Maryland Natural Resources Police



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MD0020500	Wo	rcester	ANNAPOLIS	NF	NRP-18-00287	
Report Date / Time		Occurrence Date / Time			File Class	
03/01/2018 21:15 Hrs		03/01/2018 10:33 Hrs			NRP0001	
(LIS/Fastern)		(US/Fastern)				

Nature of Incident: Assist Other Agency **Supplements:** Approved Report (1)

Plane Crash **Summary:**

Incident Location

Atlantic Ocean-Atlantic Ocean-Eez-3-200 Address:

City: Ocean City County: State: Maryland

ZIP: Country: United States of America

Township of Occurrence:

Beat: Area 1 Latitude: 38.38443 Longitude: -75.00564

Sub-Beat: District 4 Comments: Atlantic Ocean

Incident Offenses

Supp # Offense **Status Status Date**

TOT- Turned Over to NRP0001 - Nrp Approval 03/01/2018 10:33 Hrs

Other Agency

Attempted / Completed:

Household Status:

Domestic Violence Circumstances:

Officers Involved					
Role	Name	Agency	Supp#		
Assisting	CORPORAL A. DEEPREE (#1360)	NRP AREA 1	0		
Assisting	CORPORAL E. FROST (#1503)	NRP AREA 1	0		
Assisting	CORPORAL J. CHATHAM (#1498)	Support Services	0		
Assisting	CORPORAL V. ARTRIP (#1578)	NRP AREA 1	0		
Assisting	Corporal E. TYLER (#1544)	NRP AREA 1	0		
Assisting	Corporal G. Tyler (#1625)	NRP AREA 1	0		
Assisting	LIEUTENANT S. SIMMONS (#1465)	NRP AREA 1	0		
Assisting	Lieutenant Colonel E. Leatherbury (#1646)	NRP AREA 1	0		
Assisting	OFFICER FIRST CLASS M. GREEFF (#1523)	NRP AREA 5	0		
Assisting	OFFICER J. Myszka (#1108)	NRP AREA 1	0		
Assisting	Officer First Class C. McCauley (#1620)	NRP AREA 1	0		
Assisting	Officer J. Hambrick (#1657)	NRP AREA 1	0		
Assisting	Officer R. Colon (#1610)	S. O. D.	0		
Assisting	Officer V. ARILLO (#1595)	NRP AREA 1	0		
Assisting	Probationary Officer A. MANKOFSKY (#1634)	NRP AREA 5	0		
Assisting	Probationary Officer R. ARNOLD (#1642)	NRP AREA 5	0		

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Name Role Agency Supp # Assisting SERGEANT B. BUNTING (#1531) NRP AREA 3 0 SERGEANT S. PAYNE (#1345) **Assisting** NRP AREA 1 0 SERGEANT M. CORBIN (#1499) Reporting NRP AREA 1 0

Incident People

Victim Supp # 0

Name: NGWA, MARCSON (Primary Name)Title: Date of Birth:

Race: Black or African American Sex: M Age at Occurrence: 28 Years Old

DL #: (Maryland)

Phone: - Cellular (Date of Info: 03/02/2018)

Incident Narratives

Title: Original Narrative

Author: MATTHEW CORBIN Date / Time: 03/02/2018 12:48 Hrs Supp #: 0

On March 1, 2018 at approximately 10:42AM, I (Sgt. Corbin) was notified by Cpl. Artrip about a possible missing aircraft. He advised that an airplane had left Martin's State Airport on February 28, 2018 and had not returned. He stated that the last records they had of the aircraft showed that it was performing "touch and go" maneuvers at the Ocean City Airport. A search plan reported seeing something washed up on the beach at Assateague State Park.

I boarded vessel NRP 832 and responded to the Atlantic Ocean east of the Ocean City Airport. I searched the shoreline south to the area where the debris was sited. I then moved approximately 1 mile east and made another pass without locating anything.

At approximately 11:55AM, I observed Trooper 4 (Maryland State Police helicopter) hovering over an area at a low altitude. Trooper 4 contacted me via VHF radio and advised that they observed what they believed to be a fuel oil slick. I responded to the area and located a fuel oil slick that was still bubbling to the surface. I also noted a heavy odor of some type of fuel oil in the area. I captured my GPS position at the site at N 38 17.284 W 075 05.525. A United States Coast Guard vessel arrived on scene a short time later. I requested Ofc. Bloxom to respond to the area with vessel NRP 858 which has side scan sonar capabilities. I noted the water temperature at the site was 44 degrees and that the water depth ranged from 40-50ft in the area.

Ofc. Bloxom arrived on scene a short time later. I anchored vessel NRP 832 at the site where I observed the heaviest concentration of fuel oil. We then used the side scan sonar around the area and located several large targets that extended above the bottom. All the targets were in close proximity to the fuel oil sheen. I notified communications of the findings. I spoke with F/Sgt Corbin (MSP) and relayed what information I had. I advised him of what capabilities we had and offered whatever assistance they might need. He requested that we start our dive team and additional resources to the area. At that time I requested Cpl. Tyler to contact our SOD duty officer to get those assets going.

At approximately 12:45 PM, a commercial clam vessel located debris that they believed came from an aircraft. Myself and Ofc. Bloxom responded to the area. While responding we started to located debris. We collected and noted GPS coordinates of all the debris that was recovered. We spoke with occupants of the commercial vessel who advised they had picked up a landing gear, female jacket and a fire extinguisher. We advised them to continue in to port and that we would have officers meet them to collect the items. I

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contacted Ofc. Colon and advised him of the same. He advised that he and a MSP investigator would meet the vessel and collect the items.

Myself and Ofc. Bloxom continued to collect debris over a large area. Items of note collected included.

- -A black leather bag containing plane manuals for a Cessna aircraft, navigation tools, aircraft instrument books, flight training books and a Cameroon passport belonging to Marcson Ngwa who was the reported pilot of the missing plane.
- -A seat cover
- Back Seat
- wheel chalk
- -black jacket
- a red sleeve
- A red tag with the words "remove before flight" with a number of N615JA which was the tail number for the missing plane
- A wheel that appeared to have come from an aircraft

NRP vessels continued to search the area for debris and the missing people. MSP and NRP divers conducted dive operations at the suspected crash site. They were able to locate a wing and a fuselage from an aircraft. At approximately 5:10PM, divers located and recovered the body of a black male within the wreckage. The subject was transported to a USCG vessel and brought to the Ocean City boathouse. Divers completed several more dives to attempt to locate the other victim and to mark all debris on the bottom. As visibility and sea conditions continued to deteriorate we decided to call off the search until conditions improved.

I will upload pictures of recovered items on a supplement report at a later date. All of the above events occurred in Worcester County, Maryland.

Signed: SERGEANT M. CORBIN (#1499)	Reviewed By:	SERGEANT A. WILSON (#1545)

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