

RICHMOND POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT

January 27, 2015-February 9, 2015

TRAFFIC TICKETS ISSUED

Speeding: 12

No registration: 1

Display of plates: 2

Operating left of center: 1

Trespass by motor vehicle: 1

Operating with alcohol under 21: 1

Obstructed windshield: 1

Consuming alcohol while operating: 1

Failure to carry registration: 2

Vehicle not inspected: 12

Cell phone use/while driving: 2

Operating while suspended (civil): 1

Defective equipment: 1

Consuming alcohol under 21: 1

Limitations on passing: 2

Operating with open alcohol container: 1

Traffic control signals: 1

TOTAL TICKETS: 43

WRITTEN WARNINGS ISSUED: 23

PARKING TICKETS ISSUED: 5

INCIDENTS REPOERTED

Accidents: 6

Miscellaneous: 3

Motor vehicle complaints: 7

Welfare check: 1

VIN number verification: 1

DUI: 1

Unsecure building: 1

Property watch: 1

Attempt to locate: 1

Alarms: 2

Motor vehicle assists: 7

Animal problem: 1

Agency assists: 8

Theft: 1

Domestic dispute: 1

Trespassing: 1

Parking complaints: 2

Vandalism: 1

Suspicious circumstances: 1

TOTAL INCIDENTS REPORTED: 47

ARRESTS

DUI: 1

Attempting to elude: 1

Grossly negligent operation: 1

TOTAL ARRESTS: 1 / Charges 3

- January 28, 2015@ 09:09 hours, I investigated a single vehicle accident at 103 East Main Street. A teenage male who was headed to go skiing was east bound on East Main on the snow covered road when he saw a vehicle getting ready to turn left onto Millet Street but for some reason he thought it was going to turn at the 4 corners. When he realized that the vehicle was turning now he did not have time to stop so he veered right just missing a power pole and went through the traffic signal warning sign across the front lawn of #103 and hit the trees in front of the house damaging them . The young man admitted to travelling at least 35 miles per hour in a 30 zone. He was issued a \$220 traffic ticket for the accident. The Vermont Agency of Transportation was advised about the broken support post for the warning sign, however a few days later after another significant snowfall the Richmond Highway crew was snow blowing the sidewalk and could not see the broken off piece of support pole underneath the snow which got sucked up into the blower breaking the gearbox.
- January 31, 2015@ 23:10 hours, Officer Mat Nadeau was sitting at Tuscano's when he observed a vehicle pull out of Cumberland Farm store committing a traffic violation. He pulled out to stop the vehicle when he then observed it pass another vehicle just pass the firehouse and accelerate its speed. With blue lights and siren activated the vehicle continued east bound on East Main Street in excess of 90 miles per hour while unsafely passing another vehicle. Witnesses later located estimated his speed at in excess of 120 miles per hour. Officer Nadeau lost sight of him as it went around the curve by the Jonesville gun shop and when he came around the corner, he observed that the vehicle had crashed by Jones Mill Road and the operator had fled on foot. Assistance was requested and a State Police K-9 and an additional Trooper arrived to assist. As the K-9 was tracking the male operator was located in the woods by Stage Road where he was now asking for help. It seems when he took off on foot he lost his boots in the snow and was now barefooted and in pain. He was taken into custody and treated by Richmond Rescue for his feet. Several hours later a breath test was administered which registered a BAC of .064%. Due to the extended time frame his case was submitted to the lab for a relation back test. The 20 year old male was issued numerous traffic tickets for consuming alcohol, operating with alcohol container open and possession by someone under 21 years old. After being cleared by rescue he was transported to the Chittenden County Correction Center and was held on \$2,500 cash bail.
- February 1, 2015@ 09:00 hours, Officer Brett Lindemuth took a theft complaint from Cumberland Farms where a known subject who is living out of his vehicle is suspected of shoplifting cigarettes, food, candy and other assorted small items. One of the suspects in the

vehicle will distract the clerk while the other steals the items. We have had several similar reports from other store in the area. At this time they have not caught the suspect(s) on video but the area stores are keeping a watch out for them as are we.

- Since early December we have been looking for a suspect in a grand larceny theft case that occurred on Jonesville Estates. The suspect, whose identity was known to us has no permanent residence and was known to be staying at several locations in Essex and the Colchester area. On several occasions officers from Richmond have gone to these different residences when tips have come in that he was suspected of being there. Each time we were told that he was not there, but it was our belief that they were hiding him whenever we showed up. After several months of not locating him we enlisted the help of the U.S. Marshall's fugitive task force as the suspect had three active arrest warrants out on him. On February 9, 2015 at approximately 18:30 hours, Officer Mat Nadeau received a tip that the male was located at a home in Richmond. He took up an observation position and contacted the U.U. Marshall's office who put together response team. After 3 hours the home was surrounded and the female resident at the home who is pregnant with the suspect's child finally allowed entry while denying he was in the home. A search discovered the male at the house and he was taken into custody by the Marshall's service. Prior to them taking him to jail, Officer Nadeau read him his rights but he denied any involvement in the theft of the wedding and engagement rings which were valued in excess of \$5,000. He was taken by the Marshalls to the county jail and will be seen by the judge on the 10th of February.

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