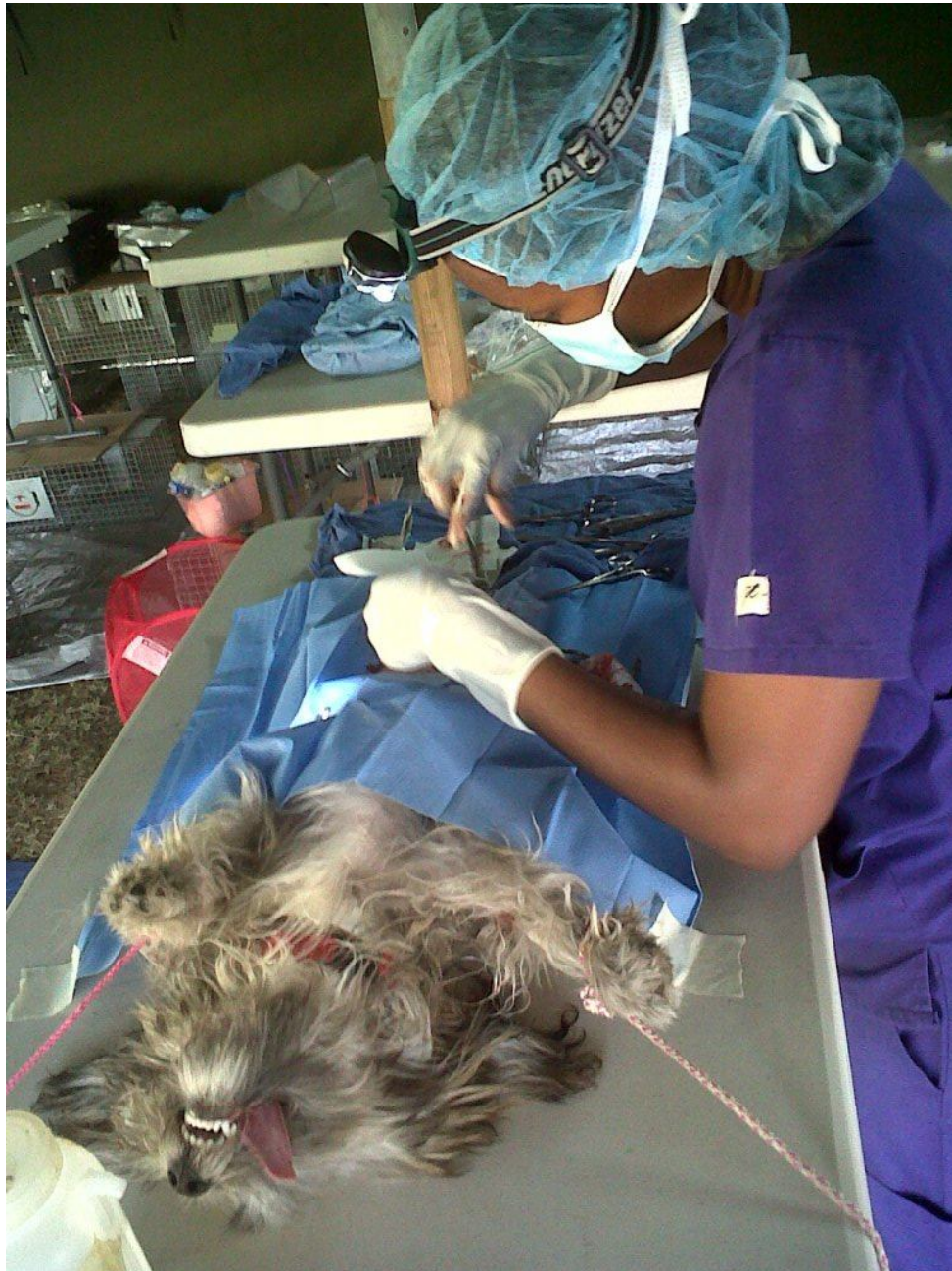


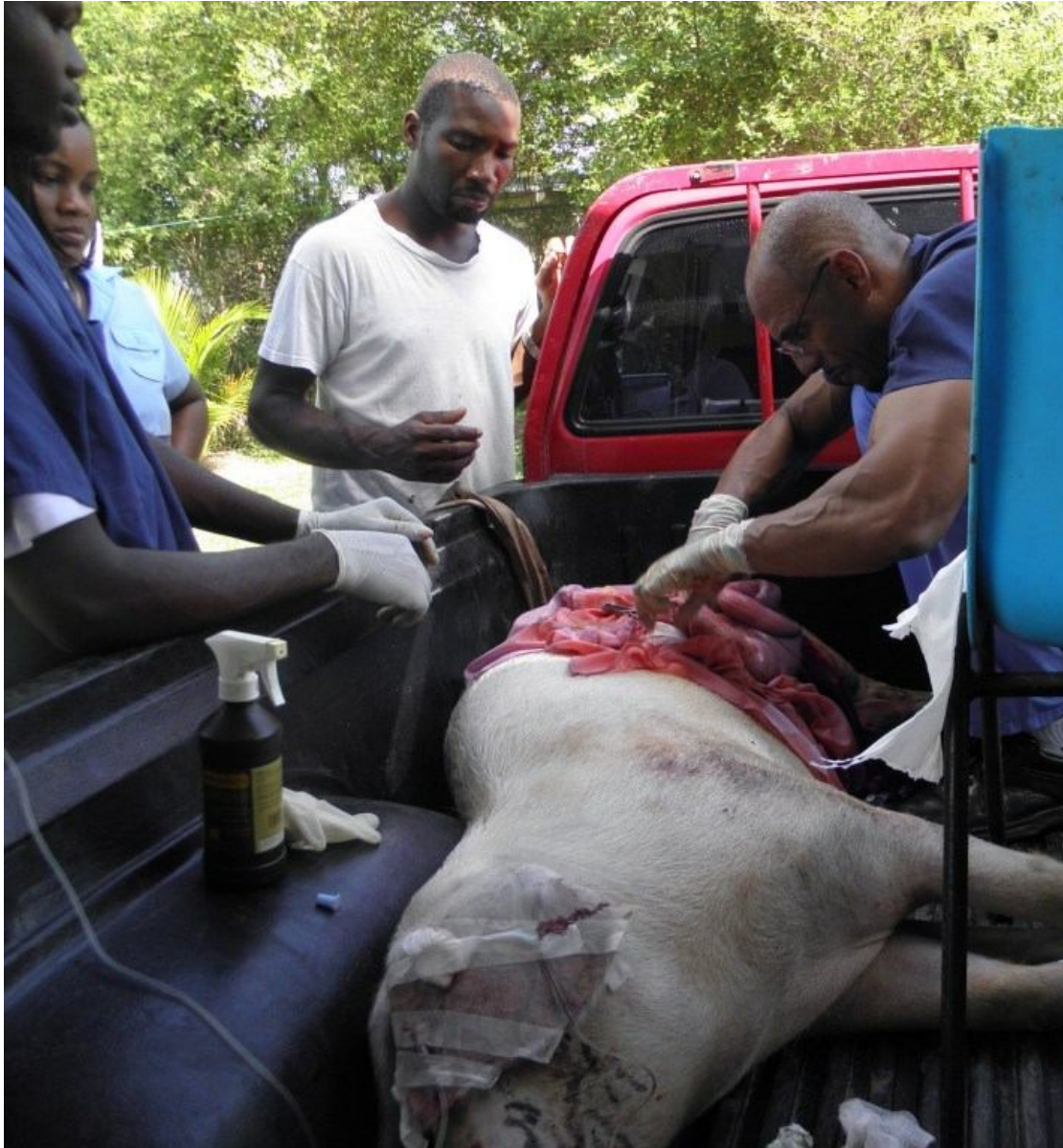
INTERESTING ANIMAL FACTS

APPROXIMATE ANIMAL GESTATION (PREGNANCY) PERIOD

ANIMAL	GESTATION/PREGNANCY (DAYS)
Dog	57 - 63
Cat	63
Pigs	115
Sheep	150
Goat	150
Cow	285
Horse	330
Donkey	365
Chimpanzee	236
Camel	210
Elephant	660
Tiger	103
Lion	108
Monkey	180
Sperm Whale	450
Squirrel	40
Giraffe	425
Rat	22



Dr. Kathryn Knight spaying a dog at a spay-neuter clinic held at the University of Technology's School of Public Health in February of this year. The clinic was put on by the International Spay-Neuter Network in collaboration with the JVMA and the JSPCA. Over 160 dogs and cats were neutered. Spaying and neutering of pets is important in reducing the number of unwanted pets and strays. Pets that are not specific breeding animals should have the surgery done for their health as well as that of the society.



Dr. Paul Cadogan in the back of a pick-up truck performing a Caesarean Section surgery on a sow that was unable to deliver her piglets naturally. Surgeries on farm animals are often performed in the field under less than ideal conditions. Although sterile gloves, instruments and materials are used and basic sterile technique followed as much as possible, the use of antibiotics is vital to prevent infection after the surgery. The sow in the photograph recovered well, but sadly her seven piglets were already dead when removed."