



STATION COMMANDER'S REPORT **1ST DECEMBER 2009 TILL 30TH NOVEMBER 2010**

CRIME

Somerset West is a Property Related station. Although we have an increase of crime we managed to decrease the crime for the last quarter from 1st January 2010 till 30th June 2010. 1632 People has been arrested for different crime categories. I can safely say that crime is under control in Somerset West although we want the crime to decrease further but we cannot do it on our own, we need the help and assistance of every individual living in Somerset West.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCHES

We have currently 16 Neighborhood Watches in the whole of Somerset West and I would take the opportunity to thank them for the huge impact they made to make their neighborhood much safer.

SECTORS

Somerset West is divided in three sectors:

Sector 1 - 84km²: Boundries: Golf course boundary to railway line
Railway station
De Beer rd. to N2
N2 to Lourensriver to railway
Along railway to Diaz Village
Diaz village to Sir Lowry=s Pass back to
Lourensriver

Sector 1 Manager: **Capt Adams**

Sector 2 - 100km²: Boundries: Railway line to Farn worker Plant
Raithby to the Peak of Helderberg
Down Helderberg to Drama street, Main rd.
Portain rd. along golf course to N2
Along N2 to Lourens River
Along Lourens River to sea including Densell

Sector 2 Manager: **Capt Lourens**

Sector 3 - 90km²: Boundries: Lourensriver to Main road
Main rd. to Diaz Village to railway line
Railway line to N2 to Sir Lowry=s Pass
Sir Lowry=s Pass mountains along town back to
railway line.

Sector 3 Manager: **Capt Van Schalkwyk**

PROJECTS

We have different projects throughout the year in partnership with Social Development, Correctional Services, NGOs, CPF and Neighbourhood Watches to address crime and to educate the community on:

- drug and alcohol abuse
- Domestic Violence
- Child Abuse
- Internet and credit card fraud

RURAL SAFETY

Somerset West also have a Rural Sector and the Sector Manager is Sgt Thysen. We have 106 farms in our Rural Sector.

The same projects were held in the Rural area and a Rural Sub-forum has also been established under the chairperson ship of Mr Dan Swart. I must recommend them with their good work done.

CPF

I want to thank our CPF for their commitment and dedication throughout the year. The relationship they build between the SAPF and the communities. Their rewards and acknowledgment for good work done by SAPF members. My request is that they had to continue with the good work done.

RESERVISTS

We currently have 35 active Reservists. They have render 28,117 hours(i.e 803.34 average per Reservist) of work.

Our Reservists are very disciplined, committed and passionate about the service they render to their communities. As the Station Commander of SAPF Somerset West, I must applaud them with their families and also my Reservist Co-ordinator Sgt Johannes Thysen.

OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

We have different operational approaches to prevent and investigate crime and our policing precinct and we have many successes:

Liquor

Drugs

Illegal firearms

Abalone and other possible stolen items was seized throughout the year at Roadblocks, Stop and Search, Shebeen control, Drug outlets, High flyer operations, etc.

CLOSURE

I want to end off my report with the following statement:

A success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles that one has overcome while trying to succeed

We have overcome many obstacles throughout the year but we can say we are successful in the fight against crime.

I want to wish you all a safe Festive Season and a prosperous New year!!

COLONEL WILLIAMS
STATION COMMANDER: SOMERSET WEST