

**RICHMOND POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT**

**May 1, 2018-May 14, 2018**

**TRAFFIC TICKETS ISSUED**

Speeding: 11	Operating after suspension (civil): 2
Cell phone use: 1	Vehicle not inspected: 9
Signals required: 1	Possession of marijuana: 1
No registration: 1	Failure to display registration validation: 1
Improper left turn: 1	Operating left of center: 1
No insurance: 1	

**TOTAL TRAFFIC TICKETS ISSUED: 30**

**TOTAL WRITTEN WARNINGS ISSUED: 44**

**ARRESTS**

Leaving the scene of an accident: 1	Unlawful Trespass: 1
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**TOTAL ARRESTS: 2**

**INCIDENTS REPORTED**

Accidents: 2	Suspicious circumstances: 7
Property watch: 2	Miscellaneous: 1
Fraud: 3	VIN number verification: 1
Welfare check: 2	Larcenies/unfounded: 2
Alarms: 3	Motor vehicle complaints: 6
Consent search: 1	Agency assists: 8
Leaving the scene of an accident: 1	Medical assists: 2

Traffic hazards: 3

Directed patrols: 2

Tre3spassing: 1

Found/lost property: 2

Citizen assists: 2

Sex offender registry check: 1

**TOTAL INCIDENTS REPORTED: 52**

- May 1, 2018@ 15:39 hours, Officer Rick Greenough took a fraud complaint. The victim's identification was hacked and an attempt was made to obtain two credit cards which was caught.
- May 2, 2018@ 18:30 hours, Officer John Hamlin was dispatched to a single vehicle accident located on Stage Road. When he arrived he observed a heavily damaged vehicle that had struck a power pole. There was evidence that an attempt was made to remove the vehicle from the scene and that the operator had been drinking who had fled the scene. Officer Hamlin was able to obtain a description of the male operator from a witness but was unable to locate the operator on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. On May 3<sup>rd</sup> Officer Hamlin was able to locate the 49 year old male operator at his Huntington home who admitted operation. He was cited into court to answer a charge of leaving the scene of an accident.
- May 3, 2018 this office received yet another complaint regarding a female teenager operating at excessive speeds on Joan Ave. Officers have spoken to the female and her mother with no change in operation just in the vehicle being operated. We have run several directed patrols in and around the area in an attempt to catch her without success as of yet but the effort has been acknowledged by numerous people who live in the area. Using some GHSP overtime money we had another directed patrol in the area on the 5<sup>th</sup>.
- May 3, 2018@ 13:18 hours, Officer William Bullock took a fraud complaint from a gentleman who resides on Maple Hill Road. The victim had been advertising a generator on Craig's List when a buyer sent him a check with an additional \$900.00 included which was to be given to the shipper when they arrived. Luckily our resident realized that this was a scam and did not succumb to it. This has become a common scam technique to cheat people out of their hard earned money.
- May 4, 2018@ 12:55 hours, I took a complaint from a Jericho Road resident with another attempt at a common phone scam to get money. This one the caller indicates that her grandson had suffered a broken nose. Usually they request a payment of some kind before they can treat the injured. The victim in this one did not let it get that far as she knew it was a false call because her grandchildren do not refer to her as grandma so she hung-up but was uncertain if she had provided some of her information before doing so. I advised her to notify her bank of the possible fraud and to check her statements to make sure no false claims appear on it.
- May 4, 2018@ 05:00 hours, Officer William Bullock ran a directed patrol near the intersection of Cemetery and Hillview Roads due to complaints of early morning travelers running the stop sign at the intersection. Officer Bullock ran the patrol for 2 hours and ended up making 2 traffic stops.

- May 4, 2018 during the evening shift, Officer John Hamlin responded to multiple traffic hazard complaints caused by high winds. He responded to East Main Street for trees down blocking all traffic, to Governor Peck for a tree blocking both lanes of traffic, back to East Main for low hanging power lines and then to Huntington to assist rescue with a medical call. Also during this shift he was dispatched to a trespass complaint at a home in the Riverview Commons Park. This has been an ongoing issue between neighbors over a disputed property line and multiple attempts have been made to negotiate a solution with them as well as the park manager without success. This time one female party was cited into court to answer a trespassing violation.
- May 6, 2018@ 20:14 hours, Sergeant Mat Nadeau while pulling into the town center parking lot observed a male riding a bicycle up the path towards the creamery lot. A little later he observed the same male along with a female standing along Bridge Street getting picked up by a vehicle. The owner of the vehicle is a known heroin user out of another town. After this Sgt. Nadeau decided to check the creamery property and found a small building that has not been torn down. Upon checking the building he found evidence that someone has been staying there so he left a business card indicating that they maybe trespassing. Several other checks of the property after this have not turned up the inhabitant.
- May 7, 2018@ 15:45 hours, Officer Rick Greenough took an identity theft complaint from a Southview Road home owner. Someone using his identification took out a credit card from the Cabellas' company and as it was fraudulent he and the company need a police case number and the information documented.
- May 7, 2018@ 22:33 hours, Sergeant Mat Nadeau and numerous other agencies were assisting the Vermont State Police in the South Burlington area who were attempting to locate two homicide suspects from Franklin County. The male suspect's cell phone was indicating that he/they were in the area. The two were successfully taken into custody after being observed coming out of a South Burlington hotel.
- May 9, 2018@ 08:40 hours, Officers Brett Lindemuth from his SRO position at Camel's Hump and Officer William Bullock responded to a two vehicle accident with injuries that was located on Huntington Road. Also responding to the scene were Richmond Fire, Richmond Rescue, Williston Rescue and UVM Rescue. Huntington Road just north of Grandview had to be closed down for approximately 45 minutes as rescue worked on three injured. The investigation revealed that a 22 year old male was headed south on Huntington Road near box 1150 when he crossed into the opposite lane and hit a second vehicle head-on. After the impact the second vehicle became airborne for approximately 65 feet before coming to rest. The operator of the first vehicle indicated he had fallen asleep while headed home from work and that he did not have insurance. All three patients were transported to the UVM emergency room for lower leg injuries. The operator of vehicle #1 was issued traffic tickets for operating a vehicle left of center and for operating without insurance.
- May 10, 2018@ 10:30 hours, I had another citizen stop in the office to report a phone scam. The female victim received a call from a male indicating he was from the I.R.S. but the call was from an out of area phone number. She immediately realized this was a scam call and hung-up before

giving out any of her information. The I.R.S. call is a frequently used scam these days. The caller generally will indicate that you owe the government money and if you don't pay you will be arrested under federal charges. Folks, the I.R.S. does not work this way and will not make these types of phone calls. If in doubt, hang-up and call the real I.R.S. by looking up the telephone number in the phone book.

- May 10, 2018@ 12:46 hours, Officer William Bullock attempted to assist the Winooski police department by serving a trespass order on a Richmond resident who is known to our officers. Her last known addresses in Jonesville were both checked and one appears to be vacant and the other has new occupants. We had dealt with this female just a few weeks earlier were we transported her to the emergency room for a mental health evaluation. Her current whereabouts are unknown at this time.
- May 11, 2018@ 09:01 hours, Officer Brett Lindemuth was working traffic on West Main Street when he attempted to stop a car for texting while driving. The vehicle initially slowed but did not stop for a ways before pulling over near 900 West Main. After getting out of his cruiser and started walking to the car it took off at a high rate of speed. Officer Lindemuth attempted to catch it with lights and siren but his way was blocked by a T.T. unit at Route 2 and 117. Officer Lindemuth has enough information to identify the operator and has two addresses checked, one in Milton by the P.D. and one in the area by us but he has not been located at this time. When located the operator will be facing an attempting to elude charge and will be cited into court.

**SUBMITTED BY:**

**Alan F. Buck**

**Chief of Police**

**May 15, 2018**