



NEWS RELEASE

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BATTERY WITH SERIOUS BODILY INJURY

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From: Chief of Police Brad Rasmussen

On July 5, 2012 at approximately 0145 hours Lakeport Police units were dispatched to the Clearlake Club bar to investigate the report of an in progress physical fight involving numerous subjects.

Upon arrival Officers located a 28 year old male victim, form Nice, CA, down on the street in the intersection of N. Main St. and Second St. with what appeared to be a serious head injury.

Officers observed a crowd of at least 65 subjects on the street and sidewalk adjacent to the bar. The crowd was hostile with people challenging each other. Lakeport Officers requested emergency back-up from the Lake County Sheriff's Office and the California Highway Patrol which each sent units.

The 28 year old victim was transported by the Lakeport Fire Department to the Natural High School and then airlifted by REACH to Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital.

N. Main St. between First and Third Streets was closed for approximately 45 minutes while the investigation was ongoing.

Lakeport Officers have identified one possible suspect and the investigation is currently ongoing but no arrests have been made yet. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact the Lakeport Police Department.

Brad Rasmussen
Chief of Police