

Bridgeville Man Arrested by Troopers on Criminal and Traffic Charges- Bridgeville

Bridgeville- Delaware State Police arrested 18-year-old **Fredrick Norwood** of Bridgeville on criminal and traffic charges following an incident Sunday night.

On October 11, 2020, at approximately 9:10 p.m., troopers responded to Deer Forest Road, Bridgeville, for a report of a black Chevrolet Silverado driving erratically on the roadway. Troopers contacted the 65-year-old male victim, who advised the Silverado was doing burnouts on the road in front of his residence. As he was observing the pickup truck, he used a flashlight he was holding to identify the operator, at which time the vehicle began sliding towards him. In response, the victim threw the flashlight at the rear bumper, and the truck traveled approximately 50 yards down the roadway before stopping. The operator, later identified as Norwood, looked out the truck window and questioned the victim if he threw something at the truck. The victim then heard what appeared to be the sound of a shotgun being cocked inside the vehicle before the operator drove away and continued traveling around the area. During their investigation, troopers determined the vehicle, and Norwood was located on Cedar Corner Road, Bridgeville. Upon contact with Norwood, a strong odor of alcoholic beverages was detected. Also observed in plain view inside the Silverado was a 20 gauge shotgun and 12 gauge double-barrel shotgun. One slug was found in the chamber of the 20 gauge shotgun. Beer cans were also observed in the bed and interior of the truck.

Norwood was taken into custody without incident and transported to Troop 5, where the investigation continued. Norwood was charged with the following crimes:

- Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony (2 counts- felony)
- Aggravated Menacing (felony)
- Reckless Endangering 1st Degree (felony)
- Possession of a Firearm While Under the Influence (2 counts)
- Unlawfully Loaded Firearm (2 counts)
- Driving Under the Influence
- Reckless Driving
- Failure to have Required Insurance
- Failure to have License in Possession

Norwood was arraigned in the Justice of the Peace Court #3 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on a \$51,703.00 cash bond.

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