



***Humboldt County, Nevada
Sheriff's Office
Ed Kilgore, Sheriff***

PRESS RELEASE

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LOCATION: Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

TOPIC: New Sheriff's Office Canines/Training

DETAILS: In an effort to continue a pro-active and aggressive approach to combating the narcotics traffic in and through Humboldt County, Humboldt County Sheriff Ed Kilgore has added two new law enforcement canines to the department. Canines "Boots" and "Zyla" have joined forces with "Lilly", who has been with the department for a few years now. "Boots" handler is veteran law enforcement officer, Deputy Sheriff Chris Aker. "Zyla" is assigned to career lawman, Sergeant Lee Dove.

"Boots" is a six year old border collie that was found by Deputy Aker during a snowstorm. Being very interested in canine law enforcement, Aker contacted The American Society of Canine Trainers (ASCT) for training outlines. Aker self trained "Boots" for a period of time and then eventually took the dog through a full ASCT certification course in April of this year. Both Aker and "Boots" passed this very rigorous training course and became fully certified.

K-9 "Zyla" is a 15-month old Belgian Malinois. She was bred and trained by Master K-9 handler/trainer Mike Marshowski in Elko, Nevada. Marshowski is a Lieutenant with the Elko Police Department. Sergeant Dove joined Deputy Aker in attending the 80 hour ASCT Course in Elko, in April. "Zyla" was purchased for the department utilizing funds seized during different narcotics investigations.

Humboldt County Deputy Sheriff Cory Allen also attended this ASCT training and was re-certified with his partner "Lilly".

All three of these sheriff's deputies are members of the Highway Interdiction Team that work to locate and seize illegal narcotics coming through Humboldt County.

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