



Kane County Sheriff's Office



PRESS RELEASE

Date: 6/4/13

Location: St Charles Sportsman's Club 44W471 Keslinger Rd

Time: 7:30pm

Incident: Accidental Discharge of a Firearm

SYNOPSIS

On 6/4/13 at approximately 7:30pm Kane County Sheriff's Deputies, Elburn Police and Elburn Fire and Ems were dispatched to the St Charles Sportsman's Club located at 44W471 Keslinger Rd in unincorporated Blackberry Township for a report of a gun that had accidentally discharged and injured several people.

The initial investigation indicates that a member of the club had completed shooting and entered the clubhouse. While in the clubhouse he was preparing to put his 12 gauge shotgun away and put a snap cap into the gun. According to a club member a snap cap is used to save the firing pin of the gun while it is being stored. While he had the gun pointed at the floor he pulled the trigger which caused the shotgun to discharge. He had put a live shotgun round into the gun instead of the snap cap. The buckshot from the live shotgun round went into the floor and bounced up and out and struck several people who were in the clubhouse. Three people were transported to Delnor Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries and several others were treated and released at the scene.

Transported to Delnor hospital:

- 31 year old male from West Chicago
- 60 year old male from Somonauk
- 14 year old male from Geneva

Approximately 7 people were treated at the scene and released; however the final list is not available at this time. The subject who discharged the gun was one of those treated at the scene. He is a 69 year old male resident of St Charles.

Based on the initial investigation this incident appears to be accidental in nature and it does not appear that any charges will be sought in relation to this incident.

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