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PRESS RELEASE

Contact Person: Captain Larry Cecchettini

Date: May 19, 2014

Subject: Cockfight Raided Saturday Night

Yolo County Sheriff's deputies, assisted by officers from the Davis Police Department, raided a cockfight Saturday night, May 17, 2014.

After the sheriff's department received a tip that there would be a cockfight at 23490 County Road 28, deputies and officers made contact at the residence at about 11:00 PM. On the property was a large barn which was outfitted with a cockfighting ring where cockfighting was in progress. There were about 70 people in attendance including two women and two juveniles, of which almost all took off running as law enforcement entered onto the property.

Five subjects at the scene were arrested on various charges including felony animal cruelty, conspiracy, possession of bird fighting equipment (spurs), and transported to the Yolo County Monroe Detention Center. Another 14 suspects were cited for attending a cockfight. Recovered at the scene were 10 dead roosters, 52 live roosters, cockfighting spurs and approximately \$15,000 in cash. 10 additional roosters were confiscated at the scene but had to be euthanized as a result of their injuries.

Booked into the Monroe Center were Esteban Birelas, age 34 of Dixon, Fililogonio Escarcega, age 52 of Petaluma, Miguel Angel Garcia, age 51 of Richmond, Jorge Gonzalez Garcia, age 50 of Richmond and Luis Antonio Bravo Cabrera, age 40 from Sacramento. Four of the subjects were held on \$20,000 bail except for Birelas who was held on \$60,000 bail. All subjects have since bailed out of custody.

All subjects are scheduled to appear for arraignment on June 18, 2014 at 1:30 PM.

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