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PRESS RELEASE

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Animal Cruelty

Location of Incident: 12400 Block of E. County 8th Street (Blaisdell area) - Yuma, AZ

On Saturday, May 2, 2015, at approximately 9:34 a.m., the Yuma County Sheriff's Office responded to the 12400 Block of E. County 8th Street in reference to a canine that had allegedly been shot and was still alive. Upon arrival, deputies met with the reporting party who found the female, black and white pit bull mix canine, believed to be eight to twelve months old. During the investigation, it was learned that a male subject had found the canine as a stray approximately one month ago and that he took the canine home with him when he was unable to locate an owner.

On April 26, 2015, the canine was found wondering around in the 12400 block of E. County 8th Street by a second subject, who discovered that the canine had a gunshot wound. Through the use of social media, the original subject that found the canine went out to the area on E. County 8th Street to claim her. He told deputies that he had traveled out of town and left the canine with his roommate. He stated that the roommate had become angry with the canine after she had "made a mess" at their home and took her out to the Blaisdell area where he shot her and attempted to bury her.



The canine suffered fractures to her maxillary sinus cavity, maxillary premolars and mandible. The injuries are consistent with that of a gunshot wound. The canine was taken to a local veterinary clinic where she underwent surgery and is listed in stable condition.

On May 4, 2015, deputies served a search warrant at the home of the suspect where weapons and ammunition were recovered. The suspect, Anthony Allen Hultine, 19, of Yuma, was arrested and booked into the Yuma County Detention Center on felony charges of animal cruelty.



Anthony A. Hultine

Anyone with information regarding this case, please contact Sgt. Scott Bjornstad at the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at 928-783-4427 or 78-CRIME to remain anonymous. You can also visit our website at www.yumacountysheriff.org to submit an anonymous tip.

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