

[Register](#) [Sign In](#)

[Sitemap](#) [Help](#) [Make us your homepage](#)

the evening
Telegraph
PeterboroughToday.co.uk

[jobs today](#) [property today](#) [motors today](#)

[Business](#) | [Posh](#) | [Features](#) | [Go Green](#) | [Columnists](#) | [Letters & Comment](#) | [ET Video](#) | [Buy a photo](#) | [Subscribe](#) | [Book an Ad](#) | [Contact us](#)

Saturday, 21st July 2007

Published Date: 19 July 2007 Source: Peterborough ET Location: Peterborough

'Monster dog' attacks mum in city park

By **Asha Mehta**

A CITY mum could be left scarred for life after being attacked by a "monster dog" at Ferry Meadows country park.

Jacqueline Marshall is today nursing painful two-inch deep wounds to her upper arm and back after a black bull mastiff mauled her while she was enjoying a day out with family at Ferry Meadows, Peterborough.

Miss Marshall was rushed to A & E by paramedics after the animal "charged" towards her, launching two savage onslaughts.

The screaming housewife crawled into bushes to escape after being bitten on her upper arm and back.

Today, Miss Marshall called for people to be aware of dogs when taking their children out to the city's attractions during the summer holidays.

She said: "The public need to be aware that when they take their children to parks, there are a lot of dogs out there. Owners must keep their dogs on a lead but they don't always listen.

"A dog attack happened to me, but if it was a small child, they wouldn't have stood a chance."

Miss Marshall, from Cathwaite, Paston, was with her partner Nicholas Owen (35) and his eight-year-old son Harry when the incident happened.

While the trio were feeding ducks, mum-of-two Miss Marshall noticed the dog walking towards her.

She alleges two women were straining to hold the animal by its collar but it broke loose.

What happened next has played out in her mind in terrifying flashbacks since her ordeal took place on Saturday at 8.30pm.

She said: "It was a monster of a dog. The dog wasn't on its lead and one of the women had it by the collar. It was running on the spot trying to get at me. She was holding on to it as much as she could but the dog was so big.

"It tripped over trying to get at me. I remember just saying 'no' and turned my body. It jumped on me and I fell to the floor. It was biting my arm."

Mr Owen managed to drag the powerful hound off his cowering girlfriend, but seconds later it pounced again, this time tearing through her clothes and biting her on her back.

She said: "People were screaming and the dog was barking. I keep getting flashbacks and hearing the sounds all over again. I can't sleep."

She said Harry has also been left shaken after witnessing the attack.

A police spokesman said: "A man has been reported for failing to keep a dog under control in a public place and a file will be passed to the Crown Prosecution Service after which a decision will be made whether or not to prosecute."

Last Updated: 19 July 2007 11:56 AM



Jacqueline Marshall and her dog attack injuries.
(7AL0716110) Picture: ANDY LAITHWAITE

[RSS Feed of this article's comments](#) [More web feeds](#)

Picture Loans Official Site

Feng shui your finances & harmonise your credit - find out more today....



Bad Credit Loans - Quick Decisions

Homeowner with bad credit? Get a fast decision now for a loan over £5,000. All credit histories considered. We will search the market for the right loan for you. Apply today....



UK Unsecured Loans - Bad Credit? No Problem

Wentworth Direct Finance offers unsecured loans of between £1,000 and £15,000. Flexible terms. UK tenants and homeowners welcome. Poor credit? CCJs? Refused by other lenders? Talk to us now....

