

Neighbourhood Support Palmerston North



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If you would like to join one of our suburb e-mail trees or a Neighbourhood Support group give us a call on 355 4468 or visit our website at www.pncitysupport.com and use the link.



POLICE OPEN DAY OCTOBER 18



Rain failed to deter the crowds who turned up for the second Police Station Open Day on October 18. Demonstrating their skills were officers from forensics and armed offenders squad, and the police dogs. Visitors were able to look around parts of the police station and see how the police operates behind the scenes. Neighbourhood Support (NS) joined forces with Community Patrol (CP) on the BBQ (see above) and Victim Support were also there providing information about their service. All three organisations are based in the police station and there are future plans for more collaboration between NS and CP, as they both have similar goals.

KNOWN OFFENDER IN MILSON AREA

Offender on foot/bike is scoping houses and taking jewellery/electronic items. If you see anyone checking out your property or anything else suspicious call 111 immediately.

BURGLARS ACTIVE

Over the last four weeks there have been 67 burglaries across the city. 47 of the houses were not in NS groups. Of the 20 houses that were in groups, 18 of these groups had no email contact with us.

This tells us that being part of NS does help in burglary prevention. It also tells us that groups who stay in contact with us are better informed to help keep themselves safe. Is all of your group on email with us? If not, are you passing on this information to your group?

RETIREMENT HOME BREAK-INS ON THE RISE

Recently there has been a spate of burglaries in several retirement villages across the city. This is a definite pattern of offending and police are asking for your help to identify and apprehend the offenders. Consider prevention measures. Check all security lights are working, bulbs replaced and lights are turned on when it is dark. Check security screen doors are being locked at night. Check CCTV cameras are working effectively. Check window stays are riveted not screwed. Check offenders cannot use cat doors to reach in and unlock the door from the inside.

Police have spoken to over 300 residents about security and personal safety. They have liaised with CP, who are tasked to patrol these areas at high risk times. They are working with village staff to ensure security is tightened and reporting methods more effective. Community Police and dogs are also patrolling the areas in an effort to apprehend these offenders. It is vital that residents communicate with police and each other and report anything suspicious to 111 immediately.

Listen to Neighbourhood Support every Thursday at 10:00am on Access Manawatu 999AM or via live stream at www.accessmanawatu.co.nz

You can also listen to previous episodes.

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REPORT IMMEDIATELY ALL SUSPICIOUS

PERSONS AND VEHICLES TO 111