



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

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From: Lt. Steve Knight
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Subject: Firearm arrest

Case: 201402777

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On 06-17-2014, at approximately 9:30 p.m., the Humboldt County Sheriff's received a 911 call from a 31 year old transient man, who reported men with guns were trying to kill him. The man told the Sheriff's Office Dispatcher the suspects believed he stole items, including marijuana from them. The man told the dispatcher four to five suspects had blocked the road with a silver van and a white lifted Chevy truck to prevent him from driving off. He said he was in Johnny's RV Park, King Salmon.

Deputies responded to the King Salmon area and located a silver mini van parked blocking the roadway at Buhne Drive and Halibut Drive, King Salmon. Deputies detained a man in the van who was identified as Peter Blizzard, 37 years old, from Redway. Deputies located a loaded .22 caliber revolver on the floor board of the van. While deputies were conducting their investigation, several witnesses told deputies another suspect was hiding nearby. They described that suspect as wearing a back pack and baseball cap.

Deputies searched for the second suspect but were unable to locate him. Deputies did not locate a white Chevy truck.

When deputies spoke with Blizzard, he admitted to tracking down the victim with another man named, "Jim", unknown last name or description, to confront the victim about stealing from him in Redway.

When deputies interviewed the victim, he told them he initially agreed to meet with "James", to discuss an alleged theft. Initially "James" wanted the victim to meet with him by the rock breakwater in King Salmon, however the victim felt uncomfortable meeting "James" there, so he agreed to meet him on the street nearby. When the victim met with "James", the victim denied stealing anything and an argument ensued. When the victim tried to leave, the suspects blocked his way. The victim told the deputies "James", was armed with a revolver in his waist band, which he showed the victim during the argument.

Deputies searched the area, but could not find "James" or any other suspects, and the victim could not provide any other description of "James", who fled when deputies arrived.

Blizzard was arrested for being a felon in possession of a firearm, and having a loaded firearm in a vehicle. He was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional facility where he was booked. His bail was set at \$50,000.00

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

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