

Sheriff's Office

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One arrested following observed narcotics transaction



On Nov. 17, 2018, at about 10:07 p.m., a Humboldt County Sheriff's Office K9 deputy on patrol near the 4500 block of Lewis Ave. in the unincorporated area of Eureka observed a possible narcotics transaction occurring between two men in the street.

Upon seeing the deputy, both subjects began to flee. One subject fled from the area in a vehicle, the second subject, later identified as 28-year-old Jared Randell Nelson, ran to a nearby residence and forced entry inside. The deputy followed Nelson into the residence and announced that Humboldt County Sheriff's Office K9 Gusto was about to be deployed. Nelson exited from a bedroom of the residence without further incident and was taken into custody.

During a search of Nelson, deputies located ammunition, approximately two grams of suspected heroin and counterfeit money.

Deputies learned that while in the room, Nelson had discarded a pistol underneath a bed. Deputies located the firearm, which was loaded. Deputies also located a rifle with a sawed-off barrel and two loaded magazines nearby the room. Deputies learned that the rifle and magazines were also associated with Nelson. Both firearms were reported stolen out of Humboldt County.

Nelson was booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on the following charges: felon in possession of a firearm, felon in possession of ammunition, carrying a loaded firearm in a public place, possession of a loaded firearm known to be stolen, manufacturing a short-barreled rifle, trespassing, resisting arrest, grand theft and violation of probation. Additional charges of possession of heroin, possession of a controlled substance, violation of probation and possession of counterfeit money are pending District Attorney review.

Anyone with information regarding this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office at (707) 445-7251 or the Sheriff's Office Crime Tip line at (707) 268-2539.

Photo below

