



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

PATROL DEPUTY REPORTS

Past Two Weeks Reported in Chronological Order

WDDNA deputy catches robbery suspect

An instantaneous response and arrest by a WDDNA deputy brought an end to a bizarre series of events that included a three-car chase, an apparent attempted carjacking and robbery on Wixford Way near Rio Americano High School late Friday night, Sept. 18.

Around 3 a.m. that night, several 911 calls were received regarding three cars seen speeding through the neighborhood. They appeared to be chasing each other.

One of the cars was described as having a blue body and white roof with lettering on the side. That car somehow ended up on Wixford Way, where it coincidentally came upon a young man whose car had broken down.

The young man who owned the broken-down car later told deputies that one of the men in the blue car got out, brandished a gun, took his keys and tried to steal his car.

When the man discovered that the car could not be driven, he kept the keys, got back into the blue car and drove off down Ashton Drive toward Saverien Drive.

While that was going on, our WDDNA deputy (the only deputy on duty in our neighborhood at the time) heard the first 911 call and responded instantly. In less than a minute, he arrived in the vicinity of the first 911 call and began quickly checking the surrounding area.

Within minutes, he spotted the blue car with a white top on Saverien Drive and stopped it. He called for backup and detained the car's three occupants.

While deputies investigated that location, others were taking the report of the Wixford Way victim whose car keys had been stolen. He ultimately identified one of the men in the blue car as the person who had stolen his keys. That man was arrested and the other occupants of the car were cited for various offenses.

The gun said to have been brandished in the robbery was not found in the car. Deputies conducted an extensive late-night search of the area in case it had been tossed out a window, but were not able to locate it. Our WDDNA deputy stayed on duty working his part of the case until 5:30 a.m.

On Saturday, Sept. 19, WDDNA gathered additional information about what led up to the car chase. According to reports, the three cars were believed to have come from a party somewhere in Carmichael outside our neighborhood. Some of the young men who attended that party began vandalizing party goer's cars. An altercation ensued, which led to the car chase.

The other cars involved in the chase – a silver Toyota sedan and a black BMW – were never found.

Fortunately, the quick action of our WDDNA deputy ensured that the accused robber was apprehended.

Deputy Reports

Thursday 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Sept. 10

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

I was waved down by a resident on American River Drive who wanted assistance with a car seat.

I patrolled Dovercourt Circle to check on the home where a resident had received threats. It checked clear.

All schools were in session, so there was lots of vehicular traffic.

I checked all the river access points and all were quiet.

Friday, 5 p.m.- 12 a.m., Sept. 11

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

SMUD electricians were working at Ashton Park for most of the shift. The park remained quiet.

I followed up on previous reports of two illegally parked vehicles on Gary Way. One was moved into the homeowner's driveway, but the other was back on the street. I submitted a request to the Parking Enforcement Unit to swing by and cite all vehicles illegally parked on that street.

Saturday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., Sept. 12

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

I rechecked the American River Drive/Watt Avenue encampment which was vacated two weeks ago. There were no signs of new occupants.

There was an email advising of ongoing litter problems along the river access point at the end of Ashton Drive. I checked, but saw nobody of concern using this area nor any garbage drop spots at this time.

I responded to a report of negligent driving by a neighborhood teen. I ran the plate and contacted the teen's father – the registered owner – and advised him of the incident. He assured me that the situation would be addressed appropriately.

Saturday, 6-11 p.m., Sept. 12

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

I followed up on Gary Way to determine if Parking Enforcement had dealt with a parking problem there.

There were a great many pedestrians out tonight. I talked to two separate families and gave stickers to the little family members.

Around 9:30 p.m. I responded to a call for service at the Harrington Way river access point. A family had not returned to their car before the gate was locked. I drove over and let them out.

I responded to an email about a large deer that had been seen trapped in the track area of Rio Americano High School. I checked the track, but the deer was gone. It must have jumped back over the fence.

Sunday, 12- 6 p.m., Sept. 13

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 26 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I checked the river access points and Ashton Park. Many people were out and about, but I saw nothing of concern.

I received an email from a member regarding loud music coming from a home in the 4800 block of Oak Vista Drive. Because it was still early in the evening, I said I would stop by in a while if the music continued. A short time later the member reported that the music had stopped.

I checked Battlewood Way for any sign of the homeless subject who had previously slept there, but did not locate him in the area. A neighbor told me that the man had recently been seen near Los Rios Drive and Marrimooore Way. I checked the area, but was unable to locate him.

I monitored a couple of intersections along American River Drive, but saw no traffic violations.

Monday 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sept. 14

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 24 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I checked all the river access points and Ashton Park. A handful of people out and about, but I saw nothing of concern. I didn't observe any traffic problems around the schools.

I monitored a couple of intersections on American River Drive, but did not observe any traffic violations.

Tuesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sept. 15

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 24 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I checked the river access points and Ashton Park. I saw nothing of concern.

I monitored a couple of intersections along American River Drive, but did not observe any traffic violations. I spent time checking the Ashton Drive river access walkway, Dovercourt Circle, Tuscan Lane and Los Rios Drive. I observed no issues.

Wednesday 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Sept. 16

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

I checked all the river access points and the schools. There were no issues of concern.

I monitored several intersections, but saw no traffic violations.

I spoke with a new association member on Tuscan Lane explaining how the off-duty program works.

Thursday 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Sept. 17

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 25 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I drove by the home on Dovercourt Circle where threats had been received. It was secure.

I observed no traffic or parking issues around the schools.

A vehicle that had been waiting to turn left from Saverien Drive to Fair Oaks Boulevard had stalled. I approached the young driver, who was fiddling with the gear selector. I told him that the selector had to be in park or neutral to start the engine. He finally got it into park and tried to start the engine, but the motor died. I looked and saw that the gas gauge read well below empty. The young man said that it had been on empty for a while. I told him that he would need to have someone bring him some gas before trying to start it again. While I was summoning CHP and getting out some road flares, I could hear the young man trying to start his engine again. I advised him that doing so would ruin his fuel pump because it needed the gasoline for lubrication and cooling. I helped him push his car to the side of the road. Then I lit a few road flares and placed them behind the vehicle.

Friday-Saturday, 8 p.m.- 6:30 a.m., Sept. 18-19

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 26 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I received an email requesting that I check a home on Gary Way. The homeowner was away, but had seen a subject on his property the previous day. I checked the home, and let him know that everything appeared secure.

I noticed what appeared to be a freshly toilet-papered house near Saverien Drive and Ashton Drive.

Everything was quiet until approximately 2:56 a.m., when I became involved in a reported robbery. ***SEE the item at the top of this report.***

Saturday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., Sept. 19

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

I checked the homes in the neighborhood that are under construction and a home where threats had been received. All were secure.

I provided a resident with information regarding a restraining order involving a business partner.

I rechecked the American River Drive underpass where there had been previous homeless activity. I found a disheveled man lying in some bark next to an open container of alcohol. When I woke him, he disclaimed the alcohol and dumped it out in lieu of a citation. He checked clear of any wants and I sent him off in the opposite direction with an admonishment.

I responded to a homeowner on Wixford Way who had a video of a couple of young people on their front porch around the same time as the reported robbery of a young man whose car had broken down up the block. I met with the homeowner and explained the circumstances of that incident and we also discussed ongoing parking problems in front of his home related to Rio Americano High School students and sporting events on weekends.

There was a lot of traffic related to sports and park events. I also spoke with a new association member on Tuscan Lane and one of his neighbors.

Saturday-Sunday, 8 p.m.-4 a.m., Sept. 19-20

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 23 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I responded to an email from a WDDNA member about a vehicle parked on Ashton Drive. I checked on the vehicle, but it was unoccupied. I sent an email to the member.

North Patrol units had responded to a report of a loud party on McClaren Drive. I made note of the report. While patrolling, I came across a house in the 1600 block of McClaren Drive to which multiple juveniles were arriving in vehicles. I noticed that some of them

were carrying alcoholic beverages. I began to disperse them on the street and contacted the homeowner. Most of the juveniles left the area immediately, but more than a dozen remained on the street and neighboring streets, refusing to leave.

I requested additional patrol units to assist me in dispersing the juveniles. Several were obviously intoxicated. Two became verbally aggressive and refused to identify themselves. When deputies approached, they fled. After they left, the patrol units cleared, but I remained in the area.

While I was parked at the intersection of Arden Way and McClaren Drive, I saw that multiple vehicles were still arriving. All were being driven by minors. I waved for the vehicles to turn around and leave the area. Most of them did, but a few parked down the street and exited. Two intoxicated minors began to communicate with the new arrivals and attempted to walk back to the house on McClaren Drive. So, I again had to request the patrol units to assist.

Once the units arrived, we detained several of the youths and identified others. We also located contraband in a backpack and contacted some parents and asked them to pick up their kids.

I contacted the parent who was the owner of the party house. I advised him of the problem and his responsibility for the minors on his property who were drinking. He said he would take care of those who were on his property. He explained that several were staying the night.

Dealing with the entire episode took about an hour.

Sunday, 12- 6 p.m., Sept. 20

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

I checked all the river access points and Ashton Park. The weather was very nice, and there were many people out and about enjoying the evening. I saw nothing of concern.

I received an email from a member regarding a suspicious vehicle – a blue Subaru – parked at Ashton Park. The member said the vehicle had been parked there for several days and it appeared that someone was living in it. I ran the plate provided by the member and determined that it was registered to an Arden Park address. I learned that the owner of the car had been contacted earlier by patrol.

I arrived a short time later and contacted the man, who was walking in the park near the vehicle. I asked him about his vehicle and advised him to move it and leave the area. He said he would do so after he got some fuel and a jump to get the car started. He was cooperative and understood why neighbors were calling about him.

I was dispatched to a panic alarm in the 4700 block of Dovercourt Circle. I contacted the elderly homeowner, who said he had accidentally set off the alarm.

I monitored a couple of intersections on American River Drive, but did not observe any traffic violations.

Monday 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sept. 21

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 25 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I checked all the river access points and Ashton Park. There was nothing of concern.

I received another email from a member regarding the blue Subaru parked at Ashton Park. I responded to the member and explained that we were familiar with the vehicle and its occupant and that it would be towed if it was not moved the following day. Then I stopped by the park and spoke with the driver, who was sitting in the car. I reminded him that he

needed to move the vehicle as soon as possible or it would be towed. He said he was still working on getting it moved.

I was again dispatched to a panic alarm in the 4700 block of Dovercourt Circle. As I pulled up to the home I received a notice that the alarm had been activated accidentally. I knocked on the door, but no one answered.

I monitored multiple intersections along American River Drive, but observed no traffic violations.

Tuesday 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sept. 22

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

I was waved down in the 600 block of Regency Court by a woman asking that I stand by while she knocked on the door of a house to retrieve her personal property. When she did, it appeared that nobody was home. I advised her to go through an intermediary to arrange for a future visit and approval to obtain her property.

While walking Ashton Park, I noticed that the blue Subaru which had been the subject of multiple reports was still parked there. I noted that the 72-hour warning period to move the car expires tomorrow, at which time it can be towed.

I checked on a vacant house in the 3900 block of American River Drive. A report had been received that the home may have been used by transients. I found that the rear garage access door was open and the door to the house was ajar. I waited for an additional unit and we conducted a search of the interior. The home had evidence of being pillaged, but we found no one inside. Apparently, this fully furnished home has been vacant for nearly 20 years. Due to water damage and mold growing inside, I contacted Code Enforcement to send officers to investigate and red-tag the house, if necessary. I also noted that WDDNA deputies should check the home daily for the next month.

Traffic was very light today. I did not observe any moving or parking violations. I checked all river access points, but saw nothing of concern.

Wednesday 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Sept. 23

I patrolled the neighborhood and completed all 23 scheduled vacation watch checks. All homes were secure.

I checked the river access points and the schools. There were no concerns.

A resident texted me about a car parked in front of her house during school hours at Rio Americano High School in violation of a no parking sign. I ticketed the car.

I responded to a report about two men dressed in construction vests walking down Whitehall Way. I checked the area and they were gone.

I drove by Ashton Park and saw the blue Subaru that had been parked there for days. I recalled that the vehicle had been tagged with a 72-hour warning. Today, that green tag had been ripped off the windshield, so I issued a citation and had the vehicle towed.

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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