

Animal Service News

November 20, 2013

BEAT THE HEAT CAMPAIGN

- *January through March 2014*
- *Twin billboards in Hillsborough (Highway 70 & Highway 86)*
- *Two spay/neuter days (late January and late February)*
- *Resolution request to BOCC to declare Spay/Neuter Day in Orange County*
- *Annual summary of targeted spay and neuter effort*

DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS

- *Gun season for deer (November 16, 2013 – January 1, 2014)*
- *Hunting deer with dogs is lawful north of I-85*
- *Local government is preempted from regulating hunting in NC*
- *Public awareness of “rights, responsibilities and reporting” (see attached brochure)*
- *Response protocol involves Sheriff, WRC Enforcement Officer and Animal Control*

RABIES & RABIES VACCINATION

- *Twelve (12) laboratory confirmed rabies cases year-to-date*
 - *In 2012, there were 12 laboratory confirmed rabies cases in total*
- *2013 low cost rabies vaccination clinic total: 1132 (640 dogs; 491 cats)*
 - *2012 low cost rabies vaccination clinic total: 1087 (632 dogs; 455 cats)*
- *2014 low cost rabies vaccination and microchip clinic schedule forthcoming soon!*
- *2013 Microchip Effort—56 at 4 clinics*
 - *2014: 6 clinics scheduled*

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

- *Two (2) staff are attending the Carolina Unite Conference*
 - *Sponsors are NC Animal Federation and SC Animal Care & Control Association*
- *Certified rabies vaccinators*
 - *Three (3) staff are completing training to become certified rabies vaccinators*
 - *Discussion with State Public Health Veterinarians about CRV training*
 - *Upcoming survey of local health directors*
- *National Animal Control Association Certification Process*
 - *Two (2) or 3 officers will attend level II Training Academy in Raleigh in April*

MISCELLANEOUS

- *Twenty (29) dogs and cats were sterilized by SNAP at a recent spay/neuter day at OCAS*
- *Selection process for Assistant Program Coordinator is nearing completion*

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