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Eau Claire Police Arrest Man for Recklessly Endangering Safety.

On June 4th, 2023, just after 9:30PM, Eau Claire Police responded to the 500 block of Galloway Street for a disturbance with reported gun shots.

Officers arrived on scene and located several people who described a disturbance between an adult male and a group of several juveniles and an adult female. Evidence on scene showed the adult suspect fired two rounds from a handgun during the disturbance, and witnesses confirmed that. No one was hit by the gunfire; however, a juvenile male was struck with the handgun causing a laceration. That juvenile was transported to a local medical facility for non-life threatening injuries.

Officers were able to utilize public space cameras to verify witness accounts and ultimately identify the suspect. The suspect was identified as Dennis A. Peterson (DOB 01/01/1983).

Peterson was arrested and has been charged with the following:

- 3 counts of 1st Degree Recklessly Endangering Safety - Use of a Dangerous Weapon -- 941.30(1)
- 2 counts of Disorderly Conduct - Use of a Dangerous Weapon -- 947.01(1)
- 2nd Degree Recklessly Endangering Safety - Use of a Dangerous Weapon -- 941.30(2)
- Physical Abuse of a Child - Intentionally Cause Bodily Harm - Use of a Dangerous Weapon -- 948.03(2)(c)

There are no additional people being sought in connection to this incident. The juveniles were targeted after a disturbance earlier that evening. There is no additional concern for public safety.

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