



# Pennsylvania Law Enforcement

## Crash - Public Information Release Report

**Crash Involves:**

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| <input type="radio"/> DUI   | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Fatality | <input type="radio"/> Hit and Run | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Commercial Vehicle | <input type="radio"/> State Police Vehicle | <input type="radio"/> Local Police Vehicle |
| <input type="radio"/> Other | <input type="radio"/> Work Zone           | <input type="radio"/> ATV         | <input type="radio"/> Snowmobile                    | <input type="radio"/> Commonwealth Vehicle | <input type="radio"/> Local Gov Vehicle    |

**Agency Information:**

AGENCY <b>PA STATE POLICE - PUNXSUTAWNEY</b>	INVESTIGATOR <b>BLAZAVICH, DAVID</b>
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**Summary Information:**

CAD/CASE NUMBER <b>PA 2021-239801</b>	CRASH DATE <b>02/22/2021</b>	CRASH TIME <b>10:14 hrs.</b>
COUNTY <b>JEFFERSON</b>		MUNICIPALITY <b>BIG RUN BORO</b>
ROUTE # <b>0119</b>	SEGMENT # 	STREET <b>W MAIN</b>
LOCATION <b>W MAIN ST MEASURING 492 FEET WEST OF SMYERS ST</b>		STREET ENDING <b>STREET</b>

**People Involved:**

UNIT #	PERSON	FIRST NAME	MI	LAST NAME	SUFFIX	AGE	Gender
001	DRIVER	[REDACTED]	J	[REDACTED]			
CITY				STATE	SAFETY EQUIPMENT		
PUNXSUTAWNEY				PA	LAP AND SHOULDER BELT USED		
EMS TRANSPORT		INJURY SEVERITY					
NOT TRANSPORTED		FATAL INJURY					
EMS AGENCY				MEDICAL FACILITY			
				NONE			

UNIT #	PERSON	FIRST NAME	MI	LAST NAME	SUFFIX	AGE	Gender
001	PASSENGER	[REDACTED]	L	[REDACTED]			
CITY				STATE	SAFETY EQUIPMENT		
PUNXSUTAWNEY				PA	LAP AND SHOULDER BELT USED		
EMS TRANSPORT		INJURY SEVERITY					
TRANSPORTED		SUSPECTED SERIOUS INJURY					
EMS AGENCY				MEDICAL FACILITY			
JEFFERSON COUNTY EMS				PENN HIGHLANDS DUBOIS			

UNIT #	PERSON	FIRST NAME	MI	LAST NAME	SUFFIX	AGE	Gender
002	DRIVER	RICHARD	J	WICKER		31	M
CITY				STATE	SAFETY EQUIPMENT		
MAHAFFEY				PA	LAP AND SHOULDER BELT USED		
EMS TRANSPORT		INJURY SEVERITY					
NOT TRANSPORTED		NOT INJURED					
EMS AGENCY				MEDICAL FACILITY			
				NONE			

UNIT #	PERSON	FIRST NAME	MI	LAST NAME	SUFFIX	AGE	Gender
003	DRIVER	STEPHEN	R	CLARK		32	M
CITY				STATE	SAFETY EQUIPMENT		
BIG RUN				PA	LAP AND SHOULDER BELT USED		
EMS TRANSPORT		INJURY SEVERITY					
NOT TRANSPORTED		NOT INJURED					
EMS AGENCY				MEDICAL FACILITY			
				NONE			

**Vehicles Involved:**

UNIT # 001	YEAR 2002	VEHICLE MAKE CHEVROLET	MODEL TAHOE
DRIVER CHARGED?		PRIMARY VIOLATION	
UNIT # 002	YEAR 2007	VEHICLE MAKE INTERNATIONAL	MODEL
DRIVER CHARGED?		PRIMARY VIOLATION	
UNIT # 003	YEAR 2018	VEHICLE MAKE TOYOTA	MODEL TUNDRA
DRIVER CHARGED?		PRIMARY VIOLATION	

**Crash Synopsis:**

On the above date and time, PSP Punxsutawney responded to a report of a three vehicle crash at the above listed location. Upon arrival on scene Operator 1 was found to be deceased. PSP Punxsutawney investigating.



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STATION <b>PUNXSUTAWNEY PATROL UNIT</b>		CAD/CASE NO <b>PA 2021-234466</b>
INVESTIGATING OFFICER <b>JACOBY, KURTIS (729297)</b>	DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT <b>02-21-2021 0437</b>	
NATURE OF INCIDENT <b>DUI ON VIEW ALCOHOL</b>		
LOCATION <b>SPRANKLE MILLS RD / ROUTE 36</b>		
MUNICIPALITY(COUNTY) <b>PERRY TWP (JEFFERSON)</b>		

PERSON(S) INVOLVED:

**ARRESTEE (includes runaway): 29, M, PUNXSUTAWNEY, PA**

INCIDENT DETAILS:

On 02/21/2021 at approximately 0420 hours, Troopers stationed out of the Pennsylvania State Police barracks in Punxsutawney were on routine patrol traveling South on State Route 36 when they came across a Jeep Cherokee at the intersection of Sprankle Mills Road and State Route 36 in Perry Township, Jefferson County, PA with a W/N/M passed out in the driver's seat of the vehicle. As the Troopers approached the vehicle, it was observed that the vehicle was still in drive and it took multiple knocking attempts before the male woke up. As they engaged this male, the Troopers observed several visual indicators of suspected alcohol-related impairment. The Troopers asked the male operator to exit the vehicle where they conducted Standardized Field Sobriety Tests. The male operator was subsequently placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI. This investigation is currently ongoing.

PROPERTY:

VEHICLES:

**INVOLVED: 2019 JEEP (FOR MODEL YEARS 1989 THROUGH PRESENT) CORPORATE NAME CHANGE FROM CHRYSLER CHEROKEE**



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STATION PUNXSUTAWNEY PATROL UNIT		CAD/CASE NO PA 2021-212933
INVESTIGATING OFFICER JACOBY, KURTIS (729297)	DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT 02-09-2021 0001 - 02-13-2021 2359	
NATURE OF INCIDENT BURGLARY RESIDENTIAL NO FORCE		
LOCATION ROUTE 210 HWY		
MUNICIPALITY(COUNTY) NORTH MAHONING TWP (INDIANA)		

PERSON(S) INVOLVED:

**VICTIM:** 38, F, SMICKSBURG, PA

INCIDENT DETAILS:

On 02/16/2021, Troopers stationed out of the Pennsylvania State Police barracks in Punxsutawney received a report of an alleged Burglary and Theft at a known residence on State Route 210 in North Mahoning Township, Indiana County, PA sometime between 02/09/2021 and 02/13/2021. The investigation is currently ongoing.



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**Crash Involves:**

- DUI     Fatality     Hit and Run     Commercial Vehicle     State Police Vehicle     Local Police Vehicle  
 Other     Work Zone     ATV     Snowmobile     Commonwealth Vehicle     Local Gov Vehicle

**Agency Information:**

AGENCY PA STATE POLICE - PUNXSUTAWNEY	INVESTIGATOR BURKETT, ALEX
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**Summary Information:**

CAD/CASE NUMBER PA 2021-189735	CRASH DATE 02/10/2021	CRASH TIME 20:01 hrs.
COUNTY CLEARFIELD	MUNICIPALITY NEWBURG BORO	
ROUTE # 3016	SEGMENT # 0140	STREET LA JOSE
		STREET ENDING ROAD
LOCATION LA JOSE RD MEASURING 37 FEET WEST OF THOMPSON TOWN RD		

**People Involved:**

UNIT # 001	PERSON DRIVER	FIRST NAME ERIC	MI A	LAST NAME HAND	SUFFIX	AGE 39	Gender M
CITY CLEARFIELD				STATE PA	SAFETY EQUIPMENT NONE USED / NOT APPLICABLE		
EMS TRANSPORT NOT TRANSPORTED		INJURY SEVERITY NOT INJURED					
EMS AGENCY			MEDICAL FACILITY NONE				

**Vehicles Involved:**

UNIT # 001	YEAR 2012	VEHICLE MAKE DODGE	MODEL RAM 2500 (PICKUP)
DRIVER CHARGED? Y	PRIMARY VIOLATION 1301A REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATE OF TITLE REQUIRED		

**Crash Synopsis:**

This crash occurred on 02/10/21 at approximately 2001 hours on SR 3016 (La Jose Road) in Chest Township, Clearfield County. At the crash location, SR 3016 is a two lane, black asphalt, highway (approximately 22 feet in width) without usable berms. SR 3016 traverses in a north/south direction. This crash occurred as Unit #1 was traveling southbound on SR 3016 highway negotiating a right-hand curve and lost control on the snow covered roadway. Unit #1 continued sliding on SR 3016 roadway until it exited SR 3016 to the south and overturned onto its driver side facing west. Operator #1 was uninjured in the crash and was not wearing a proper restraint system.

Assisted on scene by Westover Volunteer Fire Department, PennDOT, and Mahaffey Volunteer Fire Department.

Unit #1 sustained disabling damage and was towed from the scene by Scott's Towing.



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  Fatality   
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  Commercial Vehicle   
  State Police Vehicle   
  Local Police Vehicle  
 Other   
  Work Zone   
  ATV   
  Snowmobiles   
  Commonwealth Vehicle   
  Local Gov Vehicle

**Agency Information:**

AGENCY PA STATE POLICE - PUNXSUTAWNEY	INVESTIGATOR BURKETT, ALEX
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**Summary Information:**

CAD/CASE NUMBER PA 2021-193015	CRASH DATE 02/11/2021	CRASH TIME 15:10 hrs.
COUNTY JEFFERSON	MUNICIPALITY PINE CREEK TWP	
ROUTE # 0028	SEGMENT # 0210	STREET ROUTE
		STREET ENDING HIGHWAY
LOCATION ON ROUTE 28 AT ITS INTERSECTION WITH SERVICE CENTER RD		

**People Involved:**

UNIT # 001	PERSON DRIVER	FIRST NAME AMY	MI A	LAST NAME JORDAN	SUFFIX	AGE 53	Gender F
CITY RINGGOLD				STATE PA	SAFETY EQUIPMENT LAP AND SHOULDER BELT USED		
EMS TRANSPORT TRANSPORTED		INJURY SEVERITY SUSPECTED SERIOUS INJURY					
EMS AGENCY JEFFERSON COUNTY EMS				MEDICAL FACILITY NONE			

UNIT # 002	PERSON DRIVER	FIRST NAME THOMAS	MI P	LAST NAME ELKIN	SUFFIX	AGE 58	Gender M
CITY PUNXSUTAWNEY				STATE PA	SAFETY EQUIPMENT LAP AND SHOULDER BELT USED		
EMS TRANSPORT NOT TRANSPORTED		INJURY SEVERITY NOT INJURED					
EMS AGENCY				MEDICAL FACILITY NONE			

UNIT # 002	PERSON PASSENGER	FIRST NAME VALENTINE	MI E	LAST NAME YODER	SUFFIX	AGE 22	Gender M
CITY NEW BETHLEHEM				STATE PA	SAFETY EQUIPMENT LAP AND SHOULDER BELT USED		
EMS TRANSPORT NOT TRANSPORTED		INJURY SEVERITY NOT INJURED					
EMS AGENCY				MEDICAL FACILITY NONE			

**Vehicles Involved:**

UNIT # 001	YEAR 2009	VEHICLE MAKE TOYOTA	MODEL RAV4
DRIVER CHARGED? Y	PRIMARY VIOLATION 3322 VEHICLE TURNING LEFT		
UNIT # 002	YEAR 2011	VEHICLE MAKE FORD	MODEL F250 SUPERCAB

DRIVER CHARGED?	PRIMARY VIOLATION
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**Crash Synopsis:**

This crash occurred on 02/11/21 at approximately 1510 hours on SR 28 at its intersection of Service Center Road, Pine Creek Township, Jefferson County. At the crash location, SR 28 is a two lane, black asphalt, highway (approximately 48 feet in width) with usable berms. This crash occurred as Unit #1 was traveling northbound on SR 28 highway intending to turn left onto Service Center Road and traveled into the path of Unit #2 traveling southbound on SR 28 highway. Unit #2's 12 o'clock position struck Unit #1's 3 o'clock position and pushed Unit #1 into the grass approximately 30 feet west of SR 28 highway and approximately 20 feet south of Service Center Road highway where both Units came to final rest in contact.

Operator of Unit #1 sustained serious injuries and was transported by Jefferson County EMS to a landing zone where the Operator was flown by Stat Medevac to UPMC Altoona hospital.

The Operator and passenger of Unit #2 were not injured in the crash.

All vehicle occupants were utilizing proper restraint systems.

Airbags deployed in both Units and both were towed from the scene by McPherson Towing.