

Wareham police K9 catches Cape Cod Gas Station robbery suspect

On Thursday, December 21st at approximately 6:30 pm, Wareham police officers responded to the Cape Cod Gas Station at #3037 Cranberry Hwy. for a reported armed robbery incident involving a male suspect who allegedly demanded cash from the gas station attendant at knifepoint, then fled the scene into a wooded area behind the business. The employee handed over an undetermined amount of money and was not injured.

Within minutes, Wareham police officers arrived and began searching for the suspect, who the attendant described as a white male with a scruffy beard and wearing a mask that partially covered his mouth area. The employee lost sight of the male, who was last seen running toward the wooded area behind the gas station and the Water Wizz park.

During a search of the area, Officer Calib Larue located an article of clothing described as being worn by the suspect on the railroad tracks at the rear of the businesses. A perimeter was then secured, and Officer Phinney and his K9 partner "Rolf" arrived to search the area. Within minutes, K9 Rolf located the suspect hiding in brush and in possession of cash obtained from the gas station. The suspect was then positively identified as the person who robbed the gas station.

The arrested male was identified as 48 year old East Wareham resident Christopher Baker. He was transported to the Wareham Police Department and held without bail until his scheduled arraignment this morning at Wareham District Court. Mr. Baker has been charged with Armed Robbery While Masked and Intimidation of a Witness.

It should be noted that this is the second felony arrest in

the past 10 days for the outstanding K-9 "Rolf", and WPD is grateful for his service.