## **Peter Lepine**

Chief Constable (Ret.)
West Vancouver Police Department
Canada

Chief Constable Peter Lepine recently retired after spending almost 35 years in the policing profession. His last assignment was that of Chief Constable for the West Vancouver Police after completing his 5-year contract. Previous to taking on this position in September 2009, he served almost 30 years with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

During this time with the RCMP, Peter postings included municipal detachments at Surrey, Port Alberni, and Parksville British Columbia, in a number of uniform and plain clothes positions. He also served at the RCMP Training Academy in Regina Saskatchewan, where he served as a firearms training facilitator.

In August of 2000, Peter was commissioned to the rank of Inspector, taking up a position within the RCMP Atlantic Region Informatics Program and Operations Officer for Halifax Detachment. In April 2005, Peter was promoted to the ranks of Inspector, and returned to British Columbia as the Officer in Charge of Coquitlam Detachment where he served until taking up his new duties with the West Vancouver Police Department.

During his four and a half years as Officer in Charge at Coquitlam BC, Peter led the introduction of an evidence-based crime reduction strategy that has succeeded as a result of strong support from municipal Councils and community partners, and the hard work of frontline police officers and civilian staff at Coquitlam Detachment.

Peter was awarded a Distinguished Long Service Medal and bronze clasp by the RCMP, and the Queens Golden Jubilee Medal in recognition for his dedication toward domestic violence intervention, and his work within community policing environment. He was also awarded the Queens Diamond Jubilee Medal in March 2013. In May 2013 Peter was invested by the Governor General as a Member of the Order of Merit for the Police Forces. Peter continues to maintain a deep passion for public safety as well as enjoying time as a serious amateur photographer.