



# BIRCHWOOD

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## GONE FISHIN'

The annual Landfall Cops and Kids fishing event was held in June, with a great turnout of 30 kids from the Landfall area who came to hang out with Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies. Everyone had a blast and caught quite a few smiles. With summer in full swing, lots of folks will be out fishing, whether from a boat or dipping a line from shore or a dock. Here are several important reminders:

- Minnesota residents ages 16-89 must have a current fishing license with them while fishing. Get more information [HERE](#).
- When fishing from shore or from a dock, be sure you're not trespassing on private property and be aware of fast-moving water.
- When fishing from any watercraft, wear a life jacket! It's like wearing a seat belt while driving: When worn properly, it may save your life. Minnesota law requires one U.S. Coast Guard-approved, properly sized and easily accessible life jacket for each person on board.
- Make sure someone knows your location and plan, and don't fish alone!
- Keep hooks and lures in tackle boxes and cover fishing knife blades, and use caution when baiting and removing hooks.
- Wear sunscreen, insect repellent and appropriate gear, and bring water.

For more information, check out [takemefishing.org](https://www.takemefishing.org). And have fun out there!

NUMBER OF  
INCIDENTS

8

TRAFFIC  
STOPS

4

## WC24022438

### PARKING COMPLAINT

1XX WILDWOOD AVENUE

At 2:51pm on June 6, a deputy responded to a parking complaint and advised a construction crew to leave room for vehicles to pass through, as nearby homeowners were complaining. The deputy did not observe a violation of any city ordinances and did not issue any citations.

## WC24022565 PARK COMPLAINT

4XX LAKE AVENUE

At 9:51pm on June 7, a caller reported people at the park/Kay Beach after hours. The responding deputy told them to leave and they did with no issues. No citations were issued.



## MESSAGE FROM THE SHERIFF



At the Washington County Sheriff's Office, we look forward to summer, when we're out in our communities at fun events like Hugo Good Neighbor Days, Afton's Fourth of July parade and Scandia's Taco Daze. We also host our own events like Backpack Giveaway and Shop with a Cop Back to School — just to name a few! And of course, we'll be at the Washington County Fair (July 31-Aug. 4) and National Night to Unite (Aug. 6). It's a busy time but always a lot of fun. We hope to see you this summer!

A bit of other news: In June, our incredible K9 team took part in the U.S. Police K9 Association Region 18 Patrol Dog Certification, hosted by the St. Croix County Sheriff's Office. Deputy Brandon Yetter and his K9 partner Huck took 1st place overall, and Deputy Nate Thienes and K9 Goose took 2nd as well as the top apprehension score. The WCSO team, which also includes Deputies Chris Majeski/K9 Jake, Josh Liebenow/Viking, Dave Peters/Red and Brian Krook/Bandit, took 2nd place overall. Congratulations to these hard workers, and we'll wish them well as they travel to Louisiana in October to defend their national top team title, along with Deputy Yetter's individual national championship.

In service,

Sheriff Dan Starry