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NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C. – Deputies from the Charleston County Sheriff's Office Animal Control Unit continue to investigate a shooting earlier this month that wounded one pet pig and killed another on Wadmalaw Island.

CCSO responded shortly before 11 a.m. April 3 to 5055 Maybank Highway, where the owner said her two miniature pigs had been shot. A white and black Juliana pig named Alfie had been found dead, and a black and white mini potbellied pig named Petunia had suffered a gunshot wound to the right rear leg. Petunia had been taken away for veterinary care while the owners buried Alfie.

Deputies canvassed the area for evidence, and looked for potential witnesses, but no leads have indicated who might be responsible for the shooting. The deputies ask the public to contact CCSO with any information about the animal cruelty case. Reach Deputy Steven Jarvis by emailing sjarvis@charlestoncounty.org or by calling dispatch at 843-743-7200.

The Charleston Animal Society has offered a \$5,000 reward for information leading to an arrest and felony conviction (more information: https://charlestonanimalsociety.org/5000-reward-offered-in-shootings-of-two-pet-pigs/).

The incident report is available upon request to pio@charlestoncounty.org.

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