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- 1. <u>Appreciation</u>. Thank you, once again for your financial contributions to our account through the BBRA. These funds are extremely important in keeping our new cell phone radios operational and allow us to plan more watch related projects. Thank you too for your moral support and advice. We appreciate your positive attitude towards crime prevention in our areas. Our radio data bill is R2000 per month and we are looking for possible sponsors if that is at all possible. Ideas are welcome.
- 2. We have also incurred an extra financial expense for our camera array to NAVIC per month. This too is paid from your donations and I thank you.
- 3. We also welcome and offer our gratitude to Kleinmond Street Watch and Pringle Bay Street Watch for joining in our plight to prevent crime.
- 4. The account details are as follow: Our reference for us to know where the donation has come from (4322bbnwjackson)

Bank: ABSA

Account Holder: BBRA (Betty's Bay Ratepayers Association)

Type of account: Current Account Branch: Hermanus Branch code: 632005 Account number: 4066616439

5. On the 28th of July 2021 we had another meeting and we introduced the new members and I will share our group with you once again. You will notice there are changes and I expect more as we develop.

Administrator, secretary & Admin: Chrizelle Sheppard Coordinator, chairman & Admin: Wayne Jackson

Active members: Rob Morrisby and Dennis Greenwood (Day)

Mooiuitsig Rep & Admin:

Stony Point Rep & Admin:

Rodney De Bruin
Brett Grobler

Silver Sands Rep: Bennie Sheppard (business plans)

Silver Sands Admin:

Rondevlei Rep:

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Central Rep & Admin:

Bianca Bornman

Donovan Ackerberg

Ruby Ackerberg

Arnold Muller

Dawidskraal/Bass Rep & Admin: WJ

Jock's Bay Rep & Admin: Azdrid Twomey

Sunny Seas Rep & Admin: WJ

Passive Rep: Gill Coetzee

ASK Team: Michael/Mariana/Wayne Warren, Henk, Darrel and Lunga

BOLT Team: Philip/Freek Freek, Zeno and Kolesi CULIVE Team: Gerrit/Johan/Dollie Max, Henk and Patrick

SBS Team: Brian/Johan Johan, Josh, Pieter and Mason

6. Feedback

a. Mooiuitsig has been added to our Watch. The patroller, rep and admin for that area is Rodney De Bruin. Rodney is on a 3 month trial period and will be permanently added once his screening process is done.

- b. Pringle Bay have also joined forces with us and carry one of our radios to ensure effective communications. They also attend our meetings and share information with us.
- c. Our camera array at Dr Flip is up and running. A wealth of information is being used to help crime prevention and post facto information for the SAPS. The camera project is ongoing. We are in talks with the Betty's Bay Marine Watch to assist with funding for the next camera array. This is aimed at the entrance to Betty's Bay at Die Stoor. 1 LPR on porter and 1 PTZ at the end of Watsonia.
- d. Our Watch systems are now in place to prevent most of the crime that has happened in the past. We constantly are looking at new entries and ways of combatting them as soon as possible. Intelligence and your reporting of what is happening around you is very important to us all. What we need to do now is to grow the active members a bit more, increase the reps and most of all, increase the amount of passive members to the watch as our eyes and ears.
- e. There are so many things to attend to and investigate, we have decided to run the watch on a computer program that allows all relevant active members to interact and carry out tasks via the program. We don't need to meet every time something has to be investigated or done. We log into the program from our homes and it registers at the selected person. On completion a message is received at the originator with its findings.
- f. Our garden fund raising project run by the Kogelberg Garden Circle Open Gardens is on track for the Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th September, 10am to 5pm.
- g. We have had no feedback from the EFAR process as yet.
- h. Our talks with Pringle Bay to share the costs and put up a camera array between Betty's Bay and Pringle Bay were not successful yet.
- 7. Road assessment project: The road assessment is almost complete for this year. Silversands is the only section still to be assessed. Due to unforeseen circumstances only Ixia, Lake Side, Diastella and Gladiolus will be graded. Add hock and bad sections may be addressed.
- 8. Radio funds: Our radios have proven to be worth their value as we can all communicate without any interruptions. I have mentioned before that we pay R2000.00 per month for the radios. Noscotec has purchased another 2 radios for us and paid up the data cost for another 2 years. However the watch is about R1000:00 short on radio data every month. The difference is covered by us and the donations some members make to the watch via the BBRA. Are there any suggestions as to how we can secure more funds?
- 9. Camera array Kleinmond/Betty's Bay funds: The wifi connection is weak and sometimes inadequate especially at night. I have asked Dr Flip to upgrade his wifi. Sonic and NAVIC are working together to offer a solution to Dr Flip to sort out our data transfer problem. This camera array costs us R570.00 per month, which we split with Kleinmond Street Watch. We intend to grow the camera system with both LPR and PTZ but somewhat reluctant because of monthly costs to the watch. Please give me some advice as to how we can overcome the growing costs to the watch.
- 10. I am happy to announce that CULIVE are back onboard and will fall into the community safety program. They have already affected an arrest as a result of our collaborated effects to prevent crime.

11. <u>Crime in general</u>:

- a. House breaking across Betty's Bay is down across the village is down by far and this is only because of all the reports and intel we receive from you the members. A lot of the time when we investigate reports, it turns out to be in order but some of the reports have helped us stop people from criminal activity. It is this type of reporting that makes it all worthwhile building our network. The more we know the more we can do.
- b. Drug activity is on the increase in the village amongst the younger groups. This information is very sensitive and is reported directly to the detective unit for them to use.

- c. Speeding vehicles are also on the increase. I have addressed this matter directly with traffic and they are working hard to address the matter. We have identified 12 people in Betty's Bay who speed on our roads continuously and have handed these names, vehicles and addresses to traffic. Thank you to those that report these incidents of speeding.
- d. By-Law transgressions and irresponsible refuge placements: We have made an arrangement with law enforcement to follow up on reports of various incidents of by-law transgressions. Keep reporting persistent transgressors and we will have the matter addressed.
- e. Please assist your reps in noticing changes in your areas. If you see anything changing in your area please let your rep know. New building sites, neighbours that you normally see but not lately, strange behavior at certain houses, nonresidents patrolling the your street especially.
- f. Please keep on reporting poaching activity. It is because of all the reporting that people, assets and funding is allocated to special units to operate in our area with DAFF and Cape Nature.
- g. <u>Strollers</u>: We invite all members who stroll around Betty's Bay to join in our plight to create visibility of the watch. These members will wear a vest and carry a whistle. They will also move from passive status to stroller status. They will receive certain information about their area that needs to be investigated or looked at and will be asked to report on this information.
- 12. <u>Safety Management Action Plan</u> (SMAP): In light of the riots that prayed itself out in KZN and Gauteng recently we felt it necessary to devise a plan that we could use in the event that something like that should occur here. We understand that it is very unlikely but important to be ready is some way or another.
- 13. Membership: There are more than 1500 passive members and 12 active members with for security company teams of 3 each. We also have an unannounced group of people we can call on in the event of a crisis. With this all said and done we still do not have a rep and admin for Central and Sunny Seas.

Figure 1 Reps/patrollers/AR and call signs

Zone	Name	Surname	Call sign	
Dkraal/B Lake	Wayne	Jackson	Alpha	Patroller/rep
Rondevlei	Donovan	Ackerberg	Rondevlei	Patroller/Rep
Rondevlei	Ruby	Ackerberg	Rondevlei	Admin
Silver Sands	Bennie	Sheppard	Silversands	Patroller/Rep
Silver Sands	Bianca	Bornman	Silversands	Admin
Mooiuitsig	Rodney	De Bruin	Mooiuitsig	Patroller/Rep/Admin
Jock's Bay	Astrid	Twomey	J Bay	Admin/Rep
Stony Point	Brett	Grobler	Stony Point	Patroller/Rep/Admin
Pringle Bay	Gill	Coetzee	Pringle Bay	Patroller
Betty's Bay	ASK	Henk, Darrel Lunga	ASK	Patroller/AR
Betty's Bay	Bolt	Freek, Zeno Kolesi	Bolt	Patroller/AR
Betty's Bay	CULIVE	Max, Henk Patrick	Culive	Patroller/AR
Betty's Bay	Sandown Bay	Josh, Pieter Mason	Sandown Bay	Patroller/AR

14. Once again I would like to thank everyone involved in our watch, with a special mention to the security companies and volunteers. May you go well and be safe.