

Wareham Police respond to incidents involving assault and battery, traffic and narcotic charges

On Tuesday evening, June 16, Wareham Police received information that there had been an altercation between two groups of males on Station Street near the conservation area. During the incident a vehicle was struck and damaged with a baseball bat, as well as a male being pepper sprayed. All parties had already fled the area prior to police arrival; however two suspects were identified after a brief investigation.

At about 8:45 p.m. Officer James White observed the suspects in a vehicle on Cranberry Highway near Main Avenue. With the assistance of Officer Charles Pillsbury the car was pulled over and both subjects were placed under arrest. In addition the officers located and confiscated a digital scale, over \$3,000 in cash, and a baseball bat in the vehicle.

Hector Flores (19), of 115 High Street, Wareham, is charged with vandalizing property and violation of a harassment prevention order.

Tyler Noe (19), of 528 Gatehouse Drive, East Wareham, is charged with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.

Later at about 10:00 p.m. Lt. John Gerard was traveling on Cranberry Highway near Route 195 when he observed a vehicle fail to stop at a red light. The lieutenant attempted to stop the vehicle; however the vehicle did not pull over, forcing Wareham officers to initiate a pursuit. After a few minutes Lt. Gerard ordered all units to stop pursuing the vehicle. About 15 minutes later Marion Police Sgt. Jeff Habitch located

the vehicle off of Point Road in Marion. Wareham officers responded to assist and the vehicle sped off again, however Wareham Police Sergeant Kevin Reilly was able to deploy "stop-sticks" disabling a tire on the suspect vehicle. For several more minutes officers followed the vehicle and aided by the "stop-sticks" were able to deflate all of the tires. The vehicle was successfully stopped on County Road near White Pine Avenue; however the operator of the car refused to exit the vehicle.

Wareham officers were forced to smash a window on the car, and the suspect was placed under arrest after being guided from the car by Juvenile Detective Karl Baptiste and Officer Eric Machado. Assisting in the arrest and pursuit were Officers Charles Pillsbury, Blaise Lalli, and Michael Phinney.

Danye Thomas (49), of Wareham, was arrested and charged with, reckless operation of a motor vehicle, failure to stop for police, speeding, fail to stop at a stop sign, and operation of a motor vehicle after suspension of his license.