Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Motorcycle Collision

Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motorcycle collision that occurred in the New Castle area during the month of April.

On April 20, 2023, at approximately 3:50 p.m., a Kawasaki motorcycle was traveling in the right lane of North Dupont Highway just north of School Lane. A Volkswagen Jetta was traveling north of School Lane on South Dupont Highway and had entered the crossover between the northbound and southbound lanes of Dupont Highway. The Jetta attempted to make a U-turn and crossed into the northbound travel lanes, causing its right rear side to collide with the front of the motorcycle.

The driver of the Jetta, a 24-year-old man from Chichester, Pennsylvania, and his passenger, a 45-year-old man from Middletown, Delaware, were not injured during the collision. The driver of the motorcycle, a 71-year-old man from Bear, Delaware, and his passenger, a 65-year-old female from Bear, Delaware, were transported to an area hospital following the collision. They were later discharged from the hospital. On **May 8, 2023**, the 65-year-old passenger of the motorcycle died from injuries sustained during the collision.

The roadway was partially closed for approximately 1 hour while the collision was investigated, and the roadway was cleared.

Delaware State Police Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this incident. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed the incident to contact Senior Corporal M. Calio by calling 302-365-8483. 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.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of a crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and need assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit / **Delaware Victim Center** is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll-free hotline at 1-800-VICTIM-1 (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the Victim Services Unit at **DSP_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov**.

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