

**For Immediate Release**

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**Royal Oak Police Department Weekly Update  
For the week of December 5, 2019, through December 12, 2019**

**Larceny**

**100 block of S Vermont Ave., 12-05-19, 3:55 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.:** Complainant reported an unknown suspect(s) stole three package deliveries from her front porch. 19-46913

**Malicious Destruction of Property**

**3400 block of Fairmont Rd., 12-09-19 – 12-11-19, 2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.:** Complainant reported an unknown suspect(s) damaged the driver's side of her parked car with a key, or some other object. 19-47717

**Felonious Assault with Gun**

**Harvard and Thirteen Mile., 12-06-19 – 8:30 p.m.:** Complainant called 911 and reported he had a road rage incident with a male driver. The victim stated, after they exchanged hand gestures, the male pulled up next to him and pointed a gun at him. Officers arrived on scene and the male suspect was found to be in possession of a firearm. The 22-year-old Troy resident was arrested for felonious assault. 19-47027

**Additional Incidents and Information**

**UPDATE**  
**BARRICADED SUICIDIAL GUNMAN ARRESTED**

On Thursday, December 12, 2019, Nickolas Al Nowland of Pontiac was arraigned in the 44<sup>th</sup> District before the Honorable Magistrate Orletski. Nowland is charged with: four (4) counts of Felonious Assault with a Dangerous Weapon, a felony which carries a penalty of up to 4 years in prison; Five (5) counts of Possession of a Firearm in the Commission of a Felony, a felony which carries a penalty of up to 2 years in prison; One (1) count of



Obstructing a Police Officer, a felony which carries a penalty of up to 2 years in prison; and one (1) count of Weapons-Firearms-Possession of a Felon, a felony which carries a penalty of up to 2 years in prison.

Nowland's criminal history includes convictions for breaking and entering and open intoxicants in a motor vehicle.

Nowland's bond was set at \$100,000 no cash/surety and no 10%. His next court appearance is scheduled for December 20, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. before the Honorable Judge Meinecke of the 44<sup>th</sup> District Court.



+Nickolas Al Nowland Dob:09/15/1978

For more information, contact the Royal Oak Police Department Criminal Investigation Division Lieutenant Al Carter at (248) 246-3456.

## **PRESS RELEASE**

On December 3, 2019, at approximately 2:23 AM, the Royal Oak Police Department responded to a commercial building in the 4900 block of Fernlee Avenue in response to a suicidal subject.

The person indicated he was armed and wanted to kill himself in a shootout with police. Officers responded and set up a perimeter while negotiating with him over the phone. Officers from Troy, Clawson, Madison Heights, Berkley, and Birmingham were utilized to help with the perimeter.

The subject was armed with a rifle and repeatedly exited the building. Although he never pointed the rifle directly at anyone, he did try to provoke officers into shooting him by attempting to walk up on officers and quickly reaching for the weapon. At one point he approached a perimeter officer and forced him into an area where the officer had nowhere to retreat, all the while holding the rifle at his side and motioning like he was about to level it at the officer. At this point other officers distracted him, and he turned his attention to them.

Eventually the subject returned to the business and the Oakland County SWAT officers arrived and took over the inner perimeter. Just before 0500hrs, a less lethal munition was used to temporarily disable the subject. He was taken into custody and transported to WBH for minor injuries and a mental health evaluation.

“The officers on scene utilized excellent teamwork and showed tremendous restraint while continuing to attempt to deescalate the situation. This individual stated several times he wanted to shoot it out with police. I can’t emphasize enough what a great job our officers did tonight, particularly the level of restraint they exercised in this incident.”  
Chief Corrigan O’Donohue.

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**The following arrests were made during the period:**

Eight (8) Misdemeanor Warrant  
Four (4) Driving While License Suspended and Misdemeanor Warrant  
One (1) Trespassing and Misdemeanor Warrants  
One (1) Carjacking, Robbery and Felony Warrant  
One (1) Possession of Heroin, Synthetic Narcotics and Driving While License Suspended  
One (1) Felonious Assault – Gun  
One (1) Felonious Assault – Gun, Possession of a Firearm During Commission of a Crime  
One (1) Credit Card Fraud  
Two (2) Operating While Intoxicated  
One (1) Operating While Intoxicated and Obstructing Police  
One (1) Operating Under the Influence of Drugs and Possession of Synthetic Narcotics  
One (1) Operating Under the Influence of Drugs and Driving While License Suspended  
One (1) Driving While License Suspended  
One (1) Domestic Assault  
Two (2) Disorderly Conduct  
One (1) Possession of Cocaine and Misdemeanor Warrant  
One (1) Open Alcohol in a Motor Vehicle  
Four (4) Probation Violation

**Total Arrests: 33**

