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Patrol Division Weekly Activity Report 08/13/15 to 08/19/15

- REPORTS: 79
- ARRESTS: 45
- Moving citations: 8
- Speeding citations: 4

Statistics

Arrests included: 13 warrant arrests, 9 for public intoxication, 7 for shoplifting, 4 for violating probation and/or parole, 3 for domestic violence, 3 for resisting/delaying an officer, 2 for vandalism, and one each for: speed contest, battery, possessing an illegal weapon, exhibition of speed, stolen vehicle, vehicle pursuit, possessing stolen property, disturbing the peace, and robbery. Probation holds were placed on 7 of these arrests.

Officers investigated and took reports of: 8 found property, 4 thefts, 3 missing persons, 3 suspected child abuse, 2 burglaries, 2 abandoned vehicles, and one each for: battery, assault with a dangerous weapon, elder abuse, annoying phone calls, vandalism, and transportation of marijuana.

Officer investigated 4 traffic collisions and 2 hit and run traffic collisions.

The Patrol Division's average response time to in-progress calls was less than 3 minutes. The average response time to all other calls was about over 16 minutes.



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Highlights for the Week

On August 14th Ukiah Police responded to an escalating disturbance at the Thrift Store at 497 Leslie Street. Arriving officers contacted 38 year old Corey Allen Heine, who was yelling at store employees. Officers noticed a flat-bed pickup parked in the lot and recognized Heine's dog inside the vehicle, as well as a backpack Heine is known to carry. Officers found the vehicle was stolen out of San Rafael, and located additional items inside the vehicle belonging to Heine. Witnesses at the store described where Heine had entered the store and sat at a table, and the keys to the vehicle were located there. Heine was arrested and taken into custody for vehicle theft, and as he approached the police vehicle he suddenly head-butted the vehicle causing a large dent. Heine was additionally charged with vandalism. Officers later obtained additional statements from witnesses who had seen Heine driving the stolen vehicle. 15-2362

Suspects/Charges:

VAUGHN, MOTECUHZOMA OPHELIA (female, 29, Ukiah)

496(a) PC-Possession of stolen property-felony

2800.2(a) CVC-Evading-felony

20001(a) CVC-Hit and run traffic collision with injury-felony

148(a)(1) PC-Resist/delay officer-misdemeanor

14601.2(a) CVC-Drive suspended-misdemeanor

GENSAW, RANDALL LEE (male, 42, Ukiah)

496(a) PC-Possession of stolen property-felony

1203.2(a) PC-Violation of probation-felony

On 8-14-15 at approx. 8:20 PM, a UPD officer spotted a vehicle that matched a recently reported stolen vehicle out of Lake County. As the officer followed the stolen vehicle in the area of S. State St. and Luce Ave., the driver turned W/B on to Luce Ave. and then immediately S/B onto South St. The vehicle then turned W/B on to Observatory Ave. While the officer continued to follow the vehicle, the vehicle ran the stop sign at Observatory Ave. and S. Dora St. and turned S/B on to S. Dora St. The officer attempted to make a traffic stop on the vehicle using the patrol vehicle's lights and sirens, however the vehicle sped up and began travelling at approx. 50 MPH on S. Dora St. The vehicle continued S/B on S. Dora St. at a high rate of speed while running stop signs at the intersections of Washington Ave., Tedford Ave., and Laws Ave. The vehicle accelerated to approx. 70 MPH S/B on Dora St. near the intersection of Jefferson Ln. The driver, Motecuhzoma Vaughn, lost control of the vehicle and struck approx. 5 parked vehicles in the 1900 block of S. Dora St., where it came to rest. Vaughn fled from the vehicle on foot while the passenger, Randall Gensaw, was taken into custody at the scene. Vaughn was quickly located and arrested hiding in the area. The California Highway Patrol, Mendocino County Sheriff's Dept., as well as the Ukiah Valley Fire Dept. responded and



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assisted. Gensaw received a minor injury as a result of the collision. Gensaw was currently on probation for an un-related offense. Gensaw and Vaughn were later transported to the Mendocino County Jail, where they were lodged. 15-2366

On August 15th at about 9:10 AM Ukiah Police responded to a residence in the 200 block of Observatory Avenue for a vandalism report. The callers reported a flattened tire on their vehicle and a broken window at their residence, and officers learned witnesses had observed a firearm was discharged from a vehicle the night prior. Evidence was recovered from the scene to confirm this and witness statements indicated the incident may be gang related. This case remains under investigation and anyone with information should the Ukiah Police Department at 463-6262. 15-2370

On August 16th at about 1:00 AM Ukiah Police responded to a residence in the 600 block of Marshall Street for a court order violation. The suspect was identified as 31 year old Ty Simpson of Willits, who was soon located near Main and Clay Streets. Simpson ran from officers and foot pursuit ensued across State Street and into Alex Thomas Plaza, to the 300 block of South State Street where he was apprehended and taken into custody. Officers located a game camera in Simpson's possession, and another was located at the scene presumably placed by Simpson. Simpson was charged with violating a domestic violence restraining order and resisting arrest. 15-2374

On August 17th at about 5:10 PM Ukiah Police responded to a residence in the 100 block of Gibson Street for vandalism. Officers were informed 18 Ryan Matthew Kepler, of Willits, had become angry while inside the residence and damaged items within the residence. Officers located Kepler in the 1100 block of North State Street, and he refused commands to stop. After repeated commands the officers tried to physically stop Kepler, who reacted violently and fought with the officers, punching and kicking them. A Taser was finally deployed and Kepler was successfully taken into custody. Kepler was charged with resisting arrest and assaulting a peace officer, and was placed under citizen's arrest for the vandalism. 15-2389

On August 19th at about 9:00 AM Ukiah Police responded to the Savings Bank, at 404 E Perkins St, for a robbery. Officers learned the suspect threatened the teller and left through the north door with an undisclosed amount of cash. An investigating Ukiah Police Detective recognized the suspect from surveillance video as 43 year old Clarence Bernard Christmas. Later that day a Ukiah Police Sergeant received information that Christmas was in the creek bed near the 200 block of Talmage Rd. Patrol officers located Christmas there and took him into custody at 1:48 PM. Also located at the scene was evidence linking Christmas to the robbery including clothing and cash. Christmas was brought the Ukiah Police Department where he was eventually observed by officers exposing himself and masturbating. Christmas refused to stop this behavior, and was later booked into the Mendocino County Jail for robbery, burglary, indecent exposure, and parole violation. 15-409

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