



FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE

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DETECTIVES SEEK TO IDENTIFY JET SKI THEFT SUSPECTS

video: <https://youtu.be/i8QJxiGTGXQ>

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating two jet ski thefts that occurred on Saturday, March 4, 2023, one at approximately 3:45 pm and the other at approximately 7:45 pm. The first incident occurred at 2800 Yacht Club Boulevard and the second incident occurred at 2670 E Sunrise Boulevard, both in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation into these incidents has revealed a group of suspects responsible for both thefts. The suspects work in conjunction with each other to steal the jet skis and then leave the area. During one of the incidents, the Fort Lauderdale Police Department Marine Unit attempted to stop one of the suspects on the stolen jet ski. The suspect fled from the Marine Unit and later crashed the stolen jet ski into a dock. The other jet ski was found near the marina in Sunrise Bay. It appears the suspect intentionally sank the vessel. During both jet ski recoveries, police were unsuccessful in locating the suspect(s).

Video surveillance collected from these incidents show the suspects arriving by boat to commit these thefts. During the first incident a total of three suspects are seen on video. During the second incident two out of the three previously observed suspects are seen.

The three suspects are described as follows,

- Suspect 1: W/M, with dark bushy hair, wearing a white t-shirt that reads "Balenciaga", black pants, and sunglasses.
- Suspect 2: W/M, medium build with brown curly hair, wearing no shirt and colored swim shorts.
- Suspect 3: W/M, with straight brown hair, wearing a gray t-shirt, and light blue shorts.

Detectives encourage anyone with information about the identity of the involved suspects or information about these incidents to contact Detective Junell Shields at 954-828-5514. To provide information anonymously, contact Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS (8477).

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