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K-9 Dutch

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It is with an extremely heavy heart that we share in the passing of K-9 Dutch on Monday.

K-9 Dutch honorably served with the Orland Police Department from 2020 to 2025 as a dual-purpose patrol and narcotics detection K-9. Dutch was donated to the Orland Police Department by Meyer's Police K-9 Training, LLC.

K-9 Dutch spent 5 years serving as one of two active certified K-9s at the Orland Police Department helping keep its citizens safe from dangerous criminals and helping detect the presence of the odor of dangerous narcotics. Throughout his career, Dutch participated in over 100 deployments, resulting in many criminal finds, surrenders of dangerous suspects, and the direct apprehension of 2 violent suspects, including an armed male who fled from Officers upon an attempt to stop him. Dutch has also been featured in the Orland Police K-9 Laws and Paws event each year, demonstrating his ability to locate dropped items, hidden narcotics, and apprehend dangerous suspects.

On Monday, Dutch was found in his kennel with no signs of foul play present. An investigation into his death was initiated and an examination by a pathologist in Davis was conducted to determine the cause. The examination determined that Dutch suffered from a medical emergency of gastric dilation volvulus, commonly referred to as "bloat", a condition which is more common in large, deep-chested breeds. This condition can progress very rapidly and result in death.

Please keep his handler and partner, Officer Roenspie, and his family in your thoughts this week. Thank you Dutch for your selfless dedication, loyalty, and the endless love you shared with us all.

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