



# PPNHW

Pioneerspark Neighbourhood Watch

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## Patroller Awards - July 2019

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



**Alwyn Harmse- 100 Patrol Shifts**



**Pierre le Grange- 200 Patrol Shifts**



**Derrick Strauss- 500 Patrol Shifts**



**Reini Hoppe- 100 Patrol Shifts**



**Stefan Spangehl- 500 Patrol Shifts**



**Odette de Kock- 600 Patrol Shifts**



**Marc Sell- 100 Patrol Shifts**



**Gerhard de Kock- 600 Patrol Shifts**





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## Feedback: Operation Safeguard - Domestic Workers

Fritsche Bus Stop, close to Gous Street

Our patrollers were on duty as from 05H45 till 07H00 to monitor any suspicious movement / people at the bus stop and also to be visible between Fritsche and Smit Streets.

23 Domestic workers went through the riverbed between Fritsche and Smit Streets, only 2 groups of 3 or 4, the rest walked alone. Some domestic workers had to wait up to 20 minutes before their employer opened the gate.

PPNHW will look at the option and cost of flood lights in the riverbed but we need your support. If your house is next to a riverbed, please consider to install a flood light or two. They are bright enough to allow people to feel safe in that area and to deter criminals from trying anything untoward.

### Safety Tips

- Never walk through dark areas at night - Never walk alone - Try to select a route with least plant growth and hiding places for criminals - Carry pepper spray and always be alert - Being distracted by a cell phone can make you an easy target, avoid using it at those times - When working extra late, ask for a ride to the nearest taxi stop or place of gathering

Together we stand firm!



## AGM - 13 August 2019

On Monday evening, 13 August 2019, the Annual General Meeting of PPNHW took place. This event was well attended and held in a positive and relaxed atmosphere. The Chairman, Erik Strauss highlighted the achievements of PPNHW since 2014 and proudly highlighted the statistics, which show a remarkable decline of criminal activities in Pioneerspark for the past 3 years. He wholeheartedly thanked the members, the patrollers, City Police and Nampol for the excellent support and cooperation and reiterated that all this can only be achieved through everybody's involvement. The Vice-Chairperson, Odette de Kock, spoke about the newsletter and website, while the Treasurer, Johan Tromp, presented the annual financial statement, which also shows a positive balance. Funds are used to ensure the safety of the Pioneerspark residents (fences are erected, cameras installed etc). Much needed funds were also raised for the fundraiser event on 31 August, to buy amongst others, sheep for the braai. Numerous members present thanked Erik Strauss and his team for the excellent work done and pledged their support.





## Update on Boelie



2 Years after being placed in the care of the Nels, Boelie is still the "Gentle Giant" he was before and his mysterious history is still unknown. Background: The roaming Boerboel of Aschenborn Street was first noticed by PPNHW patrollers at the end of November 2016 and was quickly named Boelie and have been monitored on a daily basis.

At the end of June 2017 the SPCA took charge of the situation and took him in. An abscess was found in his mouth, caused by a bone that got stuck between his teeth. Pioneerspark NHW & the community raised funds to assist with veterinary services and then an animal healer worked with him for another month. He were sorely missed by all patrollers during this time until he became a part of the Nel family on the 9th of August 2017.

"Boelie will always be a very special addition to the family. He has changed so much in the last 2 years and had a total transformation from being an evasive and mistrusting dog to a protective, gentle and loving dog. Boelie has gained weight and is in an excellent condition. He enjoys his bath and a long walk. He likes any treat, therefore will investigate every carrier bag coming from the shop. Boelie and the rest of our pets have a special bond, especially with the cats. He surprises us every day with his gentle nature. We find him more often in the kitchen, coming in via the backdoor and he still gives his paw if you're close to him. We just love this adorable dog!"

Steven, Hannelie, Janet & Jarin Nel





## OPERATION SAFEGUARD

PPNHW decided to relaunch our Safeguard WhatsApp group for safety and security reasons. This is just another way to safeguard our neighbourhood and to stand together against crime. Kindly support us with this important initiative and let's stand together as one family against crime.

WhatsApp Group: Operation Safeguard

WHO: ALL PPNHW Domestic workers

REASON: Basic tips in security and reporting – It will be an information group for our domestic workers and house owners to help them to safeguard the premises and to spot anything suspicious in the street and to report as quickly as possible with the correct info. We will share safety and security tips on this group and our domestic workers can report suspicious persons / vehicles or movement on the group and we will respond ASAP.

WHY: Our domestic workers are our extra eyes and ears during office hours and we need each other to help make our neighbourhood safer for us all.

PLEASE SEND ERIK STRAUSS (081 122 2743) A PERSONAL WAP OR PHONE HIM WITH DETAILS OF YOUR DOMESTIC WORKER IF INTERESTED TO JOIN THE GROUP.

PPNHW Admin

## PPNHW Student WhatsApp group

**Pioneerspark students** (Unam/Nust), please join our Student WhatsApp group.

Hendrik Witbooi (MTC Tower to Unam entrance) is a high risk area for robberies between 18H00 and 21H00. Please report any suspicious movement or suspicious vehicles immediately on our groups.

**Our priority is the safety of our members**, let us stand together as a family against crime and fight it together.

Please send me your details ( Name/Surname, Telephone number and street address)

Thank you



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## PPNHW STATS

## PATROL STATS

**JULY 2019**

**Patrol Statistics**

**560 Shifts**

**1120 Patrol Hours**

**Top Patrollers:**

21 Erik Strauss

15 Terry Cooper

14 Odette de Kock

14 Peter Engelsmann

13 Gerrit Koekemoer

12 Stoffies Stofberg

12 Christa Stofberg

12 Gerhard de Kock

12 Wouter Strauss

11 Bubi Grothkopf

11 Duimpie

Bassingthwaighte

10 Derrick Strauss

Thank you to all PPNHW  
patrollers, much appreciated.

**01-31 JULY 2019**

551 Shifts

1102 Patrol Hours

**Day Patrol**

52 Shifts (Best Ever)

**Undercover Shifts**

22 Shifts

**Emergency Calls**

52 Calls

## SECURITY ADVISORY

Please be vigilant at all times.

Be aware of your surroundings.

Be on the lookout for anything suspicious.

**Please close all open gates.**

Anything suspicious or any emergency, please  
call our emergency number for quick response.

**Do not send a SMS or WhatsApp after 23H00 -  
Urgency is a call away**

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## Know your patroller: Werner Horsthemke



Werner Horsthemke was born and raised in Windhoek and completed grade 10 at DHPS in 1996. In 1997 he left for Germany and started his apprenticeship as a refrigerator technician in Munich the following year. Thereafter, as a qualified technician, he worked in Munich for 8 years, then went to work in Australia for 2 years and also travelled for 1 year. Werner moved to Pioneerspark in August 2015 and is now one of the 4 owners of the refrigerator company, Aircool. Patroller friends of Werner convinced him to join PPNHW and he started patrolling in February 2016. "I will never regret this decision. I just enjoy working with such a great team." Werner has completed 277 patrol shifts to date. Once during a patrol shift, the patrollers on duty were called to a house in Pioneerspark for a domestic violence case.

Upon arrival they found that one of the family members were intoxicated with drugs & alcohol and was threatening the others with a 9mm pistol. In the struggle to get it away from him, 4 shots were fired and one of the bullets hit him in the lower arm. "Luckily it was only a flesh wound and the fight stopped before it could lead to something much more traumatic." We should try to continue our hard work as we all did in the last 5 years to make Pioneerspark a safe and enjoyable area to live in. It is always easy to start a NHW, but to keep it successful over a few years is a big challenge and dedicated hard work from all involved is needed. Due to our chairman, Erik Strauss, as such a leader, it's easier for all of us to ensure Pioneerspark to be the safest area in Windhoek. We can also not exclude our great community members for their contributions towards this success and we thank you!"



## Neighbourhood Watch Application Form

**Emergency Numbers:**  
**081 229 8888 / 085 229 8888**



**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:	_____

### Order Form:

House Boards ( N\$130 each )	Quantity:	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Proof of payment for house boards to be sent to [ppnhwatch@gmail.com](mailto:ppnhwatch@gmail.com) or cash payments accepted.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### PPNHW Banking Details:

FNB Account: 6225 3843 984  
Branch: 281-174 (Old Power Station)  
Type: Cheque / Current  
Reference: Name and Street Address

Email queries or forms to: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: [ppnhwatch@gmail.com](mailto: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)**





## Sosaties For Sale - Order Now

As part of our fundraising efforts, PPNHW are selling sosaties on a monthly basis to our community.

The sosaties are supplied by the lady from Gobabis who normally supply this for our yearly fundraising event.

The sosaties are packed in 10's and cost N \$ 15.00 each - (N \$ 150.00 / pack).

### PLEASE NOTE - ONLY CASH PAYMENTS ACCEPTED

Should you be interested in placing an order, kindly contact Odette de Kock on 081 631 7330 via Whatsapp or SMS directly.

Details for collection and the address will be given when order is processed.

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