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Golf Cart Thieves Arrested

Three juveniles stole three golf carts from Old Carolina Golf Course. The juveniles were apprehended a short time after the incident.

The Assistant Manager of Old Carolina Golf Course called 911 today, May 20, 2010 at approximately 1215 hours, when he observed three juveniles stealing three golf carts from in front of the clubhouse. The suspects drove the golf carts through the golf course to Bluffton Parkway. Two of the golf carts broke through a barricade there but the third got stuck.

The two golf carts that broke through the barricades were last seen travelling westbound on Bluffton Parkway heading towards Buckwalter Parkway. Bluffton Police officers responded rapidly to the area looking for the thieves. The golf carts were found abandoned in the tunnel underneath the Bluffton Parkway that connects the Pine Crest golf course.

A search of the vicinity near the Pine Crest tennis courts found the three suspects hiding in the shrubbery in the area. The juveniles were arrested and all charged with Grand Larceny and Malicious Injury to Property. There were two male suspects, one 14 and the other 15 year old. The third suspect was a 14 year old female.

All three golf carts were returned to Old Carolina Golf Course undamaged. However, the barricade they ran into was damaged and will need to be repaired.