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**Sent:** September 14, 2021 2:37 PM  
**To:** Williams, Danny <[Danny.Williams@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:Danny.Williams@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Sweetapple - Frampton's OneNote

2021-09-14 located on Emergency Management directory.  
Frampton – OneNote draft area.

**0230hrs Rx call from Roger Goobie who was location south of Red Indian Lake. GSAR active at IPP and they request Air Support. IPP found a/n truck. Path and bog Hasty searched. Cst Ian Dollimont on site. Communications poor. Rogers Truck Cell with antenna booster is consistent.**

**0245hrs NL FES contacted. Cory Spracklin engaged. JRCC will assist. NL-Air Services will be on stand by as the weather is down.**

**Text and emails messages coordinating support complete during the event. NCO/OSS/DPO/CROPS in loop. CC's to JRCC and NLFES**

**From:** Rory Jeddore  
**To:** Advance Message  
**CC:** Brushett, Les; Duane Paul; Hancock, Mark  
**Date:** 2013/07/28 10:32 AM  
**Subject:** Advance Message Missing PERSON

File Number 2013940013

Caption: SWEETAPPLE Missing Person

SWETAPPLE , Chesley 1939/07/24  
18 Outer Battery, St John's ( last address on Motor Registration Database)

Vehicle 2009 Nissan Titan CPT 526 located 59 kms from Millertown on a forest access road.

#### Summary

2013/07/27 at 20:48 Pius PERRIER reports Ches SWEETAPPLE, 74 years old went bakeapple picking in the Harbour Round area (approximately 50kms Southwest of Millertown) .SWEETAPPLE has medical conditions, diabetes, high blood pressure and cholesterol issues and had not returned. PERRIER concerned as there was significant rainfall in the area throughout the day. SWEETAPPLE has a cell phone, 6727241 Ping on the phone unable to locate as the phone was turned off. At 20:56 hrs Cpl Brown of Police Dog Services was call and advised that he was not attending. S/Sgt Les BRUSHETT was advised, Ground Search and Rescue call out approved. Vehicle located approximately 59 kms from Millertown. Members contacted Sgt Frampton of Air Services a requested support for the morning.

Currently approximately 30 Ground Search and rescue members on scene and Cpl. PAUL enroute to the area.

Supervisor advised: Cpl. Duane PAUL and S/Sgt Les BRUSHETT

Investigator: Cst Ian DOLLIMONT

Media: No media advised at this time

Message prepared by Cst Rory JEDDORE at the request on Supervisor.

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Emergency Planning Section

**GSAR** – Calls at Home worksheet

OCC 772-5400

FES 729-3703

Keith's Cell 682-3

~Follow flowchart ~Have Investigator call you back hourly. ~Get C

~Consult with Mr. Harry Blackmore of NLGSARA, ~Keep B

Time Date:	28 July 2013 0228 hrs. (CALL
Member/s:	IAN Dudgeon -
SAR Capt:	Roger Gobbie
Subject/s:	1 Ches Sweetapple, St. John's,
Last seen:	1500
Clothing:	
Location:	South Red Indian Lake.
Weather:	going to RAMU
Event	74 yr old male Diabetic Berry Picking - Has Return Head fall - Windsor Member a NLFES - Air Support Requested

Thanks Keith.

>>> Frampton, Keith(Keith Frampton) 2013-08-01 15:49 >>>  
Air Support is approved for 2 hours.

Pilot to call Mike Fewer at. 486 8941 and attend south of South Red Indian Lake at 0830hrs.

Located :N 48 36 39.67N  
56 57 35.54W  
Search area

Keith

Hi All, as per RCMP request I have approved 2 hours search to start on site at 0830 hours tomorrow (Friday). Cory, I have made initial contact with GAS (at 1552 hours) but Dispatch was very busy. They are going to call through answering service when things settle down to confirm details. Below are coordinates where GSAR will muster in the AM and the name/cell number of RCMP member - FEWER. If you have not heard from GAS by early evening would you please call them. I have included GAS dispatch on this message.

Thanks, Dave

----- Original Message -----

From: Keith Frampton [<mailto:Keith.Frampton@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>]  
Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2013 03:49 PM Newfoundland Standard Time  
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Subject: SAR Central NL

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Grand Falls - Windsor RCMP File # 2013-940013

Sweetapple - Missing Person

Chesley Sweetapple - DOB 1939-07-24

Summary of Incident - On July 28th, 2013 Chesley SWEETAPPLE of St.John's NL was reported missing by Puis PERRIER of Millertown Junction. Perrier reported Sweetapple missing after going out Bakeapple Picking. The RCMP along with SAR, Air Support and PDS have conducted extensive searches in the area.

On August 2nd, 2013 at approximately 10:55 am Cpl Fewer of the Grand Falls - Windsor GIS reported Sweetapple was located. Sweetapple is alive and presently being transported to the Grand Falls - Windsor Hospital by Ambulance. Sweetapple is reported to be very disorientated at this time.

Supervisor - S/Sgt Brushett - Cpl Hewitt

Lead Investigator - Cst Dollimount

Media Release is being drafted to be forwarded.

**Report at 27JULY2013 2048h** Puis PERRIER reports Ches SWEETAPPLE, 74 yoa, went bakeapple picking in the harbour round area. SWEETAPPLES truck was seen in the area at noon today but was not concerned at that time, raining haevily during the day. SWEETAPPLE has not come down and they are worried about him now as he has medical conditions, diabetes, high blood pressure and cholosterial issues. SWEETAPPLE has a cell phone, 6727241, gps: not available/phone is off. 2056 hrs called Cpl Brown pds, advised not attending. S/Sgt BRUSHETT advised, SAR call out approved. Grand Falls - Windsor and Buchans SAR on scene. Vehicle is approx. 59 kms off the paved road in Millertown. Contact made with Sgt Frampton, Air Services requested for the morning, SUI. Detailed report to be completed when back on duty.

Cst. Ian DOLLIMOUNT

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Writer met with SAR members at the SAR building, set up equipment required to resume the search in the Millertown area.

**FOUND 2AUGUST2013 1030h** 0700 hrs. 10-17 from GFW

0840 hrs. 10-7 in area, Red Indian Lake SAR on scene, helicopter was in the air. Helicopter landed, met with pilot, switched out spotters. Helicopter and two spotters to serach area and expand to other areas a greater distance away.

1030 hrs. Helicopter returned, pilot told writer SWEETAPPLE had been found on the bod, alive and a stretcher was needed. Writer obtained a strecher while the pilot rearranged the helicopter to accommodate the stretcher. Bot SAR members stayed with SWEETAPPLE.

It was a short flight to the location, perhaps 10 minutes, landed and went to SWEETAPPLE who was being attended to by SAR members. SWEETAPPLE was conscious and trying to speak but could not utter any words or respond to questions. SWEETAPPLE was submerged above his waist in watre and had his rubber boots off and placed to the side. Members kept reassuring SWEETAPPLE that we were going to get him to medical attention as quickly as possible.

SWEETAPPLE was placed in the helicopter on a stretcher with writer staying in the back. Both SAR members had to remain behind. Initial plan was to bring SWEETAPPLE to Buchans but that changed as we were re-directed to Pasadena as there was not enough fuel to make it to GFW. Writer stayed with SWEETAPPLE until paramedicas removed him from the helicopter. SWEETAPPLE did not speak any words during the flight and was disoriented.

Returned and picked up the SAR members. Writer had various texts, e-mails and phone calls. SWEETAPPLE's truck was brought back to the Detachment by SAR. SWEETAPPLE's personal effects placed in Cpl. HEWITT's office including keys.

Writer to add further details next shift.

EMJF, Cpl.

CPL. GLENN BROWN

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Wind: 30 kmph(2013-07-28)

Temp: + 25c

Wind: 10-12 kmph(2013-07-29)

I was originally contacted by Cst Dollimount on 2013-07-27 at 2110hrs(my time) advising that he had a missing berry picker in the Millertown area. I was advised that the missing person vehicle was seen around noon in the area. I asked Cst Dollimount if members had attended to the area to determine if the truck was still present and I was advised that no member had attended as of yet. I advised Cst Dollimount to attend to the area , locate the vehicle and if investigation revealed it was indeed to a missing person to contact SAR . I advised that I had been over night and part of day looking for a missing person in Stephenville and was too fatigued to make the long drive to Millertown at that moment. I advised that I would contact OCC at first light to see if the male had been located and if not I would be attending to area on Sunday.

I contacted OCC at 550 hrs and was advised that the male was still missing, that all members were 10-35 and SAR had shut down the search til morning. I advised that I would be packing my required equipment and would be attending to the area.

at 0730hrs I was 10-08 10-17 to Millertown area.

at 1215 hrs I attended to the area which was approximately 40 kms from Millertown and was given driving directions by Cpl Paul.

I spoke with Cpl Paul and SAR Team Leader and was given all information known to date with regards to the missing male and that his truck was another 4 kms up a gravel road near a bog area where the male generally goes to pick berries. I drove to the area and was taken to the bog area by a SAR member who accompanied me to assist me with my search of the bog with PSD Cento. PSD Team completed a search of the bog area looking for any evidence such as keys, hat, clothing, shoe impressions or anything that could give the search teams an area to check for the missing male. The search was aided by a very good strong wind which helps the dog when attempting to locate a person or evidence. The search was completed in a criss cross pattern to insure the area was completely searched by the PSD. This search was negative for the male and evidence of the male being in the area.

I then with my PSD completed a search of the wooded area surrounding the bog which I found to be easy to search because even though it has trees it is not dense in nature and only occasionally did we have to fight our way through some dense areas of the woods which was usually only 20 to 30 feet in size. I worked an area that would be 100 feet in depth from bog again in a criss cross pattern and again the search was negative for any evidence of the missing male and negative for anything that would tell me he had been in the area.

I advised the Team Leader of SAR of the results with PSD. I then completed a search of the wooded area across from where the missing male had parked his truck . The area again was easy to walk through , PSD Cento was worked in a criss cross pattern in this area . I had been told by SAR that members had searched that area prior to my arrival so I worked it at a depth of approximately 200 metres and worked it til I came out to a open area which the helicopter was searching . Again PSD Cento did not indicate the male , did not indicate any possible evidence of the male having been in that area .I advised the search manager again of my search results.

I then advised Cpl Paul and the SAR Leader that I would walk in from the main gravel road on the road the missing male's truck was parked and then walked it back out . The area to cover was 4 kms in distance ( total distance would be 8 kms) from the main road to the truck. The wind was perfect for the PSD to work with. I also walked any trails I could find off the road I was walking on. The search again was negative for the missing male or any evidence that would place the male in the area. PSD Cento was searching very well during this walk . He located a pair of women's pink flip flops app. 30 feet inside the alders from the road , he also located

a piece of blue and white chewed gum inside some alders that had been tossed out by a SAR worker while walking the roads when searching, Cento then went into the woods from road and found a rubber bungy cord inside an alder bush.

On this first day of searching I estimate that the PSD Team covered an area of app. 16 kilometers with no results for the missing male. I advised Cpl Paul and SAR Leader. Usually on a search for a missing person with an area saturated as it was with searchers both on foot and quads , by helicopters and dog that evidence shows up that will lead us to an area where the missing person could possibly be . However, all efforts by SAR and PSD had not found anything to assist us on a certain area to pinpoint resources.

1800hrs: I was advised that SAR was suspending search for the day because searchers required rest and that Cpl Paul would be contacting me with a start time for searching the following day.

Later in evening Cpl Paul advised me that the search would continue on Monday morning at 0800hrs with SAR.

2013-07-29 @ 0830hrs: I conferred with SAR Team Leader and I was advised that they were going to search the opposite side of bog deeper into woods because they had received info from friends that the missing male liked to pick berries in that area of the bog. Now that area had been searched the previous day by air, ground and with PSD with negative results. I took PSD Cento back into that area and went deeper into the wooded area and once again did a circle of the bog coming back to the male's truck with negative results. I searched the area at a depth off approximately 100 meters while the searchers on foot went even deeper by another 100 meters. Again both searches were negative.

With PSD Cento I went back into the wooded area opposite to the bog across from where the male had parked his truck and searched the area. I expanded my search distance from when I searched it the day before . I went in at a depth of app 300 metres and covered the area off in a criss cross pattern with negative results.

With PSD Cento I walked the gravel road where truck was parked away from the truck in the opposite direction of the main road for a good distance with negative results. The area had been searched by SAR the day before and SAR was using quads to travel the complete road which had been covered by the helicopter the day before for 15 kms.

I returned back to Cpl Paul and advised him of the results. I told him that there nothing more for PSD to search and that I would see if SAR came up with any leads on their searches in which the PSD could be used. PSD Team had searched an area of app. 6 kms concentrating on area where SAR advised best chance of finding male would be.

SAR returned to Command Post area at app 1500hrs. They advised me and Cpl Paul that their search had been negative. The Team Leader advised after consultation with his team members that there was nothing else that could be searched at this time. He being an experienced SAR member advised that the area had been searched and researched several times and not one clue of the missing male's location was found. We were all in agreement that nothing more could be done search wise. We all agreed that usually some evidence is located but nothing had turned up.

I have worked searches in BC , Alberta , Nova Scotia and NL . Since becoming a PSD handler in 1994 I have been involved in numerous missing person searches and like SAR usually there is some evidence to assist search teams in locating a missing person. However, this case revealed nothing for search teams to use to pinpoint possible whereabouts of missing male. I found the SAR members to be very dedicated, they knew the area very well and did not leave one stone unturned. The search was suspended for the time being.

I attended to the cabin of the missing male and entered into it through the bathroom window because we wanted to see if perhaps the male had returned and was experiencing a medical issue. We also searched the cabin for his wallet because he was suppose to have been in possession of 1500-1600 dollars in cash but myself and Cpl Paul could not locate anything.

@ 1800hrs: I was 10-08 10-17 back to Stephenville.

@ 2130hrs: 10-35 10-99 .

<<SAR Red Indian Lake Temps kf v3.csv>>