



EAST WENATCHEE POLICE DEPT

Incident Report for 21E00113

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Nature: MISCELLANEOUS **Address:** 1200BLK SUNSET HWY, EAST WENATCHEE WA 98802

Complainant: EWPD **When Reported:** 02:33:54 01/08/21

Last: EAST WENATCHEE POLICE DEPT **First:** **Mid:**

DOB: **/**/** **Dr Lic:** **Address:** 50 SIMON ST # 1; EWPD

Race: **Sex:** **Phone:** (509)884-9513 **City:** EAST WENATCHEE, WA 98802

Offense Codes

Reported: NC Not Classified

Observed: FLNE Felony Elude

Additional Offense: FLNE Felony Elude

Additional Offense: TOFF Traffic Offense

Additional Offense: RIPO Obstruct/Resist Officer

Additional Offense: DUI DUI Alcohol or Drugs

Involvements

Date	Type	Description	
01/08/21	Name	EAST WENATCHEE POLICE DEPT,	Complainant
01/08/21	Name	RUIZ, ALEXANDER	ARRESTED
01/08/21	Name	RENDER, CARLA ANN	OWNER VICT VEHICLE
01/08/21	Name	THOMPSON TOWING, 5570	TOW USED
01/08/21	Offense	RUIZ , ALEXANDER :	Charged With
		ATTEMPT TO ELUDE - F	
01/08/21	Offense	RECKLESS DRIVING - M	Charged With
01/08/21	Offense	DWLS 3RD - M	Charged With
01/08/21	Offense	OBSTRUCT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFIC - GM	Charged With
01/08/21	Offense	DUI - GM	Charged With
01/08/21	Vehicle	LBL 2003 FORD EXPEDITI WA	IMPOUNDED
01/08/21	Vehicle	2019 FORD F150 WA	VICTIM VEHICLE
01/08/21	Cad Call	02:33:54 01/08/21 MISCELLANEOUS	Initiating Call

Narrative**STOLEN/RECOVERED/DAMAGED/VALUE:**

1. Victim vehicle - \$3000
2. Police Vehicle -\$5000

EVIDENCE:

1. DUI report
2. Body camera footage on evidence.com
3. Photos taken by Sgt. Fauconnier
4. BAC Draeger results
5. In-vehicle dash video from Douglas County Deputy vehicles

CHARGE(S):

1. Felony Eluding
2. DUI
3. DWLS 3rd degree
4. Reckless driving
5. Obstructing public servant

INVESTIGATOR'S NAME(S):

1. T. Sheats

INVESTIGATION:

On 01/08/2021, I was working patrol for the East Wenatchee Police Department. At approximately 0230 hours, I was in the 500 block of Valley Mall parkway about to stop a vehicle because the driver was suspended. A SUV had just turned onto Valley Mall Parkway from 3rd Street NE. The vehicle caught my eye because of the high speed the vehicle took the turn at. After turning, the vehicle swerved between the left and right hand land and almost lost control. The vehicle headed in my direction and then west onto 5th Street Ne. I approached 5th Street and I noticed the vehicle had disappeared. I turned my attention to this vehicle now and turned down 5th Street. I did not see the vehicle on the George Sellar Bridge, so I continued to travel north on Sunset Highway. I noticed the vehicle's brakes lights at the intersection of 9th and Sunset Highway. The vehicle was quite a distance ahead of me and must have accelerated at a high rate of speed after seeing my patrol vehicle on Valley Mall Parkway.

I got behind the suspect vehicle and the vehicle accelerated to 53 MPH in a posted 40 MPH zone. The weather was fairly rainy at the time as well and there

were other vehicles on the roadway. I activated my emergency lights in the 1200 block of Sunset highway and the vehicle continued to travel at approximately 50-53 mph. The vehicles license plate was WA/402ZGU, a blue 2003 Ford Expedition.

I activated my emergency siren and the vehicle continued northbound on Sunset highway. I advised Rivercom Dispatch I had a vehicle failing to yield. Given the time of the night, the vehicles negligent driving and the excess of speed, there was a high possibility the driver was intoxicated.

Sgt Fauconnier asked for the reason of the stop and I advised him the vehicle was negligent and speeding. The vehicle continued to drive for over 1 mile now and failed to pull over. I asked Sgt. Fauconnier for permission to pit the vehicle and he gave permission.

The vehicle continued on and moved to the turn lane to turn west on 19th Street. I set up my marked patrol vehicle for a left side pit. The suspect vehicle slowed down and almost came to a stop. The vehicle then began the turned onto 19th Street. I performed a slow speed pit to the back left side of the suspect vehicle. The suspect vehicle spun 180 degrees and was now facing East. The driver of the suspect vehicle regained control and now headed back north on Sunset Highway. During the pit, the vehicle spun around, and I thought the driver of the vehicle was a Hispanic female.

The vehicle sped up to around 70 mph was traveling north on Sunset Highway. Deputy Super with DCSO now joined the vehicle pursuit as the second police vehicle.

The vehicle turned westbound onto 23rd St NE and failed to stop at the stop sign at 23rd St NE and NW Alan Ave and reached speeds of around 50 mph on 23rd St NE.

The vehicle turned southbound onto NW Cascade Ave while failing to stop at the posted stop sign at the intersection of NW Cascade and 23 Street NE. Once turning onto NW Cascade Ave the suspect vehicle swerved to the other side of the road and began driving toward a marked Douglas County Deputy in his vehicle. The deputy had his emergency lights activated and he was clearly marked.

The suspect vehicle now reached speed of about 75 mph while on NW Cascade which has a speed limit of 30 mph.

The vehicle turned westbound into the northern entrance of the apartment complex at 2017 NW Cascade Ave. The vehicle went around the loop exiting northbound onto NW Cascade Ave where it reached speeds of about 60 mph, swerving towards another marked Douglas County deputy with their emergency lights on.

The vehicle turned westbound onto Broadmoor St and reached speeds of about 50 mph. The vehicle turned southbound onto River Dr. N and reached speeds of about 30 mph. The vehicle turned westbound onto Bellevue St NW and reached speeds of about 40 mph.

The vehicle turned northbound onto NW Cascade Ave and reached speeds of about 70 mph. As the vehicle turned East onto 23rd St NE, I tried to pit the suspect vehicle on the back right side of the car. It was an unsuccessful pit and the suspect vehicle continued to travel up 23rd St, towards Sunset highway at a high rate of speed, blowing the stop sign at NW Alan Ave.

The vehicle turned southbound onto Sunset Hwy while failing to stop at the posted stop sign. The vehicle reached speeds of about 75 mph on Sunset Hwy and then turned westbound onto 19th St NW. The vehicle then turned northbound onto NW Bates Ave and turned westbound into the northern entrance of the apartments at 2014 NW Bates Ave. The vehicle went around the loop exiting south bound onto NW Bates Ave and headed back towards 19th Street St.

As the vehicle approached 19th Street, I set up a back right pit on the suspect vehicle. I performed the Pursuit intervention technique and the vehicle spun around, striking a parked vehicle at the residence of 29 19th Street Ne. The suspect vehicle was facing my direction now and I pin the vehicle with the front of my patrol vehicle. I placed my patrol vehicle in park, and I noticed the driver's door of the suspect vehicle open and a subject flee from the driver's seat, heading west on 19th Street.

I gave chase and identified myself as police. I ordered the suspect to stop but he did not comply. The suspect continued to run westbound before running north behind 111 19th Street. As I gave chase, I activated my Axon 3 Body worn camera.

The suspect appeared to trip, and I was able to catch up to him. I grabbed the suspect and I placed him in wrist restraints. The restraints were double locked. He was frisked and then escorted back to the patrol vehicles.

The suspect was identified as Alexander Ruiz and the only occupant in the vehicle. Ruiz is a Hispanic male with longer dark hair. I searched Ruiz and he was then temporarily placed into the back of Deputy Super's vehicle. I read Ruiz his Miranda rights from my printed Miranda card and Ruiz refused to answer if he understood his rights or not. Rivercom Dispatch advised Ruiz had a suspended 3rd degree driving status in WA state. While speaking to Ruiz, I detected the strong odor of alcohol. I also noticed Ruiz had red bloodshot watery eyes and slurred speech.

Sgt. Fauconnier took photos of the damage which was sustained to my patrol vehicle, the suspect vehicle, and the victim vehicle which was parked. He then contacted the victim who owned the truck which was struck.

I transported Ruiz to the Chelan County Jail. I escorted Ruiz inside the Chelan County Jail and I placed him into the holding cell, expecting to write a search warrant for a DUI blood draw based upon his lack of cooperation and fleeing from law enforcement.

Ruiz told me he just wanted the process to be quick and told me he would submit to the breath test. I brought Ruiz out of the holding cell and I checked his mouth at 0321 hours. Ruiz stated he had to puke and he used the bathroom, a second mouth check was done at 0340 hours and also at 0342 after using the bathroom again. I did not observe any foreign substances in his mouth. I asked Ruiz the DUI interview questions and input the required information into the BAC Draeger machine. I read Ruiz his constitutional rights and he signed the form. I then read him the implied consent warnings and he signed the form. I went over the DUI interview questions with Ruiz and he admitted to drinking 1 beer around 0200 hours.

Ruiz provided 2 valid breath samples. The first breath sample was IR .145/ EC .150. The second sample was IR .144 / EC .149. I provided a signed copy of the BAC results to Ruiz and gave him the DOL hearing request. Ruiz was booked into CCRJ for Felony Eluding, DWLS 3rd degree, reckless driving, DUI, and obstructing a public servant.

I later uploaded my Axon body camera footage to evidence.com. Douglas County Deputy Super and possible other Deputies will have in-car camera footage. Deputy Super provided a supplemental report detailing his involvement.

I certify (declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct. (RCW 9A.72.085)

Investigating Officer

Date

Approved by

Date

Supplement**STOLEN/RECOVERED/DAMAGED/VALUE:**

1. WA C50588T - Damaged approx. \$3000

EVIDENCE:

1. Photos

2. Body Worn Camera Video

CHARGE(S):

1.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: None

INVESTIGATOR'S NAME(S):

1. B. Fauconnier #4

INVESTIGATION:

On 1-8-21 at about 0230 hours Officer Sheats attempted to make a traffic stop on a vehicle at the 1200 block of Sunset Hwy, East Wenatchee, WA. The vehicle failed to yield to emergency lights and sirens and continued at about 50 MPH.

While en route to assist Officer Sheats he advised that he was in pursuit of the vehicle and his original reason for the traffic stop was Negligent Driving.

Officer Sheats asked authorization to PIT the vehicle and I approved.

At 19th ST NW and Sunset Hwy, Officer Sheats performed a PIT maneuver on the fleeing vehicle, however the driver regained control and fled, this time at a higher rate of speed.

DCSO units had joined the pursuit at this point.

The fleeing driver made multiple turns down side streets and through an apartment complex in the area. Officer Sheats reported that the driver intentionally swerved towards DCSO patrol vehicles while being pursued.

The driver also failed to stop for multiple stop signs during the pursuit.

At about 0238 hours Officer Sheats was able to successfully PIT the vehicle at the intersection of NW

Bates Ave and 19th ST NW.

The vehicle left the roadway and struck a parked vehicle (WA/C50588T) that was parked unoccupied in the driveway of 29 19TH ST NW causing damage to the front passenger side.

The driver of the fleeing vehicle ran from the vehicle, but was captured a short distance later.

I contacted the owner of WA/C50588T and provided a case number for insurance and advised her that she could request a copy of the reports.

I photographed the damage to WA/C50588T, the fleeing vehicle, and Officer Sheats patrol vehicle.

The owner of the vehicle arrived on scene and asked to retrieve items from the fleeing vehicle. The vehicle was not needed for any further investigation and the owner retrieved personal belongings.

Thompson Towing arrived and removed the vehicle from the driveway of 29 19th ST NW. The vehicle owner was advised the vehicle would be in possession of Thompson Towing if the wished to retrieve it.

Video and photos were uploaded to Axon Evidence.

I certify (declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct. (RCW 9A.72.085)

Investigating Officer

Date

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Date

Vehicles

Vehicle Number:

272196

License Plate: 402ZGU

State: WA

Vehicle Year: 2003

Make: FORD Ford

Color: LBL /

License Type: PC Regular Passenger Automobile

Expires: 10/24/21

VIN: 1FMPU16L93LA13
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Model: EXPEDITI

Doors: 0

Vehicle Type: PC Passenger Car**Value:** \$0.00**Owner:****Last: First: Mid:****DOB: **/**/** Address:****Race: Sex: Phone: City: ,**

Vehicles**Agency:****Date Recov/Rcvd:**/**/******Officer:****Area:****UCR Status:****Wrecker Service: TIM*****Local****Storage Location:****Status:****Status Date:**/**/******Release Date: **/**/******Comments:****Vehicle Number:****272197****License Plate: C50588T****License Type: TK Truck****State: WA****Expires: 03/02/21****Vehicle Year: 2019****VIN: 1FTEW1E47KKE66****313****Make: FORD Ford****Model: F150****Color: /****Doors: 0****Vehicle Type: PU Pick up****Value: \$0.00****Owner:****Last: First: Mid:****DOB: **/**/** Address:****Race: Sex: Phone: City: ,**

Vehicles**Agency:****Date Recov/Rcvd:**/**/****

Officer:
UCR Status:

Area:
Wrecker Service: TIM*

Local
Status:

Storage Location:

Status Date: **/**/**

Release Date: **/**/**

Comments:

Name Involvements:

TOW USED : THOMPSON
Last: THOMPSON **TOWING First:** **Mid:**
DOB: **/**/** **Address:** 434 ROCK ISLAND RD
Race: **Sex:** **Phone:** (509)886-0248 **City:** EAST WENATCHEE, WA 98802

OWNER VICT VEHICLE : 295117

Last: RENDER **First:** CARLA **Mid:** ANN
DOB: 10/29/58 **Address:** 1G-Personal Info
Race: W **Sex:** F **Phone:** () - **City:** 1G-Personal Info

Complainant : EWPD

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ARRESTED : 194598

Last: RUIZ **First:** ALEXANDER **Mid:**
DOB: 01/31/99 **Address:** 1G-Personal Info
Race: H **Sex:** M **Phone:** 1G-Personal Info **City:** 1G-Personal Info

Redaction Log

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