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## **POSSESSION OF FIREARM BY A FELON**

On May 21, 2008, at 11:30 p.m., a New Bern police officer on patrol near the intersection of H and K Streets, spotted a vehicle with a broken tail light.

The officer stopped the car, identified the driver as **John Thomas FISHER, 09/05/1954**, of 506 Englewood Lane, and issued **FISHER** a citation for the broken light. During the traffic stop, officers conducted a search of the vehicle, and located a gun and marijuana in the center console.

**FISHER** was arrested and charged with Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon, Carrying a Concealed Weapon, Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. He was placed in the Craven County jail under a \$15,000 bond and scheduled to appear in court Thursday morning.

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 Beth Stevenson, Public Information Officer at the New Bern Police Department at (252) 672-4211.

Frank Palombo, Chief of Police

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