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## *Press Release*

**Today's Date:** October 22, 2014  
**Date & Time**  
**Occurred:** October 22, 2014 at 3:27 a.m.  
**Submitted By:** Sergeant Todd Dye  
**Phone:** (707) 446-5200  
**Case Number:** 14-07872  
**Type of**  
**Crime/Incident:** 10851 VC – Grand Theft Automobile, 2800.1 VC – Felony Reckless Evading, 148 PC – Resisting Arrest, 600(a) PC – Assaulting a Police Canine  
**Location:** 200 block of Demarest Drive  
**Suspects:** Robert Carter, 18, Oakland resident

### **K-9 SYAR HELPS VACAVILLE PD APPREHEND SUSPECT IN CAR THEFT**

A police K-9 helped officers apprehend a suspect in a California Highway Patrol (CHP) vehicle theft pursuit that ended in Vacaville early Wednesday morning.

Officers from the CHP were pursuing a stolen vehicle early Wednesday morning when their high-speed pursuit came into Vacaville city limits. The chase ended when the suspect drove the vehicle into a cul-de-sac and stopped just before colliding into a garage. The driver ran from the scene while two juvenile passengers were taken into custody. Because of their ages, no information is being released about the juveniles.

Vacaville officers responded to assist with the search for the driver and about an hour later, a Vacaville resident called the police department advising a person had come to the door asking to use the phone. The resident was able to provide a description of the person at the door, which matched that of the driver of the stolen vehicle.

While searching the area, an officer spotted the driver of the stolen car walking on Alamo Drive. When officers tried to make contact with him, he jumped a residential fence into a back yard and ran.

As more officers came to the area, the suspect was seen running into a senior apartment complex in the 200 block of Demarest Drive. Vacaville officers surrounded the complex and continued their search. He was spotted again and despite repeated orders to stop, the suspect continued to run.

After being warned a police dog would be used to arrest him if he did not stop, K-9 Syar was released. Syar ran after the suspect, caught him and bit his arm. The suspect punched Syar several times and was able to free himself from Syar's grasp.

The suspect ran again and tried to elude officers and Syar by climbing a fence. K-9 Syar was able to catch the suspect by his leg and prevent him from getting over the fence. The suspect

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was treated at the scene by paramedics then taken to Vaca Valley Hospital where he was treated for the two dog bites and released shortly thereafter.

Upon his release, officers from the California Highway Patrol arrested the suspect, identified as S-Robert Carter, 18, of Oakland for driving a stolen car (10851 VC) and Felony Reckless Evading (2800.1 VC). S-Carter was also arrested by Vacaville police for resisting arrest (148 PC) and Assault on a Police Canine [600(a) PC]. S-Carter was booked into the Solano County Jail.

The Vacaville Police Department would like to remind citizens to be cautious when people knock on your door in the middle of the night. Citizens can always call the police department when they observe suspicious behavior or strangers are knocking on their door in the middle of the night.

Anyone with additional information about this case should call the police department at (707) 449-5200 and ask to speak with Officer Darren Young.