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COMING IN JUNE: FIREARMS IDENTIFICATION FOR PUBLIC AGENTS

CPKN and the Canada Firearms Centre are currently collaborating to produce *Firearms Identification for Public Agents*, an online learning course designed to teach the correct procedures and protocols to identify firearms to the Canadian standard.



Whether conducting CPIC inquiries, firearms traces, affidavits submissions, warrant executions, or reporting firearms for inclusion in the National Registry, the ability to identify firearms to the Canadian standard simplifies procedures, improves efficiency, and increases capacity to communicate about firearms.

“Delivering training on a national scale in a timely, efficient, and effective manner was becoming increasingly cumbersome and difficult to manage with traditional instructor-led training, says George Fraser of the Canada Firearms Centre, RCMP and subject matter expert for this course. “This new web-based training format provides easy access to standardized content while decreasing program costs and eliminating the need to manage conflicting schedules, time zones and geographic obstacles.”

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SANDY SWEET NAMED CPKN PRESIDENT

At the latest meeting of the CPKN Board of Directors, RA Sandy Sweet was elected President of CPKN, taking the place of John Arnold who retired in January. Mr. Sweet, who served as Vice President since 2004, is also CEO for the organization.

"CPKN's Board has never been stronger," says Mr. Sweet. "Our Directors represent the diverse regions of the country as well as a broad range of policing organizations from municipal, provincial, and federal levels. We're very fortunate to have such an engaged group of people working on CPKN's behalf."

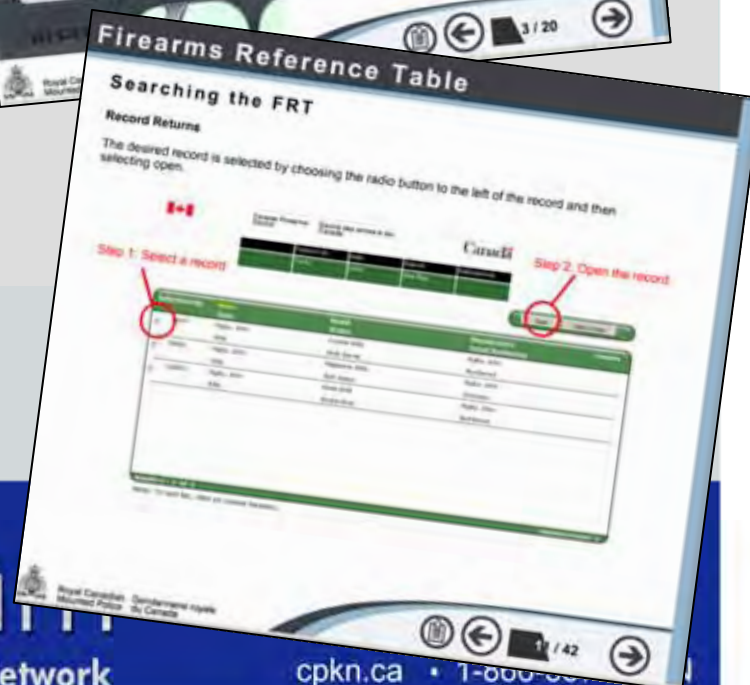
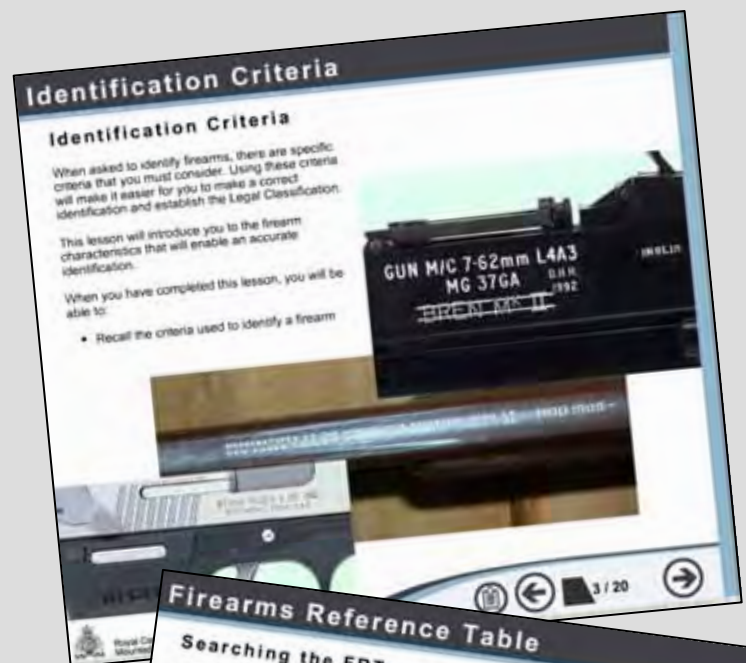
For more information on CPKN's Board of Directors, please visit www.cpkn.ca/board_e.html ■

FIREARMS IDENTIFICATION (con'd from Pg. 1)

This introductory level course focuses on developing competencies around contributing factors such as make, type, manufacturer, action, class, calibre and barrel length. Learners will also learn to apply the Canadian identification standard and derive a Firearms Reference Table database match.

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Available in both English and French, this two hour course is scheduled for release on June 1st and will be made available to police as well as other law enforcement personnel. ■





CPKN WELCOMES NEW DIRECTORS

CPKN recently welcomed two new directors to the Board: Rudy Gheysen (above), Director of the Ontario Police College and Superintendent Axel Hovbrender, Director of the Police Academy at the Justice Institute of British Columbia.

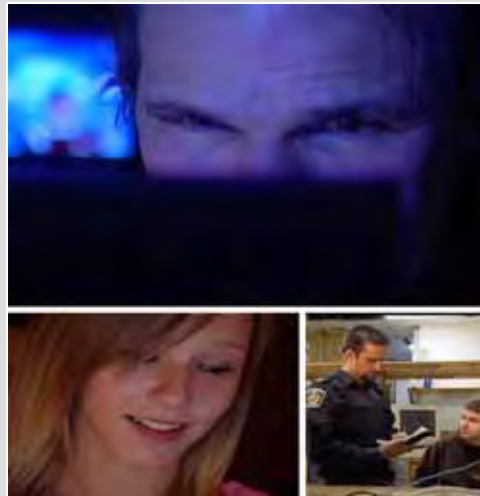
As a long-serving member of CPKN's Advisory Board Mr. Gheysen is very familiar with CPKN's mandate and has provided valuable guidance on making the e-learning model work within the police community. He has also supported a number of joint e-learning initiatives between CPKN and the Ontario Police College, including *General Investigation Training* and *Hate Crimes Awareness*.



Supt. Hovbrender also supports progressive learning technologies for the police sector and offers valuable insight and perspective to CPKN objectives. In the coming months, CPKN and the Justice Institute of BC will also explore new training collaborations that will benefit the police community at large. ■

STOLEN INNOCENCE: AN OPEN RESOURCE FOR CPKN USERS

While the Internet is an invaluable communication tool and information resource in today's society, it is also a virtual hunting ground for pedophiles. Sadly, the web has amplified the abuse and exploitation of children by enabling pedophiles to easily create, access, and distribute pornographic imagery. By no means a victimless crime, every click of a mouse perpetuates the degradation, humiliation, and violence against victims. It also inspires offenders to generate more content and, in some cases, escalate their crimes.



The *Stolen Innocence: A Police Guide to Online Child Exploitation* video provides valuable information for frontline officers responding to online child exploitation calls.

By their nature, cyber crimes are often very difficult to investigate and obtain convictions on. *Stolen Innocence: A Police Guide to*

Online Child Exploitation is an aid for front-line officers in responding to computer-based child exploitation calls. Gifted to

CPKN by the RCMP's National Child Exploitation Coordination Centre (National Police Services), this video was produced by the Ontario Police Video Training Alliance. It is a valuable resource for all officers and provides an overview of Canada's child exploitation laws and describes what constitutes an offense, how to conduct an investigation, how to collect evidence, and where officers can turn for help when they encounter these types of crimes.

Originally offered in DVD format, this 18 minute video will soon be available via CPKN's Learning Management System where any registered police user can access it free of charge. ■

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CPKN ON THE ROAD

CPKN will be attending several conferences and tradeshows in the coming months including:

CAPE/ACIFP 2008:	June 8 - 11	Moncton, NB
OACP 57th Annual Conference/Tradeshow:	June 15 – 18	Niagara Falls, ON
CACP/ACCP 2008:	August 24 – 27	Montreal, QC

Be sure to stop by our booth or sit in on one of our presentations to learn more about CPKN, demo some of our products, and get the scoop on upcoming releases. You can even enter your name to win some great CPKN prizes!

LMS LOGIN UPDATE

With the introduction of service-specific portals on the CPKN Learning Management System (LMS), CPKN has recently modified the user login process.

Now, rather than two separate login sites on the CPKN website (Police and Non-Police), learners will access the LMS through a single "Login" button. This will direct learners to a new Portal Selection screen (shown right). Here, learners must select an option from either the Sworn Police (formerly 'Police') or Law Enforcement Community (formerly 'Non-Police') portal. Once selected, the Username/Password screen will appear and the learner can login to the LMS and access the courses to which he/she has been registered. ■

The screenshot shows the 'Portal Selection' screen with the following content:

Portal Selection
Please choose your portal from the choices below:

Sworn Police Officers
This portal is for sworn police officers. Please select an appropriate portal option:

- CPKN - General Police Portal
This portal is used by an officer whose service does not have an appropriate portal option.
- Toronto Police Service Portal
This portal is for TPS personnel.

Law Enforcement Community
This portal is for law enforcement professionals who are not sworn police officers but have enforcement authority responsibilities. This may include, but is not limited to, Peace Officers, Special Constables, Coast Guard, Environment Officers, Canada Border Services, and Government Investigators.

- CPKN - General Law Enforcement Portal

Choisir le portail
Veuillez choisir le portail pertinent parmi les options suivantes:

Agents de police assermentés
Les portails suivants s'adressent aux agents de police assermentés en général ou aux membres de corps de police particuliers. Veuillez choisir l'option pertinente :

- RCOSP – Portail général des agents de police
Ce portail est destiné à tout agent assermenté dont le corps de police ne dispose pas de son propre portail.
- Portail de Service de police de Toronto
Ce portail est destiné au personnel du Service de police de Toronto.

Milieu de l'application de la loi
Ce portail est destiné aux intervenants qui ne sont pas des agents de police assermentés mais qui ont des responsabilités en matière d'application de la loi. Il peut s'agir entre autres d'agents de la paix, d'agents de police spéciaux, de membres de la Gendarmerie, d'agents environnementaux, d'agents des services frontaliers et d'enquêteurs gouvernementaux.

- RCOSP – Portail général des intervenants en application de la loi

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FOCUS ON DIVERSITY: NEW COURSES UNDER DEVELOPMENT

CPKN is working on numerous new courses for release over the coming year. Among the current development projects is a Diversity Training Catalogue which will feature some of the following courses:

LGBT ISSUES

Enhanced understanding and awareness of the various issues associated with the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender/ Transsexual (LGBT) community is an important aspect of policing. This course will explore the issues and culture surrounding LGBT people in Canada and will help learners to better recognize and manage incidents or crimes they encounter. Content for this course is provided by the Toronto Police Service in association with the Toronto Women's Bathhouse Committee. It is scheduled for release in Spring 2008.

RACIAL PROFILING

Racial profiling, also known as racial stereotyping, involves the inclusion of racial or ethnic characteristics when determining whether a person is considered likely to commit a particular type of crime. While considered controversial, it continues to be an investigative tool for many police agencies. This course will explore the various components of racial profiling in Canada. It is being developed in collaboration with the Ontario Police College and the Toronto Police Service and will be available in Spring 2008.

ABORIGINAL ISSUES

This course provides an overview of Aboriginal and First Nations issues that exist in Canada today and includes content on First Nations and the Crown, current demographics, and cultural differences. This course is being developed in collaboration with the Ontario Police College and the RCMP and is planned for release in Summer 2008.

FIRST NATIONS POLICING

Policing for First Nations requires knowledge and understanding of the unique needs of Aboriginal communities. This course will prepare officers to provide responsive, effective policing for First Nations. Developed in collaboration with the Ontario Provincial Police, this course will be available for Fall 2008.



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WHAT IS CPKN?

The Canadian Police Knowledge Network (CPKN) is Canada's leading not-for-profit provider of online training solutions for police officers. Working with subject matter experts from police services and training academies across Canada, CPKN delivers highly effective, economical, and engaging e-learning courses to meet the needs of police services.

In response to a recognized need for an efficient, cost-effective training model for Canadian police services, in 2004 members of the Canadian police community collaborated with government and academic organizations to make CPKN a reality. Today, CPKN is guided by an Advisory Board, which is comprised of prominent members of the Canadian police community, and a Board of Directors which includes senior leaders from police services, training institutions, and provincial government.

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