## Stolen rum, marijuana found during police stop

A 22-year-old Whitchurch-Stouffville man has been charged with possession of cannabis, shoplifting and possession of property obtained by crime.

On Aug. 1, a York Region Police officer on routine patrol in Stouffville observed several young people in front of the Main Street LCBO around 5 p.m.

The group then got into a vehicle and drove west on Main Street until the officer initiated a traffic stop to check the driver's sobriety and licence.

From inside the vehicle, the officer detected the smell of marijuana.

All five occupants of the vehicle were arrested for possession of a controlled substance.

Upon searching the vehicle, an opened knapsack was located, which concealed two bottles of rum.

The male owner of the knapsack was additionally charged with shoplifting under \$5,000 and possession of property obtained by crime.

The alcohol was stolen from the LCBO, police said. The four other occupants of the vehicle were released unconditionally.

## Price tags switched, cap stolen: police

A 44-year-old Whitchurch-Stouffville woman was charged late last month with theft, fraud and possession of stolen property following an incident at Walmart earlier this summer.

On June 1 at about 10:30 p.m. York Region Police were called to the Hoover Park Drive store to investigate a shoplifting complaint.

The accused was arrested by the store's loss prevention officer for allegedly stealing a baseball cap. She was charged by York Region Police with theft under \$5,000.

Other items in her possession, which were paid for, had the price tags switched to lower prices, which resulted in the fraud charge.

– Sandra Bolan





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