

Timely reporting caught Olds/Didsbury bad guy

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On May 9, 2016 Olds detachment was advised by Didsbury members of a Break and Enter into a rural residence by a clean shaven Caucasian male suspect. The Suspect was scared off by the property owner who driven off in a white pick up toward Olds. The truck matched the description of a one that was stolen in Olds earlier that morning. Three Hills detachment had similar reports in their area which involved a break and enter and theft of fire arms. As members were conducting patrols a report of a suspicious vehicle, a burgundy Chevrolet SUV on Range Road 263 at Highway 27. A second report by a different party advised that the SUV was at their residence and the suspect had told the homeowner he was hiding from the police. The suspect then fled across a field after being told to leave by the homeowner. At this time the patrolling member observed a vehicle matching the description of the SUV coming toward him however the vehicle failed when emergency equipment was activated. A farm owner flagged down police and directed them a nearby farm yard by the owner who observed the vehicle pull into his property.

Upon arriving at the farm police were directed to a nearby garage by the other property owner. She had seen the suspect drive the vehicle inside a nearby garage. As police entered the garage the suspect was observed entering another vehicle and attempting to start it. The male fled from the truck out a nearby door then locked himself into another truck parked on the property. Police ordered the suspect out of the truck while he searched for keys. Before police could take measures to subdue the suspect he attempted to run again from the truck but was quickly apprehended following a physical altercation with the Suspect.

Police contacted the registered owner of the SUV who advised a white pick up had been left behind in his yard. Several firearms as well as several pieces of identification, jewellery and other valuables have been recovered out of the vehicles involved in this investigation. The investigation is continuing in Olds and other jurisdictions however Olds Detachment have charged Maxwell Russell Tuck, a 22 years old male with:

- 1 counts of Failing to Comply with Probation Section 733.1(1) of the Criminal Code;
- 2 counts of Failing to Comply with Conditions of a Recognizance Section 145(3) of the Criminal Code;
- Possession of weapon (firearms) for a dangerous purpose, Section 88 of the Criminal Code;
- Unauthorized possession of firearms, Section 92(1) of the Criminal Code;

- Possession of stolen property under five thousand dollars, Section 354(1) of the Criminal Code;
- 2 counts of Mischief to property, Section 430(4) of the Criminal Code;
- Theft Over \$5000.00, Section 334 of the Criminal Code;
- Theft of Motor Vehicle, Section 333.1 of the Criminal Code;
- Break, enter and commit theft over \$5000.00, Section 348(1)(b) of the Criminal Code;
- 2 counts of Breaking, entering and stealing a firearm, Section 98 of the Criminal Code;
- Resist Arrest, Section 129(a) of the Criminal Code;
- Assault a peace officer, Section 270 of the Criminal Code;
- Drive uninsured motor vehicle, Section 54(1)(a) of the Traffic Safety Act.

Mr. Tuck appeared in Provincial Court this date to speak to his release in Drumheller. The investigation is continuing with additional charges anticipated. Charges have also been filed in neighbouring jurisdictions.

Police credit timely reporting by homeowners in aiding in the Accused's capture.

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