



King County

Department of Executive Services
Records and Licensing Services Division
Regional Animal Services
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Investigation Report A23-002947-01

Investigation / Animal Bite Sequence 1 of 3

Priority: 3 Clerk: SIEGRIAC
Disclose: Not Discussed
Tot Animals: 2 Type: DOG

Original Call Date: 05/01/23 14:44
New This Seq: 05/01/23 14:44
Shepherd Dispatch This Seq: 05/01/23 15:02
Working This Seq: 05/01/23 15:05
Complete This Seq: 05/01/23 17:37
doshephe Saved This Seq: 05/01/23 17:37



Caller Information:	P878321 LING HUI WANG 206-453-8726 2442 72ND AVE SE MERCER ISLAND 98040 Jurisdiction: MERCER ISLAND District: 220		
Comment:	OCCD 4/28 AT 1700 - VICTIM WALKING BACK FROM STORE ON SIDEWALK, 2 DOGS CHARGED HIM FROM DOWN THE ROAD, KNOCKING HIM TO GROUND AND BITTEN ON ARMS & LEGS. MERCER ISL PD REPORT AND PHOTOS TAKEN BY PD OFCR WHILE VICTIM IN AID CAR		
Activity Address:	7237 SE 27TH ST MERCER ISLAND 98040 Jurisdiction: MERCER ISLAND District: 220		
Animal Involved:	A6886023 X-LRG DOG TRICOLOR U BERNESE MTN DOG/GREAT PYRENEES AND A6886022 STAN X-LRG DOG GOLD/WHITE N Bernese Mountain Dog/Great Pyrenees		
Animal Owner:	P878322 DEBORAH BERTLIN 206-245-8003 7225 SE 27TH ST MERCER ISLAND 98040		
Responding Officer:	P999072 DOMINIQUE SHEPHERD, ACO #38 206-418-8114 ext:CELL 206-263-5929 doshepherd@kingcounty.gov		
Results:	SUSPECT NOT HOME; DOOR HANGER POSTED; (2) CIVIL PENALTY CHARGED; (2) QUARANTINE NOTICE ISSUED OR POSTED; CASE REPORT/STMT TAKEN; SEQUENCE COMPLETE		
A23-002947-02 Investigation / Animal Bite Sequence 2 of 3			
Priority: 3 Record Created by: DOSHEPHE		Original Call Date: 05/01/23 14:44	
Disclose: Not Discussed		New This Seq: 05/01/23 17:37	
Tot Animals: 2 Type: DOG		Carlson Dispatch This Seq: 05/02/23 9:35	
		Working This Seq: 05/02/23 11:50	
		Complete This Seq: 05/02/23 12:07	
		miccarls Saved This Seq: 05/02/23 12:07	
Responding Officer:	P999068 MICHAEL CARLSON, ACO #36 206-348-8957 ext:CELL 206-477-7646 miccarlson@kingcounty.gov		
Results:	MADE TELEPHONE CONTACT; CASE REPORT/STMT TAKEN; SEQUENCE COMPLETE		
A23-002947-03 Investigation / Animal Bite Sequence 3 of 3			
Priority: 3 Record Created by: MICCARLS		Original Call Date: 05/01/23 14:44	
Disclose: Not Discussed		New This Seq: 05/01/23 17:37	
Tot Animals: 2 Type: DOG		Carlson Dispatch This Seq: 05/08/23 10:33	
		Working This Seq:	
		Complete This Seq:	
		miccarls Saved This Seq: 05/08/23 10:33	
Responding Officer:	P999068 MICHAEL CARLSON, ACO #36 206-348-8957 ext:CELL 206-477-7646 miccarlson@kingcounty.gov		
Results:	DISPATCHED;		

A23-002947		Violation 1		Disclose: NOT DISCUSSED	
Violation Info:	No: V23-014196 Violation Date: 05/01/23 Violation Type: NOTICE AND ORDER OF VIOLATION				
Defendant:	P878322 DEBBIE BERTLIN 206-245-8003, debbie@bertlin.net				
Complainant:	P999072 DOMINIQUE SHEPHERD 206-418-8114 ext:CELL, 206-263-5929, doshepherd@kingcounty.gov				
Issued By:	P999072 DOMINIQUE SHEPHERD 206-418-8114 ext:CELL, 206-263-5929, doshepherd@kingcounty.gov				
Location:	7225 SE 27TH ST ,MERCER ISLAND WA 98040 Jurisdiction: MERCER ISLAND				
Synopsis:	<p>At this time, two dogs belonging to the defendant have been found to be unlicensed in King County. To abate the issue and get this fine dropped, please acquire up to date license for both dogs in question and email proof of licensing to</p> <p>RASKCSERGEANT@KINGCOUNTY.GOV</p> <p>Thank you.</p>				
<u>Offense</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Animal ID</u>	<u>Animal Desc</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Stat</u>
UNLICENSED UNALTEREC	1	A686023	STAN X-LRG DOG GOLD / WHITE N BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG / GREAT PYRENEES	\$250.00	
UNLICENSED UNALTEREC	1	A686022	BUP X-LRG DOG GOLD / WHITE N BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG / GREAT PYRENEES	\$250.00	
N/O ABATEMENT	1			\$0.00	
				500.00	
A23-002947		Violation 2		Disclose: NOT DISCUSSED	
Violation Info:	No: V23-014221 Violation Date: 05/01/23 Violation Type: INFRACTION				
Defendant:	P878322 DEBBIE BERTLIN 206-245-8003, debbie@bertlin.net				
Complainant:	P878321 LING HUI WANG 206-453-8726				
Issued By:	P999068 MICHAEL CARLSON 206-348-8957 ext:CELL, 206-477-7646, miccarlson@kingcounty.gov				
Location:	7225 SE 27TH ST ,MERCER ISLAND WA 98040 Jurisdiction: MERCER ISLAND				
Synopsis:	<p>At listed date and time, complainant was walking past listed address when two large dogs, "Bup" (A686022) & "Stan" (A686023), owned by defendant charged off the property and pinned complainant down- both inflicting moderate to heavy injuries. Several bite wounds inflicted. Medical care provided was wound cleaning and antibiotics. Failure to contain dogs and prevent interaction with public may result in additional enforcement action or criminal charges per Dangerous Dogs.</p>				
<u>Offense</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Animal ID</u>	<u>Animal Desc</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Stat</u>
VICIOUS ANIMAL 1ST	1	A686022	BUP X-LRG DOG GOLD / WHITE N BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG / GREAT PYRENEES	\$0.00	
VICIOUS ANIMAL 1ST	1	A686023	STAN X-LRG DOG GOLD / WHITE N BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG / GREAT PYRENEES	\$0.00	
				0.00	

All Memos for this activity and related records.

Activity Memo(s) for: A23-002947

<p>1 Note 5/1/23 M23-444584 Entered by: SIEGRIAC</p>	<p>There are several involved people on the police report. a witness, Tracy Sigmon 425-351-1332, one acting as translator, Yee Yin Lee 206-696-2492, and the dog sitter, Margaret Lloyd 650-714-6482 who was watching her sisters dogs while she was out of town. Each person above also has their own profile. as</p>
<p>2 Investigation Memo 5/1/23 M23-444596 Entered by: DOSHEPHE</p>	<p>PAGE 1...DS72... 05/01/23 16:25</p> <p>I, Officer Shepherd, received the initial call for the bite that occurred on 4/28/23 at approximately 1700. We do not have a complaint form from the victim and, due to time constraints, I was unable to reach out today to acquire that from them. Since the bite occurred recently, I did go to the dog owner's property at 7225 SE 27th ST. MERCER ISLAND, WA 98040 and attempted a door knock twice along with ringing the Ring doorbell. There were two vehicles in the driveway at this time, but no response at the door. I got eyes on one dog that approached the large window next to the front door. The dog matched the description in the call and was a large, white and brown bernese and great pyr mix dog. I did not see or hear a second dog at this time at this property.</p> <p>I posted the door with two licensing violations. I also included a licensing pamphlet. Enclosed in the envelope was also two notices to quarantine the dogs in question for the bite that had occurred. I posted the envelope with a notice for contact including my work cell phone number.</p> <p>I uploaded copies of all this paperwork, a photo of the posting itself on the door, and the proof of service to content manager.</p> <p>No further information at this time.</p>
<p>3 Note 5/2/23 M23-444640 Entered by: CRAWFOS</p>	<p>Dog owner called, had tried to leave a message for ACO Shepherd, could not get through on the phone. ACO Carlson is listed now, so transferred her over to his desk line. sac</p>
<p>4 Investigation Memo 5/2/23 M23-444641 Entered by: MICCARLS</p>	<p>(pg 2) A23-002947 (MC36) 05/02/23 12:01</p> <p>On May 2, 2023 at approx. 1150 hours I made phone contact with Deborah Bertlin, the owner of both dogs. She expressed deep sympathy for the bite victim and shock at the event, advising she would cooperate to the fullest extent and take all liability for the event. She advised of seeing the posting on her door and claimed she had just returned home from out of town and her sister was in charge of the dogs during the time of the incident- identified as Margaret Lloyd (650-714-6482). She was informed by her sister the dogs charged down the driveway, surprising her, and knocked an elderly man down inflicting bites. She was not aware of the extent of the injuries at this time or any other information about the event. She identified her dogs as;</p> <p>"Bup" / 4 yo / neutered male / Bernese-Pyrenees mix / Carmamel & white / 120 lbs; "Stan" / 4 yo / neutered male / Bernese-Pyrenees mix / Carmamel & white / 120 lbs.</p> <p>She advised there was no significant defining feature of either dog and claimed it would make identifying the bite dog difficult, but claimed she suspected it was one more than the other. She advised her husband had passed away 6 weeks ago and since then the dogs had been more protective and out of character. Husband identified as Brian per RASKC licensing history for a third dog listed as deceased. She claimed Brian was in charge of the licensing but would readily comply with licensing "Bup" and "Stan."</p> <p>I informed her the investigation was in early stages and contact had yet been made with the bite victims, and potential penalties would hinge on injuries and their statements. She was very understanding of this and again expressed great concern for them. She claimed she had proof of vaccination status but believed it had been provided to the Mercer Island Officer.</p> <p>I advised there would be future communication between her and I either later this day or the following day and she thanked me for the conversation.</p> <p>M. Carlson (AC36)</p>
<p>5 Investigation Memo 5/3/23 M23-444797 Entered by: MICCARLS</p>	<p>(pg 3) A23-002947 (MC36) 05/03/23 16:47</p> <p>On May 3, 2023 at approx. 1230 hours I arrived at the victim's residence- 2442 72nd Ave SE Mercer Island and met with the victim, Mr. Ling Hui Wang, and his daughter whom assisted with translation (Chinese - English). They explained events just as shown on the Mercer Island Police report. The family presented me documents showing evidence of medical care for several dog bites from Overlake Emergency, and a subsequent visit to ICHS Primary Care (720 8th Ave S 206-788-3700). Paperwork showed little more information beyond being treated for dog bites with wound cleaning and a prescription of antibiotics. Family advised stitches were omitted due to the nature of healing dog bites. Wounds were pointed out as a large bruise on lower back from the fall, punctures on upper left arm, punctures on both legs, and scratches around each bite site. When asked if would be able to identify which dog had bitten him, he emphatically described both dogs as biting with certainty. He volunteered for photographs of bite wounds, the deepest of which was bandaged.</p> <p>Family advised they were unfamiliar with legal system and stated they were seeking accountability and repayment for damages from dog owner, and seemed very relaxed and composed despite situation. I advised the investigation would be forwarded to Mercer Island PD/ courts and any communication on outcomes or resolution would come from the city. They were very understanding of this and thanked me for my time.</p> <p>M. Carlson (AC36)</p>

<p>6 Investigation Memo 5/8/23 M23-445165 Entered by: MICCARLS</p>	<p>(pg 4) A23-002947 (MC36) 05/08/23 10:46</p> <p>After meeting with the victim I moved to the owner's home and was approached by a neighbor. Neighbor stated she was familiar with the dogs in question and claimed they would never cause harm to anyone. I advised I was present to speak with the owner, whom arrived at this time.</p> <p>Deborah approached and we moved to a more private location in front of the home. I could view both large dogs inside the home barking towards me, but barking quickly subsided and I then heard/ viewed no more of the animals. I explained the wounds to the victim were significant but did not qualify as severe. Deborah was informed I would be submitting charges to Mercer Island for two dog bite violations and a monetary fine would be issued. She was very understanding and reiterated the dogs were being kept indoors and she had started contracting with a trainer in Woodinville. She also advised the dogs would not leave the home when a sitter was needed, to further reduce stress to the animals and lower chances of any repeat incidents. I thanked her for upfront and honest demeanor and reiterated all communication would hence forth come from Mercer Island PD/ courts. She provided me her sister's information but claimed she wanted full responsibility of the incident, just as she had quoted to Mercer Island PD.</p> <p>I thanked her for her time and left the area.</p> <p>M. Carlson (AC36)</p>
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Primary Animal Memo(s) for: A686023	
<p>7 5/3/23 M23-444765 Entered by: WEB</p>	<p>Vet who altered Animal: EASTSIDE VETERINARY CLINIC</p>

I certify under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of Washington, that the foregoing information is true and correct.

Animal Control Officer _____ Date _____ Signed in King County, Washington.

Bite Count = 0 Violation Count = 2 Memos = 7 Impounds = 0