



Manalapan Twp. Police : Press Release / Police Blotter
June 16th Through June 30th 2020

20MN11703 - Motor Vehicle Burglary

On Tuesday, June 30, 2020, at approximately 9:17pm, patrols responded to a residence located on Crystal Court for the report of an incident of Burglary. The victim, a 53-year-old Manalapan resident advised that sometime during the overnight hours between June 29, 2020 and June 30, 2020, an unknown actor(s) entered the victim's vehicle and removed a wallet. The wallet was later located near the residence and returned to the victim. This case is pending further investigation. Patrolman Philip Accatatta handled the report.

Please remember to always lock your vehicle, even when you park your vehicle in your driveway and NEVER leave your keys or key fob in your car, and try to remove all visible valuables!

20MN11553 – Shoplifting

On Sunday, June 28, 2020, at approximately 2:20pm, patrols responded to a grocery store located on State Highway 9 in Manalapan for a report of an active shoplifting incident in progress. Further investigation revealed the identity of the subject who concealed various merchandise on his person while in the store. However, they left most of the merchandise behind after being encountered by store security and fled the scene on a bicycle. The accused was later located in Freehold Township where he was in possession of the remaining merchandise. The store is considering filing complaints regarding this matter. Patrolman Matthew Meyler handled the report.

20MN11545 – Harassment

On Sunday, June 28, 2020, at approximately 10:00am, the victim, a 53-year-old Manalapan resident reported an incident of Harassment. The victim advised that a 47-year-old Manalapan resident who resides in the same neighborhood harassed her multiple times regarding association dues that were past due. The report was handled by Patrolman James Guarino.

20MN11512- Suspicious (Possible attempted vehicle burglary)

On Saturday, June 27, 2020 at approximately 5:48pm, patrols responded to a residence located on Burke Street for a report of a Suspicious incident. The caller, a 35-year-old, Manalapan resident reported that on June 26, 2020 at 11:15pm, he observed a suspicious male on his video surveillance who appeared to be attempting to open car doors. The subject was described as a white male approximately 25-30 years old wearing a black shirt, shorts, and black sneakers and carrying a backpack. If anyone has any further information regarding this incident they are asked to please contact the Manalapan Township Police Department. Patrolman John Lightbody handled the report. ***Please remember to always lock your vehicle, even when you park your vehicle in your driveway and NEVER leave your keys or key fob in your car, and try to remove all visible valuables!***

20MN11477- Fraud / Theft

On Saturday, June 27, 2020, at approximately 8:18am, the victim, a 47-year-old Manalapan resident reported an incident of Theft. The victim advised that money was fraudulently removed from his personal bank account and another account was fraudulently created utilizing his personal information. Patrolman Reginald Grant handled the report.

20MN11454 – Fraud / Theft

On Friday, June 26, 2020, at approximately 7:30pm, the victim, a 57-year-old Manalapan resident reported an incident of Fraud. The victim advised that he was contacted by a fraudulent computer customer service representative who he later shared his personal information with. The suspect then accessed the victim's bank account and withdrew money from the account. Patrolman Christopher Makwinski handled the report.

20MN11430 – Theft/Shoplifting

On Friday, June 26, 2020, at approximately 2:23pm, patrols responded to a department store located on State Highway 9 in Manalapan for the report of a shoplifting by an unidentified male subject. The actor was reported to have removed several items from the store by filling a cart with the items and exiting the store without paying. Patrolman James Guarino handled the report.

20MN11311 – Driving While Under the Influence

On Wednesday, June 24, 2020, at approximately 10:10pm, patrols located a reported erratic driver in a convenience store parking lot located on Smithburg Road. Further investigation revealed that the driver, Louisa Melillo, a 60-year-old female, unemployed and resident of Lakewood, NJ was found to be operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol. Ms. Melillo was arrested and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where she was processed and released after being served with multiple summonses. Patrolman Jeremy Slad was the arresting officer.

20MN11292 – Harassment

On Wednesday, June 24, 2020, at approximately 1:35pm, the victim, a 64-year-old, Manalapan resident reported an incident of Harassment. The victim advised that he is being harassed by a Manalapan resident through ongoing noise complaints. This incident is currently under investigation. Patrolman Peter Bylsma handled the report.

20MN11231- Harassment

On Tuesday, June 23, 2020, at approximately 3:07pm, the victim, a 63-year-old Manalapan resident reported an incident of Harassment. The victim advised that that two residents of Manalapan were harassing her at her workplace located in Manalapan. Patrolman Jeremy Slad handled the report.

20MN11225- Theft

On Tuesday, June 23, 2020, at approximately 12:47pm, the victim, a 58-year-old Jackson resident reported an incident of Theft. The victim advised that sometime between June 19, 2020 and June 23, 2020, his excavator was unlawfully removed from a construction site that he was conducting work at in Manalapan, near State Highway Rt 33 Patrolman Jean Letts handled the report.

20MN11222- Harassment

On Tuesday, June 23, 2020, at approximately 12:05pm, the victim, a 60-year-old Manalapan resident reported an incident of Harassment. The victim advised that a Manalapan resident has been falsely filing police reports against her. Patrolman Kyle Earley handed the report.

20MN11220- Harassment

On Tuesday, June 23, 2020, at approximately 11:48am, the victim, a 37-year-old Manalapan resident reported an incident of Harassment. The victim advised that he was being harassed by a Manalapan resident via social media and telephone. Patrolman Joseph DeFilippis handled the report.

20MN11166 – Fraud

On Monday, June 22, 2020, at approximately 6:00pm, the victim, a 69-year-old Manalapan resident reported an incident of Fraud. The victim advised that an unknown subject had attempted to collect unemployment benefits utilizing his social security number. Patrolman Aaron Abeles handled the report.

20MN10935 – Harassment

On Thursday June 18, 2020, at approximately 4:45pm, the victim, a 39-year-old Manalapan resident reported an incident of Harassment. The victim advised that he was being harassed by another Manalapan resident via social media. Patrolman Matthew Meyler handled the report.

20MN10907- Criminal Mischief

On June 18, 2020, at approximately 9:48am, the victim, a 44-year-old Manalapan resident reported an incident of Harassment. The victim advised that a group of unknown subject(s) have repeatedly left toilet paper in the trees and left trash in their yard. Patrolman James Guarino handled the report.

20MN10930- Harassment

On June 18, 2020 at approximately 3:04pm, the victim, a 61-year-old Manalapan resident reported an incident of Harassment. The victim advised that her neighbor, a Manalapan resident has been verbally harassing her. Patrolman Reginald Grant handled report.

20MN11171 – Identity Theft

On Monday, June 12, 2020, at approximately 6:30pm, the victim, a 24-year-old Manalapan resident reported an incident of Identity Theft. The victim advised that an unknown actor used her social security number to open up two new cellular phone accounts utilizing her personal information. Patrolman Jeremy Slad handled the report.