

Mendocino County Sheriff's Office

Press Release

(Title of Crime/Incident) 496(d) PC (possess stolen vehicle), 466 PC (possess burglary tools) 11550 H&S (under influence controlled substance).11364 H&S (Possession of drug paraphernalia)

Report Number: 15-10662

Coroner Number:

Crime/Incident: 496(d) PC (possess stolen vehicle), 466 PC (possess burglary tools) 11550 H&S (under influence controlled substance).11364 H&S (Possession of drug paraphernalia)

Location: 21000 block of Meadowbrook Drive Willits, CA

When: Date: 05-03-2015 **Time:** 2:00 AM

Victim Info :

Name	Age	Street Address	City, State
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Suspect Info:

	Name	Age	Street Address	City, State
Suspect #1:	Christopher France	18		Willits, CA
Suspect #2:	Amanda Jewell	23		Willits, CA

Written by: Sergeant Matt Kendall

Synopsis:

On 05-03-2015 at approximately 2:00 AM Deputies from the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office were patrolling in Willits, California.

Deputies observed a tan Ford pickup traveling northbound on Meadowbrook Drive from Kawi Place. The vehicle's license plate did not have any registration tags on it, and the truck abruptly pulled into a driveway without signaling.

Deputies conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle, observing Christopher France as the driver and a passenger being Amanda Jewell.

After a brief conversation the Deputies believed the pair had no justified reason for stopping in the driveway.

France did not have a valid license and it was determined his driving privileges were suspended.

Deputies observed Jewell showing signs of being under the influence of a controlled substance and learned through admissions that a methamphetamine smoking pipe was inside the vehicle.

A search of the vehicle revealed two dagger style blades concealed next to where France had been sitting. Also located was a methamphetamine smoking pipe and a machete.

Located in the driver's door panel were a pair of rubber gloves and a long chain of keys. The keys were residential, padlock, and car keys of many different types.

Further investigation revealed the license plate on the vehicle was listed as stolen from a different type of vehicle. Upon further investigation the Deputies learned the vehicle was reported stolen from Santa Rosa, California.

Deputies completed an evaluation on Jewell finding she was under the influence of methamphetamine.

France was arrested for possession of a stolen vehicle (496D PC), possession of burglary tools (466 PC), Possession of drug paraphernalia (11364(a) H&S), and possession of a dagger (21310 PC).

Jewell was arrested for being under the influence of a controlled substance (11550(a)H&S) and possession of drug paraphernalia (11364(a)H&S).

Both were booked into the Mendocino County Jail where France is being held in lieu of \$15,000.00 bail and Jewell was released on a signed promise to appear in court.

Approved By: Captain Greg Van Patten

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