



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

PATROL DEPUTY REPORTS

Past Two Weeks Reported in Chronological Order

Monday-Tuesday 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., Nov. 24-25

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

I checked on the river access points and Ashton Park multiple times, but observed no problems or issues. I also monitored several intersections along American River Drive. I saw no traffic violations.

Tuesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Nov. 25

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 43 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure. The vacation watch schedule filled my entire shift.

Tuesday-Wednesday 8 p.m.-4 a.m., Nov. 25-26

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 40 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I replied to a homeowner who wanted to know county ordinance regulations regarding early morning leaf blower noise. I explained that the noise he heard that morning fell within the county's ordinance regulations. I suggested he talk with his neighbor to see if the landscaper could start later in the mornings.

A member reported seeing an unfamiliar black truck parked on Pajaro Court for three days. I determined that the vehicle had been rented by a neighbor while his car was in the shop.

Thursday 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Nov. 27

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 54 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

A resident waved me down about a suspicious subject near Ashton Park. I responded and saw the man at the corner of Ashton Drive and American River Drive. His bike was lying next to him and he was digging into his backpack. When I spoke to him, he said he was out riding and stopped to put on some warmer gear. He then left the area.

While conducting a vacation check, I saw a large column of smoke billowing up from the backyard of a home nearby on what appeared to be Phelps Court. I drove to that home and saw that a neighbor was attempting to contact the homeowner about the smoke that was coming from behind their home near the fence line somewhere on Del Dayo Drive. I immediately called for the fire department to respond. I then drove to the property in question and found someone washing and detailing vehicles out front. When I said someone appeared to be burning something in the back yard, that person seemed unconcerned. So, I walked to the backyard and saw the homeowner on a small mechanical "iron pony" tilling the earth around a very large pile of brush. The brush pile was on fire and the flames extended well over six feet into the air. The homeowner said

today was a "burn day," so he believed he could burn the brush. I informed him that burn days refer to burning wood in a fireplace, not in a residential yard. I said he would need a burn permit from the fire department to burn the brush. He said he did not have one, so he began extinguishing the flames. The fire department unit arrived and confirmed that he needed a burn permit unless he was roasting a pig for a family feast.

Saturday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., Nov. 29

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 49 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

When leaving Wyndgate, I saw a woman transient building a wooded "fort" in front of a building in the office court across the street. The "fort" included a mattress she had removed from a dumpster. She said that she believed the business was closed, so it was okay to set up camp. I advised her otherwise and stood by as she returned the mattress to the dumpster and disassembled the plywood she used as a makeshift shelter. I offered her a number of homeless outreach options, but she refused them. So, I directed her to leave the area immediately, which she did.

Monday 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Dec. 1

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 27 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I monitored a few intersections on American River Drive throughout my shift but did not see any traffic violations.

Monday-Tuesday 9 p.m. to 4:30 a.m., Dec. 1-2

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 21 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I checked on the river access points and Ashton Park multiple times and monitored several intersections along American River Drive. I saw nothing of concern.

Tuesday 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Dec. 2

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 21 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I noticed that multiple homes on the vacation watch list had packages left on front porches. As a result, I maintained a high visibility and kept a vigilant eye on vacation checks that may have packages visible from the street. I was also looking for any suspicious activity that might indicate porch pirates driving through the neighborhood. I saw nothing suspicious.

I checked the river access points, but saw nothing of concern.

I monitored the intersections of Jacob and Keane; American River Drive and Ashton, and Kingsford and McClaren. I observed no traffic violations.

Tuesday-Wednesday 6:30 p.m.-2:30 a.m., Dec. 2-3

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 17 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure. I checked the river access points and the parks. All were quiet.

Tonight was cold and foggy. Only one person was out walking a dog on Keane Drive.

Wednesday 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Dec. 3

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 19 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I drove all the streets several times, checked river access points and the schools. It was a cold day and very few people were outside.

Thursday 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Dec. 4

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 18 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I pulled over a young driver who had briefly stopped at the stop sign at Estates Drive at Crondall Drive, then immediately proceeded through the intersection as two pedestrians were entering the intersection. I advised the young man that pedestrians have the right of way.

I stopped a bicyclist near American River Drive and Kingsford Drive for failing to stop at a stop sign. A motorist had approached the limit line at the same intersection just as the bicyclist sailed through without stopping. I warned the bicyclist that he is required to obey the same traffic laws as motorists and explained his failure to stop could have resulted in a serious collision.

I stopped and cited a driver for failing to stop at Estates Drive and Wycombe Drive. The driver was driving an unregistered vehicle and was operating it for a car dealership, but neglected to affix the dealer plate to the rear of the vehicle.

Friday, 5 p.m.- 12 a.m., Dec 5

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 19 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I was waved down by a resident who said he saw a group of teenagers pulling down a street sign at the intersection of American River Drive and Los Rios Drive. I responded to the intersection. The teens were gone, but I confirmed that the street sign had been pulled out of the ground and was lying on the sidewalk. I placed it back in its hole and notified the county.

I checked the river access points and Ashton Park multiple times and monitored several intersections along American River Drive. I located an occupied vehicle in a parking lot in the 3600 block of American River Drive. I contacted the occupant and advised him to leave the area, which he did.

Saturday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., Dec. 6

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 19 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I monitored traffic around the Rio Americano High School soccer tournament through the shift. I saw no traffic problems.

I stopped and issued a warning to a driver for speeding on American River Drive.

I spoke to a resident on Ashton whose Lexus SUV had been broken into last night. The burglar shattered the rear window and stole an expensive set of golf clubs. The victim said he had already made an online report and contacted his insurance company. I suggested that he speak to his neighbors to see if any of them had video footage showing suspect information for investigators to use.

Saturday, 4-10 p.m., Dec. 6

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 18 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I checked all river access points and I didn't observe any problems.

I contacted the teenage drivers of several cars that were loitering in front of Ashton Park tonight and had them move along.

I also checked on the Rio Americano High School soccer tournament by driving through the parking lot to make myself visible. It was peaceful and no street parking issues were noted.

Sunday, 7 a.m.-11 p.m., Dec. 7

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 19 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

Today was the California International Marathon, so traffic was extremely heavy on American River Drive.

I checked on the river access points and Ashton Park several times, but saw no problems or issues.

While monitoring the intersection in front of Rio Americano High School, I saw the driver of a gray sedan burn his tires and take off northbound on Saverien Drive. I caught up with the car and stopped it at Fair Oaks Boulevard. The driver was 22 and said that he was frustrated with all the traffic delays due to the marathon. I cited him for exhibition of speed.

I was dispatched to the 700 block of Cortlandt Drive in response to a 911 hang up. Our communications center attempted several calls back to the residence with no response. I arrived and contacted an elderly man who said everything was okay and that it was probably his wife who has a hard time dialing the phone.

While patrolling, I received an email regarding two vehicles with broken side windows in the 1200 block of Jacob Lane. When I arrived, both vehicles were gone. I found some broken glass in the gutter and I was told that the vehicles were not from the neighborhood and may have been related to the marathon.

I responded to a call about a female deer that had run through the gate at the Sheriff's Academy and gotten stuck. Park rangers and fire department staff were able to free the doe and she took off with minor injuries.

Monday-Tuesday 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., Dec. 8-9

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 11 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I checked on the river access points and Ashton Park multiple times and monitored intersections along American River Drive. I didn't observe any problems.

While patrolling, I drove with my overhead white lights on to deter criminal activity in the area.

Tuesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Dec. 9

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 12 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I saw an email about a suspicious man walking around the Crondall and Estates area. I was unable to locate him.

I responded to an email regarding a stolen package in the 4800 block of Marlborough Way. The package was taken on Saturday and the resident was contacted.

I checked on the river access points and Ashton Park multiple times and monitored intersections along American River Drive. I didn't observe any problems.

I monitored traffic around the schools during dismissals, but saw no traffic violations.

I observed and monitored several Amazon deliveries, but did not notice any suspicious people nearby.

Tuesday-Wednesday 8 p.m.-4 a.m., Dec. 9-10

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 11 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I shooed away a homeless man on a bicycle who was collecting cans from the Fair Oaks Boulevard and Jacob Lane area around 3 a.m.

Around 1:30 a.m. I noticed a car parked on Kevington Court with its trunk lid standing open and stuff in the back seat. I was able to wake up the homeowner and have him check his car to make sure nothing had been stolen. He said he either failed to close the trunk all the way or may have accidentally hit the trunk button on his key fob from inside his house. He was thankful, locked his doors and went back to bed.

It was cold and foggy tonight, so the neighborhood was very quiet.

Wednesday 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Dec. 10

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 11 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

It was cold and foggy today. Not many residents were outside. I saw no transients in the area. I monitored the high schools as they let out, but saw no traffic issues.

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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