



NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Prowling Arrests

Location:

Location #1: 6450 Auto Center Dr. (Ocean Honda)
Location #2: 5455 Walker St. (Cal Coast Motor Sports)

Date/Time Occurred:

02/16/20 @ 0160 Hours
02/16/20 @ 0359 Hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol

Suspect(s):

Suspect #1: Keith Dalzell, DOB: 01/30/84, Vagrant
Suspect #2: Arturo Panchi, DOB: 06/14/95

Report Number:

20-11428
20-11435

Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a call from an alarm company reporting a video alarm being activated at Ocean Honda in the 6400 block of Auto Center Dr. It was also reported there was a subject on the property and checking the door handles of vehicles.

Officers responded to the call and after an extensive search of the dealership found the suspect, later identified as Keith Dalzell, hiding on the property. He was taken into custody without incident and arrested for prowling.

On the same date, at approximately 0359 hours, the Command Center received a call from an employee of Cal Coast Motor Sports in the 5400 block of Walker St. reporting a subject seen on video inside a fenced area of the business.

When officers arrived on scene, a subject later identified as Arturo Panchi, was seen running from the business. After a brief foot pursuit with officers, Panchi was caught and taken into custody. The investigation showed that Panchi was attempting to steal gas from the business. He was arrested for prowling, resisting arrest, petty theft and a warrant.

No officers were injured as a result of this incident.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

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A review of the Ventura County Superior Court website shows that Dalzell has prior convictions for prowling, unlawful tampering of a vehicle, resisting arrest, under the influence of a controlled substance, and possession of paraphernalia. It also showed that Panchi has convictions for petty theft, possession of a controlled substance and paraphernalia, destroying evidence, and evading arrest.

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