



Newport Police Department
169 SW Coast Highway
Newport, Oregon 97365

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06/26/2012 9:30 a.m.

Incident: Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle **Case #: 12N-01037**

Location: 600 Block of NW 3rd Street, Newport, Oregon

Date/Time: 06/21/2012 at 6:10 p.m.

Victim: Richard J. Kennedy, age 79 of Newport

Arrested: David Charles Wooten, age 40, Transient

Details: On Thursday June 21, 2012 at about 6:10 p.m., Newport Police Officers were dispatched to the 600 Block of NW 3rd Street on a report of a stolen vehicle. Through their investigation Officers learned that Richard Kennedy had parked his 1998 Honda Civic in the 600 Block of NW 3rd Street to have dinner at a local restaurant. When he returned to where he had parked his vehicle, he found it was gone. Officers broadcast an "Attempt to Locate", and sent teletypes to surrounding agencies advising of the stolen vehicle. While Officers were conducting their investigation, they were advised that a Florence Police Officer had Kennedy's vehicle in a traffic stop. David Wooten, age 40 of no known address, was identified as the driver of the vehicle. He was then taken into custody. A Newport Police Officer travelled to Florence, took custody of Wooten, and transported him to the Lincoln County Jail where he was charged with Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle, Theft in the First Degree, and Unlawful Entry into a Motor Vehicle. Wooten's bail was set at \$115,000.

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