

Hampton, Bernstine arrested for public intoxication

Iowa running back Jewel Hampton and cornerback Jordan Bernstine were both arrested early Saturday morning and charged for public intoxication.

According to the Iowa City Police Department's arrest blotter and daily activity log, the two football players were in Vito's, a bar that was already 21-only even before the 21-ordinance in Iowa City was put into effect on June 1. The police were called in because of a fight that broke out.

Hampton was arrested at 1:46 a.m., and Bernstine at 2 a.m., according to these records. Hampton was also cited with presence on premise after hours. It should be noted that Hampton is 20 years old, while Bernstine just turned 21 years old on May 31.

"I am aware of the incident involving Jordan Bernstine and Jewel Hampton Friday evening and at this time I am in the process of gathering all the facts concerning the incident," Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz said in a statment released Saturday afternoon. "Until I have all the facts, I'll have no further comment and the incident will be handled internally."

Hampton and Bernstine both missed the entire 2009 football season due to injuries. Hampton tore his ACL during a non-contact drill last summer that led to the emergences of both Adam Robinson and Brandon Wegher in the backfield for the Hawkeyes. Meanwhile, Bernstine suffered a broken ankle during fall camp last August, which eventually led to cornerback Shaun Prater starting at cornerback opposite Amari Spivey.

During spring practice earlier this year, Hampton was on the road to recovery. Although the redshirt sophomore didn't participate in the team's open scrimmage on April 17 at

Kinnick Stadium, he did do non-contact drills that day. As for Bernstine, the junior was projected behind Micah Hyde for the corner position opposite Prater, but head coach Kirk Ferentz indicated it was still a battle even though Hyde was the early favorite to win the job.

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