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Shooting and fatal crash on Johns Island

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NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C. – Before 1 a.m. Saturday, May 14, 2022, deputies from the Charleston County Sheriff's Office responded to reports of a drive-by shooting on Michelle Lane on Johns Island. On scene, the deputies found damage from gunfire, but no one was injured. The deputies later determined that the shooter or shooters were on foot before leaving in a vehicle.

As deputies investigated shortly after 1 a.m., a sedan drove by the scene, and a complainant identified it as the vehicle involved in the shooting. A deputy found the car a short time later and attempted a traffic stop. The vehicle fled at high speed, and a short pursuit ensued. The deputy reported losing sight of the suspect vehicle and canceled the pursuit.

A short time later, the vehicle was found crashed into a tree near Brownswood Road and Dogpatch Lane. Two people from the vehicle died at the scene. The S.C. Highway Patrol responded to investigate the crash.

The complainant reported that an assault rifle was used in the shooting. A rifle fitting that description was found in the vehicle that crashed.

UPDATE May 19, 2022

Please follow the link below for dashcam footage from the brief pursuit that followed the shooting. The zip file should be downloaded to a Windows PC. Click the "AutoPlay" icon to extract and view. The video also shows deputies finding the crashed vehicle while patrolling the area. In addition to the rifle mentioned in the initial report, two handguns were found in the vehicle. Deputies continue to investigate the circumstances that led to the shooting.

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