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Pioneerspark Neighbourhood Watch

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The Chairman's Report

My first 2 and a half years as Chairman has been a challenging but enjoyable experience, with the past year being extremely busy and even more challenging!

The crime in the whole of Windhoek brings to our attention how much we all need to do to be even more effective in protecting not only our own property, but also our lives, our family, friends and neighbours, whether they are members of Pioneerspark Neighbourhood Watch or not. We must always be aware of what is happening around us and call the Police on 061 10111 or 061 302 302 or our Emergency Numbers - 081 229 8888 / 085 229 8888, if we see anything suspicious and we should encourage everyone else to do the same.

Often, we would hear comments like: "Well it happened a few kilometres away" or "It's so not of interest to me or my family". All I can say is, maybe it should be! It is important to ensure that everyone is kept aware of what has occurred around our community, to hopefully avoid it from happening again. As you know we, as Pioneerspark Neighbourhood Watch, already do this exceptionally well. So please continue with the good work!

As Chairman of the Pioneerspark Neighbourhood Watch, I appreciate everything that the committee, the patrollers and every community member have achieved to help reduce the opportunity of crime. We have increased our membership due to their dedication and hard work, therefore I want to give special thanks to everyone involved with recruiting new members.

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From Page 1... Thank you for all your efforts in improving communications / relationships with, not only the committee and members, but also with all other partners e.g.: Nampol and City Police and other neighbourhood watches, with whom excellent relationships have been consolidated over the last 2 years. Together as a team we can reduce the opportunity of crime. Special thanks are given to Nampol and City Police, who have been doing tremendous work with us and always responds to situations and resolving "issues" quickly and in a positive manner!

Looking at the PPNHW Crime Statistics for the year 2016/2017, there is a clear indication that crime is reducing in our neighbourhood. We are extremely proud of what have been achieved.

There are however still areas that remains a challenge, where we still need to make a meaningful impact with our CCTV cameras and patrols, e.g. robberies and theft out of motor vehicles. But I am confident that we will have more strategies in place next year

that will mean a safer neighbourhood for all of us.

It would be great if we can continue to be pro-active to ensure that everyone in our community knows of the benefits of a Neighbourhood Watch. Spread the word and involve your neighbours to become part of the PPNHW family. Remember communication is a two-way process, so we need to hear from you if there is anything to report. I hereby wish to convey my gratitude to our patrollers and community who have assisted and supported us during the past year. With dedicated members, we look forward in taking Pioneerspark Neighbourhood Watch to a higher level.

This time of the year there is nothing more magical than decorated trees, lights and presents, with family and friends to brighten up our lives. We as PPNHW would like to wish all of you a safe and Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with peace, joy, productivity and prosperity.

Erik Strauss

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Patroller Awards

Congratulations To All The Patrollers And Thank You For Your Dedication.



Erik Strauss - 600 Patrol Shifts



Derrick Strauss - 200 Patrol Shifts



Duimpie Bassingthwaighte - 200 Patrol Shifts



Jaco Jacobs - 100 Patrol Shifts

Project Night Watch

Welcome to the new patrollers, thank you for committing your valuable to help keep Pioneerspark safe for everyone.



Kato Van Niekerk and Sybille Bause joined the Day Patrol Team



Richard Deyzel



Know Your Patrollers: Gerrit Koekemoer and family

Gerrit grew up on a farm and started his Primary School years in Gobabis and finished High School at HTS in Windhoek.

Gerrit and his wife Marcel, married for 12 years with 3 beautiful kids, have resided in Kleine Kuppe for quite some time before becoming residents of Pioneerspark 7 years ago. Gerrit, who is not a big sports fan, loves farming, which he does on a part time basis as their kids' activities takes up a lot of his time. He also has his own website hosting business. Marcel is in the broadcasting business and together they also do food catering. Marcel is also a member of the editorial team of the successful PPNHW newsletter.

Gerrit started patrolling on 25 September 2015 and became the Vice-Chairman of PPNHW on 04 March 2016. "It's difficult to say how I got into the position as Vice-Chairman as I just joined, I did some patrol shifts and got more & more involved. Then I was nominated and elected..." To date Gerrit has completed just over 440 patrol shifts.

"In my time as patroller, I've experienced a few 'eye opening' incidents. Every time you think you've seen it all... you experience more or different things. One day 2 families had a quarrel where one young man hit another on his behind with a cricket bat!! At first you're speechless and then you're trying to calm down and rescue the situation. Afterwards you think to yourself: What was that?!"

Gerrit joined the PPNHW after his wife had a narrow escape from criminals. Luckily she was alert and a quick response rescued her from what could have been an ugly situation. "Most of us think that this only happens to other people. We should not wait until something unfortunate happens and then think what we could have done to avoid the situation. It will then be too late for regrets. My plea to everyone is to join the PPNHW. Please don't sit on the side and be under the impression that you will be safe on your own or that you can't help us make a difference. Please join this family - we're there for each other!"

"I don't have a favourite patrol shift time, every shift has its own activities. It differs from an early evening bin digger to people returning home in the early morning hours after a tuff party".



"I would like to express my sincere appreciation to everyone involved with PPNHW. Thank you for an exceptionally good year and EVERY contribution – it doesn't matter the size.

Everything helped to make a positive difference! A big thank you to all the ladies and gentlemen who are prepared to do the tuff Dec/Jan patrol roster. Your dedication and willingness are surely appreciated!

A Merry Christmas and a Prosperous 2018 to all. Please be safe on the roads!

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PPNHW STATS



Updates

November 2017

Crime Statistics

2: Confirmed House Break-ins, Daytime
0: Confirmed Attempted House Break-ins
1: Confirmed Armed Robbery
1: Vehicle broken into / Smash and Grab
1: Other - Fence cut
0: Number of suspects caught

Patrol Statistics

456 Shifts

912 Patrol Hours

01-03 shifts: 16 Shifts

03-05 shifts: 16 Shifts

Undercover Patrol Shifts: 19

Day Patrols: 25

Top 10 Patrollers:

22 Ernst Viljoen (Day patroller)

16 Erik Strauss

16 Gerrit Koekemoer

12 Johnny Smith (Day/Night patroller)

12 Horst Pritzen

11 Andre Du Toit

11 Odette De Kock

10 Gerhard De Kock

9 Werner Horsthemke

9 Antje Horsthemke

9 Johann Haensel

9 Sonja Trümper

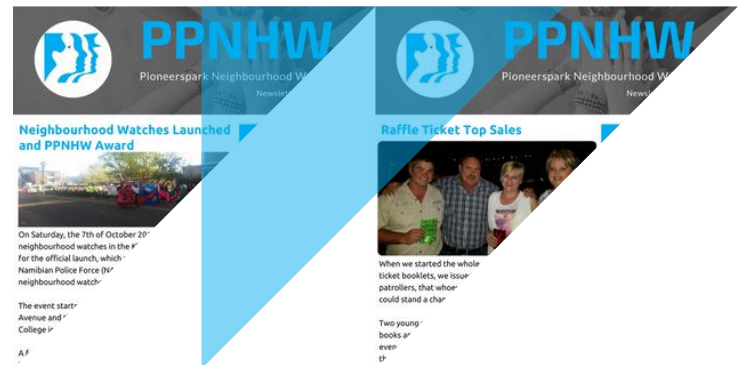
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CCTV Update

With great assistance from community members and street residents, who were generous to raise funds, we managed to install additional cameras in Schlettwein and Potgieter Streets. Thank you very much for your generous contributions!



Newsletter Update

We have had a wonderful year in terms of the newsletter and compilation thereof. Thank you very much for your contributions and feedback.

We will also be taking a bit of a break and our next edition will be out in February 2018.

From the editorial team we would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.



Suspect Identification



REMEMBER TO ASK:
Height / Build / Complexion

THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY TIPS

Have you lost a car part and just don't know how? We know how. Theft from motor vehicle is real and is happening. Be alert and consider the following precautionary measures in order to avoid becoming a victim.



Important information to consider as a vehicle owner in order to eliminate opportunities of theft from motor vehicle:

- Criminal will often target vehicles that are parked in streets
- Park in well-lit areas and avoid parking in secluded, poorly lit areas.
- Always double check if your vehicle is indeed locked when using a remote
- Consider installation of an alarm system.
- Install lock nuts/ wheel locks
- Weld your accessories such as bull bar, notch bar and roll bar on to your vehicle (Especially pickup vehicles)

DON'T RISK IT, PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY.

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- ▶ product quality



Pioneers Park Neighbourhood Watch Application Form



PLEASE ATTACH PROOF OF RESIDENCE WITH YOUR APPLICATION

Contact Details:

Name	_____	Surname	_____
Cell	_____	Home	_____
E Mail	_____	Date of birth:	_____
ID Number	_____		_____
Spouse Name:	_____	Spouse number	_____
		(for WhatsApp)	_____

Residential Address

Street	_____	House No.	_____
Suburb	_____	Complex	_____

Would you be prepared to assist with any of the following activities ?

Please indicate with a tick ✓

Patrols	<input type="checkbox"/>	Donations	<input type="checkbox"/>
Admin	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Describe other:	_____

Mark with (X) if you are available for the following interim positions/s:

Chairperson	<input type="checkbox"/>	Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice-Chairperson	<input type="checkbox"/>	Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Co-op Member	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social Media	<input type="checkbox"/>

Signature _____

Date _____

Email queries or forms to:

Email: ppnhwatch@gmail.com

Or submit to: PPNHW Drop Box located in Fountain OK Foods within Baines.

Donations will be used for: Fuel for patrol vehicles, maintenance of CCTV cameras, admin, neighbourhood watch signs, awareness, etc.

(An additional Police form for Patrollers should be completed and must be printed in colour - Sent on request only)

TIPS TO BE SAFE

The first step to ensuring your protection is to take personal responsibility for your family's safety and security at home. We advise you to take the time to understand the dangers that could arise every day so that you can minimise the possibility and impact of those risks.

LET'S LOOK AT SOME SAFETY MEASURES YOU CAN IMPLEMENT



Look at your house through a burglar's eyes – to see what they would see looking in. Look out for visual clues pointing to the value of your household contents.



How secure is your home? Take a look at your walls, other barriers and security gates and assess how easy it might be to enter your home.



Small noisy dogs are useful deterrents that help draw attention to intruders outside your house



Consider having spotlights installed to deter burglars from entering your property.

Ticking off even just a few of these may help you sleep a little more soundly at night.

And remember when you need help, all the insurance solutions you need are only a call away.

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