



PINE HILL POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY BULLETIN



Ptl. Heron and K9 Duke Successfully Complete NJSP Patrol K9 Certification Training

On January 17th, 2014 Ptl. Heron, a five year veteran of the Pine Hill Police Department and K9 Duke, a two year old German Sheppard, completed the first phase of Police Canine Training. With the support of Mayor Green, Director of Public Safety Warrington and all of Pine Hill Council, along with the residents and businesses of Pine Hill, Ptl. Heron and K9 Duke completed the 18 week NJSP Patrol Certification training program.

During the NJSP training, Ptl. Heron and K9 Duke learned to work as a team in aspects such as tracking, building searches, and obedience. Ptl. Heron and K9 Duke will now begin a two month K9 Field Training Program, during which the new K9 Team will be shadowed by Sgt. Christopher Witts, the K9 Unit Coordinator and partner of K9 Cliff. In March 2014 Ptl. Heron and K9 Duke will begin the 14 week NJSP training for certification in detection of narcotic odor.

The Pine Hill Police Canine Unit was established in 2005 and with the support of Mayor and Council, along with the residents and business of Pine Hill, the Department is able to continue this highly effective program as part of the overall commitment to safety of the residents and visitors to Pine Hill.



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