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More Unlocked Vehicles Entered Around Town Last Friday/Saturday Night, Nov 19 to 20

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Some thieves who go into unlocked cars aren't afraid to branch out and enter a garage when a garage door opener is found in the vehicle, as happened overnight from Friday to Saturday on Holly Lane.

The incident was one of four reported the same day, after in the latest spate of overnight entries into unlocked vehicles in Darien. Here's how police described each incident, all of which took place on nearby streets:

Holly Lane

A woman told police that when her husband went outside at about 7:30 a.m., he found the garage door fully open, although she had closed that door the evening before.

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A Huffy brand bicycle was in the garage, but it didn't belong to anybody at the home. And the couple's son's bicycle was missing.

The home's Ring camera recording showed a masked male walking in the driveway at 3:47 a.m. and checking inside vehicles. The male appeared to use a garage door opener from one of the vehicles. He then entered the garage, leaves with the bicycle, along with a red backpack (also missing from the garage), and stopped at the end of the driveway. Then the thief walked the Huffy bike to the garage.

Cash was also reported missing from the vehicle the thief entered. Police didn't say how much.

Old Parish Road

Four vehicles parked in the driveway of an <u>Old Parish Road</u> home were entered overnight, sometime before 5:04 a.m., when police were called. Nothing was taken from three of the vehicles.

From the fourth vehicle, a 2007 Kia, prescription sunglasses were missing.

Noroton Avenue

Two laptops were stolen from an unlocked 2021 Jeep Grand Cherokee parked outside a home on Noroton Avenue, not far south from its intersection with Middlesex Road. Police were called at 7:35 a.m.

Scout Trail

A male with a red backpack entered an unlocked vehicle parked outside a home on <u>Scout Trail</u>, then left the scene on a bike. Nothing was reported missing from the vehicle. The victim told police that her Ring home surveillance camera showed the male at 4:30 a.m.

(A bicycle and red backpack were also part of the theft on Holly Lane, about a mile away, where the Ring camera showed a theft taking place at 3:47 a.m.)

BEFORE SATURDAY:

Wee Burn Lane — Reported Sunday, Nov 14

A leather bag valued at \$2,600, a dress valued at \$2,200 and brown leather boots valued at \$2,500 were stolen from two unlocked vehicles parked outside a home at 18 Wee Burn Lane sometime overnight, Saturday to Sunday, Nov. 14.

One of the vehicles was a 2020 Range Rover; the other, a 2017 Mercedes Benz.

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