

Vinton Police Department Monthly Report



Officer of the Month



Congratulations Master Police Officer Scott Hurt !

On April 5th, there was a lookout given to patrol, for a stolen vehicle out of Roanoke County. While on patrol the next day, Master Police Officer Scott Hurt observed a vehicle matching the description of the stolen car, being driven in the Midway section of Town. Remembering the lookout and the tag information, he followed the vehicle and confirmed that the vehicle was in fact stolen. MPO Hurt conducted a felony traffic stop and detained the driver until a Roanoke County Police unit arrived to take custody of the vehicle operator. By being vigilant and remembering detail given from the previous day, he was able to stop the vehicle and handle the situation appropriately.

MPO Hurt's attention to detail ultimately led to the apprehension of the suspect and recovery of the stolen vehicle. His dedication to duty is evident and he is well deserving of this recognition.

Special Events



The Drug Take Back program was held on Saturday, April 26th, 2014, at several locations in Roanoke, Vinton, and Salem. Medication was safely collected and then destroyed by local law enforcement and DEA Agents.

The event collected 249 pounds of various drugs from the Kroger location in Vinton. A total of 22,855.3 was collected statewide for the entire event.



April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, a time to recognize that we each can play a part in promoting the social and emotional well-being of children and families in communities.



The Vinton Police Department partnered with the General Federation of Women's clubs, The Vinton Women's Club, to recognize National Child Abuse Prevention Month. The Women's Club signified the event by planting pinwheels in front of the Municipal Building. This event was recognized by Town Council in the April 1st meeting.



Special Events

Congratulations Officer Zach Hurt and his wife Katelyn for delivering a healthy baby girl.

Rylan Lily Hurt was born on April 26, 2014 at 11:19 am, 7 lbs 11 oz.



Detective Division

1. *Burglary/Grand Larceny reported in the 1000 blk of Jeannette Ave. Victim reported unknown suspect(s) broke into the home and stole a television and some jewelry. Further investigation needed.*
2. *Credit Card Fraud reported, which involved the use of the victim's credit card number to make purchases in Harrisonburg, VA. Case forwarded to Harrisonburg PD for further investigation.*
3. *Burglary reported in the 600 blk. of Dale Ave. Victim reported unknown suspect broke into the home and stole prescription medication. No evidence or suspects identified.*
4. *Death Investigation reported by RMH involving an infant male. Investigation continuing.*
5. *Sexual assault reported in the 200 blk. of E. Madison Ave. Juvenile victim reported past sexual assault by a family member. Investigation continuing.*

Detective Division

1. *Counterfeit currency reported at Krogers, 915 Hardy Rd. Subject passed two counterfeit \$50 bills. Possible suspects identified, case transferred to Secret Service for further investigation.*
2. *Burglary/Obtaining Money by False Pretenses reported in 900 blk. of E. Cleveland Ave. Victim's house was burglarized and car title stolen. Title then came to be in the possession of the victim's neighbor. No probable cause obtained for criminal charges.*
3. *Grand Larceny reported in the 1200 blk. of Ruddell Rd. Victim's property was stolen out of the mailbox by an unknown suspect. Property has not been located or suspect's identified.*
4. *Grand Larceny reported in the 800 blk. of Ruddell Rd. Victim's firearm was stolen from the residence by unknown suspect. Property was later returned by unknown suspect.*
5. *Burglary/Grand Larceny reported at Alvaro's Market, 1100 blk. of Walnut Ave. Two unknown suspects broke into the store and stole \$1,500 worth of cigarettes. Evidence obtained and sent to the lab for further analysis. Case is pending lab findings.*
6. *Credit Card Theft/Forgery reported at Krogers, 915 Hardy Rd. Unknown suspect used victim's credit card to fraudulently purchase \$900 worth of gift cards. Evidence obtained and further investigation needed.*
7. *Burglary/Grand Larceny reported in the 100 blk. of S. Preston Rd. Victim reported unknown suspect(s) broke into the home and stole \$2,500, jewelry, and a lock box. No evidence or suspects identified.*
8. *Burglary/Grand Larceny reported in the 100 blk. of W. Augusta Ave. Victim reported suspect broke into the home and stole various items. Suspect later identified as Eddie Dooley. Two felony warrants for Burglary and Grand Larceny have been obtained on Dooley.*
9. *Death Investigation in the 100 blk. of Chestnut St. Female victim found deceased. Further investigation pending autopsy results.*
10. *Obtaining Money by False Pretenses reported in 100 blk. of W. Virginia Ave. Victim reported fraudulent checks passed in the amount of \$1,400. Suspects were identified as Robert Cunningham and Preston Rhodes. Warrants were obtained for these offenses on both subjects.*
11. *Robbery reported in the 900 blk. of Hardy Rd. Victim reported three black males demanded money and stole a cell phone. Phone was later recovered through a third party, but no suspects have been identified. No other evidence at this time, case is still active.*

APRIL Crime Analysis Report

April 2014

REPORTED/COMPLAINTS INCIDENTS				
Accidents	12		Property Damage Only	8
Domestic Calls	29		Accidents w/Injuries	4
Animal Control	57			
Deliver Message	3		Ordinance Violation/warnings	8
Burglar Alarm Residence & Business	23		Dog at Large	9
Building Checks	44		Dog Attacking Other	1
Community Policing	40		Non Domesticated Animal	1
Follow Up	44		Barking Dogs	3
DOA / death Inv/suicide/attempt	1		Animal Cruelty Complaints	6
Keys Locked in Vehicle/child locked	13		Stray Cat/Dog	5
Lookout	18		Trap / Trap Pickup	18
Loud Music/Loud Party/Noise Viol	12		Dog Bite	5
Fight	5		Injured Domestic Animal	1
Disturbance / Civil Disturbance	43			
Request for K9	4			
Investigate unknown 911	29			
Recovered Property	13			
Well Being Check	17			
Other				
Traffic	174		Disabled Vehicle	20
Runaway	3		Escorts for Funeral/Etc.	24
Drug Overdose	2		Work Traffic	6
Break & Entering in progress	1		Parking Enforcement/Tickets	99
TOTAL	587		Reckless Driving	14
			Road Blocked	1
			Abandoned Vehicles	2
COMPLAINTS/REPORTS WRITTEN			Improperly Parked	8
Abduction	0		Hit & Run	0
Annoying phone calls	0			
Driving Under Suspension	0			
Assault	3			
Assist other Jurisdiction	0			
Rape/Attempted	0			
Suspicious Circumstances	1			
Traffic Issues	1			
ECO	2			
Embezzlement	1			
Fraud/Forgery	12			
Habitual Offender	0			
Homicide/Death Investigation	1			
Search Warrant	1			
Informational Report/Field Contact	1			
Drug/Narc/Equipt/Overdose	7			
Larceny/Burglary/Shoplifting	19			
Alcohol Related	6		DUI	2
Threats	1		Drunk In Public	4
Trespassing	1		Liquor Law Violations	0
Missing person	0			
Well being check	0			
Property Damage	2			
TOTAL CRIMINAL	59			