

Two-Vehicle Wreck At Ocean Isle Sends Both Drivers To The Hospital

A local man and a New Hanover County woman were injured last Thursday in a two-vehicle collision at Ocean Isle Beach.

According to an accident report on file at the Ocean Isle Beach Police Department, the mishap occurred last Thursday at 9:06 p.m. at the intersection of N.C. 904 and N.C. 179.

A 1988 Pontiac driven by Barbara Kelly Dowless of Wilmington turned left toward N.C. 904 from N.C. 179 into the path of a 1988 Ford pickup truck driven by Paul Bradley Piggott of Shallotte, the report states. Following the collision, Piggott's truck overturned on the right shoulder of N.C. 179.

The report indicates that both Ms. Dowless and Bradley suffered incapacitating injuries and were taken by Shallotte Volunteer Rescue Squad ambulances to The Brunswick Hospital at Supply. Charges in the case were pending Friday.

Elsewhere, a Rockingham County man was hurt in a single-vehicle wreck early Sunday near Holden Beach.

According to Highway Patrol

Trooper Jerry Jenkins, the mishap occurred Sunday at 3:30 a.m., 4.5 miles north of Holden Beach at the intersection of N.C. 130 and Mt.

Pisgah Road. Jenkins said a 1988 Chevrolet pickup truck driven by William Wade Cayton, 25, of Madison, was

headed east on Holden Beach Road (N.C. 130) when it ran through the stop sign at Mt. Pisgah Road, struck a tree and overturned.

Cayton suffered non-incapacitating injuries, while a passenger who was not identified on the patrol report was not hurt. Jenkins said the

report also did not indicate whether Cayton's injuries required hospital treatment.

Trooper T.W. Caulder charged Cayton with careless and reckless driving in the accident, Jenkins said. Damage was estimated at \$6,000 to the pickup truck.

In another traffic accident, two local motorists escaped injury in a collision in the Ash area.

Jenkins said the wreck happened last Thursday at 5:55 a.m., nine miles west of Shallotte on N.C. 130 near Waccamaw School Road. Drivers were identified as Charles Wayne Fowler, 40, of Shallotte, and Chris Johnson, 23, of Route 2, Ash.

According to the trooper, Fowler was headed east on N.C. 130 in a 1989 Isuzu pickup truck, and Johnson was headed west in a 1981 Mack tractor-trailer rig. As the vehicles passed each other, their rear-view mirrors collided, causing the tractor-trailer to run off the road.

Neither driver was injured, and no charges were filed. Trooper D.B. Harvell estimated damages at \$700 to the Isuzu pickup and \$500 to the Mack truck.



SHALLOTTE RESCUE SQUADSMEN prepare to transport Wilmington resident Barbara Kelly Dowless to The Brunswick Hospital after a two-vehicle wreck last Thursday at Ocean Isle Beach.

STAFF PHOTO BY RAHN ADAMS

Furniture, Stereo Stolen From Seaside Mobile Home

The Brunswick County Sheriff's Department Monday was investigating a break-in that was reported Saturday at a Seaside area summer home.

Departmental records indicate that Dorothy Stout of Charlotte told officers that someone entered her mobile home between April 15 and Saturday night. Entry was gained by forcing open the front door.

The entire dwelling was ransacked. Stolen were a kitchen table, a mattress and box springs set, and an RCA stereo. Theft loss was placed at \$500.

In another break-in, Harry Bryant of Route 1, Leland, reported last Thursday that someone entered his mobile home on Vernon Road off Mt. Misery Road. The break-in was discovered April 11.

A .32-caliber H&R revolver (serial number BB003518) worth \$135 was stolen. Nothing else was missing from the residence.

Cash, Goods Taken

Cash, cigarettes and other items totaling \$167 were reported stolen last week from a Leland rest home.

Ricky H. Randolph of Eldo Family Care, Leland, told lawmen last Wednesday that the theft occurred April 2. Taken were \$102 in cash,

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cigarettes valued at \$45 and \$20 worth of detergent that belonged to rest home residents.

Also, Sheila C. Ward of Route 1, Supply, told officers that a boy's bicycle worth \$119 was stolen from the front yard of her Seashore Road home. The theft happened Sunday around 11:15 p.m.

Other Incidents

In other incidents reported to the sheriff's department, Roy Dale Ward of Leland Outboard, Route 3, Leland, said someone damaged a 24-foot Bayliner boat that was parked in the boat yard for cleaning.

Damage to a boat window was estimated at \$150. Owner of the vessel was Atlantic Coast Yacht Brokerage of Wrightsville Beach.

A break-in was reported Friday at a summer home in the Holden Beach area. The incident occurred between April 8 and Friday night.

Johnny Bullard of Lumberton told deputies that someone entered his dwelling on Old Ferry Road off Stone Chimney Road by tearing a screen from a side window and breaking the window glass with a brick. Nothing of value was missing.



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Rotary Gives School \$500

The Rotary Club of the South Brunswick Islands recently donated \$500 to Union Primary School to provide additional equipment and materials for the Learning Resources Center. In accepting the check, Principal Clara Carter (left) said she plans to put the funds to the best possible use in enhancing instruction. Presenting the check is Rotary President Alex Mearns. The club meets Fridays at 7:30 a.m. at Tavern on the Tee, Sea Trail Golf Club, Sunset Beach.

Bolivia Area Man Arrested For Phoenix Store Robbery

A Bolivia area man was arrested in connection with a strong-arm robbery Saturday afternoon at a Leland area store, according to the Brunswick County Sheriff's Department.

Capt. Phil Perry said John Edward Clarida, 22, of Route 1, Bolivia, was charged with common law robbery after the suspect was taken into custody by sheriff's deputies and an N.C. Highway Patrol canine unit at a mobile home on Cedar Hill Road near the store.

Lawmen were called to Ye Olde Country Store in Phoenix Saturday around 3:30 p.m. Store owner and operator Robert Helms told officers that a suspect grabbed him around the neck and threatened to kill him. The thief then took \$60 in cash, several checks and a key from the cash register and fled the store on foot, Helms reported.

According to Perry, deputies arrived on the scene approximately 10 minutes after the robbery was reported. Acting on information from residents who had seen a man running along the road, lawmen surrounded a residence in a Cedar Hill Road mobile home park.

The owner of the trailer, who Perry did not identify, searched the dwelling and did not find the man, the captain said. However, Clarida came out of hiding and surrendered when he apparently heard an order given to a highway patrol attack dog to search the mobile home, Perry said, adding that the dog was not actually released by its handler.

Perry noted that authorities frisked Clarida and found the cash, checks and key on him. Also, he said a small glass tube containing a "white, powdered residue" was seized from the suspect.

He said Monday that no drug charges had been filed pending an SBI analysis of the substance. Clarida remained in the Brunswick County Jail Monday under \$10,000 bond.

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