

Incident: Stolen Property Arrest

Location: 1600 block W. 5th Street Oxnard

Date/Time Occurred: 5/6/21 @ 1130

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Police Street Crimes Unit

Suspect #1: Steven Cossell (DOB 6/4/82) Oxnard Resident

Suspect #2: Michael Laser (DOB 9/21/91) Oxnard Resident

Report #: 21-26190

Narrative:

On April 5th, 2021, a victim in the 100 block of North Olive St. had his unlocked vehicle broken into, ransacked, and his property was taken. Detectives using investigative tools were able to find a potential person of interest Steven Cossell.

On May 6th, 2021, Ventura Police Department Street Crimes Detectives (SCU) conducted a search warrant at the above address due to an investigation into property crimes. During the execution of the search warrant, detectives located stolen property from the vehicle theft.

Investigators contacted the victim, who identified his property as being stolen. As a result, Cossell was arrested for receiving stolen property, possession of a controlled substance, and possession of paraphernalia.

Michael Laser was arrested for 3454 PC- flash incarceration.

A Ventura County Superior Court website review shows that Cossell has prior convictions for burglary, vehicle theft, theft, identity theft, receiving stolen property, possession of controlled substance, felony evading, under the influence of a controlled substance, hit & run, and driving under the influence.

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.