

PRESS RELEASE
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It is with heavy hearts the Duplin County Sheriff's Office announces the sudden passing of K9 Asta. Asta was born December 27, 2013 in the Czech Republic. Asta joined the Duplin County Sheriff's Office on December 29, 2014. Asta loved to play ball and play with her (work) sister K9 Mindy. During Asta's career she was responsible for the seizure of multiple pounds of controlled substances which included marijuana, methamphetamine, heroin, cocaine, as well as the seizure of over \$500,000.00 in drug assets. Asta did K9 demonstrations for hundreds of school children around the county, this was her true love, as she loved to be petted by the children. Asta had an exemplary career with the Duplin County Sheriff's Office. Asta's end of watch was October 16, 2021. Asta was interred at the Duplin County Sheriff's Office Training Center. Asta will be truly missed.

