



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Date: 03-29-2015

From: Sgt. Jesse Taylor
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Subject: Resisting Arrest / Possession for Sales

Case: 201501404

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On 03-29-2015, at approximately 2:00 p.m., a Humboldt County Sheriff's Office sergeant attempted to contact a bicyclist near the Johnston Motel, 839 Redwood Drive, Garberville. The bicyclist, who was later identified as **Michael Russell**, fled from the sergeant southbound on Redwood Drive.

The sergeant lost sight of the bicyclist and called for assistance. Two Sheriff's deputies arrived to the vicinity shortly thereafter. While on foot patrol, the deputies located Russell who was now at the back of the motel. Russell attempted to flee from the deputies and a ground fight ensued. Russell violently fought with the deputies while they attempted to place him into handcuffs. At one point, Russell attempted to grab at one of the deputies side handle baton. Both deputies sustained minor cuts and abrasions during the incident.

Russell was eventually taken into custody and searched. Russell was found to be in possession of approximately 19.1 grams of suspected methamphetamine, 1.1 grams of suspect heroin, and a methamphetamine pipe. Russell was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for felony resisting arrest, possession of a controlled substance for sales, possession of drug paraphernalia, and felony warrants. It was also determined that Russell's acquaintance, **Jacob Worrell**, was in violation of his probation terms. Worrell's probation terms specifically state that he is not to associate with known drug users.

Anyone with information for the Sheriffs Office regarding this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Sheriffs Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriffs Office Crime Tip line at 707-268-2539

Mike Downey
Sheriff



Michael Russell



Jacob Worrell

