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GCSO makes history with big heroin seizure



The guns



The drugs



The suspect - Jeramine Carl Curtis
Photos (above) provided by GCSO



Jeramine Carl Curtis
This is a 2015 mug shot
from the Levy County Sheriff's Office

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GILCHRIST COUNTY – Sometimes, history-making events can be seen as both good and bad. In this instance, it is good that the Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office stopped this much heroin from reaching drug law violators, but it can be seen as bad that this much heroin was available to be seized. A few days ago, the Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office team made a score in the war against drugs when members of the GCSO completed the largest heroin seizure in Gilchrist County history, Gilchrist County Sheriff Robert "Bobby" Schultz III said in a late Friday morning (July 21) press release. On Tuesday (July 18), GCSO Det. Sgt. Clint Anderson (with the assistance of GCSO Lt. Scotty Douglas, Det. Sgt. Keagon Weatherford, Sgt. Edwin Jenkins, K-9 Deputy Matthew Rexroat and Deputy Mike Simpson) conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the City of Fanning Springs, Sheriff

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Schultz said.

The driver of the vehicle was known to not have a current driver's license, Schultz said. He had previously been convicted of driving while license suspended or revoked (DWLRS).

The driver was found to be in possession of heroin as well as a synthetic narcotic, Schultz said.

An investigation subsequent to the traffic stop led to approximately one ounce of heroin being seized, Shultz said.

Two handguns were seized as well.

Arrested was (convicted felon) Jeramine Carl Curtis, 34, of Ocala.

Detectives believe that Curtis was one of the biggest distributors of heroin in the Tri-County Area of Gilchrist, Dixie and Levy counties, Schultz said. Curtis was arrested for possession of heroin with intent to sell; possession of a synthetic narcotic with intent to sell; and a third offense of DWLRS.

Bond was recommended by Eighth Judicial Circuit Assistant State Attorney Robert Willis to be set at \$550,000 and Gilchrist County Court Judge Sheree Lancaster followed the recommendation of the prosecutor, Sheriff Schultz said in the press release.

Sheriff Schultz was not available for comment about the Tuesday seizure when he was called Friday morning (July 21).