

Douglas County Sheriff

Minden, Nevada

Deputy Report for Incident 13SO03626

Nature: Citizen Assist

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Minden NV 89423

Location: VJL21

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How Received: T

Agency: DCSO

Responding Officers: Fricke J, Field A, SAR, SAR11, SAR23, SAR12, SAR15, McKone J, SAR13, Jasperson T, SAR14

Responsible Officer: McKone J

Disposition: CLO 02/07/13

When Reported: 09:42:07 02/07/13

Occurred Between: 09:41:58 02/07/13 and 09:41:58 02/07/13

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Reported:

Observed: DEAP Death Air Accident

Additional Offense: DEAP Death Air Accident

Additional Offense: COR Coroner Case - Deceased #1

Circumstances

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Responding Officers:

Unit: 204

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Responsible Officer: McKone J

Received By: Spellberg D

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Judicial Status:

Misc Entry:

Agency: DCSO

Last Radio Log: 02:35:34 02/08/13 CMPLT

Clearance: RTF Report To Follow

Disposition: CLO Date: 02/07/13

Occurred between: 09:41:58 02/07/13 and: 09:41:58 02/07/13

Description: Method:

Involvements

Modus Operandi:

Date

Type

Description

Narrative

Douglas County Sheriff's Department Investigation Narrative

13S003626

CLASSIFICATION

Overdue Airplane/Missing Person

ATTACHMENTS

- 1) DCSO Statement from Rhonda Jorgenson
- 2) DCSO Statement from Alan Gangwish
- 3) DCSO Missing Person Affidavit

DETAILS

On February 7, 2013 at approximately 1000 hours, I was dispatched to the Minden Airport for report of an overdue airplane.

I arrived and met with airport staff who stated Kieth Jorgenson left on 2/6/13 at approximately 1700 hours, in a Cessna 172S airplane, bearing tail# N3285SP from the Minden Airport.

Kieth told Alan Gangwich he planned on "taking a flight before dark." Kieth had not returned nor has been heard from since.

I then spoke with Rhonda Jorgenson, wife of Kieth. Rhonda is employed at Hutt Aviation located at the Minden Airport.
Rhonda informed me of this:

Kieth was a contractor for the US Military as a K9 handler in Afganistan. Monday February 4, 2013 Kieth arrived home from Afganistan to spend time with Rhonda. Rhonda and Kieth were involved in a "little fight." The relationship between Kieth and Rhonda "was not as smooth" as it normally is in the past.

On the night of 2/5/13, Kieth slept in a different room than Rhonda due to the strained relationship. Rhonda had no contact with Kieth since the night of 2/5/13 other than text messages. On 2/6/13, Kieth sent a message to Rhonda stating he decided to spend the night at a hotel instead of with Rhonda at their residence.

On 2/6/13 at approximately 1500 hours, Rhonda observed Kieth driving on US HWY 395. Thru text messages, Kieth stated he was going to the airport to get something. Rhonda did not receive any further communications from Kieth.

On 2/7/13 at approximately 0800 hours, Rhonda arrived to work. Alan Gangwich told Rhonda he saw Kieth on 2/6/13 at approximately 1430 hours. Alan assisted Kieth in getting a Cessna 172 airplane ready for flight. Alan observed the airplane taxi off with Kieth piloting at approximately 1445 hours.

On 2/7/13 Alan and Rhonda were not able to located the Cessna 172 Kieth flew off with the night prior. Rhonda found Kieth's black F250 in the parking lot of the airport. After checking inside the truck, Rhonda found Kieth had left his backpack and other items intended for a stay at a hotel. Rhonda and Alan found it odd and had the Sheriff's Office notified. Rhonda attempted several times to contact Kieth on his cellular phone without success.

Rhonda stated Kieth is well known for his flying abilities, however, has been

involved in an aircraft accident in the past while crop dusting.

I spoke with Alan and confirmed Rhonda's story.

Sergeant Field arrived to assist. The Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC) was notified and began the process of "pinging" Kieth's cellular phone. The Civil Air Patrol activated a "mission" and began searching for any Electronic Locating Transmissions (ELT's).

I completed a DCSO Missing Person Report/Affidavit with the help of Rhonda. Kieth was entered into NCIC as a missing person at 1305 hours, by DCSO Dispatcher Maria Jensen. Refer to NCIC# M561187974 for further information.

Sergeant Field notified the Douglas County Search and Rescue (DCSAR) team leader, Sean Thomas, of the incident. DCSAR was paged out and thus took over the search for Kieth and the missing airplane.

AFRCC was able to get the coordinate location of Kieth's cellular phone by "pinging" it. With the help of Washoe County Sheriff's Office "Raven" helicopter, airplane wreckage was found near the coordinates of Kieth's cellular phone. Washoe County Sheriff's Office Dispatch advised the "Raven" crew had observed a single deceased occupant in the wreckage.

Investigator Jasperson and Deputy McKone responded to the wreckage.

At the time of this report it is unknown if the wreckage and decedent is that of Keith Jorgenson and the missing Cessna 172S, bearing tail# N3285SP.

Refer to Investigator Jasperson's supplemental report for further information.

DISPOSITION

Closed pending additional information.

Date, Time, Reporting Officer:

J. Fricke #523
Thu Feb 07 16:59:05 PST 2013

Responsible LEO:		
Approved by:		
Date	 	

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Details

Incident Number: 13SO03626

Sequence Number: 1

Name: McKone J

Date: 01:11:03 02/08/13

Narrative (See below)

Narrative:

Douglas County Sheriff's Department Supplemental Narrative Case#13SO03626

CLASSIFICATION:

Death Investigation.

ATTACHED:

D.C.S.O. Coroner's Report. Scene Photographs Property Report. Request for Autopsy form

REFERENCE:

Washoe County Medical Examiner's Office Case#13-0385DOU.

FUNERAL HOME:

Walton's Douglas County Mortuary Minden, Nevada 89423 (775) 783-9312

INVOLVED AGENCIES/PERSONNEL:

Douglas County Search and Rescue Washoe County Sheriff's Office Air Unit/Raven D.C.S.O. Investigator T. Jasperson D.C.S.O. Deputy J. McKone FAA / NTSB

DECEDENT: Tentative Identification

<u>Jorgenson,</u> Keith Dale

NEXT OF KIN:

Rhonda Jorgenson / Wife

Gardnerville, Nevada 89410

SYNOPSIS / SUMMARY:

On 02/07/2013, Keith Jorgenson was reported missing by is wife Rhonda Jorganson. Keith was last seen in his 172 Cessna leaving the Minden airport at approximately 1645 hours 02/06/2013.

Douglas County Search and Rescue initiated a search with assistance of Washoe County Sheriff's Office air unit. At approximately 1500 hours, the Washoe County Helicopter located the aircraft wreckage in a decollate wilderness area of the, Douglas County area, Pinenut Mountain Range.

Search and rescue personnel reach the crash site and locate one deceased passenger/pilot.

I was dispatched to the crash site along with Investigator T. Jasperson. We arrived on scene and located the aircraft and its sole occupant/pilot. Death was obvious and pronounced at 1732 hours.

A field investigation of the scene and Decedent was completed along with photographs and notes of the scene and decedent description.

Upon completion of the scene investigation, the decedent was placed into a remains bag and removed from the scene in my custody, with assistance of Douglas County Search and Rescue. The decedent was transferred to the custody of Walton's Funeral service for transportation to the Washoe County Medical Examiner's Office.

DEATH SCENE DESCRIPTION:

Wilderness forest, Pine Nut Mountain Range, Douglas County Nevada (GPS: 38.97730N / 119.49411W)

The scene involves a Cessna 172s, single engine, top wing with fixed landing gear airplane with tail number N328SP. The aircraft was inverted, with catastrophic damage to the entire aircraft. The aircraft appeared to strike the mountain with a high velocity impact. Debris was scattered about the mountain top. The decedent was pinned within the wreckage of the inverted aircraft, in the general area of the cockpit.

DECEDENT DESCRIPTION:

I observed, and examined the body of a deceased 46 year old Caucasian male lying prone within the wreckage of an inverted airplane, in the general area of the cockpit. During the extrication, I cut several wires, lap and shoulder seatbelt. Upon extracting the decedent from the aircraft, I moved the decedent to a flat area of dirt covered ground and completed a body examination.

The decedent has full body deformities anterior, including evacuated scull, facial, torso and limb injuries along with multiple long bone fractures, consistent with blunt force aircraft accident. Lividity was present in the

posterior area of the torso, with pressure marks consisted with the condition, and position of the decedent in the aircraft. I could not distinguish or conclude if rigor mortis was present or if the rigidity was from the freezing temperatures. The decedent was wearing, a plaid shirt, blue denim jeans, and black shoes.

INVESTIGATIVE DETAILS:

On Thursday, February 7, 2013 at 0940 hours, Deputy Fricke completed a missing persons report on subject, Keith Jorgenson who was last seen at the Minden airport in a Cessna 172s on Wednesday February 6 2013.

Keith's wife, Rhonda Jorgenson discovered Keith and the airplane had not returned by the following morning, due to the circumstances of the Cessna airplane not returning and no contact with the pilot Keith Jorgenson, Douglas County Search and Rescue along with Washoe County Sheriff's Air Unit began a search of the wilderness area of Douglas County. Washoe County Sheriff's Air Unit discovered an aircraft wreckage in the forest area of the Pinenut Mountain Unit discovered an aircraft wreckage in the forest area of the Pinenut Mountain range east side of Douglas County, GPS: 38.97730N / 119.49411W. the wreckage had the same tail number N328SP as the missing airplane Keith Jorgenson left in from the Minden airport.

Douglas County Search and Rescue ground teams made their way to the area confirmed the aircraft crash with one decedent on-board and secured the site pending my arrival.

Deputy Coroner, M Flagg responded to Manager and made contact with Keith Jorgenson's wife, Rhonda and advised her, the aircraft was located with one decedent, tentatively identified as Keith Dale Jorgenson.

With assistance from the Search and Rescue personnel, Investigator Jasperson and I investigated the scene, removed the decedent from the aircraft, and photographed the scene and the decedent.

Upon completion of the investigation and with assistance from Search and Rescue, the decedent was I completed my investigation, placed the decedent into a remains bag. The decedent was removed from the Mountain, transferred to the custody of Walton's Funeral Service and transported to the Washoe County Medical Examiners Office by Walton's Funeral Home staff, pending Autopsy, toxicology testing, and identification conformation.

I responded to

Rhonda, the decedent in the aircraft was tentatively identified as her husband,
Keith Jorgenson, however, positive identification would have to be made, by
means of fingerprints and or dental records. I advised her, until identification
was confirmed, Keith Jorgenson would remained listed as a missing person.

CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF EVIDENCE:

Aircraft accident scene remains intact pending FAA / NTSB investigation and removal.

205 digital photographs were booked into the evidence system by Investigator Jasperson.

CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF PROPERTY:

\$0.64 in U.S. coin, chap stick, 01 broken cellular telephone booked into the Douglas County Evidence system.

MEDICAL SERVICES:

No response.

DISPOSITION:

Forward to Chief Deputy Coroner, Captain D. Aymami.

Fri Feb 08 01:13:28 PST 2013

Deputy Coroner J. McKone 301.

02/08/13 Douglas County Sheriff Minden, Nevada Page: 1 Main Names Table: 10:52 b Name and Address 2759 Numbr: Mid: YVONNE Fst: RHONDA Last: JORGENSON Addr& Hst: ■ NV 89410 Gardnerville ZIP: 89410 City: Gardnerville ST: NV Death: / / Alias For: b Personal Identification State ID: SSN: DL Number: (Local ID: FBI: Class: CDLC DL State: NV Other Tel: Home Tel: Internet: Work Tel: () b Physical Description Cmplxn: Eyes: BLU Blue DOB: yrs Speech: Race: W N-White, Non- Glasses: Teeth: Hair: BLN Blond Sex: F Female Build: Hairstyle: Height: \mathtt{CM} Ethnic: Beard: Weight: kg b Traits Name Type: INDIV Sub Type: Scars, Marks, and Tattoos: e MO: b Narrative/Other Alert Codes: Comments: Xtra: & Visited Inmates: Had Visitors: Premis: Addresses: TNVOLVEMENTS: Name history: Name/Address/Phone History

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Drivers License Type: Driver License Class Seg Class Description

Additional Name Information b Name and Address Number: Last: JORGENSON Addr& City: Gardnerville	r: NV ZIP: 89410	First: RHONDA Phone: DOB:	Mid: YVONNE
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Minden

City: Minden

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ZIP: 89423

Alias For: Death: / /

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Name and Address

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Death: 02/07/13 Alias For:

Personal Identification

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02/08/13 Douglas County Sheriff Minden, Nevada 324 Page: 1 Main Vehicle Screen: 10:52 Vehicle Vehicle Number: 28556 Image: License Plate: N328SP State: NV Vehicle Year: 1999 Make: CESS Model: 172S License Type: Expires: Color: VIN: 172S8255 VIN Valid: N (ignore if veh year <1981) Doors: 0.00 Value: Characteristics: Value: Vehicle Type: AERO Aircraft Owner 28826 Numbr: Last: MCFADDEN
DOB: Fst: JAMES Mid: DANIEL ST: NV ZIP: 89423 Cty: Minden Race: W Sx: M Tel: IBR/UCR IBR/UCR Agency: DCSO Douglas County Date Recov/Rcvd: Amount Recov: Officer: Fricke J UCR Incident: 13SO03626 Area: Wrecker Service: IBR/UCR Status: Storage Location: Local Status: Date Released: / / Status Date: 02/07/13 IBR/UCR Dhist: & Local ID: Comments (See below)

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