

****MEDIA RELEASE****

BIG LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT



160 Lake Street North, Big Lake MN, 55309

Incident Number: 14-7777

Date/Time: 11-4-2014

Suspect Arrested For Methamphetamine Possession

On October 31 at 10:45 p.m. Big Lake Police Officer Sam Norlin was working a shift dedicated to traffic safety on Highway 10. Officer Norlin received a report of a vehicle cutting off other vehicles, then slowing in front of them on Highway 10 between Elk River and County Road 15. Officer Norlin located the vehicle involved in the complaint near the railroad overpass on Highway 10. After observing the driver cross the fog line, Officer Norlin activated his emergency lighting to initiate a traffic stop. The driver of the vehicle, identified as John Shaw (Age 45 – Big Lake), continued to drive for some distance before coming to a stop in the Marketplace Area.

As Officer Norlin approached the vehicle, Shaw was attempting to exit out the passenger side of the vehicle over another person seated in the passenger seat. Shaw was subsequently arrested for Driving While Under the Influence and transported to the Sherburne County Jail. During the booking process a substance was located in Shaw's sock that field tested positive for Methamphetamine. In addition, \$1100 in cash was also located in Shaw's possession, which was administratively seized.

Shaw was charged by criminal complaint with; Possessing a Scheduled Substance (Felony), Driving Under the Influence of a Controlled Substance, and 4th Degree Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol.