

Massachusetts State Trooper arrests two men for firearm, narcotics offenses

At approximately 1 a.m. yesterday Trooper Stephen Connor, assigned to State Police-Newbury, was patrolling Route 95 in Salisbury. As he was northbound prior to Exit 60 he observed a red Jeep Grand Cherokee make several erratic marked lanes violations. He activated his emergency lights and stopped the vehicle.

Upon the Jeep coming to a full stop Trooper Connor approached it and identified the driver as MARQUS MITCHELL, 37, of Peabody. It was quickly learned that MARQUS MITCHELL had a revoked driver's license along with a felony warrant for his arrest for multiple firearms and narcotics charges and assault and battery on a police officer. Trooper Daniel Henderson arrived on scene to assist placing MARQUS MITCHELL under arrest.

The passenger, identified as KHALID MITCHELL, 26, of Brockton, was removed to allow for an inventory of the vehicle's contents prior to it being towed from the scene. Trooper Connor quickly located a loaded Mossberg 9mm pistol, an electronic query of the firearm's serial number revealed it was reported stolen in July. Neither man possessed a license to carry firearms.

KHALID MITHCELL was searched and Troopers located several pills and a powdery substance believed to be Ecstasy. He was placed under arrest as well. They were transported to the Newbury Barracks where they were booked. A bail commissioner was contacted and set bail at \$100,000 for both men. They were arraigned at Newburyport District Court on the following offenses.

MARQUS MITCHELL:

Carrying a Loaded Firearm;
Receiving Stolen Property (firearm);
Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Revoked License; and
Marked Lanes Violation.

KHALID MITCHELL

Carrying a Loaded Firearm;
Possession of a Class B Drug;
Receiving Stolen Property (firearm); and
Marked Lanes Violation.