

OREGON DRUG EVALUATION CLASSIFICATION PROGRAM



ANNUAL REPORT:
A Review of the Year's Events, Goals,
And Accomplishments

2006 Overview

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MISSION

The mission of the Oregon DEC Program is to reduce the number of drug and alcohol-related crashes and incidents by improving law enforcement detection skills in identifying persons under the influence of drugs, alcohol, and other psychoactive substances.

DEC PROGRAM PERSONNEL

The Oregon DEC Program is managed and coordinated by the Oregon State Police and has been since the inception of the program in 1995. Oregon is one of 45 states and the District of Columbia and United Kingdom participating in the program. The DEC Program is under the national guidance and direction of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and supported by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

The Oregon DEC Program works successfully with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) – Transportation Safety Division, the Oregon Association Chiefs of Police (OACP), the Oregon State Sheriffs' Association (OSSA), the Oregon District Attorneys Association (ODAA), the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) and the Oregon State Police.

The following officers and their agencies represent the Oregon complement of Drug Recognition Experts through December 31, 2006.

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Captain Rodger Craddock, Coos Bay PD
Lieutenant Dave Henslee, Corvallis PD
Sergeant John Bosley, Coburg PD
Sergeant William Caldera, Pendleton PD
Sergeant Jeff DeBolt, Beaverton PD
Sergeant Loren Dieter, Boardman PD
Sergeant Kirk Flerchinger, Umatilla Tribal PD
Sergeant Karl Haeckler, Medford PD
Sergeant Lance Inman, Keizer PD
Sergeant Justin Jones, Monmouth PD
Sergeant Dale Jorgensen, Lake Oswego PD
Sergeant David LeDay, Keizer PD
Sergeant Jason Malloy, Newport PD
Sergeant Krissi Martes, Eugene PD
Sergeant Russ Morris, Salem PD
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Sergeant Tim Weaver, Newberg PD
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Corporal Nathan Sickler, Klamath Falls PD
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Detective Douglas Carpenter, Scappoose PD
Detective Mike Herb, Forest Grove PD
Detective Manuel Hernandez, Gresham PD
Detective Nicholas Parker, Bend PD
Senior Officer Anthony Frasier, Hood River PD
Officer Trevor Arnold, Medford PD
Officer Kalin Ayhan, Bend PD
Officer Pamela Bailey, Troutdale PD
Officer Greg Bakken, Ontario PD
Officer Donald Ballou, Nyssa PD
Officer Jared Barry, Central Point PD
Officer Jon Bohanan, North Bend PD
Officer Matthew Bohman, Springfield PD
Officer Garon Boyce, Salem PD
Officer Rene Bravo, Hubbard PD
Officer Larry Buckingham, Grants Pass PD
Officer Jason Buelt, Beaverton PD
Officer Charles Byram, Pendleton PD
Officer Julian Carroll, Portland PB
Officer Curtis Chambers, Redmond PD
Officer Wayne Chastain, Baker City PD
Officer Kari Christensen, Hillsboro PD

Officer Larry Crompton, Eugene PD
Officer Todd Crouse, Roseburg PD
Officer Garrett Dow, Portland PB
Officer Jeffrey Durbin, Gresham PD
Officer Jeffrey Elias, Portland PB
Officer Steven Elmore, Salem PD
Officer David Enz, Portland PB
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Officer Brian Frazzini, Salem PD
Officer Larry Giddings, Milwaukie PD
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Officer Casey Green, Corvallis PD
Officer Victor Gutierrez, Hermiston PD
Officer Neil Halttunen, Springfield PD
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Officer Wesley Montgomery, Gladstone PD
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Officer Ronald Parker, Albany PD
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Officer Richard Rayniak, Beaverton PD
Officer Keith Rebman, Brookings PD
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Officer Jeff Rose, Hillsboro PD
Officer Donavon Schmidt, Grants Pass PD
Officer Brent Schneider, Tualatin PD

Officer Heather Shaw, Portland PB
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Officer James Sorensen, Portland PB
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Officer Brian Tarvin, Umatilla PD

Officer KT Taylor, Sandy PD
Officer Theodore VanBeek, Gresham PD
Officer Kevin Webb, Lake Oswego PD
Officer Curtis Whipple, Medford PD
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SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES

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Sergeant Robert Ruark, Polk Co. SO
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Deputy David Boys, Lincoln Co. SO
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Deputy Brian Lister, Clackamas Co. SO
Deputy Craig Lyman, Linn Co. SO
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Deputy Tim Miller, Washington Co. SO
Deputy Dustin Newman, Polk Co. SO
Deputy Russ Olson, Lane Co. SO
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Sr. Trooper Scott Holsworth, SP Grants Pass
Sr. Trooper Mike Iwai, SP Salem

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Trooper Cari Boyd, SP Newport
Trooper David Chambers, SP Klamath Falls
Trooper David Corkett, SP Astoria
Trooper James Duncan, SP Tualatin
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Trooper Jo Gardiner, SP Coos Bay
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Trooper Greg Walker, SP Ontario
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UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE-GRANTS PASS

Officer Sean Thomas

In 2006, Oregon had 188 Drug Recognition Experts. Of that 35 were DRE Instructors. There were 74 law enforcement agencies participating in the Drug Evaluation Classification Program.



INTRODUCTION

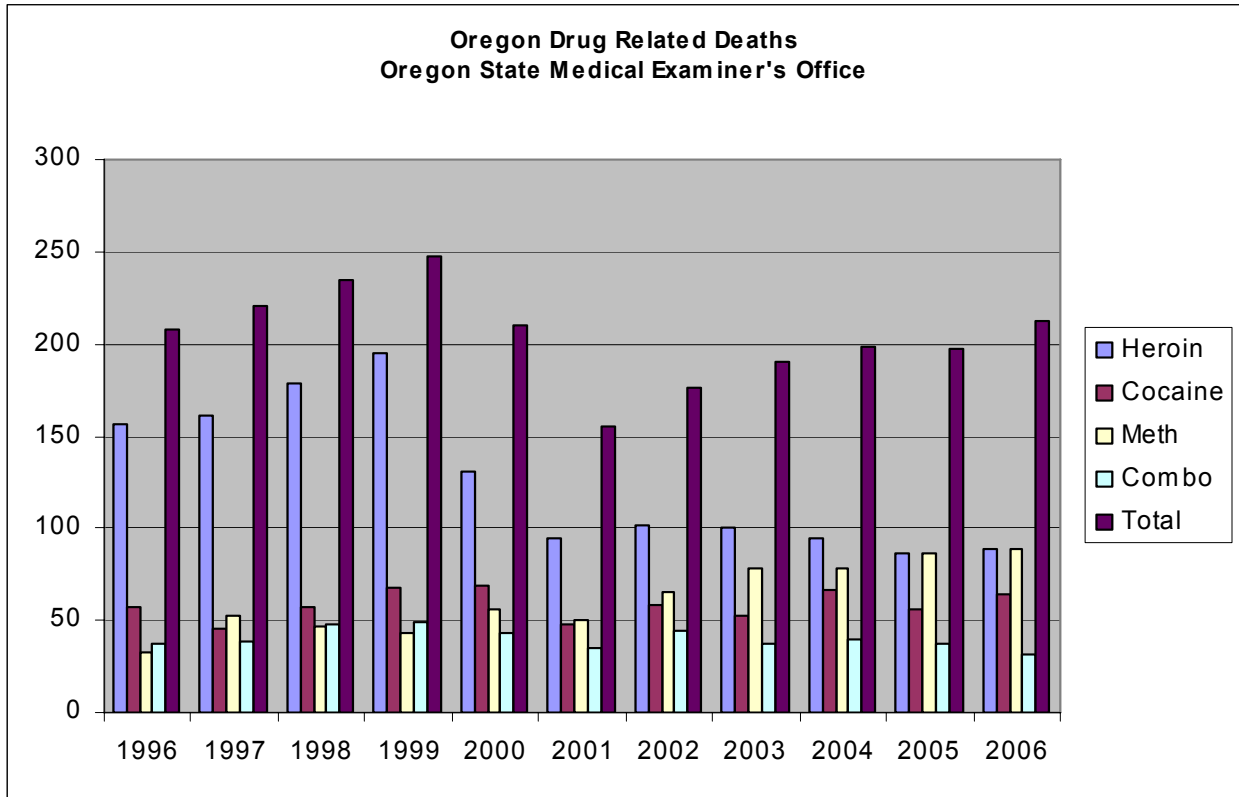
“The Drug Evaluation Classification Program and the Drugged Driving Problem”

Driving after alcohol and drug use is a major factor in motor vehicle deaths and injuries and continues to be a problem plaguing modern society. The Drug Evaluation Classification (DEC) Program remains one of the most effective tools available to law enforcement for detecting, apprehending, and adjudicating drug impaired drivers. In 2006, the DEC Program provided police officers with the knowledge, training, and confidence to recognize drivers impaired by drugs and to take appropriate action.

The results of the *2005 National Survey on Drug Use and Health* shows that there were 10.5 million persons aged 12 or older who reported driving under the influence of an illicit drug during the past year. The rate was highest among young adults aged 18 to 25 (13.4%). In 2005, an estimated 31.7 million persons aged 12 or older (13%) drove under the influence of alcohol. An estimated 8.3% were 16 or 17 year olds, 19.8% were 18 to 20 year olds, and 27.9% were 21 to 25 year olds. Among persons aged 12 or older, males were nearly twice as likely as females (17.1 vs. 9.2 percent) to drive under the influence of alcohol in the past year.¹

According to the *2005 National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH)*, an estimated 19.7 million Americans aged 12 or older were current (past month) illicit drug users (8.1%). This overall rate was similar to the rate in 2004 (7.9%), 2003 (8.2%) and in 2002 (8.3%). Marijuana was the most commonly used illicit drug (14.6 million past month users). In 2005, it was used by 74.2% of current illicit drug users. An estimated 54.5% of current illicit drug users used only marijuana, 19.6% used marijuana and another illicit drug, and the remaining 25.8% used only an illicit drug other than marijuana in the past month.¹

A report by the Oregon State Medical Examiner’s Office showed that 212 people died from drug-related causes statewide in 2006. This is an increase from 2005 when 197 people died from drug overdose. In the past years Heroin has been the most deadly drug. In 2005 this changed where Heroin and Methamphetamine tied for the most deadly drug. There were 86 drug related deaths in 2005 and 89 in 2006 for each drug category (see chart on Page 6).²



OREGON BENCHMARKS

The Drug Evaluation Classification (DEC) Program plays an important role in the effort to prevent deaths and injuries related to drug and/or alcohol use. The DEC Program provides a direct link to the following Oregon Benchmarks:

#41. Infant mortality rate per 1000: The DEC Program has proven that it can reduce traffic deaths on our roadways. Many of the lives saved are infant passengers in motor vehicles. The DEC Program also assists in identifying drivers who may require drug treatment, which has an effect on the quality of life for both parents and infants.

#45 Premature mortality: Years of potential life lost before the age of 70: The DEC Program trains police officers to use the latest alcohol and drug detection skills to remove drug/alcohol and/or medically impaired drivers from our roadways, reducing the number of fatal crashes and deaths.

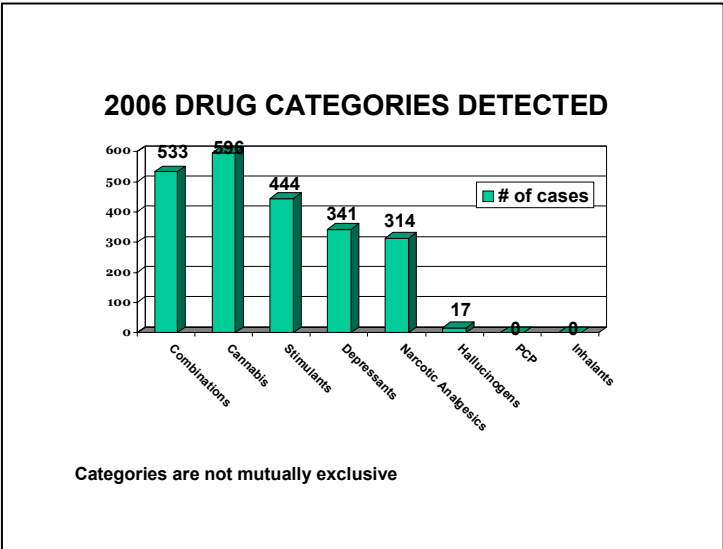
PROGRAM IMPACT AND RESULTS

In 2006, Oregon DREs conducted 1,226 drug evaluations. **Toxicology results confirmed that Oregon DREs correctly identified the category(s) of drugs in 87.1% of the evaluations.**

The DEC Program trains officers to identify drug and/or alcohol impaired drivers. The training also assists DREs in identifying drivers suffering from medical or mental conditions that can affect their ability to operate a motor vehicle safely. Oregon DREs conducted a drug evaluation on 218 (17.8%) drivers that had been involved in motor vehicle crashes, of which 1 was a fatal crash. In 2006, Oregon DREs identified 37 drivers who were not impaired by drugs and/or alcohol, but were suffering from health related problems, classified as “medical rule-outs.”

In 2006, the single drug category most often detected through toxicology was marijuana, which was detected 596 times. The second most frequently detected category of drugs was CNS-Stimulants (Methamphetamine, Amphetamine and Cocaine) found in 444 of the cases. Methamphetamine represented 76.6% of the CNS-Stimulant cases.

Drug combinations continued to be common for Oregon DRE evaluations in 2006. Toxicology confirmed combinations of drugs in 533 cases. Marijuana and methamphetamine were the most frequently detected combination (198 cases). The second most frequent combination was Depressants and Narcotics (164 cases). Low levels of alcohol (less than .08%) mixed with at least one drug was detected in 260 cases (21.2%).



Many of the drivers arrested for DUI-Drugs had drugs and/or drug paraphernalia in their possession when arrested (455 cases, or 37.1%).

Oregon, like many states, continues to have a problem with younger drivers arrested for DUI-Drugs. In 2006, Oregon DREs conducted 144 drug evaluations on suspected drugged-impaired drivers under the age of 21 years (11.7%) which was a 2.2% reduction from 2005.

2006 Drug Evaluations by Month

MONTH	NUMBER OF EVALUATIONS
JANUARY	116
FEBRUARY	77
MARCH	114
APRIL	73
MAY	115
JUNE	103
JULY	98
AUGUST	111
SEPTEMBER	105
OCTOBER	107
NOVEMBER	86
DECEMBER	121
TOTAL:	1,226

2006 Drug Evaluations by Law Enforcement Discipline

<i>DRE EVALUATIONS BY LAW ENFORCEMENT DISCIPLINE</i>	
SHERIFF'S OFFICES	283
STATE POLICE	322
CITY POLICE DEPTS	613
U.S. FOREST SERVICE	7

DRE TRAINING

During 2006, Oregon conducted one DRE school, training a total of 24 officers as Drug Recognition Experts (DREs). The school was held in May at the Oregon Military Academy in Monmouth. The training included two troopers from the Oregon State Police, thirteen officers from city police departments, five sheriff's deputies, and four Alaska State Troopers. All 24 officers successfully completed the school and then completed the certification phase held in Portland, Oregon. During the certification phase, 171 DRE evaluations were completed.



Oregon DRE Class #14
May 2006
Monmouth, OR

DRE SPECIAL PROJECTS

Oregon DREs used their special drug-impairment training skills in a variety of ways and are valuable resources in their communities. Some examples of special projects DREs were involved in during 2006 included:

State Wide DRE Inservice:

During the month of January The Oregon DEC Program held a statewide DRE In-Service. There were 174 DRE/DRE Instructors in attendance as well as several prosecutors. Guest Speakers included Dr. Karl Citek with Pacific University, College of Optometry; Chuck Hayes, IACP DRE Regional Operations Coordinator; Jeff Rost, Oregon State Police Forensic Services Division; Ann Marie Simmons, Douglas County District Attorney's Office; Mary Anderson, Deschutes County District Attorney's Office; Deena Ryerson, Washington County District Attorney's Office; and Laura Steward, Oregon DEC Program support. Inservice included training on the DECP revisions including pupil ranges and "Dissociative Anesthetics," DRE Case Law and Legal Issues along with New Breath Testing Instrumentation.

Drug Impairment Training for Educational Professionals (DITEP):

Oregon DREs trained as ***Drug Impairment Training for Educational Professionals (DITEP)*** instructors provided basic drug training designed for school teachers, administrators, and school nurses. In 2006, Oregon DITEP instructors conducted three DITEP training courses in the state. They included the Clackamas-Portland Area Schools training school nurses, principals, student managers, campus security, Superintendents, school counselors and intervention specialist, Linn County Adult Parole and Probation and the Oregon Liquor Commission Enforcement Agents.

Prosecuting the Drugged Driver:

During March 2006 The Oregon Department of Justice, The Oregon District Attorneys Association and Oregon DRE Instructors provided ***Prosecuting the Drugged Driver*** training to 24 prosecutors and police officers from varying venues around Oregon.

Other Training:

During March 2006 Oregon DRE/DRE Instructors completed their participation in Oregon SAIF Corporation's 11th Annual Agriculture Safety Seminar series. There were an estimated 1,650 attendees at 26 separate seminars that were held in 17 different cities in Oregon. Oregon DRE/DRE Instructors provided presentations on substance abuse, drug identification and impairment, and related issues such as "meth lab

hazards, meth lab dump sites,” along with potential metal and chemical theft related to the agriculture community.

2006 brought new breath testing equipment to Oregon, the Intoxilyzer 8000. Oregon DRE/DRE Instructors were trained as Intoxilyzer 8000 Instructors. DRE/DRE Instructors teamed up with Lab Specialists from the Oregon State Police Forensic Services Division to provide Intoxilyzer 8000 Operator Certification training to over 3,800 police officers state wide.

Operation Trucker Check:

The Oregon State Police and the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) have identified various problem high-volume commercial vehicle crash locations on several of the major interstate and state highways. Many of these locations have been designated as “Truck Safety Corridors,” due to numerous drug, speed and fatigue related crashes. To assist in identifying impaired and/or fatigued drivers, the State Police, working in partnership with ODOT, implemented a unique program entitled, “Operation Trucker Check” (OTC).

This specialized enforcement program uses commercial vehicle inspectors and DREs working together inspecting commercial vehicles and their drivers in one designated location.

DREs conduct a preliminary check of the commercial driver, which includes horizontal gaze nystagmus (HGN), vertical gaze nystagmus (VGN), Walk and Turn, One-Leg Stand and a check of the driver’s internal clock. If the driver is fit for driving, commercial vehicle inspectors conduct a “Walk-Around” inspection. If the initial inspection determines that a more comprehensive inspection is needed, a Level I inspection is conducted. If out-of-service violations are identified, the vehicle and/or the driver are placed out-of-service.

During 2006, Oregon DREs and commercial motor vehicle inspectors teamed up to conduct two ***Operation Trucker Checks***. The May operation was conducted at the Ashland Port of Entry along Interstate 5 in Southern Oregon. The September operation was conducted at the Farewell Bend Port of Entry along Interstate 84 in Northeastern Oregon. The effort resulted in 874 trucks being inspected and 508 drivers checked for impairment. During the operation 159 drivers were placed out-of-service and 96 trucks were placed out-of-service because of equipment violations. Nine inspections revealed that the operator and/or co-driver were in possession of Controlled Substance. Two drivers were arrested for DUI-Drugs.

2006 DEC PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

In 2006, there were many noteworthy DRE cases around the state. The following cases illustrate some of the more interesting evaluations and demonstrate how effective the DEC Program is in the fight to combat drug-impaired driving and drug-related crime.

January

On January 5, 2006, at about 3:24pm, a 57-year-old male was operating his vehicle at 86mph in a 55mph speed zone. **Trooper Freddie Dunlap** a DRE with the Oregon State Police Coos Bay Area Command detained the vehicle and contacted the operator. During the contact Trooper Dunlap could smell the odor of marijuana coming from inside the vehicle. The male driver displayed indicators of impairment consistent with Cannabis use. The operator provided Trooper Dunlap with a medical marijuana card and consented to perform field sobriety tests. It was determined that the operator was DUII and he was taken into custody. Search of the vehicle incident to arrest revealed nearly five pounds of dried marijuana. The operator's breath test results were .00%. **Senior Trooper Jo Gardiner** with the Oregon State Police Coos Bay Area Command conducted a drug evaluation and determined that the operator to be under the influence of Cannabis. Toxicological results confirmed the presence of Cannabis. The operator was lodged in jail for DUII-Controlled Substance, Possession, Manufacture, and Delivery of a Controlled Substance.

On January 27, 2006, at about 6:00pm **Senior Trooper David Stone** with the Oregon State Police Roseburg Area Command was dispatched to a motor vehicle crash on Interstate 5 near Myrtle Creek, Oregon. A 25-year-old male adult had crashed his vehicle into the highway barricade. When Senior Trooper Stone arrived he noticed that the crashed vehicle matched the description of a vehicle involved in a "road rage" incident that had been reported through a 911 call. This vehicle operator had been reported to have been attempting to ram and force the 911 caller off the road. The 911 call reported that the operator had pointed and fired a hand gun at the caller's vehicle. Senior Trooper Stone noticed indication of impairment and the operator failed field sobriety tests. Search of the operator revealed two "bindles" of suspected methamphetamine in a bandage wrapped around the operator's knee. The operator was also found to be in possession of a hand gun. The Operator's BAC was .00%. **Deputy Ethan House** a DRE with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office conducted a drug evaluation and determined the operator to be under the influence of a CNS-Stimulant. Toxicological exam confirmed the presence of Methamphetamine. The operator was arrested for Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance, Reckless Driving, Pointing a Firearm at Another and DUII-Controlled Substance.

February

Officer Brian Paterson with the Oakridge Police Department stopped a Commercial Motor Vehicle on February 2, 2006, after it had been involved in a “hit and run” crash. Officer Paterson observed that the operator, a 52-year-old male adult had “slurred speech” and “fumbled with his documents.” The operator was arrested for Failing to Perform the Duties of a Driver and DUII. BAC result was .00%. **Sergeant Tommy Miller** a DRE with the Oakridge Police Department conducted a drug evaluation and determined that the operator was under the influence of a CNS-Depressant and a Narcotic Analgesic. Toxicological exam confirmed the presence of Oxycodone, Diazepam, Temazepam, Carisoprodol, Meprobamate and Cyclobenzaprine.

On February 16, 2006, **Officer Brian Lister** with Seaside Police Department stopped a vehicle for an equipment violation. The 24-year-old male driver admitted consuming two alcoholic drinks and taking muscle relaxants. The operator performed poorly on field sobriety tests. During a search of the vehicle incident to arrest, Officer Lister located a “baggie” containing suspected Vicodin, Darvocet and two small imprinted tablets, one with a “M” the other with a “bunny rabbit.” The operator’s BAC was .03%. **Senior Trooper Jim Pierce** a DRE with the Oregon State Police Astoria Area Command conducted a drug evaluation and determined that the operator was under the influence of a CNS-Depressant (ETOH) and a Hallucinogen. The operator denied using any type of Hallucinogen and had only used his prescribed medication. Toxicological exam confirmed the presence of MDA and MDMA.

March

On March 6, 2006, at about 9:30pm, **Officer Nate Ard** with the Albany Police Department was dispatched to a vehicle versus pedestrian crash. When he arrived on scene he noticed that the 40-year-old female operator of the vehicle appeared “very nervous and unable to sit still.” During the contact it was discovered that the operator was in possession of suspected crystal methamphetamine. The vehicle operator consented to field sobriety tests and performed poorly. The operator was arrested for Assault II, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Reckless Driving and DUII-Controlled Substance. The operator provided a breath test with a result of .00%. **Officer Robert Hayes** a DRE with the Albany Police Department conducted the drug evaluation and determined the operator to be under the influence of a CNS-Stimulant. Toxicological exam confirmed the presence of Methamphetamine.

On March 24, 2006, at about 11:00am, **The Honorable Judge Rastetter**, a Circuit Court Judge in Clackamas County had a 50-year-old female appear before him in the courtroom and ordered the female to undergo a drug evaluation because “she was acting strange.” **Officer Wes Montgomery** a DRE with Gladstone Police Department was asked to conduct a drug evaluation. The subject had a BAC of .00%. Officer Montgomery determined that the female subject was under the influence of a Narcotic Analgesic. The subject refused to provide a urine sample but admitted to taking Norontin, Methadone, Effexor, Xanax, Amitriptyline, Diphenhydramine, and Clonidine.

April

At about 7:56pm on April 8, 2006, **Deputy Rhett Hemphill** with the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office responded to several 911 calls of a semi truck having difficulty maintaining a lane of travel and nearly striking other vehicles head-on. When Deputy Hemphill located the vehicle it was driving northbound in the southbound lane and he had to move out of his lane to avoid a crash. The operator, a 28-year-old male appeared to be intoxicated and consented to field sobriety tests and performed poorly. The operator was arrested for DUII and found to be in possession of two small "baggies" of suspected methamphetamine. The operator's BAC was .00%. **Officer Curtis Chambers** a DRE with the Redmond Police Department conducted the drug evaluation and determined the operator to be under the influence of a CNS-Stimulant. Toxicological exam confirmed the presence of Methamphetamine. The operator was charged with Reckless Driving, Recklessly Endangering Another Person, DUII-Controlled Substance, Possession of Controlled Substance and Fail to Carry and Present a Drivers License. The operator told Officer Chambers that he "normally uses to help him stay awake while driving his semi."

On April 11, 2006, a 35-year-old male adult was driving a 1994 Dodge Caravan in the downtown area in the city of Bend. The subject crashed into another vehicle and continued into the parking lot of the local Rite Aid store where he crashed into two parked vehicles. **Officer Mark Linville** with the Bend Police Department responded to the area and located the subject leaning against the wall of the building near his vehicle which was parked partially on the curb and sidewalk. Field sobriety tests were conducted and the subject was found to be impaired. The subject had a BAC of .00%. **Officer John Lawrence** a DRE with the Bend Police Department was called to conduct a drug evaluation, and concluded that the operator was under the influence of a CNS-Depressant and a Narcotic Analgesic. Toxicological exam confirmed the presence of Methadone, Citalopram and Dextromethorphan. The operator was charged with DUII-Controlled Substance, Reckless Driving and several counts of Hit and Run.

May

Senior Trooper Steve Webster a DRE with the Oregon State Police Salem Area Command and **Deputy Kristin Knutson** a DRE with the Marion County Sheriff's Office conducted drug evaluations on the same 47-year-old male one day apart. On the first occasion, May 7, 2006, the subject was stopped by Oregon State **Trooper Peter Arnautov** with the Oregon State Police Salem Area Command for failing to maintain a single lane of travel. The operator was extremely impaired with a BAC of .00%. On May 8, 2006, just 21 hours later the subject was stopped again by Oregon State **Trooper Peter Arnautov** for varying vehicle speeds, drifting in a lane and driving into oncoming traffic. Again the subject was impaired with a BAC of .00%. After the evaluations both DREs concluded that the subject was under the influence of a CNS-Depressant and a CNS-Stimulant. Toxicology confirmed the presence of Cyclobenzaprine and Diphenhydramine.

On May 10, 2006, **Officer Kevin Felts** with the Portland Police Bureau responded to a multiple vehicle crash on Interstate 5 in the Portland area. Witnesses to the crash reported that a 22-year-old male operator of a vehicle was traveling over 90mph when he rear-ended several cars. Witnesses also reported that before officers could arrive on scene the suspect driver was hiding items in a hole in the concrete highway barrier. Once officers were on scene they removed from the concrete barrier the items the driver had tried to hide. These included a cook spoon with suspected heroin residue in the bowl of the spoon, two unused needles and two prescription bottles. One bottle was a prescription for Darvon-N and the other for Diazepam. Both prescriptions were filled the previous day, 30 pills each. There were only 19 Darvon-N and 17 Diazepam pills left in the bottles. Officer Felts conducted an investigation for DUII and found that the suspect driver was intoxicated. BAC result was .00%. **Officer Josh Ladd** a DRE with the Portland Police Bureau conducted the drug evaluation and concluded that the subject was under the influence of a CNS-Depressant, Narcotic Analgesic and Cannabis, which was confirmed by toxicology.

June

In the early morning hours of June 20, 2006, **Trooper Greg Costanzo** with the Oregon State Police Central Point Area Command responded to the scene of a fatal vehicle crash in which three subjects were found deceased. At the scene was an 18-year-old male who had been driving another vehicle following the vehicle with the three deceased subjects. This operator reported to investigating officers that they, meaning the three deceased and him, were all at a party drinking beer and smoking marijuana. They left the party to go to another location. The people in the other vehicle were following him and then passed his vehicle at a high speed and he lost sight of them. Trooper Costanzo developed probable cause to believe this subject was impaired and placed him under arrest. With a BAC result of .00%, **Officer Curtis Whipple** a DRE with the Medford Police Department was summoned to conduct a drug evaluation. Officer Whipple determined the subject to be under the influence of Cannabis and toxicology test confirmed his opinion.

Douglas County Sheriff's **Deputy Mike Norris** was given information on an attempt to locate a possible intoxicated driver. A 911 caller was following the vehicle and gave updated information on the vehicle's location and driving. Deputy Norris located the vehicle and as he pulled in behind it, the 24-year-old female driver got out of her vehicle and attempted to walk back to the deputy. Deputy Norris reported that her balance was so poor he asked the driver to go back to her vehicle to avoid falling down. It was determined that the operator was DUII and she was placed under arrest. Her BAC was .00%. **Officer Todd Crouse** a DRE with the Roseburg Police Department conducted a drug evaluation, and concluded that the operator was under the influence of a CNS-Depressant which was confirmed by toxicology. During the evaluation the female operator admitted to taking Soma, Effexor, Klonopin, Percocet, Diazepam, Trazodone and Seroquel.

July

Oregon State Police **Trooper Chris Holsworth** a DRE out of the Grants Pass Worksite (southern end of the state) and **Senior Trooper Thomas Harrison** a DRE with the Oregon State Police Portland Area Command (northern end of the state), conducted drug evaluations on the same 49-year-old male eleven days apart.

The first occasion happened on July 2, 2006, at about 5:45pm in the Grants Pass area. It started as the result of a driving complaint from another motorist. The calling party reported following a vehicle that was failing to maintain a lane of travel and varying its speed between 50 and 70 mph. **Senior Trooper Scott Holsworth** a DRE with the Oregon State Police Grants Pass Worksite located the vehicle and contacted the operator. The operator displayed gross impairment and was arrested for DUII. BAC result was .00%. **Trooper Chris Holsworth** a DRE with the Oregon State Police Grants Pass Worksite conducted the drug evaluation and determined that the operator was under the influence of a CNS-Depressant, Narcotic Analgesic, Inhalant and Cannabis. Toxicology confirmed the presence of 7-Aminoclonazepam, Cannabis, Alprazolam, Hydrocodone, Methadone, Nordiazepam and Oxycodone.

The second occasion happened on July 13, 2006, at about 5:40pm in the Portland area. Police dispatch centers in the area had received calls of a vehicle driving on sidewalks, running stoplights, hitting another vehicle and nearly hitting pedestrians. **Senior Trooper Thomas Harrison** a DRE with the Oregon State Police Portland Area Command located the vehicle and contacted the male operator who was again grossly impaired. The subject was arrested for DUII and other related charges and produced a BAC result of .00%. Senior Trooper Harrison conducted the drug evaluation and concluded the subject to be under the influence of a CNS-Depressant and a Narcotic Analgesic. Toxicology confirmed the presence of Cannabis, Alprazolam, Methadone, Nordiazepam and Promethazine.

On July 11, 2006, **Officer Sean Ploghoft** with the Hillsboro Police Department responded to a local McDonalds restaurant for a reported 23-year-old male driver who was at the drive-thru window exhibiting odd behavior, had fallen asleep at the wheel. The employees of the restaurant reported it took several minutes for them to get his attention. Upon contact Officer Ploghoft determined the subject to be impaired and arrested him for DUII. During the investigation the subject was trying to stuff several baggies under his legs and when he stepped from the vehicle, the baggies fell to the ground. The baggies contained approximately 8 grams of suspected methamphetamine. The subject's BAC was .00%. **Deputy Tim Miller** a DRE with the Washington County Sheriff's Office conducted the drug evaluation and determined the subject to be under the influence of a CNS-Stimulant and Cannabis. This was confirmed by toxicology.

Thirteen days later **Senior Trooper Robin Hall** a DRE with the Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division, St. Helens Worksite responded to a call for a welfare check of a subject passed out behind the wheel of a vehicle at a forest road access gate. It was the same 23-year-old male adult. During the course of the investigation Trooper Hall

found the subject to be in possession of marijuana and methamphetamine in the vehicle. Consent search of the subject's residence, only a few miles away, lead to the discovery of approximately three ounces of dried marijuana; about 1.3 ounces of methamphetamine; a shotgun and handgun; an expandable baton; marijuana plants; hundreds of pieces of suspected stolen mail and checkbooks; live certificates of birth; bank cards; counterfeit checks; computers, scanners and printers.

August

On August 3, 2006, at about 3:10am **Officer Baunach** with the Stanfield Police Department responded to a driving complaint on Interstate 84 near mile post 188. The report was of a vehicle that almost ran the complainant off the road. Officer Baunach located the vehicle stopped on the shoulder of the road. Upon contact with the 38-year-old male driver Officer Baunach noticed that he appeared "antsy, nervous, animated and could not stop moving." The operator admitted to the officer that he had heroin in his pocket. The driver was placed under arrest for possession of a controlled substance as well as for a warrant. Once at the correctional facility field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. **Officer Charles Byram** a DRE with the Pendleton Police Department conducted the drug evaluation and concluded the subject to be under the influence of a CNS-Stimulant and a Narcotic Analgesic. Toxicology confirmed the presence of both. The subject told the DRE that he "snorts a water based heroin solution from a squeeze bottle."

On August 12, 2006, at about 10:50am **Officer Matt Bohman** a DRE with the Springfield Police Department stopped a 20-year-old male driver for "erratic driving" and "nearly causing a wreck." The driver told Officer Bohman he had been taking cough syrup. Officer Bohman reported that the subject had "a low raspy voice, sweating profusely, shaking badly and had a dazed lethargic appearance." The subject performed poorly on field sobriety tests and was taken into custody for DUII. **Officer Neil Halttunen** a DRE with the Springfield Police Department conducted the drug evaluation and determined the subject to be under the influence of a CNS-Depressant and a CNS-Stimulant. The subject admitted to "taking three boxes of Coricidin, he had done this several times before and it gives him an awesome trip." Toxicology confirmed the presence of Chlorphenirame and Dextromethorphan.

September

On September 13, 2006, at about 5:30pm Oregon State Police **Sergeant Mark Duncan** a DRE with the Oregon State Police Ontario Area Command was given an attempt to locate on a vehicle traveling on Interstate 84 in excess of 90mph and driving all over the road "traveling shoulder to shoulder." Sergeant Duncan located the vehicle in a rest area off of Interstate 84. The 31-year-old female driver was seen staggering out of the restrooms back towards her vehicle. The subject was having trouble walking and standing and used the payphone, holding on to it for balance. The subject consented to field sobriety tests and performed poorly. BAC result was .01%. **Sergeant Tim Plummer** a DRE with the Oregon State Police General Headquarters conducted the

drug evaluation and determined the subject to be under the influence of ETOH, a CNS-Depressant and a CNS-Stimulant. During the interview the subject admitted to taking "13-15 Prozac, 2-3 cans of beer and a couple of Percocet" in an attempt to commit suicide. The subject was admitted to a local area hospital for a mental health evaluation. Toxicology confirmed the presence of Citalopram and Methamphetamine.

On September 17, 2006, **Officer Natt** with the Eugene Police Department attempted to stop a vehicle for a traffic violation. The vehicle was slow to respond to the officer's emergency lights and did not come to a stop until it hit a parked car. Officer Natt contacted the 54-year-old male driver and noticed indicators of impairment. The driver failed field sobriety tests and was taken into custody for DUII. Breath test result was .00%. **Officer Chris Harrison** a DRE with Eugene Police Department was summoned to conduct a drug evaluation. Officer Harrison determined that the driver was under the influence of a CNS-Depressant and a CNS-Stimulant. The driver admitted to taking more than his prescribed dosage of Tramadol and Ambiem and stated "I'm seeing two of everything, two of you, two of all the cars on the road. That is why I got pulled over because I was covering one eye to see what was real." Toxicology confirmed the presence of Diphenhydramine, Tramadol and Zolpidem.

October

Officer Jason Antley with the Medford Police Department responded to the parking lot of a local Costco for a report of a 24-year-old male adult "driving erratically." Employees at the Costco refused to sell any gas to the driver and the driver then attempted to park his vehicle three different times in three different parking spots. Once Officer Antley arrived the driver "brandished a handgun," which was later determined to be a toy gun. The subject was taken into custody for DUII and provided a breath test, results of .00%. **Officer Trevor Arnold** a DRE with the Medford Police Department conducted the drug evaluation and determined the subject to be under the influence of a CNS-Stimulant. Toxicology confirmed the presence of Methamphetamine and Cannabis.

On October 26, 2006, **Officer Reynolds** with the Newport Police Department was investigating a motor vehicle crash involving a 50-year-old male driver. The driver was transported to a local area hospital where he was treated and released. According to Officer Reynolds the driver was "tweaking" and was arrested for DUII. His BAC result was .00%. **Detective Cari Boyd** a DRE with the Oregon State Police Newport Area Command was asked to conduct the drug evaluation. During the evaluation the driver admitted to Detective Boyd that he had been "parting for his birthday" which was on the 24th. He admitted to consuming "5-6 Liberty Caps Mushrooms, smoking 3-4 marijuana joints and to using methamphetamine." Detective Boyd determined the subject to be under the influence of a CNS-Stimulant and Cannabis. Toxicology confirmed the presence of Methamphetamine and Cannabis.

November

On November 4, 2006, **Deputy Don Mainero** with the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to a motor vehicle crash wherein a 37-year-old female crashed her vehicle into a guard rail and got the vehicle stuck on the guard rail. Before Deputy Mainero arrived on scene the female operator was able to free her vehicle from the guard rail and then drove off the road into a ditch. When Deputy Mainero arrived he found the driver passed out behind the wheel. The driver was arrested for DUII with a BAC result of .00%. **Lieutenant Dale Jorgensen** a DRE with the Lake Oswego Police Department conducted the drug evaluation and determined the operator to be under the influence of a CNS-Depressant and a CNS-Stimulant. Toxicology confirmed the presence of a CNS-Depressant and a Narcotic Analgesic.

Officer Felts with the Portland Police Bureau was dispatched to investigate a motor vehicle crash where a 43-year-old female hit a person in a wheel chair that was in the designated bike lane. **Officer James Sorensen** a DRE with the Portland Police Bureau conducted the drug evaluation and determined the driver to be under the influence of a CNS-Depressant and a Narcotic Analgesic. Toxicology confirmed the presence of a CNS-Depressant and a Narcotic Analgesic.


December

On December 1, 2006, **Officer Troy Mickelsen** with the Albany Police Department responded to fraud in progress report at a local restaurant. It was reported that a 36-year-old male adult was attempting to pay for a meal with a counterfeit 20 dollar bill. The male adult left the restaurant before officer could arrive. Officer Mickelson located the suspect vehicle and stopped it. The male driver was found in possession of six counterfeit 20 dollar bills and suspected methamphetamine. He was taken into custody on numerous charges including DUII. **Officer Robert Hayes** a DRE with the Albany Police Department conducted the drug evaluation and determined the subject to be under the influence of a CNS-Stimulant. Toxicology confirmed the presence of Methamphetamine.

On December 6, 2006, at about 10:15pm **Deputy Rhett Hemphell** with the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to a report of a semi tractor/trailer that had attempted to turn around and had damaged some property. Deputy Hemphell located the vehicle leaving the area. When he attempted to stop the semi, the vehicle failed to yield and sped away from the deputy. The semi was driving into oncoming traffic forcing vehicles off the road. Once stopped the driver was determined to be under the influence of intoxicants. BAC result was .00%. **Officer Curtis Chambers** a DRE with the Redmond Police Department conducted the drug evaluation and concluded that the 35-year-old female driver was under the influence of a CNS-Stimulant. The operator was charged with Possession of a Controlled Substance, Reckless Driving, Recklessly Endangering Another, two counts of Hit and Run, Felony Attempt to Elude and two counts of Criminal Mischief second degree.


DRE OFFICERS OF THE YEAR

In 2006, many Oregon DREs did an outstanding job of deterring drug impaired driving and drug abuse. In selecting the DRE Officers of the Year for municipal, county and state police agencies, many factors were considered, including the number of drug evaluations, the accuracy of their opinions and their contributions to the DEC Program. The three officers selected as DREs of the year for 2006 were:



Officer Todd Crouse
Roseburg Police Department

Officer Todd Crouse received the award for his dedication of the Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) program and for his commitment in prosecuting the impaired driver. He has an established reputation in his area as a reliable source for fellow law enforcement officers and mentoring others on the proper administration of SFSTs. Officer Crouse was also recognized by his local Deputy District Attorney commending him on his “Exceptional Testimony” during a DRE trial.



Deputy Shon Latty
Polk County Sheriff’s Office

Deputy Shon Latty received the award for his dedication in assisting other police officers by making himself available to conduct DRE evaluations in three counties. He is active in DUII enforcement and is known for his willingness to assist anybody with advice and support. An extraordinary attribute of Deputy Latty is even though he is a highly motivated, highly skilled DUII/DRE Deputy, he is very quiet and humble about his accomplishments.



**Trooper Jeremy Gunter
Oregon State Police – Milton-Freewater**

Trooper Jeremy Gunter was selected for his dedication and support of the Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) program and for his commitment to deterring drugged driving. During 2006 he had 26 DUII arrests and 17 drug evaluations with a 93.8% accuracy rate. He also provided training during the Intoxilyzer 8000 conversion, and SFST Refresher training. Trooper Gunter was always available when partner agencies needed a DRE and is a great resource of information for other officers.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION



**Sergeant Tim Tannenbaum
Washington County
Sheriff's Office**

Sergeant Tim Tannenbaum received the Maria Mignano Dedication to Duty award. Sergeant Tannenbaum became a certified Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) in 2002 and a DRE Instructor in 2005. He has established himself as a leader in the field both within the Sheriff's Office as well as throughout Washington County. He is also a lead SFST Instructor, an Intoxilyzer 8000 Instructor, and an ACTAR accredited Traffic Crash Reconstructionist. He has provided training within his agency and around the state. This has enabled him to continue his efforts to promote training in an effort to improve traffic safety through the detection, apprehension, and successful prosecution of impaired drivers. Sergeant Tannenbaum has received numerous commendations from the District Attorney's Office for his work ethic, dedication to duty, and professionalism while testifying as an expert in court. Sergeant Tannenbaum exemplifies the behavior, dedication and professionalism; and his efforts have inspired others to follow his lead in all aspects of impaired driving detection, apprehension and prosecution.

SUMMARY

Once again in 2006, the Drug Evaluation Classification Program continued to make a positive impact to Oregon's transportation safety. The Program effectively reduces traffic fatalities, injuries, and property damage on our highways, city streets, and county roads. The successes of the Oregon DEC Program would not be possible without the dedication and professionalism of the many DREs devoted to the program and without the continued support and partnership provided by the **Oregon Department of Transportation – Transportation Safety Division**.

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