LEMOORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, July 22, 2019, at about 12:23 PM, the Lemoore Police Department was advised of a theft that occurred at the Hanford Home Depot. A witness provided a license plate for the suspect vehicle which was determined to have been stolen out of Visalia.

Shortly after, Lemoore PD officers observed the vehicle driving westbound on State Route 198 at 19th Ave. Officers were able to get behind the vehicle and attempt a traffic stop, however the driver failed to yield and a pursuit ensued. The driver continued towards the West Hills College area which resulted in the College being placed on lockdown.

The pursuit continued for approximately 20 minutes. In the area of 13th Avenue and Kent Avenue the suspect stopped the vehicle and the driver and front seat passenger fled on foot. After a short foot chase the driver was taken into custody, and later identified as 26 year old Sean Frain of Visalia. The front seat passenger was not located. Two females in the vehicle, Heidi Brindle-Alvarez, 43, and Samantha Lovett, 23, both of Visalia, were also taken into custody.

During this pursuit, a Lemoore Police officer was involved in a single vehicle collision. He was transported to a local area hospital and later released with minor injuries.

Sean Frain was arrested and booked into the Kings County Jail for felony evading, assault with a deadly weapon, possession of a stolen vehicle, possession of stolen property, resisting arrest, hit and run, driving while under the influence of drugs, and two warrants out of Tulare County. His bail was set at \$180,000.

Heidi Brindle-Alvarez was arrested and booked into the Kings County Jail for possession of a stolen vehicle, possession of stolen property, being under the influence of a controlled substance, and three warrants out of Tulare County. She is being held without bail.

Samantha Lovett was arrested and booked into the Kings County Jail for possession of a stolen vehicle, possession of stolen property, and being under the influence of a controlled substance. Her bail was set at \$20,000.