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KENT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT



Date: August 5, 2013

Complaint Number: 13 - 134537

Type of Incident: BOATING ACCIDENT

Narrative:

On Monday, August 5, 2013 at approximately 12:00 PM, Jordan Lee Kooienga, a 22 y/o male was operating a 1995 Sea Doo personal watercraft on Wabasis Lake when he was thrown from the vessel while making a turn. Mr. Kooienga was observed being thrown from the watercraft by his brother who immediately went to his aid. Mr. Kooienga was found floating facedown in the water and was pulled from the water and transported to shore by witnesses.

Alcohol was not a factor in this accident.

Mr. Kooienga was wearing a life jacket at the time of this accident.

Mr. Kooienga was attended to at the scene by Oakfield Fire Rescue, and Rockford Ambulance.

Mr. Kooienga was transported by Rockford Ambulance to Spectrum Health Downtown Campus and is in critical condition.

Supervisor Approval: LT Kok