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Local resident attacked by dog[Print Page](#)

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A Holly Springs resident was treated for bite wounds at the local hospital Tuesday after being attacked by a dog that has been quarantined by Surry County Animal Control.

Johnny Nunn of 144 Deerfield Lane in the Holly Springs community said Wednesday that the white collie mix that bit him multiple times was among a group of four larger canines that had attacked his Chihuahua about 10 a.m. Tuesday.

After transporting his injured animal to a veterinarian and returning home, Nunn said that he was attacked by the collie. Nunn believes the presence of blood on his pants from the earlier injuries to the Chihuahua caused the larger dog to target him.

Nunn said the animal grabbed him by the left leg, tearing his pants in two places and causing multiple lacerations to the shin area. He was treated in the emergency room at Northern Hospital of Surry County, which included receiving antibiotics and a tetanus shot.

Surry County Animal Control was notified of the incident about 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and subsequently picked up the animal, said Brian Gunnell, supervisor of the agency.

"Any dog that bites, under state law, has to be quarantined ten days," Gunnell explained. While still at the hospital, Nunn identified the collie as the animal that attacked him, the animal-control supervisor said.

Its owner is Crystal Peele, who lives two doors down from Nunn. All four animals supposedly had been penned up at the Peele residence, but somehow got loose on Tuesday and attacked the Chihuahua owned by Nunn, who said he was told that none of them had been vaccinated.

The bite victim said he was alerted to that incident by another neighbor and her young daughter, who came to his door and advised him that the larger canines were "killing your dog." The Chihuahua survived its attack, according to Nunn.

He says similar incidents have occurred before in the densely populated neighborhood.

Gunnell said that the dog's owner can reclaim it after 10 days if no problems, such as evidence of rabies, are noted. However, the owner will have to pay quarantine fees, he said.

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