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Press Release

Today's Date: 7/19/13
Date & Time Occurred: 7/18/13 at 7:33 p.m.
Submitted By: Lieutenant Ian Schmutzler
Phone: 707-449-5200
Case Number: 13-04997
Type of Crime/Incident: 245 PC – Assault with a deadly weapon (against a police officer), Officer-Involved-Shooting.
Location: Ulatis Drive at Christine Drive
Suspects: S- Kendall Walker, 24-year-old Fairfield resident

Narrative:

On July 18, 2013, the Vacaville Police Department was contacted by two separate individuals concerned about threats and threatening behavior exhibited by S-Kendall Walker at two different residences in Vacaville. An officer had information that S-Walker was at a residence in South Vacaville and was in possession of a knife, a hammer, and another sharp, metallic tool. Officers observed a maroon Geo Metro being driven by S-Walker leaving the area at a high rate of speed in a residential neighborhood.

Officers attempted to pull the vehicle over for the driving violations and to investigate the threatening behavior reported earlier by the two separate Vacaville residents. S-Walker failed to completely stop the vehicle and was yelling back at the officers. S-Walker drove away from the officers, who engaged in a slow-speed pursuit of S-Walker's vehicle.

During the slow-speed pursuit, an officer attempted to throw a spike-strip in the path of S-Walker's vehicle at Ulatis Drive and Christine Drive in order to try and end the pursuit. S-Walker turned his vehicle to avoid the spike strip and then aggressively turned his vehicle toward the officer who threw the spike strip, and quickly accelerated. The officer had to run and jump out of the way to avoid being struck by S-Walker's vehicle.

Officers then utilized a pursuit intervention technique (PIT) maneuver in another attempt to stop the pursuit. However, S-Walker directed his vehicle toward officers and accelerated, continuing to place officers at great risk of injury or death. A second PIT maneuver was initiated and S-Walker's vehicle came to a stop in the middle of Ulatis Drive, west of Christine Drive. S-Walker armed himself with a hammer and a knife and began to exit his vehicle toward officers in an aggressive and threatening manner, ignoring repeated commands to stop and comply. One officer fired several rounds, striking S-Walker, stopping his advancement toward officers. Officers immediately began life-saving efforts and the Vacaville Fire Department was summoned. S-Kendall died on scene.

The investigation is ongoing at this time. The Vacaville Police Department requests anyone who witnessed this incident or has knowledge that may help in this investigation contact Detective Mark Ferreira at 449-5258. The Solano County District Attorney's Office is assisting in conducting a joint investigation of the officer involved shooting.