Three jailed following meth discovery

Ernie, the Atchison County Sheriff's K9, poses with evidence seized Saturday/Credit: Atchison County Sheriff's Office

(KAIR)--A substantial amount of methamphetamine is seized, and three arrests made, as part of what Atchison County Sheriff Jack Laurie calls an ongoing investigation.

Laurie told MSC News a traffic stop was made Saturday, and that led to the arrests of 27-year-old Jacob Clem, of Huron, 36-year-old Tommy White, and 20-year-old Hunter Brown, both of Atchison. "Deputies had some information on Mr. Clem," Laurie said. "They were able to perform a traffic stop on him, in the 100 block of North 4th Street."

■ Jacob Clem, Tommy White, and Hunter Brown/Credit: Atchison Co Sheriff's Office

During the stop, it's alleged that methamphetamine was found in the vehicle, located through the assistance of the department's K9, Ernie. "The K9 unit was there and assisted in indicating narcotics were present. We were able to use that and get in the vehicle to search for the narcotics."

According to Laurie, more than a quarter-pound of meth was seized. "It's a good quantity, and there's been a few investigations that we've conducted over the last year or so, year and a-half, that we've had quantities of that nature. It is in this community, unfortunately, [but] this quantity got taken off the streets on Saturday."

Along with the suspected drugs, Laurie said weapons were also located in the vehicle. "There were multiple firearms," he said.

Clem and White were arrested on charges for distribution of more than 100 grams of Methamphetamine and Possession of a Firearm by a Felon, while Brown was taken into custody for distribution of more than 100 grams of Methamphetamine .

Following their arrests, the three were booked into the Atchison County Jail.

Clem is held on a bond of \$50,000, while White's bond is set at \$15,000.

Brown is currently free on a \$15,000 bond.

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