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One Arrested After Shooting Inside Palm Coast Bar

BUNNELL, FL – A Palm Coast man has been arrested after discharging a firearm within Smiles Nite Club on November 20. Flagler County Sheriff's Deputies responded to Smiles Nite Club located at 9 Palm Harbor Village Way after 911 callers advised someone had been firing a gun inside the bar.



Arrest of Anderson

According to witnesses, the suspect had been at the bar with a female patron when he became upset about being unable to find his car keys. The suspect exited the bar and returned with a firearm, placed the female in a headlock, and held the gun to her head. Patrons of the bar intervened attempting to disarm the suspect as he fired the gun approximately six times towards several patrons of the bar. Patrons of the bar were able to tackle the suspect and get him on the ground before he fled the bar. No one was injured.

Deputies arrived on scene and located the suspect, Connor Anderson, in a nearby parking lot. Anderson, who was still armed with a 9mm Glock handgun, was taken into custody without incident and arrested for 6 counts of

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shooting into or throwing deadly missiles, 3 counts of aggravated assault, battery, using a firearm while under the influence of alcoholic beverages, and improper exhibition of dangerous weapons or firearms. Anderson was booked into the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility on \$542,000 bond, where he remains.

“It is amazing this dirtbag did not kill or seriously injure anyone during his moment of rage over something as small as his car keys. Violence is never the answer and alcohol and guns never mix well,” said Sheriff Rick Staly. “Anderson will be learning that the hard way as he sits in jail at the Green Roof Inn. I also commend the patrons that intervened and immediately called us. Putting themselves in danger in this case saved many lives.”



Connor Anderson (Flagler County Jail Mugshot)

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