

Region 1 South

Ambulance Paramedics of BC

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Tour de Rock

Congratulation to Glen Polson and Ryan Hendren.

Two members from our **⊥** region recently had proud honor of riding in this year's Cops for Cancer, Tour de Rock. Glen Polson and Ryan Hendren were able to join the as team this year riders, fundraising thousands of dollars towards cancer research and funding caring support programs like Camp Good Times. This is the first time the Tour de Rock has had nonpolice members ride, although Glen has been a member of the team for several years, in the past providing medical support for the team. Ryan joins the team this year with his brother Mark, a member of the Saanich Police department.

Glen and Ryan completed the ride on October 6th, but it is still possible to donate to the cause on the Canadian Cancer Society site at convio.cancer.ca.

We're incredibly proud of the work these two have put in to fundraising and the task of completing the ride itself. We look forward to continuing to support the Cops for Cancer Tour de Rock.



Glen Polson (left) and Ryan Hendren (right)

IT'S FINALLY HERE!



Well, it's been a long time coming but Region 1 now has a Public Education Unit.

We lucked out and have a low mileage Demers car and it looks great! The unit carries Bear-A-Medic, our mini PRU car, the helicopter and all our swag for PR events in Region 1. We will, also be adding a very special decal next week: a list of our fallen members.

We are excited to be bringing the unit to the 2017

Convention for all the Delegates to have a look.

Thank you to all that helped make this possible and we look forward to showing off the new Public Education
Unit!

P.A.R.T.Y Program

Volunteer in your community and earn CME credits.

P.A.R.T.Y. (Prevent Alcohol and Risk-Related Trauma in Youth) is an injury prevention program designed for high school students. Each year, over 3500 Grade 10 students from across Vancouver Island visit hospitals to learn about trauma and the consequences of risky behavior.

P.A.R.T.Y. is run entirely by volunteers! Professional volunteers BCsuch as paramedics are the heart of the program. We are grateful for the continued support of the many paramedics throughout Vancouver Island who give their time for a few hours every month to share our important injury prevention message. We are always looking for more volunteers. This is a great way to prevent traumatic injury in youth in your community while gaining CME credits!

If you're interested in joining the team, please contact:

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More information can be found at

www.viha.ca/trauma/party.htm.



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