



## Communication Service

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Crime Brief - 12<sup>th</sup> February 2009

Herewith some of the reported incidents in the Honeydew Precinct:

**Hi-jacking (Allen's Nek):** At about 13:10 the complainant was driving his vehicle inside his work premises, from the basement to the ground floor level. The complainant stopped at the security boom gate when he was approached by two armed suspects that ordered him to get out of his vehicle. The suspects jumped into the complainant's vehicle and drove off.

**House Robbery (Weltevreden Park):** The complainant was inside her house when she was overpowered by one suspect. The suspect put a t-shirt over the complainant's head and instructed her to keep quiet. The suspect ransacked the house and fled the scene with only the complainant's cell phone. It is unknown how he gained entry into the house as all the doors and windows were closed and locked. The possibility that the suspect had a duplicate key is being investigated. The complainant also recognized the suspect's voice as that of a previous employee.

**House Robbery (Randpark Ridge):** At approximately 19:00 the complainant and his wife arrived home. On arrival the complainant's wife noticed the kitchen door was open. They opened the gate and the garage door when suddenly they were approached by an armed suspect. They were instructed to go into the house and lie down on the floor. A second suspect appeared and took the complainant and his wife's jewellery and cell phone. They loaded their loot in the complainant's vehicle and fled the scene in the vehicle.

**House Robbery (Cosmo City):** At about 02:10 the complainant was watching TV inside his house, with his front door unlocked. Two armed suspects entered the complainant's house and held him up with a firearm and demanded cash. The suspects fled the scene on foot with the complainant's cell phone, cash, handbag etc.

**House Robbery (Randpark Ridge):** Around 11:10 the victim (Domestic Worker) was at work when she heard the bell ring. She answered and was told by an unknown male that she must open for them as they were called to fix the pool. She told them that she first had to confirm with her employers. Before she could call her employer, three suspects were already inside the house. The suspects tied up the domestic worker and locked her in the bedroom. They ransacked the house and fled the scene in an unknown vehicle.

**Business Robbery (Ruimsig):** Last Thursday afternoon at 14:45 three armed suspects entered a business at a shopping centre. The suspects held up the staff and took cash from the tills and the safe. The suspects fled the scene with a large amount of cash.

## Warning to Residents:

Residents are once again urged to be alert and pro-active at all times, whether during the day or at night. Please ensure that your doors and security gates are closed and locked at all times, with the keys removed from the lock.

When arriving or leaving your premises please be alert, if you suspect that something is wrong do not drive into your property rather drive around the block or phone for assistance from either your security company or the SAPS.

Please where possible never give duplicate keys to your property to anyone as this can be used to gain entry into your premises and it is not safe.

Residents are again asked to assist their domestic workers with the necessary emergency contact numbers in case of an emergency and also to explain not to leave any gates or doors open at any time.

## Special Crime Prevention operations:

During the past week a clean-up operation was conducted by Captain Lamprecht of Honeydew Crime Prevention. Joining the operation were six members from the Westrand Dog Unit, eighteen members from the Provincial Reservist Task Team, fifteen members from the JMPD Bylaw section and City Park and six members from Gauteng Security services.

During the operation the following problematic places were addressed: the greenbelt at the corner of Anita and CR Swart Street, Bromhof. Pres. Fouche Road between Ysterhout and N1 Bridge (Rabie Street), Boskruin. Postboxes at corner of Ostrich and Hans Schoeman Roads, Boskruin. Corners Hendrik Potgieter and Christiaan de Wet Roads and under bridge. Opera Street, Radiokop.

The following successes were achieved: Forty one suspects were arrested on bylaw infringements. Eight suspects were arrested for possession of stolen/ possibly stolen property. One person was also arrested on an outstanding warrant of arrest. Property that was recovered includes: laptops, cell phones and clothing.

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