

Community Beat

Buxton Police Department



Community Newsletter for June 2020

Buxton Police Department

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Chief's Corner

Hello and thank you for reading our newsletter, The Community Beat! This section is where you will see the comments from my office. It is where I hope to update you on the types of crime your officers have been dealing with in Town during the preceding month.

As you all know the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic continued this month which restricted officers from fully enforcing traffic laws. I recently loosened up those restrictions out of concern for the citizens of Buxton and those commuting through our community. Officers have begun to enforce traffic laws more strictly to discourage dangerous and erratic drivers.

Your officers have been dealing with the following types of crime this month:

- ✓ Robberies 3
- ✓ Aggravated Assault 1
- ✓ Aggravated Trafficking Drugs 1
- ✓ Unlawful Possession of Drugs 1
- ✓ Falsifying Physical Evidence 1
- ✓ Refusing to Submit to Arrest 1
- ✓ Violating Conditions of Release (VCR) - 11
- ✓ Failure to Stop for Police Officer 1

- ✓ Attaching False Plates 3
- ✓ Failure to Register MV 5
- ✓ Driving to Endanger 3
- ✓ Criminal Speed 2
- ✓ Operating After Suspension (OAS) -
- ✓ Operating with a Suspended Registration - 3

The point is this, your officers have been extremely busy protecting our community even with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. They have seized large quantities of drugs from local dealers. They have seized seventeen (17) firearms involved in crimes this month as well.

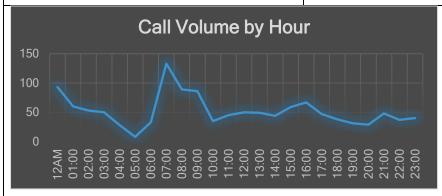
We are also actively working with State and Federal law enforcement agencies in our ongoing efforts to keep Buxton safe. Many of our cases are expected to go to federal prosecution as drugs and firearms are involved in crimes.

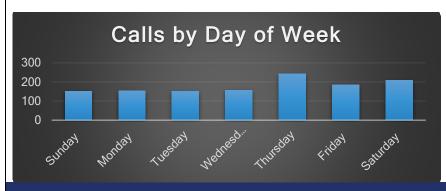
I want to thank you for your continued support of this department. Please don't hesitate to notify us of anything suspicious you may observe.

Chief Troy A. Cline

MONTHLY CALLS FOR SERVICE

For May 1 - May 31, 2020		
Total Calls for Service (includes Police/Fire/EMS)	1252	
Police Responses	891	





When police, fire, or EMS respond on a call, a Call for Service (CFS) is generated to document details, such as who the caller was, what service was requested, what unit(s) responded, and call outcome. CFS can also be generated based on staff actions, such as an officer serving paperwork or making a traffic stop. Some CFS are created solely for informational purposes, such as a road closures or to document the release of a report to another agency. CFS are the bones of our reporting system and the best source of information to grab a snapshot of overall call volume.

MOST COMMON CALL TYPES FOR THE MONTH

Call Type	TOTAL
Call Type	IOIAL
911 ABANDONDED	21
ASSIST CITIZEN	42
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY	16
BUILDING CHECK	272
DISTURBANCE - GENERAL	12
ERRATIC OPERATIONS	16
FOLLOW UP	34
MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH PD ONLY	12
RADAR DETAIL	27
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	23
THEFT	15
TRAFFIC STOP	220

Officers complete Field Training Program





Officers Eric Marcotte and Haley Mcguire joined Buxton Police in early March of this year. Both have recently completed the department's Field Training Program and have been assigned to routine patrol.

Officers Marcotte had previous law enforcement experience as a reserve officer for Fryeburg Police Department and is a certified Emergency Medical Technician.

Officer Mcguire was a full-time dispatcher with the Town of Scarborough before pursuing a career as a police officer.

Both will attend the Maine Criminal Justice Academy's program within the next year.

When you see Officer Marcotte and Mcguire on patrol, be sure to say hello!



TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

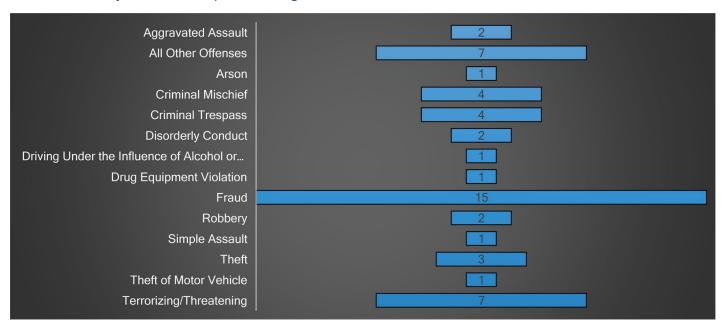
According to the *Department of Transportation*, Maine has had 11,536 reportable car crashes in 2020 with 1136 of those being related to distracted driving. Buxton has seen a total of 55 crashes with 8 of those being contributed to distracted driving this year.

Maine law prohibits the use of any handheld device while driving, including talking on a cell phone. You may use hands-free devices such as a wireless Bluetooth connection that comes in most newer cars. Drive safe!

Traffic Related Enforcement & Incidents	
Traffic Stops	220
Warnings	141
Summonses & Citations	48
Arrests	3
Radar Details (area specific enforcement)	27
Traffic Accidents	16

CRIMINAL OFFENSES

During the month of May 2020, officers issued 24 summonses for criminal and civil offenses and made 13 arrest for criminal offenses. Please see the <u>Chief's Corner</u> on page 1 for a listing of offenses charged during the month. Officers also investigated the following offenses, some of which may have been cleared by arrest, are open investigations or have been deemed unfounded.



Officers were also involved in 26 incidents that investigation revealed were not criminal offenses.





With the temps outside warming up, please keep your 4-legged BFF safe from heat stroke or heat related death. While we all love to have our pups with us, they are safer at home if you must leave them in the car for any length of time.

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Call Type	Total
Dog Related Calls	20
Cat Related Calls	8
Wildlife Related Calls	10
Other Animal Related Calls	6
TOTAL CALLS	44