Public Safety Department
September 2021 City Council Staff Report

POLICE

Ivins City Heritage Days, World Ironman Championship, and the Santa Clara City Swiss Days made for a busy month for officers. A lot of planning went into the events, along with dedication and long hours spent making these events successful.

Officer Pondoyo observed a golf cart traveling without lights early one morning as he started his shift in the Santa Clara area. After completing his investigation, it was discovered the golf cart was stolen out of St. George and was returned to the owner.

SCIPD received several vehicle burglaries, vehicle theft, and criminal mischief reports in Santa Clara. A vehicle with a trailer and an ATV on it was stolen as well as a motorcycle. A few days later, the vehicle was recovered in Ivins and returned to the owner.

Officer Hall made a traffic stop that resulted in a large seizure of cocaine in Ivins. The driver of the vehicle was arrested for multiple drug offenses, including distribution.

The SCIPD Victim Advocate has assisted 26 victims so far this month. The advocate also completed advocacy training certificates for *Stress, Grief, & Suicide in First Responders* and *Suicide Prevention* courses.

SCIPD would like to welcome Luke Jessop and Jacob Filoso to our team. They are both recent graduates of the Dixie State Police Academy. Officer Jessop will be a full-time patrol officer, and Officer Filoso will be our new part-time Animal Control Officer and part-time court bailiff.

ANIMAL CONTROL

SCI Animal Swiss Days was a huge success. Animal Shelter personnel talked with hundreds of people about the Shelter and everything animals. Contact was made with lots of new move-in citizens; shelter personnel were happy to help answer their animal questions.

Animal Control had 30 dogs, 25 cats, and seven other animals, including rats, birds, guinea pigs, and rabbits, come into the Shelter this month. Some animals got reclaimed by owners, sent to rescue, or adopted. Three of the dogs were deemed vicious, and the owners requested euthanization. One cat was tested for rabies, and a vet requested it to be euthanized. There are currently four dogs and seven cats in the Shelter.