

WEARE

#### **JANUARY 2024**

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WEARE POLICE



Here are a few suggestions to help stay safe! We hope you will share these tips with your neighbors and friends, too!

## WHEN YOU ARE HOME

- Always keep your doors and windows locked. Install dead-bolt locks on all doors.
- Keep your home well-lit at night, both inside and out, and keep your curtains closed at night.
- Install a peephole in your front door so you can see who's ringing before opening the door.

#### VISIT US ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM

- Ask for proper identification from delivery men or strangers. Don't be afraid of asking - if they are legitimate, they won't mind.
- Never give anybody your credit card, social security, or bank account number to anyone over the phone unless you've placed the call.
- If a stranger asks to use your telephone, offer to place the call for them yourself. Never let a stranger into your home.
- Do not leave notes on your door when you are gone, and do not hide your keys under the mat or in other conspicuous places.
- Never give out information over the phone indicating you are alone or that you won't be home before a certain time.
- When you are gone for more than a day, make sure your home looks and sounds occupied! Use automatic timers to turn on lights and a radio or television.

## WHILE YOU'RE OUT

Carry your purse very close to you
don't dangle it from your arm.

Also, never leave it free for the taking in a shopping cart.

- Don't carry more cash than is necessary. Many grocery stores now accept checks and automatic teller cards instead of cash.
- Avoid walking alone at night. Try to have a friend accompany you in any high risk areas - even during the daytime.
- Have your paychecks or government checks sent directly to your bank account - many banks offer senior citizens discounts.
- Never withdraw money from your bank accounts for anyone except yourself. Be wary of conartists and get-rich schemes that probably are too-good-to-be-true.

## IN YOUR CAR

- Keep your gas tank full and your engine properly maintained to avoid breakdowns.
- Always lock your car doors, even when you're inside and keep your windows rolled up. Driving with the windows closed also improves gas mileage.
- Lock packages and other valuables in the trunk. Do not leave them on the back seat or on the floor of the car where potential thieves can see them.
- When you return to your car, always check the front and back seat before you get in.
- Never pick up hitchhikers.

If your car does break down, pull over to the right as far as possible, raise the hood, and wait inside the car for help.

## WHAT IF I AM A VICTIM?

- If you arrive home and suspect a stranger may be inside, **don't go in**! Leave quietly and call 911 to report the crime.
- If you have been swindled or conned, report the crime to the police. Con artists count on their victim's reluctance to admit they've been tricked, *but if you delay, you help them get away*!
- Remember, if you never report the crime, they are free to cheat others again, again and again.

Sourced from: https://www.murrietaca.gov/638/Crime-Prevention-Tips-for-Seniors

## CALLS FOR SERVICE AS REPORTED (CFS)

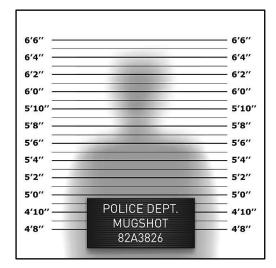
Includes administrative tasks, training, and court related activity Animal Complaint – Dog at Large: 6 Animal General - Misc. Animal Calls: 4 Assist Other Agency – General/Other: 21 Burglar Alarm: 5 **Business Check: 63** Business Updates: 0 Civil Matter: 5 Civil Standby: 5 Domestic Disturbance: 3 Fingerprint Service: 1 Follow Up Investigation: 16 Hazard: 16 Juvenile Involved/Incorrigible: 0 Motorist Assist/Disabled Vehicle: 25 Motor Vehicle Collision - General: 23 (continued) Motor Vehicle Complaint: 15

Motor Vehicle Lockout: 4 Noise Complaint: 1 Pistol Permits Issued: 7 Police Courtesy/Citizen Assist: 5 Police Information: 11 Protective Orders: 2 Report Requests: 23 Sex Offender Registration/Update: 1 Sex Offense: 0 Suspicious Activity/ Person: 1 Suspicious Vehicle: 1 Theft/Fraud/Scam: 3 Vandalism/Property Damage: 2 VIN Verification: 5

#### **Total Calls Generated: 1121**

### **INCIDENTS**

Civil Matter: 3 Domestic Dispute: 2 Drug Related: 8 Mental Health/Health Welfare: 1 Major Motor Vehicle Infractions: 7 Found/Lost Property: 2 Fraud/Theft: 2 Animal: 1 Assault: 1 Juvenile Offenses: 3 Police Information: 1 Assist Other Agency: 3 Conduct After an Accident: 1 Violation of Court Order: 1 Harassment: 1 Criminal Mischief: 1



## ARRESTS

Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Criminal Mischief, Drive After Revocation/Suspension, License Required & Vehicle not Equipped with Interlock– In July 2023, we responded to a report of a hit and run crash on Reservoir Drive. An investigation was conducted and an arrest warrant was sought for Eric Myers, 53, Weare, NH. Myers turned himself in on the arrest warrant, was booked and released on personal recognizance bail with an arraignment date at Goffstown District Court.

Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>: Driving under the Influence (DUI) – We responded to a motor vehicle complaint and crash on Concord Stage Road. During the investigation it was suspected that the operator, Kenneth Cronyn, 72, Weare, NH was driving under the influence. Cronyn was subsequently arrested and transported to the Weare Police Department for booking. Cronyn was released on personal recognizance bail with an arraignment date at Goffstown District Court. Cronyn was released to the custody of a sober adult. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>: Driving under the Influence (DUI) & Speeding 26+ MPH Over Limit– While on patrol on South Stark Highway, an officer observed a vehicle approaching his cruiser from the rear at a high rate of speed. The vehicle was captured on radar traveling 71MPH in a posted 45MPH zone. While speaking with the male operator post stop, Alexander Coughlin, 24, Manchester, NH, it was suspected he was under the influence of alcohol. Coughlin was subsequently arrested and transported to the Weare Police Department for booking. Coughlin received personal recognizance bail and an arraignment date at Goffstown District Court Coughlin was released to the custody of a sober adult and the vehicle was towed from the scene.

#### Jan 6<sup>th</sup>: Drive After Revocation/Suspension-

While patrolling North Stark Highway, an officer observed a vehicle approaching his cruiser at a high rate of speed. The vehicle was captured on radar traveling 57MPH in a posted 30MPH zone. During the motor vehicle stop it was learned the operator, Hannah Edwards, 19, Hillsboro, NH, was operating on a suspended driver license. Edwards was released on a hand summons in lieu of physical arrest with an arraignment date at Goffstown district Court. The vehicle was later removed by a licensed driver.

Jan 9<sup>th</sup>: Electronic Bench Warrant (EBW) – We executed an EBW from Manchester District Court at a residence on River Road. John Williams, 45, Weare, NH, was taken into custody without incident. Williams was transported to the Weare Police Department for booking and then to the Hillsborough County Department of Corrections to await Manchester District Court arraignment.

Jan 13<sup>th</sup>: Driving under the Influence (DUI), Possess False ID, Unlawful Intoxication & Yellow/Solid line Violation– While patrolling North Stark Highway, an officer observed a vehicle having lane control issues. A motor vehicle stop was conducted. While speaking with the operator, Dominick Lamoretti, 19, Burlington, MA, it was suspected he was under the influence of alcohol. Lamoretti was subsequently arrested and transported to the Weare Police Department for booking. Lamoretti was released on personal recognizance bail with an arraignment date at Goffstown District Court. Lamoretti was released to the custody of a sober adult and the vehicle was towed from the scene.

#### Jan 14<sup>th</sup>: Possession of a Controlled Drug & Transport Drugs in a Motor Vehicle- While

patrolling South Stark Highway, an officer observed a motor vehicle traveling below the posted speed limit with numerous vehicles behind it. The vehicle turned into Lanctot's Plaza – all stores in the plaza were closed at this time. The officer observed the vehicle's rear license plate light was out. A motor vehicle stop was conducted. While speaking with the male operator, Robert Funa, 47, Manchester, NH, it was suspected he had possession of illegal drugs. After a consent search of the vehicle and locating drug paraphernalia, Funa confirmed he was holding crack cocaine on his person and turned it over to the officer. Funa was subsequently arrested and transported to the Weare Police Department for booking. Funa was released on personal recognizance bail with an arraignment date at Goffstown District Court. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>: Endangering Welfare of Child or Incompetent (x3)– In August 2023, we responded to Hoit Mill Road for a Health and Welfare check. After assisting the individual, another incident occurred where the welfare of children and an incompetent were compromised. A report was taken and an arrest warrant sought for Katherine Pheanis, 33, Sandown, NH. The warrant was granted and shared with the National Crime Information Center (NCIC). On January 18, 2024, the Auburn, NH Police Department located and arrested Pheanis on this warrant. Pheanis was transported to the Weare Police Department for booking, released on personal recognizance bail and handed an arraignment date at Goffstown District Court.

Jan 19<sup>th</sup>: Possession of a Controlled Drug, Possession - Residual Amount & Transport Drugs in a Motor Vehicle– While patrolling South Stark Highway, an officer observed a motor vehicle with a defective brake light. While speaking with the male operator post stop, Nathan Eliason, 38, Lebanon, NH, it was suspected illegal drugs were inside the vehicle. After a consent search of the vehicle and our finding controlled drugs and paraphernalia, Eliason was arrested. Eliason was transported to the Weare Police Department for booking, released on personal recognizance bail and handed an arraignment date for Goffstown District Court. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

Jan 21<sup>st</sup>: Driving under the Influence (DUI), Open Container & Speeding 16-20 MPH Over Limit– While patrolling Concord Stage Road, an officer observed a vehicle approaching his cruiser at a high rate of speed. The vehicle was captured on radar traveling 47MPH in a posted 30MPH zone. A motor vehicle stop was conducted and while speaking with the operator, Martin Ferland, 25, Concord, NH, it was believed Ferland was under the influence of alcohol. Ferland was arrested and transported to the Weare Police Department for booking. Ferland was released on personal recognizance bail with an arraignment date for Goffstown District Court. Ferland was released to the custody of a sober adult and the vehicle was towed from the scene.

Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>: Felonious Sexual Assault (FSA) – Sexual Contact– In November 2023, We received a report of a past tense sexual assault. An investigation was conducted and juvenile petitions were sought. As this case involves juveniles, no further information will be provided.

Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>: Domestic Violence (DV) – 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Assault, DV Simple Assault (x3) & DV False Imprisonment– We responded to a report of a domestic assault on High Rock Road. While on scene and conducting the investigation we learned of another assault – (a past tense felonious domestic assault). Lucas Landry, 42, Weare, NH, was arrested and transported to the Weare Police Department for booking. Landry was held on preventative detention without bail by the Bail Commissioner. Landry was transported to the Hillsborough County Department of Corrections with an arraignment set for the next court day at Goffstown District Court.

Jan 30th: Driving under the Influence (DUI), **Open Container, Speeding 16-20 MPH Over** Limit, Transporting Alcohol by a Minor, Unlawful Possession/Intoxication & Possession/Use of Tobacco Products by a Minor- While patrolling Concord Stage Road, an officer observed a vehicle approaching his cruiser at a high rate of speed. The vehicle was captured on radar traveling 45MPH in a posted 30MPH zone. A motor vehicle stop was conducted. While speaking with the male operator, Ryan Slaney, 19, Plymouth, MA, it was suspected Slaney was under the influence of alcohol. Slaney was subsequently arrested and transported to the Weare Police Department for booking. An open container of alcohol was observed in the vehicle as well as tobacco products and marijuana.

Court. Slaney was released to the custody of a sober adult and the vehicle was towed from the scene.

Jan 30th: Unlawful Possession/Intoxication, Possession/Use of Tobacco Products by a Minor & Possession of False ID's (x3)– While patrolling Concord Stage Road, an officer observed a vehicle approaching his cruiser at a high rate of speed. The vehicle was captured on radar traveling 45MPH in a posted 30MPH zone. A motor vehicle stop was conducted. The operator was suspected of driving under the influence and arrested. The passenger, Ryan Hendrix, 19, Plymouth, MA, was found to be in possession of alcoholic beverages and tobacco products.

During a search of Hendrix, post arrest, officers located multiple false/fake New Jersey driver Licenses. Hendrix was arrested and transported to the Weare Police Department for booking. Hendrix was released on personal recognizance bail with an arraignment date for Goffstown District Court.



# JANUARY MOTOR VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT WE STOPPED 404 VEHICLES AND 72 CITATIONS WERE ISSUED

Slaney was released on personal recognizance bail with an arraignment date for Goffstown District

# DIRECTED PATROLS

248 were conducted this month Of these, 156 were driven through citizen concerns, 9 through contractual obligation and 83 through officer discretion

AREA	FOCUS	REPORTED CONCERNS
Concord Stage Road	Multiple Locations	Speed
Deering Center Road	Roadway	Speed
Hatfield Road	Roadway	Crime Prevention
North Stark Highway	Speed-High Traffic Times 3-7PM and 7-9PM	Speed
Gould Road	Roadway	Speed
South Stark Highway	Between Barnard Hill Road and Duck Pond	Speed
Colby Road	Roadway/area homes	Crime Prevention
Bolton Memorial Park	Park/Fields	Crime Prevention
Thorndike Road	Roadway - Commuting times	Speed

**Contractual obligation – Everett Dam** 

A BIG **THANK YOU** GOING OUT TO ALL THOSE WHO FOUND SOME TIME TO JOIN US FOR FOR SOME GOOD, OLD-FASHIONED FAMILY FUN AS WE TEAMED UP WITH SOME DEDICATED TEACHERS TO PLAY SOME B-BALL AGAINST THE HARLEM WIZARDS!





# **Chief's Corner**

## The towing of vehicles

When you have a concern/question regarding police operations, we are always happy to explain our processes and make suggested changes to our policies and procedures which are legal, ethical, and benefit the community. One community concern we are monitoring involves towing. For transparency, and since 2020 our towing policy has remained on our website and available for your review! I would like to take this opportunity to point out some RSA's and procedures regarding towing.

We have the responsibility to ensure the safe and efficient flow of vehicular traffic on the Town's streets and highways to ensure an orderly and safe environment for travel. If you leave your vehicle unattended on a roadway and it is impeding the flow of traffic, we will first attempt to contact you, so post your contact information in a visible location on the vehicle prior to leaving. If you cannot be contacted, the vehicle will be removed for safety reasons.

If you remain with your vehicle, <u>YOU</u> will determine how the vehicle will be removed if it is not being impounded. We will contact a wrecker of Your choosing, however they must respond to the scene within 45 minutes. If a vehicle can legally be operated on the roadway and there is another licensed driver with you (or you can have one respond in a timely manner), you may turn the vehicle over to them. If the vehicle is legally parked, it may be left where it is. We equip our vehicles with push bumpers, so if you consent and there is a safe location within proximity, we can push the vehicle from the roadway to alleviate the hazard. You would likely still need to remove it within 24 hours, but the situation will dictate, and the officer will provide instructions.

If you cannot or will not decide, we will use a rotational list of wreckers who will provide the towing service. We do not endorse any wrecker service as we operate with neutral competency.

The wrecker companies are not affiliated with the police department, and we do not set their rates. RSA 262:35-a requires the rates to be reasonable. You have the right to appeal any fees charged which you believe are excessive by submitting a written request to the Commissioner of the New Hampshire Department of Safety within 15 days.

If you would like to review the policy, it is available on our website under the Chief tab. I would also like to note the policy is currently under review and is being updated.



We work hard every day to provide best police service to every member of our community **and our respected senior population is certainly no exception**! For more information on the S.O.S Program give us call!



# HAVE A "CRIME TIP" OR OTHER INFORMATION TO SHARE WITH US? WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! CALL US AT 603-529-7755



# Dispatch – (603) 497-4858

Please call this number to request police assistance, report an incident, etc. Dispatch services are provided by the Goffstown Police Department.

## Mailing & Physical Address

Weare Police Department 144 North Stark Highway Weare, NH 03281

## Website & Social Media

We encourage you to visit us at wearepolice.com and to find us on Facebook and Instagram.



## Office Line (non-emergency)

(603) 529-7755 (option 2). If your call is not answered after five (5) rings, you will automatically be transferred to our dispatch center for assistance.

## Office Fax (603) 529-0606

## Prosecution

Sergeant Brandon Montplaisir prosecutes our violation and misdemeanor-level offenses, Juvenile Petitions and Administrative License Suspensions.

He may be reached by calling (603) 529-7755 and selecting option 2.

The Hillsborough (North) County Attorney's Office prosecutes our <u>felony-level offenses</u> and may be reached by calling 603-627-5605.