Troopers Attempting to Identify Driver of Stolen Car

The Delaware State Police are asking for the public's help with identifying the driver who fled from troopers after he crashed a stolen car last night in Rehoboth Beach.

On February 13, 2023, at approximately 11:08 p.m., a trooper on patrol in Lewes observed a tan 2008 Chevrolet Malibu traveling southbound on Coastal Highway south of Dartmouth Drive. A computer check of the Malibu's registration showed that the car had been reported as stolen out of Milford Police Department earlier that day. The trooper began following the car and attempted to stop the vehicle, but the driver accelerated into the parking lot of the Hampton Inn, located at 18826 Coastal Highway in Rehoboth Beach. The Malibu collided with an unoccupied parked car, and three occupants fled from the stolen vehicle on foot. Patrol troopers and the Delaware State Police Aviation Unit began searching the surrounding areas and were able to find the two passengers hiding in a yard in the Maplewood development. The driver was not located and has not been identified.

Both passengers, identified as 17-year-old males from Ellendale, were taken to Troop 7 and charged with Resisting Arrest. After being arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 3, one teen was turned over to a legal guardian, and the other was committed to Stevenson House Detention Center on $1,000 secured bond.







The State Police have obtained these surveillance photographs of the driver. Troopers are asking anyone who can identify this suspect to contact Corporal K. Koff by calling 302-703-3347. Information may also be provided by sending a Private Facebook Message to the **Delaware State Police** or contacting **Delaware Crime Stoppers** at 1-800-847-3333.

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