

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

24 HOUR EMERGENCY NUMBER	0860 123 VSC
Control Room	0860 123 872
Office (08h30 – 16h30)	021 981 3303
All emergency services (COCT)	107
Ambulance	10-177
Police Station	
✍️ Brackenfell	021 980 5700
SAPS Sector Policing	
✍️ Sector 1 (Vredeklouf)	082 302 5682
Power Failures	0800 220 440
Water Services	0860 103 054

Crime Prevention Tips

1. Most crime incidents currently take place between 04h00 and 06h00. Inform the Control Room immediately if you hear anything and trust the instinct of your animals. **(0860 123 872)**
2. Get a technician to program your alarm to by-pass your bedrooms for instance, but make sure to also arm your alarm at night.
3. Make sure to test your alarm regularly.
4. Put your valuable items like laptops, digital cameras etc. away when you go to sleep. Don't leave them on the table!
5. Close all curtains at night.
6. Consider getting something that can act as an early warning i.e. security lights working on a sensor, a dog, outside beams etc.
7. Perimeter doors should have adequate locks and also a safety chain.
8. Fit suitable locks to all sliding doors and windows to prevent them from being lifted off their tracks – this is a very common method used by burglars.
9. Ensure that all windows are fitted with burglar bars to cover all glass. Aluminum panes are removed very easily without very much noise.
10. Save the Control Room's number under a, i.e. "A-Control Room". It will be easier to find in case of an emergency.
11. Don't leave your front doors and windows open while you are in the back yard.
12. Don't leave your back doors and windows open whilst seeing off friends in the front.
13. Get the ID's of your domestic / garden workers and keep them on record, even when they leave your employment.

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WELCOME BACK!

One cannot believe that it is almost the end of the first quarter of the year. Nevertheless, we hope you have enjoyed the festive season with your loved ones.

Crime

Although we had a very good festive season, we are experiencing a sudden increase in crime.

At the last CPF (Community Police Forum) meeting, Col. Vos (Station Commander for Brackenfell), warned that crime has shifted from Sector 2 (Protea Hights) to Sector 1 (areas north of Old Paarl Road).

TRAFFIC RULES

Please obey and teach your children the correct way.

WELKOM TERUG!

Dit is moeilik om te glo dat dit al weer amper die einde van die eerste kwartaal van die jaar is. Nietemin, hoop ons dat u die feesseisoen saam met u geliefdes geniet het.

Misdaad

Alhoewel ons 'n baie goeie feesseisoen beleef het, is daar 'n skielike toename in misdaad.

Tydens die laaste GPF (Gemeenskaps Polisiërings Forum) vergadering, het Kol. Vos (Stasiebevelvoerder vir Brackenfell), gewaarsku dat misdaad verskuif het vanaf Sektor 2 (Protea Hoogte) na Sektor 1 (areas noord van Ou Paarlweg).

VERKEERSREëLS

Gehoorsaam asseblief en wees 'n voorbeeld vir ons kinders.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: Data collectors of the City are working in the area to collect information for the City of Cape Town's Valuation Office. The information to be collected will assist the Valuation Office in determining an accurate value for your property. **Please ask for proper identification.**

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CRIME STATS

	Dec 2010	Jan 2011	Feb 2011
Theft of M/V	1*		
Att. Theft of M/V	1		1≈
Theft out of M/V		1	
Att. Theft out of M/V			1
Burglary Residential	1*	1	3
Att. Burglary Residential			1
Armed Robbery		1#	

* At the same address

Followed by the robbers from Bellville – could have happened anywhere

≈ One of the residents saw 6 perpetrators who fled onto the R300 Road Reserve

In most cases, the alarm was not armed

NB. Most crime incidents currently take place between 04h00 and 06h00

"Many of us are more capable than some of us . . . but none of us is as capable as all of us!!" - **Tom Wilson**

Database Update

We are busy with a drive to update our database. It is sometimes necessary to contact residents regarding some or other **safety and security risk**, i.e. a contractor arrives to allegedly do some work at your premises. In these days, not all people can be trusted.

Please get a form from the Control Room, or download one from the website. Complete as much as possible in terms of details - also more than one contact person (key holder) to contact. There are still a lot of properties where we don't have any contact details.

Preferred Service Providers / Goedgekeurde Diensverskaffers

Upon investigating some of the crime incidents, it was found that some contractors (i.e. Garden Services or Domestic Workers) was not trustworthy.

Dit is dus baie belangrik dat ons 'n databasis van goedgekeurde diensverskaffers opbou.

A possibility is to rank them with stars.

- 1 star = recommended by at least 3 residents whom have used their services.

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- 2 stars = recommended by a minimum of 5 residents for work rendered during the 12 months.
- Another star for every 3 recommendations thereafter.
- 2+ stars = the plus to any star means that his workers can be identified with an ID card.

Illegal Dumping

We urge the people staying on the perimeter, or any open space, to please not dump anything over their back walls, or in any other way.

It is also a contravention of the By-Law if someone allows a contractor to dump, or temporarily leave, any refuse to be removed at a later stage. Both parties can be faced with a fine.

If you need assistance with the removal of your garden refuse, rather contact Leon Brynard on (021) 981-3303, to bring you in contact with someone to remove it on your behalf, obviously at a cost.

Your co-operation will be much appreciated!

Projects / Projekte

We are currently busy with the following projects:

- ✓ Re-painting of all street names.
- ✓ Die besproeiing op die parke by Champhorslot / Maple & Wingerd is herstel en weer in werking.
- ✓ Upgrading at the Brackenfell Boulevard entrance i.e. the edging with retaining blocks and an additional flowerbed below the Vredeloof sign.
- ✓ Die plant van Bougainvilleas by die Glengarry ingang - aan die linkerkant soos jy uitry.
- ✓ Erecting of Raizorwire on the perimeter at the R300 Road Reserve - phase 2.
- ✓ "Bike Park" – Op versoek van die kinders het die Munisipaliteit ingestem om so 'n fasiliteit te bou onder die laning dennebome aan die bo-kant in Mushetsingel. Daar sal streng reëls wees, bv. geen aktiwiteite op Sondae ens.
- ✓ Regular cleaning of parks and streets.

WE NEED YOUR INPUT!!

- ❖ **Crime Prevention Tips:** We have not received enough feedback from the residents and therefore decided to carry it forward to this year. We started our own list, so it doesn't matter if your tip is an old one. Please keep on sending it to us. Your old tip might be new to someone else!
- ❖ **Voorstelle:** Almal se insette is belangrik en wil ons u dus uitnoui om ons te voorsien van voorstelle. Enigiets, van spoedkalmering, opgradering van 'n park, sisteem om werkers in Vredeloof te identifiseer, of wat ook al. Alles sal oorweeg word.
- ❖ **Preferred Service Providers:** Please send us your suggestions on how to rank preferred service providers?

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