



Police Department

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TO: Press Sources

DATE OF INCIDENT: July 22, 2011

LOCATION: Town of Hyde Park

INCIDENT: Hyde Park Police announce arrest in December armed robbery of Smokes 4 Less

The Town of Hyde Park Police Department announces the arrest of a 29-year-old Poughkeepsie man for the December 7, 2010 armed robbery of the Smokes 4 Less store on Route 9 in Hyde Park.

At approximately 10:30 this morning, Hyde Park Police charged Joel R. Dyckman with one count of Robbery in the First Degree; it is alleged that on that date last year at app. 8 PM, Dyckman entered the establishment wearing a ski mask and displayed what appeared to be a semi-automatic pistol. The suspect then demanded the money from the register and took a number of items from the store; it is further alleged Dyckman fled the store with over \$300 in cash and approximately \$5,500 worth of merchandise.

Over the last seven months, a number of agencies collaborated with Hyde Park Police in the investigation that led to the arrest of Dyckman for this incident. The Town of Hyde Park Police Department wishes to acknowledge the work of the Town of Ulster Police Department and the New York State Police, along with the District Attorney's Offices of both Dutchess and Ulster Counties.

Dyckman was arraigned in Hyde Park Town Court this afternoon in front of the Hon. Judge Kennedy; he was remanded without bail on this charge. Already in custody on other charges, Dyckman was returned to the Ulster County Jail where he is currently being held.

Arrested: Joel R. Dyckman, 29, of 79 Carroll St., Poughkeepsie

Charges: Robbery 1st Degree, a Class B Felony

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