



PRESS RELEASE

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To: Area Media Outlets

Re: Stolen Car Arrest

On March 5, 2008 at 12:30PM Officer Gilroy discovered a stolen car which was parked on Ocean Boulevard. The car, a 1999 Dodge Durango, was reported stolen from Manchester, NH. Officer Gilroy pulled behind the car blocking it in and challenged the occupants, ordering them out of the vehicle. The driver refused and attempted to flee from arrest by driving away. In that process the stolen car struck the front end of the Police Cruiser. The stolen car then jumped the curb and sidewalk and fled down H Street on to Ashworth Ave.

The Officer pursued the suspects onto Ashworth Avenue where they abandoned the car and fled on foot. Several Officers converged on the scene establishing a perimeter and began to search for the suspects that fled the stolen car.

Both suspects were located a short time later hiding under a porch in the area of Dow Avenue. Both were taken into custody without incident. Neither suspect had identification on them at the time of their arrest; subsequently one has been determined to be a juvenile female whose name will not be released. As the investigation continues charges may be forthcoming for the juvenile passenger.

The driver has been identified as:

Branden Chase
LKA 83 Harrison St.
Manchester, NH

Chase is charged with:

Receiving Stolen Property (Felony)
Reckless Conduct (Felony)
Disobeying an Officer (Misdemeanor)
Conduct After an Accident (Misdemeanor)
Driving without a license (Misdemeanor)

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