

## Video game violence

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### Man turns violent after his video game is turned off

A man named Alton John allegedly started punching another man with brass knuckles after his video game was turned off.

On Oct. 8, Gallup Police Officer Aaron Marquez was dispatched to 106 Arnold Pl. around 11 pm to break up a fight. The person who called Metro Dispatch said they were in need of an ambulance.

When Marquez arrived at the scene he reportedly met a man who had a facial injury that was bleeding profusely. Two other men were trying to help the man out and stop the bleeding with a towel. One of the men said that the other man involved in the fight, who was later identified as John, 21, was still inside the house.

As Marquez walked into the house, he allegedly noticed a blood trail that led from the front door of the house. There was also blood smeared on the door. A pool of blood was in the hallway.

Marquez met John inside the house. According to Marquez's report, John had blood on his arms, although he had no visible injuries and said that he was fine.

John explained that he'd been playing a video game when the victim walked into the house's living room. He said the victim had been drinking, but he wasn't.

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According to John, the victim unplugged the video game he was playing and began calling him “a bitch.” John said the victim got into his face.

John allegedly told the victim to leave him alone, but the victim took “ a fighting stance” and balled up his fists as if he was going to hit him. John said he was in fear of being hit, so he reached into his pocket and pulled his brass knuckles out. He then proceeded to punch the victim in the face “a couple of times.”

John said he “just snapped,” and he couldn’t explain to Marquez why he did what he did. John admitted to throwing the first punch.

After speaking to John, Marquez went back outside to speak to the victim, who was sitting in an ambulance. The medics told Marquez that the victim had two one-inch cuts to the front and back of his head. The medics said the victim was able to answer their questions, and they were unsure if he’d lost consciousness or not.

Officer Maria Olivares spoke to the victim, and he confirmed that he got into a fight and was hit with brass knuckles.

The two victims also confirmed John’s story.

When Metro Dispatch ran John’s info they found out that he had two outstanding warrants. He was charged with aggravated battery (use of a deadly weapon) and with his other two warrants. His preliminary hearing was scheduled for Oct. 19.