Tokai Neighbourhood **Crime Watch** Newsletter



TOKAI NEIGHBOURHOOD CRIME WATCH

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Dear TNCW Members and Tokai Residents,

We have seen a spike in crime incidents in the past two months in Tokai. This is a concern and we need to be vigilant and get out on patrol.

The TNCW requires more members to get involved, please consider offering your services to the TNCW and Tokai community, we need to continue to strive to keep Tokai crime free.

The TNCW can only be effective if it has resources, one being people to get involved in any small way, and finances. More from the TNCW on increasing funding will be communicated soon.

The TNCW is going to run patroller training sessions on a more regular basis. Info will follow. This will be at the CVIC control room which will include a tour of the Control after the training.

If you have not patrolled for some time and require a refresher please contact TNCW on Patrolling in Tokai If you want to patrol in Tokai and need to get started please contact TNCW on New Patroller

The TNCW is also looking for members that have IT and network skills to assist with the camera network, if you can assist please drop us an email. An area that the TNCW also requires assistance with is having zone managers for each zone.

We are looking for members that are willing to take control of their street. Let us get the ubuntu spirit going in Tokai.

Till next time, keep safe and get involved!

Ian Basset Chairman

Walk/Run for the entire Family!

Wednesday evenings in Tokai, meet at 6:00pm in the Brocker Road Park.



This event is for all ages, shapes and sizes, and children. Bring the dogs and enjoy meeting fellow Tokai neighbours.

All levels of fitness and catered for.

Membership Updates!

Please update your membership details if you have changed email addresses etc. New residents may join either by accessing the

TNCW website - www.tncw.org.za

or emailing membership@tncw.org.za



Why having a VISIBLE property number is so IMPORTANT!

If you have ever driven around looking for a house or business, you will know how frustrating it is not being able to see any easily visible property numbers. Now imagine you are an emergency service – Police, Ambulance, Fire Truck etc – that is desperately looking for a property where an emergency is taking place, but you cannot easily find where you need to go and end up wasting precious time driving up and down a road trying to find the premises?

Having a clearly and easily visible house number will not only keep your visiting friends and family happy, but it will also help in saving vital time if emergency services should ever need to come to your premises.



So how can you ensure your house/ business number is easily visible:

- The size of the number ensure the number is big enough to be seen from the other side of the road and from all angles coming up and down a road
- The colour of the number ensure the colour of the number doesn't easily blend into the colour of the building or the close surroundings. Use a colour that stands out and look into the options of fluorescent paint that is easily visible at night time.
- 3. **Trim back plants and trees** ensure that any plants or trees on your pavement have not grown to obscure the number

If you would like any assistance or advice on how to make your property number easily visible please contact the Neighbourhood Watch on email, <u>info@tncw.org.za</u> To keep up to date with Tokai Neighbourhood Crime Watch are up to please make sure you like our Facebook Page - @TokaiNeighbourhoodCrimeWatch and join the what's app groups.

TNCW Membership Fees for 2019

The TNCW year runs from January to December and the membership fee for 2019, is R250 per household.

We have had a delay in sending out the TNCW Membership invoices this year and are in the process of getting these sent out. All should be sent by the end on March. Please note that memberships fees run concurrently with the financial year, which is Jan to Dec.

The leafy green suburb of Tokai has more than 1580 homes in it, of which around 1200 of these are registered on our TNCW website. In 2018 only 611 of these homes paid their annual Crime Watch subs. TNCW needs the community's help to continue keeping Tokai safe and keeping criminal activity out! The annual subs are a mere R250 per household, that's just over R20 a month or 0.70cents a day!

When one look at the above calculation, the TNCW must look at different options to raise finance to continue being successful.

Our goal is to install more cameras! More cameras mean a safer, more connected neighbourhood. A neighbourhood where you can live with a real sense of security. A neighbourhood where criminals do NOT feel welcome! Our subs are vital to help this vision materialise!

Without your support the TNCW cannot achieve a crime fee Tokai, you can help and assist by paying your subs,

TNCW Membership fees can be paid into the TNCW bank account

Tokai Neighbourhood Crime Watch Standard Bank Blue Route Branch Branch Code – 025609 Account Number 076654923 Ref : Surname, House No, Street

TOKAI RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION [TRA]

The TNCW supports the TRA as both organisations strive for the same objective but have different actions and plans. We all want Tokai to be safe and that the property values increase.

There seems to be much confusion regarding the identity of each. The TNCW can confirm that both are autonomous bodies.

We complement each other in that both serve the community but by their very nature their operations require different focus and their committees are comprised of members with different and sometimes specialised skills and attributes.

The TRA aims to:

 ✓ ensure compliance with town planning requirements
✓ interact with CoCT authorities to ensure that municipal issues are dealt with promptly
✓ retain the rural character of Tokai.

The TNCW's prime function is safety and security. The

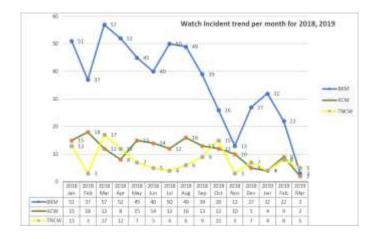
TNCW with the Constantia Valley Watches Association and other NW's work together to eradicate crime.

Residents are encouraged to become members of both the TRA and the TCNW to ensure that you have the appropriate support.

The most effective way to communicate with the TRA is by e-mail to **tra.tokai@gmail.com** giving your name, contact number and the subject of your communication. A voice message can be left on the **TRA phone: 082 701 0048**.

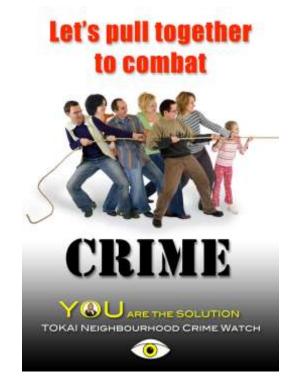
TOKAI INCIDENTS

Crime is on the increase over the past two months, after having a steady decline, looks like it is on the up!!



We would like to thank our patrollers, service providers and police for their dedication and persistence to help us bring crime down.

We are striving to reach a point where we have 0% incidents in our neighbourhood. This can only be achieved if everybody co-operates. This can be done by taking responsibility for our own safety and security, being vigilant, act responsible, volunteer or contribute financially to TNCW.



ALWAYS ON PATROL

Every time you leave the house know what you are looking for. Be observant and aware of your surroundings. Have control's number in your phone to call in suspicious vehicles or people.

You don't need to book a patrol but whenever you are out of your house you can always help just by being observant.

CVIC CONTROL ROOM 0860 002 669

Report any suspicious activity

TNCW Annual General Meeting

The 30th Annual General Meeting of the Tokai Neighbourhood Crime Watch will be held at the

Tokai Community Church on Thursday, 28th March at 19h30.

Tea, coffee and snacks will be served. All are welcome.

Remember the TNCW Library office is open on the first Saturday of every month to assist with memberships, payments, joining as a patroller and to assist with any other queries you may have.



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