

THREE ARRESTED AFTER TRAFFIC STOP
K9 "Sarge" alerts on vehicle

On October 9, 2012 Towns County Sheriff's Deputies conducted a traffic stop which led to multiple charges on three individuals. Deputy Tony Elliot was driving behind the subject vehicle and observed an occupant throw what appeared to be a prescription pill bottle out a window. K9 Deputy Brandon Barrett arrived on the scene, and deputies requested assistance from the Appalachian Drug Task Force agent who was nearby.

Upon further investigation, K9 "Sarge" alerted on the vehicle, and a subsequent search produced alleged marijuana, various prescription pills, and drug related objects.

Austin Bradley (19), of Hiawassee, was charged with Transactions in Drug Related Objects, Possession of Controlled Substance, Possession of Marijuana Less than an ounce, and Littering from a Vehicle.

Amanda Sweatman (29), also of Hiawassee, was charged with Possession with Intent to Distribute and Party to a Crime.

Michael Hammond (35), of Blairsville, was charged with Party to a Crime.

All three subjects were arrested and transported to Towns County Detention Center.

