



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Date: 01-16-2013

From: Lt. Steve Knight
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Subject: Gunshot Victim

Case: 201300251

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On 01-15-2013, approximately 7:00 p.m., a Humboldt County Sheriff's Deputy was dispatched to a local hospital emergency room to meet with a gunshot victim. When the deputy arrived he met with the 28 year old male victim and his wife, who are Fortuna residents. They told the deputy they drove to Samoa Beach, off New Navy Base Road, at approximately 5:30 p.m. They parked in a turnout approximately 100 yards north of the Samoa Beach County Campground, exited their vehicle and walked towards the beach. When they arrived at the beach they went for a walk, south along the wave slope, for about 30 to 45 minutes, when they heard two or three gunshots. They did not see anyone in the area. The gunshots were seconds apart. After the second shot her husband felt a burning sensation in his buttocks and foot. He saw his foot was covered in blood. They ran back to their vehicle and drove to the hospital to seek treatment. They have no idea who did this or why. There are no suspects at this time. The victim is expected to recover from his injuries.

Deputies responded to the area described and checked the area. No witnesses, other victims or suspects were located.

Anyone with information for the Sheriffs Office regarding this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Sheriffs Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriffs Office Crime Tip line at 707-268-2539.

Mike Downey
Sheriff