

Officers rescue tangled deer with Tazer

by Cheryl McDermott

With all the icy road conditions, fender benders and frustrations associated with the recent frigid blast of cold weather, the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office offered the diversion of a "pleasant, heart-warming story". Officers saved a large deer with an impressive display of antlers which had become entangled in a rope swing -- by tazering him.

The large buck's antlers became badly tangled in a rope swing hanging from a tree in the yard of a home on South Pellican Road in Canby, Oregon about 5 p.m. Tuesday.

Officers rescued a big buck deer with an impressive set of antlers (similar to the animal shown above) by zapping it with a Tazer when it became entangled in a rope swing hanging from a tree in the yard of a Canby, Oregon home.

The responding officer, Deputy Jeff Miller, who was accompanied by an Oregon State Police trooper at the scene, said the deer was thrashing around and clearly in distress. "There was nothing that we could do -- we were going to shoot the deer when I thought I would try and Tazer it," he said.

The Tazer did the trick, incapacitating the animal long enough to free it from the swing. "The less-than-lethal Tazering was appreciated by the majestic buck, who was obviously happy to be freed," said Clackamas County Sheriff's spokesman and detective Jim Strovink.

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