

NBPD STREET BEAT

Monthly Report from the Men and Women of the North Berwick Police Department REMEMBER WHEN (SEE PHOTOS BELOW)

View of Market Street - many years ago - courtesy of the North Berwick Historical Society.

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A Time To Be Thankful

With Thanksgiving behind us and the December Holiday Season fast approaching this is a time of year that has everyone spending time with friends and family and reflecting on those moments and people that we are thankful for. Each of us shows our appreciation and thanks in a different way, but this is just one Officer's perspective on what he's thankful for. Everyday I am thankful for my family – throughout the years they have always been there to support me in times of struggle and celebrate in times of joy; they've been there to pick me up when I'm down and also take me down a peg or two when I get too arrogant. It's funny, family - the concept of family has changed so much over the years. If the Cleavers from "Leave it to Beaver" could sit down for dinner with the Bundy's from "Married... With Children", and the Pritchett's from "Modern Family" imagine what that dinner conversation would sound like. As 2019 nears a close and we all suddenly realize we are 2-decades into the 2000s I'm awestruck by how much my "family" has grown over the years. My idyllic view as a child of my family only being my Mother, Father, and siblings has evolved to the point where I view the men and women I work with as my family. Everyday I come to work and have the privilege and pleasure to work some of the most dedicated and selfless individuals on the planet. Individuals who dedicate their lives in service to an even greater family, this Community. North Berwick has grown so much over the years and as houses are built and traffic increases I hear people yearning for the "small town days". And while it's easy to reject change and wish things could "go back to the way they used to be" it's impossible. North Berwick is growing because people want to live in a Community that shares their ideals and values. No matter how many houses are built or how many dirt roads are paved, the one constant in our Community are the people. I am beyond thankful to stand shoulder-to-shoulder with the men and women of the North Berwick Police Department - an organization that strives to represent the values and beliefs that this "small town" was built on – dedication, perseverance, honesty, and most importantly – Family.

Holiday Safeguards

Here are few tips to make sure your holiday season is cheerful.

- 1. Try to avoid posting on Social Media when you are away and your house is vacant.
- 2. If you are away, try to utilize automatic light timers or TVs to make it appear as though someone is home.
- 3. Make sure all doors and windows are secured.
- 4. Be mindful of packages being scheduled for delivery "porch pirates" often follow delivery drivers to steal packages as they are dropped off.
- 5. When out shopping don't leave newly purchased items in plain sight in your vehicle.
- 6. When you dispose of packaging try to break down boxes so they are unrecognizable don't leave a 65" TV box on the curb for trash pickup.



Notable Arrests of the Month

Officers arrested and charged 22 subjects in the month of November relating to a variety of different complaints. Below are several of the standout arrests.

11.5.19 – Subject was charged with criminal speed for operating at 60 MPH in a posted 30 MPH zone on High Street 11.8.19 – Subject was arrested on Morrills Mills Road for operating under the influence.

11.8.19 – Subject was arrested on an outstanding warrant on Main Street.

11.10.19 – Subject was arrested on an outstanding warrant on Elm Street.

11.13.19 – Subject was arrested for domestic violence aggravated assault on Lebanon Road.

11.13.19 – Subject was arrested for operating after suspension and possession of schedule drugs on Lebanon Road.

Other Monthly Stats of Note

- Officers conducted nearly 425 business and residential property checks.
- Officers initiated nearly 150 traffic stops for various violations.
- Officers responded to 20 motor vehicle crashes