

Police: DUI for Man, 62, at 6:39 PM With More Than Double Legal BAC Level

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A 62-year-old man reportedly driving erratically at 6:39 p.m., Thursday had more than two and a half times the legal alcohol limit in his blood when he was tested about a half hour later, police said.

Darien police gave this account of what happened, including accusations not proven in court:

Called to the area of the intersection of the [Post Road and Cross Street](#) near Spring Grove Cemetery on the report of an erratic driver, police stopped the vehicle described to them, a gold minivan and with the same license plate number described to them.

Officers talking with the man, a Norwalk resident, immediately smelled the odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from him. They found it difficult to understand him through his slurred speech. When asked for his driver's license, he gave police several credit cards before he found it.

Asked if he'd been drinking any alcohol that day, he said he had "one martini" with lunch. When he was asked to get out of the vehicle for field sobriety testing, he was unsteady on his feet. He couldn't perform the tests to a proper standard.

Police arrested him for driving while under the influence. At Darien Police Headquarters, a breathalyzer test at 7:26 p.m. showed his blood-alcohol level at 0.2137; at 7:46 p.m., the level was 0.1978

The man was released later on a cash bond of \$250 and he is scheduled to appear June 18 in state Superior

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