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Sheriff Brian Burnett reports on Tuesday afternoon at just before 3:00 P.M., Rivercom dispatch received a call from a Leavenworth man reporting he had just been shot at while in the Ruby Creek area of Blewett Pass. The man reported he was coming down Ruby Creek at about 4.5 mile up from Highway 97 after mushroom hunting and thought one of his tires blew out. He pulled over to check the tire and soon realized he was being shot at by one of two males driving a white or cream colored mid-80's style Ford Ranger or Bronco 2 with a dark colored stripe on the front. The reporting party saw one of the men with a pistol. The reporting party then fired four rounds into the air with his pistol prior to quickly continuing down Ruby Creek. According to the reporting party, he was able to outrun the other vehicle and when he arrived home, discovered a bullet hole in his bumper and quarter panel. The reporting party was not injured.

Deputies discovered evidence of what appeared to be a car chase on Ruby Creek, but were unable to locate the suspect vehicle. Kittitas County and Washington State Patrol were requested to check the area on the south side of Blewett Pass, but were also unable to locate the vehicle.

It is unknown who may have been shooting at the reporting party, whether it was a case of other mushroom hunters in the area or something else, we just don't know yet.

If anyone has information which could help in the investigation, please call the Chelan County Sheriff's Office at 667-6851.

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