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SCU members arrest heroin user that got into the wrong car

On 06/12/2012, Members of the Barnstable Street Crime Unit (SCU) Barnstable Police Officers Scott Wright and Keith Sexton were assigned to patrol Hyannis. SCU utilizes unmarked police vehicles and its member dress in "plain clothes". One of their primary duties is to suppress "open air" narcotics activity in the Towns of Hyannis and Yarmouth.

At approximately 2:02pm, WRIGHT and SEXTON were on patrol in the Sea Street area of Hyannis. They observed some suspicious activity in the Oak Grove Cemetery on Sea Street. A female, later identified as Jody L Florence-Howes, age 42 of Falmouth, was observed in a vehicle stopped in the cemetery. She appeared to give a hand signal to WRIGHT and SEXTON. They stopped behind her vehicle. She exited her car and attempted to get into the rear seat of the unmarked SCU patrol vehicle. HOWES had mistaken the SCU unit for a vehicle she was waiting for.

A follow up investigation conducted by WRIGHT and SEXTON revealed that HOWES was waiting on the delivery of two (2) bags of heroin from a local drug dealer. Several minutes later a second vehicle entered the cemetery. That vehicle was very similar to the vehicle being operated by WRIGHT and SEXTON. The operator of the second vehicle was identified as Corey A Pina, age 21, of Yarmouth. A passenger in the vehicle was identified as Kiranbir Singh, age 22, of Centerville. WRIGHT and SEXTON located two (2) bags of heroin inside PINA's vehicle. FLORENCE-HOWES was also found in possession of a class E substance without a valid prescription.

All three (3) were placed under arrest and charged with the following:

FLORENCE-HOWES

Conspiracy to violate narcotics laws
Possession of class E substance

SINGH

Possession with intent to distribute heroin
Conspiracy to violate narcotics laws
Being present where heroin is kept

PINA

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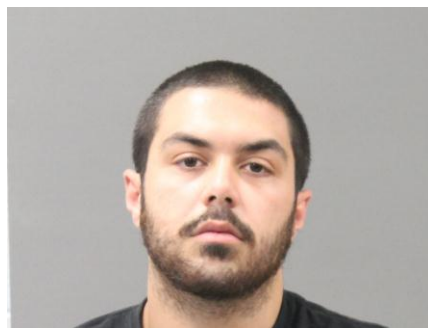


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All three (3) booking photographs are attached to the release. For any media member requesting additional information and/or questions regarding this press release please contact Lt John Murphy @ e-mail address murphyj@barnstablepolice.com. Arrests photos are attached to the press release.



FLORENCE-HOWES



PINA



SINGH