

## Dogs held after three attacks

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Three men were treated for bite wounds on Sunday after being attacked by a dog in Windsor's west end, two days after a similar incident involving a pair of loose dogs on University Avenue.

The men, who did not suffer serious injuries, were all bitten on the leg by one of two dogs who were loose around Donnelly Street.

"(I was) playing soccer ... a dog came from the driveway and bite me," said Xilin Chen, 21. "(The dog was) a huge one ... the police car come, I just hide in the car."

Police, ambulance and the humane society responded to the 3200 block of Donnelly Street near the University of Windsor, where Tharun Kumar Mandala, 23, was headed when he was bitten.

"I was going to the university ... (a black dog) came running after me. It hurt me. I was just standing there," said the first-year graduate student.

The dogs, a black lab or lab mix and yellowish lab mix, were captured by the humane society and will remain at their centre until today, said Melanie Coulter, the Windsor-Essex Humane Society's executive director.

"There are a couple of things that will take place. Any dogs that bit someone would have to be quarantined. Also, because of the bite, there will be an investigation," she said.

The investigation will determine whether the dogs will be declared dangerous. If they are declared dangerous, the animals may have restrictions placed on them or may be euthanized.

Coulter thinks the dogs came from a residence in the area. It's unclear if the yellow lab mix bit anyone.

Lei Yue, 24, was also bitten in the area by a black dog while playing soccer.

"We were just doing some warmups ... somebody just said 'Don't move.' A dog come, a black one bit me," he said.

"It hurt like a knife."



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A Windsor police officer speaks to two men who were bitten by a dog on Peter Street Sunday. The humane society captured two dogs and took them to their shelter.

None of the victims were taken to the hospital and all will wait for the humane society to call them with more information.

"The health unit will quarantine the dogs and (tell) the victims if there's rabies," said Coulter. "It's very unlikely that they have rabies, it's not found in this area any longer."

On Friday, a man jumped 10 metres from an overpass on University Avenue when he was approached by two dogs involved in another attack on a woman.

Coulter said that, if attacked by a dog, the best thing to do is stand completely still.

"Most people tend to run. In a lot of dogs, that can sometimes trigger a chase instinct," she said.

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