Newest K9 Hektor Locates Suspect Hiding Under Root Wad

Our newest police K9, Hektor, recently located and captured a well-hidden suspect, showing that his countless hours of training and hard work with his handler, Deputy Ray May, are paying off!

On July 7, 2019, Hektor and Deputy May responded to assist in tracking a suspect who reportedly fired a weapon at someone then fled into a wooded area near Cottage Grove. Hektor and Deputy May began tracking the suspect in the dark, through thick brush and trees. Hektor expertly followed the suspect’s scent trail through the challenging terrain before locating the 53 year old male suspect who was well hidden in a compact area underneath a root wad, well out of visual sight of searchers. This suspect likely would not have been located without the specialized skillset that a police K9 brings to a search of this nature.

Hektor joined the Sheriff’s Office in 2018 and has been training with his handler to learn all of the skills necessary to assist in police calls. Lane County Sheriff’s Office K9s use their keen sense of smell to assist in locating suspects, searching for evidence, and finding missing people in Lane County. The K9s live full time with their deputy handlers and are constantly training under a variety of conditions so they are ready to go when called upon.

The K9 Program is funded by community donations that cover the cost of food, veterinary services, equipment (including a K9 bullet proof vest), and training. Donations accepted at https://www.paypal.me/LCSOK9Team.

All About Hektor

Breed
Belgian Malinois

Age
2 years old

Bloodline
Is the son of retired LCSO K9 Frits

Known for:
Hektor still has a puppy-like playfulness when he isn’t in work mode!

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