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July 4th Activity

The Somerset Police Department had a busy holiday weekend that began at 6:00 PM Thursday and ended at midnight this morning.

Units responded to 273 calls for service during weekend.

Patrol units made four DUI arrests, seven arrests for alcohol and public intoxication, and charged four people with drug offenses.

There was one arrest for theft.

Three of the drug arrests came after Officer Derek Flynn stopped a 2001 Jeep driven by Dustin Smith, 28, for a traffic violation near the Somerset Mall at 5PM on July 5th.

Smith, Christopher Nicely, age 23, and Marty Nicholas, age 36, all of Somerset were arrested when a search revealed they were transporting three marijuana plants inside the vehicle. A shotgun was also discovered during the traffic stop.

All three were lodged in the Pulaski County Detention Center and the investigation is continuing.

Officers responded to eight non-injury accidents and one injury accident. It occurred on Sunday at 9:50 AM when a 1997 Toyota driven by Joseph McKinley III, of Somerset, was northbound on Jacksboro Street and pulled into the path of a 2007 Honda van that was southbound on Murphy Avenue. The van was drive by Mary Snell, of Somerset.

Snell and her passenger, Jonathan Pope, were treated at the scene by the Somerset Fire/EMS and transported to the Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital.

McKinley and his passenger, Liam McKinley were not injured.

Seat belts were in use at the time of the accident.

The accident was investigated by Officer Pete Langdon.