

Troopers Investigating Fatal Motorcycle Crash – Lincoln



Lincoln – The Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal crash involving a motorcycle that took place late Saturday night.

The incident occurred at approximately 11:23 p.m., Saturday, September 22, 2018, on Cedar Creek Rd., in the area of Heritage Rd., Lincoln. A 2017 Kawasaki 1000cc motorcycle, operated by a 28 year old Millsboro man, was traveling southbound on Cedar Creek Rd, just south of Heritage Rd., when he failed to negotiate a left curve in the road. As a result the Kawasaki traveled off the west edge of the road, with its left side striking a mailbox, causing it to overturn on to its left side. The operator was ejected from the motorcycle, coming to rest in a grassy area off the west side of the road.

The operator was transported to Milford Memorial Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries. Speed is being considered as a contributing factor in the crash, impairment is undetermined at this time. Identification of the victim is pending notification of next of kin.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Cpl. K. Argo of the Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit by calling

302-703-3264.

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Troopers Seek Assistance In Identifying Bank Robbery Suspect

Newark – The Delaware State Police are continuing to investigate a pair of bank robberies that occurred on consecutive days last week, and are asking for the public's assistance in identifying the suspect.

On Tuesday, September 18, 2018 the pictured suspect entered the Wells Fargo Bank located at 2011 Concord Pike and presented a demand note to the teller while implying that he was armed with an explosive device. On Wednesday, September 19, he committed a similar robbery at the Wells Fargo Bank located 1424 N. DuPont Highway, New Castle. In each incident he made off with an undisclosed amount of cash.

Anyone with information regarding the suspects identity or whereabouts are asked to contact the Troop 2 Robbery Unit at 302-365-8566.

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Click on the following links to view related releases:

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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

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Troopers Investigating Armed Robbery – North Wilmington



Wilmington (19802) – The Delaware State Police are investigating the armed robbery of a North Wilmington restaurant that occurred Thursday night.

The incident occurred at approximately 9:25 p.m., Thursday, September 20, 2018, at the Evergreen Chinese Restaurant, located at 3610 Miller Rd., Wilmington. A male suspect, with his face concealed and brandishing a handgun, confronted an employee at the sales counter and demanded cash from the

register. The employee complied with the demand by turning over an undisclosed amount of money to the suspect, who then exited the business and was last seen fleeing southbound on foot. The employee was not injured as a result of the incident.

The suspect is described as a male, wearing all dark clothing to include a covering over his face, and in possession of a black unknown make and model handgun.

No surveillance images are available at this time.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Detective T. Dukes of the Troop 2 Robbery Unit by calling 302-365-8412

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Troopers Seek Assistance in Locating Robbery Suspect

Newark – The Delaware State Police are asking for the public's assistance in locating Timothy J. Brewer, 42, of Middletown, who is wanted in connection with a robbery that occurred on Saturday, September 15, 2018 at approximately 8:00 p.m. at the 7-Eleven convenience store located at 284 Christiana Road, New Castle.

Brewer is also wanted by the Middletown Police Department for armed robbery and the New Castle County Police Department for criminal and traffic charges related to a police pursuit.

Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Brewer is asked to contact Detective B. McDerby of the Troop 2 Robbery Unit at 302-365-8436. Anyone coming in to contact with Brewer is advised not to confront him but to immediately call 911

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Delaware State Police Participates in "Operation Clear Track" During National Rail Safety Week "BE PREPARED TO STOP – FLAGGER AHEAD"

This Tuesday, September 25, 2018, the Delaware State Police with the assistance of the Delaware Department of Transportation and in coordination with other local, state, federal and railroad law enforcement departments will be participating in Amtrak's "Operation Clear Track" again this year.

“Operation Clear Track” is a critical safety initiative that takes place during National Rail Safety Week from September 23rd to the 29th 2018. This is a one-day safety initiative that brings police and other law enforcement departments together nationwide to enforce state grade crossing and trespassing laws on America’s railroad tracks. Since the start of this initiative last year all participating agencies have been asked to respond to at least two different railroad grade crossings in their communities to educate and bring awareness to the importance of railroad safety and bring attention to this year’s theme to “*Stop Track Tragedies.*”

For more information click on: [Rail Safety Week](#)

Troopers will be working at the railroad crossings at various locations throughout the state that include Patriot’s Way, Millsboro and on Wrangle Hill Road (Rte. 72) north of Red Lion Road (Rte. 71), Bear, Delaware. As part of the assignment we will hand out flyers as well as issue verbal, written warnings and citations to individuals trespassing on railroad property or failing to comply with state grade crossing safety laws.

Please follow these safety tips:

- Never walk, run, play or take pictures on the railroad right-of-way. If you are on or near the tracks, you are trespassing on private property and breaking the law.
- Never attempt to outrun an approaching train. It can take a train a mile or more to stop.
- If you’re standing on the train tracks, you may not hear or feel an oncoming train in time to get away safely.
- Only cross the tracks at designated public crossings.
- Never drive or walk around lowered grade crossing gates.
- Never begin to drive across the tracks unless you can get all the way across.
- Always call the Emergency Notification System (ENS) number 24 hours a day to report problems or obstructions at the crossing. Look for the number on the blue sign

near the crossing or on the cross-buck.

- Always know that the average train is three feet wider than the track on each side.
- Always slow down and stop your vehicle prior to train tracks when lights begin to flash.

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Troopers Investigate Shooting Incident-Magnolia

Magnolia- The Delaware State Police are currently investigating a shooting incident that occurred earlier yesterday morning.

On Thursday, September 20, 2018 at approximately 6:00 a.m., Troopers responded to the Bayhealth Kent General Hospital regarding a report of a shooting incident. Upon arrival, contact was made with a 40-year-old male, who sustained two gunshot wounds to his lower extremity. The victim advised that sometime between 3:30 a.m. and 4:00 a.m., he exited his residence on the 100 block of Lambert Drive to retrieve his dog that was tied up outside. While the victim was outside, he indicated that he heard several gunshots, and did not immediately realize he had been shot. When the victim returned inside his residence, he discovered he was struck, and his girlfriend transported him to the hospital.

Further investigation led to the discovery of multiple projectile holes towards the front side of the victim's residence.

The victim has been treated and released from the hospital. There is no suspect information at this time.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Detective T. Boyce, Troop 3 Criminal Investigative Unit at 302-698-8442.

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Troopers Investigating Shooting- Dover

Dover– The Delaware State Police are investigating a shooting that occurred last evening.

The incident occurred on Thursday, September, 20, 2018, at approximately 7:50 p.m. when Troopers were dispatched to a residence located in the 100 block of S. Governors Boulevard for a report of a shooting.

Further investigation revealed that three males ages 45, 30, and 27, were standing in the driveway at the front of their relatives residence when they were shot at. The 30-year-old male sustained multiple gunshot wounds and was privately transported to a local area hospital. The other two males did not sustain any injuries as a result of this incident.

There were two vehicles parked in the driveway that also sustained damage from the gunshots.

The 30-year-old victim was later transferred to another hospital once he was listed in stable condition.

There is no suspect information at this time.

This incident remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police Criminal Investigations Unit. If anyone has any information in reference to this case, they are asked to please contact Troop 3, Detective S. Carbine at 302-698-8444. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com.

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Joint Investigation Leads to Drug and Weapon Arrests- Harrington

Harrington- The Delaware State Police Kent County Drug Unit (KDU), Kent County Governor's Task Force (GTF), Special Operations Response Team (S.O.R.T) and the Harrington Police Department completed a drug investigation that led to two arrests.

On Thursday, September 20, 2018, the month long drug investigation in reference to the distribution of heroin, led to the seizure of drugs and weapons. Through investigative measures, Delaware State Police Detectives and Officers from

the Harrington Police Department were able to determine that two residents, 27-year-old, **Kevin Hughes** and 32-year-old **Lavar Smith**, were distributing heroin from a residence in the 200 block of Hanley Street. Also present in the house was a 6-year-old child. A search warrant was executed at the residence and the following items were seized:

- 4.655 grams of heroin (665 baggies)
- 26 grams of marijuana
- over \$6,000 in suspected drug proceeds
- 5 shotguns
- 1 AR style rifle (loaded)
- 6 rifles
- 3 handguns
- numerous rounds of ammunition

Hughes and Smith were taken into custody without incident and transported back to Troop 3.

Kevin Hughes was charged with the following:

- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony
- Manufactures, delivers, or possesses with intent to deliver a controlled substance in a Tier 4 quantity
- Conspiracy Second Degree
- Possession of Marijuana
- Endangering the Welfare of a Child
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Hughes was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on \$10,100.00 secured bond.

Lavar Smith was charged with the following:

- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony
- Manufactures, delivers, or possesses with intent to

- deliver a controlled substance in a Tier 4 quantity
- Possession of a Firearm or Ammunition by a Person Prohibited (16 counts)
 - Conspiracy Second Degree
 - Possession of Marijuana
 - Endangering the Welfare of a Child
 - Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Smith was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on \$74,100.00 secured bond.

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Physical Altercation leads to Discharge of a Weapon-Laurel

Laurel– The Delaware State Police are investigating an assault complaint involving a weapon that occurred last evening.

The incident occurred on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 at approximately 7:00 p.m., when Troopers were dispatched to the intersection of Sycamore Road and West Elliotts Dam Road for an assault complaint. Upon arrival, Troopers learned that two subjects had engaged in a physical altercation, which led to one suspect discharging a firearm into a wooded area.

Both subjects sustained injuries and were transported to the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital.

Further investigation revealed that **Dan-el Moody** (no photo available), 25 of Red Springs, NC, and a 27-year-old male acquaintance from Ninety Six, SC had engaged in an argument while the two of them were driving inside of a truck. The 27-year-old proceeded to obtain a gun from inside the vehicle and struck Moody in the head with the weapon. Moody was able to obtain possession of the gun, and at some point during the altercation the gun was discharged, not striking either subject. Troopers located a firearm in the bed of the truck.

Upon Dan-el Moody's release from the hospital, he was transported back to Troop 5 where he was charged with the following:

- Assault Second Degree Recklessly Intentional Serious Injury (Felony)
- Offensive Touching
- Possession of a Firearm While Under the Influence

Moody was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 3 and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on \$7,000.00 secured bond.

The 27-year-old was later transferred to the Christiana Hospital due to his injuries. He currently has active warrants out of Troop 5 for Assault Third Degree and Possession of a Firearm While Under the Influence.

Sycamore Road between Fire Tower Road and West Elliotts Dam Road was closed for approximately 2 hours while this incident was investigated and cleared.

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