



# OCEANSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE



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## **SUSPECT ARRESTED AFTER VANDALISM AND PURSUIT**

Oceanside Police Officers responding to the report of vandalism this morning wind up in a pursuit with the suspect where an officer crashes a police car sustaining minor injuries.

On April 07, 2009 at approximately 3:25, Oceanside Police were called to the Circle K convenience store where a man was ramming the front door of the business with his truck. The suspect was attempting to purchase fuel from the closed business and became upset when the clerk refused to sell him gasoline. The suspect left the area and was located by officers driving northbound on College Boulevard near Oceanside Boulevard.

A traffic stop was initiated and the suspect yielded at College Boulevard and Old Grove Road. As two officers approached the suspect's vehicle, the suspect drove away and continued northbound on College Boulevard. Two officers in separate vehicles began to pursue the suspect as he drove at a high rate of speed. As the officers chased the suspect, the second officer involved in the pursuit crashed near the intersection of College Boulevard and Chroma. The officer sustained minor injuries in the crash and was flown to Palomar Hospital for treatment.

The pursuit of the suspect continued eastbound on SR 76 out of the city and into Bonsall. At this time the driving of the suspect was deemed too unsafe to continue the pursuit and officers discontinued and returned to the city.

A few minutes later, the suspect returned westbound on SR 76 where officers located him driving near Jefferies Ranch Road at approximately 60 MPH. Officers followed the suspect and attempted to stop him by deploying Spike Strips. This tactic was unsuccessful and the suspect sped up to speeds near 90 MPH. At this time the pursuit of the suspect was cancelled once again.

During this time, an off-duty Border Patrol Agent witnessed the incident and was able to follow the suspect from a safe distance. As the suspect entered Carlsbad, he exited Palomar Airport Road, drove westbound to Pacific Coast Hwy, traveled southbound on Pacific Coast Hwy and finally stopped at the Chevron Station on the corner of La Costa Avenue and Interstate 5. Carlsbad Police were advised of the incident and took the suspect into custody at the Chevron Station without incident.

The suspect identified as 33 year old Edward Mone of Vista was arrested for Felony Evading of a Peace Officer, Felony Evading while driving on the wrong side of the road, Felony Vandalism, Felony DUI and Felony DUI with a Blood Alcohol level over the legal limit.

