



Twice-Monthly Patrol Report filed by WDDNA's Off-Duty Sheriff's Deputies

PATROL DEPUTY REPORTS

Past Two Weeks Reported in Chronological Order



Be on the lookout for a mail thief

In recent weeks, homeowners in our neighborhood and in Arden Park have reported having mail stolen from their mailboxes. One homeowner on Gordon Lane near Jesuit High School was able to capture video of the suspect. (see images) He noted that the man in the video looked into his mailbox and broke into his neighbor's mailbox.

The man was described as an adult male, wearing a dark long-sleeve top with light-colored knee-length shorts and white tennis shoes. He also wore dark glasses, a two-tone hat with a logo on the front and had a black backpack. He was riding a black electric scooter. After looking into mailboxes on Gordon Lane, he headed toward Fair Oaks Boulevard.

If you see this man (or any stranger) looking into mailboxes, you should immediately call 911 and report it. Mail theft is both a federal crime and a state felony punishable by prison time.

DEPUTY REPORTS

Tuesday-Wednesday 8 p.m.-4 a.m., Sept. 24-25

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 30 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

At 9:45 p.m., I responded to a report that an older bald man was seen on a security camera going through the back yard of a vacant home on Marlborough Way. The caller (who is responsible for the property) appeared to recognize the man and provided a name.

I arrived on scene with a patrol unit. We checked the front yard and back yard, but found nobody on the property. We checked the area, but the subject was nowhere to be found. The caller said the man most likely left the area in a white Jeep. She said he was from out of state and that she had been having a problem with him for some time. I told her how to obtain restraining orders and file them with both states.

All the river access points were clear. I saw a few coyotes hanging around Jacob Lane and Marlborough Way tonight.

Wednesday 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Sept. 25

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 31 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

There was an audible alarm in the 4900 block of Marlborough Way. It checked clear.

I checked river access points and all were clear.

I was waved down by a resident who said a lot of cars were parking in the "no stopping" zone on American River Drive just east of Rio Americano High School. I drove there, but saw no parked cars at all.

Thursday 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Sept. 26

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 29 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I responded to a burglar alarm that turned out to be false.

I monitored traffic at Ashton and Saverien Drive, but observed no violations.

Saturday, 4-10 p.m., Sept. 28

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 38 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I responded to an email about a home on Shelato Way that has been a nuisance for neighbors. I provided the homeowner with a link to the county code enforcement website, where a report could be filed.

I received an email about a man on a scooter going through mailboxes in the Wilhaggin area.

At 8 p.m., I was waved down by a cyclist on Arden Way. He alerted me to a trash can fire inside William Pond Park. I alerted Park Rangers to respond, then I went to investigate. I located the fire in the rear of the park. It appeared that someone had dumped hot coals in a trash can full of trash. I used a fire extinguisher to put it out. Fortunately, it did not ignite the tree under which the trash can was located. Park rangers arrived and took over to ensure that the fire did not reignite.

Lots of people out walking their dogs tonight. The river access points checked clear.

Sunday, 3-11 p.m., Sept. 29

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 39 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I responded to a report that a person on a scooter wearing a ski mask had been seen on a security camera entering the back yard of a vacant home in the 4900 block of Kipling Drive. I arrived at the house and found the gate ajar. The backyard checked clear and the home was secure. I closed the gate and contacted a family member.

I checked the parks and river access points several times. They were clear of any problems.

I monitored the intersection at American River Drive and Saverien Drive, but saw no traffic violations. Both vehicle and foot traffic was light this evening.

Monday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sept. 30

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 29 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I responded to the 5200 block of Shelato Way regarding a pickup truck parked in the driveway with the rear blocking the sidewalk. Several other incidents had been recorded at this home in the past, including parking issues. I arrived and found a pickup truck in the driveway. The rear tires were parked on the sidewalk and the rear portion of the truck, including a hitch, were protruding into the roadway. I knocked at the door of the house and spoke to a woman who said she would knock at the bedroom door of the truck's owner and have it moved. I waited about 10 minutes, but nobody came to move the truck. So, I issued a parking citation and left a copy on the truck.

I monitored Ashton and Saverien, but did not observe any traffic violations.

Tuesday-Wednesday 8 p.m.-4 a.m., Oct. 1-2

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 28 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I responded to an email from a WDDNA member about noisy vehicle exhausts and informed the homeowner that current California law allows mufflers to produce noise up to 95 Decibels, which is loud. I provided the member with some decibel charts.

I contacted a young couple who were parked near Ashton Park and were "just hanging out." I advised them to move along and I stayed in the area for a while to prevent any further issues.

I contacted another driver parked at the park entrance at the end of Arden Way and had her move along. She said she was just lost, but I had a feeling she was living out of her car and trying to find a quiet place to sleep.

Wednesday 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Oct. 2

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 30 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I checked all the streets and river access points, but found no issues.

A resident waved me down about a burglary that occurred at her home on Ashton in June. I had taken the original report. She wanted to provide me with additional information about her stolen property.

I cited a driver near Jacob Lane and Fair Oaks Boulevard for having a suspended registration, no insurance and mechanical deficiencies.

Thursday 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Oct. 3

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 32 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I monitored traffic at Jacob Lane and Keane, but observed no violations.

I checked all of the river access points, but saw no issues.

Friday-Saturday, 8 p.m.-4 a.m., Oct. 4-5

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 37 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

Jesuit High School had a game tonight, so I maintained high visibility on American River Drive. Crowds started to leave early and everyone was fairly orderly. There were no issues to report. Rio Americano High School had its parking lot open until nearly midnight, when their bus returned with players from an away game.

It was unusually quiet throughout the shift, even with all the school activities.

I responded to a report of a seemingly abandoned Chevy Corvette on Paisley Way. It had temporary paper plates. A records check showed that the vehicle was registered to a Sacramento area resident. I referred the issue to parking enforcement.

I checked all schools, river access points and the park. There were no issues to report.

Saturday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., Oct. 5

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 22 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I responded to an email about a man on an electric scooter looking into mailboxes on Gordon Lane. I provided the information to our patrol divisions and rangers. The postman also happened to be delivering when I drove to the location, so I also told him about it.

NOTE: It is important to collect your mail as soon as possible after it is delivered. Thieves are still targeting mailboxes.

I addressed some parking issues on Ashton. A sporting event was taking place and some drivers were not being orderly or courteous in how they parked their vehicles in front of homes.

I had a discussion with a delivery driver who had gone through the Wyndgate electronic gate at a high rate of speed behind a resident who had driven in ahead of him. The delivery driver was trying to avoid using the code box.

I responded to a report that a violent man was inside the Raley's supermarket at Fair Oaks Boulevard and Walnut. He reportedly was breaking bottles and threatening customers. I arrived and I saw a man in full stride screaming and sweating profusely. I had contacted the same man in front of McDonalds earlier in the day. At that time, he had been calm and friendly. Now he appeared to be suffering some sort of episode possibly related to drugs. I was able to coax him into the back of my patrol vehicle and held him until patrol arrived. The Raley's manager had followed him and advised me that the man entered the store demanding the restroom. When the store manager attempted to escort him, he became violent and proceeded to break bottles and glassware. He threw things at customers and threatened to stab another, although no weapon was seen. The store manager estimated that the man did approximately \$900 in damage. I determined that the man had received an early prison release and was on parole with an extensive history of violence, vandalism and drugs. He was arrested and returned to custody.

Sunday, 3-11 p.m., Oct. 6

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 38 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

All parks and river access points checked clear of any problems. I monitored traffic at the intersection of America River Drive and Saverien Drive, but saw no violations.

Monday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Oct. 7

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 32 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I responded to a burglar alarm in the 900 block of Saverien Drive. The call indicated that a resident was home, but didn't have the security code. I arrived and spoke with the homeowner, who said he located the security code and informed the alarm company prior to my arrival.

I checked the river access points and parks multiple times. They all checked clear of any problems.

I received an email from a member in the 700 block of Walnut Glen Court stating that their surveillance video caught an unknown subject on a scooter checking a mailbox

Tuesday-Wednesday 8 p.m.-4 a.m., Oct. 8-9

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 28 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

It appears the mail thief on a scooter is still around. When I worked Sierra Oaks Neighborhood last week, they had similar issues with a subject on a scooter.

All parks and river access points checked clear. My focus was on trying to find anyone riding on scooters matching the mail thief's description.

Around 8:30 p.m., I responded to an email about a suspicious person going up to a vacant house on Morris. I was able to respond quickly, but the subject was gone. The homeowner was able to provide a description of the subject and car, but I was unable to locate it.

Wednesday 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Oct. 9

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 28 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I checked all river access points and all were quiet. I also searched for the mail thief on the scooter.

CRIME MAP

To see locations of crimes reported to the Sheriff's Department in our neighborhood and nearby areas, go to the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department website and its crime report map at

https://www.sacsheriff.com/pages/online_crime_mapping.php.

HOW TO CALL FOR HELP

IN AN EMERGENCY

If you have an immediate emergency - if your life or property is in immediate danger, if you feel threatened by someone on or near your property, if you have just become the victim of a crime or if you are witnessing a crime in progress:

- CALL 911 from a land line.
- Or, if calling from a cell phone within Sacramento County, call (916) 874-5111.

TO REPORT A CRIME

There are two ways to report a crime to the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department:

1. Call the Sheriff's Department NON-EMERGENCY LINE at (916) 874-5115. To bypass the recorded messaging when you call, dial 0 after the line is answered.
2. File a report online through the Sheriff's Department website. Click on this link to begin the process: https://www.sacsheriff.com/pages/crime_report.php

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY (Not an emergency)

If you see someone engaged in suspicious activity but it is not an emergency, call 916-874-5115 (Sheriff's Department non-emergency line).

GENERAL CONCERNS, REPORTS OR QUESTIONS

If you have an issue that can be addressed later, you may contact our neighborhood patrol officers about it. Go to WilhagginNA.com, log in, then go to the Members Only menu and click on Contact Patrol Officer.



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