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ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING UPDATE – DOLAN SPRINGS

Mohave County Sheriff's deputies responded to an accidental shooting at an outdoor shooting range Monday (8/25) morning. At about 10:00 a.m., deputies responded to the Last Stop business located at 20606 North Highway 93 in White Hills. Investigations determined a 9-year-old girl accidentally shot the instructor in the head. The instructor, a 39-year-old male victim was airlifted to a medical center in Las Vegas, Nevada. The girl was at the business with her parents.

The instructor identified as Charles Vacca, 39, of Lake Havasu City, did not survive his injuries. Vacca was pronounced dead Monday (8/25) evening at the University Medical Center at 8:56 p.m.

Vacca was standing next to the girl while he was instructing her how to use to weapon when the accident happened. Further investigations determined the girl pulled the trigger on the automatic Uzi, the recoil sent the gun over her head and the victim was shot.

The autopsy will be performed by the Clark County Medical Examiner's Office in Nevada.

ENDANGERMENT/AGGRAVATED ASSAULT/IMPERSONATING A PEACE OFFICER – KINGMAN

Mohave County Sheriff's deputies arrested Vincent Nicholas Demarco, 47, of Kingman, early Monday (8/25) evening on four counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, two counts of disorderly conduct with a weapon, two counts of endangerment and impersonating a peace office, all felonies. Approximately 6:16 p.m., deputies responded to a weapons offense call in the area of Patsy Drive and Devlin Avenue. Dispatch advised that a male subject on a motorcycle had shot at a vehicle in the area. Upon arrival, deputies observed a male subject sitting on a motorcycle in the 3900 block of Devlin Avenue. Deputies contacted the male subject who was attempting to drive away on his motorcycle. The male subject verbally identified himself as a US Marshal. Deputies determined the male subject was not law enforcement and he was later identified as Demarco. Deputies detained Demarco without incident. Deputies located two guns stuffed in Demarco's waistband. The weapons were taken and placed in evidence pending the County Attorney's Review. During conversations with Demarco, he said that someone had stolen his dog Sunday (8/24). Investigations determined that Demarco thought people at a residence in the 1700 block of Devlin Avenue had stolen his dog. Demarco saw four female subject's in front of a residence with a small puppy. Demarco contacted a female subject at the scene and she assured him that the puppy was hers. As the female subjects began to walk away from Demarco, he tried to tell them to stop as he was yelling "Halt" and announcing he was a Federal Marshal. Demarco pulled a gun from his waist band. The female subjects got into a vehicle and quickly drove away. Demarco fired two rounds toward the vehicle. A neighbor across the street was in her front yard with her two-year-old son at the time. No one was injured. Demarco was transported and booked into the Mohave County Jail.

ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING – GOLDEN VALLEY

Mohave County Sheriff's deputies responded to the Kingman Regional Medical Center Monday (8/25) evening in reference to a male subject suffering from a gunshot wound. At about 5:20 p.m., deputies contacted medical staff. Deputies learned that a male subject thought his gun was clear when he pulled the trigger and shot himself in the hand at his residence in Golden Valley. The wound was non-life threatening.