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2022 was a year of growth for The Sandown Police Department. Our Officers continued to receive continuing education. We aim to have different officers “specialized” in various areas of police work. This way, we can have a subject expert when those situations arise. Our new Officers are coming into their own and gained valuable on-the-job experience this year. 2023 will see some new faces in the department. Our Facebook Page is becoming a little more active in distributing information to the community.

Towards the end of the year, we learned that we would lose another long-term employee to retirement. Lt. Sable announced that he is pulling the plug after 24 years of serving the Citizens of Sandown. This will be a massive loss to the Town and The Department. Lt. Sable’s computer and law knowledge is expansive. LT. Sable also served 20 years with the Air National Guard. We wish him luck as he finishes his master’s degree in Psychology.

The department continues to be active in the community. Whether visiting lemonade stands, tours of the police department, interacting with Sandown North Elementary School and Timberlane Learning Center, or Helping the Senior Ride Program, our Officers genuinely enjoy being part of the community. We want to expand our community involvement by offering some new programs in 2023.

Identity fraud and computer crimes continue to happen all too frequently, and a lot of the time, the perpetrators are overseas. In a digital world, if your passwords are compromised, it can lead to your personal information falling into the wrong hands. So please take time to create strong passwords. Stay away from the most common passwords like ‘123456’ & ‘password.’

Also, be aware of your children’s activities online. Unfortunately, we hear all too often of predators stalking children online.

We continue to run a very active Police Explorer Program. We currently have ten youths participating in the program. The Explorers held their 5-mile, 5k, and kids’ road race this year. They also participated in the holiday meal distribution and assisted with parking during Memorial Day and Old Home Day Fireworks. We thank Sgt. Buco, Officer Dresser, Officer Payette, and Officer Collins, for their time and dedication to this program as advisors. Seth Wolfe, who aged out of the program, has now joined the program as an advisor. Seth works as a corrections officer and serves in the Army National Guard.

If you know any youth 14-20 years of age that would be interested, please have them contact one of our advisors.

Sandown Officers again participated in the Beard for Bucks fundraising program for Rockingham County Child Advocacy Center. Officers raised just over \$7,700 placing Sandown at the number 4 department in the county, and Sgt. Buco took the number 4 individual fundraiser spot in the county and number 11 in the state. We thank everyone that helped this fantastic cause.

In closing, I would like to thank all the citizens for their continued support of the Police Department and its Officers.

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