

Killing of chocolate coloured Labrador - Operation Bascule

On Monday 5th February 2007, the body of a chocolate brown Labrador dog was found on the bank of the Sulby Reservoir on the Isle of Man. The dog's muzzle and legs had been bound with silver duct tape.



This incident caused widespread outrage on both the Isle of Man and further afield, and a large amount of assistance was forthcoming from the public. As a result of enquiries made, it is suspected that the dog came from the Dumfries and Galloway region of Scotland, possibly Stranraer. It may have travelled on a boat out of Stranraer or a nearby port to the Isle of Man. That boat will have left the Isle of Man in the first few days of February, probably before the discovery of the dog's body. The occupant(s) of the boat will be aware of the circumstances in which the dog was left on the Isle of Man. The Isle of Man Constabulary seeks assistance from anyone who may be able to help in identifying the owner of the dog and the vessel on which it travelled.

The Labrador was found a few feet from the water's edge near to the car park that runs along side the dam. It had had its nose and legs bound together with silver duck tape.

If anyone has any knowledge of this barbaric act of cruelty or if anyone knows of a person who had such a dog that suddenly vanished they are asked to contact the police. Anyone who has information about this incident should contact the Isle of Man Constabulary Headquarters tel: 01624 631263/ 631212. You may also contact Isle of Man Crimestoppers on 0800 555111. Crimestoppers is an independent Manx charity established to enable callers to pass information regarding criminal activity anonymously. Crimestoppers is not an agency of the Police. Crimestoppers will never ask callers for any personal details.

There is a substantial reward for information leading to the conviction of the person(s) responsible.



