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## Dog attack terrifies bus traveller

By Melanie Maesele

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ROSEMARIE Jaspersen was in tears when she described the terrifying dog attack, which left her bruised and shaking. A week ago, Miss Jaspersen dropped her five-year-old daughter off at school and made her way down Samford Road in Leichhardt to the nearby bus stop.



"I just put my bag on the seat and the next thing I knew this dog came running up on the inside of the fence behind me and started barking," Miss Jaspersen said. "He was just looking at my face."

She said the dog bailed her up as she sat by herself waiting for the bus to arrive.

"I couldn't move, I was frozen. All I could do was scream," she said. The dog grabbed her trousers and then bit her on the back.

Fortunately, a young man who could only be identified by the white vehicle he was driving, came to her aid. "If it wasn't for this young guy who pulled up I think there would be more damage," she said. Minutes later a taxi driver also stopped to help.

"I would like to thank the two heroes that saved my life from the savage attack and a friend I know who helped me on the bus," she said. Miss Jaspersen said she had severe bruising and swelling from the dog bite, but her flesh was not torn.

She also has a visible limp from the attack.

Council's Health and Regulation Committee chairman Andrew Antonioli said the attack was being investigated.

It is believed the dog may have been put down.

If you were one of the men who helped Miss Jaspersen the QT wants to hear from you. Email [melanie.maesele@qt.com.au](mailto:melanie.maesele@qt.com.au).



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