

The Kootenai County Sheriff's Department continues their investigation into the apparent drowning death that occurred last evening on Coeur d'Alene Lake, north of Arrow Point.

Initial information indicates that Robert J. Meadows, 49 of Post Falls and Michael J. Kidd, 31 of Post Falls had been at the Carlin Bay Resort and were in route to Coeur d'Alene from Carlin Bay in Kidd's 1985 sixteen foot Bayliner Capri boat. About 300 yards north of Arrow Point, Meadows jumped out of the boat. According to initial statements from Kidd, he threw two different life jackets to Meadows and dove in to help him, but Meadows pushed Kidd away, went below the surface and was not seen again. The winds were blowing approximately 20 – 25 mph and the lake was very choppy at the time of the incident.

Divers searched last night but were not able to locate anything. The water depth ranges from 125 to 140 feet. Recovery efforts, utilizing the side scan sonar, will continue later this afternoon or tomorrow morning.