

TREACHEROUS WEEKEND FOR TRAVEL; SEVERAL ACCIDENTS IN THE REGION

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On Sunday, morning just after 8 A.M., Kentucky State Police Post 3 Trooper Lonnie Hodges responded to the area of the 44 mile point on I 65 at Barren/Edmonson County line. The call was in regards to a non injury collision. The driver, Tony Farris (51) of Nashville, Tennessee was traveling North on I 65 in the emergency lane when he struck the guardrail.

Mr. Farris was taken into custody and was charged with DUI 1st Agg., Possession of Alcohol Container in Motor Vehicle, No Seatbelt, and No Insurance. Mr. Farris was lodged in the Grayson County Jail.

The investigation is still ongoing and is being led by Trooper Lonnie Hodges.

On Saturday, a tractor trailer accident shut down the interstate for some 10 hours. Kentucky State Police Post 3 Bowling Green responded to I 65 south regarding a commercial motor vehicle that had pulled off the right hand shoulder of the roadway due to the trailer being on fire.

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Jarvis M. Washington (26) of Madison, TN, advised that his trailer had a tire to malfunction which caused a spark that ignited his trailer that was carrying hazardous materials. Mr. Washington was able to disengage the tractor from the trailer.

The investigation is still ongoing and is being conducted by Trooper Joel Huff. Tpr. Huff was assisted on scene by Troopers Ronnie Reynolds and Jonathan Biven, Horse Cave, Park City, and Cave City Fire Departments, Hart County, Barren County, and Kentucky Emergency Management, and Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.

Tpr. Nick Davis is investigating a collision that occurred today at 2:44 PM CST on KY 90 at the Clinton/Cumberland County line. 24-year-old Caleigh S. Dyer of Albany was traveling east, operating a 2009 Cadillac SUV. She attempted to pass another eastbound vehicle and lost control, leaving the roadway and striking a house. Dyer was airlifted from the scene to Vanderbilt University Hospital where she is listed in stable condition. It is unknown if she was wearing a seatbelt at the time of the collision.

The Kentucky State Police responded to an accident at the intersection of US 150 and KY 555 that involved a tour bus. Preliminary investigation shows that around 4:22 pm a tour bus being operated by Roderick L. Cook 45 of Brooks, KY was traveling east bound on US 150 when he failed to stop for the red light at the intersection of KY 555. The bus struck a GMC pickup truck traveling south bound on KY 555 which was being operated by William Sims 52 of Williamsburg, KY. The tour bus, which was owned by Mattingly Tours and Travel out of Bardstown, KY had no other passengers on board at the time of the accident. Mr. Sims was the only occupant in the GMC pickup.

Mr. Cook was airlifted to UK Hospital and listed in stable but critical condition. Mr. Sims was transported and released from Springview Hospital in Lebanon, KY.

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