

2019-146907



## OM - ch. 37.2. Lost/Overdue Persons

Policy Amended: 2019-08-22

For information regarding this policy, contact [Operational Policy and Compliance](#), National Criminal Operations, Contract and Indigenous Policing.

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### 1. General

1. 1. A lost/overdue person is someone who:

1. 1. 1. has become disoriented and is wanting to be found, or
1. 1. 2. is overdue from a sporting or recreational activity, e.g. fishing, hunting, and hiking.

1. 2. For missing persons, refer to [OM ch. 37.3., Missing Persons](#).

1. 3. For search and rescue (SAR), refer to [OM ch. 37.1., Search and Rescue](#).

1. 4. The police force of jurisdiction of the last known or seen location is responsible for lost/overdue person investigations.

### 2. Roles and Responsibilities

#### 2. 1. Member

2. 1. 1. Determine whether the complaint is a missing person or a lost/overdue person.

2. 1. 1. 1. If the complaint is a missing person, refer to [OM ch. 37.3.](#) and [Form 6473, Missing Persons Intake and Risk Assessment](#).

2. 1. 2. If the scene is accessible and safe:

2. 1. 2. 1. immediately attend the scene,

2. 1. 2. 2. complete a risk assessment,

2. 1. 2. 3. investigate in accordance with divisional policies, and

2. 1. 2. 4. identify the Point Last Seen (PLS) or the Last Known Point (LKP) of the lost/overdue person, and protect that area from contamination, which could destroy foot tracks and scent.

NOTE: If practicable, consult with the Police Dog Service (PDS) at the onset of the investigation.

2. 1. 3. For all lost/overdue persons, notify the detachment commander or supervisor.
2. 1. 4. If practicable, immediately request the assistance of a search/incident commander.
2. 1. 5. Implement divisional or detachment protocols for Ground Search and Rescue (GSAR).

NOTE: If practicable, the RCMP and local GSAR Search Manager should jointly interview the family and witnesses.

2. 1. 5. 1. If the search is a Canadian Coast Guard (CCG) or Parks Canada responsibility, refer to OM ch. 37.1.

NOTES:

1. Canadian Coast Guard is tasked with marine search and rescue, communication, navigation, and transportation issues in Canadian waters.

2. Parks Canada employs park wardens to protect natural and cultural resources, conduct campground patrols and other targeted enforcement activities, and to ensure the safety of visitors in national parks and marine conservation areas.

2. 1. 6. For reports of lost/overdue persons, ensure that all pertinent information is added to CPIC. (e.g. the last known location, individual description, and vehicle description (if a vehicle was used)).

2. 1. 6. 1. Include clothing and shoe description and size and other items (e.g. camping gear, back pack).

2. 1. 6. 2. When relevant, obtain the GPS coordinates of where the vehicle was found, the general area where the person was last known to be, and the person's destination.

2. 1. 6. 3. When it is determined the subject owns, or is in possession of, a mobile device, seek authorization to ping the device, in accordance with divisional policies.

2. 1. 7. As soon as practicable:

2. 1. 7. 1. complete Form 3450, Lost/Overdue Person Report and Search Results, and

2. 1. 7. 2. provide Form 3450 to the incident commander and the GSAR manager.

2. 1. 8. Consider issuing a Be On the Lookout (BOLO).

2. 1. 9. When the person is located, ensure the information has been removed from CPIC.

**2. 2. Supervisor/Delegate**

2. 2. 1. Confirm that the appropriate investigative response is underway, and that all investigative actions have been, and continue to be, documented on the file.

2. 2. 2. Confirm that the required information has been added to CPIC (e.g. persons, vehicles).

2. 2. 3. When advised there is a complaint of a lost/overdue person, consider requesting a search/incident commander and trained volunteer GSAR team to stand by.

2. 2. 4. Establish communication with the media and the family.

### 2. 3. Search/Incident Commander

2. 3. 1. Establish an incident command post close to the search area.

2. 3. 1. 1. Ensure the incident command post has the necessary communications, maps, food, and supplies.

2. 3. 2. When interviewing family and witnesses, ensure Form 3450 has been completed by the RCMP and GSAR.

2. 3. 3. Use the GSAR Knowledge Management System (SARKMS) in locations where it is available and/or implemented.

2. 3. 3. 1. Determine software use and compatibility amongst the various GSAR teams involved in the search.

2. 3. 3. 2. Ensure all RCMP PDS and approved civilian GSAR K9 are using GPS.

2. 3. 3. 2. 1. Ensure the GPS is downloaded onto GSAR systems and grid maps in a timely fashion.

2. 3. 4. As soon as practicable, consult with the GSAR search manager to:

2. 3. 4. 1. gather all pertinent information essential to the management of the incident;

2. 3. 4. 2. determine and contain the search area;

2. 3. 4. 3. determine the number and type of resources on scene and actions to be taken;

2. 3. 4. 4. determine what search strategies tactics to employ;

2. 3. 4. 5. activate GSAR resources;

2. 3. 4. 6. ensure a check-in procedure is established;

2. 3. 4. 7. identify possible hazards;

2. 3. 4. 8. ensure health and safety of responders and the public;

2. 3. 4. 9. determine the extent of the search and evaluate the need for additional resources;

2. 3. 4. 10. brief and debrief key GSAR team members as required;

2. 3. 4. 11. develop and maintain operation progress report;

2. 3. 6. 12. brief the detachment commander; and

2. 3. 4. 13. recommend suspension or termination of the search.

2. 3. 5. As required, request, coordinate, and direct police and other resources.

2. 3. 6. When necessary during a search, remain at the incident command post.

2. 3. 7. If there are no volunteer GSAR teams, consider deploying the tactical troop or special tactical operations team.

2. 3. 8. Register volunteers, as well as their ground search certification level, map and compass knowledge, woods experience, or any other information requested by the province or territory.

NOTE: Each volunteer must give written consent to an agreement such as the following:

**I am prepared to follow the directions of the search/incident commander through their organization as prescribed. I understand that I am a volunteer and must adhere to the directions of search management in order to do my part.**

2. 3. 8. 1. Countersign the registration and agreement document.

2. 3. 9. A volunteer may be rejected with cause.

2. 3. 10. Upon the demobilization of a search, account for all human and physical resources.

2. 3. 11. Ensure the health and safety of responders and the public.

2. 3. 12. Ensure all GSAR actions and injuries are documented.

2. 3. 13. Hold a debriefing with the search manager and selected volunteers to record positive and negative aspects of the search.

2. 3. 14. Organize an After Action Review and forward to the detachment commander.

2. 3. 15. Ensure a proper command transfer.

#### 2. 4. Detachment Commander/Delegate

2. 4. 1. Maintain an updated GSAR emergency contingency plan.

2. 4. 2. When advised there is a lost/overdue person, consider requesting a search/incident commander and trained volunteer GSAR team to:

2. 4. 2. 1. attend the scene initially, or

2. 4. 2. 2. stand by.

2. 4. 3. If a search is warranted and a trained search/incident commander is unavailable, request one from the district commander.

2. 4. 4. Prepare a briefing note to inform the district commander/delegate of any on-going GSAR events.

2. 4. 5. When it has been determined that a search should be suspended or terminated, advise the district commander/delegate.

2. 4. 6. Forward a copy of the GSAR and debriefing reports with your comments and recommendations to the divisional GSAR coordinator.

2. 4. 7. Where applicable, ensure the detachment or divisional Media Relations Officer (MRO) are engaged in the investigation.

2. 4. 8. Encourage members with GSAR training to keep their training current.

2. 4. 9. Promote GSAR by giving presentations to school children and special-interest groups.

2. 4. 10. When possible, conduct security clearances on volunteers.

#### **2. 5. Divisional GSAR Coordinator**

2. 5. 1 Maintain up-to-date GSAR resource lists.

2. 5. 2. Provide an annual report (i.e. every calendar year) with recommendations for the divisional GSAR Program to the Cr. Ops. Officer/delegate.

2. 5. 3. When necessary, coordinate air support and other provincial or territorial resources.

2. 5. 4. In accordance with divisional policies, provide a copy of the GSAR and debriefing reports to the provincial or territorial GSAR authority.

2. 5. 5. Complete review of each GSAR incident and all expenditures.

#### **2. 6. Cr. Ops. Officer/Delegate**

2. 6. 1. If you are in a contract division, appoint a divisional GSAR coordinator and an alternate.

2. 6. 2. Ensure divisional policies reflect provincial or territorial legislation, MOUs, and policies relative to GSAR.

2. 6. 2. 1. Consult with GSAR to ensure that workers' compensation and civil liability coverage for GSAR volunteers is in place in your jurisdiction.

2. 6. 2. 2. Identify the agency responsible for volunteer expenses.

2. 6. 3. Ensure sufficient members are trained as search/incident commanders to meet any possible GSAR requirements.

2. 6. 4. Before recommending to the CO/delegate that a GSAR operation be officially ended, consult with the district commander/delegate.

2. 6. 5. Meet annually with the provincial or territorial ministry or agency responsible for GSAR, and promote the:

2. 6. 5. 1. use of provincially or territorially controlled equipment and resources;

2. 6. 5. 2. province or territory to support and maintain volunteer GSAR organizations;

2. 6. 5. 3. exchange of information and cooperation between government and civilian GSAR organizations; and

2. 6. 5. 4. formation of agreements between federal, provincial, territorial, and municipal agencies and civilian SAR organizations, e.g. Parks Canada, Natural Resources, provincial parks, Civil Air Search and Rescue Association (CASARA), Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary (CCGA), to provide equipment and trained personnel to ensure a coordinated response.

2. 6. 6. Report any GSAR-related trends, problems, or deficiencies which may have national significance, to National Headquarters, ATTN: Director General, NCROPS.

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#### **References**

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## OM - ch. 37.3. Missing Persons

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1. [Definitions](#)
  2. [General](#)
  3. [Roles and Responsibilities](#)
- App. 37-3-1 [Missing Person Information Checklist](#)
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### 1. Definitions

1. 1. **Missing person** means an individual reported to or by police as someone whose whereabouts are unknown, whatever the circumstances of their disappearance, and who will be considered missing until they are located.

1. 2. **High-risk person**, for missing person investigations, means that the missing person's health or well-being may be in immediate danger due to:

1. 2. 1. their own vulnerability,
1. 2. 2. the weather or physical conditions where the missing person is believed to be, or
1. 2. 3. reasonable grounds to believe they may be the victim of a crime.

NOTE: Examples of persons considered high-risk include: children; the elderly; a person with a physical, mental, or sensory disability; a person with a medical condition, mental illness, or who is suicidal; sex trade workers; gang or drug-trade associates; court witnesses; victims of abduction; victims of domestic violence and elder abuse; victims of bullying; transient/homeless persons; runaways; and those involved in high-risk activities such as hitchhiking and drug or alcohol abuse.

1. 3. **High-risk lifestyle** means the engagement in or the association with others involved in dangerous activities and/or frequenting or residing in dangerous environments, either by personal choice or circumstance.

### 2. General

2. 1. Divisions are guided by provincial legislation regarding missing person investigations.
2. 2. All reports of a missing person will be promptly and thoroughly investigated, regardless of the individual's gender, age, race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, sexual orientation, belief, social standing, or lifestyle. Refer to [OM ch. 38.2., Bias-Free Policing](#).

2. 3. Under no circumstance will a complainant be advised that they must wait a specific period of time before a report of a missing person can be made.
2. 4. A missing person complaint will be accepted and acted on by any detachment, regardless of jurisdiction. This includes any information, tips, or leads regarding a missing person investigation.
2. 4. 1. If the initial complaint is received by a detachment that does not have jurisdiction, refer to sec. 3.1.
2. 5. When the jurisdiction is in question:
2. 5. 1. The detachment or agency where the person was last seen has jurisdiction over the investigation and is responsible for the missing person report and the follow-up investigation.
2. 5. 2. If the last known location where the person was reported as missing cannot be determined, the police service for the jurisdiction where the missing person resides or last stayed is responsible for the missing person report and the follow-up investigation.
2. 6. When issuing a media release with a photograph of the missing person, the following must be ensured:
2. 6. 1. the image clearly depicts the missing person; and
2. 6. 2. the image represents the most recent likeness of the missing person, if possible.
2. 6. 2. 1. If the complainant or family member cannot provide a recent image, or if the image provided does not represent the most recent likeness of the missing person, and there is a suitable image available from an RCMP records management system (RMS), this image may be used.
- NOTE: After an initial media release with the RMS image, if a more suitable image becomes available, this image will be used in any subsequent media releases.
2. 7. RCMP Ottawa INTERPOL National Central Bureau (NCB) (613-843-5034) will provide assistance for any missing person who is suspected of being transported to a foreign country, has been reported to have gone missing in a foreign country, or is a foreign national. Refer to OM ch. 44.4., Request for Assistance to Foreign Law-Enforcement Agencies.
2. 7. 1. Interpol may issue a Yellow Notice. This notice is to help locate missing persons, often minors, or to help identify persons who are unable to identify themselves.
2. 8. Locating the missing person is the primary investigational objective in a missing person complaint.
2. 9. A person is deemed to be missing until the police force of jurisdiction receives credible information confirming the missing person's identity, safety, and well-being.

NOTE: Every attempt should be made to confirm the individual's safety and well-being in person. If circumstances exist that prevent an in-person confirmation, consider enlisting the assistance of a partnering agency (e.g. other police agency, social services, or school) to verify the missing person's safety and well-being.



2. 9. 1. In the event of the missing person's death, the police force of jurisdiction must receive positive confirmation of the missing person's identity.

2. 10. For investigations regarding lost or overdue persons, refer to OM ch. 37.2., Lost/Overdue Persons.

2. 11. For investigations regarding missing persons under the age of 18, refer to OM ch. 37.10., Missing Children, and for parental abduction, refer to OM ch. 2.8., Parental Child Abduction.

NOTE: If there is information that the abducting parent may intend to leave, or has left, the country, National Missing Children Operations (NMCO) can be contacted by telephone at 1-877-318-3576. The NMCO is available 24 hours a day to provide advice and assistance to primary investigators in urgent situations.

2. 12. The National Centre for Missing Persons and Unidentified Remains (NCMPUR) can provide specialized analytical services or assist with requests to publish missing person information to their website. The NCMPUR may be contacted through email at GroupWise address NCMPUR@rcmp-grc.gc.ca. Refer to OM ch. 37.10. and OM ch. 2.8.

### 3. Roles and Responsibilities

#### 3. 1. Member

3. 1. 1. If you receive an initial complaint and your detachment does not have jurisdiction:

3. 1. 1. 1. immediately communicate the missing person information, and any investigational steps taken, to the detachment or agency of jurisdiction, verbally by telephone, followed by electronic written correspondence; and

3. 1. 1. 2. open a file and document the transfer of information.

3. 1. 2. Inform the complainant if the investigation has been transferred to another jurisdiction and provide the contact information of the receiving jurisdiction.

3. 1. 3. Promptly and thoroughly investigate all missing person complaints. Document all investigational steps taken, in detail, in your notebook and the Records Management System (RMS). Refer to OM ch. 25.2., Investigator's Notes.

3. 1. 4. Complete Form 6473, Missing Person Intake and Risk Assessment, to assist in determining the appropriate response and resources.

NOTE: Complete Form 6473 first, unless the incident requires immediate operational response (i.e. abduction in progress). The completion of Form 6473 is critical, as it contains information that may guide you on different investigative avenues.

3. 1. 5. When the missing person is high risk or maintains a high-risk lifestyle (refer to sec. 1.2. and 1.3.), notify your supervisor immediately.

3. 1. 5. 1. Consult your supervisor, as soon as practicable, regarding the appropriate response on all missing person investigations.

3. 1. 6. Determine the appropriate investigational response considering the circumstances, as well as any risk factors associated to the missing person, e.g. high-risk person. Refer to sec. 1.2. and 1.3.

3. 1. 7. Confirm the physical descriptors of the missing person with the complainant and ensure the CPIC entry is correct.

3. 1. 8. Review divisional policy and OM ch. 1.1., First Response Investigations.

3. 1. 9. Consider other options available, depending on the circumstances, such as issuing a BOLO or an Amber Alert. Refer to OM ch. 37.9., AMBER Alert.

3. 1. 10. Develop a schedule in consultation with the family/reporting party/complainant to provide updates on the status of the investigation. Document each scheduled update in the file, using either:

3. 1. 10. 1. Form 6519, Complainant/Family Communication Schedule; or

3. 1. 10. 2. the applicable RMS.

3. 1. 10. 2. 1. For PROS (Police Reporting and Occurrence System), create a contact log entry.

3. 1. 10. 2. 2. For PRIME-BC (Police Records Information Management Environment – British Columbia) or Halifax Versadex, create a supplemental report.

3. 1. 11. Follow provincial directives for referral and access to available victim services, taking into consideration cultural needs, where possible. Refer to OM ch. 37.6., Victim Assistance.

3. 1. 12. Notify the family/complainant if the missing person is located.

3. 1. 12. 1. If there are exigent circumstances, including, but not limited to, a risk to the continued safety of the person reported missing (e.g. court witness, victim of domestic violence, or victim of elder abuse), consider withholding the person's location.

3. 1. 12. 2. If a found missing person is a competent adult, do not disclose their location to the family/complainant without the missing person's consent.

3. 1. 13. To ensure comprehensive information gathering, see App. 37-3-1, Missing Person Information Checklist.

3. 1. 14. Immediately take steps to ensure that a detailed missing person entry is entered in the Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC).

3. 1. 14. 1. Continually update the entry as more information becomes available. Refer to the relevant CPIC user manual.

NOTE: If the detachment does not have the means to process the CPIC entry, employ the assistance of an internal partner to ensure that the entry is entered immediately (e.g. operational communications centre {OCC}, 24/7 or neighbouring detachment), and document the actions taken.

3. 1. 15. Contact Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) by telephone at 613-960-6001, if there is a possibility or suspicion that a missing or abducted child may be taken to the United States, or if a border alert is required for a missing adult.

3. 1. 16. Consult with Forensic Identification Services (FIS), where appropriate, and follow their direction regarding the preservation and recovery of physical evidence. Refer to OM ch. 35.1.,

DNA Collection and Data Bank; LSM ch. 1., Laboratory Services, sec. 3., Collecting and Handling Exhibits; and LSM App. 1-3, Sealing, Packing and Marking Exhibits.

3. 1. 17. During the investigation, if it is reported that the missing person has been seen in another jurisdiction, notify that jurisdiction, and request their investigational assistance.

3. 1. 18. Complete a ViCLAS booklet, Form 3364, Violent Crime Linkage Analysis System, if foul play is suspected. Refer to OM ch. 36.1., Violent Crime Linkage Analysis System (ViCLAS).

3. 1. 19. Document on the applicable RMS the initial risk assessment, and throughout the investigation re-assess the risk level, and document the changes, if any.

3. 1. 20. If the missing person is not located, seek to establish or rule out foul play.

### **3. 2. When a Missing Person is Located**

3. 2. 1. Ensure CPIC entries are removed, and other agencies, alerts, notifications, or information systems used during the investigation are updated when a missing person has been located and the investigation is concluded.

3. 2. 2. Consider conducting an interview with the found person to determine the details pertaining to the disappearance, and any requirements for follow-up investigation.

3. 2. 2. 1. Document information obtained in the file for use in subsequent investigations.

3. 2. 3. Contact the appropriate child welfare agency to determine what action should be taken, if a person under the age of majority does not want to be returned to their residence.

3. 2. 4. Document the details of the investigation, including the complainant notification and the disposition or outcome of the complaint, in the applicable RMS.

### **3. 3. Supervisor**

3. 3. 1. Review all missing person files, review Form 6473, and document direction and guidance provided to the member on the applicable RMS.

NOTE: Ensure Form 6473 has been completed, and all investigative avenues have been considered.

3. 3. 2. Confirm that the appropriate investigative response is underway, and that all investigative actions have been, and continue to be, documented in the file.

3. 3. 3. Confirm the continuance of the investigation until the missing person is located.

3. 3. 4. Confirm that the missing person has been added to CPIC.

3. 3. 5. Determine at the earliest possible time, whether to request the assistance of your General Investigation Section (GIS), Major Crime Unit, divisional Missing Persons Unit, and/or integrated unit, e.g. if foul play is suspected or there are similar missing person occurrences.

3. 3. 6. When appropriate, brief the unit commander.

3. 3. 7. Confirm coordination, cooperation, and information-sharing among all police agencies involved in the investigation and search for the missing person.

3. 3. 8. Request additional resources when appropriate, e.g. search and rescue services, police dog services, FIS, air services, NCM PUR, technical crime unit, coroner/medical examiner, National Sex Offender Registry, Behavioral Sciences, Aboriginal Policing Section, and media relations.

3. 3. 9. Determine if there is a need for a command post.

3. 3. 9. 1. If you have determined that there is a need for a command post, ensure the deployment of a critical incident commander. Refer to TOM ch. 1.1., Incident Commanders.

3. 3. 10. Ensure that members are documenting the assessment of risk on the applicable RMS, and that if the risk level changes during the investigation, the reassessment of the risk level has been documented.

3. 3. 11. Monitor the investigative file on an ongoing basis to ensure that all investigative actions have been properly documented, that there are no gaps in the investigation, and that all missing person files are passed on to the oncoming watch.

3. 3. 12. If foul play is suspected, confirm that Form 3364 has been completed.

3. 3. 13. Confirm that CPIC entries have been removed, and other agencies, alerts, notifications, or information systems used during the investigation, have been updated when a missing person has been located and the investigation is concluded.

3. 3. 14. If the missing person has a previous history of being reported missing, consider conducting a review of the occurrence to identify any enhancements which could be used to prevent or assist in future missing person investigations.

#### 3. 4. Unit Commander

3. 4. 1. Confirm that all missing person complaints are thoroughly investigated and properly supervised.

3. 4. 2. Consider the inclusion of a Unit Level Quality Assurance process for missing person investigations.

3. 4. 3. Make certain that incidents involving missing persons with suspicious circumstances are reported to the appropriate divisional coordinator where possible, e.g. Aboriginal Policing Section is advised of Indigenous missing persons.

3. 4. 4. At the end of each shift, ensure a proper pass on system or process is established for missing person investigations that are not resolved.

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#### References

- AM ch. III.2., Correspondence and Messages
- Form 3364, Violent Crime Linkage Analysis System
- Form 6473, Missing Person Intake and Risk Assessment
- IMM ch. 3.1., Information Access
- LSM ch. 1., Laboratory Services
- OM ch. 1.1., First Response Investigations

- OM ch. 2.8., Parental Child Abduction
- OM ch. 2.11., National Sex Offender Registry
- OM ch. 7.1., Immigration
- OM ch. 25.2., Investigator's Notes
- OM ch. 35.1., DNA Collection and Data Bank
- OM ch. 36.1., Violent Crime Linkage Analysis System (VICLAS)
- OM ch. 37.2., Lost/Overdue Persons
- OM ch. 37.6., Victim Assistance
- OM ch. 37.9., AMBER Alert
- OM ch. 37.10., Missing Children
- OM ch. 38.2., Bias-Free Policing
- OM ch. 44.4., Request for Assistance to Foreign Law-Enforcement Agencies
- Solicitor General's Manual, *"Police Procedures for Ground Search and Rescue for Lost and Missing Persons"*, 1994.

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SCENE REPORT

File Number 2019146907

Name WILFRED LOVELL Age 68 Sex Male Date of Birth 1950-04-10 Race CAUCASIAN

Address MCCIVERS, NL Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation unknown Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Next of Kin Dewey Louvelle Address 12 Star St. Curling NL Phone Number [REDACTED]

Relationship son Notified Yes -2019-02-04 By Cpl Dave Cooper

Source of identification ERIC PARK  Positive  Tentative  Unknown  Confirmed

Place of Death Western Memorial Regional Hospital, Corner Brook, NL

Hospital  DOA  ER  OR  PORR  IN-PATIENT  NURSING HOME  OTHER

Last seen alive 2019-02-01 Time 12:30 PM By Eric PARK Phone [REDACTED]

Death occurred 2019-02-04 Time 7:13 PM Witness medical staff Phone [REDACTED]

Found dead No Time \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Pronounced 2019-02-04 Time 19:13 By Dr. Stephen Cashman Phone [REDACTED]

Incident of trauma lost and exposed to elements Date 2019-02-01 At work No Location near Morris Pond

Doctor at scene no Name n/a Officer at scene yes Name SGT. Eric HUMBER

Attending or Family Physician Dr. Stephen Cashman Address WMRH Corner Brook

**Pertinent Medical History:**

Diabetic  
Kidney removal \_\_\_ years prior.  
Heart Condition

**Circumstances surrounding death:**

LOVELL was on a snowmobile trip with 4 other friends on 2019-02-01. At approximately 12:30 PM he was last seen by the group before being separated due to weather. On 2019-02-04 at 1:30 PM LOVELL was located in the outdoor area near Morris Pond. LOVELL had a small shelter burrowed in the snow, food and attempted to ignite a small fire inside. He was found unconscious with a pulse by searchers. He was transported to Western Memorial Regional Hospital via helicopter where he was pronounced deceased at approximately 8 PM. LOVELL had been exposed to cold temperatures for approximately 73 hours.

**Scene diagram:**

Photographs obtained by Sgt Eric Humber at scene. Same forwarded to OCME by email.

Temperature -12C Outside weather Snow, windy and cold

MED-EXM 2001-03 RCMP GRC BD0446 (2004-09)

Sgt. Eric Humber  
Signature of Officer or Medical Examiner

**SCENE REPORT (Cont'd)**

File Number:  
2019146907

Location of occurrence or death: Western Memorial Regional Hospital	Date: 2019-02-04	Time: 20.00
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**DECEASED PERSON**

Name: WILFRED LOVELL	DOB: 1950-04-10	Address: MCCIVERS, NL
Position in vehicle (if applicable) N/A	Seat Belts Worn: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

**PERSONS INJURED**

Name:	DOB:	Address:
Position in vehicle (if applicable)	Seat Belts Worn: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Name:	DOB:	Address:
Position in vehicle (if applicable)	Seat Belts Worn: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

**VEHICLE DESCRIPTION**

Make: Arctic Cat	Model: Norsemen 3000	Province: NL	Year: 2018	Registered Owner:
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Road Conditions:

Name of Next of Kin Notified	Date	Time
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Offences being investigated or charges anticipated:

Nco i/c advised: (Name, Date & Time)

Traffic Specialist/Supervisor Advised (if applicable): (Name, Date and Time)

Name of Units Assisting:

Investigator's Summary:

Investigating Member:

To Dear Layla  
Detachment

File 2019 - 146907  
Missing Snowmobilers

Paul Cummings Notes



2019-02-01

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19.17

- Spoke with Wayne PARSONS.
- They will be @ SAR @ 05:00
- will travel with them.

2019-02-01

20.24

~~Beatrice~~

Leah Beatrice CANE

DOB 50-01-28

20.41-20.47

330 Main Rd.

McIvers

Eviden white

2nd hand on left

- Bob Pittman's Lodge going to in the Deep.
- Eric PARK - Hyman Brook - [redacted] Jackson Arm
- Brian Dewe - Corner Brook
- Stanley Piro - St. John's, Mount Pearl. - Had new machine
- Wilfred Level - McIvers

- 21 Bi D, 225 46 Night - takes 4 needles a day. Has that with him
- Nova Rapid Response } Busaylar Night - had a kidney transplant - 2007.
- Has new snowmobile. possibly 1212 Cat
  - Has a box on back with food
  - Wearing all black snow suit
  - Has new GPS. Echo Map Chirp BCU 527008985.

- Does not have ability to check blood sugar
- Has high blood pressure
- Waiting to go to St. John's because he thinks he has a blockage. Page 15

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- Trip has lighter. Filled ~~out~~ up last night
- Tea bags
- Sandwiches
- bread
- water
- G-2.
- Got winners
- Fur hat, with flaps.
- balaclava, black.
- flashlights - pocket.
- left Mevins 5:55 Am.
- went to Hayden Junction for breakfast
- Phoned Beatrice 7:55 said leaving
- Black Dodge Ram, towing trailer. Eric on back of truck.
- Katie, Eric's wife - [REDACTED]
- Trolly @ Bob Pittman - Jackson Ariz.
- Dewey [REDACTED] lives in Coalinga. [REDACTED]
- Dewey called Beatrice.
- May or maybe have a tarp.
- Box on back of sled
- no snowshoes.
- has ax
- got rope
- Shovel?
- Sugar goes down to 2
- Never went in Coma
- Got Diabetes 12 yrs ago
- Got 8 days of meds.

PL  
 1/2/15

(3)

20:54 Dewey - 12 Star Street, Curling.  
- Archie North Norseman  
- Advised him of matter.

21:10 - 21:23 - Bright Evidyn to her home  
in hall

21:24 - Guy said he would call JCC. with  
tap details

22:09 - Call Beatrice Cavell 2 times no answer  
message left

22:19 - Advised Beatrice of search results.  
- Great tap

23:11 [Redacted] Ruth

Stanley

Black Archz Cat

Jeanette Cavell Stewart  
DOB 75-10-15  
14 Cliff Side Ave  
Monmouth.  
[Redacted] cell.

Wilfred's plate Norseman 2019

Pl.

~~SLS-570~~  
SLS-570  
Pa 3015

(4)

2019-02-02 - 4:15 Start.

5:00 Ruth.

- Bad hips
- Legs are bad arthritis.
- Blood pressure meds.
- no heat conditions.

2019-02-02  
05:05 Pam.

- JRCC make call about going out this am. 04:30 - 5:00 A.M.

50 177865 }  
- 57 009537 } coordinates

50° 10' 40.3" N.  
57° 00' 34.3" W

- 5:17 - 20 mins to make decision. JRCC  
PAM. I told her to call Curtis Ashford.

- 5:32 - Curtis [redacted] Universal was gonna make  
decision. Blair Hagan -  
- Curtis cell phone.

RL  
B4815

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2019-02-02

5:35

International Emergency Center  
936-582-3190

5:42 - Haley.

49° 51' 55.1" N  
56° 49' 9.7" W.

- last transmission  
1:06 mins ago  
3:06 GMT.

5:57 Turner off to get

CA3-390

7:22 Herbert Wills, Arrived @  
Cat Arm, updated CBK Cooper

7:28 CWX-853- Darrell Combs  
Jacksons Arm.

7:39 Asked Cpl COOPER to call [redacted]  
He tried i no answer, circuits busy (receiving)

7:46 Advise OCC that searchers may be  
calling for assistance / info to pass on;  
to communicate with us via radio.

Rh.

[redacted]

Cpl COOPER.

Henry Courtney Te-3 In Beach  
658215

2019-02-02

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8:07 Searches left.

8:44 Darrell COMSDON. @ Bob Pittman  
@UT-207. - Wilfred LOVELL

[REDACTED]

lines about @ end Jackson Arm.

- Coronary Arm Cabin

09:08 Hayward RALPH - Osmonds Rd.  
William Taylor - trailer Cr1 - [REDACTED]09:08 Cpl COOPER said he would advise Katie  
PARK to tell Eric PARK to come out to  
Command post to give us coordinates of area they  
were in yesterday. Katie was in contact with  
Eric9:24 1/2 hr out of Cat Arm reservoir can you 1/2  
1/2 hrs. Above weather blue skies

P. H. 15

(7)

2014-02-02

09:37

50.120165  
-56.945013

Enz  
PARIS.  
Location

→ South of Lake Michael JRCC Cormorant.

2 shelters  
4 Cabins

(1) 50° 11.742 N Shelter (1)  
57° 03.879 W

(2) 50° 14.605" N Camp (1)  
57° 02.997 W

(3) 50° 17.797 N Camp HD  
56° 57.299 W

(4) 50° 20.526 N Camp HD 1  
56° 44.670 W

(5) 50° 28.291 N Camp MG  
56° 48.899 W

(6) 50 15.812 N Shelter Ballou  
57 17.292 W

Cat Area  
itr. Deep  
JRCC.

09:50 Brian said Shelter Low GPS coordinates of  
Cabins - area.

Pa 7th 15

(8)

July 02-02

SAT #5 - DAN'S - ?  
- Sheldon's -



Iridium

- Brian text via In-reach Eric PARKS Location.

- 2-3 ]  
1-4 ] teams. 10 snowmobiles

- ALL GPS Coordinates not in search area.

10:47 - Eric PARKS; Bub Pittman one with Sheldon's party.

10:39 50.191071 LAT Dec degrees.  
Eric's In reach. -57.005481 LONG

11:23 Daniel Cowbow  
Tundra Extreme - Herb Willis  
yellow/red. Steadman Ralph } Going to search on own

11:25 Cpt Cooper said he's been in contact with family.

PARKS [Signature]



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2019-02-02

Cpl COOPER 11:50

11:42 50.192585  
- 57.007498

10:59 50.202433  
- 57.010868

10:49

7:43



Between Lake Michel:  
Cat Arm Reservoir.

12:32 Cooper

9:59 50.164711  
- 56.967158

9:39 50.119016  
- 56.945486

Cormorant enroute to Labrador to get molle of  
vessel who had heat attack. closure of return

Cooper 13:56

12:44 50.177050  
- 57.009751

1:36 50.189451  
- 57.055370

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Cpl COOPER

14:40 50.177050  
- 57.009645.

Randy House - [REDACTED]  
Hydro.

15:38 SAR on way back to  
command post. Mess from Eric PARK

17:45 SAR back.  
Eric, Brian, Bob searching with  
Sheldon.  
- Sheldon said Bob told him last  
time he saw, Stanley is diff 1/2 way  
up Morris Pond. around noon.  
- went back to look, no tracks.

Morris Pond

UTM 214 499243 5561554

- All stopped on S side and I think  
Pond had a little chat or something  
and went there.

BRIND 15 *RP*

(11)

2019-02-02

18:09 Lft. Jackson Ave.

9-24  
36

18:20 - 18:29 32

Brian DAWK

DOB 64 05 01  
10 walburns Rd  
CBLL

Stunt Audio

[Redacted] C  
[Redacted]

18:35 Robert Charles Pittman  
DOB 56-10-11

18:40 #1 Trailer CRT Rd.  
Jackson Ave  
459-2131

- Loss 12:12:30
- Loss Pillars chiller (-)
- ramp up to trailer Bay (-)

18:47 Eric Anthony PARK

18:58 DOB 64 01 21  
7 Weber Rd  
Wynles Br.

[Redacted] C  
[Redacted]

BIRIS PL

2019-02-02

End GPS.



N. 50° 11.668

~~W. 057° 44~~

Mom 3  
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W 057° 00.444

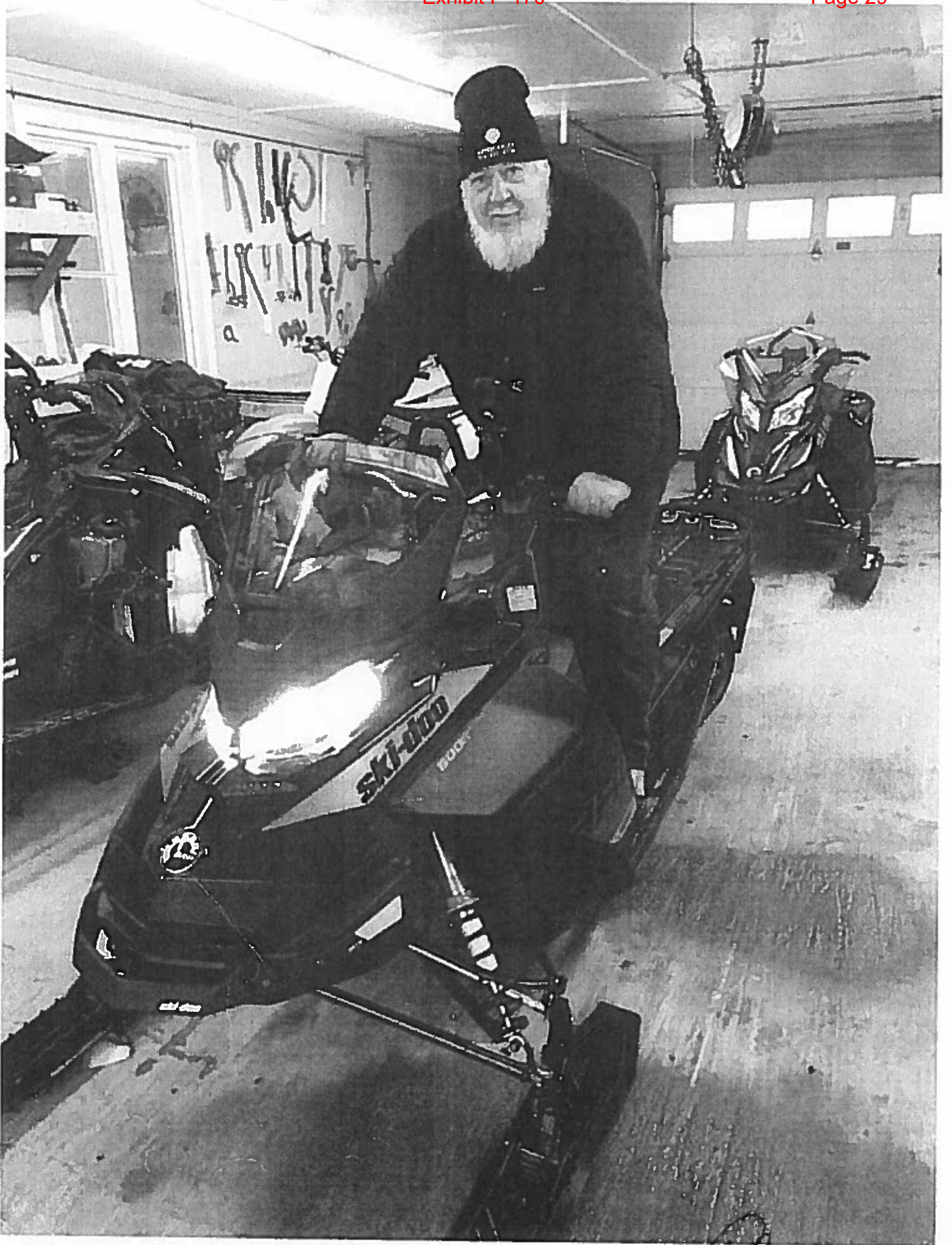
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21:30 10-35

04:00 - 21:30  
17 1/2 hrs. + 2 hrs.

meal - B, D, S.

Blog 15 Pl.



PA 1302 15 *[Signature]*

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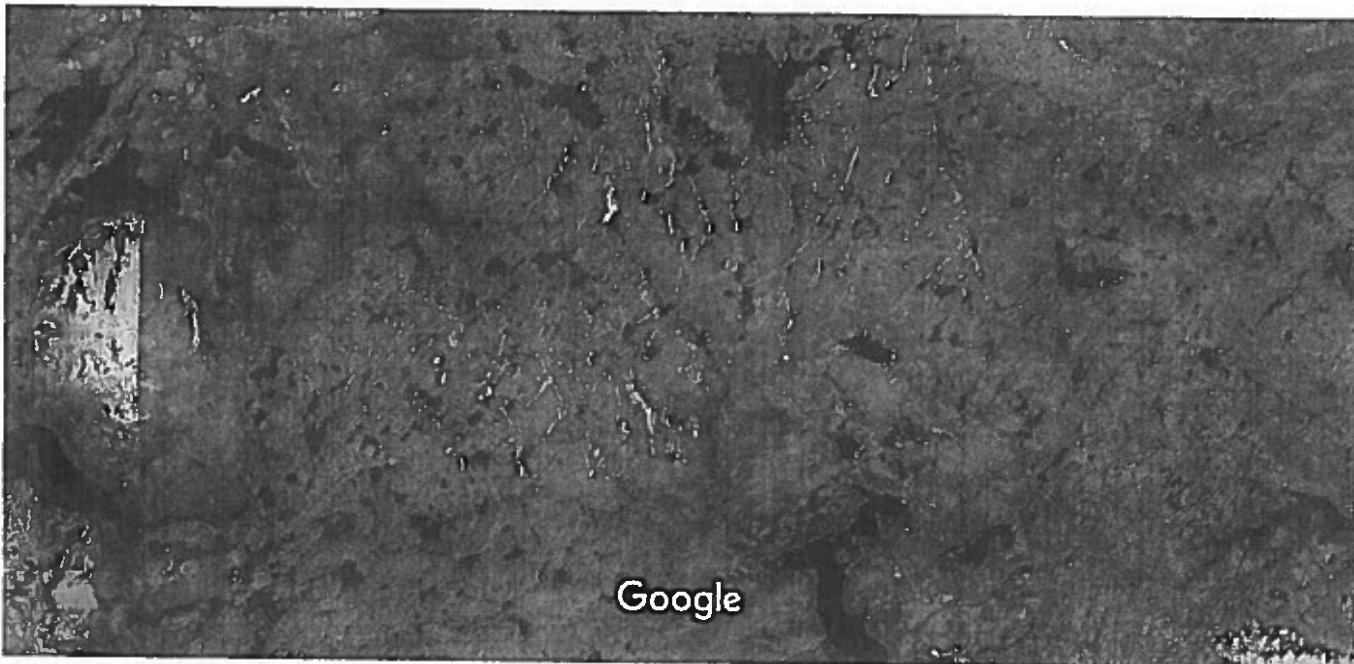
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Wayne

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09/14/15

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 - 2 got sep  
 Noon  
 - sent out sas 16:00  
 to JACC

Stanley  
 Stanley Rice - St. John's  
 Wilfred Lovell (McLivers)

Wilfred, Lovell - 1950/04/10 - 332 Main Street McIvers  
 68 [REDACTED]

Stanley Rice - 1954/06/28 - 17 2nd St. Mont Royal  
 64 [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED]

-1459-RNC-2016. *File.*  
 9/15/15



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Location: Emergency Department

Telephone: 637-5524 Fax: 637-5124

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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INFORMATION ON DECEASED

2 Surname: Lovell  
All Given Name(s): Wilfred Samuel  
4 Date of Birth: 11-01-1014-11-1959  
5 Age: 68  
6 Sex: M  
7 Health Care Number: 49950110119015  
8 Chart #: [ ]  
9 SIN: [ ]  
10 Birthplace (Town / Prov. / Country): [ ]  
11 Usual Home Address (if rural give exact location e.g. street name not P.O. Box)(City/Town/Province/Country): 332 Main St McIVERS  
12 Current Legal Marital Status: [ ] Never Married [ ] Legally Married and Not Separated [ ] Legally Married but Separated [ ] Divorced [ ] Widowed [ ] Unknown  
13 If married, widowed, divorced or separated give full name of spouse; including maiden surname if spouse is female.

PARENTAL INFORMATION

14 Surname and Given Name(s) of Father/Other Parent: [ ]  
15 Birthplace of Father/Other Parent (Town / Prov. / Country): [ ]  
16 Maiden Surname and Given Name(s) of Mother: [ ]  
17 Birthplace of Mother (Town / Prov. / Country): [ ]

INFORMANT

18 Name of Informant: [ ]  
19 Relationship to Decedent: [ ] Spouse [ ] Child [ ] Parent [ ] Other (specify) [ ]  
20 Complete Mailing Address: [ ]  
Postal Code: [ ] Telephone #: [ ]

PLACE OF DEATH

21 Locality of Death (Please select one only): [ ] Hospital [ ] Other Health Care Facility [ ] Died at Private Residence [ ] Other (specify) [ ] Unknown  
22 Hospital or Health Care Facility Name: Western Memorial Regional Hospital  
23 Place of Occurrence (City, Municipality/Place): [ ]  
Prov: NL

MEDICAL CERTIFICATION - See instructions on Reverse

24 Date of Death: 4 Feb 2019  
25 If Specific date of Death Unknown, Estimated Date: [ ]  
26 If INFANT up to 1 Year, record Time of Death: [ ]  
27 a) Was newborn death due to a medical termination of pregnancy? [ ] Yes [ ] No  
b) Was newborn death due to maternal injury? [ ] Yes [ ] No  
c) If newborn death due to prematurity, please state gestational age: [ ] weeks [ ] days  
28 If decedent is a female, did the death occur: [ ] during pregnancy Or [ ] within 42 days thereafter. If so, requires reporting to the Medical Examiner.  
29 Cause of Death: (PLEASE PRINT)  
Part I: Immediate cause of death: Hypothermia  
Antecedent causes, if any, giving rise to the immediate cause (a), above, stating the underlying cause last.  
Part II: Other significant conditions contributing to the death but not resulting in the underlying cause given in Part I.

30 a) Autopsy: [ ] Yes [ ] No  
b) If yes does the certified cause of death take into account information obtained at the time of autopsy? [ ] Yes [ ] No  
c) Further information expected on cause/nature of death? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Unknown

31 a) Is this death due to: [ ] Natural cause [ ] Accident [ ] Suicide [ ] Homicide [ ] Undetermined  
b) If not due to natural causes: Locality of injury (e.g. home, highway): [ ]  
c) Date of injury: [ ]  
d) How did injury occur? (Describe circumstances): Lost during snowmobile trip - exposure

32 IS THE MEDICAL EXAMINER REQUIRED TO BE NOTIFIED ABOUT THIS DEATH AS INDICATED IN THE FATALITIES INVESTIGATIONS ACT? [ ] Yes [ ] No

33 Designation: [ ] Physician [ ] Medical Examiner [ ] Nurse Practitioner [ ] Registered Nurse [ ] Other (specify) [ ]

I certify that the above named person died on the date and from the causes stated herein.  
Signature: S C Date certified: 4 Feb 2019 Print name and address: Stephen Cashman Vancouver BC

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33. Designation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Physician <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Examiner <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Practitioner <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Nurse <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)			
I certify that the above named person died on the date and from the causes stated herein.			
Signature <b>S C</b>		Date certified <b>4 Feb 2019</b> Print name and address: <b>Stephen Cashman Vancouver BC</b>	
<b>DISPOSITION - FUNERAL HOME</b>			
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## Supplementary Occurrence Report

RCMP-GRC , B Division

Printed: 2019/02/05 09:08 by 000045816

Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000059496 COOPER, D.  
Entered by: #000059496 COOPER, D.

Report time: 2019/02/04 21:52  
Entered time: 2019/02/04 21:52

**Remarks:**

Death of LOVELL

**Report:**

Member came on shift ay 1800hrs - heading to WMRHopsital to spell off Cst GULLIFORD on another file. Cst GULLIFORD finished her fiel and departed hospitial just prior to me arriving. I learned that Cst JOYCE was in the ER for this file. Learned that when LOVELL was brought in, he had a weak pulse and body temp of 22. ER staff performign chest compressions and warming him up. Likelihood that LOVELL wouldn't make it, but doctor was unable to pronouce unless his body temp reached a certain temp.

At 1920hrs I spoke with Dewy LOVELL. He advised his father had passed away. He wished to thank the RCMP and searchers for their assistance and said the matter could not have been handled better. He was very pleased with the regular updates.

I was unable to speak to the ER doc. I called the on-call ME Dr DENIC who advised that this appeared to be a straight-forward death and unless the ER doc would not sign the death certificate, his office would not be required. He advised if the doctor had any questions, for the doctor to contact him. ME would still like an ME-1 faxed to his attention.

Spoke with Dr Stephan CASHMAN who was the attending ER doc. He pronounced death at 1913hrs. COD would be hypothermia. He will have the hospital fax over a copy of the death certificate. I gave him my business card with contact info. Dr CASHMAN advised body would be turned directly over to the funeral home.

29 CNI 10-10. Risk manager line busy.

Ops NCO Sgt CANNING and a/DC Sgt ANDERSON updated.

Once back at detachment I sent an updated Adv Msg to DANCOs and DPO advising of death. Non-suspicious in nature, death recorded on this file as LOVELL did not gain consciousness after being found.

Cpl D COOPER

0240hrs

Copy of death certificate on file.

Cpl D COOPER

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**Supplementary Occurrence Report**

RCMP-GRC , B Division

Printed: 2019/02/05 09:09 by 000045816

Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000156279 WILLIAMS, D.  
Entered by: #000156279 WILLIAMS, D.

Report time: 2019/02/04 08:30  
Entered time: 2019/02/04 10:47

**Remarks:**

SAR NCO Report

**Report:**

2019-02-04

0830 hrs Sgt. WILLIAMS reviewed the file and attended OCC to have them advise member on scene to contact him.

0845 hrs Sgt. WILLIAMS spoke with Cpl. LODGE. She provided an update advising that the Coromont helicopter had been operating all night, and had left the area. She advised that PAL and Universal helicopters were en route, and that 4 search teams including near 40 searchers were on scene to assist. Sgt. HUMBER was acting as Search IC, but there was little cell phone and radio coverage in the Search Command Post area. She advised that she and Search Team Managers were satisfied with air and person resources at this time.

0900 hrs Sgt. WILLIAMS contacted Harry BLACKMORE, president of SAR in NL to discuss the matter. Specifically a discussion was had about CASARA and their benefit at this time. BLACKMORE advised that given the air resources currently being used, and the area being searched, that CASARA would not be of value at this time. He also advised that the resources being used were appropriate. Sgt. WILLIAMS advised for BLACKMORE to advise Sgt. WILLIAMS if there were any concerns communicated to him from SAR teams on scene.

0917 hrs Sgt. WILLIAMS contacted David NEIL of the Gander Weather Office. He requested they provide specific weather reports on the search area, and to also provide them to S/Sgt. DORNAN, Sgt. ANDERSON, and Cpl. LODGE. He advised that he would complete these twice daily on an ongoing basis.

0930 hrs Sgt. WILLIAMS spoke with S/Sgt. DORNAN about the matter. All was well at this time. Sgt. WILLIAMS advised S/Sgt. DORNAN to contact him should there be any concerns.

1000 hrs Cpl. LODGE provided Sgt. WILLIAMS with UTM coordinates of 21 U, 0505916 E, 5572244 N. These were the coordinates where the man who had been successfully located's snowmobile were found. Sgt. WILLIAMS transposed these to Lat/Long and provided them to Cpl. LODGE as 50.302029, -56.916930.

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## Supplementary Occurrence Report

RCMP-GRC , B Division

Printed: 2019/02/05 09:09 by 000045816

Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000105576 MOLLON, G.  
Entered by: #000105576 MOLLON, G.

Report time: 2019/02/04 08:28  
Entered time: 2019/02/04 10:17

### Report:

#### 2019-02-04

At approximately 0828 hrs on this date member received a request from Cpl. LODGE advising that GSAR from Roddickton/Port Saunders were sending one search team in the country from Hawkes Bay and they were looking to have a member as point of contact with this team.

At 0840 Edmund GOULD Jr. advised that he was part of the search team from Port Saunders. There were two others from Port Saunders assisting including his father Edmund GOULD Sr. and Joey HOUSE. He requested a loan of our SAT phone to maintain contact while in the woods. Member provided same. Their plan was to search throughout the day and will return to Hawkes Bay this evening. Also there is a possibility they could stay at a cabin depending on how the day goes. Either way they will check in every couple hours and will advise of the plans at the end of the day.

At 0900 member spoke with Trevor BLANCHARD who was enroute from Roddickton. BLANCHARD advised that he, Austin CASSELL and Gerry JENKINS were going to meet up with the Port Saunders group. CASSELL had a End Reach device where he could send and receive texts while in the country and advised they would also use this to keep contact.

At 10:27 text received from BLANCHARD advising they were departing Hawkes Bay for the search.

#### Confirmed Search Group:

- Edmund GOULD Jr. - Port Saunders
- Edmund GOULD Sr. - Port Saunders
- Joey HOUSE - Port Saunders
- Trevor BLANCHARD - Roddickton
- Austin CASSELL - Roddickton
- Gerry JENKINS - Roddickton

D.G. MOLLON, Sgt.

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## Supplementary Occurrence Report

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Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000185258 JOYCE, L.  
Entered by: #000185258 JOYCE, L.

Report time: 2019/02/03 23:44  
Entered time: 2019/02/03 23:44

**Remarks:**

Statement of Stanley RICE

**Report:**

2019-02-03

Member contacted by Sgt CANNING to obtain a statement from Stanley RICE. RICE was currently at Western Memorial Regional Hospital (WMRH) and would likely be released soon.

1759

I attended WMRH's emergency department. Paramedics advised that RICE was doing well and could speak with me.

1800

An audio recorded statement was obtained and the following information was disclosed:

- 5 of them left Jackson's Arm to go to Harbour Deep for the weekend
- it was stormy and he was on the back of the group behind a fella and the other three were ahead of him
- feller ahead of him tipped his machine over so he jumped off to give him a hand
- by that time they had lost sight of the other 3 and couldn't catch them because you couldn't see a hand before ya
- stayed on the trail because the boys would come back
- he knew Eric PARK would come back
- they were in the open country, no trees no nothing and minus 24 degrees, they would freeze to death
- they left, the two of them
- he (LOVELL) went over a little bump and he never saw him after
- he had his GPS on and said he was going to follow the trail
- the trail he was following was going to go down to Harbour Deep sooner or later
- he kept on going like that and finally he lost his in the river and couldn't go no farther
- lucky enough, he jumped off her and got to shore without getting wet
- he said the boys would be there later on so he sat down by a tree and waited
- by this time, it was startying to get dark
- he managed to get out on the skidoo again and got the shovel off and the GPS in case he started walking the next morning
- he got the shovel and got down by the big tree, dug a hole and got in it
- he waited and no one came so he started making it a bed for the night
- he started packing all the boughs around the snow and dug the hole a little bigger
- he couldn't stand up in it
- it was uncomfortable because the helmet was on so he took it off
- he went back tot he skidoo again which he probably shouldn't have and when he put his foot on her this time, she went right down altogether
- he waited there than, nighttime and tyhe next morning got out and it was still snowing and you couldn't see a hand before ya

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- he said he was going to be there for another night because the chopper wouldn't even get in in that
- he waited around again and was there for another night
- no food, no water, no matches, no axe
- he said he would make the best of what he got and started dancing around back and forth so he wouldn't get cold
- today around 3 O'Clock he figured he was there for another night and no one came down the river
- he thought it was strange for Eric PARK not to come down that way because they always come down that way
- he looked and saw headlights
- they came ion and wrapped him up in blankets and tinfoil
- he told them a chopper was coming to get him
- it was about two hours
- the abulance brought him there
- not a good feeling
- Brian and them has bigger skidoos and has all the gear
- one thing about it, the guy who's missing now, if he never had an accident, he can be okay
- he got matches, he got grub enough for three weeks on his skidoo and he's not a man to panic, no more than I was
- biggest problem is, he only got one kidney and he's a diabetic
- he got lots of insulin
- if he was out in the open, you can have what you like, theres no trees to light a fire
- it's the same as covering up your eyes and saying lead me out of here
- last saw him on Friday
- they left Jackons Arm around 9, so he say he last saw him around 1 PM
- he say it was 3 when he left his skidoo
- coordinates should be on the GPS (I asked if I could take it and he agreed)
- if he didn't go int he river, he would have been down to ***Sam's Pond***
- when he got there, someone said they traced a skidoo by itself towards a cabin
- Brian DAWE's brother was just there to see him and they didn't have anything up tp then
- the chopper that was there asked if they could ride around for another half hour

1810 -- Statement concluded.

I took the GPS and advised Cst BOUDREAU of same. Same was hand delivered to Cst BOUDREAU in hopes that his last coordinates in and around the time of 1 PM on Friday would provide some zoned areas of search.

Cst L. JOYCE

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## General Report

RCMP-GRC , B Division

Printed: 2019/02/05 10:34 by 000045816

Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000279514 BOUDREAU, G.  
Entered by: #000279514 BOUDREAU, G.

Report time: 2019/02/01 15:38  
Entered time: 2019/02/01 21:08

### Remarks:

Initial Report

### Report:

2019-02-01 15:38 hrs -

<<initial MESSAGE initial - 2019-02-01 16:24:30>>

compassionate to locate - int emerg reponse coord centre(ref#50067) 19365823190. saying they received an sos alert from a satellite device messaging that they had skidoo trouble. left today and returning sunday from harbour deep but 2 of them became separated in bad weather. names are wilf labelle age 70's and stanley "Inu".

16:45 hrs -

Cst. BOUDREAU received a call from Cpl. COOPER giving a summary of the file to Cst. BOUDREAU. Initially there was confusion on who the file belonged to but it was said by Cpl. COOPER that it was a Port Saunders file but St. Anthony was covering for Port Saunders so they were Primary Unit.

17:45 hrs -

Cpl. RUMBOLT from Corner Brook RCMP spoke with Cst. BOUDREAU and advised him that it was indeed a Deer Lake file and therefore Cst. BOUDREAU took the lead of the file with the help of Corner Brook members on shift.

At this time, all we had for information is that a Eric PARK, a friend of the 2 missing males later identified as Wilfred LOVELL and Stanley RICE, was with them until they got lost. Snowmobilers were on their way to harbour deep and 2 of the males got lost when they were crossing a 1km lake. Members were trying to do checks on PROS and MRD to get any contact information or addresses that we could go off of so members could retrieve more information.

Cpl. RUMBOLT relayed information that he received from Cst. GRUNDY from St. ANTHONY to Cst. BOUDREAU a contact number for additional information. Contact number was for a Katie PARK who is Eric PARK's wife and she had more information to share.

19:15 hrs -

Cst. BOUDREAU spoke with Katie PARK who said the following;

- 2 missing males are Wilfred LOVELL (from McIvers) and Stanley RICE (from Mount Pearl)
- she had just finished speaking with Eric Park on the phone so she suggested to call him for specific details.
- Eric Park is at Bob PITTMAN's residence in Jackson's arm , number is [REDACTED]

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Cst. BOUDREAU spoke to Cpl. RUMBOLT and he relayed that JRCC helicopter from Gander was on the way and that a plane from Greenwood Nova Scotia was also en route to the area. Helicopter should be in the area in about 2 hours.

19:28 hrs -

Cst. BOUDREAU tried contacting Eric PARK but no answer.

19:38 hrs -

Cst. BOUDREAU tried contacting Eric PARK once again but the line was busy.

19:55 hrs -

Cst. BOUDREAU reached out to Eric PARK and he said the following;

- Last time we saw time was at about 12:30 pm
- They were both wearing dark snowmobile suits
- 1 arctic cat sled and 1 bombardier sled.
- *WILFRED LOVELL* descriptors: 5'10, 220 lbs, Brownish/greyish hair
- *STANLEY RICE* descriptors: 6'2, 230 lbs, long grey hair, grey beard.
- they didnt make it to harbour deep, you have the coordinates that I provided, they're somewhere in that area.

20:00 hrs -

Cst. GRUNDY called Cst. BOUDREAU advising him to call captain Bertrand Thibodeau of JRCC as he requested to speak with him.

20:05 hrs -

Cst. BOUDREAU spoke with THIBODEAU and he advised Cst. BOUDREAU of the following;

- the helicopter was going to search at initial coordinates given (+50.177865, -57.009537)
- helicopter will go to harbour deep for a quick search there also to make sure they didnt make it there.
- Actually I'm speaking with the flight crew and they cannot see anything at the location of the initial coordinates so they we leave and go to harbour deep and when they come back hopefully the white outs/snow squalls will be less

20:34 hrs -

Cst. BOUDREAU spoke to RNC dispatch in St. Johns to advise of the matter and requested assistance to update Stanley RICE's spouse Ruth RICE of the situation. RNC member will call Cst. BOUDREAU shortly for details.

20:55 -

JRCC called Cst. BOUDREAU to advise him that the search was being called off at this time and that helicopter was returning to Gander because of poor visibility and weather conditions. JRCC will gear up again for the search early morning leaving Gander around 4:30 -5 am weather permitting.

20:59 hrs -

Cst. BOUDREAU received a call from Cst. SUTHERLAND from the RNC in St. Johns and Cst. BOUDREAU explained to her the situation and requested for her to update/relay the information to Ruth RICE, spouse of Stanley RICE.

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**21:36 hrs -**

Cst. BOUDREAU received a call from Cst. SUTHERLAND to update him on the request. Ruth RICE was notified of the situation and she said that the same situation had happened years back and he had to dig a hole in the snow and stay overnight. Ruth RICE is confident in Stanley's abilities to survive in the woods but is still paranoid.

**21:42 hrs -**

Cst. BOUDREAU spoke with Bob PITTMAN and he said that Wilfred LOVELL had a blue tarp that he would probably ne using at this time. Bob PITTMAN and Eric PARK agreed to meet with Search and Rescue in the morning to help them with a more accurate location on where these 2 individuals were last seen.

**22:10 hrs -**

Cst. BOUDREAU spoke with Ruth RICE to be follow up with her and to give her the Deer Lake RCMP number in case she had any questions to not hesitate and call. Cst. BOUDREAU advised that we would be updating her as soon as new information comes in.

**22:15 hrs -**

Cst. BOUDREAU called Wayne Parsons in charge of Deer Lake Search and Rescue at this time. Cst. BOUDREAU informaed him that Eric PARK and Bob PITTMAN were in an agreement in being apart of the ground search tommorrow as they know the area well and the area where these 2 individuals were last scene.

Cst. BOUDREAU was in contact with Cpl. RUMBOLT and at this time everything that needed to be covered off has been dealt with and awaiting for search to commence once again.

**00:18 hrs -**

Cst. BOUDREAU called JRCC to confirm coordinates they had for the call and coordinates given by JRCC was as follows;

**50 10.67N 057 00.57W**

Cst. BOUDREAU will relay the name and contact information of member taking over day shift from 6 am onwards so JRCC can be in contact with them if need be.

**Cst. BOUDREAU  
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## Supplementary Occurrence Report

RCMP-GRC , B Division

Printed: 2019/02/05 09:10 by 000045816

Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000038876 NEWELL, B.

Report time: 2019/02/03 20:23

Entered by: #000038876 NEWELL, B.

Entered time: 2019/02/03 20:15

### Report:

2019-02-03 18:00 Sgt Newell briefed by Sgt Ashford on handover.

18:26 contacted Blair Hogan FESNL , stated they remain available to assist weather permitting. He stated 50/50 chance they'll even be able to fly rotary wing in the am, forecasted snow squalls and low ceiling. He requested a further update later tonight once GSAR and site commander regrouped.

18:40 Wrier apprised Sgt Williams, Emergency Management. He gave me the number for Brian Bishop, [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] CASARA, in case their air assests are needed.

Supt Cooke advised writer that Sgt Joe Anderson [REDACTED] will be the coordinator to discuss further PAL flights and the plan for tomorrow. Awaiting Cpl. Lodge's return to DL to update on needs.

19:35 Sgt Humer called requesting update and offering assistance, advised I would ask Cpl Lodge to call him when we speak.

19:45 Writer contacted Cpl Lodge on the air, requesting a call once she's briefed with the GSAR team.

Sgt Ashford advised Pilatus returned to Moncton as noted on his Supp report, still an option weather dependent to request their re-engagement.

As per below I closed the loop with JRCC and gave Capt. Matt Neri, as requested, our best known coordinates. They will also investigate the possible headlight sighting, but that could be another snowmobiler given it's a heavily used area by snowmobiles.

Weather permitting, a Hercules from Greenwood and Cormorant from Gander will arrive @ 01:00. They will light up the area with flares and use NVG (night vision goggles) which will make their presence very well known. I asked if it was in the realm of possibilities to continue tomorrow, they said the day shift would re-assess. He asked what other assets would be deployed, I told him that FES, PAL, and possibly Pilatus if needed.

S/Sgt Dornan approved continued use of King Air, approx 10:30 I contacted Barry Jones. They will contact Cpl Lodge in the AM. As well FES Blair Hogan was given her number to discuss any updates and weather. He also mentioned a Force asset from C div and agreed to write them, which he did to explore possibilities. CASARA is another option which hasn't yet been explored.

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I spoke with Brian Chaulk GSAR coordinator and they will head back departing around 5 am . I was contacted by a member from CB and Flowers Cove offering up searchers from their areas- Bay of Islands and Port au Choix- I suggested they contact Deer Lake in the AM but didn't want to further disturb those needing rest.

Given that we have a Cormorant, Herc, rotary wing, and Pal continuing ; and GSART; and that Mr Leblanc, RCMP Pilatus Pilot was busy all day (he needs the mandatory Transport Canada down time and I was not privy to where he was with that), I thought it best to assess the needs for deployment of the Pilatus first thing in the am.

I am on call for Risk Managers duties after my shift tonight, so by all means call me at [REDACTED] if anything needed.

Wayne

>>> Wayne Newell 2019/02/03 10:50 PM >>>

Capt:

This is the best I'm able to find out tonight, further to our conversation.

-Attached are the coordinates of the general search area, as pulled from our operational file obviously it is open to be quite large given they were on snowmobiles. It is also documented separately,

"The general area is 50.174421, -57.009515. Search area is north of Cat Arm Reservoir and south of Lake Michel/Harbour Deep but may be expanded. The gentlemen were last seen on Morris Pond."

-Brian Chaulk, GSAR coordinator, advises that the man found, Mr. Rice, was following , in answer to your question. The man missing, Mr. Lovelle, was leading. Both are experienced in the woods, well equipped with GPS and survival gear.

The reported sighting of the headlight, yet to be searched and hopefully verified tonight by your assets, are approx 10 km east/ SE of a cabin on Angle Pond near Hawkes Bay, at: (pardon the different format of UTM used by GSAR but trusting you can convert)

FES will assess the weather tomorrow to determine if their rotary wing will fly.

PAL will assess to dispatch further the King Air equipped with FLIR.

We'll reassess in the am to determine if any further use of our Pilatus from Moncton.

Here are some call numbers in case any info is needed:

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Myself: [REDACTED]

Sgt Joe Anderson- [REDACTED]

Cpl Liz Lodge- Deer Lake and primary contact- [REDACTED]

GSAR - Brian Chaulk- [REDACTED]

Your assistance is very much appreciated!

Wayne

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Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000156279 WILLIAMS, D.  
Entered by: #000156279 WILLIAMS, D.

Report time: 2019/02/03 19:00  
Entered time: 2019/02/04 10:44

**Remarks:**

SAR NCO Report

**Report:**

2019-02-03

1900 hrs Sgt. WILLIAMS advised of matter by Sgt. NEWELL. Sgt. WILLIAMS discussed resources deployed and best options moving forward. Sgt. NEWELL advised that the cormont would remain on scene for the evening, and that PAL and Universal would return in the morning. Sgt. WILLIAMS advised that he would follow up in the morning with members from Detachment dealing with matter.

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## General Report

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Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000279514 BOUDREAU, G.  
Entered by: #000279514 BOUDREAU, G.

Report time: 2019/02/03 14:00  
Entered time: 2019/02/03 17:25

**Remarks:**

RICE located

**Report:**

2019-02-03 approximately 14:00 hrs -

Cst. SATIN of Deer Lake RCMP notified Cst. BOUDREAU that RICE was located and brought to Deer Lake Airport by air services. RICE looked in good shape and walking on his own and it didn't seem in distress at all. Mandatory assessment/checks by paramedics were being done and en route to the hospital for further assessment before being able to be released from medical care.

Family members for Stanley RICE have been updated confirmed by Cst. SANTIN.

Search still on going for another missing individual at this time.

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Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000279514 BOUDREAU, G.  
Entered by: #000279514 BOUDREAU, G.

Report time: 2019/02/02 19:15  
Entered time: 2019/02/02 21:34

**Remarks:**

PDS advised & attending

**Report:**

**2019-02-02 19:15 hrs -**

Cst. BOUDREAU spoke with risk manager Sgt. NORMAN to have a discussion about bringing an additional resource for the search in the morning. Cst. BOUDREAU suggested to bring PDS to the command post on stand by in case they would be required. Sgt. NORMAN agreed to the idea and Cst. BOUDREAU will arrange same.

**19:21 hrs -**

Cst. BOUDREAU called Cpl. MCINNIS of PDS and summarized the series of events till now. Cst. BOUDREAU and Cpl. MCINNIS had a discussion in regards to this file and came to the conclusion that it would be ideal to have PDS there on site at the command post in case they are needed. If these individuals fled their snowmobiles since they ran out of gas and are on foot to search for cabins, PDS will be a great asset to have at that time as there will be possible tracks to start up a search with the police dog. Cpl. MCINNIS given contact information for Deer lake search and rescue coordinator Wayne PARSONS so he can make him aware that he'll be on stand by at their post for an additional resource if the opportunity comes up. Cpl. MCINNIS advised that he will be in touch with Cpl. LODGE, incident commander on scene, in the morning to have further discussions and clarification on the location of the command post.

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Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000279514 BOUDREAU, G.  
Entered by: #000279514 BOUDREAU, G.

Report time: 2019/02/02 18:20  
Entered time: 2019/02/02 22:29

**Remarks:**

Statements of DAWE, PITTMAN and PARK

**Report:**

2019/02/02 18:20 hrs -

Cst. CANNING from Corner Brook RCMP took statements from DAWE, PITTMAN, PARK, these men were with the 2 missing individuals just before they got lost.

First statement was from Brian DAWE taken by Cst. CANNING and the following was said;

- We left my place at approximately 6 oclock, Stan and I, Stanley RICE.
- We went up to Tim hortons to get a coffee up on murphy's square
- Eric called me, we were just outside steady brook ge called me
- Eric said alright were right behind ya
- we went up down to Hampden Junction, sat down and we had our breakfast
- Came down here and we met Bob
- we were on our way to Harbour deep and we stop a couple of times
- we thought about going or not going whatever
- Wilf said cmon lets go befire the bad weather comes in
- when we got to morris's pond theres a sign that says Morris's pond
- Eric was first, then me, and then Bob, stanley was the last one and wilfred was thesecond last one
- Eric stopped and then I stopped, bob came up to us and then Eric asked where are the boys, Bob said they were right behind me
- Eric said well we gotta go back to look for the boys, so me and Eric are pretty good with the GPS so I went back to my tracks all the way to the pond and I got back and I said to Eric I can't find the boys
- Eric and Bob dropped their sleighs , then 3 of us went back
- Between the end of MORRIS'S POND and the next pond (not sure the name of the pond) thats where we lost them
- The distance between MORRIS's Pond and the next pond is about 1 - 2km.
- The weather was getting bad, tried to see if any tracks went off the pond
- It was after dinner the last contact we had with them

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- Eric and I went up to lake Michel cause theres a cabin up there, Checked that on but no one there.
- No tracks nothing.
- it was getting dark so we had to come back
- Went to sop's arm for gas
- nobody was drinking, no medical issues at the time of driving
- I have no idea what happened there yesterday

end of statement 18:32 hrs.

18:35 hrs -

Cst. CANNING obtained a statement from Robert PITTMAN and the following was said;

- We had did trip planned to go to harbour deep, needed to bring a few things up and that
- we had two sleighs packed up with stuff + 4 guys besides me
- It wasn't good weather
- I thought we wouldn't be going but we went anyways
- made a few stops and that along the way and everything was fine
- when we got to a place called morris's pond
- I looked back when we were on this pond and I could see the boys still behind us
- A little further up before getting onto another pond we stopped and we looked back and they werent there
- automatic turned back around and went right back
- couldn't see where do would have broke off our tracks, couldnt see nothing
- we spent as much time as we could searching for them at this time
- Around 3 oclock, Eric my friend there, decided to call search and rescue, we had a spot and he activated that
- Stan was in the back, then there was Wilf, then there was me, Eric then Brian was in the front
- before going down onto the next pond after Morris's pond is where they lost them, it was only a few minutes apart between the time I saw them and that they got lost
- 4-5 km from Morris's Pond to th next smaller pond
- lost them between 12 and 12:30 id say
- 4:30 - 5 oclock thats when we left to come back, it was getting dark
- we didn't go in last night because it was so stormy
- warm up shack, near harbour deep turn off checked that, lake michel cabin checked thats Leon Bellared's cabin near hawks bay.

end of statement 18:40 hrs.

18:47 hrs -

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Cst. CANNING obtained a statement from Eric PARK and he said the following;

- Got up around 5 am
- we had breakfast at hampden junction
- Wilf was very excited everytime we'd stop he'd be like cmon boys lets go
- The further we got in the worst the weather got
- At one stop Bob looked back and I thought for sure he was going to say lets go back because its gonna be a dirty day
- so we were like what do you think brian and he was like well lets try a little further
- Usually its Brian and I that lead the way because we kinda taught ourselves how to use the GPS and were pretty good at it right
- so Brian was ahead and I was towing a sleigh for Bob becuae we were going to go do some work at his hotel before it open's up in harbour deep
- Wilf was so excited but he has been sick lately but he likes coming with us and I can't say no
- we got to MORRIS's POND, now I said Brian was first but what we do is take turns because its hard on the eyes being up front all the time
- we got the worst weather from here so stick close together
- so we went on the pond and I could see couple of lights so a knew Brian was behind me and I knew Bob was behind me
- so what we do is we stop if you can't see lights behind you
- so I figured Bob seen lights
- so when we got about 3 km almost to the end of the pond , we were only crawling but we could still see lights
- so we stopped and I said Bob where are the boys, he said I could see their lights back on the pond
- un hooked the sleigh, no fooling around and waiting
- so where we unhooked our sleighs and went back looking for the boys to Morris's pond is about a 3 km gap
- so the last time that Bob seen them was almost at the end of Morris's pond
- so Brian went down followed our tracks all the way back to the pond and couldn't see them
- Bob and I un hooked our sleights at this point
- ok boys we got to go at the Morris's pond sign, thats at the start of the pond
- so when we got back to the sign I could tell by the tracks that they didn't come back this way since they only have 15 inch tracks.
- our rule is if you get lost just stop and you wait
- I'll always come back, its easy to do in stormy conditions
- we split up, one on each side of the pond
- we were trying to find tracks to where they veered off
- but it blowing so tracks were being covered fast

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- ohh you could barely see in front of you at times
- we were searching for them ever since
- I could wait in the morning because you guys were gonna be a few hours before getting here
- from 7:30 to 8:15 we had a good gap to search cause the weather calmed down but then it took up again

End of interview of 18:58 hrs.

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## Supplementary Occurrence Report

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Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000059496 COOPER, D.  
Entered by: #000059496 COOPER, D.

Report time: 2019/02/02 07:00  
Entered time: 2019/02/02 07:17

**Remarks:**

COOPER Initial Report

**Report:**

19-02-01 1557hrs

OCC advised of two missing snowmobilers. Terry provided GPS coordinates. Near middle of triangle between Jackson's Arm, Great Harbour Deep and Daniel's Harbour (slightly closer to Daniel's Hr than the other two). Called acting Det Cmdr Sgt Joe ANDERSON - I advised that prior to Hr Deep beign resettled, it belonged to Deer Lake Det. I sent Sgt ANDERSON a screenshot of the map with CPS coordinated provided by OCC. Sgt ANDERSON advised this was a Roddickton or Port Saunders file. I contacted Sgt Des MOLLON in Port Saunders who advised that Hr Deep is now looked after by Roddickton. Writer scheduled off shift at 1600hrs.

1650hrs - Writer 10-35. Dropped 9B8 off to Cst BOUDREAU. Updated him with details should file come back to Deer Lake.

1715hrs - Writer again spoke with Sgt MOLLON. Roddickton corrently covered by St Anthony. File determined to be Deer Lake and they will send file back.

1900hrs - Spoke with Cst BOUDREAU. Cpl RUMBOLT on duty in CB and will supervise file. I provided Cst BOUDREAU with contact numbers for Bob PITTMAN, owner/operator of Danny Corcoran Lodge in Hr Deep but resides in Jackson's Arm.

19-02-02 0700

Writer RTO. Requested last night by Sgt CANNING to work from DL Det to coordinate search.

Weather snowing at times, low drift. Spoke with Risk Manager Sgt Curtis ASHFORD. Weather overnight did not allow for air search. Will attempt again at first light.

Spoke with Sgt Joe ANDERSON - updated with last nights info.

0720 Cst P CANNING on scene. E PARK and B PITTMAN may have already left on snowmobile. GSART to depart shortly

0722 ASHFORD - weather still not conducive for aerial search. ASHFORD in contact with Kyle INGRAM - Universal. Short window possible later this morning.

0730 - P CANNING requests I contact B PITTMAN res [REDACTED] to check if they departed yet. Their trucks not at command post. Unable to get thru. Network busy.

0750 - Request ASHFORD contact Bell about busy network. Request res be called to see if PITTMAN and PARK did in fact leave. I updated Cst CANNING and asked if it was possible that PITTMAN and PARK could leave res

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on snowmobile. Replied yes.

0802 - GSART deploying. Sheldon ANSTEY and Dan SPENCE have sat phones. Ken SPENCE has Garmin InReach with text capability. K SPENCE texting me directly with updated location.

0811 - Rec'd call from JRCC - Megan advised Cormorant will try again shortly from Gander. I advised GSART has deployed. They inquired about radio frequency for GSART and any planned waypoints for the missing group.

0820 - Spoke with ASHFORD - Not aware of radio frequency. BELL not open until 0900 to check on network status. I advised I would get CANNING to drive to the residence to personally check.

0824 - Updated P CANNING. Only contact may be JRCC goign thru me, me to Paul, Paul to command post. No further waypoints. PITTMAN and PARK were to stop by this morning however they didn't. GSART has two sat phones they will only hear if they are usign them. Req's CANNING attend PITTMAN res to check for Bob and Eric PARK.

0828 - Called Megan at JRCC. Provided her with inReach #.

0837 - Current visibility here in Deer Lake less than 100ft.

0840 - Called Ruth RICE. Updated her thus far. Provided her with contact info for me. She was very appreciative of the response so far and commended the members.

0845hrs - No conatct info for Beatrice CAVE. Called Dewey LOVELL. Updated him and provided him with contact info. He will update Beatrice.

0952hrs - Speaking regularly with Katie PARK. Eric PARK and Bob PITTMAN departed between 0500-0600. I now have access to their iNReach and are tracking them, sending messages. They are on Cat Arm Road 50 kms in.

0922 - OCC advising Sheldon ANSTEY called in, currently 1/2 km from Cat Arm reservoir. Visibility 1/2 km, but bue sky above. OCC didn't ask if north or south of reservoir. I called Sgt ASHFORD but he wasn't sure either.

0930 ANSTEY info passed on to JRCC confirms Cormorant in the area and actively searching South of Lake Michel and North of Cat Arm Reservoir.

Tried calling sat phone (BTB PITTMAN's phone( number provided by E PARK to his wife [REDACTED]). No answer

0945hrs - I updated Cst CANNING. I also passed on GPS coordinates of four camps and two shelters that Jennifer of JRCC passed on to me to be checked by ground teams.

Shelter N50° 11.742' W57° 03.879'  
Camp 1 N50° 14.605' W57° 02.997'  
Camphd N50° 17.797' W56° 57.299'  
Camphd1 N50° 20.526' W56° 44.670'  
Campmg N50° 28.291' W56° 48.899'  
Shelter bakers N50° 15.812' W57° 11.292'

1020hrs - Tried E PARK's sat phone. Direct to vx msg. inReach messages to PARK not being replied. Msg advised that we have their current location that is where the SOS was transmitted from yesterday, however we are seeking gps coordinates of last known position of RICE and LOVELL so we can establish a search pattern. BTB to the area of last known position only because they keep traversing this location, between Cat Arm reservoir and Lake Michel where the Cormorant is also searching.

I requested Cst CANNING provide sat #'s for phones. He advised Sheldon ANSTEY's group has sat phone [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Dan SPENCE's group has sat phone however SPENCE doesn't know the number. 3rd group has the inReach. Two groups of 3, one group of 4.

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1030 Sgt ASHFORD updated with recent information. He advised Sheldon ANSTEY called to advise they met up with PARK and PITTMAN who are now traveling with their team of 3.

Sgt ANDERSON updated.

1045hrs Cst CANNING updated, along with PARK's current location. Called JRCC and updated them that PARK and PITTMAN have met up with GSART team. Confirmed with them they have three groups in the area, group of 3, group of 4 and group of 3 + PARK and PITTMAN so they can advise the Cormorant.

1100hrs

Both Ruth RICE and Dewey LOVELL updated that Cormorant and 3 GSART groups are searching the area.

1125hrs

Spoke to Cst CANNING, nothing new. Another group of 2-3 are going in on snowmobile to a cabin on their own accord. They will check the cabin and the route along the way. They do have a sat phone but do not know the #. Cst CANNING has their information along with a copy of their route. He asked if family have been updated. I advised they were but I did not have a number for Beatrice CAVE. Number provided as [REDACTED] I called and spoke with her. She has been getting the updates from Dewey. She advised I could continue to contact Dewey or her as gets the info right away. Gave her contact info should she have questions.

1205 Called Brian DAWE's res. Spoke with his mother who advised he has not returned home. She gave me his cell # [REDACTED]. Tried that number, directly to voice mail. I called Bob PITTMAN's res and spoke with his spouse Linda. She advised that Brian was there overnight but she was not. When she returned this morning, Brian was gone so she only assumes he went with them.

1215 JRCC called to advise the Cormorant has to depart as they have an urgent medivac situation for a crew member on a fishing vessel off Labrador. Once they have completed the medivac, they will check back to see if their assistance is still required. I called sgt ASHFORD who advised Kyle INGRAM of Universal just called to advise they are unable to fly due to adverse weather conditions.

Cst CANNING updated.

I called Katie PARK to relay a message to her husband to confirm if Brian DAWE is in fact with them. She got a reply back that he was in fact with PITTMAN and PARK.

1310hrs

Spoke to Ruth RICE earlier, updated her. From talking to RICE, I learned Stan is well versed in the area. This is his second trip to Hr Deep this winter and this trip was for two weeks. He has been going to Hr Deep for numerous years. Called Dewey LOVELL and updated him as well. Sgt ANDERSON and Sgt CANNING updated. Plans made for resources for tomorrow should this extend.

Sgt Ashford advised media release is gone to B Div Media for dissemination

Cpl D COOPER

1509hrs Called JRCC to check on Cormorant status. Learned chopper is in Goose Bay refueling. Not en route to vessel yet. Likely 2000hrs at earliest before it returns to Gander. Crew change out. Night flights are unable to fly as low as days. Unless weather changes drastically, it does not appear Cormorant will resume search today. I inquired about FLIR capability - Cormorants do not have it. Mentioned the PAL flight. Talked about limitations of FLIR

1530hrs - Called PAL. Contact is Barry JONES [REDACTED]. They are unable to assist today as their crew have reached their hours. They are booked out for tomorrow but he can cancel if we require them. Unfortunately the FLIR sensors have limited effectiveness in blowing snow (any moisture in the air) so unless the weather changes

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tomorrow in the daylight hours, it's not recommended.

1540hrs

Updated Supt COOK, Sgts ANDERSON and CANNING re: Cormorant and PAL.

Email to Csts BOUDREAU and SANTIN that they will be responsible to updating family this evening and tomorrow. OCC Risk Manager (Curtis ASHFORD day, Chad NORMAN night) will be tasked to coordinate search duties. Cst JOYCE will be tasker per Sgt CANNING to man the command post.

1452hrs

Updated Wilfred LOVELL's wife Beatrice [REDACTED], son Dewey [REDACTED], and Ruth RICE [REDACTED]. Advised them that Cormorant will be out of the search area on a medevac. There is a chance that it may return tonight if weather conditions improve, but right now it is unlikely. GSART members are headed back to command post. Ground search to resume in the morning at first light, hopefully aerial search as well.

Sgt CANNING has advised that for tomorrow, she and Joe will update the family regularly. Famile members above were notified of same. They were advised if they haven't heard from a member and wish to be updated, to contact OCC and they will take a message and have a member get back to them.

1700hrs

Updated Sgt ASHFORD. Also updated Katie PARK with the plan for tomorrow. She advised that her husban'd group are on their way back as conditions are very bad there now.

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## Supplementary Occurrence Report

RCMP-GRC , B Division

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Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000044516 ASHFORD, C.  
Entered by: #000044516 ASHFORD, C.

Report time: 2019/02/02 06:33  
Entered time: 2019/02/02 06:32

### Report:

2019-02-01

Sgt. Ashford on duty Risk Manager. Sgt. Ashford notified by OCC operator Terry Mayo of report of 2 missing snowmobilers. File was assigned to Cst. Grundy after being advised by Deer Lake Detachment the area was covered by Rodickton Detachment.

Eric Parks had reported the 2 missing person has they were part of his party. Parks reported the missing men via a SPOT device, a Garmin Inreach. Garmin contacted OCC. Garmin advised they were able to contact Parks via text message using the device. No phone calls were possible. Garmin advised they would have to be given Grundy telephone number and they would have to sent it to Parks for him to be able to liaise with member.

Sgt. Ashford spoke with Cst. Grundy who advised Lovell and Rice had not been seen since noon and Parks and 2 other were continue to search the area. Sgt. Ashford advised Deer Lake GSRT will be the team to attend. Grundy advised the 2 males were in their 70s and Lovell had received a transplant several weeks ago. The group had been travelling from Jackson;s arm to Great Harbour Deep for the weekend.

Sgt. Ashford contacted DANCOs Webb and Dornan and advised them of the file. File reassigned to Deer Lake Detachment and Cpl. Rumbolt would be NCO on duty for night shift. Sgt. Clarke advised UEN had been completed and sent to DPO.

Sgt. Ashford contacted FES and spoke with Blair Hogan. Hogan stated it was it was to late for Universal Helicopter to assist at this time. Hogan advised he would contact JRCC and make a Humanitarian request for JRCC to assist with search. Hogan provided with Sgt. Norman e-mail address for

Rumbolt advised GSRT will begin search at first light and Cst. Paul Canning will attend with the team.

Sgt. Ashford advised Sgt. Norman night shift Risk Manager of the details.

Sgt. Norman contacted Sgt. Ashford advised Hogan would be calling in the morning to discuss air support for the search. Sgt. Norman advised the JRCC had been on scene but to a lack of visibility and to return to Gander.

2019-02-02

Sgt. Ashford advised By OCC operator Pam Reid Cst. Canning departing Deer lake. Sgt. Ashford advised Reid to inform Cst. Canning to relay the weather conditions when he arrived at scene. Reid advised JRCC had called and their radar was showing the same type of weather has the previous night. JRCC will be reassessing when it was day light.

Sgt. Ashford spoke with Kyle Ingram of universal helicopters who advised weather conditions had not improved enough for him to begin search.

Sgt. Ashford spoke with Hogan who advised the same. When conditions improve a second humanitarian request would be discussed to determine if JRCC required.

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Sgt. Ashford updated Cpl. Cooper on air support for search.

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Sgt. Ashford spoke with Kyle Ingram of Universal who advised he was hoping to have a window to fly around 0830hrs. Ingram provided Morris Pond location has the point where the missing men were seen. Ingram advised of other aircraft to be in area. Cpl. Lodge advised she was on her way to command post.

0620 hrs

RCMP airplane advised they will be in Deer Lake at 0700 hrs.

updated Blair Hogan from FES on status of air support.

Sgt. Ashford spoke with JRCC who advised they will be ready on stand by if required but with several fixed wing aircraft in the area and universal helicopter in a small area this creates more issues. Sgt. Ashford advised he will call back at 9 with update. Sgt. Ashford was advised the PAL crew are mostly ex military and can determine if the cormorant would be of assistance and determine if air craft are suitable in the present weather conditions.

0658

Sgt. Ashford updated Supt Cook and confirm authorized used of PAL. Sgt. Ashford contacted Barry at PAL. the below e-mail with information was sent

Barry

The general area is 50.174421, -57.009515. Search area is north of Cat Arm Reservoir and south of Lake Michel/Harbour Deep but may be expanded. The gentlemen were last seen on Morris Pond.

The group departed Jacksons Arm to travel Harbour Deep.

My direct line is [REDACTED] The main number is [REDACTED]

The RCMP Air plane with spotters is in the area. A helicopter from universal will be in the area starting at 0830.

Curtis

0709 hrs

Sgt. Ashford spoke with Cpl. Mcinnis who advised he was on his way to command post in case he is needed.

0725 hrs

PAL provided with call signs for other air craft.

0804 hrs

Sgt. Ashford updated Beatrice Lovell on the status of the search.

0811 hrs

Sgt. Ashford spoke with Michelle Snow from PAL. Sgt. Ashford briefed her on the file with starting point and general location. Snow advised they would be in the air in the next few minutes.

0925 hrs

Sgt. Ashford contacted by Kyle Ingram from who advised his search was terminated due to weather.

Sgt. Ashford updated JRCC and FES. RCMP tracked on sky tracker. JRCC tracking PAL flight.

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update sent to Sgt.s Anderson and Canning. Along with Supt. Cook and DANCOS.

1002 hrs

Spoke with S/Sgt. Dancos Dornan.

1044 hrs

The Emergency Center called to advise Eric Parl had activated his Garmin Inreach system stating he had located Stan Rice. Info was the he was alive but unable drive. limited information on condition.

Contacted JRCC to advise them. JRCC able to retrieve messages sent via Garmin. JRCC requested current weather conditions in the area. JRCC supplied with Cpl. Lodge's sat phone number.

Cpl. Lodge asked to call JRCC has they were having trouble reaching Cpl. Lodge.

Contacted Kyle Ingram who advised weather conditions at present time are preventing him from taking off.

Cst. Santin called to advise Katie Park called him with update from her husband Eric Park. Katie Park advised Eric advised her Stan Rice was going down hill rapidly.

Sgt. Ashford spoke with Michelle Snow from PAL who advised the weather conditions are not very good. Visibility was limited and preventing use of the FLIR system. Sgt. Ashford advised Snow to contact JRCC with current weather conditions.

Sgt. Ashford spoke with JRCC who wanted to know how long a snowmobile ride to the located. Info obtained from Cpl. Lodge the the location where Stan was located was more than 2 hours from Jacksons arm. Info relayed to JRCC.

1150hrs

Sgt. Ashford spoke with Katie Park who stated Eric sent a message stating he was staying with Stan and Brian was heading to snow guich where Stan stated he last saw Wilf. Katie Park provided with contact info. Sgt. Ashford asked Park to sent advising JRCC enroute.

1156hrs

Sgt. Ashford contacted Cpl. Lodge to confirm message sent via Garmin Inreach to GSRT indicating Eric's location and have them heading to location.

Sgt. Ashford provided updates to S/Sgt. Dornan and Supt. Cook.

1245 hrs

Pilot Leblanc advised leaving Deer Lake to return to search area.

1308 hrs

Sgt. Ashford spoke with Ruth Rice and updated her on Stanley condition that he had been located and JRCC was enroute to get him. Sgt. Ashford spoke with Dewey Lovell and updated him on the status of the search.

Sgt. Ashford had OCC operator attempt to contact the St-011 to obtain Sat # for JRCC to advise of in bout flight. JRCC advised from a review of the messages it seems to have last Friday night or Early Saturday morning when Stan last saw Wilf. Info relayed to Cst. Santin to advise GSRT.

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JRCC advised they were close to area. Sgt. Ashford requested update on Rice's condition and where he will be transported to update the family once Rice is assessed by SAR Techs.

1415 hrs

Puilatus advised it was returning to Moncton. Capt. Michele Snow of PAL advised they had refueled and were returning to search area. The use of FLIR is hit and miss due to weather. Sgt. Ashford confirmed Snow aware of the location where Rice was located. They will remain in area until darkness. Message received from Barry inquiring if their services would be required tomorrow. Supt. Cook advised.

Sgt. Ashford spoke with Cpl. Lodge to see if other teams needed to be called out. Sgt. Ashford advised no other teams required at this time

1450 hrs

Sgt. Ashford spoke with JRCC who advised Rice was cold but able to provide info on possible locations. The Cormorant will be checking the locations before transporting Rice to Deer Lake. JRCC requested user name and password for GSRT inreach account. user name Darren59@inreach . password u/k at this time.

Cst. Santin contacted to attend Deer Lake airport to meet Cormorant and speak with Rice to obtain any information that may assist with the search.

1512hrs

Sgt. Ashford updated Hogan from FES on status of search.

1620 hrs

Sgt. Ashford spoke with JRCC who advised with the information Rice was able to provide them they will be returning to the area and continue the search until dark. Cst. Santin advised Rice walked off the helicopter under his own steam. Rice will be checked by doctor for pre cautional reasons. Rice indicated Lovell and himself got separated almost immediately. Rice stated Lovell has food matches and other equipment with him. Cst. Santin advised he had updated the families.

Sgt. Ashford contacted Sgt. Newell and briefed him.

Sgt. Ashford called Cpl. Garland work cell and left message with update on on search and that Stanley Rice had been located.

1739 hrs

Sgt. Ashford updated the Emergency response center.

1742 hrs

Sgt. Ashford spoke with JRCC who advised Cormorant still on scene and will remain till dark. Sgt. Ashford was informed that JRCC has a night crew that would be available for extract.

Sgt. Ashford

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Occurrence No. 2019146907	Date (yyyy-mm-dd) 2019-02-01	Time (hh:mm) 15:38
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#### Complainant

Name Eric Park	Home Telephone No. [REDACTED]	Cell Phone No.	Work Telephone No.
Relationship to Missing Person friend	Address 7 River's Road, Hughes Brook, NL		

Previous Actions Taken Prior to Contacting the Police  
Searched area for approximately 3.5 hours via snowmobile prior to activating SPOT GPS tracker.

#### Next of Kin

Complainant is Next of Kin

Name Ruth RICE	Home Telephone No. [REDACTED]	Cell Phone No.	Work Telephone No.
Relationship to Missing Person wife	Address 17 second street, Mount Pearl, NL.		

#### Missing Person Information

Name Stanley RICE	DOB (yyyy-mm-dd) 1954-06-28	Height (m) 188	Weight (kg) 100	Sex <input checked="" type="radio"/> Male <input type="radio"/> Female <input type="radio"/> Transgender
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Alias/Nicknames	Home Address 17 second street, Mount Pearl, NL.
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In the care of social services? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	Social services contacted? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Child welfare involved? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	Sexual Orientation
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Ethnic Origin	Cultural Affinity	Languages Spoken
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Eye Colour <input type="radio"/> Amber <input type="radio"/> Blue <input type="radio"/> Brown <input type="radio"/> Grey <input type="radio"/> Green <input type="radio"/> Other specify:
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Eyewear <input type="radio"/> Contacts <input type="radio"/> Glasses <input type="radio"/> Both <input type="radio"/> None	Hair Length <input type="radio"/> Bald/None <input type="radio"/> Short <input type="radio"/> Medium <input type="radio"/> Long
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Hair Colour <input type="radio"/> Black <input type="radio"/> Brown <input type="radio"/> Blond <input type="radio"/> Red <input checked="" type="radio"/> Gray/White <input type="radio"/> Other specify:
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Facial Hair <input type="radio"/> None <input type="radio"/> Moustache <input type="radio"/> Goatee <input checked="" type="radio"/> Full Beard	Build <input type="radio"/> Slim <input type="radio"/> Average <input checked="" type="radio"/> Stocky <input type="radio"/> Heavy
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Distinguishing Marks / Tattoos / Scars / Physical Limitations

Clothing Description  
Black snowmobile suit, snowmobile (Black Bombardier)

Other Police Agency / Detachment to be Notified

School	School Address
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#### Place of Employment

Name	Address	Telephone No.
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<b>Missing Person Risk</b>			
Possible Reasons Person Went Missing (check all that apply)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Abduction	<input type="checkbox"/> Transient	<input type="checkbox"/> Homeless	<input type="checkbox"/> Bullying
<input type="checkbox"/> Relationship Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Violence in Relationship History	<input type="checkbox"/> Elderly Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/> Involved in Violent or Threatening Incident
Other Reasons:			
Does the missing person have a history of going missing?			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> No History <input type="radio"/> Chronic/Habitual <input type="radio"/> Repeat			
If the missing person has previously been reported missing, specify where the missing person was located.			
several years back similar event happened, dug a hole in the snow to stay over night.			
If the missing person has previously been reported missing, did he/she suffer any harm? If yes, specify the harm suffered.			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes Harm Suffered:			
<b>Medical/Psychological Risk Factors</b>			
Physical Disabilities/Concerns (e.g. co-ordination/dexterity, speech impairment, blind / visual impairment, deaf / hard of hearing, mobility)			
N/A			
Psychological Concerns (e.g. Alzheimer's, bipolar, dementia, depression, developmental disorder, fetal alcohol spectrum disorder, PTSD, schizophrenia)			
N/A			
Prescription Medications			
N/A			
Last Known Psychological Status/Mood			
N/A			
Recent Changes in Behaviour/Situation/Habits			
N/A			
Suicidal?	Access to Firearms?	Previous Suicide Attempts? If yes, specify by which methods.	
<input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes Methods:	
Fears/Phobias			
<b>Lifestyle Risk Factors</b>			
Alcohol Use?	Drug Use?	If the missing person uses drugs, please specify which and frequency of use	
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown		
Gambling?	Hitchhiking?	Known to use prostitution services?	Victimized in the Sex Trade?
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown
Associated with a Gang / Organized Crime?	If the missing person is associated with a gang / organized crime, please specify		
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown			
Involved in any legal proceeding?	Next/Last Court Date (yyyy-mm-dd)	Financial Concerns?	
<input type="radio"/> Suspect <input type="radio"/> Witness <input type="radio"/> Victim <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown	
Other Possible Risk Factors (i.e. weather, inadequate clothing, terrain or lack of proper equipment)			
<b>Last Location/Communication</b>			
Last Known Address			
N/A			
Location Last Seen	Is the missing person familiar with the area?		
N/A	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Last Person who Saw the Missing Person	Date Last Seen (yyyy-mm-dd)	Time Last Seen (hh:mm)	
Eric PARK, Bob PITTMAN, Brian DAWE	2019-02-01	12:30	
Last Means of Communication with the Missing Person			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In Person <input type="radio"/> Text <input type="radio"/> Social Media <input type="radio"/> Phone <input type="radio"/> Email <input type="radio"/> Other specify:			
Last Person who Communicated with the Missing Person	Date of Last Communication (yyyy-mm-dd)	Time of Last Communication (hh:mm)	
Eric PARK, Bob PITTMAN, Brian DAWE	2019-02-01	12:30 pm	

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Relationships / Affiliations / Social Medias				
Family Dynamics <input type="radio"/> Single Parent <input type="radio"/> Child Custody <input type="radio"/> Both Parents <input type="radio"/> Foster Care <input type="radio"/> No Known Family <input type="radio"/> Unknown <input checked="" type="radio"/> N/A				
Marital Status <input type="radio"/> Single <input type="radio"/> Dating <input checked="" type="radio"/> Married <input type="radio"/> Common Law <input type="radio"/> Divorced <input type="radio"/> In the Process of Separating <input type="radio"/> Unknown <input type="radio"/> N/A				
Name of Person in Relationship With Ruth RICE		Telephone No. a/n	Address a/n	
Religious/Spiritual Affiliation			Spiritual Elder (if applicable)	
Friend/Associate		Telephone No.	Address	
Eric PARK		[REDACTED]	7 River's Road, Hughes Brook, NL	
Robert PITTMAN		[REDACTED]	Main Road, Jackson's Arm, NL	
Brian DAWE		[REDACTED]	10 Walbourne's Road, Corner Brook, NL	
Known Social Media Site the Missing Person Uses		User Name / ID	Password	
Habits/Hobbies/Interests				
Has the missing person developed any new interests? If yes, please specify				
Frequent Hangouts				
Participated in New Events?		If the missing person participated in any new events, please specify which and when?		
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No				
Items/Money				
Money / Methods of Payment Cash: <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Cards <input type="checkbox"/> Debit Cards			Credit/Debit Card Numbers	
Electronic Devices <input type="checkbox"/> Smart Phone <input type="checkbox"/> iPad/Tablet <input type="checkbox"/> Other			Cell Phone No.	Cell Phone Provider
<input type="checkbox"/> Passport	Other Personal Items			
Mode of Transportation Used/Available				
<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Vehicle	Make and Model: _____	Year: _____	Colour: _____	Licence Plate: _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Vehicle	Make and Model: <u>Bombardier</u>	Year: _____	Colour: <u>black</u>	Licence Plate: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Bus	<input type="checkbox"/> Taxi	<input type="checkbox"/> Bicycle	<input type="checkbox"/> Foot	<input type="checkbox"/> Hitchhiking <input type="checkbox"/> Airplane
Forensic Evidences				
	Forensic Evidence	Seized?		To be Returned?
Diary		<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Photo		<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
DNA		<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Dental Records		<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Other:		<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Completed by				
Rank Cst.	Full Name Guy Boudreau	HRMIS 000279514	Signature 	Date (yyyy-mm-dd) 2019-02-02
Reviewed by (Supervisor)				
Rank	Full Name	HRMIS	Signature	Date (yyyy-mm-dd)



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Occurrence No. 2019146907	Date (yyyy-mm-dd) 2019-02-01	Time (hh:mm) 15:38
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#### Complainant

Name Eric PARK	Home Telephone No. [REDACTED]	Cell Phone No.	Work Telephone No.
Relationship to Missing Person Friend	Address 7 River's Road, Hughes Brook, NL		
Previous Actions Taken Prior to Contacting the Police Searched area for approximately 3.5 hours prior to activating SPOT GPS tracker.			

#### Next of Kin

Complainant is Next of Kin

Name Beatrice CAVE	Home Telephone No. [REDACTED]	Cell Phone No.	Work Telephone No.
Relationship to Missing Person Wife	Address 332 Main Road, McIvers, Newfoundland and Labrador		

#### Missing Person Information

Name Wilfred LOVELL	DOB (yyyy-mm-dd) 1950-04-10	Height (m) 175	Weight (kg) 104	Sex <input checked="" type="radio"/> Male <input type="radio"/> Female <input type="radio"/> Transgender
Alias/Nicknames	Home Address 332 Main Road, McIvers, Newfoundland and Labrador			
In the care of social services? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	Social services contacted? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Child welfare involved? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	Sexual Orientation N/A	
Ethnic Origin	Cultural Affinity	Languages Spoken		
Eye Colour <input type="radio"/> Amber <input type="radio"/> Blue <input type="radio"/> Brown <input type="radio"/> Grey <input type="radio"/> Green <input type="radio"/> Other specify: grey/blue				
Eyewear <input type="radio"/> Contacts <input checked="" type="radio"/> Glasses <input type="radio"/> Both <input type="radio"/> None			Hair Length <input checked="" type="radio"/> Bald/None <input type="radio"/> Short <input type="radio"/> Medium <input type="radio"/> Long	
Hair Colour <input type="radio"/> Black <input type="radio"/> Brown <input type="radio"/> Blond <input type="radio"/> Red <input type="radio"/> Gray/White <input type="radio"/> Other specify:				
Facial Hair <input checked="" type="radio"/> None <input type="radio"/> Moustache <input type="radio"/> Goatee <input type="radio"/> Full Beard			Build <input type="radio"/> Slim <input type="radio"/> Average <input type="radio"/> Stocky <input checked="" type="radio"/> Heavy	
Distinguishing Marks / Tattoos / Scars / Physical Limitations 2 lumps above left wrist left (dialysis); spot on forehead; 4 inch scar on back (middle, left)				
Clothing Description Black snowmobile suit, fur hat/balaklava, winter boots and mitts				
Other Police Agency / Detachment to be Notified				
School			School Address	

#### Place of Employment

Name	Address	Telephone No.
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Missing Person Risk			
Possible Reasons Person Went Missing (check all that apply)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Abduction	<input type="checkbox"/> Transient	<input type="checkbox"/> Homeless	<input type="checkbox"/> Bullying
<input type="checkbox"/> Relationship Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Violence in Relationship History	Other Reasons: separated from group while snowmobiling	
Does the missing person have a history of going missing?			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> No History <input type="radio"/> Chronic/Habitual <input type="radio"/> Repeat			
If the missing person has previously been reported missing, specify where the missing person was located.			
N/A			
If the missing person has previously been reported missing, did he/she suffer any harm? If yes, specify the harm suffered.			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes Harm Suffered:			
Medical/Psychological Risk Factors			
Physical Disabilities/Concerns (e.g. co-ordination/dexterity, speech impairment, blind / visual impairment, deaf / hard of hearing, mobility)			
slight hearing issue (not corrected)			
Psychological Concerns (e.g. Alzheimer's, bipolar, dementia, depression, developmental disorder, fetal alcohol spectrum disorder, PTSD, schizophrenia)			
N/A			
Prescription Medications			
NovaRapid and Basaglar for diabetes (4 needles daily and various doses)			
Last Known Psychological Status/Mood			
N/A			
Recent Changes in Behaviour/Situation/Habits			
N/A			
Suicidal?	Access to Firearms?	Previous Suicide Attempts? If yes, specify by which methods.	
<input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes Methods:	
Fears/Phobias			
N/A			
Lifestyle Risk Factors			
Alcohol Use?	Drug Use?	If the missing person uses drugs, please specify which and frequency of use	
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown		
Gambling?	Hitchhiking?	Known to use prostitution services?	Victimized in the Sex Trade?
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown
Associated with a Gang / Organized Crime?	If the missing person is associated with a gang / organized crime, please specify		
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown			
Involved in any legal proceeding?	Next/Last Court Date (yyyy-mm-dd)	Financial Concerns?	
<input type="radio"/> Suspect <input type="radio"/> Witness <input type="radio"/> Victim <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown	
Other Possible Risk Factors (i.e. weather, inadequate clothing, terrain or lack of proper equipment)			
Last Location/Communication			
Last Known Address			
N/A			
Location Last Seen	Is the missing person familiar with the area?		
N/A	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Last Person who Saw the Missing Person	Date Last Seen (yyyy-mm-dd)	Time Last Seen (hh:mm)	
Eric PARK, Robert PITTMAN, Brian DAWE	2019-02-01	12:00 (approx)	
Last Means of Communication with the Missing Person			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In Person <input type="radio"/> Text <input type="radio"/> Social Media <input type="radio"/> Phone <input type="radio"/> Email <input type="radio"/> Other specify:			
Last Person who Communicated with the Missing Person	Date of Last Communication (yyyy-mm-dd)	Time of Last Communication (hh:mm)	
PARK, PITTMAN, DAWE	2019-02-01	12:00 (approx)	

Relationships / Affiliations / Social Medias				
Family Dynamics <input type="radio"/> Single Parent <input type="radio"/> Child Custody <input type="radio"/> Both Parents <input type="radio"/> Foster Care <input type="radio"/> No Known Family <input type="radio"/> Unknown <input checked="" type="radio"/> N/A				
Marital Status <input type="radio"/> Single <input type="radio"/> Dating <input checked="" type="radio"/> Married <input type="radio"/> Common Law <input type="radio"/> Divorced <input type="radio"/> In the Process of Separating <input type="radio"/> Unknown <input type="radio"/> N/A				
Name of Person in Relationship With Beatrice CAVE		Telephone No. As above	Address As above	
Religious/Spiritual Affiliation			Spiritual Elder (if applicable)	
<b>Friend/Associate</b>		<b>Telephone No.</b>	<b>Address</b>	
Eric PARK			7 River's Road, Hughes Brook, NL	
Robert PITTMAN			Main Road, Jackson's Arm, NL	
Brian DAWE			10 Walbourne's Road, Corner Brook, NL	
<b>Known Social Media Site the Missing Person Uses</b>		<b>User Name / ID</b>	<b>Password</b>	
Habits/Hobbies/Interests N/A				
Has the missing person developed any new interests? If yes, please specify N/A				
Frequent Hangouts N/A				
Participated in New Events?		If the missing person participated in any new events, please specify which and when?		
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No				
Items/Money				
Money / Methods of Payment Cash: <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Cards <input type="checkbox"/> Debit Cards			Credit/Debit Card Numbers	
Electronic Devices <input type="checkbox"/> Smart Phone <input type="checkbox"/> iPad/Tablet <input type="checkbox"/> Other			Cell Phone No.	Cell Phone Provider
<input type="checkbox"/> Passport	Other Personal Items			
Mode of Transportation Used/Available				
<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Vehicle	Make and Model: _____	Year: _____	Colour: _____	Licence Plate: _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Vehicle	Make and Model: Arctic Cat, NORSEMAN	Year: 2019	Colour: Grey	Licence Plate: SLS 570
<input type="checkbox"/> Bus	<input type="checkbox"/> Taxi	<input type="checkbox"/> Bicycle	<input type="checkbox"/> Foot	<input type="checkbox"/> Hitchhiking <input type="checkbox"/> Airplane
Forensic Evidences				
<b>Forensic Evidence</b>	<b>Seized?</b>		<b>To be Returned?</b>	
Diary	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
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## Supplementary Occurrence Report

RCMP-GRC , B Division

Printed: 2019/02/05 09:16 by 000045816

Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000148961 CANNING, C.  
Entered by: #000148961 CANNING, C.

Report time: 2019/02/01 22:16  
Entered time: 2019/02/01 22:16

**Report:**

2019-02-01 Cpl RUMBOLT asked Cst CANNING and Cst jade KEAN to assist and take statements with regards to the missing snowmobiles.

19:17 Cst CANNING called Deer Lake SAR coordinator Wayne PARSONS and let him know that Cst CANNING will be going with them to Jackson's Arm in the morning. Cst CANNING did so and he advised they will be leaving Deer Lake at 05:15. Cst CANNING will meet them there.

20:24 Cst CANNING and KEAN attended Beatrice CAVE'S residence ( Wolfed LOVELL'S spouse) and advised her of the matter. She already knew about the incident and was advised by Dewey LOVELL, Wilfred's son.

Cst CANNING took a statement from Beatrice.

- Beatrice said Wilfred left their house in McIver's at 05:15 to go Hampden Junction for breakfast and then called at 07:55 and said they were leaving to go to Jackson's Arm and on to Hr. Deep.
- She said he was going with Eric PARK, Bob PITTMAN, Brain DAWE and Stanley RICE.
- She said Stanley is diabetic and takes 4 needles a day, 21 units of Nova Rapid breakfast and dinner, 22 Nova Rapid at Supper and 46 of Basaglar at night.
- She said he had a kidney transplant in 2007 and has been diabetic since then.
- Beatrice said he has a new snowmobile, an Arctic Cat.
- She said he has a box on the back of his snowmobile with food.
- She said he was wearing an all black snowmobile suit.
- Beatrice said he has a new GPS. The box on the table was Echo Map Chirpo 53 CV serial number 527008985.
- She said he does not have the ability to check his blood sugar and as he didn't take his meter.
- Beatrice said he has high blood pressure and is currently waiting to go to St. John's to check and see if he has a blockage. She said he gets winded if he walks up over the stairs.
- Beatrice says he has a lighter and that he filled it up last night.
- She said he tea buns, sandwiches, bread, water, G2 and wieners in his pack with him.
- She said he is wearing a fur hat that has fold down flaps and is wearing a balaclava.
- She said he doesn't have any snowshoes and is not sure if he has a shovel. He has an axe.
- She said he's never went into a coma because of his diabetes but his sugar has gone to 2.
- She said he has 8 days of meds for diabetes.
- She said he has box on the back of his snowmobile that he puts his gear in.
- She said she thinks Wilfred has a tarp with him.

Evelyn WHITE is staying with Beatrice CAVE tonight at her house.

20:54 Cst CANNING spoke with Dewey LOVELL and updated him on the matter.

21:10-21:23 Cst CANNING transported Evelyn to her home and back to get her medication because the weather was bad.

21:24 Cst BOUDREAU said he would call JRCC with the details of the tarp.

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Cst RUMBOLT called Cst CANNING on the radio and asked Cst CANNING to call Beatrice and advise her that JRCC had called off the search because

22:19 Cst CANNING called Beatrice and updated her on the matter and advised her she could call anytime if she had any questions.

Cst CANNING will be off shift and 00:00 and then return to work at 04:00 and travel to Deer lake to meet SAR.

04:45 Cst CANNING arrived at Deer Lake Search and Rescue and met with the members to travel to Jackson's Arm.

05:05 Cst CANNING call OCC and spoke with Pam and checked in. Sh advised that the Risk manager would be on shift shortly and a decision would be made on who would be flying, JRCC or Universal.

OCC advised that at 05:38 the International Emergency Center for Garmin Inreach had received a cancellation for the SOS. Cst CANNING called Haley at the Center and she confirmed this. This would have come from Eric PARKS Inreach.

Cst CANNING called Eric PARK at Bob PITTMAN'S and after several minutes reached Eric. He said he cancelled the SOS to retrieve some co-ordinates and threat Stanley and Wilfred were still missing. He said they were just leaving to go look for Stanley and Wilfred. Cst CANNING tried to convince them to wait for SAR but he said he was not going to wait and were leaving. He then said he might wait but would see.

07:00 Cst CANNING and SAR members arrived in the parking lot and got ready to go to the search area where the SOS came from. Eric and Bob were not there. Cst CANNING did some vehicle checks in the parking lot and no vehicles belonged to Eric or Bob or Brian DAWE.

07:39 Cst CANNING asked Cpl COOPER to call Bob PITTMAN'S but there was no answer. It said the circuits were busy.

07:46 Cst CANNING advised OCC that searchers may be calling with updates via satellite radio. Cst CANNING wrote the OCC # 772-6560 on the back of of the three team leaders hands. Cst CANNING then advised for OCC to call on the radio and convey this information to me. The portable was intermittent but the car radio was good.

08:07 Three teams of searchers left with 2 team of 3 and 1 team of 4. The weather at times was near zero visibility in blowing snow.

08:40 Cst CANNING attended Bob PITTMAN'S residence in Jackson's Arm in the trailer court and knocked on the door. There was no answer. Stanley's and Wilfred's truck was in the driveway. There were no snowmobiles there.

Cst CANNING spoke with Darrell COMBDON on the road there who advised he hadn't seen Stanley or Wilfred.

09:08 Cpl COOPER advised he had been in communication with Katie PARK and she would be providing him with co-ordinates from Eric's Inreach from time to time.

09:37 Cst CANNING passed on the co-ordinates for PARK to team leader Sheldon ANSTEY and he met Eric, Bob and Brian there at 10:47 and they continued as a team with them.

09:50 Cst CANNING gave SAR some cabin locations that were provided by JRCC. They were plotted on the SAR screen. Most of them were south of the SOS ping and some were way up on the coast of the Peninsula and not even close proximity to where they were going.

11:23 Darrell COMBDON, Herb WICKS and Steadman RALPH came to the command post and advised they were going to search on their own. COMBDON had a cabin in the area.

11:25 Cst CANNING checked in with CPL COOPER and asked if anyone had been in contact with the family and

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he confirmed there had.

Throughout the day Cpl COOPER had been in contact with Cst CANNING and had been providing GPS coordinates for Eric's Inreach hits. These were all plotted on the SAR map.

12:32 Cpl COOPER advised that the JRCC Cormorant had to leave the search area for a medical emergency on a fishing vessel off Labrador.

15:38 SAR teams began the trek back to the Command Post.

17:45 SAR teams arrived. Cst CANNING spoke with Sheldon ANSTEY who advised him the last time they saw Stanley and Wilfred was half way up Morris Pond. Bob said they all stopped south of Morris Pond for a chat before they left.

18:09 Cst CANNING left the SAR post and travelled to Bob PITTMAN'S house in Jackson's Arm where he spoke with them and obtained three audio statements from them. There was nothing in there statements to suspect any wrong doing on anyone's part. It just seems that Stanley and Wilfred got separated in very bad weather on the trek to Great Hr Deep. Eric provided a GPS coordinate where he would have last seen the men. Cst CANNING provided this to the risk manager.

Cst CANNING left Jackson's Arm and returned to Deer Lake where he gave the audio recorder to Cst Guy BOUDREAU to listen to the statements and add a synopsis to PROS. Cst CANNING had been up for over 36 hrs at this point with only 3 hrs sleep.

Cst CANNING returned to his residence.

Cst Paul CANNING 53651

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Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000258727 MACIVER, S.  
Entered by: #000258727 MACIVER, S.

Report time: 2019/02/01 17:13  
Entered time: 2019/02/01 17:13

**Remarks:**

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**Report:**

Today at approximately 1630 hrs, St. Anthony RCMP Detachment received a report that at 1538hrs a SPOT device was activated, along with a text message from the device. The message stated that a group of snowmobilers had become separated south of Harbour Deep. The person with the SPOT device, an Eric PARK was messaging and saying that two elderly males had become separated from the group of 7, and the location of them is unknown. The spot device coordinates are: lat 50.177865, long -57.009537, which is located in between the locations of Harbour Deep, Portland Creek and Jackson's Arm. The group had left from the Jackson's Arm area. NCO i/c Cpl. Shane CLARKE and DPO Supt. David COOKE have been advised. An advance message will follow once more information is available.

Cst. Shane MacIver#61984

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**Supplementary Occurrence Report**

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Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000045464 NORMAN, C.  
Entered by: #000045464 NORMAN, C.Report time: 2019/02/01 20:24  
Entered time: 2019/02/01 20:22**Remarks:**

OCC Risk Manager report

**Report:**

Writer working evening shift as Risk Manager starting @ 1800 hrs.

**@ 1740 hrs**

Received call from Sgt. Curtis Ashford regarding this matter. He advised of two older missing snowmobilers in Jackson's Arm area. The men had been snowmobiling with three other men who were now reportedly looking for them.

**@ 1800 hrs**

Attended OCC. Sgt. Ashford advised that the matter was assigned to Deer Lake. Cpl Deon Rumbolt supervisor on duty. UEN already completed. Staff Dornan already aware of / involved in matter.

**@ 1815 hrs**

Cpl. Rumbolt called. He had just heard from SAR. They were to leave Deer Lake @ 0500-0515 hrs in the morning. Should be in Jackson's Arm @ 0700 hrs with 7-9 searchers. Cpl. Rumbolt asked if I'd do updates. I agreed to do so but said that prior to sending the first, we'd wait for an update on air support. I suggested to Cpl. Rumbolt that he assign a member to liaise with family and another as incident commander at command post with SAR. He agreed. He advised that Cst. Boudreau of DL Det is the current lead.

1833 hrs

Cst. Marc Grundy called and advised me of his actions to date. He advised that the missing persons were Stanley Rice and Wilfred Lavelle. He was unsure of the spelling of the Lavelle name.

1848 hrs

Cpl. Rumbolt. He asked if I would call JRCC regarding status on air support.

1851 hrs

800-565-1582. JRCC Halifax. Spoke with Steve Lawlor. He advised one chopper coming from Gander and expects to be on scene in 2-3 hrs. A plane was being dispatched from Greenwood also. Confirmed they had been contacted through fire and emergency services (FES). I advised that the file had initially been incorrectly assigned to St. Anthony and that it was now re-assigned to Deer Lake with Cpl. Rumbolt being in charge. Lawlor asked that he be advised once a new incident commander was identified.

As a result, I sent the following email @ 19:12: 24

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Cpl. Rumbolt .....

I just spoke with Steve Lawlor of JRCC Halifax (CC'd). He advised they were contacted by FES and are dispatching two aircraft to the area tonight. They are dispatching a chopper from Gander. It has not departed yet but should be in the area in 2-3 hours. They are also dispatching a plane from Greenwood, N.S. Both aircraft are expected to be searching tonight.

I explained to Mr. Lawlor that the initial complaint was incorrectly assigned to St. Anthony area but that Deer Lake Detachment is actually responsible. He asks that you notify him once a search / incident commander is identified.

I gave him your name and both contact #'s also.

Mr. Lawlor ..... thanks for your assistance thus far. Please advise via response email to the entire group with any updates regarding anticipated / departure times of the aircraft.

thank you, Chad.

Sgt. Chad Norman

OCC Risk Manager

St. John's, NL

709-772-8076

After receiving this info, I sent Update # 1 with the following text (attached to original UEN) :

Hello,

This matter has been re-assigned to Deer Lake Detachment. Cpl. Deon Rumbolt is supervising the matter and Cst. Guy Boudreau is the lead.

GSAR will be leaving Deer Lake at 0515 hours and should be in Jacksons Arm around 0700 hrs from where they will be dispatching 7-9 searchers. Cpl. Rumbolt is in the process of identifying an incident commander to be on site in the morning.

JRCC (contacted via FES) has dispatched a Cormorant helicopter from Gander and should be on scene in less than an hour. A Hercules plane will be departing Greenwood NS soon to assist in the search as well.

Sgt. Chad Norman

OCC Risk Manager

St. John's, NL

709-722-8076

19:22:59

The following email was received from JRCC:

Good evening gentlemen,

This is Capt. Bertrand Thibodeau, I'm the air coordinator in charge of tasking the air assets tonight. The

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cormorant helicopter has departed Gander and will be on scene in less than an hour. They will begin their search in the vicinity of 50 10.67N 057 00.57W the approximate coordinates where we expect there to be a cabin.

The Hercules will be departing soon from Greenwood and will be able to provide flare illumination.

Once the IC has been identified we'd like to get a call so we can make sure that our plans match up.

Cheers,

Captain / Capitaine Bertrand Thibodeau

19:56:33

The following email rec'd from Cpl. Rumbolt:

Gentlemen,

Brian Chaulk Ph# [REDACTED] will be heading up the Ground Search and Rescue team out of Deer lake at 0500.

Cst. Paul Canning Ph# [REDACTED] will be heading down to the search area with GSAR and will be the incident commander on scene.

Cst. Guy Boudreau Ph# [REDACTED] is the lead investigator out of Deer Lake and will be available on his cell until 0600 when another member is on shift in Deer Lake.

In the meantime if anyone has any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

Deon

2115 hrs

I spoke with Blair Hogan of FES [REDACTED]. He dealt with Sgt. Ashford earlier on this matter and had contacted JRCC to request the air assistance in the first place. He said that there is no air support arranged for the morning. He said that the process is for him to contact air support at first light when a determination can be made about visibility / ability to fly. He expects that will be about 0700-0715 hrs. Once that determination is made, he will contact Sgt. Ashford to decide if it is necessary to call JRCC again. I gave him Ashford's work and cell #'s.

2135 hrs

Below is an email that I just sent as Update # 2, attached to original UEN and Update # 1 email.

Hello,

Cpl. Rumbolt tells me that the chopper was in the search area. However, due to the stormy conditions and lack of visibility they are now en route back to Gander. JRCC is asking what the plans are regarding a civilian chopper in the morning.

At 2115 hrs I spoke with Blair Hogan of FES. He dealt with Sgt. Ashford earlier on this matter and had contacted JRCC to request the air assistance in the first place. He said that there is no air support arranged for the morning. He said that the process is for him to contact air support at first light when a determination can be made about visibility / ability to fly. He expects that will be about 0700-0715 hrs. Once that determination is made, he will contact Sgt. Ashford to decide if it is necessary to call JRCC again.

At this point, there is no active search ongoing. GSAR should be in the area by 0700 hrs. Shortly after that we should have an idea regarding if air support is available (and from whom).

Cpl. Rumbolt: Please ensure the families are updated.

Chad

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Sgt. Chad Norman  
OCC Risk Manager  
709-722-5400  
70-597-6316  
21:48:12

Below is the text of an email sent to JRCC ( in response to earlier email).

Hello,

I just spoke to Cpl. Rumbolt in Deer Lake. He advises that your chopper was in the search area but has departed for Gander once again due to weather / visibility issues. He also advised that your personnel were inquiring regarding whether or not a civilian chopper would be dispatched in the morning.

I spoke with Blair Hogan of Fire & Emergency Services ( [REDACTED] ). It was he that had requested assistance from JRCC in the first place. He said that there is no air support arranged for the morning. He said that the process is for him to contact air support at first light when a determination can be made about visibility / ability to fly. He expects that will be about 0700-0715 hrs. Once that determination is made, he will contact Sgt. Ashford to decide if it is necessary to request JRCC assistance once again.

Thanks for your assistance thus far,

Chad

Sgt. Chad Norman

OCC Risk Manager

709-722-5400

70-597-6316

@ 2150

Updated Staff Lori Canning.

2159

Called / updated Sgt. Ashford ( morning RM). Advised to expect a call on his cell from Blair Hogan re air support.

00:56 hrs

Advance Message emailed as per b/n text .....

**ISSUE:** File 2019146907 - Update to Unfolding Event Notification

**BACKGROUND:** On 2018-02-01 at 1538 hrs RCMP learned of two missing snowmobilers. Wilfred Lovell (68) and Stanley Rice (64) had become separated from their party south of Hr. Deep. The remaining snowmobilers, Bob Pittman, Brian Dawe and Eric Park searched for their friends unsuccessfully. Eric Park then activated a SPOT device which led to the RCMP being notified. Fire and Emergency Services (FES) was contacted, resulting in a JRCC helicopter being dispatched from Gander.

**CURRENT STATUS:** The missing men have not been located. Lovell is a diabetic and is the recipient of a kidney transplant. GSAR was contacted but unable to commence a search due to time of day and poor weather conditions. GSAR will be in the Jackson's Arm area about 0700 hrs at which time a team of 7-9 searchers will be deployed on snowmobile. The JRCC helicopter attended but terminated the search (due to poor weather/visibility)

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before returning to Gander. FES will be re-evaluating the situation at about 0715 hrs (first light). Consideration will be given to activating a civilian helicopter depending on weather and visibility conditions. FES will then contact the OCC Risk Manager on duty to discuss available options. The families have been updated. Cpl. Dave Cooper will be assuming the Incident Commander role tomorrow morning and will be maintaining contact with family.

**MEDIA STRATEGY:** No press release has been forwarded. There have been no inquiries from the media.

Sgt. Chad Norman

OCC Risk Manager

St. John's, NL

709-597-6316

19:59:44

Email below sent to Supt Cook .....

Sir,

I just spoke with Larry Leblanc of Air Services. He will consult with his IC regarding the situation. I told him to let me know the situation (availability / usefulness) of both the fixed wing and the chopper. He thinks the twin otter out of Lab may be the best fixed wing option.

As for the chopper, that will have to be transported across the gulf by ferry then flown to search site. So, the chopper would be a day or so getting here.

I am awaiting a return call on this from the IC of Air Services. If one or both options are available do you want me to tell them to come on or do you want to be consulted first?

thanks, Chad

>>> David Cook <Dave.Cook@rcmp-grc.gc.ca> 2019/02/02 6:00 PM >>>

Curtis,

The CROPS Officer suggests we check to see what our Air Services team might be able to offer us for tomorrow as well. We will still want PAL and JRCC but possibly we may be able to add to our efforts.

Please have Sgt. Norman check with the on call pilot please.

Thank you.

David

**20:37:50**

Pilot Larry Leblanc will be at Deer Lake airport tomorrow morning b/w 0700-0730 hrs in a single engine PC12. The Twin Otter out of Goose Bay is unavailable tomorrow so that may be an additional resource for Monday should we deem it necessary.

Pilot Leblanc requests 5 people to act as spotters. I called SAR commander Darren Williams (████████). He anticipates 8-10 snowmobile searchers tomorrow and will look for 5 more

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spotters for the plane. I told him to reach out to Corner Brook SAR for spotters if he doesn't have enough from his team.

I have to contact JRCC in a bit. I will tell them that the PC12 and likely the PAL plane will be in the search area also tomorrow.

Chad

>>> David Cook <[Dave.Cook@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:Dave.Cook@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)> 2019/02/02 8:09 PM >>>

Thank you Chad,

Fixed wing will be the resource we'll go with. The helicopter asset is covered by JRCC or if needed FES/CIVILIAN support. If they're able to fly will they need a spotter?

David

Sent from my Bell Samsung device over Canada's largest network.

----- Original message -----

From: Chad Norman <[Chad.Norman@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:Chad.Norman@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>

Date: 2019-02-02 7:59 PM (GMT-03:30)

To: David Cook <[Dave.Cook@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:Dave.Cook@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>

Cc: Curtis Ashford <[Curtis.Ashford@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:Curtis.Ashford@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>

Subject: Re: Re: Re: Advance Message: Deer Lake File 2019146907

>>> "Chad Norman" 02/02/2019 18:29 >>>

Sir,

I just spoke with Larry Leblanc of Air Services. He will consult with his IC regarding the situation. I told him to let me know the situation (availability / usefulness) of both the fixed wing and the chopper. He thinks the twin otter out of Lab may be the best fixed wing option.

As for the chopper, that will have to be transported across the gulf by ferry then flown to search site. So, the chopper would be a day or so getting here.

I am awaiting a return call on this from the IC of Air Services. If one or both options are available do you want me to tell them to come on or do you want to be consulted first?

**20:45:20**

email thread with JRCC .....

**Hello. I will call in a few minutes.**

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I will take the opportunity to notify you however that there are plans for two other aircraft to be assisting in the search tomorrow.

The RCMP will be providing a single engine PC12 with 5 spotters.

We anticipate that PAL will be flying tomorrow at some point with a fleur also.

thanks, Chad

>>> "JRCCHalifax@JRCC@Halifax" <JRCChalifax@sarnet.dnd.ca> 2019/02/02 7:39 PM  
>>>

Hey,

Can you give us a call at the rescue center in regards to the plan tonight. [REDACTED]  
or [REDACTED] Your phone was busy.

-matt

10:09:05

Text of email sent to Supt Cook et al .....

NP Sir .....

We are good with spotters for now ..... Corner Brook SAR will have 5 spotters at the airport for 0700 hrs .....

I discussed the need for additional ground searchers with SAR lead Darren Williams [REDACTED]. He does not feel the need for additional SAR on the ground at this time. He feels he has enough for tomorrow. He feels the current conditions are hazardous and any more searchers would not help given the added responsibility of managing additional searchers and their safety. He wishes to reserve these resources in case they need to hand the ground search off on Monday. I thought that was a reasonable plan.

Additionally, I have spoken with JRCC. He told me an hour ago that they have a chopper returning from a medivac (Goose) tonight. He asked if it was fine to have the chopper fly over the area a couple times during the return trip. He said that chopper would then return to home base and he then planned to send another crew back to the area in 2-3 hours to continue flying. He said that the nighttime flights could give hope to the missing individuals should they hear the chopper. They also hoped to spot a fire. This of course is weather dependant. I told him to go ahead.

So current anticipated resources for tomorrow .....

SAR - 8-10 snowmobile searchers.

RCMP Air Services. One fixed wing with 5 spotters provided by Corner Brook SAR. Pilot is Larry Leblanc, cell [REDACTED]. Larry, you can contact OCC, [REDACTED] and ask for Risk Manager Sgt. Curtis Ashford in the morning. He will be on @ 0600 hrs our time.

JRCC chopper - to be arranged by Sgt. Ashford in the morning.

PAL (with fleur) - to be arranged by Sgt. Ashford in morning.

PDS to be on scene (arranged by Cst. Boudreau).

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If anybody else has any suggestions let me know and I will see what I can arrange.

Chad

2356 hrs

Below is the text of an email from JRCC.

Chad,

We had a chopper briefly over fly the last known location. No lights seen. Unfortunately, due to weather, we cannot conduct any more flights into the area tonight.

-matt

@ 0115 hrs

Below is the text of an email sent to JRCC @ 0115 hrs.

Hi,

Below I have attached an email from Cst. Boudreau with info regarding the location of a cabin in the area.

Secondly, I received an email from Cpl . Dave Cooper earlier (italicized/underlined below) wondering if the Cormorant could fly earlier in the morning. I don't know if the suggestion is doable however it is on the ground information that is worth considering.

I am not a search commander, however, it may be worth flying over the cabin if it doesn't detract too much from search priorities.

FYI, Sgt. Curtis Ashford will be in @ 0600 hrs tomorrow.

Thanks, Chad

Thanks Chad. I just spoke with Eric Park who was part of the group. He asked if the Cormorant would be in the area about 2 hours before daylight as that seems to be the window where it's getting lighter to see and before the wind picks up. They'll be relieved to know the Cormorant will try through the night.

Dave

>>> Guy Boudreau 2019/02/03 12:41 AM >>>

Hey guys,

I was in touch with a Steven SPENCE from Port aux Choix, he's a cabin owner in the general area of where these individuals went missing. Steven gave me an approximate location via phone of where the cabin is located and its on Mitchel's lake and the approx. coordinates that I got were (50.289881, - 56.969140).

Maybe helpful for air services to concentrate on a few searches along that area.

Steven Spence [REDACTED]

Guy Boudreau

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## Supplementary Occurrence Report

RCMP-GRC , B Division

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Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000059666 RUMBOLT, D.  
Entered by: #000059666 RUMBOLT, D.

Report time: 2019/02/01 20:11  
Entered time: 2019/02/01 20:11

### Report:

1707 Member received a call from Sgt. Canning advising there were two missing snowmobilers and there was some confusion over who was responsible for investigating the file as the area of the missing snowmobilers was unclear and asked me to check on it.

Member checked area based on the GPS coordinates provided by Sgt Canning and determined that it was in fact a Deer Lake file.

Member called and spoke to Cst. Shane Clark out of St. Anthony det to advise Deer lake would be taking over the investigation and to determine what action had been taken to date.

Member spoke with Cst. Guy Boudreau and advised him of the file.

Member spoke with Wayne Parsons Deer Lake GSAR who advised the weather was too bad to search tonight but would be heading out at 0500 in order to be in the search area by seven to conduct a ground search. Brian Chaulk would be heading up their search team.

Member spoke with Sgt. Ashford, risk manager, and updated him on file.

Member identified RTO member to attend as IC with GSAR as no members on duty able to do so due to shortages. GSAR, Wayne Parson advised Cst. Paul Canning would be our IC at the command post and would be heading out with them in the morning.

Member received further updates from Cst. Grundy on file. Same passed on to Acting Staff Joe Anderson.

Cst. Kean and Cst. Canning tasked with advising NOK for Wilfred Lovell who is from Mcivers.

Cst Boudreau tasked with obtaining details from three members of the initial party who have since returned to Jackson's Arm. Given the weather conditions and 100km drive to Jackson's Arm Cst. Boudreau was advised to obtain info over the phone and have someone follow up with statements tomorrow. Cst. Boudreau also tasked with having RNC notify NOK for Rice in St. Johns once his info was obtained.

Form 6473 to be utilized.

JRCC sending two aircraft, one out of Gander and one out of Greenwood NS to search the area.

2055 Cst. Boudreau advised JRCC advised him they were in the area but unable to search due to poor weather conditions. JRCC were asking if our local air services were going to be searching in the morning. This was discussed with risk manager Sgt. Chad Norman. he is to check with FES on same. He will also complete updated UEN and Advance message.

Cst. Boudreau tasked with updating NOK as required.

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Sgt. Canning brought up to date on file.

Search called off for tonight due to poor weather. Deer lake GSAR to be on site at 0700 to conduct a ground search. They will be accompanied by Eric Park who will assist. Cst. Canning will be IC on scene. Blair Hogan with Fire and emergency services will contact local air services in the AM to see if they can assist if not then JRCC will be contacted. Cst. Santen to attempt to obtain follow up statements during tomorrows shift. Cst. Boudreau will be the contact person until 0600 when DLK day shift member takes over. All supervisors brought up to date. Sgt. Norman to complete advance message.

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## Supplementary Occurrence Report

RCMP-GRC , B Division

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Occurrence: 2019146907 Person Reported Missing @2019/02/01 15:38

Author: #000255805 GRUNDY, M.  
Entered by: #000255805 GRUNDY, M.

Report time: 2019/02/01 16:24  
Entered time: 2019/02/01 17:37

### Report:

Cst GRUNDY was advised that there are 2 snowmobiles missing between Jackson's Arm and Harbour Deep. It was explained to GRUNDY that the file was initially dispatched to Port Saunders then referred to Dear Lake. It was then determined that the file should be given to a Roddickton member and St Anthony was covering that area.

The Snowmobilers were missing 35km outside of Jackson's Arm - a community patrolled by Deer Lake detachment

1624 - Cst GRUNDY contacted Cpl CLARKE and advised of the situation and the need to get Deer Lake detachment involved as the best access point and proximity was Jackson arm.

GRUNDY began making calls including getting further details from OCC and risk manager Sgt ASHFORD

Sgt ASHFORD to contact JRCC and advise, ASHFORD provided details for GSAR in Deer Lake to GRUNDY

Cst MACIVER began an UEM and submitted to Cpl CLARKE

1727 - GRUNDY contacted Wayne PARSONS of GSAR Deer Lake [REDACTED] and advised of the situation. PARSONS to muster GSAR for a risk assessment meeting

GRUNDY was called by OCC and given the contact information for Katie PARK wife of Eric PARK (one of the party of 5) who was currently searching

Katie PARK advised:

- The initial group was 5 members - Eric Park, Brian DAWE, Bob PITTMAN (owner of 'Bob's Inn' in Harbour deep, Wilfred LOVELL and Stanley RICE
- LOVELL and RICE got separated from the group at 1200hrs
- The group were travelling from Jackson's Arm to Harbour Deep
- LOVELL has numerous medical concerns including diabetes and is a kidney recipient
- LOVELL and RICE are approx 75years old
- all party members are dressed for the weather and have made the trip 20-25
- Eric PARK, DAWE and PITTMAN searched for several hours then hit the SOS on their GPS (Garmin InReach)
- Katie PARK has been tracking their movements for the last several hours via an app linked to GPS
- The weather is quite bad including blowing and drifting snow

GRUNDY updated Cpl CLARKE and Sgt ASHFORD with the above details

Sgt ASHFORD advised he'd just been speaking with Staff DORNAN and Deer Lake members would be called to take over the file

GRUNDY updated Katie PARK on the progress thus far

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1739 - GRUNDY received a call from JRCC who were asking for additional details. JRCC to review and call back

1746 - Call From Wayne PARSONS GSAR - He said they are doing a risk assessment will call back

1750 - GRUNDY tasked Katie PARK with getting the make/model/colour of the skidoos and clothing worn by RICE and LOVELL and attempting to determine if there is anyone to contact in Harbour deep but she advised that today's trip was to prepare the inn for the season and nobody lives in Harbour Deep as it is a resettled community.

1801 - Call back from GSAR PARSONS. GSAR feel too dangerous to attempt search tonight - will leave Deer Lake at 0500hrs and launch skidoos on trail at 0700-0730 in Jackson's Arm with 9 searchers.

Call from JRCC LAWLOR asking for PARK's contact info in order to obtain GPS tracking data from today - same provided.

GRUNDY spoke with PARK who advised that Eric PARK, PITTMAN and DAWE were currently making their way out and back towards Jackson's Arm she could see via tracking that they were on the dirt road trail along the large pond near Jackson's Arm.

PARK advised that she was told by JRCC that a helicopter was dispatched from GANDER and a second (Hercules) would soon leave Greenwood CAFB in Nova Scotia.

1830 - Cst GRUNDY updated Cpl CLARKE

Updated/advised Sgt NORMAN of all details as new risk manager on duty

Cst GRUNDY called Deon RUMBOLT and gave verbal account of actions taken and current status of the file and provided contact info for Katie PARK, PARSONS GSAR and LAWLOR JRCC.

Member provided RUMBOLT with own personal cell number in case needed. And suggested contacting LAWLOR at JRCC to confirm helicopter dispatch.

1910 - Call from Bob PITTMAN - He, DAWE and PARK are now safely in Jackson's Arm at his residence and can be reached at [REDACTED] They searched as long as they could but now have taken shelter - skidoos are out of gas, dark, bad weather.

Call to RUMBOLT to advise of PITTMAN's location and contact info

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1759 CB Hospital

Stanley Rice  
 DOB: June 28, 1954  
 17 Second St  
 Mt Pearl NL

- 5 left Jacksons Arm
- Harbour Deep
- stormy, on back
- feller ahead tipped over
- lost sight of other 3
- could not see
- stay on trail
- knew Eric Park
- open, no trees
- 24.
- left again
- went over feller's bump didn't see him

- gps in
- lost mine in river
  - jumped off in
  - sat by tree
  - got out & got gps + shovel off skidoo
  - dug a hole, crawled in
  - packing korymba / snow
  - couldn't stand in
  - took helmet off went to skidoo.
  - put foot in & she went under
  - next morning still snowed

- wanted around, next night another
- no food / water / matches / axe
- danced around
- around 3pm figured another night!
- strange for Eric Park not to come
- looked saw headlights, wipers, blankets
- 2 hrs later Chopper
- ambulance

- if he never had an accident he'll be okay
- lift a man to pump one kidney/diabetic insulin.
- in open, can't see.

- Friday, left Jacksons arm @ 9, last saw @ 1

- 3pm jumped off skidoo.

- GPS.

- would have been to Sams Pond if not in

water. Camp there.

1810