

Marsha,

Below is a timeline of the Shake the Lake event and a description of the disturbance after the fireworks. I was working this event in the command post on scene. In addition to hear the radio traffic that night, I reviewed the dispatch notes and officer reports to assist in providing you the following information.

4:00pm -Shake the Lake Event opens

10:00pm -Fireworks begin

10:35pm -Fireworks End

10:43pm -DC 911 Center receives calls of large fight involving 50+ people

10:44pm -MPD patrol is dispatched to two areas looking for fight

10:46pm -Event CP notified of fight by dispatch, sending foot officers

10:46pm -DC911 Center receives another call indicating fight is getting out of control

10:52pm -Two patrol officers arrive at Broom and John Nolan. Citizens direct them to fight.

10:54pm -Two patrol officers engage crowd with verbal's to no avail, OC deployed by both.

10:56pm -Crowd disperses without further issue

10:56pm -Single B/F who was involved in fight advances on officers and is sprayed with OC. Arrested for Disorderly conduct and later released.

11:08pm -DC 911 clears call and officers go back into service.

Shortly after the fireworks concluded for the Shake the Lake Event, Dane County 911 Center began receiving calls of a large disturbance. The callers were confused with the location, some giving Williamson Street area and others giving the Broom Street area. Patrol officers were dispatched to both areas to check.

The fireworks event staff was notified by dispatch of the fight and officers working the event on foot were also sent to these areas to look for the fight.

Two patrol officers responded to the John Nolan and Broom Street area in their marked squads with emergency lights and sirens activated. Upon arrival, citizens on scene pointed out the large fight/disturbance to them. They approached and attempted verbal's to stop fight without success. They both deployed OC to the area of the group, which had immediate success in that the group stopped fight and began leaving.

The initial two officers then observed a single b/f charging at them. This person had been one of the individuals fighting. She was sprayed with OC and was taken into custody and handcuffed. She was issued a municipal ticket for disorderly conduct and removed from handcuffs. She was offered assistance by MFD for decontamination but declined. She did accept assistance from officers in using water to wash her face. She was later released.

Other officers on foot and the 6 person MPD mounted team arrived and began assisting in dispersing the crowd. Some members of group initially requested assistance with

decontamination and MFD was called to assist. The individuals then refused assistance and MFD was cancelled.

I will next respond to some inaccuracies with the information provided by Mr. Gelembuik.

Media:

There was not an after event summary provided by the district to the media/public. This was an oversight and will be corrected for future events regardless of size and issues.

Local media outlets to include the Isthmus, Channel 27 and the WSJ contacted the MPD PIO on Tuesday and Wednesday of the next week. The details of the incident were shared and on Wednesday June 30th the report was released to the Isthmus.

Size of crowd fighting:

There was a wide range of descriptions provide by callers to 911, officers and those providing information to Mr. Gelembuik. The range was from 4-6 women fighting up to 60 people fighting.

Pepper Spray (OC):

Contrary to statements, only two patrol officers deployed pepper spray. Both deployed initially towards the large group gathered and those fighting. One of these officers then sprayed a single b/f that had been fighting and then charged at officers.

Decontamination for OC is use of water. This was offered but refused by some. Arrested female did accept and was provided decontamination with water.

Arrests:

Contrary to statements, only one person was arrested. This b/f was cited with a municipal ticket and released from the scene.

Number of Officers at scene:

- 6 patrol units in single squads were dispatched to two areas to look for fight. Dispatch notes are not clear if all 6 arrived eventually to Broom Street.
- 6 mounted officers arrived to scene after the initial two patrol officers arrived.
- Multiple foot officers from event arrived to assist.
- Event had total of 20 officers assigned in event zone and not all could respond due to other duties.

If you have further questions, please let me know.
Capt. Carl Gloede