

High speed chase Tuesday night ends in Rockcastle County

By: Doug Ponder

A high speed chase, that started in Laurel County Tuesday night at the 30 mile marker on northbound I-75, eventually ended almost 30 miles later in Rockcastle County at the Exit 59.

Arrested at the scene was Charles D. Dukes, 45, of Cosby, Tennessee.

According to state police reports, the London Police Department originally received a complaint of a reckless driver at the 30 mile marker northbound I-75. When a LPD officer caught up to the driver and attempted to initiate the traffic stop, the driver sped off.

Laurel County 911 then requested all surrounding police units to respond to the chase. While in Laurel County on I-75 northbound, LPD officers, along with officers from the Laurel County Sheriff's Department and Kentucky State Police, all joined in the chase.

The driver, who was later identified as Dukes, clipped another vehicle while switching lanes at high rates of speed and also hit a Laurel County Sheriff's Deputy's cruiser while several police officers were attempting to use the "box-in" technique with their cruis-

ers to stop Dukes.

When the chase crossed over into Rockcastle County, Laurel County 911 requested assistance from the Mt. Vernon Police Department and Rockcastle County Sheriff's Department.

Police were eventually able to stop Dukes near the off ramp at exit 59 in Mt. Vernon. Once stopped, Dukes got out of his vehicle and attempted to charge a London Police officer. He continued to fight with officers and resist arrest before being apprehended.

Couple arrested for assault after woman stabs her husband with a knife

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A Crab Orchard couple was arrested for assault after a man came to Rockcastle Regional Hospital on Sunday morning with multiple stab wounds the result, reportedly, of being stabbed by his wife with a kitchen knife.

Arrested were Ashley Taylor, 23 and Danny Ray Taylor, 29, both of Crab Orchard.

According to state police reports, Trooper Adam

When asked why he led police on the chase, Dukes told officers that he was "going through a divorce and having a hard time at home." Police believe alcohol and/or drugs also played a factor in the chase.

Dukes was charged with three counts of resisting arrest, two counts of menacing, three counts of wanton endangerment, criminal mischief, fleeing or evading police, DUI and reckless driving. He remains lodged in the Laurel County Detention Center without bond.

Childress responded to the hospital after Rockcastle 911 received a call about a stabbing victim who was being treated there.

Once Childress arrived, Mr. Taylor told him that he had been involved in a verbal altercation with his wife at their home.

Mr. Taylor said that his wife threw a TV remote at their two-year-old son and then stabbed him (Taylor's) foot with an ink pen and tried to bite his leg. Mr. Taylor told Childress that he then threw his wife to the ground and attempted to leave the residence.

Taylor said his wife stabbed him twice with a kitchen knife, as he was walking out the front door carrying their son.

Mr. Taylor was treated for a laceration on his right arm and a puncture wound to his back.

Mrs. Taylor admitted to Childress that she stabbed her husband while he was holding their son. She also told him that she stabbed her husband after he had choked and hit her several times.

The Taylor's son was taken into protective custody by social services.

The couple was arrested and charged with assault. Mrs. Taylor was also separately charged with wanton endangerment.

They were lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center where Mr. Taylor remains on a \$2,000 surety bond. Mrs. Taylor was later released on a \$10,000 surety bond.

"Threats"

(Cont. from front)

Rockcastle County Courthouse Tuesday morning. When Wesley arrived, he was apprehended in the courthouse parking lot.

Wesley's three children were taken into protective custody and placed with social services.

He remains lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center on a \$100,000 cash bond.

Reynolds said that any death threats made against a judge, social worker or family preservation worker will be taken seriously and that warrants will always be issued for their arrest if such threats are made. He also said that the children will always be taken out of the home as well if any signs of abuse are present.

"Anybody who makes threats against judges, social workers, family preservation workers or even their children and family will always be dealt with according to the law," Reynolds said. "The important thing is his children and the people who he made threats against are now safe."

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Hotstyx 10U earned second place honors at the Whitney Roberts Memorial Tournament this past weekend at Cardinal Run Park in Lexington. Team members, pictured above, front row from left: Hailey Thacker, Gabby Countryman, Raegan Chasteen and Addison McClure. Back row from left: Vicky Countryman, Madison Yettes, Jaylon Ponder, Ashlyn Brock, Bailey Reardon and Madison McIntosh. Hotstyx are coached by Dusty McClure, Jason Brock and Tim McIntosh.



Upward Soccer

It's not too late to join in on all the fun! We are still taking applications for those children entering kindergarten through 8th grade this fall. Cost is \$60 per player. Shorts (optional) are additional \$15. If you register after June 30th there will be a \$20 late fee. For more information please contact:

First Baptist Church
340 West Main Street
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456
(606)256-2922

JROTC HOOAH! 5K RUN / 2 MILE WALK

WHEN
July 20th, 2013
9am - 11am

WHERE
RENFRO VALLEY, (PARKING LOT BEHIND THE OLD BARN)

Participants will meet at the parking lot behind the old barn. If the participant has not already done so through pre-registration, they can register that morning starting at 7:30 am.

MAIL REGISTRATION FORMS TO ROCKCASTLE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL JROTC (1545 HWY 461 PO BOX 1410 MT VERNON KY. 40456)

Registration and Waiver
Release and Consent Form

Each participant must fill out a form and sign the waiver at the bottom. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by a parent. Registration is \$20 for each participant 12 years and older or register yourself and a buddy for \$30. Participants 11 years and under \$10. If child is in a stroller they're free.

Pre-Registration includes a guaranteed drawstring backpack. Pre-Registration Deadline is due on July 1st 2013; you can also register that morning on July 20th, 2013 at 7:30 am. Mail form to Rockcastle County High School JROTC (1545 Hwy 461 PO box 1410 Mt Vernon Ky. 40456)

Participant Names:

Adult _____ Age _____
Adult _____ Age _____
Child _____ Age _____
Child _____ Age _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Phone _____ - _____ - _____

In consideration of the acceptance of my/my child's entry, I for myself or for my child, do hereby release and discharge the organizers of this walk and all other sponsors and organizers of all claims and damages, actions whatsoever in any manner arising out of my/my child's participation in this event. I attest and verify that I have full knowledge of the risks involved in this event and I am/my child is physically able to participate in this event. Further, I grant full permission to any and all partners of the 5K Race/Walk to use my/my child's name, photographs, videotapes, or any other record of this event for any legitimate purpose without compensation.

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

- ☐ No Dogs
- ☐ Strollers will be lined up in the back
- ☐ Race begins at 9:00 am
- ☐ No transportation provided

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EVENT**

REGISTRATION

12 YEARS AND OLDER (ADULTS):
\$20
11 YEARS AND YOUNGER - \$10
2 ADULTS-\$30
(Strollers Free)

PRE-REGISTRATION

Registration forms must be filled out and mailed in by July 1st 2013! Pre-registry guarantees a drawstring backpack with participation in the 5k / 2 mile walk.



Chelsea Bray, daughter of Marian Bray of Loveland, Oh. (and formerly of Rockcastle County), graduated from Kings High School Ohio on May 26, 2013. She graduated with a 4.417 gpa and was in the National Honor Society, Kids Club, Spanish Club and National Society of High School Scholars. She was in Honor and AP classes and was cheerleader for 11 years. She works after school at Queen City Gymnastics. She taught gymnastics and cheer-leading and on weekends gave birthday parties. Chelsea earned a 4 year scholarship at Ohio State University in Columbus, Oh. and will be majoring in Neurobiology.

Congratulations Chelsea from your family for all your hard work

Estes said that anyone having questions or concerns about the security at the hospital can call her at 606-256-2195.