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MAN ARRESTED FOR ASSAULT INFLICTING SERIOUS INJURY WARRANT

On January 29, 2011 at approximately 2:19am, New Bern Police Department received a call of a wanted person in the area of Bloomfield and Cedar Streets. Upon arrival, a suspect, matching the description given by the caller, fled the scene on foot. The officers engaged in a foot chase and was apprehended the suspect in the 800 block of Murray Street. The suspect was then identified as **KOONCE, Wade Ballard**, D.O.B 10/13/1980, 821 Bloomfield Street.

On January 12, 2011, charges were filed against **KOONCE** for breaking into a female's residence and causing injuries requiring medical attention. The New Bern Police Department had warrants on file for his arrest for Assault Inflicting Serious Injury and Breaking and Entering. **KOONCE** was charged with Resist, Obstruct and Delay for this incident. He was held under a \$23,000.00 secured bond. His court date is set for February 15, 2011.

The New Bern Police Department is committed to Community Policing. Citizens are encouraged to become a "**Partner in Policing**," by reporting suspected illegal activity to the New Bern Police Department's **TIPS** line at **(252) 636-5034** or the Craven County Crime Stoppers line at 633-5141.

For additional information, please contact Lt. Linda T. Godette, Public Information Officer, at the New Bern Police Department at 252-672-4196.

Frank Palombo, Chief of Police