



CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

530-897-4900

Type of Incident: Attempted Robbery / Evading Arrest
Location of Incident: 2538 Esplanade (AM/PM)
Date/Time Occurred: 1-28-2016 0226 hours
Date/Time of Arrest: 1-28-2016 0232 hours
Incident Case Number: 16-674
Victim: Name Withheld

Narrative: On above date and time, Chico Police were dispatched to the AM/PM on the Esplanade regarding a fight involving knives. After the disturbance, the two suspects were seen getting into a gold minivan. Officer Derek Ament pulled into the store parking lot as the suspect vehicle was leaving. Officer Ament turned around on the vehicle and attempted to stop the suspects, but they failed to yield and a pursuit ensued. During the pursuit, Officers learned that the fight was actually an attempted strong arm robbery of a subject who pulled a knife in self-defense. The pursuit was approximately 1 mile and terminated at the end of a private driveway on E. Lassen Ave. When the suspects couldn't drive any further, they fled the vehicle on foot. Other Chico Police Officers arrived just as the suspects fled from the vehicle. The suspects gave up at gunpoint and were taken into custody without further incident. The suspects were identified by the victim as the two that tried to rob him. They were identified as 19 year old Christopher Avey, and driver, 34 year old Robert Poliquin, both of Chico. Avey was on felony probation. Poliquin was charged for DUI in addition to the listed crimes. Poliquin had extensive criminal history to include robbery and evading arrest. Both were transported to Butte County Jail. No injuries were sustained and there was no property damage.

Supervisor: Sgt. Todd Lefkowitz

Watch Commander: Lt. T. McKinnon

Prepared By: Sgt. Todd Lefkowitz

Date/Time: 1-28-2016 1000 hrs.