

News Release

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On February 27, 2008 at 8:05 p.m. a Bonneville County Deputy stopped a black Land Rover for no license plate at Sunnyside and Sonora in Idaho Falls.

When the Deputy approached the vehicle the Deputy recognized the driver of the vehicle as a Rayce J. Rindfleisch (31 year-old male). The deputy identified the driver from a BOLO (be on the look out) that was sent out identifying Rayce as a wanted subject out of Bingham County for a felony warrant of possession of a controlled substance, eluding, and DUI. The notification advised that the suspect was armed and dangerous.

While the deputy was summoning backup officers, Rayce left the area. Bonneville County Deputies and Idaho Falls Police Officers pursued Rayce and his two passengers through out Idaho Falls. Rayce eventually crashed the Land Rover into a snowdrift on Leesburg. At that time all three subjects in the vehicle ran from the scene. A Code Red notification was issued for a mile radius from the Leesburg location.

A short time later the female from the vehicle, Ashlee Tinno (29 year-old) was located and taken into custody at the intersection of Martinsburg and Cumberland. Ashlee was placed into the back of a patrol vehicle at the scene.

While the officers were searching the area Rayce had gone into a residence on Martinsburg and taken the keys to a white pickup truck. As he was trying to drive away from the residence officers were able to confront him. As the officers were attempting to stop him he drove the pickup truck towards the officers and other people in the intersection. A Bonneville County Deputy discharged his firearm at Racye. The vehicle accelerated and ran into the back of a Bonneville County Sheriff's patrol vehicle that Ashlee was in. Ashlee was thrown from the vehicle during the collision. Officers went to the vehicle and removed Rayce from the vehicle and administered first aid until the arrival of the ambulance. The paramedics arrived at the scene and indicated that Racye had died.

Ashlee was medically cleared at the hospital and then booked into the Bonneville County Jail.

The third suspect, Darwin W. Crosland (40 year-old male) had ran from the vehicle into a residence on Leesburg. After holding a female hostage for about an hour the law enforcement in the area was informed that he was inside the residence. Officers were able to make entry into the residence and take Darwin into custody without incident. Darwin was transported to the Bonneville County Jail and booked in on Kidnapping, Robbery and two misdemeanor warrants.

At this time the Tri-County Investigators are conducting the investigation with the assistance of investigators from Bannock, Bingham, Jefferson County Sheriff's Offices, Chubbuck Police, and the Idaho State Police.