# Betty's Bay Neighbourhood Watch



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## **BBNW INFO BULLETIN 1 OF 2021**

## Dear members THANK YOU

- 1. Thank you, to all that have made financial contributions to our account through the BBRA. These funds are extremely important in keeping our new cell phone radios operational.
- 2. Thank you to everyone for your inputs, suggestions and crime reporting. Now that we have moved all the poaching reporting to the correct forums on WhatsApp and the Fire people have their group, we have more time to follow up on reports and other crime prevention and support duties.
- 3. Our emergency and crime reporting group is strictly for reporting emergencies pertaining to you or when you are in the process of witnessing a crime. This group will also be used in the event of a fire evacuation or similar situation where we can communicate important information to as many people as possible to ensure a rapid and safe outcome for all. If you see something untoward or suspicious then we urge you to phone the watch on 072 015 5729 and report it to the person handling the phone that day or you can message the chairman on WhatsApp or telegram on 082 928 1260.

## **FIRE HYDRANTS**

4. In an effort to assist the Firefighting efforts in Betty's Bay we have embarked on a project where ordinary members may adopt a fire hydrant close to their homes. This could by one person or a family or a group of people within a street that take responsibility for the hydrant and the surrounding area. Also to act as a guide for fire fighters and fire trucks.

# **ROADS PROJECT**

5. For this project we intend to assist the BBRA in assessing our roads and giving them a score and status. This report will be given to the Municipality to act on. The idea is to inform the Municipality of which roads require what sort of maintenance and when. We need your help to do the assessment. Please contact me if you are interested in helping.

# **CAMERA PROJECT**

6. We are forging ahead with the camera project for Betty's Bay as planned. We are mindful of the Municipal camera project and will be meeting with Director Michaels to establish synergy and interfacing between the projects in the best interest of our community.

# **PUBLIC MEETING**

7. There will be a public meeting at Crassula Hall, Saturday 13 February 2021 at 10:00. 50 people may attend at this stage. This is where you can help us grow, learn and to understand your needs better. A time where we can engage on local matters that concern us.

# **GARDEN COMPETITION**

8. As you may know or not know, we require funds, be it for the radio data per month, the camera project, signage and equipment etc. Your donations keep us in business with the support of the BBRA. In order to raise some more funds we intend having a best garden competition. From now to end August one can register at a small fee to take part in this competition. Then at the end of September we will announce the winners. In the mean time we will look for prizes. The entry fee will be determined by you at our first public meeting in Saturday 13 February 2021. If there is someone that would like to run with this, I would be extremely grateful.

## **BBNW NEEDS YOU**

- 9. We are looking for area representatives (reps). Area reps are people that can receive information from members in their respective areas and initiate a response. This person will be issued with a watch radio which gives him/her direct access to the four security companies and other watch reps. This is to eliminate any time wasting and the emergency/active crime can be dealt with as speedily as possible. The area we need reps for are.
  - a. Sunny Seas
  - b. Jock's Bay
  - c. Dawidskraal/Bass Road
- 10. We are also looking for street reps. Street reps are people that walk regularly in their area of domicile that would notice changes and anomalies very quickly and could report these changes to us via their respective area reps. ie vacant plots becoming building sites and people living on building sights and so on.

## **ABOUT CRIME AND CRIME STATS**

- 11. Crime in comparison to our neighbouring villages is low, however still a concern. At the moment we are experiencing mostly opportunistic criminal activity. Other crimes and more organized, is the theft of building material and equipment. There was one, and I think for the first time in 3 years we had a couple held up at knife point (machete). We stress the point here to have as many eyes and ears so as to attempt to prevent these situation. We need to recognize strangers and more importantly we need to engage them so as to determine if our area is safe or not with their presence. If not we will take action.
- 12. Crimes are contemplated and registered by the Kleinmond SAPS as they are reported and dealt with. These are then the official crime states which we receive by us. However not all crimes are reported to the SAPS in Kleinmond. If we are informed of criminal activity not reported, then we will endeavor to include them in our crime stats. We can only report on what we know about.

# CONCLUSION

13. We must continuously remind ourselves that the Betty's Bay Neighbourhood Watch is ultimately a volunteer organization and depends on funding from the general public and volunteer members from each and every area of Betty's Bay. Find out more and make work of representing your street or area in the Watch.

Thank you once again and kind regards Wayne

Figure 1 The account details are as follow: Our ref is your erf no and bbnw, (4233bbnw).

BBRA Current Account ABSA bank Hermanus Branch code 632005 Account No 4066516439

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Figure 2: Emergency response team

Zone	Name	Surname	Cell number	Call sign
BBNW	Wayne	Jackson	0829281260	Alpha
Rondevlei	Donovan	Ackerberg	0728868323	Romeo
Stony Point	Rob	Morrisby	0825286053	Bravo
Central	Zachie	Loots	0834532344	Charlie
Silver Sands	Liam	Schultz		Echo
Betty's Bay	ASK		0711359029	ASK
Betty's Bay	Bolt		0612001246	Bolt
Betty's Bay	CULIVE		0861626347	CULIVE
Betty's Bay	Sandown Bay		0670655420	Sandown Bay 1
Betty's Bay	Sandown Bay		0670655420	Sandown Bay 2

Figure 3

