



NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Stolen Vehicle and Felony Vandalism Arrest

Location: 901 S. Kimball Rd

Date/Time Occurred: 04/07/23 / 2040 hours.

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Police Patrol

Suspect(s): David Dupont (8/28/82), vagrant.

Report #: 23-21109

Narrative:

On 4/7/23 at about 2040 hours, an alert community member saw a suspicious subject jump over a chain link fence surrounding several work trucks in the northeast corner of the open field of the Ventura Aquatic Center. The community member called 911 and relayed that a large tree-trimming work truck started up and drove through the fence, erratically across the grass, and out onto Telephone Rd.

While finishing up an unrelated call for service on Halifax St, two patrol officers saw a tree-trimming truck driving west on Halifax St from Petit Ave. Recognizing the truck as a possible stolen vehicle, the officers approached the vehicle in time to see the driver, David Dupont, turn from Halifax to Conway Ave, pull to the curb, and flee from the truck. Officers quickly detained Dupont before he could get away.

The reporting party also identified Dupont as the person who stole the truck. Dupont was arrested and booked at the Ventura County Jail for vehicle theft, possession of a stolen vehicle, and felony vandalism from damage done to the fence.

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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