



PPNHW

Pioneerspark Neighbourhood Watch

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PPNHW Giving Back



A huge THANK YOU to all members, non-members and residents of surrounding neighbourhoods for the contributions on Friday morning the 2nd of March for Cancer Association of Namibia "Shake-a-Can for Cancer" initiative. We cannot be more proud to be a part of and in service of this wonderful community.

We have been up and about since 05h15 and the generosity and warm friendliness of the people was really a heart-warming experience.

Our team managed to raise N\$ 10,314-00 for Cancer Association of Namibia.

We would also like to thank our team, Peter, Hannelie, Jacobus, Nashilongo, Gerty and Maxi, for assisting Erik and Odette with the fundraising. We could not have done this without you. You guys rocked!!!!

Together with the money collected through the Shake-a-Can project, PPNHW also handed over a cheque to the value of N\$5000.00 to a Cancer Association of Namibia Representative on Monday, 05 March 2018. The funding of this cheque came from our own "Blikkie" Project. (More photos on page 2)

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AGM - July (TBC)

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New Patrollers Patroller

Welcome to our new Day Patrollers that joined the team!



Charlie & Eldalene Hewson

Should you like to join our patrol team then please get in touch. We always welcome new patrollers for the day shifts as well as the night shifts.

For more information please contact us.

Project Night Watch

Join us for a patrol shift in Pioneerspark.

The goal is to afford community members the opportunity to see what the patrollers do on a normal patrol shift.

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Know Your Patrollers: Johan & Wilma Tromp

Johan was born in Windhoek and moved with his family to Randburg at age 12 but returned to Namibia when he was 24 years old. Wilma, born in Pretoria, spent her 1st 11 years as a child in the Karoo and then moved to Namibia with her family.

Johan & Wilma got married in Nov 2009 and resides in Von Falkenhausen Street, where Johan is a home owner for the last 10 years. Together they are raising 3 daughters. Emma, the youngest, is also part of our Junior Neighbourhood Watch.

Both Johan & Wilma do gym workouts when time permits. As a family they enjoy camping, gardening, hunting & socializing. Johan especially enjoys making food & takes great pleasure in entertaining friends.

After starting patrolling in February 2017, Johan was appointed as the treasurer for PPNHW at the end of March 2017. Wilma is acting as our Events Coordinator and also assists with the Day Patrols. To date Johan completed 38 shifts and Wilma 43 shifts.

"What makes PPNHW the success it is, is the disciplined and organized way it's being operated. The chairman, Erik Strauss, and the patrollers functions without hesitation and with that we have the full support of the authorities and definitely the community members as well. They are our eyes and ears. It is just amazing how smooth this NHW is running. But be assure, it takes a lot of planning & dedication..."

"It is heartwarming to see the residents of Pioneerspark jogging, walking & cycling after 17h."

Johan: "While doing a patrol shift one night, we were called out to check out a drunk male in Fritsche Street @ 19h00. He was on crutches and was very cold. We were trying to let him sit down on the pavement until the Police arrived. Wilma had to raise her voice a few times... (laugh). The police officer took him and assured us that they will take care of him for the night and release him the next morning. At least he was out of danger from traffic."

Wilma: "One night we had to look for a person that disappeared into the Emmanuel Church. With the help of a church member, we found him lying on the floor between the benches. When the female officer arrived she asked the drunk man: "Do you need prayers?"

Johan: "As the treasurer, I would like to thank you for every donation made. We appreciate every cent, doesn't matter if it's



small or big. We do need funds to run such a big NHW successfully. In any organization there will be unforeseen expenses, especially when dealing with criminal acts... So I can assure you that funds are being planned ahead very accurately. The positive side is that all sponsors can see in what projects funds are invested. PPNHW invested in a lot of assets the last year. Donating is voluntarily and therefore we thank you. Please keep on donating."

"PPNHW and the community are a super awesome network of people. The elder residents & the lonely ones benefits from this network and made friends. We get to see where there is need and we can help, even if it's just a friendly chat".

"The Friday night 19h to 21h shift is interesting, awaiting weekend 'activities'".

"If a patrol shift was done without incidents, you know that awareness was managed well. But PPNHW can never go without patrolling for one day. The Criminals will always be present and they keep watching out for an opportunity."



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Steven doing his community duty:

On Friday, 16 February, while buying stock for his workshop at Electro Tech, Steven Nel heard the admin women alerting everyone that there were 2 car-breakers outside on the pavement. Steven left his goods on the counter and ran out. At that stage the 2 suspects had already got out of a customer's vehicle and were trying to walk away and Steven ran after them. The owner of the vehicle came out of the shop and shouted to the bystanders to stop the 2! The shouting alarmed the suspects and they started to run off. Steven got the 1 from behind while the other 1 ran away. They were wrestling on the ground; with the suspect threatening Steven all the time that he will stab him with a knife. Steven managed to overpower him and dragged him back into the yard of Electro Tech. The staff called out the Police in the meantime. The next moment the suspect took an escape route and ran off, over the highway, with Steven behind him again. An oncoming vehicle hit the suspect and Steven managed to grab him again. The Police arrived and took over from there. An ambulance was called in and after assuring that he was okay, the police put him in the van. Steven directed the police which way the other one ran and the Police caught him as well.

When asked, Steven replied: "I was deadly tired after this exercise, but I guess it was adrenaline that kept me going. I'm very glad that they are behind bars now".

The Police were on the lookout for the 2 car-breakers for quite some time. They are known for their car breaking activities in that area and the staff at Electro Tech always asked their customers to make sure that their vehicles are locked.

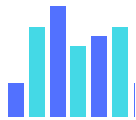
Afterwards, Steven discovered that the vehicle was not locked. The shocked owner assured him it was locked. We will not know if the vehicle was locked or if the suspects had a device to unlock the doors...

Steven Nel is part of the PPNHW patrolling team for over a year now.



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PPNHW STATS

February 2018

Crime Statistics

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

Patrol Statistics

425 Shifts

870 Patrol Hours

Undercover Patrol Shifts: 20

Day Patrols: 23

Top Patrollers:

- 21 Erik Strauss
- 17 Gerrit Koekemoer
- 13 Gerhard De Kock
- 12 Odette De Kock
- 11 Johnny Smith (Day/Night Patrol)
- 11 Peter Engelsmann
- 11 Steven Nel
- 10 Andre Du Toit (Day Patrol)

PPNHW saying farewell to a patroller:

Horst Pritzen decided to move to Finkenstein as it has become more difficult for him to continue with his duties as patroller. He completed his last shift as patroller on Friday, the 23rd of February 2018.

Horst started patrolling on 14 May 2015 and has completed over 275 shifts. Not only had he been a great mentor to some of us, he also became a close friend on whom everyone can depend. We all will miss his input sorely.

PPNHW arranged a small farewell function for Horst. Here Horst was awarded with a special gift to remind him of us. He was pleasantly surprised with a framed patroller shirt, signed by all. Erik Strauss, the chairman, sincerely thanked Horst for his dedicated duties as a patroller and wished him good luck with his future.

Horst was born in Windhoek and started Grade 1 in Otjiwarongo. He attended a few schools, including Cape Town and matriculated at Centaurus. He got his Telecommunication's Diploma in 1982. He married in 1981, have 3 children and 6 grandchildren.

Horst moved from Suiderhof to Pioneerspark in 2000. Sakkie Lubbe told him about PPNHW and he then joined as a patroller.

"Just after that Erik was elected as chairman and PPNHW grew and formed to where it is today".

Horst has a special interest in Cycads and has about 12 different species. Furthermore he loves touring Damaraland and enjoys camping.

Horst will never forget:

- "The first criminal we caught...: It was during a Friday night shift. 2 Guys were robbed from a cell phone between Pioneerspark & Ext 1. Johann Haensel & I were at Engen when we were called out. Together with the help of Police Reservist we caught the suspect.
- One night during a Red Alert, we caught a guy that was stealing a handbag in a church. We got him 2 houses further. The guy was in deep trouble but kept his humour by asking: "Can't you patrol in my valley as well?" I thought the chairman was fainting and I had to walk away to laugh!!

- We've helped people with a leaking vehicle cooler, men that got stuck in a riverbed, men that fell into a pool...."

"Not only have I made good friends with the patrollers, but I met the community as well. It's fantastic that you're not just a resident, but how you and the rest grow such an integral part of each other. That's what makes PPNHW so special.

We're one for all and all for one. I will miss this awesome family. There will always be a patroller ready to stand in for another. The mutual interest and fellowship are incredible".

"My plea to you is to keep going, never stop. We need this, for criminal activities will be increasing in the future. Stand together against crime. Other neighbourhoods still have to get there.



Look after Erik and give him and his management team your full co-operation. Its not easy to please everyone and it takes a lot of planning where patience is essential! I personally have the highest respect for him - he is the best! I envy him, it takes dedication & endurance to run such a big NHW smoothly and the hours he puts in are countless! A special thanks as well to Annie Strauss. Thank you for your support, patience and love towards this operation. Thank you to the Management team, your support, dedication and time are also appreciated. The 03h00 - 05h00 shift was always my favourite one! The "old men" were fighting for this shift. At 4h00 in the morning at Engen, we used to enjoy a freshly baked mouth burning pie without talking too much. Leaving Pioneerspark and PPNHW is with great sadness. I had my best time here. Thank you to everyone that contributed in treasuring the best memories. If I ever have to move again, Pioneerspark will be my first choice! Just make sure that all of you are still here when I return... May God bless you all. Keep going!"
-Horst-



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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

There are certain things which we all know we should do, but somehow between trips to the shops, transporting kids and important things on TV, we never quite get around to doing them. Take just one Saturday morning to make some changes that may help you sleep more soundly at night.

SAFETY IN THE HOME



Test your alarm system every six months and have your security company test the battery and back up battery annually.



Ensure you have security bars and gates installed – it is the most common home security measure.



Add some security lighting. Adding lights with sensors at strategic points on your property is a good crime deterrent. In particular, focus on areas around entrances such as your garage and front door.



Do some strategic gardening. If you have a small jungle growing around your property that intruders could

easily hide in, use as a climbing aid, or that obscures your view when pulling out onto the road, now is a good time to do some trimming. Particularly look at the front of your property at the main entrance.



Save important contact numbers in case of an emergency. Make sure you familiarise your family with an action plan, should an incident occur.



Get a fire blanket and extinguisher. As many household fires start in the kitchen, these are important tools for extinguishing a fire before it gets out of control. Fire extinguishers should be serviced once a year to ensure they are in working order.

Ticking off even just a few of the risk checks we've just explored will help you sleep more soundly tonight. And remember, when risks do become a reality, all the solutions you need are only a call away.

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