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Pine Mountain Hillclimb returns

April 25-27



The Pine Mountain Hillclimb is returning this April 25-27th! Kicking things off will be the Pine Mountain Hillclimb Festival in courthouse square in downtown Pineville on April 25 from 5 til 8 PM. The event will feature a car display of all the cars in the hill climb, live music from Kindred Valley and Daniel Chumley, food vendors and kids games! Make sure to come check it out!

The next day, the hill climb will begin with drivers from all over the nation competing in a time trail to see who can get to the top of Pine Mountain the fastest! Spectators can bring a chair, cooler with drinks

and snacks, and catch a shuttle in front of the Bell Theater on Saturday where they will be taken to spectator areas to watch the time trails at Pine Mountain State Resort Park.

If you're a car or racing enthusiast, this is one you don't want to miss! The event is put on by the Sports Car Club of America, Backroads of Appalachia, Pine Mountain State Resort Park, Main Street Pineville, and Bell County Tourism.

For more information, check out www.appalachianhillclimb.com <<http://www.appalachianhillclimb.com>> and click on the Pineville event link.

Man charged with sexual offenses of minor under 12



From the Bell County Ky Sheriff's Department - (Calvin, Ky.) On Friday morning April 11, 2025, at 3:48 am, Bell County Deputies Hunter Luttrell, Samson Churchwell, Keith Fuson, and Pineville Officer Patrick Brooks, responded to a call of a domestic violence incident at a Varilla

Road residence in Calvin.

Once on scene, 28-year-old Logan T. Howard was seen arguing with his girlfriend at the door to the residence. Howard was taken into custody during the investigation.

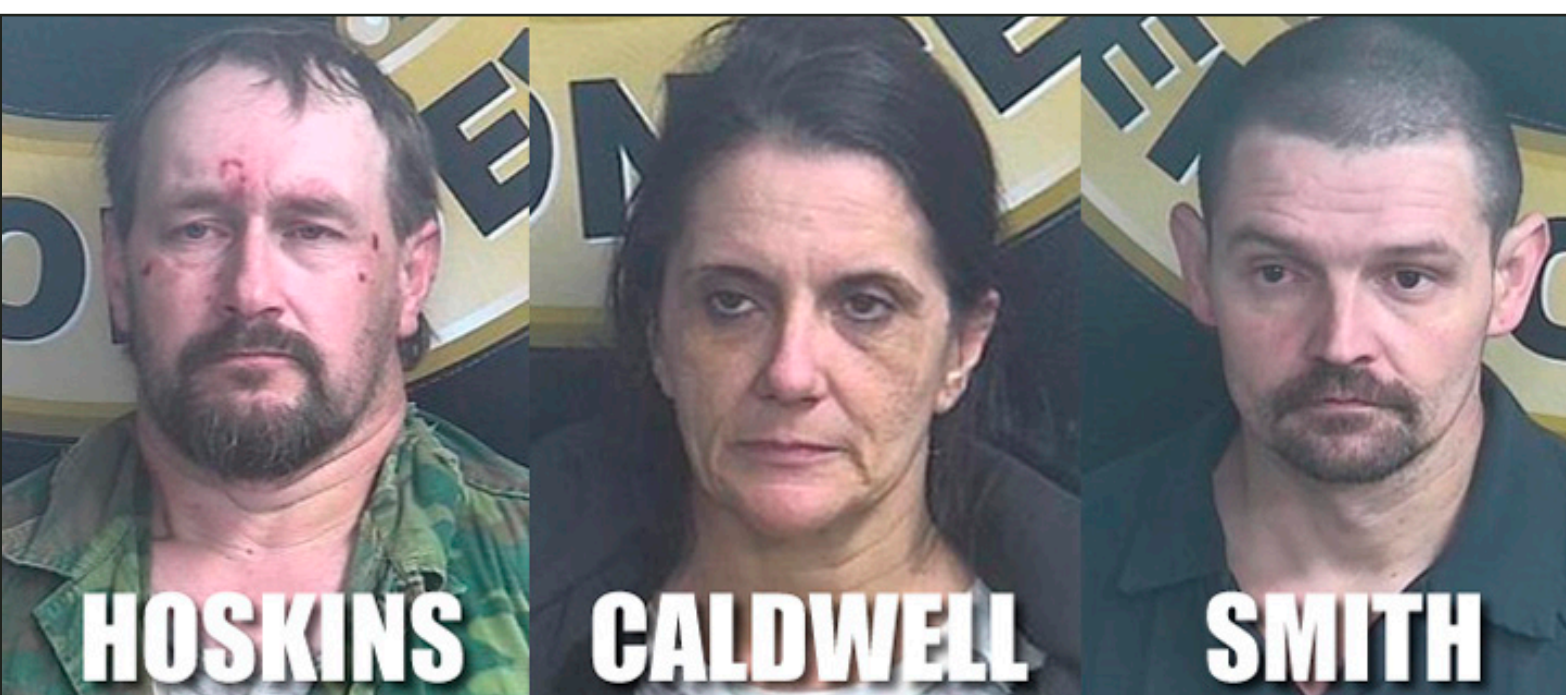
After investigating, probable cause was found to charge Howard with:

Sodomy – 1st degree – victim under the age of 12, Sodomy – 1st degree, Sexual abuse – 1st degree – victim under the age of 12, Tampering with physical evidence, Possession of matter portraying a sexual performance by a minor under the age of 12, Attempted escape – 3rd degree, Unlawful transaction with a minor – 1st degree –illegal sex act under the age of 16.

Logan T. Howard is lodged in the Knox County Detention Center currently without bond.

Three arrested for organized crime

Two held at gun-point by home owner



PINEVILLE, KY - Sunday morning April 13th at 1:00am, Bell County Deputies Hunter Luttrell and Keith Fuson along with Pineville Officers Patrick Brooks and Justin Patterson responded to a call about a possible burglary at a Stoney Fork Road residence off Highway 221.

Found standing in the back door of the residence was 50-year-old Charles Jason Hoskins, but no one else at the time. Officers searched the home to find it had been ransacked.

The homeowner arrived on scene stating they had been working on the home and had no knowledge of who Charles Hoskins was. Hoskins claimed a male and female, later identified as 47-year-old Angela Caldwell and 40-year-old Lester Smith both of Pineville, paid him \$50.00 to give them a ride to the home.

Charles Hoskins

was arrested and taken to the Bell County Detention Center. The homeowner stayed in the house after officers left the scene. He states that he was sitting in a recliner when he heard something moving in the children's room. After investigating, the homeowner found Caldwell and Smith hiding in a pile of clothes inside a cupboard. He held them at gunpoint and called 911 for the officers to return.

After their arrest, they were also booked in the Bell County Detention Center.


All three were charged with engaging in organized crime and burglary – 2nd degree.

Lester Smith was additionally served three failure to appear warrants, possession of Methamphetamine, and promoting contraband – 1st degree when he tried to bring Methamphetamine into the facility.

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