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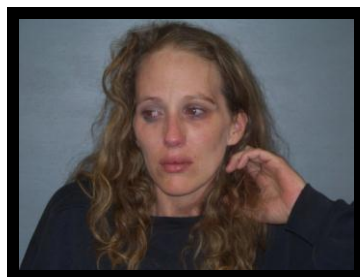
Suspect Arrested for Drunk Driving with 4 year old daughter in vehicle

On Thursday May 17 at approximately 7:30pm the Barnstable Police Department received a report of an erratic operator on Rte. 28 in Osterville. Patrol Officer Matthew Bulman responded to the area and observed the vehicle headed towards Mashpee. Officer Bulman witnessed the vehicle drive over the fog line and go almost completely off the road, at which time he initiated a motor vehicle stop.

Officer Bulman approached the vehicle and observed a young child moving around freely in the back seat. The operator of the vehicle was identified as 34 year old Sarah Stewart of Cotuit. She attempted to exit the vehicle while it was still in drive and fell into the side of her vehicle as well as the police cruiser while attempting standard field sobriety tests. Stewart was taken into custody and charged with:

OUI, Child Endangerment While Under The Influence
Marked Lanes Violation
Child Under 5 Without a Car Seat
Child Endangerment, Wanton or Reckless Behavior Creating Risk of a Child

Stewart's 4 year old daughter, who was not in a car seat or a seatbelt at the time of the motor vehicle stop, was transported to the Barnstable Police Headquarters where she was later picked up by her father.



Sarah Stewart

If you have any questions regarding this press release please contact Detective Kevin Connolly at 508-778-3888 or connollyk@barnstablepolice.com