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The Kootenai County Sheriff's Department has arrested William A. Justice, 24 of Post Falls for Robbery and Aggravated Assault after an incident yesterday at an apartment complex on Cecil Road near Post Falls.

Deputies were first called to the apartment complex about 2:20 p.m. to a complaint from Shawn A. Phillips, 23, of Post Falls, that while at a female friend's apartment, an unknown male had held a gun to his head and demanded his car keys. The car is co-owned by Phillips and the friend. A struggle ensued and when Phillips was able to dial 9-1-1 on his cell phone, the suspect fled the scene.

Deputies interviewed several people and were able to wade through several different stories and falsehoods until they were finally able to get the true story of what happened. The deputies were finally able to track Justice down in the north part of the county where he was taken into custody without incident. Finally, about 9:30 p.m. deputies were able to recover the gun after it was delivered to the Sheriff's Department by the renter of a different apartment where the gun had been stashed.

The incident is under continuing investigation.

Rocky Watson, Sheriff

By: Capt. Ben Wolfinger

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