



Brevard County Animal Services and Enforcement

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As of : 3/23/2009 2:46:21PM

ACTIVITY REPORT

Number-Seq A09-002925-1 **Type / Subtype** INV / MALIC **Animal Type** 1 DOG
Requestor COREY HIRES **Received** 2/10/09 8:20 pm
3682 N WICKHAM RD
MELBOURNE FL 32935

Location 3682 N WICKHAM RD MELBOURNE
Comments FOUND PUPPY GAGGED IN PLASTIC BAG IN DUMPSTER STILL ALIVE

Officer ID P999941 **Status** COMPLETED **Results** 3 MC
1 VET

New Date 2/10/09 8:20 pm **Completed** 2/10/09 9:10 pm

Animal Information

" CHLOE "
COCKER SPAN/MIX
WHITE&TAN
F

Number-Seq A09-002925-2 **Type / Subtype** INV / MALIC **Animal Type** 1 DOG
Requestor COREY HIRES **Received** 2/10/09 8:20 pm
3682 N WICKHAM RD
MELBOURNE FL 32935

Location 3682 N WICKHAM RD MELBOURNE
Comments FOUND PUPPY GAGGED IN PLASTIC BAG IN DUMPSTER STILL ALIVE

Officer ID P999926 **Status** COMPLETED **Results** 1 VIOLA
4 MC

New Date 2/11/09 7:00 am **Completed** 2/11/09 1:11 pm

Owner Information

KIM TEELE
3042 COLLEGE WOODS DR 224
MELBOURNE FL 32935

Animal Information

" CHLOE "
COCKER SPAN/MIX
WHITE&TAN
F

Number-Seq A09-002925-3 **Type / Subtype** INV / MALIC

Animal Type 1 DOG

Requestor COREY HIRES
3682 N WICKHAM RD
MELBOURNE FL 32935

Received 2/10/09 8:20 pm

Location 3682 N WICKHAM RD MELBOURNE

Comments /PICTURES, STATEMENT, BRING 10-43 SOUTH

Officer ID P999942 **Status** COMPLETED

Results 1 COMP

New Date 2/11/09 7:00 am **Completed** 2/11/09 1:53 pm

Owner Information

KIM TEELE
3042 COLLEGE WOODS DR 224
MELBOURNE FL 32935

Animal Information

" CHLOE "
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Notes:**02/10/2009** Cpl Young 41

Called Ms. Hires. She advised while throwing out the trash at work she found a puppy in a plastic bag. The puppy had a sock shoved in its mouth. She pulled the sock out but the puppy won't stand up and it's not really responding.

Responded to pick up the puppy. They still had the bag that they found her in. It appears that it could be someone's personal trash. Impounded puppy for EMC and took the trash to go through it.

Transported to EMC. Dr. Barchard will be treating her until the morning. Her temperature was 97 degrees so he immediately put her in the incubator and will be giving her fluids through out the night. Advised Sgt Robinson of the call and the trash. I found numerous receipts with the same card number one of them for a harness and nail clippers. There was also an old medical insurance card with the name Eric Teele, which I could not find in the system. Sgt Robinson advised to leave the bag in front of his office with a note on it.

02/10/2009 2/11/09-#58-kjohnson-7:19am

Via proto to #41 - reference: "Found dog in dumpster - very cold and sick, not responding well."

02/11/2009 AEO MERCER 42 2/11/09

Photographed puppy at Animal Emergency Clinic. Impounded for Investigative hold. Met with Dr. Barchard, DVM. Collected statement and medical records for canine; that substantiate's the conclusion the puppy died from Hypoxic brain injury due to lack of air/oxygen. Met with Sgt. Robinson and Melbourne Police Officer ID 391 Saccareccia. Located owner of canine, Kim Teele. She was told by roommate, Dan Hamm the canine had run away last night. Police collected sworn statements from dog owner, Kim Teele, and Dan Hamm. Mr. Hamm admitted to Police he had been taking out the trash last night, when the puppy fell down the stairs. He then placed a sock in the puppy's mouth to stop her from bleeding. Mr. Hamm thought the puppy was dead, so he rode his bicycle to a dumpster behind 3682 Wickham, and threw it away with household trash. At that point the puppy was still alive. Mr. Hamm was taken into custody by Melbourne Police Officer Saccareccia and charged with Animal Cruelty.

02/11/2009 Sgt. Robinson 26

I received a call last night from Cpl. Young that she responded to a dog bagged up and thrown into a dumpster. She arrived on scene and made contact with requester Corey Hires. Corey had removed the dog still alive from the dumpster and pulled it out of the garbage bag. It was then discovered that the dog had a sock stuffed in its mouth. Cpl. Young grabbed the bag and the dog and took it to the Animal Emergency Clinic for care. She took the bag and went through it finding names and addresses of possible owners. She then left that information in my office for me to follow up on in the morning. I contacted Melbourne Police to have an officer come to the office to assist in the investigation. Officer Saccareccia ID 391 arrived and I filled him in on the situation. We gathered the information and responded to the address of 2442 Empire that was discovered in the garbage bag. We made contact with a James Teele by telephone and he advised his daughter has a puppy and she will have her call us. Kim Teele returned our call and confirmed she was missing her puppy named "Cloe" a white and tan beagle mix. We responded to her apartment and met with her and her roommate, Daniel Hamm. Kim had no knowledge of how the dog was gone and last saw it before she left for work at 3:00 pm yesterday. She said Dan was home still. We spoke with Dan and he said he left the apartment at around 6:00pm and the dog was still there. He said that the only other person there that day was Kim's brother Brian, but he left before he did. Officer Saccareccia spoke openly with Dan and gave him his opinion on what he believes happened based on the evidence. He gave Dan an opportunity to come forth with what happened to save any further charges on this matter. Dan then wanted to talk to him privately and they both went downstairs. About 10 minutes later they came back up we were advised that he confessed. Dan got dressed and came outside with Kim, Investigator Carla Mercer, Officer Saccareccia and myself present and stated what happened. He said he was taking the garbage out and "Cloe" got loose. He reached down to scoop her up, but lost his grip and accidentally through her down the stairs. He rushed down and found that she was bleeding from the mouth so he took her into the apartment and washed the blood off her. He was unable to get the bleeding to stop so he stuffed a sock in her mouth to stop it from bleeding all over. He then got scared and put her in the garbage bag.

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He then took the bag and dumped it in the dumpster it was later found in. He was arrested by Officer Saccareccia and charged with felony animal cruelty. We advised the owner that "Cloe" was alive and taken to the vet, but they were unable to save her. The vet indicates the cause of death was asphyxiation caused by the sock and lack of air by being in the garbage bag. Mr. Hamm may have accidentally injured the "Cloe", but in an attempt to cover it up he did allow it to suffer by stuffing a sock in it's mouth and then into a garbage bag leaving it in a dumpster to suffocate. He subjected "Cloe" to unusual and unjustifiable pain and suffering.

02/11/2009 AEO MERCER 42
Dropped off BASE report to Melbourne Police Dept.