# State Police on the Scene of a Barricaded Subject – Dover



***Dover, Delaware –*** The Delaware State Police are currently operating in the unit block of Howe Drive, Dover for a report of a possibly armed barricaded subject located in a residence.

The incident began at approximately 9:12 a.m. this morning, Tuesday, June 25, 2019, when troopers were contacted to the residence to check on the welfare of an unstable male subject alone in the house.

Troopers continue to assess the situation with no further details available at this time.

Several residences in the area of the incident have been evacuated as a precaution. Howe Road is currently closed. Motorists are advised to avoid the area and seek alternate routes of travel.

This is a preliminary release of information with additional updates as information is received.

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# Troopers Investigating Shots Fired Incident-Camden

***Camden-*** The Delaware State Police are investigating an incident in which a single gunshot was fired and struck a fence.

The incident occurred on June 24, 2019 at approximately 12:20 p.m., when Troopers were dispatched to the 700 block of Green Winged Trail, located in the Wild Quail Development, for a report of a shot being fired. Upon arrival, it was determined that a single gunshot had been fired from the thick wooded tree line area, striking a metal pool fencing that was around the residence. The bullet ricocheted towards the residents who were swimming in the pool at this time. There were no injuries as a result of this incident.

There is no suspect information at this time.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Corporal Burris at Troop 3 by calling 302-697-4454. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com

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# Troopers Investigating Serious Crash Involving a Motorcycle – Magnolia

***Magnolia, Delaware*** – The Delaware State Police are investigating a serious motor vehicle crash involving a motorcycle that took place Friday night on Sophers Row northeast of Blue Spruce Drive, Magnolia.

The initial investigation has determined the incident occurred at approximately 9:41 p.m., Friday, June 21, 2019, as a Honda motorcycle, operated by a 23-year-old male of Magnolia, was traveling southbound on Sophers Row approaching Clapham Road. A 2004 Lexus 300, operated by a 29-year-old female of Magnolia, was backing her vehicle out of a private driveway in the 900 block of Sophers Row. The motorcycle struck the rear trunk area of the Lexus which caused the operator to be

ejected from the motorcycle.

The operator of the motorcycle sustained life-threatening injuries and was flown by the Delaware State Police Aviation Unit to the Christiana Hospital where he was admitted for his injuries. A helmet was located at the scene however it is unknown if the operator was wearing it.

The driver of the Lexus nor her 33-year-old female passenger of Dover was injured in the collision. She was cited for Improper Backing.

The roadway in the area of the crash was shut down for approximately three hours as the crash was investigated and cleared.

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# Troopers Investigating Serious Crash – Middletown

***Middletown, Delaware –*** The Delaware State Police is currently investigating a serious crash involving multiple vehicles on SR-1 which occurred Friday afternoon.

The initial investigation has determined the incident occurred on Friday, June 21, 2019, at approximately 2:40 p.m. when a 2016 Jeep Wrangler, operated by a 52-year-old male of Pennsylvania, was traveling southbound in the left lane of SR-1. The operator of the Jeep was almost at a standstill due to the traffic conditions when a 2001 GMC Yukon, operated by a 76-year-old of Pennsylvania, was also in the left lane behind the Jeep. The Yukon was rear-ended by a 2018 Chevrolet Suburban, operated by a 51-year-old male of Pennsylvania, causing the GMC Yukon to become airborne, roll over, and then spin several times before striking the rear right side of the Jeep Wrangler.

The 52-year-old driver of the Jeep Wrangler did not report any injuries.

The 76-year-old driver of the GMC Yukon sustained serious but non-life threatening injuries and was transported to the Christiana Hospital. His passenger, a 77-year-old female, sustained serious injuries and was transported by the DSP Aviation Unit to the Christiana Hospital.

The 51-year-old driver of the Suburban and his 57-year-old female passenger did not report any injuries. The driver

advised the traffic stopped abruptly in front of him and he swerved to the left in an attempt to avoid a collision. This driver was issued a citation for Following a Motor Vehicle Too Closely.

The impact of the crash impacted traffic flow for several hours until the crash was investigated and cleared.

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# Troopers Investigate Fatal Motorcycle Crash – Harrington

***Harrington, Delaware*** – The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal motor vehicle crash involving a motorcycle that occurred today north of Harrington.

The initial investigation has determined the incident occurred at approximately 12:07 p.m., Saturday, June 22, 2019, on Hopkins Cemetery Road (CR 289) west of South DuPont Highway (U.S. 13) north of Harrington. A 2015 Jeep Wrangler operated by a 49-year-old male of Harrington was traveling westbound on Hopkins Cemetery Road preparing to turn left onto a private driveway on Hopkins Cemetery Road. A 2015 Harley-Davidson motorcycle operated by a 57-year-old male of Harrington was traveling eastbound on Hopkins Cemetery Road toward South DuPont Highway (US 13). The Jeep Wrangler turned left into the path of the motorcycle. The motorcycle operator attempted to apply his brakes but was unable to avoid the collision. The motorcycle collided with the right side of the Jeep near the passenger side door. Both the motorcycle operator and passenger were both ejected from the motorcycle.

Kenneth Dear, 57, operator of the motorcycle and his passenger Karen Dear, 56 both of Harrington were not wearing helmets. They were transported to Bayhealth Hospital, Kent Campus where they succumbed to their injuries. Speed does not appear to be a factor on behalf of the motorcycle.

The driver and passenger of the Jeep Wrangler were also transported to Bayhealth Hospital, Kent Campus for minor injuries. Both were treated and released. Impairment does not appear to be a factor in this collision.

The roadway in the area of the crash was closed for

approximately five hours while the investigation was completed and the roadway was cleared.

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# Troopers Investigating Shots

# Fired Incident – Felton

***Felton, Delaware*** – The Delaware State Police are investigating a single gunshot into a residence that occurred Friday night north of Felton.

The initial investigation has determined that on Friday, June 21, 2019, at approximately 8:15 p.m. troopers responded to the unit block of Appalachian Drive, Felton for a report of a single gunshot. The resident reported he was sitting in his living room when he heard a loud noise towards his bedroom. He walked in and turned on the bedroom light to observe drywall pieces on his bed and rug. He looked up to observe a hole in the wall, appearing to be from a projectile. He then looked down towards the entrance of his room and observed a bullet on the carpet.

The neighborhood was canvassed and neighbors report a single gunshot sound was heard from the north side of the residence. At this time there have been no reported injuries that can be associated with the incident.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Cpl. C. Bowie at Troop 3 by calling 302-697-4454. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com

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# Update: Troopers Investigating Fatal Pedestrian Crash – Wilmington

***Wilmington, Delaware (19808)***– The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is continuing to investigate a fatal motor vehicle crash involving a pedestrian that occurred Friday evening.

The initial investigation has determined the incident occurred at approximately 7:09 p.m., Friday, June 21, 2019, as a pedestrian, 23-year-old female of New Jersey, approached the intersection on Faulkland from the east side of Newport Gap Pike (DE 41). She initially stopped for the red traffic control signal that permits her to cross DE41 from the east to the west side. She stood within the construction zone next to the construction barrels. As she waited, there were two vehicles to her right on southbound Newport Gap Pike stopped for the red traffic control signal as well. The light sequence at this location reflects a red light for the pedestrian and also for the southbound traffic on Newport Gap Pike. However, the light was green for northbound traffic on Newport Gap

Pike. Unaware of the traffic light sequence at this specific intersection, the operator of the first vehicle physically gestured the pedestrian to cross in front of their vehicle because they also had a red light. The pedestrian then acknowledged the operator's hand signal and entered the roadway without looking to her left for the northbound traffic, which had the green light. Due to the construction zone, the pedestrian's first steps placed her directly into the northbound lane. At the same time, a Ford E-350 passenger van approached the intersection towards the green traffic control signal and continued northbound into the intersection. The front right side of the vehicle struck the pedestrian.

The 23-year old pedestrian, Allie R. Zambito, was pronounced deceased at the scene as a result of her injuries.

The 45-year-old male driver of Pennsylvania immediately pulled over to the shoulder. He was wearing his seatbelt. The vehicle was also occupied by four teenage females, ranging from ages 15 to 17 years old. They were returning to their residence in Pennsylvania. No injuries reported. Neither speed nor alcohol on the part of the driver was deemed contributing factors in this collision investigation.

Newport Gap Pike was closed for approximately two and a half hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

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# Homeless Sex Offender Notification

Dover– The following are not wanted. These are Homeless Sex Offender Public Notifications. If you have information that any of the listed subjects are occupying a residence, please call 302-672-5306. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com.

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# Troopers Investigating Serious Crash Involving a Pedestrian – New Castle

***New Castle*** – The Delaware State Police are investigating a serious crash involving a pedestrian that took place on Basin Rd. in the area of the Penn Mart Shopping Center, Thursday night.

The incident occurred at approximately 8:46 p.m., Thursday, June 20, 2019 on Basin Rd. (DE 141), south of the U.S. 13 overpass. A 2008 Honda Civic, operated by a 30 year old Newark man was traveling southbound on Basin Rd. in the left lane in the area of the Penn Mart Shopping Center. A 73 year old Wilmington was attempting cross Basin Rd. and walked directly into the path of the Honda. After being struck by the front end of the Honda the pedestrian was thrown to the pavement. The Honda came to a controlled stop and remained at the scene.

The pedestrian, who was wearing non-reflective clothing, carrying no light and not utilizing a pedestrian crosswalk was

transported to the Christiana Hospital with serious injuries. Alcohol is being considered as a contributing factor on his behalf.

The driver of the Honda was not injured. Neither improper driving nor impairment are being considered as factors on his behalf.

Southbound Basin Rd. between US 13 and the Penn Mart Shopping Center was closed for approximately 2.5 hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

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# Delaware State Police Citizen's Police Academy Graduation

***Newark –*** The Delaware State Police held a ceremony on Wednesday, June 19, 2019, at Troop 2, where they recognized the graduates of the Spring 2019 New Castle County Citizen's Police Academy.

Superintendent of the Delaware State Police, Colonel Nathaniel McQueen Jr., who was accompanied by members of his Executive Staff; Major Melissa Zebley and Major Daniel Meadows, presented certificates to the 17 academy graduates. Colonel McQueen thanked them for their commitment to helping build stronger ties between law enforcement and the community and encouraged them to go back to their respective communities as ambassadors for the Delaware State Police.

The eight week academy afforded these community members the opportunity to get a better understanding of the day to day operations of the Delaware State Police. The academy consisted of presentations by the Delaware State Police Honor Guard and Pipes & Drums, the Delaware Information Analysis Center (DIAC), Collision Reconstruction Unit, Financial Crimes Unit and Division of Gaming Enforcement. The academy also visited the Firearms Training Unit, Mounted Patrol Unit, Delaware State Police Museum and the K-9 training facility.

The academy's intent is give members of our communities the opportunity to gain a better understanding of the structure and function of the Delaware State Police, and not only answer the question of how we do things, but more importantly, why we do things.

The academy graduates were: Larissa Andrucyk, Joseph P. Blake, Christine Carrino-Gorowara, Susan Croes, Rose Dagg, Brian Harvell, William E. Havens Jr., William Kutcher, Margaret Pierce, Karen Reeder, William D. Robinson Jr., Caroline Silverman, Dana Silverman, Sara Weldin, Jacquelynn Wilson, Joanne Yenkevich, and Brenda Zappo.

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