

Monthly Report

October 2008

# ISLE OF PALMS POLICE DEPARTMENT



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From: CHIEF BUCKHANON

Subj.: MONTHLY REPORT for OCTOBER 2008

Date: November 6, 2008

The following is a brief synopsis of some of the activities of the Isle of Palms Police Department during the month of October 2008.

#### **Patrol**

October 3, 2008 Two Mount Pleasant police officers requested that an Isle of Palms police officer accompany them to a residence on 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue to assist in serving an Arrest Warrant on a resident. The wanted subject was present and was taken into custody without incident.

October 3, 2008 A vehicle reported stolen on August 5, 2008 from a residence on Ocean Boulevard was located in the City of Charleston. The vehicle was towed to the Isle of Palms to be processed by Investigators.

October 3, 2008 An officer responded to the area of Sand Dune Lane where a citizen had reported someone illegally shooting fireworks. The officer observed a female subject lighting fireworks then observed a fire in nearby dunes caused by sparks from her fireworks. Fire Department personnel were summoned and extinguished the fire. The female subject was charged with Discharging Fireworks.

October 4, 2008 An Isle of Palms police officer responded to Sullivan's Island, at the request of the Sullivan's Island Police Department to assist in directing traffic at Jasper Boulevard and Station 21 due to an accident on the causeway.

October 4, 2008 Officers responded to a residence on Sand Dune Lane after someone reported a domestic dispute at that location. Officers determined that both subjects involved were only arguing and no assault had taken place. The wife agreed to leave the residence for the evening in a taxi.

October 4, 2008 Officers responded to a front beach condominium rental unit where an attempted suicide had been reported. Officers found a female subject unresponsive and fire department personnel performed first aid until EMS arrived and transported her to a local hospital. It was determined that the subject had locked herself in the bathroom and ingested numerous prescription medications after a verbal altercation with her husband.

October 5, 2008 An officer received information that an employee of a business on 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue had an active Arrest Warrant for Grand Larceny issued by the North Charleston Police Department. The subject was located, identified, and taken into custody then transferred to the custody of a North Charleston police officer.

October 5, 2008 At the request of the Mount Pleasant Police Department an officer was dispatched to an Ocean Boulevard location to make an attempt to locate a male subject that had been reportedly involved in a domestic dispute. The officer located the subject and determined that he had an outstanding Arrest Warrant issued by the Mount Pleasant Police Department. The subject was transferred to the custody of a Mount Pleasant police officer.

October 7, 2008 Sullivan's Island Police requested assistance regarding two male subjects near Station 22 that were fighting. Responding officers assisted in taking the two subjects into custody.

October 9, 2008 After a high speed chase from Charleston that ended in Mount Pleasant, the Mount Pleasant Police Department requested that an officer respond to provide them with a Thermal Imager to use in locating a suspect that had fled into a wooded area.

October 9, 2008 An officer responded to a residence on  $26^{th}$  Avenue to assist a mother in picking up her three minor children from their maternal grandmother. The mother had no transportation and when questioned about child custody she became belligerent to the officers and began to use obscenities causing a scene in the street, which caused her to be taken into custody. Found on her person were six Xanax pills wrapped in  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a twenty-dollar bill. She was charged with Disorderly Conduct and Possession of Schedule IV Controlled Substance. It was later determined that the subject was under investigation by DSS for child neglect.

October 10, 2008 Officers responded to the area of 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, where someone had reported loud noise from a residence. Arriving officers observed three subjects attempting to leave the area and found that they were in possession of beer and appeared to be underage. After detaining the three subjects they went to the residence where the noise had been reported and discovered five more underage subjects in possession of alcohol and beer. All eight were under the age of 21and charged with Underage Possession of Beer, two were charged with Possession of False ID, and one with False Info to Police and Littering.

October 10, 2008 While investigating an accident at the intersection of the Connector and Palm Boulevard the officer determined that the driver at fault in the accident had an open container of liquor in his vehicle. He was charged with Careless Operation and Illegal Transportation of Liquor.

October 10, 2008 An officer responded to a Forest Trail residence to investigate a fight that had been reported at the Recreation Department. A thirteen- year old male subject stated that two older male subjects assaulted him, and his friend was also assaulted when he attempted to intervene. Photos were taken of the subject's injuries and the case was assigned to an Investigator for follow-up.

October 13, 2008 A Sullivan's Island police officer detained two Hispanic subjects on a traffic stop and the officer requested that one of our Spanish-speaking officers, on duty at the time to respond to his location to translate for him.

October 13, 2008 While on patrol in Wild Dunes an officer observed an SUV traveling at a high rate of speed and leave the area. Several minutes later the officer again observed the same vehicle on 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue traveling toward the Marina Market and observed the vehicle drive off onto the shoulder of the road. The vehicle was then stopped and when the officer made contact with the driver an immediate odor of alcohol was detected. The driver refused to submit to any Field Sobriety Tests and requested the presence of his attorney. The driver was taken into custody and transported to the Charleston County Detention Center where he refused to submit to a Datamaster Test. He was charged with DUI and lodged until he had a bond hearing.

October 14, 2008 At approximately 11:30 p.m., an officer on patrol stopped a golf cart on Palm Boulevard near 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue being operated by a male juvenile. The officer investigated and determined that the operator was fourteen years old and was also in possession of beer. The officer's investigation revealed that the golf cart in question had been stolen that evening and that the subject admitted that he was responsible for several other golf cart thefts. He was taken into custody and his mother was called to be present while a written statement was taken. It was determined that this subject and another male juvenile were responsible for at least two other recent golf cart thefts. The juvenile was charged with Grand Larceny of a Motor Vehicle 3 counts, and Possession of a Stolen Motor Vehicle. An Investigator met with the juvenile co-defendant and his parent the following day, where he was charged with Grand Larceny of Motor Vehicle 2 counts. Since both subject are juveniles, their cases will be tried in Family Court.

October 15, 2008 A Mount Pleasant police officer requested assistance in locating a subject that was wanted by his agency. Officers accompanied him to a residence on 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue where the subject was identified and taken into custody without incident.

October 16, 2008 Officers responded to a residence in Ocean Point, where a domestic dispute had been reported. Responding officers separated the husband and wife and their investigation determined that the wife was the primary aggressor and had caused lacerations to her husbands face. Once she was taken into custody, he became

verbal and physically attempted to keep his wife from being led from the residence. Two officers wrestled with the husband in an attempt to handcuff him for his interference in the arrest, which resulted in the use of physical force by the police officers to restrain him. The wife was charged with Criminal Domestic Violence and the husband with Breach of Peace, Resisting Arrest, and Hindering. Both subjects were transported to the Detention Center.

October 17, 2008 An officer accompanied a Chaplain from the Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy to a residence on 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue to conduct a welfare check on a male subject. The subject was present and agreed to be transported by EMS to a local hospital for treatment.

October 19, 2008 After stopping a speeding vehicle on the Connector, the officer observed two open containers of beer in the front seat. The driver was taken into custody and charged with Speeding and Open Container in a Motor Vehicle.

October 22, 2008 A resident of Fairway Village Lane came to police headquarters to meet with a police officer to report that some unknown person had somehow acquired the account number to his home equity account with his mortgage company and had received proceeds from eight separate equity check transactions from his account totaling almost \$536,000.00. The suspect had also changed the telephone number on the account. This case has been assigned to an Investigator who will work closely with the banking institutions Fraud Investigators and the FBI.

October 24, 2008 Officers responded to a domestic dispute regarding visitation of minor children for the weekend. The incident was documented and all parties advised accordingly.

October 26, 2008 Officers responded to the front beach area, where the friend of a depressed female reported that the friend was at the pier on the Isle of Palms and had stated on the telephone that she wanted to commit suicide. Officers located an empty pill bottle on the pier then located the female subject reclined in the front seat of a parked car in a nearby parking lot. The officers determined that the subject had ingested at least ten Valium pills and had consumed a large quantity of alcohol in an attempt to end her life. She was transported by EMS to a local hospital for evaluation.

October 29, 2008 The owner of two condominium units in Wild Dunes returned to find that both units had been burglarized sometime after April of this year. Locked cabinets had been entered in both units and similar items were missing from each. The case has been assigned to an Investigator.

October 30, 2008 Investigators assisted Charleston County Sheriff's Office Metro Narcotics Unit conduct a Search Warrant at a residence on Ocean Boulevard. The owner of the residence was arrested after more than four pounds of high quality marijuana was delivered by Fed-Ex to his residence.

October 31, 2008 Officers responded to a reported accident on Palm Boulevard near 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The first officer that arrived observed a female subject behind the wheel of one vehicle suffering from the effects of air bag deployment. The officer detected a strong odor of alcohol coming from this vehicle and advised the driver to sit still to await medical treatment from fire department personnel. The driver then became uncooperative with fire department personnel and EMS refusing treatment and became verbally abusive to anyone that attempted to speak to her. The driver's condition would not allow her to complete any Field Sobriety Tests. She was transported to the Mount Pleasant Police Department to be administered a Datamaster Test, which she refused. The driver was charged with DUI and transported to the Detention Center.

### **Personnel/Community Relations**

October 4, 2008 All available officers worked the Sixteenth Annual Isle of Palms Connector Run and Walk for the Child, which appeared to have a record turnout.

October 7, 2008 Detective Sergeant D. Caldwell, Detective D. Tarr, and PFC K. Thompson provided a Drug & Alcohol Awareness class to Boy Scout Troop 502 at the Isle of Palms United Methodist Church.

October 8,2008 PFC S. Baldrick a State Certified Child Safety Seat Installer, assisted in the proper placement and adjustment of a child safety seat for two local citizens.

October 31, 2008 For the month of October officers on patrol discovered four business and three homes with open or unsecured doors. A total of one hundred eleven Victim of Crime Forms were issued to business or property owners for various potential problems noted or to advise that an officer checked their business during the night while on patrol.

## Isle of Palms Police Department

TO:

LT. WRIGHT

11/5/2008

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

TELECOMMUNICATIONS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

DATE:

During the month of October 2008, the Telecommunications Office received and dispatched 4526 calls for service to the four (4) public safety agencies of Isle of Palms and Sullivan's Island, and the National Park Service. The following is a breakdown of activity by department.

	IOPPD	IOPFD	SIPD	SIFD	<u>NPS</u>	TOTALS
October-08	3,634	78	800	14	0	4,526
October-07	3,190	61	556	13	0	3,820
Percentage Change	14%	28%	44%	8%	0%	18%
Year to Date 2008	34,427	800	8,065	193	1	43,486
Year to Date 2007	31,536	901	7,268	222	1	39,928
Percentage Change	9%	-11%	11%	-13%	0%_	9%
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Tract 1:				
Breach inlet to 10th Ave	139	570	229	938
Tract 2:				
Ocean Blvd to JC Long to 14th Ave	275	97	73	445
Tract 3:				
10th Ave North to 21st Ave South	306	46	201	553
Tract 4:				
21st Ave North to 31st Ave South	75	183	147	405
Tract 5:		·		
31st Ave North to 41st Ave South	18	51	105	174
Tract 6:				
Forest Trail	12	0	11	23
Tract 7:				
41st Ave North to 57th Ave	157	397	159	713
Tract 8:				
Wild Dunes	70	93	116	279
Tract 9:				
IOP Connector	11	0	48	59
Tract 10:				·
County Park	2	0	1	3
Tract 99:				
Off Island	4	0	38	42
Totals:	1069	1437	1128	3634

# Isle of Palms Police Department Officer Activity October 2008

	October	October	Percentage	Year To Date	Year To Date	Percentage
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Service Calls	1128	1443	-22%	13956	16252	-14%
Building Checks	1069	1115	-4%	11528	9392	23%
SPR'S	1437	632	127%	8943	5892	52%
Traffic Stops	266	362	-27%	2983	4607	-35%
Traffic Stops w/Tickets	101	150	-33%	1001	1558	-36%
% Traffic Stops w/Tickets	38%	41%	-8%	34%	34%	-1%
DUI Tickets	3	2	400%	38	40	-5%
DUS Tickets	8	13	-38%	62	102	-39%
Speeding Tickets	47	34	38%	377	389	-3%
Other Traffic Tickets	76	172	-56%	920	1553	-41%
Non Traffic Tickets	14	16	-13%	195	279	-30%
Parking Tickets	71	138	-49%	2851	6080	-53%
City Tickets	38	38	0%	272	615	-56%
Warning Tickets	81	31	161%	570	1614	-65%

### Connector Calls For Service October 2008

The Isle of Palms Police Department has responded to or initiated 59 calls involving 932 minutes, or 15.5 man hours for the month of October 2008. The following table breaks down the type, number and time element of each call on the connector.

	Calls October	Calls Year To Date	Arrests October	Arrests Year to Date	Minutes October	Minutes Year To Date	Avg. Minutes October	Avg. Minutes Year To Date
Accidents	2	25	2	5	272.55	1283.41	136	51
Traffic Stops With Tickets	15	176	2	43	301.04	5413.07	20	31
Traffic Stops Without Tickets	21	315	0	0	159.54	2823.92	8	9
Citizen Assists	4	106	0	1	101.24	1327.72	25	13
Assist Other PD	0	3	0	0	0	14.6	0	5
Miscellaneous	17	131	0	4	97.21	2313.49	6	18
Totals	59	756	4	53	932	13176	16	17
Oct-07	112	1206	11	105	1682	21144	15	18

# Offense Type Comparison

OFFENSE TYPE	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	<u>May-08</u>	30-nuC	30-jnr	Aug-08	Sep-08	Oct-08	Nov-08	Dec-08	YEAR	PREVIOUS YEAR TO	% CHANGE FROM LAST
11A FORCIBLE RAPE	c	c	-	c	c	0	c	c	c	c			DATE	DATE	YEAR
11D CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT	0	0	0					0	0	0				3 2	-100%
120 ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			, 0	, ,	-100%
13A AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0			2	2	150%
13B SIMPLE ASSAULT	2	0	1	2	4	5	က	2	2	-	3		22	18	22%
13B CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	-	0	0	-	-	2	0	0	-	-			7	2	250%
13C INTEMIDATION	_	0	0	0	2	2	2	က	0	0			10	9	%29
220 BURGLARY/BREAKING & ENTERING	4	82		9	4	20	9	2	9	2			9/	16	375%
23C SHOPLIFTING	0	0		0	0	0	-	0	0	0			2	7	-71%
23F THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE		_	4	0	2	4	-		0	-			ខ	47	-51%
23G THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS	0	0	0	0		-	0	0	-	0			2	4	-20%
23H BREACH OF TRUST	-	-	0	0		2	0	-	٥	-			5	6	-44%
23H ALL OTHER LARCENY	2	7	2	4	=	23	13	Ξ	9	6			88	103	-15%
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250 FORGERY/COUNTERFEITING	-	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0			4	4	%0
250 POSSESSION OF FALSE DRIVERS LICENSE	0	0	4	0	-	-	0	0	0	0			9	12	-50%
26A FALSE PRETENSE/SWINDLE	-	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0			2	4	25%
26B FRAUD CREDIT CARD/ ATM	0	0	0	0	+-	0	-	0	0	0			2	5	%09-
268 FRAUD/ IDENTITY THEFT	0	0	0	က	0	0	-	0	-	2			7	-	%009
26C IMPERSONATION - PUBLIC OFFICIAL	0	0	0	-	0	_	0	0	0	0			2	0	200%
280 STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	-			-	0	100%
290 DESTRUCTIVE/DAMAGE/VANDALISM	17	9	9	3	3	3	ro	2	0	4			49	62	-21%
35A DRUG/NARCOTICS VIOLATIONS	1	2	0	-	٥	-	-	0	-	-			80	21	-62%
35A SIMPLE POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA	1	-	3	2	-	-	ည	0	-	0			15	40	-63%
36B CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT	0	0	-	0	٥	0	0	0	0	0			-	0	100%
36C INDECENT EXPOSURE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	2	-100%
100 KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	-	-100%
520 WEAPON OFFENSES	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0			-	က	%19-
753 OBSCENE/HARASSING PHONE CALLS	-	۳-	0	0		2	1	1	,	0				đ	-11%
90A FKAUDULENT CHECKS	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0			-	0	100%
90B CURFEW/LOITERING/VAGRANCY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	1	-100%
90C DISORDERLY CONDUCT	0	0	က	2	5	0	2	2	8	0			11	15	13%
900 DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	1	9	5	9	5	4	9	-	0	9			37	36	3%
90E PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS	3	3	3	2	1	-	5	2	-	0			21	31	-32%
90F FAMILY OFFENSES/NONVIOLENT	0	0	0	1	0	-	0	0	0	0			2	4	-50%
90G LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	-	-	3	9	7	4	2	-	0	1			56	94	-72%
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### ARREST SUMMARY

Туре		Octo	ber 2008			Tof	tal 2008			Octo	ber 2007			Tot	al 2007	
Adults	Male	25	Female	9	Male	336	Female	140	Male	32	Female	8	Male	584	Female	207
Juveniles	Male	5	Female	0	Male	16	Female	10	Male	2	Female	0	Male	18	Female	16
Narc-Adults	Male	0	Female	1	Male	16	Female	7	Male	9	Female	3	Male	65	Female	21
Narc-Juveniles	Male	0	Female	0	Male	1	Female	0	Male	0	Female	0	Male	4	Female	1
TOTALS:	Male	30	Female	10	Male	369	Female	157	Male	43	Female	11	Male	671	Female	245

### PROPERTY VALUES REPORTED

Туре	October 2008	Total 2008	October 2007	Total 2007
Burglary Stolen	\$400.00	\$90,145.00	\$25.00	\$32,629.00
Larceny Stolen	\$35,165.00	\$254,735.00	\$6,229.00	\$148,247.00
Criminal Damage	\$0.00	\$14,703.00	\$110.00	\$29,088.00
MVT Stolen	\$3,550.00	\$182,450.00	\$0.00	\$76,893.00
Robbery Stolen	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$27.00
Burglary Recovered	\$400.00	\$12,418.00	\$0.00	\$6,015.00
Larceny Recovered	\$22,725.00	\$56,383.00	\$13.00	\$86,185.00
Criminal Damage Recovered	\$0.00	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$9,173.00
MVT Recovered	\$9,050.00	\$98,850.00	\$0.00	\$76,893.00
Robbery Recovered	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Stolen	\$39,115.00	\$527,330.00	\$6,254.00	\$257,796.00
Total Recovered	\$32,175.00	\$167,681.00	\$13.00	\$178,266.00
Total Seized	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

# Isle of Palms Police Department Animal Control Report October 2008

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	Monthly	Yearly	Monthly	Yearly
	Total	Total	Total	Total
Citations	4	23	1	84
Warning Tickets	2	17	0	7
Animals Secured	5	80	4	65
Dogs	4	47	3	37
Cats	0	9	1	14
Raccoons	1	15	0	5
Other*	0	16	0	9
Released to: (Owner, other)	3	69	3	42
Transported to Shuler Vet	0	4	0	10
Transported to Other Vets	2	8	0	10
Transported to SPCA	0	23	1	22
Injured Animals	0	8	0	21
Trapped Animals	1	24	0	15
Cats	0	17	0	11
Raccoons	1	4	0	4
Other **	0	3	0	0
Dead Animals Removed	21	164	10	83
Traps Set	3	53	0	20
Kennel Fees	\$21.00	\$209.00	\$21.00	\$231.00