



NEWSLETTER

ONRUS VERMONT SPECIAL RATING AREA

Q4 2024

WORD FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

Hello Everyone,

As we approach the end of 2024, our vibrant seaside town is buzzing with festive cheer and the lively energy of many holiday visitors. It's a perfect time to reflect on a year of growth, challenges, and triumphs for our community. In November, we were pleased to welcome Helen Everitt as a co-opted Director, taking on the role of Board Secretary. One of the highlights of the year was the relocation of our control room and monitoring center from Hermanus to Onrus – a major step forward for us all.

Soos ons die einde van 2024 nader, gons ons lewendige kusedorpie van feestelike vrolikheid en die energie van baie vakansiebesoekers. Dit is 'n perfekte tyd om na te dink oor 'n jaar van groei, uitdagings en triomfe vir ons gemeenskap. In November was ons bly om Helen Everitt as 'n gekoöpteerde Direkteur te verwelkom, wat die rol van Raadsekretaris opneem. Een van die hoogtepunte van die jaar was die verskuiwing van ons beheerkamer en moniteringsentrum van Hermanus na Onrus—'n groot stap vorentoe vir ons almal.

Since this board's term began in August, we've hit the ground running. I'm thrilled to share that we've expanded our camera network by an impressive 60%, growing from 33 to 53 cameras! This success would not have been possible without the incredible support of our community and the dedication of our "Dream Team": AJ Smit (CCTV Operations) and Jean Orban (Communications). Their vision, hard work, and ability to rally support have been instrumental. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has generously contributed to the Camera Fund—you're making a real difference! With the addition of more cameras comes an increase in detections, and we must strike a balance between this growth and our capacity to monitor and respond effectively.

Sedert hierdie raad se termyn in Augustus begin het, het ons somming vinnig skouer aan die wiel gesit. Ek is verheug om te deel dat ons ons kameranetwerk met 'n indrukwekkende 60% uitgebrei het, wat van 33 tot 53 kameras gegroei het! Hierdie sukses sou nie moontlik gewees het sonder die ongelooflike ondersteuning van ons gemeenskap en die toewyding van ons "Dream Team": AJ Smit (CCTV Operations) en Jean Orban (Communications). Hul visie, harde werk en vermoë om ondersteuning te kry, was instrumenteel. 'n Hartlike dankie aan almal wat mildelik tot die Kamerafonds bygedra het—julle maak 'n werklike verskil! Met die toevoeging van meer kameras kom 'n toename in bespeurings, en ons moet 'n balans vind tussen hierdie groei en ons vermoë om doeltreffend te monitor en te reageer.



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While December is a time for celebration, it's also a time to stay alert. Our town's charm attracts people from near and far, and we want everyone to enjoy a safe and happy holiday season. To this end, OVSRA is deploying an additional foot patroller along the Coastal Path for the festive period, ensuring a watchful presence during this busy time. Remember, while we may be on holiday, unfortunately, criminals are entering their "bumper season."

Alhoewel Desember 'n tyd vir viering is, is dit ook 'n tyd om paraat te bly. Ons dorp se bekoring lok mense van naby en ver, en ons wil hê almal moet 'n veilige en gelukkige vakansieseisoen geniet. Vir hierdie doel ontplooi OVSRA 'n bykomende voetpatrolleerder langs die Kuspad vir die feestyd, om 'n waaksame teenwoordigheid gedurende hierdie besige tyd te verseker. Onthou, terwyl ons dalk met vakansie is, gaan misdadigers ongelukkig hul "bumperseisoen" binne.

In this newsletter, you'll find helpful holiday safety tips, updates on our camera fundraising efforts, year-to-date crime statistics, and a special thank-you to our sponsors and partners. These individuals and businesses truly embody the spirit of collaboration and care that makes our town so special.

In hierdie nuusbrief sal jy nuttige vakansieveilighedswenke vind, opdaterings oor ons kamera-fondsinsamelingspogings, jaar-tot-datum misdaadstatistieke, en 'n spesiale dankie aan ons borge en vennote. Hierdie individue en besighede beliggaam werklik die gees van samewerking en sorg wat ons dorp so spesiaal maak.

As we bid farewell to 2024, let's take a moment to appreciate the stunning place we call home and the incredible community we're fortunate to be part of. Let's spread kindness, look out for one another, and welcome the New Year with joy and optimism.

Terwyl ons afskeid neem van 2024, laat ons 'n oomblik neem om die wonderlike plek wat ons tuis noem en die ongelooflike gemeenskap waarvan ons gelukkig is om deel te wees, te waardeer. Kom ons versprei vriendelikheid, kyk uit vir mekaar en verwelkom die Nuwe Jaar met vreugde en optimisme.

On behalf of the staff and Board of Directors of OVSRA, we wish you and your loved ones a joyful holiday season and a safe, happy start to 2025!

Namens die personeel en Direksie van OVSRA wens ons u en u geliefdes 'n vreugdevolle feestyd en 'n veilige, gelukkige begin van 2025 toe!

Warm regards,
Caroline Gabb
Chairperson, OVSRA



SECURITY “CLUSTER”

In Q3 we invited all the role players in the security sector for Ward 13. The purpose was to have an informal face-to-face meeting as well as to showcase our new control room. Those in attendance were: SAPS, Overstrand Law Enforcement, Traffic and Fire Dept, Onverwag, Alfa Afriforum Buurtwag, ADT and Seraphim. It was a very productive meeting and is testament to all the role players’ willingness to work together.

In Q3 het ons al die rolspelers in die sekuriteitsektor vir Wyk 13 genooi. Die doel was om 'n informele vergadering te hou asook om ons nuwe beheerkamer aan almal ten toon te stel. Die rolspelers wat teenwoordig was: SAPD, Overstrand Wetstoepassing, Verkeers- en Brandweer, Onverwag, Alfa Afriforum Buurtwag, ADT en Seraphim. Dit was 'n baie produktiewe vergadering en getuig van al die rolspelers se bereidwilligheid om saam te werk.

ARRESTS MADE
29

INCIDENTS
2957

CCTV CAMERAS
53

CONTROL ROOM
24/7

Year to Date 2024

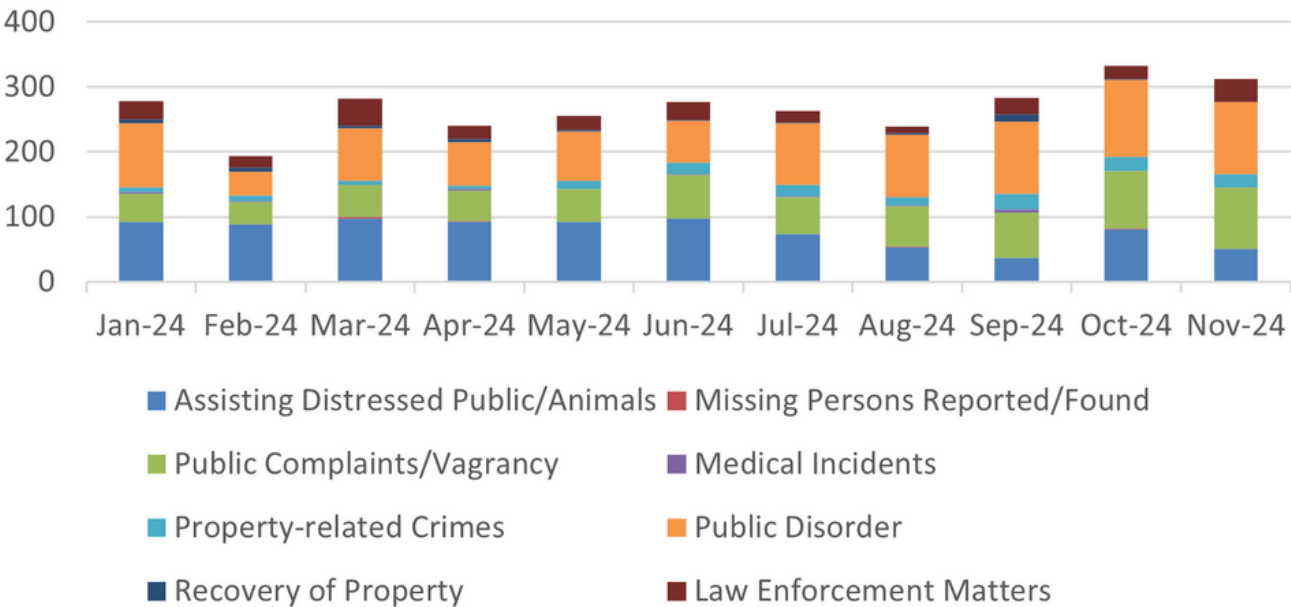
INCIDENT REPORT

An “Incident” is anything that is reported to the Control Room, this can be crime-related, reports of vagrants, lost property or animals. The data indicate an increase in property-related crimes reported to us since September, which highlights the need for increased vigilance around private security. Unlocked vehicles, open garages and unsecured bicycles continue to be reported to us by our patrollers.

'n "Insident" is enigiets wat by die Beheerkamer aangemeld word, dit kan misdAADverwant wees, verslag van rondlopers, verlore besittings of diere. Die data dui op 'n toename in eiendomsverwante misdade wat sedert September by ons aangemeld is, wat die behoefte aan verhoogde waaksaamheid rondom private sekuriteit beklemtoon. Ongeslote voertuie, oop motorhuise en onbeveiligde fietse word steeds deur ons patrolleerders by ons aangemeld.

Incident types (broad categories)

Jan-Nov 2024; n=2957



HOLIDAY SAFETY AWARENESS

- **Stay Aware of Your Surroundings :**
 - **Avoid Walking Alone:** When exploring quieter areas, especially at night, try to move in groups rather than alone. This is particularly important in less populated spots like Fernkloof or the cliff paths
- **Keep Valuables Hidden :**
 - Ensure that personal belongings, such as cell phones and wallets, are kept out of sight to deter theft. Avoid carrying large amounts of cash and be cautious when using ATMs
- **Supervise Children :**
 - Always keep a close watch on children, especially near water or rocky areas. Teach them about sun safety and ensure they do not wander off unattended
 - **Teach Emergency Procedures:**
 - Make sure children know how to reach you in case they get lost and teach them basic safety rules when exploring new environments
- **Emergency Preparedness :**
 - **Know Local Emergency Contacts:** Have the contact numbers for local emergency services saved on your phone. Familiarize yourself with the security guidelines of your accommodation
- **Stay Hydrated and Prepared :**
 - Always carry water during outings and have a basic first aid kit handy for minor injuries
- *Bly bewus van jou omgewing :*
 - *Verm y om alleen te stap: Wanneer jy stiller gebiede verken, veral in die nag, probeer om eerder in groepe as alleen te beweeg. Dit is veral belangrik in minder bevolkte plekke soos Fernkloof of die kranspaadjies*
- *Hou waardevolle items versteek*
 - *Maak seker dat persoonlike besittings, soos selfone en beursies, buite sig gehou word om diefstal te voorkom. Verm y die dra van groot bedrae kontant en wees versigtig wanneer jy OTM'e gebruik*
- *Hou toesig oor kinders:*
 - *Hou altyd kinders fyn dop, veral naby water of rotsagtige gebiede. Leer hulle van sonveiligheid en maak seker dat hulle nie sonder toesig wegdwaal nie*
 - *Leer noodprosedures:*
 - *Maak seker dat kinders weet hoe om jou te bereik ingeval hulle verdwaal en leer hulle basiese veiligheidsreëls wanneer hulle nuwe omgewings verken*
- *Noodgereedheid*
 - *Ken plaaslike noodkontakte: Laat die kontaknommers vir plaaslike nooddienste op jou foon stoor. Vergewis uself van die sekuriteitsriglyne van u verblyf*
- *Bly gehidreer en voorbereid:*
 - *Dra altyd water tydens uitstappies en hou 'n basiese noodhulpkissie byderhand vir geringe beserings*

BORGE – SPONSORS

Dit sou onmoontlik wees om ons werk so effektief te doen sonder hierdie borge wat bereid is om verskeie maniere die SRA en die gemeenskap so by te staan.

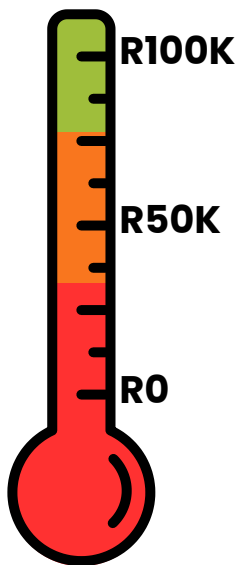
It would be impossible to do our work as effectively without these sponsors who are willing to assist the SRA and the community in various ways.

- Snymans Incorporated
- BDC Wireless
- EMS Foundation
- Hansie Oosthuizen Photography
- Coastal Surv Tech
- WCC Technologies
- The Shade Shope
- I Love Onrus Deli
- Harcourts
- CCG Electrical

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Special Rating Area

FONDSINSAMELING – FUNDRAISING

CHANTECLAIR



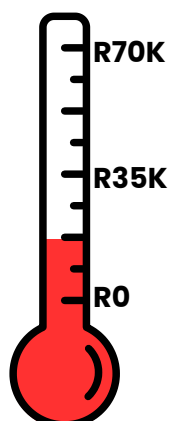
As reported earlier, the residents of Chanteclair met with the SRA board to determine the scope, cost and timing of the proposed CCTV roll out for Chanteclair. They decided amongst themselves that as a community, they want to contribute and assist the SRA to speed up the roll out. To date, they have donated R 75 000. In addition to this, the residents of Black Eagle Road donated R 26 000 for an additional strategic camera. This brings the total of funds donated to over R 100 000. This allowed 9 CCTV Cameras to be installed in the Chanteclair area.

Soos voorheen berig, het die inwoners van Chanteclair met die SRA-raad vergader om die omvang, koste en tydsberekening van die voorgestelde CCTV vir Chanteclair te bepaal. Hulle het onder mekaar besluit dat hulle as gemeenskap wil bydra en die SRA wil bystaan om die uitrol te bespoedig. Hulle het tot op hede R 75 000 geskenk. Hierbenewens het die inwoners van Black Eagleweg R 26 000 vir 'n bykomende strategiese kamera geskenk. Dit bring die totaal van fondse wat geskenk is op meer as R 100 000 te staan. Dit het toegelaat dat 9 CCTV kameras in Chanteclair geïnstalleer kon word.

KRINTANG AREA

Similar to the residents in Chanteclair, the residents of Krintang and a few surrounding streets have met with SRA Board members to understand the scope of the roll out for their area. Thus far they have raised R 16 500 amongst themselves. This project will be completed early in 2025.

Soortgelyk aan die inwoners in Chanteclair, het die inwoners van Krintang en 'n paar omliggende strate met SRA-raadslede vergader om die omvang van die uitrol vir hul gebied te verstaan. Tot dusver het hulle R 16 500 onder mekaar ingesamel. Hierdie projek sal vroeg in 2025 voltooi word.





VANDALISME-VANDALISM

Ons is verheug om te sien dat soveel jongmense ons pragtige dorp en strande geniet. Terwyl ons vieringe en pret aanmoedig, is dit van kardinale belang om openbare eiendom te respekteer. Ouers, herinner asseblief u kinders om nie munisipale eiendom, soos parkgeriewe en straattekens, te beskadig nie. Dade soos die verwydering van STOP-tekens is roekeloos en kan tot ernstige ongelukke lei. Dit plaas onnodige druk op die Munisipaliteit in 'n reeds besige seisoen. Kom ons werk almal saam om te verseker dat almal 'n veilige en aangename tyd in ons dorp het.

We are delighted to see so many young people enjoying our beautiful town and beaches. While we encourage celebrations and fun, it is crucial to respect public property. Parents, please remind your children not to damage municipal property, such as park facilities and street signs. Acts like removing STOP signs are reckless and can lead to serious accidents. This puts unnecessary pressure on the Municipality in an already busy season. Let's all work together to ensure everyone has a safe and enjoyable time in our town.

MEET & GREET

Ons volgende publieke "Meet & Greet" sal by Davies Pool plaasvind op Woensdag, 8 January 2025 om 10:00. U is welkom om ons daar te kom ontmoet en 'n lekker koffie saam te geniet.

Our next public "Meet & Greet" will take place at Davies Pool on Wednesday, 8 January 2025 at 10:00. You are welcome to meet us there and enjoy a coffee together.



Emergency Numbers

Overstrand Municipality	028 313 8000
(After Hours)	028 313 8111
SAPS	028 313 5300
Law Enforcement	028 313 8996
Fire Dept	028 312 2400
Onrus Vermont SRA	079 469 8606
Onverwag NHW	079 419 9267
Alfa Buurtwag	082 042 8467
Ambulance	10177
NSRI	082 990 5967
Govt Hospital	028 313 1166
Medi Clinic	028 313 0168