

Monthly Report

May 2023



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ADMINISTRATION:

Staffing:

The Police Department is operating below its authorized strength of 48 sworn Officers. Staffing and deficiencies:

- 3 Patrol Officers
- 1 SLEO III Officer

Injured Officers/Officers on Leave:

- Det. William Parenti Jr. was involved in a motor vehicle accident on November 9, 2022. He remains out of work. He has missed one hundred and forty-five (145) work days thus far.
- Ptl. Tyler Rayner was involved in an on-duty motor vehicle accident on March 24, 2023 while responding to a call for service. He returned to full duty on May 25, 2023.

Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

- Effective May 1, 2023, Ptl. Timothy Boykoff retired from the department.

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A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On May 4, 2023 at 0649 hrs., patrol responded to a business on lower Somerset Street on a report of a robbery. The business owner and a female store employee were in the store. The female employee reported that at approximately 6:30am, two unknown males walked into the establishment while she was at the rear of the store. One of the males walked behind the counter, presented a knife to her, and demanded cash and her cell phone. The victim did not have her cell phone but did turn over approximately \$300 in cash from inside a jar and an additional \$40-\$45 in another jar that contained gratuity money. The victim then went underneath the counter while the male took the cash along with the cordless business phone, in an attempt to contact the police. The victim related the second male acted as a lookout and stood on the other side of the counter facing the business entrance. The female victim said that the male with the knife spoke English to her. The two suspects were seen on video coming from behind the building housing this business. Detectives were called and took over the investigation. Using surveillance video from several businesses in the area, detectives were able to identify the two suspects in the robbery. The two suspects were located in Plainfield. The matter was screened with the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office and the two suspects were

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arrested and charged with first degree armed robbery and several weapons offenses. Both men were placed in the Somerset County Jail.

On May 20, 2023 at 0517 hrs., patrol responded to the area of Washington Avenue and Willow Avenue on a report of a possible assault taking place. A female victim was located with her male partner. The victim told officers that she got off work at 1:00am and went to meet her partner at a place that he was no longer at. The suspect contacted her via phone and told her to get home and that he was going to kill her and her family. Upon arriving home, the suspect grabbed the victim by her hair and attacked her. The suspect bit her on the right side of her cheek and her back. Family members intervened and separated the pair. At some point, the suspect pulled the victim into a room by her hair and proceeded to strangle her. The victim was able to break away and escape the house as a family member called 911. The victim had visible signs of injuries to her neck and the suspect was placed under arrest. A detective responded to assist with the investigation. The suspect was ultimately charged with 2nd degree aggravated assault and was placed in the Somerset County Jail. The victim obtained a temporary restraining order against the suspect.

On May 20, 2023 at 1438 hrs., a patrol officer conducted a motor vehicle stop at Greenbrook Road and Arnold Avenue. During the stop, the driver advised the officer that he had a gun in the car. Once back up arrived, the officer had the driver exit the vehicle. The officer located a small gray satchel across the driver's chest area and he removed it. The officer could feel what he believed to be a handgun inside the satchel. The driver was placed under arrest. Officers obtained a consent to search the vehicle and the satchel. The satchel was searched and contained a loaded Ruger GP100 .357 Magnum revolver. The weapon was loaded with six (6) Blazer .357 hollow-point bullets. The weapon was reported stolen out of Lexington, South Carolina. The matter was screened with the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office and the driver was charged with 2nd degree illegal possession of a weapon, receiving stolen property, and possession of hollow point bullets. The driver was remanded to the Somerset County Jail.

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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION:

A comparison of Adult incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	99	358
Closed	52	175
Active	14	20
Suspended	33	149
Forwarded to SCPO	7	15

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A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	27	99
Closed	18	85
Active	6	7
Suspended	2	7
Forwarded to other Agencies	1	6

Community Outreach

The Community Policing Unit made eighteen (18) first time alarm notifications and twenty (20) general alarm notifications. D/Sgt. Domizi assisted in numerous translations for both patrol & CID. D/Sgt. Domizi participated in the Municipal Alliance meeting and the fishing derby.

Narcotics Strike Force

The Task Force Officer conducted surveillance of gang activity with the FBI in North Plainfield. The Task Force Officer also made three (3) narcotics buys in North Plainfield. Buys were also made in Bound Brook, Franklin, Manville, and Somerville.

Other Matters

CID tracked thirteen (13) Handle with Care notifications made to the school district. CID conducted seven (7) licensing investigations in May (6-Firearms, 1-Limousine). Lt. Ciempola conducted two (2) sex offender re-registrations.

Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

There were no scheduled court appearances in May.

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS: During the month of April, there were (2) new internal affairs complaints filed.

Investigation #	Classification	Disposition	Corrective Action
23-006	Rule Violation	Sustained	R&R

PATROL DIVISION:

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	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	16,040	76,272
Miles on unmarked patrol	0	0
Total miles on patrol	16,040	76,272

Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	5	16
Moving Hazardous Violation	69	350
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	175	809
Ordinance Violation	5	19
Parking Violation	291	1,324
Seatbelt	52	86
Radar	41	222
Refusal Breath Test	0	3
Child Restraints	7	26
Reckless Driving	7	31
Cell Phone	21	289
Careless Driving	28	105
Suspended License	14	109
Written Warnings	372	1,978
Totals	1,087	5,367

Radar Posts:

STREET	TIME SPENT
Clinton Avenue	40 Hours
Grove Street	30 Hours
Leland Avenue	15.5 Hours
Myrtle Avenue	3 Hours
Norwood Avenue	21.5 Hours
Rock Avenue	1 Hour
Rt 22E/Gray	1 Hour
Rt 22E/Jefferson	2 Hours
Rt 22E/North	5 Hours
Rt22E/Watchung	17 Hours
Rt22E/West End	1 Hour
Rt22E/Westervelt	6 Hours
Rt22E/Wilson	1 Hour
Rt22W/Grove	1 Hour
Rt22W/North	7 Hours
Rt22W/Watchung	3 Hours
Somerset Street	10 Hours

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Somerset/Jennings	24 Hours
Washington Avenue	2 Hours
West End Avenue	6 Hours
Wilson Avenue	14.5 Hours
Total Radar Posts	224
Total Radar Hours	211.5
Total Radar Enforcement	168

Radar Speed Recorder:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Somerset Street	05/01/23-05/10/23
Wilson Avenue	05/10/23-05/18/23
Farragut Road	05/18/23-05/25/23
610 Parkview Avenue	05/30/23-5/31/23
Oakridge Avenue	05/31/23

School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	11 Hours
High School	5 Hours
Somerset School	2 Hours
Stonybrook School	11 Hours
West End School	13 Hours
TOTAL	42 Hours

Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Grove/Dupont	05/01/23-05/16/23
Netherwood Avenue	05/01/23-05/16/23
Pearl Street	05/01/23-05/16/23
Wilson Avenue	05/01/23-05/16/23
Farragut Road	05/16/23-05/20/23
Maple Avenue	05/16/23-05/30/23
Watchung Avenue	05/16/23-05/30/23
West End Avenue	05/16/23-05/30/23
Brook Avenue	05/30/23-05/31/23
Grove Street	05/30/23-05/31/23
Howard Street	05/30/23-05/31/23
Mountain Avenue	05/30/23-05/31/23

Miscellaneous Information:

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- We responded to 99 rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 100 building or premise checks.
- We investigated 56 general alarms.
- We made 704 motor vehicle stops.
- We conducted 113 walking beats.
- We conducted 62 school checks.
- We conducted 124 park checks.
- We conducted 86 area checks.
- The police department recorded a total of 4,068 incidents.
- BWC videos and CAD entries were reviewed by the Patrol Division Commander.
- 2 MVA After Action Reviews were conducted.
- 1 Use of Force After Action Review was conducted.

Parking Enforcement Report:

Tickets:	Title 39		Meter Related		Total	
	Month / YTD	Month / YTD	Month / YTD	Month / YTD	Month / YTD	Month / YTD
Totals	431	1,825	440	2,132	871	3,957

Meters		Permits		Total Revenue	
Monthly / YTD	Monthly / YTD	Monthly / YTD	Monthly / YTD	Monthly / YTD	Monthly / YTD
15,228.30	63,377.56	1,710.00	11,500.00	16,938.30	74,877.56

Monthly Accident Totals

Accidents for the Month: 107

Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	0	Driving While Intoxicated	4
Hazardous	49	Non-Hazardous	20
Alcohol Related	0		

Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

Rt 22-Reportable	32	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	1
Boro Streets-Reportable	66	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	1
Private Property-Reportable	7	Private Property Non-Reportable	0
Total Reportable Accidents	105	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	2

Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries	22
Persons Injured	27
Fatal Accidents	0

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Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 441

Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	1	Driving While Intoxicated	12
Hazardous	197	Non-Hazardous	103
Alcohol Related	0		

Breakdown of Reportable and Non-Reportable

Rt 22-Reportable	142	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	2
Boro Streets-Reportable	235	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	3
Private Property-Reportable	57	Private Property Non-Reportable	2
Total Reportable Accidents	434	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	7

Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries	91
Persons Injured	119
Fatal Accidents	0

Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

- Traffic conducted collections & escorted parking to the bank - 8 hrs.
- Traffic conducted monthly alcotest maintenance.
- Sgt. Kardos and Parking Enforcement conducted meter repairs.
- Traffic investigated/conducted follow ups on two (2) accidents.
- Traffic processed six (6) vehicles for tow companies.
- Traffic and Parking covered fifty-seven (57) crossing posts.
- Traffic attended the County Traffic Officers meeting.
- Traffic trained two (2) new crossing guards.
- Traffic worked with DPW on the installation of signs and yellow curb painting.
- Sgt. Kardos and Ofc. Steinhauser responded to a C.A.R.T callout in Watchung on May 7th.
- Traffic conducted a DMV mobile inspection detail on May 23rd with the following results: 35 cars inspected, 5 new cars, 11 cars passed, 19 cars failed. There were 32 summonses and 8 warnings issued.

SERVICE DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$1,510.00	\$7,099.00
Calls for Service/Responses	4,068	19,689
Discovery Requests	33	171

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Report Requests	15	70
Pieces of Evidence/Property	31	122

Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	0
Rape	0	4
Robbery	1	8
Assault, Agg:	3	10
Assault Simple	24	86
Burglary	1	7
Larceny	31	126
M.V. Theft	3	6
Arson	0	0
Domestic Violence	33	147
Bias Incidents	0	0

Monthly Arrest Analysis

	Month		YTD	
	Adult/Juv	Adult/Juv	Adult/Juv	Adult/Juv
Murder	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	1	0
Robbery	2	0	2	0
Aggravated Assault	1	0	8	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0
Larceny/Theft	0	0	3	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	8	0	35	0
Arson	0	0	0	0
Forgery	0	0	0	0
Fraud	0	0	1	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	1	0	1	0
Criminal Mischief	0	0	0	0
Weapons	1	0	1	0
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0
Violation of Drug Laws	0	0	1	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	0	0
Driving Under the Influence	5	0	17	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	0	0	2	0
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	0

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All Other Offenses	1	0	16	0
Total UCR Arrests for Month	19	0	88	0
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	5	2	19	2
Grand Total Arrests for Month	24	2	107	2

- **2 Juvenile Arrests for the Month**

Respectfully submitted,



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