

RICHMOND POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT

February 23, 2016-March 14, 2016

TRAFFIC TICKETS

Speeding: 39	Display of registration: 1
Vehicle not inspected: 23	Using cell phones: 16
Failure to carry registration: 9	Park/stopping in roadway: 1
Excessive speed/accident: 1	No registration: 2
Failure to notify address: 1	Operating left of center: 2
Trespass by M.V. with damage: 1	No insurance: 1
Possession of marijuana: 2	Traffic control signals: 1
Operating after suspension (civil): 1	

TOTAL TRAFFIC TICKETS: 101

TOTAL WRITTEN WARNINGS: 87

PARKING TICKETS: 1

INCIDENTS REPORTED

Accidents: 9	Motor vehicle complaints: 5
Citizen assists: 3	Burglary: 1
E911 hang-up: 1	VIN number verification: 3
False info to law enforcement: 1	Traffic hazard: 1
DUI: 2	Consent search: 1
Vandalism: 1	Noise complaint: 2
Motor vehicle assists: 2	Property watch: 3
Agency assists: 15	Miscellaneous: 1
Background investigation: 1	Violation of court conditions: 1
Directed patrols: 10	Custodial interference: 1

Suspicious circumstances: 3

Alarms: 1

Careless & negligent operation: 1

Citizen dispute: 1

Disorderly conduct/phone: 1

Trespass: 1

TOTAL INCIDENTS REPORTED: 72

ARRESTS

Violation of court conditions: 1

Custodial interference: 1

DUI/alcohol: 1

DUI/drugs: 1

False information to law enforcement: 1

Careless & Negligent operation: 1

Arrest on warrant: 1

TOTAL ARREST: 7

- February 23, 2016@09:29 hours, Cpl. Rick Greenough took a complaint that an adult male was contacting his elderly mother in violation of his court conditions. The suspect had already been arraigned on charges of abuse of the elderly for stealing most of her money and possessions and one of his conditions was that he not have contact with her. We were advised that he had been calling her and threatening that she could not win the case. Cpl. Greenough located the suspect in Colchester where he was cited into Vermont Superior Court to answer one charge of violating court conditions.
- February 23, 2016@19:19 hours, Officer John Hamlin was running stationary radar on East Main Street by Perfection Motor Sports when he observed a vehicle travelling east at 84 miles per hour in the 40 zone and then also passing another car. Before he could the 18 year old female operator who resides on the Notch Road in Bolton she attempted to lose him by turning onto Stage Road where she was stopped. The operator was taken into custody and processed at the office before being released to her mother with a citation ordering her to appear in Chittenden Superior Court to answer a charge of Careless & Negligent operation of a motor vehicle.
- February 24, 2016@16:53 hours, Officer Mat Nadeau responded to Wes White Hill near Durand Road for two vehicles that had slid off the road. As he approached the vehicles and stopped his all wheel drive cruiser also slid off the road into the ditch. Highway came through and laid multiple layers of sand on the road and Anytime Towing pulled the vehicles to include the cruiser back onto the road. No damage was sustained by the vehicles.
- February 26, 2016@06:34 hours, I responded to a two vehicle collision on West Main Street near the old Mann & Machine building. Upon initial observation it appeared that one vehicle had rear ended a second vehicle on the slippery roads. After speaking with both operators and an uninvolved witness I determined that this was an intentional act. Seems the lead vehicle twice in a short period of time decided to stomp on his brakes, the second time coming to a complete stop in the middle of the lane at which time the following vehicle tapped him in the

rear and a third vehicle had to go around the right of them off the pavement to avoid a collision. In this case I issued the lead vehicle a traffic ticket for illegally stopping in the travel lane.

- February 26, 2016@04:00, Cpl. William Bullock along with fire and rescue were dispatched to Cochran Road for an overturned pickup truck off the north side of the roadway. To make sure no one was with or under the vehicle, Blackfork Towing was requested to remove the vehicle so an inspection could be done. The operator decided not to call and got a boyfriend to give her ride home. Cpl. Bullock located her later that morning and detected alcohol on her breath, however she advised she went home and drank after the accident. She was ticketed for speed too fast for conditions/accident resulting.
- February 27, 2016@00:20 hours, Officer John Hamlin was dispatched to Christmas Hill Road for a missing 20 year old female who had been drinking and expressed suicidal thoughts while her friends were having a drinking party. The female had been missing for an undetermined amount of time and was not dressed for the conditions wearing only a hoodie and jeans but had left on foot. Troopers from the Vermont State Police, Williston Police and a canine from South Burlington Police responded to the scene. A State Trooper located the female on foot on East Hill Road. Richmond Rescue was summoned to the scene and evaluated her. She had advised she was upset and decided to go for a walk not knowing how long she was gone. A roadside alcohol test registered a BAC of .108% after she was cleared by rescue. She was released back to her friends.
- February 27, 2016@02:58 hours, Officer Mat Nadeau was dispatched to a single vehicle accident near 2385 Huntington Road. Upon arrival it was observed that the vehicle had been south on Huntington Road prior to leaving the roadway and impacting numerous trees totaling the vehicle. The 19 year old male operator was clearly impaired but not on alcohol. He was screened at the scene for DUI-drugs and a DRE officer was requested, however there were none available in the county. The young man was taken into custody and transported back to the office for processing. While handcuffed in the holding cell he attempted numerous to get out of the handcuffs and then decided to urinate all over himself and the holding cell. He refused to be taken to the hospital to submit to a blood test. After completion of the processing he was released to his parents on a citation ordering him into Chittenden Superior Court to answer a charge of DUI/dugs. Officer Nadeau then attempted to clean the holding cell as best as he could until the cleaning lady could get to it on Sunday afternoon which put the holding cell out of commission for the day.
- February 28, 2016@16:45 hours, Cpl. Brett Lindemuth took a theft complaint from a 23 year old female who had advised that a laptop computer had been stolen from her vehicle the week before while parked at the canoe access on Cochran Road. The victim initially advised that the car was locked but there was no forced entry so she believed her dog hit the lock switch. The victim's statement to Cpl. Lindemuth did not add up as he found out she had told different versions of the theft to other people. On the afternoon of March 6th he re-interviewed her at her place of employment with their permission. After over an hour of her differing story she finally confessed that she made the whole thing up. Seems she had been renting the computer from Rent-A-Center in Newport for \$31 per week for school and could not afford to keep renting it

but needed it so a friend allegedly a former employee of Rent-A-Center advised her to report it stolen because all she would need was a police case number then she could keep the laptop without paying. She could/would not identify the "friend". After the conclusion of the interview and her confession of fabricating the theft she was cited into Chittenden Superior Court to answer a charge of false information to law enforcement.

- March 2, 2016@06:15 hours, I was dispatched to a vehicle off the road on Dugway Road. As I approached the vehicle I stopped the cruiser and before I could get out Mother Nature and gravity took over and the cruiser slid sideways over the embankment. Initially I could not get out of the cruiser do to the angle and the fact that when I tried to hold the door open and put my feet out on the ground I could get no traction and they would slide out from under me. A Williston cruiser responded to the scene with a brand new all wheel drive sedan and when he pulled up behind me and stopped his cruiser then slid sideways off the road. Both cruisers ended up with wheels off the ground and after the photo hit Face Book there were almost 300,000 views in a day plus. After getting out of the car a setting out flares a second vehicle came around the curve out of control causing me to have to step over the back side of the guardrails. This operator went off the road and narrowly missed hitting the first vehicle. Highway struggled to gain traction on the ice covered road even with chains on the drive and steer axles. Mother Nature is a powerful force that we have little control over.
- March 3, 2016@07:27 hours, both Cpl. Rick Greenough and William Bullock responded to Main Road and Hinesburg Hollow Road in Huntington for a head on collision with injury to assist Vermont State Police. Richmond Rescue and Huntington Fire also responded blocking traffic on the Hollow Road until the victim's were transported and the roadway cleared.
- March 4, 2016@11:54 hours, Cpl. William Bullock responded to the intersection of Main Road and Sherman Hollow Road to assist Vermont State Police until their arrival with a single vehicle accident with reported injury. Seems the operator lost control and rolled the vehicle several times before it came to rest.
- March 6, 2016@00:24 hours, Officer Mat Nadeau conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle near exit 11. Upon approaching the vehicle he detected an odor of marijuana emitting from it. A computer check of the 47 year old male revealed that he had an outstanding arrest warrant out of Lamoille County for failure to appear on a grand larceny charge with bail set at \$5,000. A consent search was conducted and a pill bottle with marijuana, a marijuana roach and a marijuana pipe were located. He was ticketed for the possession of marijuana and taken to the county jail on the arrest warrant.
- March 7, 2016@14:26 hours, Cpl. Brett Lindemuth tooOk a welfare check call for a mother of a 32 year old male who was watching his 4 year old child. For the past several months we have been dealing with this gentleman, his ex-wife and her new boyfriend who repeatedly call and complain of child abuse against each other. While dealing with the initial call the ex-wife came in and complained that her ex-husband refused to return the 4 year old in violation of a family court order. Cpl. Lindemuth checked with family court and was e-mailed the latest court child schedule set by the judge. Both Cpl. Lindemuth and Cpl. Greenough responded to the

grandmother's home and retrieved the child who was turned over to the mother as expressed in the court order while the father (ex-husband) was cited into court for custodial interference.

- March 10, 2016@23:37 hours, Officer Mat Nadeau stopped a vehicle on Huntington Road as he knew the male operator was currently under civil suspension. While speaking with the 34 year old male he detected signs of alcohol intoxication and the odor of burnt marijuana emitting from the operator. After securing two firearms that were in the vehicle the operator was placed into custody for DUI. The operator then advised he had a small amount of marijuana in the center console which was recovered. He was taken to the office for processing where he registered a BAC of .086%. He was later cited into court for DUI and released to his girlfriend.
- March 11, 2016@13:09 hours, Cpl. William Bullock took a Disorderly conduct complaint by phone from an area business. Seems the business has received 4 calls with the male caller asking the female receptionist about certain body parts. Since the initial calls they have received another so the company has requested Waitsfield Telecom to place a trap on the phone in hopes we can identify the caller.

SUBMITTED BY:

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March 15, 2016