

# Hawkins bust

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Rock singer Ronnie Hawkins will appear in provincial court April 25 to answer drug charges resulting from a police raid of his Mississauga Road home last Thursday.

Hawkins was charged with possession of cocaine, possession of marijuana for the purpose of trafficking, and conspiracy to traffic in

marijuana, following a search of his house at 4198 Mississauga Road by a team of ten officers led by Detectives Bob Loader and Dave Sundue of Peel Regional Police morality squad.

The raid began at 9:15 a.m. Thursday morning and resulted in the seizure of an undisclosed quantity of drugs. A charge of possession of marijuana was also laid against Carla Jean Cleveland, 25, of Hawaii, a visitor at Hawkins' home. She will appear in court April 11.

Further investigation led to the arrest of Gary Edward Lucas, 29, who lived at Hawkins' home.

He faces charges of possession of marijuana for the purpose of trafficking and conspiracy to traffic in marijuana, and will appear with Hawkins for the April 25 court date.

Police report a number of marijuana stalks — known as "elephant sticks", in street jargon — were seized during the raid.

The maximum penalty for possession of narcotics for trafficking purposes is life imprisonment.



RONNIE HAWKINS