



Newport Police Department

169 SW Coast Highway
Newport, Oregon 97365

NPD MEDIA RELEASE

12/08/2012 2:20 p.m.

Incident: Vehicle Traffic Crash **Case #:** 12N-02290,
2291, 2292

Location: Yaquina Bay Bridge, Newport, Oregon

Date/Time: 12/08/2012 at 2:20 p.m.

Victims: Multiple

Suspect: Joshua B. Cherry (AKA Robert Hernandez), age 21
of Newport

Details: On 12/08/2012, at approximately 2:20 p.m., the Newport Police Department assisted the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office with the apprehension of Joshua B. Cherry, age 21 of Newport, who was a fugitive wanted in multiple states.

Upon contact Cherry refused to comply with commands from law enforcement. He fled in his vehicle south-bound over the Yaquina Bay Bridge. With units from both agencies in pursuit, Cherry struck other vehicles on the bridge after driving recklessly into oncoming traffic. Cherry's vehicle was disabled by the crash in the center of the bridge, where he continued to try to escape on foot before being apprehended by police.

Cherry was arrested and transported to Lincoln County Jail where he was charged with Attempt to Elude Vehicle, Attempt to Elude Foot, Reckless Driving, Reckless Endangering, and multiple fugitive warrants. Anyone with information regarding these events is requested to contact Officer Purdom at 541-574-3348.

Information Released By: Sgt. Ken Real, 541-574-3348