NEWS RELEASE

Incident: Battery on Police Officer and Felony Resisting Arrest

Location: Lincoln Drive and Poli Street

Date/Time Occurred: 12/11/2018 @ 2133 Hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Patrol Officers, Ventura K9 Officer

Suspect: Christopher Bruney, 27 years, Simi Valley Resident

Report #: 18-95032

Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a 911 call from a resident in the 500 Block of Lincoln Drive reference a subject who was disturbing in the area and appeared to be under the influence. Officers arrived on scene and contacted a subject later identified as Bruney who was outside of his car and walking in the middle of the road. Officers ordered Bruney to the side of the road, but Bruney refused and got into his car and drove away.

Officers followed Bruney as he stopped a short distance away. Officers contacted Bruney and asked for his compliance and for him to step out of the car to determine if he was safe to drive. Bruney refused and began to swing his fists at officers, hitting them. Officers attempted to control Bruney who continued to resist, and officers had to deploy a Taser. More officers arrived on scene as Bruney continued to struggle. Bruney was finally taken into custody.

The two initial responding officers suffered minor injuries and were treated at the scene and returned to full duty.

After the arrest, Bruney was searched and found to be in possession of a usable quantity of Methamphetamines.

Bruney was transported to VCMC, treated for minor injuries, and was later booked at the Ventura County jail for battery on a Police Officer, felony resisting arrest, and possession of a controlled substance.

A review of the Ventura County Superior Court website shows that Bruney has been recently arrested for brandishing a deadly weapon, Hit and Run, Prowling, and Possession of a controlled substance.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to $1,000.