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## Honeydew SAPS Crime Report: 19 September 2011

**Residential Robberies,** at Townhouse complexes are showing an increase and residents are AGAIN urged to look at their security at ALL times. Please ensure that your doors and ALL your windows are closed and locked at night. Most of the residential robberies are occurring between 00:00 and 04:00 when the residents are sleeping.

There is currently a group of three suspects with firearms targeting the townhouse complexes. They enter the complex and then enter the units through OPEN sliding doors. If you have sliding doors ensure that you install extra locks or "dead" bolts, so that it makes it more difficult to gain access through these doors. The suspects only take property that is easy to carry and lying around for example: laptops, cell phones, cameras etc. Please ensure that ALL your property is marked and can be traced back to the owner. When retiring for the night ensure that all your valuable property is packed away and out of sight.

**Hi-jacking of motor vehicle,** is also showing an increase in the Honeydew Precinct and drivers of motor vehicles are urged to look at the following:

- Check the rear-view mirror to ensure that you are not being followed.
- Be on the look-out for suspicious vehicles or persons.
- When returning home after dark, ensure that there is an outside light on, or have someone meet you at the gate or door.
- When exiting your vehicle, be cautious and aware of surrounding obstructions and bushes that may conceal a hijacker.
- Never sit in your parked car without being fully conscious of your surroundings. Sleeping in a stationary vehicle is dangerous.

#### **Suspicious Vehicles:**

- White Nissan Sentra with two occupants involved in attempted theft of motor vehicles.
- White Toyota Inyathi with four occupants involved in robbery.
- Silver Toyota Yaris with two occupants involved in armed robbery.
- Silver Golf GTI with two occupants involved in theft of motor vehicles.

#### Honeydew Detective Services have once again secured major convictions:

- Constable Lufuno Gadisi secured a sentence for an armed robbery. The complainant was walking home, to Zandspruit, on 26<sup>th</sup> of July 2009 at 19:40 when he was attacked and robbed of his property. Two suspects were arrested and tried. Both the suspects were found guilty on charges of robbery with aggravating circumstances and sentenced to fifteen (15) years imprisonment. Both suspects were also declared unfit to possess a firearm.
- Warrant Officer Michael Erasmus secured a major sentence in the Southern Gauteng High Court. The accused was linked to three house robberies and a murder in the Honeydew Precinct, during 2010. The suspect was found guilty on 14 counts and sentenced to 112 years imprisonment of which he will effectively serve 45 years.

# The following arrests were made during the past week in the Honeydew SAPS Precinct:

Reckless and Negligent driving	03
Theft general	06
Assault GBH	09
Shoplifting	10
Robbery Common	01
Assault common (Domestic Violence)	15
MITP	04
Possession of drugs	03
Fraud	01
Business Robbery	01
Street Trading	04
Statutory Rape	80
Possession of motor vehicle theft implements	04
Murder	01
Business burglary	01
House Breaking and Theft	03
Rape	01
Selling liquor without license	01
Drunkenness	25
Bylaw infringements	03
Possession of unlicensed firearm and	
ammunition	01

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