



WINTER HAVEN
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WINTER HAVEN – A Winter Haven man has been arrested on for Cruelty to Animals and Fighting/Baiting/Breeding Animals in additional to drug charges after officers sized 21 dogs at his home.

On Nov. 20, 201, Kevie Lashon Hall (B/M, DOB 9/9/73) of 1810 3rd St., NW was taken into custody by Polk county Sheriff Deputies on a warrant that was issued by the Winter Haven Police Department on Nov. 16, 2011 stemming from numerous complaints dating back to July 7, 2011.

On Nov. 8, 2011 officers once again responded to the location finding evidence of dog breeding for dog fights, 21 malnourished dogs, training tools, including ropes, chains, kennels, tires, syringes, medicine to treat dog wounds and a very detailed training guide for fighting dogs. Multiple dogs have scars, scratches, bite marks and scabs, which are all definite physical signs and indicators of dog fighting. Additionally, bags of marijuana, packaging supplies for marijuana, scales and a large bucket of marijuana seeds were found.

All of the dogs on premises had fresh and old wounds including punctures, scabs, abrasions, skin conditions, physical attributes of malnourishment and mental aggressiveness indicating they have been trained for baiting and fighting.

Hall is charged with Cruelty to Animals (F-3), Fighting/Baiting/Breeding/Training Animals (F-3), Possession of Marijuana within 1,000 ft of Church (F-2), Maintaining Dwelling for Drug Use (F-3), Possession of Paraphernalia (M-1), Confinement of Animals W/O Food/Water (M-1) and Nuisances Injurious To Health (M-2).