

Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

Charmaine McGuffey, Sheriff

MEDIA RELEASE



Traffic Pursuit

Whitewater Township, March 25, 2021 – Hamilton County Sheriff

Charmaine McGuffey reports a vehicle pursuit that was initiated on U.S.50 near Kilby Road around 3:42 P.M.

At 3:18 P.M. Hamilton County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to North Bend Auto Repair Shop at 1 E. Harrison Avenue for the report of an automobile theft. Deputies on scene learned that the vehicle that was taken was equipped with a GPS tracking device and was relaying real time information to deputies on scene to its current location.

At 3:42 P.M., a Hamilton County Sheriff's Deputy assigned to the Village of Cleves observed the suspect vehicle pulling a trailer with a red ATV on it at the intersection of U.S.50 and Kilby Road. A traffic stop was attempted and the suspect vehicle refused to comply with the signal to stop, leading deputies on a pursuit.

The pursuit's general route began on U.S. 50 at Kilby Road. The suspect vehicle turned right on Dry Fork Road then left on Harrison Avenue. It continued right onto Old Harrison Avenue and right on Dry Fork Road. It continued right onto eastbound Interstate 74 to southbound Interstate 275. Around the 17 mile post on southbound Interstate 275, the suspect vehicle traveled off the roadway and through an embankment, landing on Hayes McKinney Road at Stevens Road. It continued on Stevens Road to State Line Road where it entered the state of Indiana. Hamilton County Sheriff's Deputies terminated their involvement in the pursuit and the Dearborn County Sheriff's Office took over. It continued on State Line Road to Sand

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Run Road and entered back into the state of Ohio. With the help of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office's Aviation Unit providing aerial surveillance, Hamilton County Sheriff's Deputies re-joined the pursuit on Sand Run Road as it entered back into the state of Ohio from Indiana. The suspect entered the River Crossing Trailer Park and came to a final rest in the 5000 block of Rivercrest Drive in between two residences. The front seat passenger bailed from the vehicle and fled down the hill and entered a residence in the 5000 block of Lawrenburg Road. A search of the residence was conducted and the female was located and taken into custody. She was identified as Kyah Kruegger, female white, 19 years of age. The male driver bailed from the driver's seat and fled into the woods. During an extensive search of the woods, the male suspect surrendered to deputies and was taken into custody. He was identified as Perry Charles Bruce, male white, 40 years of age. The pursuit was approximately 20 miles in length and 25 minutes in duration.

Perry Bruce was charged with three counts of felony 4 Theft (2913.02 ORC), one count of felony 4 Receiving Stolen Property (2913.51 ORC), and one count of felony 4 Failure to Comply with the Signal or Order of an Officer (2921.331 ORC) and transported to the Hamilton County Justice Center. Three theft cases were closed out as a result of this arrest.

Kyah Krueger was charged with one count of felony 4 Burglary (2911.12 ORC) and one count of misdemeanor 2 Obstructing Official Business (2921.31 ORC) and transported to the Hamilton County Justice Center.

Anyone with additional information is asked to call the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Section at 513-851-6000 or Crimestoppers at 513-352-3040.