

Honeydew Community Police Forum Crime Update 30 September 2008

Herewith details regarding the latest Crime trends in the Honeydew Precinct:

Residents are AGAIN urged to ensure that they know in which sector they reside and to keep the emergency phone numbers of Honeydew SAPS as well as their sector vehicle's number visible at their residence as well as at their Business in the Honeydew Precinct, in case of a emergency.

Sector 1: 083-679-0206
Sector 2: 083-679-0207
Sector 3: 083-679-0208
Sector 4: 083-679-0209

SAPS HONEYDEW: (011) 795-1969/0 OR 10111

Residents are also invited to view the Honeydew Community Police Forum website www.honeydewcpf.org.za under Sector Policing where you will find detailed maps of the four Sectors.

BURGLARIES AT RESIDENTIAL PREMISES: are currently showing a huge increase in the Honeydew SAPS Precinct, for the month of September. Residents are requested to ensure that their security alarms are in a working order - test your alarm system on a regular basis. Townhouse Complexes are the biggest targets and residents staying in these complexes need to ensure that they also have adequate security at their specific units and complexes. The current "Hot Spot" suburbs in the Precinct are: Weltevreden Park, Randpark Ridge and Cosmo City. The times of that this crime is being committed is between: 18:00 and 00:00

THEFT OUT OF MOTOR VEHICLES: owners and drivers of motor vehicles are urged to make sure they lock their vehicle/s properly when leaving them parked at their house, businesses etc. PLEASE activate all the security systems connected to the vehicle even if leaving the vehicle only for a few seconds!!! Where possible DO NOT park your vehicle outside on the verge, rather park it inside the property. Remove all loose items from the inside of the vehicle including the radio and place in the boot or out of sight - Criminals are opportunists and with property lying inside the vehicle it creates an opportunity to break into the vehicle.

BUSINESS ROBBERIES: Garages are still the biggest targets and owners are AGAIN urged to warn their employees to be very careful during evenings when they are most vulnerable.

- During a incident at a garage in Ruimsig one suspect entered the shop, pulled out a firearm and demanded money from the till. The suspect took the money and then fled the scene. While trying to flee the scene the suspect was involved in an accident. He then drove off again but due to the damage on his vehicle, he left the vehicle and fled on foot. The suspect's vehicle was recovered as well as a toy firearm in the vehicle. The case is being investigated by the Serious Organized Crimes Unit.
- In another incident six armed suspects robbed a garage in Allen's Nek, one suspect first walked into the shop and confronted the complainant reading the newspaper. This suspect was then joined by the other suspects who took an undisclosed amount of money and the complainant's cell phone and fled the scene in a white Toyota Corolla and a blue VW polo.

SUCSESSES:

• During the past week (commencing Saturday the 20th of September 2008) CRIME CLEAN UP OPERATIONS WERE HELD IN ZANDSPRUIT AND COSMO CITY (Sector 1), after a increase in contact crimes were reported in this area. Captain Joe Mokolela, the sector manager headed this operation, together with members from the Honeydew Crime Prevention Unit. A Total of 32 Illegal Immigrants were arrested. A 41 year old owner of a "Spaza" Shop in Zandspruit was also arrested for being in Possession of 30 kg dagga. The members also raided three illegal shebeens in Cosmo City and confiscated liquor to the value of: R12 000-00. The owners of the shebeens were arrested and charged for: Selling liquor without a licence.

Captain Joe Mokolela has issued a strong warning that he has a **ZERO TOLERANCE** approach towards any person committing crimes in the sector as well as people dealing in any illegal substances (liquor as well as drugs). These operations will continue on a regular basis until the crime has stabilized in this sector.

Any person who wants to report any criminal activities in Sector 1 can contact the 24 hour sector vehicle on: 083 679 0206 or Captain Mokolela on: 072 012 2910.

**THANK YOU TO THE COMMUNITY THAT ASSISTED
THE POLICE!!!**

- Two grade 10 learners from Allen Glen High school were walking home, down Dubloon street in Wilgeheuwel when they heard someone screaming for help. They then saw two males running out of a property with bags. They then started chasing these suspects and apprehended one suspect and recovered some of the stolen goods.
- A lady residing in Little Falls noticed four suspects busy stealing a VW golf in Montrose Street in Little Falls. She then phoned the police for assistance. Honeydew SAPS responded to the scene but the suspects had already fled the scene in a maroon Jetta. The members started patrolling the streets and found the suspects in the Maroon Jetta. The SAPS members tried to pull the vehicle off but the suspects started shooting at the SAPS members. A chase ensued down Cascades Road into Hendrik Potgieter Road. The suspect's vehicle came to a stand still and the suspects started fleeing the scene. One suspect was wounded and arrested. A second suspect was also arrested by the SAPS members. While the SAPS members were busy apprehending the suspects, members from the community also got involved and assisted the SAPS in apprehending the other two suspects. All four suspects are between the ages of 26 and 30. Vehicle computer boxes were recovered, together with numerous car breaking implements inside the suspects vehicle.

Regards

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