



DWRA AGM: MINUTES

Date	24 May 2018
Attendees:	57 residents (& 1 Guest Speaker) attended <i>Attendance list attached as Appendix 1</i>

Welcome by Chair

*All residents were welcomed at the AGM. Chair expressed appreciation for their support and involvement. Special words of welcome were extended to:

* Prof. Rudolf Zinn: Guest Speaker for the evening.

*Committee members

Guest Speaker: Prof. Rudolf Zinn - Criminalologist

Prof. Zinn gave an enlightening presentation on crime, including statistics, insights into the minds of criminals and useful suggestions and recommendations on how to minimize crime in a suburb. It was encouraging to note that much of what he proposed is being successfully implemented in Die Wilgers already. A time of Q&A proved very valuable to the residents as well.

Chairman's report

1 DWRA membership	DWRA has a constitution which defines membership as permanent residents residing in the area. They are expected to make a contribution (not to pay for membership) towards running the association. The guideline contribution per year is set at R250/house and R250/complex + R10/unit. (Banking details: Name: DWRA, Standard Bank; Branch 012445; Acc.no. 012190764). The area for which the DWRA takes responsibility is bordered by the top of Bronberg to the south, Simon Vermooten Street to the east, Rossouw Street to the north and Rubida Road to the west. There are about 650 freestanding houses in the area as well as about 900 dwellings in complexes.
2 Purpose of DWRA	The primary purpose of DWRA is to make Die Wilgers a sought-after area to live in. It is thus actively involved in activities and represents the residents' interest in: Security, Developments, Services, Environment, Social and Communication, Information Management (database).
3 How achieved	The goals are achieved through the activities of a management committee, all of whom are volunteers with no financial reward. The committee members have different portfolios in order to monitor activities and takes action. The committee meets every second month. Committee members serve for a two-year term and half the committee must retire each year but is eligible to be elected again. The committee elects the chair for a two year term. A list of the elected committee and their respective portfolios is attached as Appendix 2. Each member was briefly introduced to the residents.
4 Security	A word of thanks to Anton Noeth. He looks after security matters. He serves on numerous committees with police, sector forums and other security forums. ComSafe developed from the community patrol activities of DWRA and we have an agreement to cooperate on matters such as our database, newsletters, security issues, cameras and community radios. ComSafe is responsible for the area, including open areas such as the streets and parks and remains the preferred service provider for the DWRA.

5 Finances	A word of thanks to Gerhard Schack for managing the DWRA finances. A summary of the financial statement was presented to the meeting and is attached as Appendix 3.
6 Community Patrols	Thanks to Anton Noeth for organising the community patrols and community radios. He synchronises these activities with ComSafe actions. A serious plea was made to all residents to assist with patrolling, to be vigilant for suspicious activity in the area and to report such activity to ComSafe, no matter how trivial it may seem.
7 Thanks to special contributors to the function	<p>*To John Duraan for making the venue available and financial support through partial sponsorship of the event.</p> <p>* To Herbie Wundram for the Glühwein provided on arrival.</p> <p>* To Anton Noeth from ComSafe for the sound system, projection facilities and financial support.</p> <p>* To Prof. Zinn for his presentation.</p> <p>*To all committee members for their work behind the scenes in the various portfolios and their unstinting service to our community.</p>

Security Report

Anton Noeth updated the residents on the status of security in the suburb. He made special mention of the following:

- The effectiveness of security cameras
- The need for ongoing patrolling by residents
- The state of crime in the suburb

He also introduced a new cell phone App which is being considered for implementation in the suburb as a very effective means of communication. He explained that the radios are currently out of action due to the removal of a strategically placed repeater which was removed without warning or consultation. Most residents are currently being kept informed via e-mail and WhatsApp messages. Residents not receiving any communiqués were encouraged to submit their contact details to a member of the committee or directly to Anton at ComSafe to be added to the database.

A valuable time of Q & A followed, after which supper was served.

Supper

A light supper was served to all who attended the AGM. The meal was sponsored in part by Karroo Café, ComSafe and DWRA.

Signature (Chair):

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