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VEHICLE PROWL SUSPECTS ARRESTED
ATHLETIC CLUB TARGETED AGAIN, BUT EYEWITNESS ABLE TO GIVE DESCRIPTION

Since October, the Harbor Square Athletic Club parking lot, located at 160 West Dayton Street has been the target of vehicle prowlers. Multiple incidents have been reported during that time frame.

During the previous prowls, the victims had bags stolen from their cars. This included personal credit cards that were used later at the Fred Meyer Store in the 18500 block of Aurora Avenue North in Shoreline.

On the morning of December 26th around 9:30 am, an eyewitness called 911 to report vehicles being broken into in the Harbor Square Athletic Club parking lot. The suspect in the parking was seen getting into a dark grey BMW.

Officers went to the area around the Fred Meyer in Shoreline due to the past history. A Woodway Police Officer found the suspect vehicle at a gas station in the 17500 block of Aurora Avenue North. It was occupied by three men. The driver, a 28 year old man from Kent was arrested for theft. One of the passengers, a 24 year old from Tacoma, was also arrested for theft. Another passenger in the vehicle has yet to be charged with any crimes.

The vehicle was taken as evidence and a search warrant was served. A loaded handgun was found and an additional charge was added to the driver for unlawful possession of a firearm.

Both suspects were booked into the Snohomish County Jail.

Detectives continue to investigate. No further information is available at this time.

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