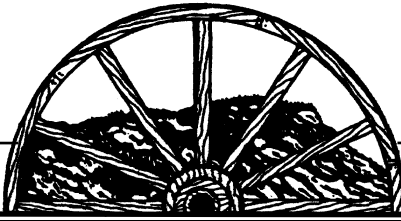


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ATTEMPT TO ELUDE RESULTS IN ARREST

On Sunday, March 18, 2018 at 3:40 pm a City of La Grande police officer observed 55-year-old SCOTT TRAVIS DUNMIRE, of Union, operating a 2002 Yamaha motorcycle on East Adams Avenue in the wrong lane of travel and at a high rate of speed. The officer attempted to stop Dunmire by activating the emergency lights on his marked patrol vehicle, but Dunmire refused to stop. Dunmire would eventually pull over for the officer on 25th Street near Progress Loop in La Grande. After the officer exited his patrol car, Dunmire sped away, continuing his effort to elude the officer. Dunmire fled East on Cove Avenue over the I-84 overpass at a high rate of speed. The officer followed Dunmire, where he turned North onto 27th Street and then onto Glacier Street, which dead ends.

The lone officer attempted to arrest Dunmire, but while attempting to take him into custody he began to physically resist. A nearby resident observed the struggle between the officer and Dunmire and offered his assistance to the officer. With the citizen's assistance, Dunmire was subdued and taken into custody without any further resistance. Fortunately, no injuries were sustained during this incident.

Dunmire was lodged in the Union County Jail on charges of Attempting to Elude a Police Officer, Reckless Driving and Resisting Arrest.

The La Grande Police Department sincerely appreciates our community and values the support we receive. We are particularly grateful for the assistance that was provided during this incident to our officer by a La Grande resident.