

Truckee man missing after canoe overturns on Donner Lake

A 24-year-old Truckee man is presumed dead after the canoe he was in with a friend capsized on a windy Donner Lake Monday.

His name is being withheld pending notification of family.

A 19-year-old Truckee woman called police about 6:30pm Jan. 2 to report she had been with a friend in a canoe on Donner Lake when it capsized. While swimming to shore, the female lost contact with her friend and he was presumed to still be in the water, according to officers.

Police and fire officials, including a dive team, searched the water with the assistance of CareFlight and California Highway Patrol helicopters to no avail.

The canoe was recovered near the shore of the Tahoe Donner Marina as well as some clothing items believed to have belonged to the female swimmer.

The woman was uninjured.

The search was suspended at about 9:30pm and resumed this morning at about 6:45.

It is not known if the canoeists were wearing life jackets.

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