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Taser, shotgun used in bar robbery



Police want the public's help to track down two men who robbed a south Auckland bar and left two staff members injured.

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More than a month after two men robbed a south Auckland bar, armed with an array of weapons, including a Taser, police want the public's help to track them down.

The men went through the back door of the Grace's Place bar in Papatoetoe as staff were cleaning up in the early hours of October 31.

One staff member was stabbed in the thigh and shot with the Taser during the robbery, while another was assaulted.

Jewellery and watches were stolen from staff and cash was taken from the bar.

"The two offenders brought a number of weapons to the robbery and did not hesitate to use them to get the victims to open the safes and till," Detective Senior Sergeant Faa Va'aelua said.

The men, believed to be aged between 20 and 25, fled the scene in a stolen silver Mazda Premacy that was parked about 100 metres from the bar.

The car was later located by police.

Police want to hear from anyone who knows anything about the robbery, or may have seen the men or the car.

"It is likely that the offenders for this robbery were assisted by at least one other person and it is also very likely they have told somebody about what they did," Det Snr Sgt Va'aelua said.

The men disguised themselves using beanies and fabric to cover their faces.

The bar staff were traumatised by the experienced, but the two who were injured will make a full recovery.

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