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## **Motorcyclist Arrested After Pursuit**



FORTUNA, CA - On January 1, 2016 at about 12:45 am, an officer with the Ferndale Police Department assigned to Saturation Patrol for the Humboldt County Avoid the 10 DUI Task Force attempted a traffic stop on a motorcycle in the area of Fernbridge Drive and Highway 101. The rider immediately fled Southbound onto Highway 101 where officers from the Fortuna Police Department began assisting in the pursuit. Reaching speeds in excess of 100 miles per hour the motorcyclist continued on Highway 101 until exiting at Kenmar Road in Fortuna. Upon exiting onto Kenmar Road the motorcyclist turned onto Eel River Drive and then traveled up Drake Hill Road.

While traveling up Drake Hill Road, the rider allowed the motorcycle to drift off the roadway onto the soft grass shoulder. Upon leaving the roadway, the rider lost control of the motorcycle and was taken into custody without further incident.

After being examined by medical staff, the rider, 58 year old Robert Allen Lyons of Fortuna, was booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on the following charges:

- California Vehicle Code §2800.2(a) – Evading with Willful or Wanton Disregard for the Safety of Persons
- California Vehicle Code §23152(e) – Operating a Motor Vehicle While Under the Influence of Drugs
- California Vehicle Code §22450(a) – Failure to Stop at a Stop Sign
- California Vehicle Code §23103(a) – Reckless Driving
- California Vehicle Code §22348(a) – Operating a vehicle on a highway in Excess of 100 M.P.H.
- California Vehicle Code §14601.1(a) – Driving on a Suspended Driver’s License
- California Vehicle Code §12500(b) – Operating a Motorcycle without Motorcycle Endorsement
- Health & Safety Code §11364(a) – Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
- Health & Safety Code §11550 – Under the influence of a Controlled Substance
- Health & Safety Code §11377- Possession of a Controlled Substance