

MEDIA RELEASE

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Deputies in Wreck after Chase Update

Sheriff Jimmy Harris states as follows:

At Approximately 5:30 this afternoon DeKalb County Sheriffs Deputies, DeKalb County Drug Task Force, Henagar Police Department, Henagar Fire Department, Ider Police Department, Sylvania Police Department, Jackson County Sheriff's Office, Valley Head Police Department, Hammondville Police Department and Alabama State Troopers, Apprehended Joseph Patrick Ginn on DeKalb County Road 671 in the Henagar Area. Authorities received information that Ginn was in the area and began looking for the suspect. It was determined that Ginn had commandeered a new vehicle and was attempting to elude authorities again. Investigators spotted Ginn in a white Pontiac near the Pea Ridge community and attempted to stop the vehicle. After a short pursuit, Ginn jumped out of his vehicle and ran into the woods. Law Enforcement officers searched the area for approximately two hours using tracking team members and the Sheriff's tracking canine. Ginn was spotted as he tried to cross a road. After refusing to obey officer's orders to stop, Ginn was apprehended by the canine and officers. Ginn suffered minor injuries in the struggle with officers and K-9 Wvum. Ginn was treated at the scene for his injuries and transported to the DeKalb County Detention center where he remains.

