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Tuesday, January 03, 2006, 10:30 A.M.

SUBJECT:

Sutter County Sheriff's Deputies Arrest Two Males for Robbery and Grand Theft

TEXT:

Sutter County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the 8100 block of Marshall Street in Sutter regarding to an in-progress theft. The theft had been interrupted by the victim, who was alerted by noise created by the suspects attempting to steal a trailer with two snowmobiles parked near the residence. The victim was holding the suspects at gunpoint when one of the suspects was able to gain control of the shotgun the victim was holding. A struggle ensued and the victim received several blows to the face, including at least one from being hit with the butt of the gun. The two suspects were able to flee the area with the weapon in their possession. The injuries to the victim were not life threatening.

A short time later a Sheriff's Deputy responding to the incident, observed a vehicle matching the suspect vehicle pass him eastbound on Buttehouse Road near Tharp Road. The suspect vehicle was chased into the area of Poole and Tharp, where the suspects both abandoned the vehicle and fled on foot. Additional Sheriff's patrol units, along with officers from the Yuba City Police Department were dispatched to set up a perimeter and search for the suspects. Two Sutter County K9 units were used to locate both suspects in separate locations. One suspect identified as William Jerrett Faunce, 26, of Brownsville, was located hiding behind the Walgreens Store at Tharp and SR 20. The second suspect was located nearby and identified as Michael William Ginn, 25, of Linda, CA. Both suspects were arrested and booked into the Sutter County Jail on charges of Robbery, Grand Theft, Assault w/Deadly Weapon, and Poss. Of Stolen Property, Conspiracy, and Poss. Of Less than 1 OZ of Marijuana.

The investigation is continuing and no further release on this incident is anticipated at this time.

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