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Emerald Isle Police Dept. Arrests Two

On the morning of Tuesday, July 13, the Emerald Isle Police Department arrested two individuals in connection with a series of car break-ins along Ocean Drive.

David Durham, 30, and Sheli Nix, 49, both of Havelock, were arrested on multiple charges related to the vehicle break-ins.

On Tuesday, Emerald Isle Police Officers received a call about suspicious activity, which was captured on a home security camera. Two officers responded to the call and received information that a male wearing dark clothes, a hat and a backpack walked up underneath a house to look at a car.

Based on information obtained from the security footage, officers began a saturated patrol of the area, and at 3:18 a.m., an officer pulled over a vehicle with a passenger that matched the description of the suspect. He was given consent to search the vehicle, and discovered numerous wallets and other items that were believed to be stolen.

Emerald Isle Police Department made contact with an individual whose wallet was found in the vehicle, and responded to the address where they were staying. It was then confirmed that four vehicles were broken into in that block, and a number of items were stolen, including a firearm.

As a result of the traffic stop and investigation, Durham and Nix were both arrested and charged with:

- Four counts of Breaking and Entering a Motor Vehicle
- One count Larceny of Firearm
- One count Possession Stolen Firearm
- One count of Possession of Stolen Property

Both received a \$15,000 secured bond.

EIPD still has unclaimed property that was discovered in connection with the vehicle break-ins. If you believe your property may have been stolen, please contact the Police Department at 252-354-2021 and ask to speak to Detective Probst.

“The Emerald Isle Police Department values the relationship and trust we have with the community,” said Interim Chief of Police Michael Panzarella. “Because of this trust, we are able to solve crimes such as this.”