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TWO MEN ARRESTED IN ANIMAL CRUELTY CASE

SUFFOLK, VA (December 5, 2014) Two men have been arrested in Newport News following an investigation into an animal cruelty case that occurred in Suffolk.

On October 15, 2014 Officers met with complainants in reference to alleged animal cruelty. The victims advised they believed that their dog, a one year old female lab/pit bull mix named Luna, had been shot and killed by two friends who were initially asked to take the dog to the Newport News SPCA on October 10, 2014. Upon preliminary investigation it was found that the dog had been shot and then buried at the property located in the 1900 block of Bridge Road in Suffolk on October 11, 2014.

Following the investigation, arrested and charged by direct indictment with Cruelty to Animals, Maiming, Killing or Poisoning Animals, Fowl, etc., Conspiracy to Commit Felony, Cruelty to Animals and Discharge Firearm w/in 200 Yards from Any Structure is Ian T. Sazama, age 21, of Fort Eustis, Virginia. Also arrested and charged by direct indictment with Obstruct Justice/False Statement, Malicious Wounding Animal, Conspiracy/Animal Cruelty and Animal Cruelty is Alexander J. Meese, age 23, of Newport News.

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