

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Who are we and what do we stand for?

Simply put, Vaal Marina has had a spate of robberies spanning many months which required immediate intervention so as to steer the perpetrators on their way. During this time local ATM's were robbed, a serious Armed Business Robbery took place and of course various vehicles (water bound and road) were stolen from private resident properties.

Remember, these events have all taken place while V.M. is being protected by both a Permanently manned Police Station plus a local 24 hr Armed Response Company . In so much as we rely on these two organisations and appreciate their respective roles, they do need our support to ensure our town remains a safe place to live, play and work.

Sadly, and as we all are acutely aware criminals seek out the weak, unprotected, unaware and complacent individuals which offer limited, if any resistance. To ensure our town remains safe, it is imperative that everyone gets involved in one way or the other.

Fortunately for all, a Neighbourhood Watch has been formed which to date has proved to be a huge deterrent. The positive spin being Vaal Marina returning to a quiet peaceful town once again.

LEAST WE STOP PATROLS AND RESIDENT INTERATION,the return of criminal elements is guaranteed!.

How can I help?

As with most things in life, failure is destined without commitment and "Buy In". To ensure the continuation of VMNW , we appeal to all Home owners to play their role. If we all stand together as a community, only good things can come of it. Please become part of the VMNW.

Notably many Holiday Home Owners have limited ability to support via patrols etc. but there are many other ways to contribute. Currently there are over 70 members which is great! Sadly however only a fraction of these members can and/or do ongoing patrols. As this is the KEY to success, the appeal is for those able bodied folk to become active. For those that cannot support actual patrolling, the request is for funds to support the infrastructure to keep this initiative alive.

At an annual subscription of only R 350. (R 30 p/m) to cover ongoing equipment and supplies we appeal for support. Remember this is a NON PROFIT Organisation and hence all funds remain for the sole purpose of retaining the safety of our lovely hamlet.



SUCSESSES TO DATE

Yes its true! VMNW is now an established part of our community. The commitment from those involved remain testament to what just a few folk can accomplish when coming together for a good cause.

- A full VMNW committee voted in and functioning well.
- Not only are patrols ongoing and thefts down to almost zero, but the spirit of camaraderie and togetherness has knitted us together a family.
- Communications amongst members occur via email, WhatsApp, Word and Mouth, Braai days at the Dam, etc. Together we will succeed and proudly so!.
- Monthly official meets with Police take place under the umbrella of CPF.
- Open communications and cooperation with local Police remain high.
- VMNW street numbers complete.
- Patrollers in possession of search lights, vests, magnetized car stickers, log books etc.
- Thanks go to all our current members for their respective contributions.!!
- Its great to see the positive feedback received from the Permanent residents.
- Thanks to VISPOL and hope to see much more of them while doing patrols into the future.

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