

## NEWS

# Charlotte teens confess to vehicle burglaries

## Staff Report

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Investigators suspect two teens they arrested Tuesday of burglarizing more than 20 unlocked vehicles since this past weekend.

Logan Matthew Bottorff, 16, of the 4500 block of Colleen Street, and Mason Richard Kumke, 15, of the 100 block of Leland Street, both of Port Charlotte, are each charged with three felony counts of burglary of a conveyance.

They have been released in their parents' custody.

Charlotte County sheriff's deputies say that, at 12:40 a.m. Tuesday, a woman flagged a deputy outside the Port Charlotte Beach Complex, 4500 Harbor Blvd., to report two juveniles walking toward the closed park whom she regarded as suspicious.

The deputy stopped Bottorff and Kumke, who reportedly said they were looking to meet friends to fish at the pier.

The woman who reported them returned to complain that three unlocked vehicles at her nearby Sinclair Street home had been rummaged through.

A K-9 unit reportedly tracked the suspects from the vehicles to the beach complex.

Deputies say the teens admitted to wearing gloves while entering as many as 20 unlocked vehicles since the past weekend.