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**VENTURA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Incident:** Recovery of Stolen Property, Possession of Stolen Property Arrest, Possession of Controlled Substance Arrest

**Location:** Santa Clara River Bottom

**Date/Time Occurred:** 11/12/20 @ 1100 hours

**Officer(s) Involved:** Ventura Police Street Crimes Unit (SCU), Ventura County Sheriff Detectives

**Suspect(s):** Garner, Jason (DOB 10/9/1976) vagrant

**Report #:** 20-74120

**Narrative:**

On 11/12/20, the Ventura Police Department Street Crimes Detectives (SCU) and Detectives from the Ventura County Sheriff's Department were in the Santa Clara River Bottom on a stolen property investigation. The detectives located a vagrant camp belonging to Jason Garner. Inside the camp were two stolen motorcycles, reported stolen from the city of Ventura. Garner was arrested for possession of the stolen vehicles and possession of narcotics. Garner was transported and booked at the Ventura County Jail.

Detectives continued searching the river bottom vagrant camps and located another stolen motorcycle, reported stolen from the city of Ventura. They also found a high-end stolen mountain bike taken from the harbor area and multiple industrial propane tanks stolen from a nearby business. All the stolen property was returned to the right rightful owners.

A review of the Ventura County Superior Court website shows that Garner has a prior arrest for assault with a deadly weapon and prior convictions for possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance, resisting arrest, petty theft, and possession of a dirk or dagger.

SCU would like to remind everyone to register their bicycles online, document any serial numbers on power tools, and take photographs of expensive property. Having a record of serial numbers helps VPD return any recovered stolen property to the owner. Please also remember to lock your vehicles and leave nothing valuable in your cars.

*The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at [www.venturapd.org](http://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.*