



Oceanport Police Department

930 OCEANPORT WAY OCEANPORT , NJ 07757 (732)222-6300

Officer Report for Incident 21OP07692

Nature: SHOTS FIRED

Location: P38E

Address: 60 SHORE RD

OCEANPORT NJ 07757

Offense Codes: DCON, OBST

Received By: Toscano, D

How Received: T

Agency: P38

Responding Officers: Grimes, G, Weir, J, Lynch, W, Moore, J, Fagliarone, M

Responsible Officer: Grimes, G

Disposition: CAA 05/22/21

When Reported: 08:10:51 05/22/21

Occurred Between: 08:08:37 05/22/21 and 08:08:37 05/22/21

Assigned To:

Status:

Detail:

Status Date: **/**/**

Date Assigned: **/**/**

Due Date: **/**/**

Complainant: 391896

Last: NEW JERSEY

First: STATE OF

Mid:

DOB: **/**/**

Dr Lic:

Address: P.O. BOX 620

Race: U

Sex: U

Phone: () -

City: TRENTON, NJ 08625

Offense Codes

Reported:

Observed: DCON Disorderly Conduct

Additional Offense: DCON Disorderly Conduct

Additional Offense: OBST Obstructing Justice

Circumstances

LT20 Residence or Home

Responding Officers:

Unit :

Grimes, G

P38051

Weir, J

P38050

Lynch, W

P53071

Moore, J

P53111

Fagliarone, M

P38038

Responsible Officer: Grimes, G

Agency: P38

Received By: Toscano, D

Last Radio Log: 18:55:50 05/22/21 C

How Received: T Telephone

Clearance: RR Report Required

When Reported: 08:10:51 05/22/21

Disposition: CAA **Date:** 05/22/21

Judicial Status:

Occurred between: 08:08:37 05/22/21

Misc Entry:	and: 08:08:37 05/22/21	
Statute:	Description :	Method :
2C Statute	NJ 2C Criminal Statutes	2C:33-2
2C Statute	NJ 2C Criminal Statutes	2C:29-1

Involvements

Date	Type	Description	
05/22/21	Name	SALNICK, KEITH A	Arrested
05/22/21	Name	NEW JERSEY, STATE OF	Complainant
05/22/21	Name	SALNICK, JONATHAN K	Parent/Guardian
05/22/21	Name	SALNICK, BARBARA A	Parent/Guardian
05/22/21	Name	DALE, MARGARET	Caller
05/22/21	Offense	Discharge of Firearms prohibit - 1 count	Charged With
05/22/21	Offense	Disorderly Conduct - 1 count	Charged With
05/22/21	Offense	OBSTRUCTING ADMINISTRATION OF LAW OR OTHER GOV FUNCTION - 1 count	Charged With
05/22/21	Cad Call	08:10:51 05/22/21 SHOTS FIRED	Initiating Call

Narrative

On the above date and time Patrols were dispatched to the area of 60 Shore Drive for a report of shots fired. The caller advised she heard several shots and what appeared to be glass breaking at one point. While en route a second caller stated they heard gun shots and thought someone may be duck hunting.

Upon arrival I checked the area around 60 Shore Rd and did not observe anyone around. I checked near the water and did not observe any duck hunting. I then heard 3 shots fired from a shot gun. I again checked the area around 60 Shore, but did not observe anyone. The shots sounded like they were coming from behind the home, but due to the location sometimes the sound carries from the water.

Ptl. Weir arrived and we canvassed the area with negative findings. I decided to go speak with the resident of 60 Shore Rd to see if he had heard anything or was possibly involved. I knocked on the door and several minutes later the homeowner, Keith Salnick, came around from the side of the house. Immediately upon conversing with Salnick I could tell he was under the influence of alcohol. He was slurring his words, had glassy eyes, and an odor of alcohol emanated from his person. I explained to Salnick why I was there. He stated that he was not shooting a shotgun and did not have any guns in the house. He invited me inside to take a look. I found his answers to my questions odd and decided to enter the home to investigate further. I advised Ptl. Weir to return to the location.

Inside Salnick gave me a tour of the home. He telling me about all the work he had done and showed me the first floor. It should be noted there was a half full wine glass and an open bottle of wine on the kitchen counter. When Ptl. Weir arrived on scene I asked Salnick again if he had any weapons in the home. He now advised he had two rifles in the attic that were his grandfathers. He asked if we wanted to see. We followed Salnick up to the attic. While in the attic he advised he could not find them and said they were in the garage.

When I entered the garage I could immediate smell gun powder and observed a shotgun leaning against the wall. There was another shotgun at the bottom of the steps. Salnick advised he did have a firearms ID card, but denied firing the shotguns. I stayed with Salnick while Ptl. Weir looked around the backyard. Ptl. Weir returned and advised there were spent shotgun shell casings and several plastic wads throughout the yard. At this time Salnick was placed under arrest.

Salnick was placed in the rear of unit 4. WLB Sgt. Lynch and Ptl. Moore arrived on scene to assist. I asked Ptl. Moore to clear the two shotguns and then placed them in the rear of unit 6. I took possession of the shotguns for safekeeping as Salnick was under the influence of alcohol and the home was currently unsecured. Sgt. Lynch stood by with Salnick while Officers began processing the scene.

I made notification to MCPO. I was advised Det. Gold would be responding. I advised I would handle processing the scene.

While processing the scene I located 2 red Estate spent shells near the side slider door. I then located 2 yellow Hevi-Steel 20g and 1 green Field & Stream 12ga shotgun shells near the door in the back of the garage. It should be noted when the the Mossberg shotgun was cleared there was a spent yellow Hevi-Steel shell in it. Spread throughout the yard there were many plastic wads from the ammunition. Everything was photographed and collected as evidence. Officers checked all surrounding homes and observed no damage to any property.

Ptl. Weir transported Salnick to HQ for processing. Salnick was eventually brought to the hospital. See Ptl. Weir's report.

Det. Gold arrived on scene. After discussing the incident and conferring with an AP it was determined that due to neither an individual or property being hit, there was no criminal firearm statues broken.

I returned to HQ and charged Salnick with following:

1338-SC-004293 2C:33-2(a) Disorderly Conduct

1338-SC-004294 BO:210-1 Discharge of a Fire Restricted

1338-SC-004295 2C:29-1a Obstruction

Lt. Fagliarone responded to the hospital and served Salnick with the summonses.

I then recived a call from Ptl. Weir who advised he spoke with both Salnick's parents. They advised Ptl. Weir that they were worried about there son and him having firearms. His father advised he had checked on Salnick early this morning because he was worried about him. He stated Salnick had a drinking problem and recently was having anxiety issues. Based on this information and what had transpired earlier I completed and submitted a petition for an ERPO. Petition Number 1338 XTR 2021 000001. I spoke with Hon. John Patti who advised he would sign off on the ERPO and search warrant.

I responded to Monmouth Medical Center to serve Salnick the TERPO. Salnick was semi-coherent as the hospital was administering sedatives to keep him calm. The TERPO was explained and a copy was left with his mother. While there his mother advised there were several of Salnick's guns at her residence. I responded to their home with Salnick's father and took possession of the guns. I then responded to 60 Shore Dr with Salnick's father. Lt. Fagliarone, Ptl. Weir and searched the home for weapons. There were no other weapons located at the residence. There were many boxes of ammunition located in the garage. These wer all taken for safekeeping. Salnick's FID card was located in his truck and taken as well.

At HQ all items were logged for safekeeping. All guns were placed in the evidence room and all the ammunition was placed in the armory.

Nothing further to report at this time.

Supplement

10:19:26 05/22/2021 - Moore, J

On May 22nd Oceanport Police Officers requested assistance from the West Long Branch Police Department in reference to this incident, Sgt. Lynch and I responded to the location. Upon arrival, Sgt. Lynch was requested to stay with a subject that was in the rear of one of the Oceanport Police patrol vehicles. Officer Grimes requested that I come with him to the garage of the location and help in securing two firearms.

I followed Officer Grimes into the garage of the location where I located two shotguns next to the rear door. I was able to secure both weapons, which I then turned over to Officer Grimes.

Sgt. Lynch and I stayed on location until we were no longer needed.

Nothing further.

Supplement

12:55:35 05/22/2021 - Weir, J

On the above date and time, units were dispatched to the above listed location for a report of shots fired (for further details about that incident see Det. Grimes narrative.)

Homeowner Keith Salnick was eventually placed under arrest and transported to headquarters. During transportation Keith appeared to be having a manic episode and was rambling about multiple things. At headquarters I was unable to access the sally port due to a door malfunction.

I drove to the rear of headquarters and attempted to walk Keith to processing. Keith made his body go limp and continued to ramble about needing first aid and wanting his handcuffs off. I had to physically escort Keith into processing and requested First Aid meet me there. Upon Oceanport First Aid's arrival Keith slumped to the floor and closed his eyes.

First Aid members were able to get Keith into the cot and I adjusted his handcuffs to the front of his body. I rode to the hospital in the rig due to Keith's behavior. While in transport Keith continually tried to get out of the cot and would thrash his head around. I physically had to hold Keith down during transport.

At the hospital Keith's mood swings would dramatically change but he eventually fell asleep. Lt. Fagliarone arrived and turned over the complaints to Keith's mother. It should be noted outside the hospital, Keith's father showed great concern about Keith having firearms and his mental health. Det. Grimes was notified of this.

A use of force was completed by this officer and attached to the report. Clear, nothing further.

Supplement

15:30:53 05/25/2021 - Grimes, G

On 5/24/21 Salnick left a message for me to call him. I spoke with Salnick who wanted to apologize for his actions on Saturday and asked for me to go over everything that had transpired with him as he could not remember. I explained everything to Salnick. I then responded to 60 Shore Rd and gave him another copy of the TERPO. I explained the process and departed. NFI