

POLICE DEPARTMENT - VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN

**MONTHLY BOARD REPORT
MAY 2021**

TOTAL MONTHLY CALLS FOR SERVICE- 291(year to date calls for service; 1,306)
TRAFFIC TICKETS- 41 (year to date traffic tickets; 271)
ARRESTS- 15 (year to date Arrests; 109)

CALLS FOR SERVICE

11PM and 7AM – 62
7AM and 3PM – 110
3PM and 11PM -- 119

NOTABLE COMPLAINTS

Animal Complaints- **10**
Parking Complaints- **5**
School Resource Officer- **11**
Vehicle and Traffic Complaints- **16**
Aided Case- **5**
Warrants (arrested or added) - **8**
Suspicious condition- **17**
Records- **20**
Larceny- **9**
Noise Complaint- **7**
Burglar Alarms- **4**
Fire Alarm- **0**
Assist Citizen- **15**
Assist other Agencies- **2**
Check Well Being- **3**
Domestic/Disorderly- **10**
Harassment Complaints- **5**
Mental Health Incidents- **4**
Motor vehicle accidents- **14**
Property Checks- **28**
DWI- **0**
Death Investigation- **0**
911 Unknown- **10**

OTHER NOTABLE DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITY

VEHICLE PURSUIT

On May 13, 2021 at about 11:57pm the Watkins Glen Police Department observed a dark colored SUV, later determined to be a black Audi, bearing NYS registration KEN6101, commit several vehicle and traffic violations. Officers then attempted to initiate a traffic stop on the Audi. The suspect vehicle then failed to comply with officers and fled at a high rate of speed through the Village of Watkins Glen as officers pursued the vehicle.

The driver, later identified as Gary V. Kurbanov, from Ithaca NY, fled from officers at a confirmed speed of 122mph in a posted 30mph zone through the Village of Watkins Glen. At one point, the vehicle crossed the double solid yellow line, nearly striking a tractor trailer before continuing on. Officers continued the pursuit at a high rate of speed out of the Village of Watkins Glen where the Schuyler County Sheriff's Office assisted in the pursuit as it continued through the county.

The pursuit continued into Burdett and down several side streets before continuing out of Burdett. The pursuit got more reckless as it continued and officers terminated the pursuit to ensure the safety of the public and everyone involved in the incident. The driver, Gary Kurbanov, now faces several misdemeanor charges and an active Arrest Warrant has been signed and filed. Gary is considered to be armed and dangerous and has several other warrants out for his arrest.

PERSONAL INJURY MVA

HIT AND RUN: CAR VS PEDESTRIAN

On Wednesday May 12, 2021 at around 1:47pm, The Watkins Glen Police Department and EMS were dispatched to the intersection of N. Franklin Street and Fifth Street for a reported car vs pedestrian Motor Vehicle Accident with injuries.

Upon arrival officers observed a 74 year old male victim laying in the roadway suffering from injuries sustained from the accident. The victim was later transported to a hospital. It was determined the victim suffered several broken bones and remained in the hospital overnight. It was quickly determined the vehicle who struck the victim had not stopped and had fled the scene. According to a witness from the scene, the vehicle was described as an Orange Jeep Cherokee. An investigation began immediately by the Watkins Glen Police Department. Officers canvassed the area for video footage and other witnesses. With the help of local video footage, statements, and information provided by Schuyler County Dispatch, a suspect vehicle and registration was identified.

During the course of the investigation, the Watkins Glen Police conducted several interviews which led police to locate the owner of the Orange Jeep in question. Upon further investigation and interviews throughout the evening, officers were able to identify the vehicle and the driver of the vehicle from the Hit and Run accident.

The driver was identified as Devon J. Schulman, 25, of Berkshire NY. When officers attempted to later make contact with Schulman, Schulman fled a residence on foot. During the course of the night officers attempted to locate Schulman with negative results. An Arrest Warrant issued for Devon Schulman for Aggravated Unlicensed Operation in the Second Degree, a misdemeanor, leaving the scene of a personal injury Motor Vehicle Accident, a misdemeanor, and several other Traffic Tickets, and Devon later turned himself in. **(This is already the third pedestrian hit by a car this year)**

FIGHT IN PROGRESS INVOLVING A KNIFE

On May 30, 2021 at around 7:34pm dispatch received a call for a reported altercation with several men at Landon's Pub. It was also reported one of the men involved had a knife. Officers from the WGPd, Schuyler County Sheriff's Office and NYSP immediately responded. Two WGPd Officers arrived on scene first where they were met by several witness' pointing and shouting toward a man that "he had a knife" as he walked through the parking lot. This individual in question was immediately detained by the WGPd and a knife was located on his person.

It was later determined the man with the knife and several other men got into a verbal altercation inside the bar. The argument spilled outside when the police were then called. Prior to the argument getting violent or physical, the prompt response by the Watkins Glen Police Department prevented further escalation or danger to any and all patrons. It was determined through the investigation on scene nothing physical occurred between the individuals, no one wanted charges filed, and all parties were then asked to leave. Camera footage was reviewed and officers spoke with several witnesses. It was also determined one of the men involved was on probation out of Tompkins County. There were no arrests made and no one was injured.

Arrest and Complaint numbers in 2021 compared to 2020

Complaints in May 2020 **172**
Complaints in May 2021 **291** (+119)

Arrests in May 2020 **6**
Arrests in May 2021 **15** (+9)

Traffic tickets in May 2020 **19**
Traffic tickets in May 2021 **41** (+22)

Total traffic tickets through May 2020 **110**
Total traffic tickets through May 2021 **271** (+161)

Total calls for service through May 2020 **813**
Total calls for service through May 2021 **1306** (+493)

Total arrests through May 2020 **36**
Total arrests through May 2021 **109** (+73)

Respectfully Submitted,

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