

Rick Staly, Sheriff FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Crash Investigation Leads to Arrest; Two Men Arrested in Road Rage Incident

BUNNELL, Fla. — Flagler County Sheriff's Office deputies made 12 arrests this past weekend between 6 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 14, 2025, and 6 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 17, 2025. Deputies handled 589 calls for service and made 152 traffic stops.

Man Arrested for DUI, Tampering with Evidence After Crashing into City-Owned Median

On Saturday evening, deputies responded to a single-vehicle crash at Lakeview Boulevard in Palm Coast after a vehicle reportedly collided with the center median at a high rate of speed, damaging the median and plants owned by the City of Palm Coast.

When deputies arrived, they observed the driver, later identified as Maciek Trzeciak, 37, of Palm Coast, speaking to fire-rescue personnel, and noticed that he had difficulty standing and had slurred and mumbled speech. When deputies spoke to Trzeciak, he continued to have trouble standing, almost falling several times and requiring him to use his vehicle for balance.

Deputies then started a DUI investigation and conducted a series of field sobriety exercises, which Trzeciak failed. Following the exercises, deputies arrested him.

Deputies transported Trzeciak to the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility. At the jail, Trzeciak provided breath tests, which did not indicate any alcohol in his system. Due to the results of the test not matching the level of impairment that deputies observed, they contacted a drug recognition evaluator. After the evaluation, Trzeciak provided a urine sample that was submitted to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement for testing.

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Prior to being booked into jail, deputies transported Trzeciak to AdventHealth Palm Coast for medical clearance. While transporting him, deputies noticed Trzeciak pull a cylindrical object from his waistband. After deputies asked him about the object, he opened it, removed an unknown item, and swallowed it. Deputies later reviewed backseat camera footage, which showed Trzeciak swallowing multiple pills.

Flagler County Fire Rescue responded and evaluated Trzeciak, finding that his vital signs were normal.

"This guy did something incredible dumb that could have cost him his life when he thought he could get rid of evidence without deputies knowing," said Sheriff Rick Staly. "Instead, he was arrested for a felony when all he was originally facing was a misdemeanor."



Maciek Trzeciak (Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility mug shot)

Deputies arrested Trzeciak for DUI with property damage and tampering with evidence. He was booked into the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility, where he was later released on a \$3,500 bond.

View body camera footage from the arrest.

Two Arrested After Road Rage Incident Escalates into Physical Disturbance

On Sunday afternoon, deputies responded to a reported disturbance with weapons stemming from a road rage incident in the E-Section of Palm Coast. According to the 911 caller, four people were verbally arguing with each other in the middle of the road, and one of them pulled out a firearm.

When deputies arrived, they observed three men and one woman arguing in the roadway. One of the men told deputies that he was the one with the firearm and allowed deputies to secure it. Deputies then separated the parties, conducted interviews, and reviewed surveillance videos from houses around the scene.

Based on the evidence, deputies determined the parties exited their vehicles and began verbally arguing after one of the drivers believed the other was following too closely. During the dispute, one of

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the men, Michael Duvall, 27, of Palm Coast, was seen on video getting into the face of another man, Mark James, 59, of Palm Coast. The argument then escalated when Duvall knocked James' hat off his head and struck him numerous times. James then drew a firearm and exposed the weapon to Duvall.

"This is how road rage escalates, and all of this could have been avoided if both men would have kept calm, de-escalated and called the Sheriff's Office," said Sheriff Rick Staly. "A road rage incident should never escalate to the point that punches are thrown, and a gun is drawn. Fortunately, this did not escalate to a shooting or a homicide over a perceived traffic infraction."





Michael Duvall and Mark James (Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility mug shots)

Deputies arrested Duvall for breach of peace and battery and James for breach of peace. They were both transported to the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility, where they were later released on \$1,250 and \$250 bonds, respectively.

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