



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

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Subject: Firearm/Drug Arrest

Case: 201100594

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Humboldt County Sheriff's Deputies arrested two people Saturday morning in connection to a case of a brandished firearm. At about 7:30 a.m., deputies were called to a residence on the 4500 block of Meyers Avenue in Eureka. Deputies learned that two people had traveled to the house regarding a dispute over stolen money. When they arrived, the two pounded on the door, demanding a resident come to the door. The two reported that the man they were looking for, Scott C. Sutton, 21 of Eureka, then brandished a handgun at them through a kitchen window. Deputies were unable to locate Sutton at the residence and witnesses reported seeing Sutton flee from the house as deputies were arriving.

At about 9:15 a.m. deputies were notified that Sutton had returned to the house. Deputies contacted Sutton and a second man, Fredrick R. Price, 52 of Eureka, who were inside a vehicle parked at the residence. Deputies detained both men and searched the vehicle. Deputies found a handgun inside the car where Sutton had been sitting. Deputies also found Sutton to be in possession of more than nine grams of methamphetamine.

Inside the vehicle, deputies also found three hypodermic syringes and a glass smoking pipe (commonly used to smoke methamphetamine).

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Deputies searched Price and found him to be in possession of a small amount of methamphetamine and concentrated cannabis.

Both men were arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility. Sutton charges included possession of a controlled substance, being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm, and possession of a firearm while committing a felony. Sutton was also booked for an outstanding warrant on charges that included assault with a deadly weapon. Sutton is ineligible to post bail due to his probation status.

Price was booked on charges that included possession of a controlled substance and possession of a firearm while committing a felony. Price's bail was set at \$25,000. Both men are expected to be arraigned by Wednesday.

Mike Downey
Sheriff

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