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Two young men who allegedly shot out several car windows with a pellet-type gun in far north Fulton County died early Saturday morning when their vehicle plunged into an icy creek while trying to elude police, officials said.

A third passenger was injured and taken to an Atlanta-area hospital, said Maj. Gary Stiles, spokesman for the Fulton County police.

The driver, Nicholas Bishop, 20, was declared dead at the scene, police said. One of the passengers, Jean Wisny, 20, was taken to Atlanta Medical Center, where he died. The injured passenger has not been identified, Stiles said.

The incident began around 12:54 a.m., when Fulton County police responded to several vandalism calls in a neighborhood off Hopewell Road.

A silver-colored vehicle found at the scene drove off, according to reports. A pursuit followed, though the officer lost track of the suspect's vehicle after declining to drive over 50 mph out of fear of encountering icy roads, Stiles said.

The suspects later drove by two Fulton police cars, who gave chase, though at relatively low speeds, Stiles said.

Officers found the suspect's vehicle partially submerged in a "swampy area" off Hopewell, Stiles said.

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Two men die in car chase on icy roads

ATLANTA - Two men who led police in a car chase after they allegedly shot out several car windows with a pellet gun were killed when their vehicle veered off the road and plunged into an icy creek.

The driver, **20-year-old Nich-o-las Bishop**, and **20-year-old passenger Jean Wisny** died in the crash Saturday. A third person, who was not identified, was taken to a hospital.

A police officer who responded to several vandalism calls in north Fulton County shortly before 1 a.m. saw a silver car drive away. The officer drove after it but lost track of the vehicle because he chose not to drive faster than 50 mph on the icy roads, Fulton County Police Maj. Gary Stiles said.

Mr. Bishop lost control of the car and drove into a "swampy area" off the road, the major added. Officers found the vehicle partially submerged.

Christmas fire leaves 14 families homeless

NORCROSS - A fire that might have started in a Christ-mas tree injured five people and displaced 14 families from an apartment complex.

Four of those injured at the building in Norcross on Saturday were taken to hospitals with burns or other trauma. None of the injuries was life-threatening.

By the time firefighters arrived, six of the building's 16 units were in flames. Eight units were destroyed.

Deputy shoots man who tried to grab gun

MACON - A Bibb County sheriff's deputy fatally shot a man who authorities say was resisting arrest, the second death in a week involving Bibb County deputies.

The sheriff's office said deputies were responding to a domestic violence call Friday when a 31-year-old man tried to grab several of the officers' guns. One deputy shot the man in the chest.

Names have not been released. The deputies have been placed on paid administrative leave during the investigation.

On Wednesday, Gregory Ross died at a hospital after being handcuffed by Bibb County deputies, the sheriff's office said.

Aviation magazine urges pilot training

SAVANNAH - A recent report in an Army aviation magazine is urging better pilot training in the wake of an Apache Longbow helicopter crash that killed two soldiers near Fort Stewart. The report published this month in Flightfax did not specifically name the June 22 crash that killed Chief Warrant Officer 2nd Class Nicholas P. DiMona II, 32, of Barrington, N.J., and Warrant Officer 1st Class William L. Loffer, 25, of Martinsville, Ind.

But it referred to details of that crash, using it as an example of the need to properly train helicopter crews.

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