

Police chase ended on 407 exit ramp

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He indicated he had a weapon and was given an undisclosed amount of cash before fleeing to his vehicle and heading north.

Fifteen minutes later, a male walked into the Petro Canada gas station at 15228 Woodbine Avenue in Whitchurch-Stouffville. After being handed the cash, he fled in his vehicle.

A few minutes later, at about 2 a.m., police spotted a suspicious minivan around Major Mackenzie

and Hwy. 404.

The driver refused to stop for the officers and a chase ensued, leading officers along Hwy. 7, Leslie Street, 16th Avenue, through Beaver Creek and down Kennedy Road to Hwy. 407.

It ended when the driver lost control of the car on an exit ramp to Warden Avenue and crashed into a ditch. He was not hurt.

Charges include three counts of robbery, dangerous operation of a motor vehicle, possession of a prohibited weapon and flight from police.

Robbers pose as cops

Three men posing as cops robbed three massage parlour employees of cash and personal belongings Sunday night in Markham.

Just before midnight, three men entered the Centre Studio Massage Parlour on Hwy. 7 and identified themselves as police officers.

They placed the three women employees, 22, 37 and 29 in a room while they searched through their belongings and the other rooms.

They made off with \$180 cash and other personal items.

The victims were not hurt.

Suspect one is described as male, mid-30s, East Indian.

Suspect two is described as a heavy-set male, about 30, also East Indian, wearing black jeans and a black short-sleeved shirt.

Suspect three is described as male black, 23 or 24 years old, tall and skinny, wearing a blue short-sleeved shirt.

Anyone with information is asked to call 905-881-1221, ext. 7541 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

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