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Re: Stalking Leads to Mans Arrest

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A man's attempt to scare his former friends, while watching several law enforcement officers respond to their numerous calls for assistance, landed him in jail.

On o1-10-13, the Hernando County Sheriff's Office received numerous calls from a resident on Hemlock Warbler Rd. in Brooksville. The caller had recently petitioned the court for an Injunction for Protection from Scott Wright and was waiting for deputies to serve the injunction.

Deputies were called the first time because Wright's vehicle was parked at the residence. The caller hoped they would be able to serve the injunction. Wright was nowhere to be found when deputies arrived. Deputies left but were called back within a short time when the doors on Wright's vehicle began locking and un-locking and the alarm began sounding. Again, no sign of Wright and his vehicle did not appear to have been tampered with.

A short time later another call was placed to the Sheriff's Office, the alarm was sounding on Wright's vehicle again. Deputies were dispatched back to the residence. This time a K-9 team was sent to the area to check all surrounding lots, etc. Deputies were still unable to locate Wright. A call was placed to Wright's cell phone. When he answered, he advised the deputy that he was "over an hour away" and quickly disconnected. Deputies left the area again.

Deputies returned to the area on foot and observed the victim's residence. Once the victims turned out the lights for the night, Wright's vehicle alarm started activating again. The K-9 team was already in the area and deployed immediately. The K-9 tracked Wright to a residence a short distance away at 12280 House Finch Rd. Wright was able to see the victim's residence from this location.

Deputies made contact with Wright, who advised that "he was just trying to scare the victims, so they would not mess with his belongings or his truck." Deputies located Wright's electronic key FOB and determined that the vehicle alarm cold be activated from the House Finch Rd. location.

Wright advised the deputies that he watched them arrive on numerous occasions and that he even called the Communications Center in anger, to ask why the victims had not been removed from the residence on Hemlock Warbler Rd. It should be noted that Wright tied up emergency service personnel, both communications and law enforcement officers for four hours, as he tried to "scare" the victims.

Scott Rudolph Wright W/M DOB/07-21-1971 was arrested for Stalking and transported to the Hernando County Detention Center. He is being held on a NO BOND status as he was also charged with Violation of FELONY Probation.