

IIU investigating serious injury related to a motorcycle accident in Winnipeg

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) is investigating the circumstances surrounding a motorcycle accident and the arrest of an adult male in Winnipeg.

On April 7, the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) notified the IIU of an incident that resulted in a serious injury. According to the notification, on April 7 at approximately 12:16 p.m., officers observed an adult male on a motorcycle exit the rear lane of Hallet Street onto Rover Avenue. WPS officers checked the licence plate to find it was expired and registered to a different motorcycle. Officers attempted to conduct a traffic stop and the motorcycle fled from police at a high rate of speed. The motorcycle was observed by several police units in the North End and Garden City area, when it attempted to pass a civilian vehicle making a left turn from Templeton Avenue onto Meredith Bay. The motorcycle struck the driver's side door and the operator landed in the front yard of a nearby residence. Officers came across the scene of the collision and observed the driver of the motorcycle attempting to flee. He was apprehended after a brief use of force encounter. The adult male was identified and it was revealed that he had an outstanding arrest warrant. Paramedics attend the scene where the male driver was subsequently transported to Health Sciences Centre Winnipeg for treatment, where it was confirmed he had suffered a number of bruises and lacerations and a fractured right leg.

As the injuries are defined as a serious injury under the IIU regulation, the IIU is mandated to investigate.

Witnesses or individuals who have information or video footage that may assist the investigation are asked to contact the IIU toll-free at 1-844-667-6060.

The investigation is ongoing so no further details will be provided at this time.

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