



Hampton Police Division Media Release

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Shooting Investigation: 400 Block of West Pembroke Avenue

The investigation revealed that on May 21, 2013, at 8:47 p.m., Hampton Police Officers were dispatched to the 400 block of West Pembroke Avenue in reference to a civil dispute between roommates. While speaking with the complainants outside of the residence an eighty pound boxer escaped out of the rear door of the residence. The canine aggressively charged across the street towards the officers. The officers retreated, and the canine continued to charge biting one officer on the ankle. Fearing for his safety, the officer discharged his firearm striking the canine in the neck. The dog received non-life threatening injuries.

The investigation is on-going and charges are pending against the owner of the canine. The officer did not receive any injuries. Per Division policy, both criminal and administrative investigations are being conducted which is standard practice in all police involved shootings. As more information becomes available it will be released.

Corporal Mary Shackelford will receive questions about this release at 757-846-6866.

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