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Rustenburg – Quick thinking and decisive action by Nico Jacobs saved him and his family from any harm when a fire destroyed their home on the evening of Tuesday 4 June.

Number 14 in 6th Avenue went up in flames at around 20:30.

Nico was visibly still shaken as he explained his immediate reaction after realising that the house was on fire. "I went to the back to close the windows and the doors and when I got back, the curtains were already in flames," Nico said, in an interview with *Platinum Weekly*. Realising the danger, Nico quickly alerted the rest of his family.

"We all went outside and contacted the Rustenburg Fire department. They managed to put out the fire," he said.

Despite the setback, Nico is grateful that nobody got hurt during the fire which also gutted the family's two cars.

The cause of the fire has not yet been determined.



The charred remains of the family vehicles.



The fire badly damaged the house.



The inside of the house was obliterated.

BRITS WOMAN'S SUSPECTED KILLERS IN COURT

Brits/ Thabazimbi – Three men, ages between 30 and 49, appeared before the Brits Magistrates' Court on Monday 3 June following their arrest for the murder of a woman.

The three were arrested on Thursday 30 May after attempting to evade the police during a high-speed car chase. Police spokesperson colonel Adèle Myburgh said farmworkers at Sundrift near Brits became suspicious when they spotted three occupants of a white Volkswagen Golf dumping the body of the woman.

"They alerted their employer, who reported the incident to the local Community Police Forum (CPF) and the police," Adèle said. "The vehicle of the suspects was spotted by the police along the R511 Brits-Thabazimbi road. They were arrested after their car, which made a U-turn during the chase, collided with a police vehicle," Adèle added.

Investigations have led the police to believe the suspects offered the woman a lift near Brits before killing her. Her body was found with numerous injuries, which include multiple stab wounds and a fractured skull.

Anyone with information that can assist in identifying the deceased woman is requested to contact the investigating officer, sergeant Lucky Molefe on 082 809 6722 or lieutenant colonel Nkgodi Chale on 082 546 0382.



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Robbers use online adverts to lure victims

North West – The police are advising community members, especially those living in the Makwassie, Leeudoringstad, Boskuil and Wolmaransstad areas, not to fall for the latest tricks of criminals who are now luring unsuspecting victims by using online advertisements.

This follows an incident in which two brothers were robbed of their cash and personal belongings after they were attacked and overpowered by a group of men at Boskuil near Makwassie. The robbery took place on Saturday 18 May in the middle of what the two brothers thought was a process of buying cattle.

The police have since established that the suspects, who are yet to be arrested, are luring their victims to view either the livestock or vehicles which are 'on sale'.

"In some instances, the potential buyer would even be offered to test-drive a vehicle which was advertised. The suspects will then rob the person of his personal belongings like cellular phones, wallets and cash," police spokesperson colonel Adèle Myburgh said.

She also added that the public must avoid meeting unknown people in residential areas and must rather opt for grocery stores, fast food restaurants, parking lots or the nearest police station.

