

FAIRFIELD POLICE

Monthly Report – December 2019



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Noteworthy Police Work

Sergeant VanDerheyden recognized Officer Peck after he located a suspect wanted in connection with a public indecency complaint. Further investigation revealed the suspect was involved in other similar incidents.

Lieutenant Koval recognized Sergeant Mastronardi and Officer Peck for their work in identifying a suspect wanted in connection with an incident where the suspect tried to kiss and grope a female at Whole Foods. The suspect was charged with Sexual Assault 4th and Breach of Peace 2nd.

Sergeant Zdru recognized Officer Perham after he observed suspicious activity and through further investigation determined suspects were attempting to steal rims/tires from a vehicle on Riverside Drive. Additionally, the suspects were in possession of a stolen vehicle.

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Telecommunicators Quiroz and Atkins for their actions on November 14th when a prisoner attempted to overpower Lt. Granata in the detention area, and both fell to the ground. TC Quiroz immediately took notice and TC Atkins elected for the absolute quickest method of notification; broadcasting over Channel 1. This option allowed for the fastest possible response from other officers.

The Fire Department recognized Telecommunicators Champney and Carideo for their handling of an emergency medical call involving an emergency childbirth. Per the Fire Department incident commander. *“Our telecommunicators Kyle Champney and John Carideo set the stage for a smooth operation by calmly instructing a very nervous dad and expectant mom how to properly prepare for the arrival of their new baby and what to do until first responders arrived. They dispatched AMR, FD, and PD quickly and effectively, directing and updating first responders while continuously providing calm re-assurance to the family. “*

Awards

At the December 11th Board of Police Commissioner's meeting, the following officers were presented with awards:

Lieutenant James Perez was presented with a lifesaving award.



Officer Michael Mazzocchi was presented with a Distinguished Service Medal.



Commissioner Retirement

Commissioner Susan Barrett was presented with a retirement badge by Chief Lyddy. The Fairfield Police Department would like to thank Commissioner Barrett for her years of service on the commission.



Events

Members of the Soundtigers Hockey Team took time to visit the Fairfield Police Department to thank law enforcement for the work officers do on a daily basis.



On December 12th, members of the Fairfield Police Department served lunch to seniors at the Bigelow Center. The annual event is sponsored by the Fairfield Police Union.



Patrol

19-44755 | 3:12 AM | | Perham, K | 00339 Riverside Dr

While on patrol, Officer Perham observed a suspicious male standing at the rear of a car parked on the south side of Riverside Drive. The male had the trunk to the vehicle open and appeared to be holding a large hydraulic jack. It was determined that the two suspects had removed all the lug nuts from a 2017 Honda Pilot parked in the driveway at that location. The suspects had placed milk cartons on both sides of the vehicle and were about to utilize the jack to raise the vehicle before they were interrupted by Officer Perham. Further investigation revealed the suspects had arrived to the scene in a 99 Honda Civic, which was a confirmed stolen vehicle out of Bridgeport. The male suspect had an extensive criminal history and a Violation of Probation warrant out of Wilimantic. The suspect was on probation for a burglary arrest in that town. Both the male and female were charged with Criminal Attempt to Commit Larceny 3rd and Conspiracy to Commit Larceny 3rd.

19-44883 | 4:03 AM | | Rubis, C | 00127 Jennings Rd

ECC received a report of three people checking cars in the area. The caller saw one of the individuals throw something onto the lawn on the corner of May Street and Jennings Road.

Two juveniles were located hiding in different yards on Grace Street by Officer Perham and Officer Rubis. The juveniles had in their possession, and had also discarded in yards, property they stole from cars on Grace Street and Brookfield Avenue. The juveniles were arrested and charged with five counts of Burglary 3rd, five counts of Conspiracy and Criminal Attempt to Commit Larceny and Larceny.

19-45139 | 12:10 PM | Shoplifter | Katz, D | 00760 Villa Av

A shoplifting occurred with about \$1,000.00 of merchandise taken from Stop and Shop by 2 males. Officer Beattie and Officer Katz located the suspects pushing a Stop and Shop shopping cart with stolen merchandise at the intersection of Maplewood Avenue and Howard Avenue in Bridgeport. Upon approach one of the suspects ran off, as the second suspect engaged in a struggle with Beattie and Katz. The suspect was charged with Larceny and Interfering

19-45015 | Black Rock Turnpike

On Saturday 12/07/19, the Fairfield Police Emergency Communications Center received a 911 call at approximately 0142hrs reporting a single motor vehicle crash on Black Rock Turnpike near Finn Street. Upon arrival of emergency personnel, a single vehicle was found to have crashed into a parked car and a tree on the property of a home at the corner. The sole male occupant and driver of the vehicle was found to be deceased in the vehicle. There were no passengers in the vehicle and nobody else was injured as a result of this collision.

19-45526 | 12:32 AM | Assistance | Kaesmann, E | 00001 I95 Nb 19 To 20 Expy

A silver BMW was stolen at gunpoint in New Haven around midnight. The suspects then drove to Norwalk and unsuccessfully tried to car jack a Maserati at gunpoint. The suspects then carjacked, at gunpoint, a blue Nissan Altima.

Norwalk located both vehicles and pursued them onto 95 northbound. Westport PD and Norwalk PD were in pursuit when the BMW exited in Fairfield at exit 23 and got right back on northbound (the Nissan continued on 95 north and got away). The BMW then got off at exit 24 and got right back on to I-95, this time southbound at exit 24.

Upon exiting again in Fairfield at exit 23, Westport PD performed a Pit maneuver and the BMW spun out. The Westport Officers, who were out of their vehicles, attempted to take the suspects into custody but the suspect vehicle drove at them and rammed both of the officers' patrol vehicles. The suspect vehicle then continued on Kings Highway towards the center of town. Officer Kaesman became the second car in the pursuit behind Westport PD and the BMW was pursued through Fairfield before turning onto North Pine Creek Road.

The BMW failed to negotiate a right hand turn from Unquowa Road onto Sturges Road and crashed into a stonewall. The three suspects refused to exit the car and had to be forcibly removed from the vehicle by Officer Wiltsie and Officer Kaesman, with the assistance of Norwalk and Westport PD. The three suspects were taken into custody and a loaded handgun was located on the floor of the backseat where one of the suspects had been sitting. The suspects were turned over to Norwalk PD.

19-45530 | 2:14 AM | Assistance | Kaesmann, E | Brooklawn Av/Brooklawn Ter.

Bridgeport PD were pursuing a stolen car in when the three suspects bailed out of the car and fled at Brooklawn Avenue near Rosemere Avenue. Patrols assisted Bridgeport with the search of the suspects and Sergeant Mastronardi set up a perimeter in the area.

Officer Kaesman and K-9 Maverick started a track from an item of clothing that the suspects had dropped after bailing out of the car. The track led to a backyard at 114 Rosemere Avenue where Officer Kaesman and K-9 Maverick found a suspect hiding and he was taken into custody. An attempt was made to track for the other two suspects but they were not located.

19-46039 | 3:41 AM | Assistance | Kaesmann, E | 01370 Post Rd E, Westport

Westport PD requested assistance in locating a male suspect that took off on them on foot. The male fled in to the lot of the Honda dealership on the Post Road in Westport and climbed onto the roof of the dealership. Officer Peck and Officer Kaesman assisted Westport in setting up a perimeter. The male eventually jumped from the roof onto a parked car and continued to jump from roof to roof of cars until he ran through the parking lot and was taken into custody by Westport officers.

19-45943 | 11:29 PM | Suicide Attempt | Kaesmann, E | 00338 Galloping Hill Rd

A subject told her ex-husband and a group of friends that she wanted to kill herself by drowning in the water at Penfield Beach. Her car was found in the parking lot of Penfield Beach and her phone went right to voice mail. A ping of her phone gave only a general location, one mile south of the BJ's tower. Sergeant Mastronardi coordinated a large response to the beach area to search for the subject and PB1 was activated. Prior to Officer Perham arriving on scene, the subject was found just east of Penfield Beach partially in the water and upon being found she was resistant to getting out of the water and showed signs of potential hypothermia. Patrols carried the subject out of the water to a waiting ambulance and she was transported to the hospital.

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	316	411	438	207
Infractions Issued	242	240	258	536	322	160	251	561	171	220	233	76
Misdemeanor Summons	25	20	15	18	27	10	15	27	5	10	16	5
Accidents Investigated	20	23	28	34	46	42	47	32	33	37	28	51
Child Seat Installations	25	9	38	15	25	20	11	32	19	8	15	12
DUI Arrests	4	2	3	1	1	1	4	6	3	2	3	1

Traffic Crash Unit	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Accidents Investigated	59	80		60	66	70	69	80	66	65	86	52
Accidents with Injuries	6	6		12	8	9	7	4	5	9	7	3
Search Warrants	1	1		3	3	0	2	3	2	4	2	5
Arrest Warrants	4	3		3	3	1	2	3	2	3	2	3
Misdemeanor Summons	10	3		6	2	1	2	5	6	1	3	4
Infractions Issued	33	19		107	28	1	17	110	61	16	26	4
Fatalities	0	0		0	0	1	2	0	0	3	0	1

Animal Control	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Complaints	56	70	94	67	100	93	107	115	113	117	82	54
Wildlife Complaints	20	26	46	25	41	56	45	62	48	48	28	21
Animals Tested for Rabies	1	1	2	1	1	0	4	9	2	1	1	2
Animals Positive / Rabies	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Animal Bites	1	2	2	5	2	6	5	1	4	6	1	6
Written Warnings	4	9	6	4	11	4	7	3	5	9	4	3
Infractions	7	2	2	18	5	0	3	2	2	1	1	0
Misdemeanors	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

Investigated bobcat attack on a person. The victim was scratched.

Lake Mohegan Enforcement: Periodic patrols conducted.

Marine Unit	May	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT
Complaints	10	20	23	18	9	8
Boats Towed	1	2	4	2	1	1
Written Warnings	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrests	0	0	0	0	0	0
Safety Inspections	5	3	3	1	0	0
Total Calls For Service	15	23	26	19	9	8
Hours Underway	25	95	165	150	20	50
Community Events	2	3	5	5	3	1
Location Checks	0	2	7	5	2	0
Fatalities	0	0	0	0	0	0

Traffic Enforcement Targeted Areas

- Hulls Highway
- Brookside Drive
- Post Road and River Street
- Meadowbrook Road
- Villa Avenue
- Beach Road
- Fairfield Beach Road
- Fairfield Woods Road

Other Activities

- Holiday Stroll
- Town Hall Tree Lighting
- Coin Drop
- Seatbelt Wave
- Toy Drive
- Car Seat Installations

Administrative Services Bureau

Training

- Child Sex Trafficking
- Situations Involving People with Mental Illness
- Workforce Issues for Police
- MTA Incident Operations
- Human Trafficking Instructor
- Laser Scanner Training
- Supervisor Liability
- Working, Controlling and Managing Major Cases
- Responding to Emotionally Disturbed Persons
- Mental Health First Aid for LE

Emergency Communications Center

	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Total Incoming Phone Calls	9,842	10,611	10,185	9,551	9,499	9,374	
Total 911 Calls	1,783	1,952	1,778	1,856	1,813	1,714	
Total Outgoing Calls	2,274	2,531	2,385	2,248	2,278	2,021	
Total Calls for Service Processed	3,598	3,862	5,386	4,046	4,187	3,757	

9-1-1 calls were answered in under 10 seconds 96.14% of the time.

No report available for December at the time of publication of this report.