



Bozena Kolankiewicz shows where she was bitten on various parts of her arm. *Graham Paine / Canadian Champion (Follow on Twitter @halton_photog)*

Bite victim wants action

Says she's afraid to leave her house after dog attack incident

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A Milton woman, who was attacked by a dog as she walked around her neighbourhood last month, says she is now afraid to leave her home for a short stroll to enjoy the fresh air. Bozena Kolankiewicz, 66, who lives with her daughter Danuta Choma in central Milton, received seven stitches after a dog, described as an Akita, attacked her on the arm, ripping her skin.

Halton Regional Police confirm the women filed a police report about the April 22 incident, and it has since been passed on to the Oakville and Milton Humane Society (OMHS) for investigation.

OMHS spokesperson Brenda Dushko said the case is being looked at and charges may be laid. She could not provide additional details because the incident is still under investigation.

Choma alleges the dog is still living with its owner.

The attack occurred when Kolankiewicz said she was walking along a sidewalk with her daughter in a Hawthorne Village neighbourhood around 4:30 p.m. The woman said a homeowner opened his garage door to make his way to the backyard. A dog ran out of the garage toward Kolankiewicz, jumping up onto her legs. She said she fell backward but managed to get back up. The dog, according to Choma, continued to jump on the woman despite the homeowner and her mom yelling at the dog.

Choma said the dog put its jaw around her mother's shoulder and moved down to her arm, where he broke the skin.

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