

FAIRFIELD POLICE

Monthly Report – August 2019



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Section 1: Bureau / Division Reports

Noteworthy Police Work

During August, the following officers were issued awards for actions taken over the past few years:

- William Beattie
- Franck DeAngelis
- Evan Kaesmann
- Jason Kline
- Jason Greenfield
- Donald Matejek
- Raymond Quiles
- Matthew Riendeau
- Anthony Renaldi
- Kevin Wells
- Jeremy Zdru
- Michael Zerella



Police Union “Dunk a Cop” Event

Capt. Kalamaras was one of many officers who participated in this year’s Dunk a Cop event held at Saugatuck Sweets to raise money to benefit the Fairfield Police Union Scholarship Fund.

Patrol

On 8/6/2019 at approximately 1630 hours, James Taylor's GPS battery failed. Patrol was sent to his residence to check on his location but there was no answer at the door. The decision was made to activate the ESU team to make entry into the house to determine if Taylor was in the house.

During a search of the property, a closed Conex style container was found and the door appeared to be secured from the inside leading officers to believe the subject was barricaded inside. Concerned that the subject could be armed or have explosives, the Stamford Bomb Squad was called to clear the property prior to ESU making entry.

A bearcat vehicle was used to breach the doors and the suspect was found inside.

Juvenile Sexual Assault

On 06/24/2019 Fairfield Youth Bureau Detectives were notified of an ongoing sexual assault occurring over several years of two female juveniles. The victim's mother's live-in boyfriend allegedly committed the assaults.

On 08/05/2019 a Bridgeport Superior Court Judge found probable cause to believe that the suspect committed the offenses contained in the arrest warrant affidavit submitted by our Youth Bureau Detectives. The warrant was signed and the Judge issued a \$750,000.00 bond.

On 08/06/2019 the suspect turned himself in to Police Headquarters where he was arrested and Charged with 15 counts of Sexual Assault 1st Degree, 5 counts of Sexual Assault 2nd Degree, 2 counts of Risk of Injury to a Child, and 2 counts of Voyeurism.

Robbery

On 08/07/2019 at approximately 7:25 pm Fairfield Emergency Communications Center received a report of a robbery that just occurred in the area of 32 Hunyadi Avenue. The victim reported that she arranged to meet a male in that area to sell a phone through an online social media site. When she arrived to the agreed upon location, the male sat in her vehicle while another male approached the car and robbed her at gunpoint. Both males fled the scene on foot. Patrols were unable to locate the suspects after the robbery. The victim immediately suspected that they were both involved and described the suspects as being black males, in their twenties, wearing dark clothing.

On 08/09/2019 Detectives discovered information on the suspects social media page which identified the suspect and his accomplice. After further investigation a Bridgeport Superior Court Judge found probable cause to believe that the suspect committed the offenses contained in the

arrest warrant affidavit submitted by our Detectives. The warrant was signed and the Judge issued a \$100,000.00 bond for his release.

On 08/08/2019 the suspect was arrested and charged with Robbery 1st Degree, Conspiracy to Commit Robbery 1st Degree and held on a court ordered \$100,000.00 bond.

19-30682 | 4:42 AM | Stolen Vehicle | Quiles, R | 00726 Reef Rd

Shortly after receiving a report of suspicious males walking around a complainant's car wearing masks at 7 Mellow St., Off. Renaldi located a suspicious SUV parked in the middle of the road on Lalley Blvd. with its lights off. When Off. Renaldi pulled up to the SUV it rammed Off. Renaldi's vehicle and took off in reverse on Lalley Blvd., striking two parked vehicles. When the driver of the SUV attempted a three-point turn, Off. Renaldi was able to use his push bars to stop the vehicle and take the driver into custody. As Off. Renaldi originally approached the SUV, he saw a group of males running on foot on Lalley Blvd. A perimeter was set up and a State Police K9 responded to start a track.

As the K9 tracked towards Reef Rd., Off. DeAngelis saw a VW Passat back out of a driveway on Reef Rd. After the driver saw Off. DeAngelis' police car, the VW took off at a high rate of speed east on Fairfield Beach Rd. The vehicle avoided stop sticks that were deployed on Beach at Old Post Rd. and the car was pursued onto 95 northbound. After State Police deployed stop sticks that disabled two of our vehicles, the VW kept going with at least two flat tires and the State pursued it until terminating around exit 9 on 91. It was later confirmed that the Passat had just been stolen from Reef Rd.

The driver of the SUV was arrested and charged with Attempted Assault on a Police Officer, Evading, Reckless Driving, 2 counts of Conspiracy to Commit Larceny and 2 counts of Conspiracy to Commit Burglary. A ski mask was located in the vehicle. The suspect was held on a \$25,000.00 bond.

Barricaded Subject

On 8/21/19 at approximately 4:03 p.m. a complainant came to police headquarters and reported that he believed his father, was having a mental break-down at their home on Wormwood Road. The complainant stated that his father had just picked up a police report from the Westport that indicated that his wife was having an affair. When officers made contact with the respondent, he made comments that he was considering to harm himself. At this time, the respondent had barricaded himself inside the residence with several firearms.

The Fairfield Police Emergency Services Unit, which included trained negotiators, were dispatched to the scene where they began negotiations for the respondent to surrender. After approximately

three hours, negotiators were able to get the respondent to surrender without incident. He was taken into custody, and transported to an area hospital for evaluation. No one was injured.

“We were very happy with the outcome of this operation. Officers who responded remained steadfast on their mission to protect life and ensure the safety of the community.” – Chief Chris Lyddy.

“With the help of our mutual aid partner, Southwest Regional Emergency Response Team, we were able to bring this incident to a quick conclusion ensuring the safety of our officers and the neighbors.” – Captain Robert Kalamaras

19-31126 | 10:22 AM | Robbery | Jenkins, S | 00161 Melody La

ECC received a report of a robbery that just occurred on Melody Lane. The victim had listed a pair of sneakers for sale on a web site. The victim was contacted by a person interested in purchasing the sneakers. The suspects arrived at the complainant’s house. When the victim met the suspects outside one of the suspects brandished a handgun and took the sneakers.

Detectives conducted an investigation and were able to identify both suspects and both were eventually taken into custody.

19-31625 | 12:49 PM | | Komm, M | 02272 Black Rock Tnpk

ECC received a report of a suspect attempting to defraud an account at Chase Manhattan Bank on Black Rock Turnpike.

On police arrival, the suspect fled on foot and officers chased the suspect. Canine units were assigned to track the suspect while patrols, traffic officers and detectives set up a perimeter around the area.

A short while later the suspect ran onto Pansy Road where he was caught by detectives on scene.

19-32068 | 2:26 AM | M.v. Accident | Rubis, C | 00730 Rock Ridge Rd

A suspect crashed her car into a garage in the driveway of 733 Rock Ridge Rd. After striking the garage, she reversed onto the front lawn and while she tried to exit the yard she struck a tree and her vehicle became stuck. The driver could not tell officers where she came from and how she ended up in the yard. Her behavior was highly erratic and she appeared to be under the influence of either alcohol or medication. Due to the damage to her vehicle and her erratic behavior, she was transported to St. V’s where blood was drawn for further investigation.

Special Services Bureau

Traffic Safety Unit	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Traffic Stops	401	374	377	432	465	261	410	807				
Infractions Issued	242	240	258	536	322	160	251	561				
Misdemeanor Summons	25	20	15	18	27	10	15	27				
Accidents Investigated	20	23	28	34	46	42	47	32				
Child Seat Installations	25	9	38	15	25	20	11	32				
DUI Arrests	4	2	3	1	1	1	4	6				

Traffic Crash Unit	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Accidents Investigated	59	80		60	66	70	69	80				
Accidents with Injuries	6	6		12	8	9	7	4				
Search Warrants	1	1		3	3	0	2	3				
Arrest Warrants	4	3		3	3	1	2	3				
Misdemeanor Summons	10	3		6	2	1	2	5				
Infractions Issued	33	19		107	28	1	17	110				
Fatalities	0	0		0	0	1	2	0				

Animal Control	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Complaints	56	70	94	67	100	93	107	115				
Wildlife Complaints	20	26	46	25	41	56	45	62				
Animals Tested for Rabies	1	1	2	1	1	0	4	9				
Animals Positive / Rabies	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0				
Animal Bites	1	2	2	5	2	6	5	1				
Written Warnings	4	9	6	4	11	4	7	3				
Infractions	7	2	2	18	5	0	3	2				
Misdemeanors	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0				

Lake Mohegan Enforcement: Periodic patrols conducted.

Marine Unit	May	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT
Complaints	10	20	23	18		
Boats Towed	1	2	4	2		
Written Warnings	0	0	0	0		
Arrests	0	0	0	0		
Safety Inspections	5	3	3	1		
Total Calls For Service	15	23	26	19		
Hours Underway	25	95	165	150		
Community Events	2	3	5	5		
Location Checks	0	2	7	5		
Fatalities	0	0	0	0		

Traffic Enforcement Targeted Areas

Melville Avenue
 FFLD Woods Road
 Davis Road
 Congress Street
 Tahmore Drive
 North Benson Road
 Morehouse Highway
 Easton Turnpike

Other Activities

Dream Ride
 Distracted Driving campaign
 Car seat clinic Fairfield University
 PAL Snapper derby
 Quality of life Operation on suspicious activity at Grace Richardson Open Space
 Opioid Vigil – Sherman Green
 Dunk-A-Cop Event

Administrative Services Bureau

Training

- CIT Youth
- AR-15 Armorer
- Female Enforcer
- Opioid Scene Safety
- Street Crimes
- NIBRS Training
- Glock Armorer
- Basic Police Firearms Instructor

Emergency Communications Center

	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Total Incoming Phone Calls	9,842	10,611	10,185				
Total 911 Calls	1,783	1,952	1,778				
Total Outgoing Calls	2,274	2,531	2,385				
Total Calls for Service Processed	3,598	3,862	5,386				