



Nelson Police Department **MEDIA RELEASE**

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Reporting Period: June 7th – June 13th, 2026

During the week of June 7 to June 13, 2026, the Nelson Police Department responded to 148 calls for service across the City of Nelson. Calls included reports of unwanted persons, check-wellbeing requests, suspicious persons and circumstances, property-related matters, thefts, traffic incidents, bylaw complaints, false alarms, and assistance to the public and partner agencies. The following matters are being highlighted as part of this week's media overview.

Media Release — File 2026-3104

Nelson Police Department is advising the public of an impaired driving-related investigation following a report of an erratic driver in the Silver King Selkirk College parking lot in Nelson, BC, on June 6, 2026.

At approximately 11:33 p.m., police received a report of a truck dragging a pallet behind it, with a possible person on the pallet. Officers attended and located the vehicle; no one was on the pallet, but it was still being dragged behind the truck. A traffic stop was conducted, and the driver was a 17-year-old male resident of Nelson, BC.

Officers formed grounds to suspect the driver had alcohol in his body while operating a motor vehicle. The driver provided a breath sample into an approved screening device, which resulted in a reading of .05mg%. As the driver held a Class 7 licence, he was required to maintain a 0.00% blood alcohol concentration while operating a vehicle.

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The driver was issued a 12-hour licence suspension, and the vehicle was towed. No injuries were reported in relation to this incident.

Media Release — File 2026-3148

Nelson Police Department is advising the public of an investigation involving possession of a controlled substance and an alleged breach of conditions in Nelson, BC, on June 9, 2026.

At approximately 12:05 a.m., officers on proactive patrol in the 400 block of Lakeside Drive located a male lying in the roadway.

During the interaction, officers observed a small glass capsule containing a substance believed to be a controlled substance. Officers were also advised that male was bound by a probation order prohibiting him from possessing drugs or alcohol.

The 38 year old male was arrested for possession of a controlled substance and breach of conditions and was transported to Nelson Police Department cells after that he was released to appear in court at a later date.

Media Release — File 2026-3209

Nelson Police Department is advising the public of an investigation following a serious incident in the 300 block of Vernon Street in Nelson, BC, on June 11, 2026.

At approximately 7:24 p.m., Nelson Police Department received multiple 911 calls reporting a fire and disturbance in progress. Officers attended and located smoke coming from the roof area of a building. A victim was found with serious burn injuries from Molotov cocktails and was transported by Emergency Health Services for medical treatment. (A **Molotov cocktail** is an improvised incendiary device, often made from a breakable container filled with flammable liquid. It is designed to ignite and spread fire on impact. They are dangerous weapons and can cause serious injury, death, and significant property damage.)

Police arrested Kazz Neapetung, a 28-year-old female resident of Nelson, BC, with no fixed address. Neapetung has been charged with the following –

1. CC 268(2) [1] - AGGRAVATED ASSAULT SEC 268(2) CC
2. CC 433(a) [1] - ARSON WITH DISREGARD FOR HUMAN LIFE SEC 433(A) CC
3. CC 351(2) [1] - DISGUISE WITH INTENT SEC 351(2) CC
4. CC 433(a) [1] - ARSON WITH DISREGARD FOR HUMAN LIFE SEC 433(A) CC
5. CC 436(1) [1] - ARSON BY NEGLIGENCE SEC 436(1) CC

was held for bail hearing and remanded in custody.



The investigation remains ongoing. Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact the Nelson Police Department.

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