

Passenger injured in Saturday collision at Boatman/S.R. 56 intersection

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A passenger was injured in a Pontiac Grand Am involved in an accident Saturday, November 9, at the intersection of State Road 56 West and Boatman Road.

Sheriff's deputies, Indiana State Police, Scott County EMS and First Responders with the Scottsburg Volunteer Fire Department went to the mishap that occurred just after 3 p.m. at the notorious intersection west of Scottsburg.

Officers learned that the Grand Am, driven by Dianna L. Rose, 44, Underwood, had been westbound on S.R. 56 when she slowed to make a lefthand turn south onto Boatman Rd. Rose said the sun made it difficult to see on-coming traffic. Unfortunately, there was eastbound traffic, a 1993 Dodge Dakota 350 pickup truck driven by Jerry L. Mattox, 69, Scottsburg.

The woman reportedly began her turn in front of the pickup, with Mattox veering into the westbound lane in an attempt to avoid the car.

When Rose saw the truck, she too corrected her steering and came back into the westbound lane, making the collision nearly head-on.

Neither Rose nor Mattox was injured, according to the report, but Rose's passenger, Scottie Stidham, 23, Scottsburg, suffered unspecified injuries. He was reported to have been transported to Scott Memorial Hospital by EMS technicians.

Property damage was substantial, up to \$25,000, according to the estimate made by Deputy Shawn Mayer.

The deputy was assisted at the scene by Deputy Justin Cheatham and ISP Trooper Tracy Spencer.

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Deputies also investigated six property damage accidents involving deer being hit by vehicles from Thursday, November 7, through Sunday evening, November 10.