



POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT

Wethersfield



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Chief of Police

JULY 2018

SPECIAL PROJECTS / ACHIEVEMENTS / INNOVATIONS

The Wethersfield Police Cadets participated in practical skills training “Drill and Ceremony” in preparation for the Cadet Academy Camp at the University of Hartford.

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

Patrol Division

Patrol Division (Cases of Interest)

On Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at approximately 2:33 AM officers were dispatched to a local business on the report of a burglar alarm. Upon arrival they noticed the front door glass was broken and the rear door unsecured. A search of the store revealed the suspect had already left and possibly stolen cigarettes and cash. The shift sergeant advised officers of a male he noticed walking in the area while he was responding to the alarm. The male was located by an officer a short distance from the business. The male consented to a search of his person. Officers located evidence from the burglary, including unopened packs of cigarettes and cash, on the male. Also found were several baggies of suspected heroin. The male admitted to committing the burglary. He was placed under arrest and charged with Burglary 3rd Degree, Larceny 6th Degree, Criminal Mischief 2nd Degree, Possession of Narcotics and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

On Saturday, July 14, 2018 at approximately 2:05 AM an officer noticed a vehicle travelling south on Ridge Road in a left turn only lane abruptly swerve to the right and continue straight on Ridge Road. The officer additionally noticed the vehicle cross over the double yellow line multiple times. Upon conducting a motor vehicle stop the officer could smell the odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from the operator’s breath. The operator failed the field sobriety tests that he attempted. He was placed under arrest and charged with Operating Under the Influence and Failure to Drive Right.

Detective Division

During the month of July 2018, members of the Detective Bureau initiated or were assigned to twenty-one (21) new cases. These cases involved the following:

One (1) commercial burglary; Three (3) larcenies; Two (2) sexual assaults; Three (3) Disorderly Conducts; Two (2) DCF Referrals; Three (3) death investigations; Two (2) vandalisms; One (1) missing person; One (1) False Statement; One (1) Assist; One (1) Threatening and one (1) motor vehicle stop resulting in a no insurance.

Detectives also followed up and closed five (5) old cases. These were one (1) stolen car, one (1) sexual assault that resulted in an arrest being made, one (1) death investigation, one (1) residential burglary in which no suspect was developed and one (1) commercial burglary that resulted in an arrest being made. Detectives also continue to perform town background investigations for new town hires and background investigations for pistol permits applicants. Also, a police detective completed a background investigation for a potential hire for a police officer.

Juvenile Detective

The Wethersfield Police Department handled approximately 34 incidents, involving approximately 41 juveniles during the month of July 2018. In these incidents there were 9 Juvenile "Summons" arrests issued, 3 Juvenile were diverted for parental discipline and 2 Juveniles were seen at the Wethersfield JRB/CBR Board.

School Resource Officer – Wethersfield High School

No Activity

School Resource Officer – Silas Deane Middle School

No Activity

Administrative Services Bureau

This department has responded to 43 police-related alarms in month of July. Non-residential locations made up 17 (40%) of this total, residential alarms made up 22 (51%), and State and Town government made up 4 (9%). The alarms received were; 40 burglar, 1 holdup / panic, and 2 Fire. There currently are 1,962 alarm registrations on file, 39 of which experienced alarm(s) this month; this represents a 98% compliance rate. Fifteen new alarm registrations were entered this month. During this month, \$2,125 in alarm billing has occurred. There have been 100 actions performed by this unit with the CryWolf system, and 84 items of correspondence sent out.

Support Services Bureau

Fourteen persons held in custody this month, in lieu of bail, and transported to court; Eleven males and three females.

There were 127 phone calls and seventy-nine calls for service involving animal control issues. Wethersfield Animal Control Officers covered for ten calls in Newington, Newington Animal Control Officers covered for three calls in Wethersfield, and police officers covered for twenty-three calls in town. Seventy-seven dog licenses were obtained during the month. There were twelve impounds this month: nine were redeemed, one stemmed for a quarantine, and two were carry over. The incident synopsis for the month is: six wildlife complaints (Geese, raccoon, turtles, etc.), seventy-three dog/cat cases (roaming, barking, left in cars, etc.), ten mutual aid calls to Newington, and eight warnings issued for unlicensed dogs. The ACOs issued three letters to residents for delinquent dog licenses this month.

Wethersfield Police Department Child Seat Technicians inspected/installed nine child seats.

Wethersfield Public Safety Dispatchers received and handled 848 E-911 emergency phone calls.

The Wethersfield Volunteer Fire Department (WVFD) was dispatched to, or initiated, forty-six calls for service, fire prevention activities, or assists / standbys.

The Wethersfield Volunteer Ambulance (WVAA) was dispatched to eighty-two incidents, and Aetna dispatched to 237 incidents during the month. There were 201 medical / ambulance calls this month; multiple ambulances may be dispatched to one call which results in dispatched ambulance totals far exceeding the total number of medical calls.

Community Relations:

Speed complaints were received for Crest Street and areas near Pine Acres; area is scheduled for high visibility speed sign placement.

Speed complaint for Jameswell Road near Gracewell; area was stealth monitored and seed report showed no issues.

Two stone / Waters traffic light safety concern; no issues noted by SSB officers. Did make report to town engineering that a sign placed by the DoT warning of opposing traffic coming from Two Stone may be well advised as a proactive measure.

Goff Road between Wells and Nott, speed Complaints received. Area was stealth monitored and report indicated further action is advised. High visibility sign was placed and selective enforcement was directed at times indicated by speed study.

25 – 31 Church Street, request for posted no parking between two driveways with limited space and view; request approved by LTA, sign requested.

Training Division

Throughout the month of July, Officer Jessica Blank continued the on-line training titled, **“CALEA Law Enforcement Accreditation Manager Training.”**

On Tuesday, July 3, 2018, Officer Justin Hilchuk attended **Police Motorcycle Operator Training**. This training, to upkeep police motorcycle operator skills, is hosted by the Hartford Police Department.

On Monday, July 9, 2018 through Friday, July 13, 2018, Officer Robert Arduini attended the **2018 DARE International Training Conference**. This training took place at the Rosen Centre Hotel in Orlando Florida.

On Tuesday, July 10, 2018, Officer Nuno Martins and canine Jax attended **Police Canine / Police Canine Handler Training**. Officer Martins and K9 Jax participated in this canine training with several other area law enforcement canine teams. Training included evidence recovery and tracking.

On Tuesday, July 10, 2018, Officer Shane Murphy and canine Marley attended **Police Canine / Police Canine Handler Training**. Officer Murphy and K9 Marley participated in this canine training with several other area law enforcement canine teams. Training included evidence recovery, tracking and narcotics detection.

On Friday, July 13, 2018, Sergeant Michael Wren, Sergeant Thomas Regan, Officers Joseph Baich, Kevin Lawless, Peter McGee and Dispatcher Lauren Hammond completed on-line **COLLECT / NCIC Re-certification Training**. This training was completed on-line.

On Thursday, July 19, 2018, Lieutenant Andrew Power attended **COLLECT / NCIC Certification Training**. This training was completed at the State of Connecticut Forensics Laboratory in Meriden.

On Tuesday, July 24, 2018 Detective Jeffrey Poulin attended **Firearms Training** with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). This training is conducted by the DEA for Task Force Officers (TFOs).

On Wednesday, July 25, 2018 and Thursday, July 26, 2018, Lieutenant Michael Connolly and Sergeant Luis Gonzalez attended **Direct Action Resource Center (DARC) Training**. This training is related to a philosophy of SWAT tactics.

On Wednesday, July 25, 2018, Detective James Darby attended **Search and Seizure Training**.

On Friday, July 27, 2018, Officers Kenneth Newton and John Blair attended **Drager Instructor Recertification Training**. This training took place at State of Connecticut Forensic's Laboratory in Meriden.

On Saturday, July 28, 2018, Officer Shane Murphy participated in the **Canine Olympics**. This was a competition between police canines / canine handlers.

On Tuesday, July 31, 2018, Dispatchers Lauren Hammond and Abigail Biafore attended **Airborne / Bloodborne Pathogen, BLS, First Aid, Narcan and Tourniquet Training**.

This training took place at the Wethersfield Police Department Training Unit Conference Room.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Hartford Marathon / Old Wethersfield 5 &10k Roadrace – August 26th

The Wethersfield Police Cadets will assist with the Special Olympics Dream Ride Event on 08/04/2018 and 08/05/2018. Five members of the Wethersfield Police Cadets will participate in the Cadet Academy Camp at the University of Hartford from 08/05/2018 thru 08/11/2018

PERFORMANCE MEASURES July 2018

	JULY 2017	JULY 2018	YTD 2017	YTD 2018
Criminal Arrests				
Criminal Arrests	57	65	375	459
Burglaries and Robberies				
Residential Burglaries	2	1	13	5
Commercial Burglaries	2	0	4	3
Armed Robberies	0	0	1	1
Strong-Arm Robberies	0	0	1	0
Traffic Related				
Infractions/ MV Summons	105	97	820	733
DUI	9	3	44	53
MV Crashes	47	52	486	414
Parking Tags	35	119	650	686
Miscellaneous Activities				
911 Calls	1125	848	6059	5954
Alarm Responses	66	43	331	322
Records Requests	135	145	1258	866
Child Car Seat Installations	12	9	33	41