

Van and trailer get stuck on beach

Peter Iredale wasn't the only wreck stuck in beach sand in Clatsop County this week.

A van pulling a small travel trailer became stuck in the surf about 4:30 a.m. Wednesday near the Del Rey Beach Access in Gearhart, the Clatsop County Sheriff's Department reported.

The owner of the vehicle, who was not named, contacted law enforcement and several tow companies. However, no tow truck was able to get to the stuck vehicle before it became halfway submerged in the ocean.

An attempt will be made to remove the vehicle at the next safe opportunity, the agency said.

The owner of the vehicle has been cleaning up debris as it washes on shore. The Coast Guard is monitoring the wreck for oil and fuel leakage.



Statue dedication set for Saturday

Cindy Yingst/The Columbia Press

Fort Stevens Post 10580 and Auxiliary will unveil and dedicate the new veterans monument at 11 a.m. Saturday in the park in front of the post office. The community celebration includes hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, beverages and games. Until then, the statue will look a bit scary covered in a black shroud with just a gun sticking out.w

Public Safety Calls

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South Main Avenue.

- Female with loss of consciousness, 12:30 p.m. Aug. 14, Pre-marq Center.
- Male who's short of breath, 5:22 p.m. Aug. 14, 1600 block Ensign Lane.
- Female with diabetic issue, 6:50 p.m. Aug. 14, 1300 block South Main Avenue.
- Female who fell and is hallucinating, 7:26 a.m. Aug. 16, 200 block Southwest Second Street.
- Male with loss of consciousness, 9:20 a.m. Aug. 16, 500 block Alternate Highway 101.
- Female with hip pain, 4:11 p.m. Aug. 16, 1600 block Ensign Lane.
- Female lift assist, 7:19 p.m. Aug. 16, 1600 block Eastwind Terrace.
- Male with seizure, 2:10 p.m. Aug. 17, 200 block Southwest Second Street.
- Male passed out in restroom, 8:54 p.m. Aug. 17, 1400 block

Discovery Lane.

- Female with stomach pain, 1:55 a.m. Aug. 19, 100 block Southeast Anchor Avenue.
- Male having seizure, 2:12 a.m. Aug. 19, 800 block Russell Drive.
- Female having difficulty breath-

ing, 5:13 a.m. Aug. 19, 100 block Southwest Cedar Avenue.

- Male suicidal subject, 7:53 a.m. Aug. 19, Clatsop Behavioral Respite Center.



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Reckless driving on beach leads to arrest of two drivers

Two young Portland-area drivers were arrested after they reportedly engaged in drag races on the beach, nearly striking several young children, and verbally sparring with those who asked them to slow down.

Calls first came into the dispatch center about 6:30 p.m. Aug. 18 that the occupants of a dark-colored Dodge pickup and a green sport-utility vehicle were arguing with people on the beach near the Peter Iredale approach.

When officers arrived, they were flagged down by a 27-year-old Vancouver, Wash., woman who told them the drivers were racing at high speed and nearly struck her 5-year-old son, who was playing in the sand near the water, according to a police report.

Others on the beach told officers the pair had continued north beyond the signs

that say "No Vehicles Beyond This Point" and nearly struck a couple more children who were flying a kite with their father.

In both cases, the vehicles drove between 1 to 5 feet of the children, according to the report.

The pair got into an argument with the father flying kites and then sped away to the south, where the pickup got stuck in sand and was towed out by the SUV.

The father got photos of the vehicles' license plates.

Police requested backup from Oregon State Police, who stopped the vehicles near the Del Rey Beach access in Gearhart.

Each had a teenage passenger.

Brandon Gage Huffman, 21, of Tualatin and Jacob William Swiberg, 18, of Beaverton were arrested on suspicion of reckless endangerment and reckless driving.

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