



PRESS RELEASE

I. DATE AND TIME OF PRESS RELEASE: August 11, 2010

II. TYPE OF INCIDENT: Police Pursuit/Barricaded Suspect

III. FACTUAL INFORMATION:

This morning, approx. 1:30 AM, a Livermore police officer stopped a vehicle in the 2100 block of Railroad Ave. for erratic driving. The driver, Ryan Jason Brown of Livermore, showed signs of intoxication and the officer began checking his sobriety. At one point during the stop, Brown fled in his vehicle. A brief pursuit ensued, which included the suspect crashing through a fence and driving through a field to escape a residential dead end street (Waverly Way). The suspect eluded the pursuing officers, but his vehicle was found near his residence on Leeds Ct. in Livermore. Officers were unable to locate him at the residence. They towed the vehicle and eventually discontinued the search.

Later this morning, approx. 9:00 AM, a citizen called Livermore Police Department and said Brown was at the residence with a handgun he had obtained from a safe inside the house. Brown was reportedly despondent, and told his mother he would rather die than go to jail. Officers responded and met with Brown's mother outside the house. The area was secured, and neighbors were advised to shelter in place. Officers attempted to call Brown inside the house, but he did not respond. The tactical team, which includes crisis negotiators and the SWAT team, were called to the scene. Brown remained inside the house, and refused to come out for over four hours. No one else was in the house with him.

Approx. 1:30 PM, Brown called Livermore Police Department and said he was waiting to speak with his lawyer before coming out. Crisis negotiators spoke with Brown shortly thereafter, and he surrendered peacefully at 2:00 PM.

Brown was referred for a psychiatric evaluation at a secure facility, and will be booked for 2800.2 of the Vehicle Code - Evading a peace officer with wanton disregard for the safety of persons and property (felony).

IV. LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 2556 Leeds Ct., Livermore

V. DATE & TIME OCCURRED: August 11, 2010, 1:30 AM and 9:01 AM

VI. SUBJECTS ARRESTED: Ryan Jason Brown, 35 year old white male.

VII. CASE NUMBER: 10-005883 and 10-005887
CONTACT PERSON: Lt. Lance Bye, phone 925-371-4827

Should you require further information please call the contact person designated in this press release. If the contact person is not available, and you have a deadline, please call the Watch Commander at (925) 371-4820.

Steve Sweeney, Chief of Police

VIII. DISTRIBUTION: City Mgr., Chief of Police, Captains, Briefing, Dispatch/Records, Press Board, W.C.

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