



SAUSALITO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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PRESS RELEASE:

Sausalito Police Arrest Subject For Assault On A Anchored Out Vessel

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On Wednesday, July 5, 2017, at approximately 7:30 PM, Sausalito Police Officer James Fotherby was on foot patrol in Dunphy Park. While on foot patrol, he was approached by a 50 year old female who was crying and shaking.

The female told Officer Fotherby that she had just been assaulted by Brian Hagan, a 51 year old anchor out resident of Sausalito, on the vessel they live upon. The vessel where the assault occurred is anchored on Richardson Bay, approximately 50 yards off shore from Schoonmaker Marina. Hagan and the female live upon the vessel as roommates and are not in a dating relationship. The female said that Hagan accused her of tampering with his property and an argument ensued. During the argument, Hagan threatened to throw her overboard. Hagan then placed his hands around the female's throat and began to choke her as he pulled her to the side of the boat and held her over the edge. The female estimated that the assault lasted approximately 30 seconds. The female had injuries consistent with her report of being assaulted.

After the assault, the female stated that Hagan threw items from the boat at her and threatened to harm her if she reported the incident to the police. The female was able to get a ride to the shore from another resident of the vessel.

Officers launched Sausalito Police Patrol Boat "Marine One" and responded to the vessel in question to contact Hagan. Hagan was waiting for the officers on the deck of the vessel and asked officers if they were there to arrest him. Hagan denied any physical altercation took place but said that the female had been screaming at him and throwing items around the vessel prior leaving for shore. Officers noticed that the vessel's deck was in disarray and had numerous items lying about.

Officer Fotherby arrested Hagan for 245(a)(4) PC – Assault with Force Likely to Cause Great Bodily Injury and transported him to the Marin County Jail.

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