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Revere Beach reopens Memorial Day after pair of shootings over weekend injuring 3 people



A juvenile is facing a weapons charge as police continue an investigation into the Revere Beach violence that occurred this weekend.

Families were enjoying a sunny Memorial Day on the beach but some of those families were left thinking about the shootings that happened the night before. “We come to the beach and hear about this so we get kind of worried if that could happen to us,” said one beachgoer.

Two shootings occurred in Revere Beach Sunday night. According to state police, “a juvenile male, who came to investigators’ attention following the second shooting, was arrested last night for illegal possession of a firearm, but the investigation is ongoing to determine if he was involved in that shooting.”

The first shooting occurred near Shirley and Centennial Avenues, only two blocks from Revere Beach, around 7:11 p.m., according to state police. The 17-year-old female teen was struck after a large fight began and shots were fired into a large group of people. She was rushed to a Massachusetts General Hospital to be treated for her injuries. State police say it is “possible” she is not the intended victim.

MSP says a second shooting occurred around 8:00 p.m. Police say a 51-year-old woman and a 17-year-old male teen were shot near one of the beach bathhouses around the same time a large fight between youths broke out near the Bandstand on Revere Beach Boulevard.

The woman was struck in her legs and was also transported to MGH. An investigation revealed she was not the intended target of the shooting.

The 17-year-old teen grazed by the gunfire declined to be transported to a hospital. Police say they were working to determine if he was the intended victim. As of yet, there is no evidence that suggests the two shootings were related to each other.

No arrests have been made yet in either shooting, MSP says.

Interim Mayor Patrick Keefe tells Boston 25 that his Police Chief and State Police are working on ramping up security and officers in the area as the summer is around the corner. “We know the temperature will amplify violence. Not that that is okay. It is unacceptable, we have zero tolerance for it,” said Interim Mayor Patrick Keefe.

Chris Mancini who runs Save The Harbor/Save Bay, a non-profit that manages the metropolitan beach commission for the state beaches from Nahant to Nantasket says it’s not a place of violence. “People should feel safe here. 99 percent of the time there is not an issue,” said Mancini. Keefe says the community has worked so hard to improve and preserve the country’s old public beach. “Three plus miles of crescent beach. We want to offer to families, and we want people to come down here and enjoy it,” said Keefe.

Anyone with information about either shooting or who witnessed them is asked to contact the State Police Detective Unit for Suffolk County at 617-727-8817.

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