

Olds RCMP Detachment - Weekly Crime Report, 2016-02-05

Detachment members were dispatched to 98 calls for service.

- 1 - Assault
- 1 - Assault with a weapon
- 1 - Break & Enter and Theft (Business)
- 7 - Thefts from motor vehicle

Occurred at the Easy Home Location in Olds on February 1, 2016 at about 5:30 A.M. Surveillance footage and witness information revealed a Grey 4 Door Jeep had backed up into the front doors; twice, resulting in smashing the glass entry. Two males are then seen taking laptop computers and tablets. Both subjects appear to be approximately 5'10" to 6', slender build, and had their heads covered. Subjects left the location ultimately heading East on Highway 27.

2 Break & Enter and Theft (Residence)

- Bowden- A residence broken into and unknown items taken. Minor property damage to gain access to the residence. Residents of the home were not present.
 - Olds- A residence on 61 Avenue was entered while it was unoccupied between 7 PM and 11 PM. Entry was gained through a basement window. Two laptops, a tablet and 3 cellular phones were taken.
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2 Robberies

- January 30, 2016 shortly before midnight a lone masked male entered Pannago Pizza brandishing a knife (machete-like), and demanded money. The suspect made off with an undisclosed amount of money. No injuries were incurred by staff. The suspect fled out the back of the establishment and got into an older white Dodge K-car style vehicle. The suspect is described as:
 - having darker skin tone than Caucasian;
 - 6'2-6'3 tall;
 - medium to large build;
 - light brown moustache;
 - bushy light brown eyebrows;
 - light brown hazel eyes;
 - wearing a puffy down style black coat with a hoody underneath;
 - black pants possibly corduroy;
 - had a slight European accent and made reference to being from Romania.
- February 4, 2016 at about 9:45 PM at the "Our Flames Lounge" in Olds, Alberta a lone male suspect entered with what was initially reported as a sawed off shot gun however witness accounts suggest the weapon used is an air gun. Members from Olds and Didsbury converged on the area but no suspect was located. The suspect entered the lounge that had several patrons in attendance. The suspect demanded cash however the staff member did not comply with the demand resulting in the suspect turning and fleeing the scene. No one was harmed during the incident. The suspect exited onto 50 Avenue and is believed to have run North toward Highway 27 (46 Street). The suspect is described as:
 - Caucasian male;
 - slender build;

- approximately 6 feet tall;
 - 150 to 160 lbs;
 - wearing a blue hoodie;
 - wearing a black and white mask which concealed the mouth/nose area of his face.
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Suspicious Person/vehicle/property

2016-02-01 at about 01:50 AM members were dispatched to Vermont Close for a person looking at vehicles and houses in the area. Patrols located the suspect vehicle, a Blue 2006 Chevrolet Silverado operated by a 23 year old Calgary man. He was unable to provide a rationale to officers as to why he was in the area. Continued investigation revealed the suspect had obtained garage door openers from unlocked vehicles. Charges have been laid however the investigation continues to determine if the suspect is involved to other crimes in the area.

Theft of Motor Vehicles

3 - Pick up trucks (2 in Olds, 1 in Bowden)

1- RV (Bowden)

1 - Van - February 5, 2016. A van was reported stolen in the town of Bowden. Patrols for the vehicle and a report of suspicious activity near the arena in the Town of Olds led to the identification of a suspect. An arrest has been made in the early morning hours on February 6, 2016 and a male youth suspect is in custody pending additional investigation and a Judicial Interim Release Hearing.

Police are encouraging the public to secure their vehicles, residences and out buildings when not occupied. These are preventable crimes and the public can protect themselves by removing keys, garage door openers and valuables from their vehicles.

If you have information about this, or any other investigation(s), please call the Olds RCMP Detachment at (403) 556-3324. Should you wish to remain anonymous, you can contact Crime Stoppers by phone at 1.800.222.8477 (TIPS), by internet at www.tipsubmit.com, or by SMS (check your local Crime Stoppers [www.crimestoppers.ab.ca] for instructions on how to do this). You do not have to reveal your identity to Crime Stoppers, and if you provide information to Crime Stoppers that leads to an arrest(s), the recovery of stolen property, and/or a seizure of illicit drugs, you may be eligible for a cash reward.

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