
FLEEING FROM CONSERVATION OFFICER COSTS POACHER \$1,000

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A Bancroft-area resident received a \$1,000 fine and a one-year hunting suspension after pleading guilty to obstructing a conservation officer.

Murray Marois, 43, also received a suspended sentence for hunting black bear without a licence. His firearms were seized for hunting game without licences.

On November 5, 2007, a Ministry of Natural Resources conservation officer from the Bancroft District office was on a routine patrol checking deer hunters when he saw Marois. The officer tried to stop Marois for a licence and firearm inspection, but he fled on foot. After a brief chase, he was arrested. The officer found that Marois had two guns, which were seized.

Justice of the Peace C. McKechnie heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice, Bancroft, on December 2, 2008.

To report a natural resource violation, call 1-877-TIPS-MNR (847-7667) toll-free any time or contact your ministry office during regular business hours. You can also call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).