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Patrol Division Weekly Activity Report 1/16/14 to 1/22/14

- **REPORTS: 66**
- **ARRESTS: 28**
- **Moving citations: 5**
- **Non-moving citations: 1**
- **Speeding citations: 2**
- **City-code citations: 5**

Statistics

Arrests included: 4 for public intoxication, 4 for domestic violence, 3 for burglary, 3 for resisting arrest, 2 for being under the influence of a controlled substance and/or possessing drug paraphernalia, 2 for marijuana possession, 2 for arson, 2 for fighting at school, and 1 each for: shoplifting, warrant arrest, possessing methamphetamine, trespassing, vehicle pursuit, possessing a narcotic, and battery. Probation or parole holds were placed on 5 of these arrests.

Officers investigated 1 DUI traffic collision, 1 traffic collision, and 1 death by apparent natural causes. Two vehicles were stored for 30 days due to the drivers being unlicensed or suspended.

Officers took reports of: 8 found property, 6 burglaries, 5 thefts, 3 child neglect, 2 vandalisms, 2 suicidal subjects, and 1 each of; missing person, domestic violence, battery, fraud, and animal bite.

Officers were assisted by the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office and California Highway Patrol with a vehicle pursuit.



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Highlights for the Week

On January 16th at about 2:25 AM Ukiah Police observed a subject going through the recycling bin behind CVS Pharmacy, at 225 South Orchard Avenue, which is a violation of a city ordinance. The subject was identified as 47 year old Mark Jeffrey Brandt, of Ukiah, and he displayed symptoms of recent drug use. Brandt was determined to be under the influence of a controlled substance, and was in possession of a methamphetamine smoking pipe and a small baggie containing less than a gram of methamphetamine. Brandt was arrested for drug influence, possessing drug paraphernalia and methamphetamine. 14-0144

On January 16th at about 12:30 PM the Ukiah Police School Resource Officer responded to Low Gap Park, at 841 Low Gap Road, for two juveniles who'd started a fire in the park. A group playing disk golf reported seeing the two juveniles light a fire on the ground, and yelled for them to put it out. The 13 and 15 year old male juveniles were contacted, and said they skipped school and were cold, so started a warming fire. The fire had since been extinguished and the fire department confirmed there was no danger. The two juveniles were arrested for arson. 14-0146

On January 16th at about 11:00 AM Ukiah Police responded to the 600 block of Joseph Street regarding a citizen spotting a recently stolen vehicle. The caller was familiar with the vehicle, a black Ford Mustang, which belonged to an acquaintance and knew it was stolen during the early morning the day prior. The caller saw the vehicle being driven on Clara Street, and saw it drive into the alley near Joseph Street. The caller also provided a description of the driver. The officer located the vehicle parked in a field off the alley, and saw 28 year old Scott Leon Franks, of Ukiah, exiting the driver's door. Franks started walking away from the vehicle but was quickly detained. The vehicle's hood was up and Franks appeared to be working on the vehicle. The owner eventually responded and stated there was some stereo equipment and clothing missing from the vehicle. Franks was arrested for vehicle theft, grand theft, and possessing stolen property. 14-0134

On January 16th at about 6:30 PM Ukiah Police responded to the Hampton Inn, at 1160 Airport Park Boulevard, for an intoxicated subject harassing people in the lobby. Officers found 27 year old Shawn Ganpoler, of San Rafael, face to face with another subject in what appeared



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to be a confrontation. Ganpoler was arrested for public intoxication and for a Marin County warrant for DUI. 14-0149

On January 16th at about 7:15 PM Ukiah Police responded to the Brush and Mozzoni Streets intersection for a female lying in the roadway. Officers found 36 year old Brooke Owen, of Utah, passed out on the sidewalk. Owen was transported to the hospital for extreme intoxication, and was later arrested for public drunkenness and booked into the County Jail. 14-0152

On January 17th at about 11:05 AM Ukiah Police responded to Wal Mart, at 1155 Airport Park Boulevard, for a shoplifter. Store employees had observed 29 year old Sara Ann Madison, of Willits, conceal items in a bag and exit the store without paying. Madison was returned to the store, and it was determined she had been caught shoplifting in August and instructed not to return to the store. Madison was arrested for shoplifting, trespassing, and violating probation. 14-0155

During the month of December, 2013, Ukiah Police were contacted regarding checks being cashed fraudulently, and determined the victim's identification and checks had been stolen and later cashed at a bank. The suspect was eventually identified as 26 year old Amber Cheri Dillon, who was known to accompany 37 year old Jesse James Rodriguez. It was determined Dillon had applied for credit in the victim's name, and obtained various gift cards fraudulently. Both subjects also had warrants for their arrest from Sonoma County for failing to appear and fraud charges. On January 17th at about 1:30 PM a Ukiah Police Officer spotted Dillon and Rodriguez in the 200 block of West Smith and contacted them. Both subjects provided false identity to the officer, and were arrested. Both subjects were interviewed by a Ukiah Police Detective, and Dillon was also charged with burglary, forgery, and identity theft. Both were also arrested for their Sonoma County warrants. 14-0159

On January 17th at about 5:40 PM Ukiah Police responded to a residence in the 1100 block of Mulberry Street for an unwanted subject. Officers contacted 26 year old Florentino Sanchez Stevens, of San Francisco, and found him to be under the influence of a controlled substance. Stevens was on probation for domestic violence, and was arrested for drug influence for violating probation. 14-0163



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On January 18th at about 1:00 AM Ukiah Police responded to a residence in the 200 block of Thomas Street for numerous 911 calls from a subject who would provide limited information, then hang up. Officers found the resident, 64 year old Jack Cardin, seated in the backseat of his vehicle parked in the carport. Cardin was holding a knife and appeared startled, and stated people were in the field trying to get him so he hid inside his vehicle. Cardin requested officers check his home, which they did, finding no intruders. Officers did see inside the house a methamphetamine smoking pipe, and a baggie of methamphetamine. Cardin told officers he could see people running in the street, and felt bugs crawling on him. Cardin displayed symptoms of recent methamphetamine use, and was arrested for dug influence, and possessing methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia. 14-0167

On January 20th at about 4:30 PM Ukiah Police responded to the parking lot at Anton Stadium, at 506 Park Boulevard, for a domestic disturbance. Callers reported seeing a man and a woman arguing, and saw the male suspect get into a white Ford pick-up and drive the vehicle in circles in the parking lot and smoking the tires. The male then left in the vehicle and a description of the vehicle and suspect was provided to Ukiah Police.

A responding officer spotted the suspect vehicle and attempted to stop the vehicle in the 800 block of North State Street. The driver refused to stop, and proceeded northbound refusing to yield to the officer's lights and siren. The vehicle ran the red light at the intersection with Low Gap Road, causing cross traffic to swerve to avoid a collision, and proceeded westbound on Low Gap Road. The vehicle reached speeds of 50 miles per hour then turned southbound onto North Bush Street, running the stop sign.

The pursuit continued through several intersections to Walnut Avenue where the suspect turned westbound, failing to stop for all posted stop signs, and continued at about 30 miles per hour until reaching the area of Todd Grove Park. The suspect then circled the park five times at about 20 miles per hour, with officers pursuing. The driver was seen talking on a cellular telephone and looking back at the pursuing officers.

Additional Ukiah Police Officers and Deputies with the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office had responded to assist with the pursuit, and the driver swerved around one of the police vehicles



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before circling the park another time then proceeded to the Anton Stadium parking lot. The driver stopped the vehicle and was taken into custody without further incident.

The driver was identified as 49 year old Victor Branko Rodin, of Clearlake. Rodin is on parole in Lake County for threats, and has been contacted several times recently by Ukiah Police and is apparently residing in the Ukiah area. Rodin was arrested for felony vehicular evasion, reckless driving, and violating parole, and booked into the Mendocino County Jail. 13-0187

On January 21st at about 1:25 PM Ukiah Police responded to Wal Mart, at 1155 Airport Park Boulevard, for a shoplifter. Store employees had observed 24 year old Cory Alexander Wattles, of Cloverdale, conceal tools inside his clothing and exit the store without paying. Wattles was returned to the store and arrested for shoplifting. Wattles had several pieces of aluminum foil containing burn marks, and assorted pills of oxycodone and methadone. Wattles was also charged with possessing a narcotic. 14-0195

On January 22nd at about 1:15 PM Ukiah Police responded to Kohl's, at 437 North Orchard Avenue, for a shoplifting in progress. Officers learned store employees were currently watching a subject suspected of stealing electronics every day for the past several days. Store employees observed the subject concealing items today, and officers stopped the suspect as he left the store. The suspect, 45 year old Aubrey Herman Thomas, admitted to the previous thefts, and added he had been stealing similar items from other stores for around 2 years. Thomas tended to steal certain electronic items as he is able to sell them for money. The total loss from Kohl's for thefts committed by Thomas since January 18th was determined to be over \$1000.00. Thomas was arrested for burglary. 14-0204

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