



Vacaville Police Department

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Press Release

Today's Date: January 14, 2009
Date & Time January 14, 2009
Occurred:
Submitted By: Sergeant Bob Denton
Phone: 707-449-5416 or 707-249-1483
Type of Possession of Destructive Devices
Crime/Incident: Possession of Marijuana for sale
Case Number: 09-00407
Location: 300 Block of Bel-Air Drive, Vacaville
Suspects: Benjamin Duane, 28 year old Vacaville resident
Colton Renker-Roberts, 20 year old Vacaville resident

Narrative:

Between January 1, 2009 and January 4, 2009 the Vacaville Police Department received complaints of small explosions in the south Vacaville area. There were no reports of any injuries or property damage associated with the explosions. Detectives from the Investigative Services Section were able to identify two residences, located in the 300 block of Bel-Air Drive, and two individuals that were associated to these reported explosions.

On January 14, 2009 at approximately 9:00 a.m., members of the Vacaville Police Department Investigative Services Section (ISS), Narcotics Enforcement Team (NET), Crime Suppression Team (CST), Patrol, and the Yolo County Bomb Squad Investigators served search warrants at these two Bel-Air Drive residences.

Investigators located and seized approximately thirty (30) small homemade explosive destructive devices, materials and component parts to assemble additional destructive devices, marijuana packaged for sale, concentrated cannabis, and an illegal cane sword.

Yolo County Bomb Squad Investigators assisted in the identification, collection, and preservation of the destructive device evidence. The remaining destructive devices were detonated by the Bomb Squad in a vacant field located adjacent to the City of Vacaville Easterly Water Treatment Plant at approximately 5:00 p.m.

Benjamin Duane was arrested and lodged in the Solano County Jail for possession of a cane sword, possession of a destructive device, possession of items to manufacture explosives, and possession of explosives without a permit. Colton Renker-Roberts was arrested and lodged in the Solano County Jail for possession of marijuana for sale, possession of concentrated cannabis, and possession of a destructive device.

This investigation did not link these two individuals to any organized group. We also did not determine any anticipated uses or targets of these destructive devices by these individuals. It appears these devices were manufactured and detonated for the personal pleasure of the involved individuals.

Anyone with information about this investigation is asked to contact Detective Todd Dye at 707-449-5212 or the Vacaville Police Department at 707-449-5200.

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