home page of our website. This will give you quick links to any new information which has been posted on the website.

If you have any new content for the website, please send to Ritchie Zelk at edna.ritchie@sympatico.ca

Membership

Please send any updates to your entry in the Membership Directory, including any change in email address, to **Martin Alderwick**; 519-763-6939
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Members are encouraged to invite male friends and acquaintances to our meetings.