Officer Involved Shooting/Fatal Incident (Officers not injured)

On Sunday, October 21, 2012, at 1:28 AM, Vallejo Police Officers were dispatched to a residence in the 2500 Block of Alameda Drive in Vallejo on the report that two men were in an argument and that the two men were trying to burn their house down. The men were reportedly breaking car windows in front of the residence as well. There were multiple people reporting this disturbance in the neighborhood.

Officers arrived at 1:33 AM and saw a naked man run into the residence. Officers passed several vehicles with broken windows. Officers approached the residence, confronted a naked man inside, and then began trying to gain the man’s compliance. There was smoke visible in the residence. A second naked man then appeared from the back of the interior of the house with a rifle. The man with the rifle placed the barrel of the rifle directly against an officer’s stomach. Another officer saw this and fearing for his life and the life of his fellow officer, immediately discharged his firearm at the man with the rifle. The man with the rifle fell to the floor and was taken into custody. The second man was also taken into custody.

As the above events were occurring, officers realized the residence was on fire. Officers immediately evacuated the two men from within the residence and secured the rifle. Officers attempted to check the rest of the interior but were not able to do so due to the smoke and fire. The Vallejo Fire Department responded and extinguished the fire which had engulfed the residence.

Other officers followed a blood trail to the rear yard of the residence, but they did not locate anyone. However, officers discovered a recently slaughtered animal near the blood trail.

Thus far, the investigation has revealed that the two naked men were on a violent rampage inside the residence and in front of the residence. The two men had shut their own power off, broken windows to their residence, broken windows to their vehicles, and had set their house on fire. Initially, it appears as though one or both men were under the influence of some kind of controlled substance. Vallejo detectives discovered that the rifle was loaded with a round in the chamber.

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The men were 28 years old and 29 years old, respectively; they appeared to be cohabitating. The 29 year old man was the one armed with the rifle; he was pronounced dead at Kaiser Hospital in Vallejo. The 28 year old man was taken into custody and transported to Sutter for observation and then to the Vallejo Police Department for booking. He was not injured. The officers were not injured.

The Solano County Fatal Incident Protocol was invoked and the incident is being jointly investigated by the Solano County District Attorney’s Office and the Vallejo Police Department. The involved officers have been placed on administrative leave in accordance with department procedure. Anyone with information regarding this case is encouraged to contact the Vallejo Police Department at 1-800-488-9383.