



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

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Subject: Investigation

Case: 2015-04070

On 08-23-2015 at 10:20 a.m. Deputies with the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to Davenport Lane Fieldbrook, regarding an alleged self-inflicted gunshot wound to a 43 year old male. When deputies arrived on scene they learned from medical personnel that the victim stated he accidentally shot himself in the abdomen with a small caliber handgun. The victim was associated with a 1987, brown, Mazda pickup truck.

Deputies searched the area where the victim told medical staff he had shot himself. Neither deputies nor medical staff was able to locate the firearm. Deputies responded to the local hospital where the victim was transported by ambulance. At the hospital deputies attempted to interview the victim for the exact location where the firearm was located. The victim was uncooperative towards law enforcement on the exact location of the firearm. The victim just said, I know my rights, I'm not saying anything else. The victim had emergency surgery and is currently listed in stable condition.

The Sheriff's Office is asking for the public's help in this case. If anyone locates a firearm in the Fieldbrook area, please do not touch the firearm, which may be still loaded. The public is advised to contact the Sheriff's Office immediately if they locate a firearm.

Anyone with information for the Sheriff's Office regarding this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Sheriff's Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriff's Office Crime Tip line at 707-268-2539.

Mike Downey, Sheriff