

Superintendent Chris Newton

LONDON POLICE SERVICE

Chris joined the London (Ont.) Police Service in June 1986 and during his 30 years with the Service has been assigned to both Uniformed and Criminal Investigation Divisions. He has also completed temporary transfers to the Recruiting and Training Section as a Use of Force/Firearms Instructor, and the Planning and Research Unit to assist in the development of Critical Incident/Tactical procedure and protocol.

Chris was assigned to the Emergency Response Unit for 18 years and received his Basic Tactical and Hostage Rescue Training from Toronto Police Service's Emergency Task Force. He has received Tactical and Incident Command training and certifications from the RCMP, OPP, FBI, and both Canadian and US Military. In 2001 Chris and members of his unit were awarded the Police Services Board Certificate of Valour and the National Tactical Officers Association Unit Citation for Valorous Actions.

Chris has been court qualified to give expert testimony as a police Use of Force/Firearms Instructor and has presented numerous times to the National Tactical Officers Association, Ontario Tactical Advisory Body, the Canadian Critical Incident Conferences, various police services and the Canadian Police College. Chris is a past recipient of the Dalhousie University Police Leadership Program's "Bruce MacPhail Award for Academic Achievement" and is an active member of the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics.

He is the current chair of the Ontario Chief of Police Association's Emergency Preparedness Committee and currently commands the service's Uniformed Division, which has a compliment of over 420 members of both sworn and civilian. Chris is a graduate of the International Executive Development in Policing program, completed at both the Canadian and Hong Kong Police Colleges, and is also a graduate of the University of Toronto's Rotman Police Leadership Program.

Chris is the recipient of the exemplary service medal, is a Certified Municipal Manager level III and was recently informed he is to be invested as a Member of the Order of Merit of Police Services.

Chris enjoys a lifelong passion for sports and has been a youth coach in London for many years. He and his wife Susan have been married for twenty 27 years and are parents to two children who have both recently graduated university.