

Clackamas Man Injured in SUV Rollver on Icy Redmond Road

by Richard Burton

One person was taken to the hospital with injuries to his arm and hand, and two others escaped harm Monday afternoon when the driver lost control of his SUV on an icy patch of road in southwest Redmond, overcorrected, rolled, crashed through a fence, where ultimately the vehicle came to rest on its side in a field, said Deschutes County Sheriff's deputies.

The injured passenger, identified as Josh P. Kruse, 21, of Clackamas, received wounds to his right hand and arm and was transported by Redmond Fire Department's ground ambulance to St. Charles Medical Center in Redmond, said Sgt. Dan Swearingen.

The driver of the 2000 Land Rover Discovery, 18-year old Erin Mahoney of Beaverton, and second passenger Jennifer Perry, 19, were unhurt and released at the scene of the 2:35 p.m. accident on December 18.

The vehicle was traveling north at about 45 miles per hour on SW Canal Boulevard near Young Avenue, lost control on an icy patch in a shaded area of roadway, and crashed. This accident occurred very near the location where Alaina Beth Vandergust of Redmond was injured in another single-car crash on December 15 of this year.

No citations were issued, and all occupants of the vehicle were wearing safety restraints, said the sergeant. Alcohol does not appear to be a contributing factor to the cause of the crash although the investigation is continuing, he added.

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