



# CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT

## PRESS RELEASE

530-897-4900

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**Type of Incident:** Pursuit, Possession of Stolen Car, Loaded Handgun, and Narcotics.

**Location of Incident:** 1400 block of Locust St.

**Date/Time Occurred:** 9-25-2015 0030 hours

**Date/Time of Arrest:** 9-25-2015 0034 hours

**Incident Case Number:** 15-6479

**Suspect:** Johnny Primrose, from Chico (age 19)

**Victim:** N/A

**Narrative:**

On September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at about 0030 hours, Officer Maggiora was on patrol in the area of Park and 14<sup>th</sup> Street when she observed a reckless vehicle. Officer Maggiora attempted to stop the vehicle but it fled. The suspect drove to 15<sup>th</sup> Street and circled back around onto 14<sup>th</sup> Street before he stopped the vehicle and fled on foot. Officer Maggiora cut off the suspect's path of travel with her patrol car and held the suspect at gunpoint until other officers arrived. The suspect was taken into custody without further incident. The pursuit was less than a ¼ mile and lasted about 30 seconds. The suspect was identified as Johnny Primrose of Chico. The suspect was driving a stolen vehicle, while possessing a loaded firearm and two different kinds of narcotics. Primrose has a long history of criminal activity in Butte County, is a suspected gang member, and a restricted person from possessing a firearm. In total, Primrose was charged with 11 felonies, 8 misdemeanors and was later transported to Butte County Jail. Bail was set for \$289,000.

**Supervisor:**

**Watch Commander:** Interim Lt. Merrifield

**Prepared By:** Sgt. Todd Lefkowitz

**Date/Time:** 9-25-2015 0700 hrs.