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Man drowns after crash

Post staff report

A DeMossville man drowned Wednesday after a boat collision on Williamstown Lake.

Rescue workers early today recovered the body of Charles Abdon, 50, who had been participating in a fishing tournament held each Wednesday night on the lake, said Williamstown Police Department secretary Phyllis Marhoffer.

According to the police report, Abdon's boat was hit head-on about 9 p.m. by a boat driven by Todd Volker of Morningview. Volker had three other people in his boat.

The report did not indicate if Volker was participating in the tournament, but it said he was driving on the wrong side of the lake.

The boat also hit a pontoon boat. There were no other injuries.

The police report said alcohol may have contributed to the accident. An investigation is continuing.

The mishap was the third at the lake in a little over two weeks.

Everett Stroub, 85, of Cynthiana, drowned June 25 when the boat in which he was fishing sank.

Kenneth Straub, 25, of Williamstown, drowned four days earlier after he unsuccessfully tried to swim across the lake.

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