



**JACK FOSTER'S POLICE
CAREER. 1943 - 1986**

JACK FOSTER'S AUTOBIOGRAPHY

D.V.D. # 1

RECORDED ON NOV. 7/200- 74TH. B.D.

- Introduction, explain title-42 1/2 yrs.
- Family Background- Childhood Days. Dad.
- Photos- pony, school- 19 Wanda Rd.
- School- Athletics & Music. Farm & Test.
- Family History- Dad- Mom & Cleo
- End See D.V.D. # 2. Continued.

D.V.D. # 2 Continue- Nov. 16/200

- Family History
- Music- McNeil Gospel Group etc.
- POLICE STORIES & SERVICE DATA
- New Sitting- May, 2001. (Repeat Joke?)
- Plainclothes- 3 Div.
- CHRISTMAS EVE SHOOTING 1950
- End- Continued on D.V.D. # 3 -Victor Hargen.

D.V.D. # 3

- CHRISTMAS EVE 1950 (Continued)
- Frightening Sequel
- News Clipping of Shooting.
- Counterfeit Sweep-Stake Case
- Newspaper Clipping of Lottery above.
- # 3 Division- Partner Ken Schultz
- B&E- lead ignots- chase & arrest.
- Partner- Ken Schultz- promoted to Glory & good buddy- Jack Turner (The Hornet)
- PROMOTED TO ACT. DETECTIVE AND TRANS. TO # 5 DIV. DETECTIVE OFFICE. NOV.3/51
- Det/Sgt. Alvin Morrison- Act. Dets. John Bassett- Jim Noble- and yours truly. See Photo.
- Insurance Fraud- Owner-Politician & boyfriend Arrested. See news. Dec. 15/55.
- End.

D.V.D. # 4

- Set powder-trap. (Gentian Violet Powder) Arrest
- Homicide- Quick Arrest.
- Safe Job at Hoover Vacuum Ltd. Mar.3/53 Arrest
- Arrest suspect - giving the Silent Treatment.
- Worst Sex Offender Case. Nov. 4/50 Arrest.
- Rape 5 yr. old Girl. Arrest.
- Domestic- Man threatens to behead baby. Arrest
- Sex Fiend terrorized the mothers. Arrest-Mentally
- B&E artist. Nitro Glycerene. Arrest- 3 yrs. New
- June 16/65 Transferred to # 54 Div. Dets.- Still C.M
- July 28/68 Trans. to #51 Div. (Cabbage Town)
- Talked to plainclothes officer about Stirling, Ont.
- Nov. 10/69- transferred to Courts Bureau at City Hall as a Court/Liason officer assisting the Crown Att in Court. Every Day for 6 1/2 yrs. Talk about Criminal Bail Reform Act- Young Offenders, Free Legal Aid

- FRUSTRATED WITH THE SYSTEM. A MOCKERY. SEE NEWS CLIPPINGS- RETIRED, EFFECTIVE MAY 7/76. INTERVIEW RADIO AND T.V. Moved to our New Home north of Stirling
- Oct. 8/76 Started Police Service in TOWN OF STIRLING, Ont for 4 yrs. 24-7.
- Welcomed into Town????? Domestic - Introduce to Ron !
- HALLOWEEN 1976. Egg Episode
- HALLOWEEN 1977. Hired gun to protect my wife and home
- Drunk Driver made the mistake of calling me " An Old Man
- Challenged by older youth- called for Ambulance.
- Review " Welcome to Town"
- Life in Danger in a small town- Domestic- plan to shoot me
- End (continued on D.V.D. # 5)

D.V.D. # 5 Taped Sept. 28/2002

- Domestic Case- Continued.
- O.P.P. OFFICER SHOT AT. ASSISTED AND ARRESTED TWO SUSPECT. RUTH & NIECE JO-ANNE PRESENT.
- MAR. 1/83 B.& E. CO-OP STORE. ATT. TO MAIN OR KILL ME. STRUGGLED TO PROTECT AND ARRESTED 2. DIVINE INTERVENTION. (PROV. 3:5 & 6) Retrospect- Christmas 1950 Shooting.
- Calladine Case. Theft, escape custody. Police charged by accused with Assault. Malicious Prosecution proved.
- Retirement effective May 7/76- nothing to do with above.
- Sold home and property to Don McCurdy- Purchased 35 ft. Motorhome. Miracle- Again Divine Intervention. Plan to travel as the Outreach Team for the Fellowship of Christian Peace Officers. (See News Clippings)
- CATCH-UP. Ruthie and I talk and review our lives.
- Nov. 7/2006 - 80 th. BIRTHDAY
- PICTURE GALLERY. Family, Home, Animals etc.
- Tribute to brother Donald Maurice Foster killed in Italy, Dec. 15/44.
- End. To be continued later re: family, Music and sharing ministry with F.C.P.O. from coast-to-coast.

ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE CHIEF OF POLICE

JAMES MACKAY
CHIEF OF POLICE



PLEASE REPLY ATTENTION OF:

No. 4 District HQ

FILE NO. C 5

METROPOLITAN TORONTO POLICE

92 KING STREET EAST
TORONTO 1, ONTARIO, CANADA
TELEPHONE: EMPIRE 2-1711

March 30th, 1966.

Mr. Robert Foster,
48 Flora Drive,
SCARBOROUGH, Ontario.

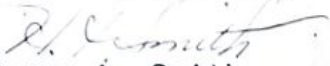
Dear Sir:

I am directed by the Chief of Police to extend to you, on behalf of this Department, our sincere appreciation for your capable assistance and courageous action which resulted in the apprehension and subsequent arrest of two youths, namely, Dennis Whiteside, 15 years and Donald Murray, 15 years on February 24th, 1966.

The youths appeared in Juvenile Court on March 4th, 1966, and the case disposed of.

I would like to express my personal gratitude for your keen and spontaneous action in this case, which is most commendable and appreciated.

Yours very truly,


Henry A. Smith,
Superintendent,
No. 4 Police District,
Metropolitan Toronto Police.

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Captures Burglar And Police Citation

Returning to his home on a premonition, Doug Foster, a former Queensway businessman came to grips with a burglar. After a fierce struggle the desperado was subdued. Police say he was wanted on about a dozen charges.

Mr. Foster, until recently, owned the Queensway Fish and Chips and the Hayloft Chicken Barbeque. He was a familiar figure there for the past 15 years.

He is residing temporarily in the city, prior to moving to a ranch in the Ottawa Valley.

When he entered his home his daughter said there was someone in the house. He looked about until he came to the bedroom, and saw his collection of guns and ammunition, plus some jewelry on the bed.

Mr. Foster did not know whether the unseen person was armed or not, but presumed he was as two guns were not accounted for. He decided that if the burglar was armed, at least he, Foster, would go down fighting.

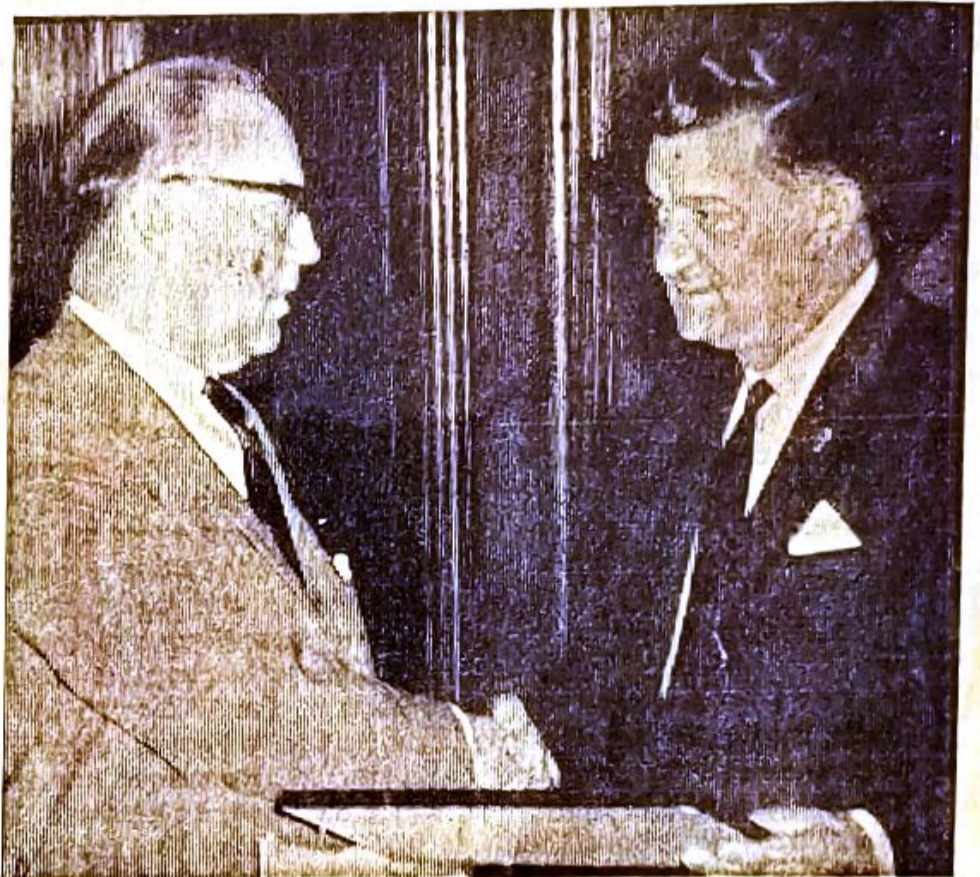
Moving to the bed to get a gun, Mr. Foster saw a foot sticking out. Immediately he grabbed it, and applied a judo hold with his own legs.

Mr. Foster said that he knew if he was shot that when he fell, he would break the robber's leg.

The pain was too much for the sneak thief, and his six foot three inch, 230 pound apprehender said he would let go if the culprit showed his hands.

He did, and they were empty, so Mr. Foster extracted him from beneath the bed. A short scuffle ensued, which ended when the son of a policeman applied another judo hold.

He was dialing for the police



CAUGHT WANTED MAN. Former Queensway resident Doug Foster accepts Metro Police citation from Magistrate Charles O. Bick, Metro Police Commissioner, at ceremony Thursday.

Photo by Chris Almey

with one hand, the burglar held with the other arm, when a neighbour burst in, nearly knocking Mr. Foster down.

The friend next door had been summoned by Foster's daughter. Only a quick shout from Mr. Foster saved him from a blow from his neighbour.

In the thief's possession were found Mr. Foster's passport, credit cards, personal papers, etc.

Mr. Foster is a firm believer in public relations with the police. His family has had 70 years service with the upholders of the law.

His father, the late Sgt. Cecil

Foster served with the Metro Police for 32 years. An unque P.C. Lloyd Kennedy served 25 years at Parkdale. His brother, Det. Sgt. Jack Foster is still serving. Also, his brother-in-law, Det. Nelson Sherwood is with the Trafalgar force.

Mr. Foster says that if more people realized police are here for their own protection there would be less pressure on the courts and the police.

Mr. Foster is a Chartered Monarch with the Queensway Lions Club, as well as being a past vice-president and director.



Patron
HIS MAJESTY THE KING
SOVEREIGN HEAD AND PATRON OF
THE ORDER

The Priory of Canada

of the

Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem

The St. John Ambulance Association

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FOR INSTRUCTION IN FIRST AID, HOME NURSING, HOME HYGIENE, CHILD WELFARE AND SANITATION

This Certificate in **First Aid to the Injured** *is awarded to*

ROBERT JOHN FOSTER

who passed an examination of proficiency in the said subject

on **17th Mar. 1952** *at* **Toronto, Ont.** *Class No.* **84432**

A. Nightingale
LECTURER

INSTRUCTOR

J. K. Wilson M.D.
SURGEON EXAMINER

*Issued by authority of the Chancellor
and the Chief Commissioner*

REGISTERED AT OTTAWA, CANADA AND ST. JOHN'S GATE, CLERKENWELL, LONDON, E.C.

NAME	Robert Foster
COURSE TITLE	In-Service Training
COURSE NUMBER	50
COMMENCING	April 2, 1962
ENDING	April 11, 1962

AT D/S Jack Foster

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CASE OF- LEWIS IRELAND, AGE 18, 231 KEELE ST.
CHARGE - ATTEMPT THEFT OF AUTO.

About 1.00 a.m. on the morning of February 11, 1945, I was on my way home from seeing my wife-to-be and had just left the street car when I noticed Lew Ireland walking along Bloor St. in company with two other youths. Lew had been in a little trouble with the police before, so I stepped into a doorway and decided to watch him. Sure enough, they stopped in front of the gas station lot at 1750 Bloor St. W. They appeared to be looking over the lot and then Lew walked over to a car and got into it. The other two youths continued to walk along Bloor St. and dissappeared. A mument later, I heard the motor of the car start up, so I ran across the lot and grabbed Lew by the arm. The nearest place to a phone was in my own home, so I walked him right into the house, sat him in a chair by the phone and called the station for the scout car. Lew was a big lad, well over 6 feet and likely would have made a break, only I knew him by name and also where he lived. When the scout car arrived we placed him inside and drove around onto the lot where we found that the ignition wires of the car had been crossed. We were just about to pull off the lot and go to the station when I noticed another youth who had been with Lew earlier. He was coming out of the Restaurant across the street, so I jumped out of the car and arrested him also. Both were taken to #9 Station.

CASE OF- JOHN HALE, AGE 28, AND IRVIN HALE, AGE 19.
CHARGE - ATTEMPT THEFT OF AUTO & MALICIOUS DAMAGE

Early Sunday morning, about 2.00 a.m. June 15, 1947, I was driving south on Roncesvalles Ave. in my old 31 Durant, I had just finished work at Headquarters and was making my way home when I noticed a young man standing in front of the gas station lot at Roncesvalles and Marmaduke. He was looking up and down the street, so appeared very suspicious to me. I drove around the block and parked the car not far from the lot. While sitting there, I noticed another man on the lot. He had just broken a window of a car and was getting inside. The lookout who had been standing in front of the lot moved away, so I jumped out of my car and ran onto the lot. This man, who I later learned was John Hale, saw me coming and ran down the lane beside the lot. I took after him and caught him in about 100 yards. I placed him in the front seat alongside me and started to drive to #6 Police Station. (Note- All this time, I had my billy in my hand, and threatened to use it if he made a move for the door.) On my way in I met a Policeman on the Beat, P.C. Lee 356. I summonsed his assistance and returned to the lot to check the car. Just as we pulled up to the lot, who was standing there, but the lookout. I jumped out of the car and also placed him under arrest. He gave his name as Irvin Hale, brother of John. Both men were taken then to No. 6 Station and charged.

CASE OF- BORIS STOYO, AGE 19, 520 OLD WESTON RD.
CHARGES- 1 CHARGE- ATT. AUTO THEFT & 4 CHARGES OF AUTO THEFT

About 11.20 p.m. Nov.2nd. 1947, I was driving along Bloor St. in my old 31 Durant, intending to pick up my wife at my mothers home. When passing the used car lot at Indian Rd. I observed 4 youths loitering on the sidewalk. Having decided to

Suspects Theft Planned Police Cadet Nabs Youth

When Robert Foster, 18-year-old city police cadet, was on his way home from work Sunday night he observed a gang of youths loitering about a parking lot adjacent to the Indian Road Motors, Bloor st. west.

The young cadet circled block in his own car. As he passed the lot a second time he spotted two youths near one of parked cars. Getting out of auto, he entered the dark parking. The youths fled in different directions. He caught one. As a sult, Boris Stoyo, 19, faced a charge of attempted car theft today. pleaded guilty and was remanded

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walked back to the lot. Two of the youths had moved up the street about 1 block. I entered the dark parking lot and saw two shadows in a car at the back. Just then a citizen walked by and I told him who I was and asked him to assist me. I instructed him to run to the left side of the car and I would run to the right side and get the youth behind the wheel. We made a run for the car and I caught the fellow behind the wheel. His name was Boris Stoyo, but unfortunately the citizen could not hold onto his man and he got away from him. The citizen chased him two blocks but lost him.

I then took Stoyo to #9 Station and upon searching him, found a string of about 20 keys which he stated he used to start the cars. After some investigation we found that he had stolen four other cars in the past short while. Further investigation led to the arrest of the rest of the gang, who were arrested by the auto squad. It was learned that these youths had stolen several autos from lots in the west end of the city. On November 18th, they all appeared in court before Magistrate Prentice who gave them all Suspended Sentences and placed them on Probation.

CASE OF- MORRIS DAVIDSON, AGE 18, 17 MARSHALL ST.&
KENNETH PLUMRIDGE, AGE 16, 234 LAKESHORE RD.

About 3.00 a.m. in the morning, on Nov. 13, 1948, I was patrolling Queen St. in plainclothes when I observed two youths loitering about the corner of Dovercourt Rd. I kept the two youths under observation as they proceeded to walk north on Dovercourt Rd. On several occasions they looked into parked autos with the aid of a flashlight. I continued to follow them as they turned west on Argyle to Gladstone and south on Gladstone to Alma Ave. where they stood on the corner for a few minutes. I turned the front of my hat up like a zoot-zuiter and walked by them as if I didn't see them. I then turned into a house, walked up onto the veranda, and kicked the railing as if I had gone in and closed the door. Feeling they were up to something, I took off my coat and hat and got ready in case I had a run ahead of me. Sure enough, I was only there a few minutes when Davidson entered the lot by No. 2 Alma and got into a car. Plumridge stayed out in front and acted as a lookout. As soon as I heard the car start up, I made a run for it and caught Davidson behind the wheel of the car. Plumridge ran north on Gladstone Ave. like a deer. I then called No. 6 Station for the scout car and when it arrived we went to the rear of Davidson's house at 17 Marshall where I found Plumridge hiding in the attic above the garage. Both were then taken to the station

SUSPECT TRIO CAUGHT AFTER FIRST ARREST

An arrest one week ago by Police Cadet Jack Foster who was off duty at the time had a sequel Saturday night when police charged three more youths with car theft. The four are believed to have been members of the gang that have been raiding used car lots in northwest Toronto in recent weeks.

Foster was driving home when he saw a number of youths hanging around a lot in the Keele-Bloor district. He circled the block and then found two of the gang in one of the cars. He grabbed one of them but the other got away from a citizen who chased him a block.

Continuing their investigation throughout the week, detectives arrested the last three at their homes. They are charged with stealing three cars from a St. Clair Ave.

4 Youths Held For Car Theft

Arrested on a charge of auto theft Saturday, three youths are said to have stolen four cars in the space of a week, two of them from the same car lot. A fourth was nabbed a few days ago.

Held by the police are Adol. Cornari, 19, of Osler Ave.; John Wilson, 20, of Old Weston Rd., and Alex Luchkoff, 16, also of Old Weston Rd.

Detective Max Richardson said the quartet stole a car in late October from Claireview Motor Sales Co., Ltd., 1818 St. Clair Ave. W. They drove to Hamilton and on their return, parked the car near the Claireview Co. lot. A week later the same four took another car from the lot. Det. Richardson said

On the night of Oct. 27, two more cars were taken, the officer said. One car ran out of gas and the other went in the ditch.

SUSPECTS LOITERERS ARRESTS 2 YOUTH

When Constable William Foster noticed two teen-age youths loitering about parked cars on Queen yesterday, he became suspicious and decided to keep a close watch.

The youths moved away from autos and proceeded north on Dovercourt rd. to Argyle st., through side street to Gladstone ave. and a vacant lot off Alma ave.

The officer grabbed one of the youths. He gave his name as Morris Davidson, 17, and was arrested on a charge of attempted car theft. The second youth got away, but 30 minutes later police arrested Kenneth Plumridge, 16, in a nearby garage. He was booked on a similar charge.

A check on a car in the lot showed the door handle and a window had been forced. Constable Foster reported.