

Seven suspects arrested for illegal firearms

Rustenburg – Specialised SAPS units have outdone themselves with no less than seven arrests made and three firearms confiscated during special operations in and around Rustenburg since 10 January. Following intelligence driven operations, members from Public Order Police (POP), Crime Intelligence Gathering (CIG) and Rustenburg Cluster Crime Combating Unit (CCU) made remarkable recoveries.

- On 19 January sergeant Piet Morolodi from Koster Police managed to arrest two suspects and recovered a 9mm pistol and a .38 special Rossi revolver, as well as 17 rounds of live ammunition and two empty cartridges. Case dockets were opened for the illegal possession of firearms and ammunition. Police spokesperson captain Elsabé Augoustides said that there is a possibility that these suspects might also be linked to a case of house robbery

reported in Reagile, where a mother and her son were both wounded.

- A successful intelligence driven operation in Yizo Yizo yielded additional successes for the possession of stolen property. Areas targeted were identified as Proteapark, Tlhabane West, as well as Geelhoutpark. Stolen items, such as flat screen television sets, Sansui and Logik, as well as other electronic items, were seized. One suspect was arrested and detained in Tlhabane. Information was followed up on the whereabouts of a white Toyota Condor (which the suspects used in the robberies) and another suspect was arrested in Lefaragatlhe. He was found with a Hisense television in his possession. Members of the specialised units continued with their investigation and a rifle was found in the possession of a female in Yizo Yizo. The rifle was found wrapped in a cloth, hidden

under a bed. She was arrested and taken for questioning. Boitumelo Esther Maiphetho and Oumakie Moloi are detained at Tlhabane on charges of illegal possession of a firearm.

- Members of POP also arrested a 38-year old Lesotho national by the name of Matlhabane Seke. He was in possession of 62 live rounds of ammunition, as well as household and electronic equipment, including a laptop, Nokia and Samsung cell phones and a black holster in Sondela. He is detained at Boitekong on charges of illegal possession of ammunition and possession of suspected stolen goods.

Rustenburg cluster commander general Arthur Peter Adams commended the officers and members for their excellent performance and the tenacity displayed in following up on information received.

The communities are thanked for their positive involvement in assisting the SAPS to bring these criminals to book.



A rifle that the was in the suspects' possession.



Ammunition and electronic devices found in the suspects' possession.



Firearms and ammunition confiscated.

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Saturday	02 February 2019	29°C - 19°C	
Sunday	03 February 2019	29°C - 18°C	
Monday	04 February 2019	29°C - 18°C	
Tuesday	05 February 2019	29°C - 18°C	

At time of print

FINANCIAL INDICATORS		
ZAR / USD	13.60	0.03%
Rand/Pound	17.84	-0.34%
Rand/Euro	15.55	0.02%
Rand/Aus Dollar	9.79	-0.56%
Dollar/Pound	1.31	-0.29%
Pound/Euro	1.15	-0.48%
GOLD	1,313.87	0.77%
Platinum	819.30	1.02%
Palladium	1,304.05	-2.83%

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We all scream for ice cream!

Rustenburg – In Touch Therapy Equine is proud to present the 2019 Ice Cream Festival. This event will take place on 2 March at Hunter's Rest and tickets will be available at the gate - R60 per adult and R30 for children under 13. You can expect dancers, music, competitions and horse riding. The highlight of the event will be Mr and Miss Ice Cream Festival. This event will serve as a fundraiser for In Touch Therapy. In Touch provides a unique form of therapy for people of various ages and needs. Horse therapy improves muscle tone, breathing and posture as well as balance, coordination, motor functions and self-confidence. It also aids people with autism, dyslexia, differently abled

and people with physical disabilities. Anyone struggling with trauma, physical and emotional challenges who just wants to relax will benefit from this form of therapeutic horse riding. Riders' ages range from a mere 18 months old to sixty-seven. In Touch Therapy is a Section 21 company, reaching out to people who will benefit from this form of therapy. If you would like to be part of this festival, there are stands available without electricity for R500 and with electricity for R700.

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Karen Spies with Liané van Zyl in 2017, enjoying a ride on Boesman.

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