As part of the days' activities, the Detachment was opened to the public with interactive displays from ERT, the Explosives Unit, the Marine Unit, as well as the Canine Unit. Local residents had a chance to meet RCMP employees who serve in their community, and to feast on hot-dogs and refreshments. The local media jumped at the chance to photograph dozens of Mounties in Red Serge, surrounded by as many Canadian flags. In fact, the Newmarket Era Banner newspaper published a four-page story on the history of the RCMP.

In the end, the day went off without any major problems and all the hard work and weeks of preparation proved well worth the effort. *Esprit de corp* was evident among RCMP employees and members of the community felt a renewed feeling of national pride.

by Cst. M. Brunet Media Coordinator, Newmarket Detachment









NEWMARKET OPENING (Clockwise, starting at top, L): Cst. Leslie Fortier chats with members of the public from her perch on horseback. (Photo 2) Cst. Kevin Burke and his son Connor, check out a police service dog up close. (Photo 3) Cst David Hvidston brought his son, Joshua to see Daddy's new office. (Photo 4, L-R): A/Commr. Zaccardelli, Mayor John Cole, Insp. C.A. Adams, MP Karen Kraft Sloan and Commr. Phil Murray officially opened the building.

Photos courtesy of Newmarket Era Banner