

For Immediate Release

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Wetaskiwin RCMP make arrest following attempted car-jacking

Wetaskiwin, Alberta – On December 22, the Wetaskiwin RCMP placed two males in custody when, following a collision, they attempted to steal a vehicle at gunpoint.

At 7:22 p.m., RCMP members were dispatched to a multi-vehicle collision on 50 Avenue in Wetaskiwin. Police confirmed that prior to the collision there had been an attempted car jacking involving the same suspect vehicle. The two male suspects had pointed a firearm at the victim and then fled causing the multi vehicle collision.

Police Dog Services was employed, and although no track was obtained, two males were later located and arrested. The firearm was also located and seized by the RCMP.

After an extensive investigation one male was charged with the following offences and the second male was released without charges:

Joshua LIGHTNING (21):

- Robbery with a firearm
- Pointing a firearm
- Unauthorized possession of a firearm
- Possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose
- Use of a firearm in the commission of an offence
- Unlawful possession of a firearm
- Fail to stop or remain at a collision x 2
- Uttering Threats
- Fail to comply with weapons prohibition

A second male, Jake STERLING-LIGHTNING (20) is wanted for the following offences:

- Robbery with a firearm
- Pointing a firearm
- Unauthorized possession of a firearm
- Possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose
- Use of a firearm in the commission of an offence
- Unlawful possession of a firearm
- Fail to stop or remain at a collision x 2
- Uttering Threats
- Dangerous operation of a Motor Vehicle

Jake STERLING-LIGHTNING's whereabouts are unknown at this time. Joshua LIGHTNING remains in custody awaiting a Judicial Interim Release Hearing. This incident remains under investigation.

Police urge anyone with information about any suspicious activity or potential crimes to call your local police detachment. If you want to remain anonymous, you can contact Crime Stoppers by phone at 1.800.222.8477 (TIPS), by internet at www.tipsubmit.com, or by SMS (check your local Crime Stoppers [www.crimestoppers.ab.ca] for instructions).

Sgt Corey KYLE
Wetaskiwin RCMP

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Jake lightning has turned himself in at Wetaskiwin RCMP and remains in custody awaiting a Judicial interim Release hearing.

Sgt Corey Kyle