



Hampton Police Division Media Release

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Animal Cruelty Canine Investigation: 3700 Block of Abbey Court

The Hampton Police Division's Animal Control Unit is investigating a complaint of alleged animal cruelty to canines on April 29, 2014.

At 1:11 p.m., Public Safety Communications received an anonymous tip through the non-emergency line in reference to the alleged neglect of multiple dogs at a residence located in the 3700 block of Abbey Court. Animal Control Officers responded to the scene and made consensual contact with owner. Animal Control Officers inspected the premises and located multiple pit bulls residing in conditions considered to be neglectful.

As a result of the investigation, probable cause was established and sixteen Pit bulls (adults and puppies) were seized from the property. The canines will be transported to a local SPCA located in the 500 block of J.Clyde Morris Boulevard, Newport News, where they will be evaluated. At this time in the investigation there is no evidence to substantiate any dog fighting activity was taking place. This investigation is on-going and charges are pending against the owner.

As additional information becomes available it will be released.

Sergeant Jason Price will receive questions about this release at 757-727-6638.

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