



# **COMMUNITY PATROLS OF NEW ZEALAND**



**Community Patrols  
are making  
communities safer**



# **Our Vision**

**To make New Zealand  
communities safer places in  
which to live**



# **Mission Statement**

**Working together throughout  
New Zealand to build  
safer communities  
to prevent crime**



# What is a Community Patrol?

**Like minded citizens from the  
community acting as  
'eyes and ears' for the Police**

**Two people patrolling in a vehicle  
around their community**

# Who are CPNZ?



- **Community Patrols of New Zealand is a Charitable Trust.**
- **A national body**
- **Giving one voice for the patrols to Government, Government departments and the Corporates**

# CPNZ has



- **A Memorandum of Understanding with New Zealand Police**
- **Rules of Affiliation and Procedure for affiliated patrols to adhere to**
- **A website [www.communitypatrols.org.nz](http://www.communitypatrols.org.nz)**
- **A database**

# Affiliated patrols



**We have over eighty affiliated patrols from Whangarei in the north to Invercargill in the south**

**Patrols average about 45 members each**

# Patrol Names



- **Most are called Community Patrol but some local names are used:  
Night Owls, Crime Watch Patrol, etc**
- **Each Patrol must have a  
Police Liaison Officer**



# Role of the Community Patrol

- **Patrolling their area by vehicle – two up**
- **Acting as ‘eyes and ears’ for the Police**
- **Noting any suspicious people, cars or happenings and reporting back to the Police**

**(Written reports are done)**

# Communications



**Patrols are in contact with the Police by  
cellphone or radio**

**Some listen on scanners to the Police channel**

**Communications Centres use the Patrols in  
various roles acting as ‘eyes and ears’**

# Directed patrolling



- **In some areas, patrols attend the Police Crime meetings and are asked to patrol certain places**
- **Other areas meet with Police at the beginning of their shift**
- **Times vary according to what is happening but patrols are usually out about four hours**

# Patrol Times



**The days of the week and times for patrol, vary from area to area.**

**Some areas are also doing daytime patrols of shopping mall carpark, tourist areas, etc.**

# Are we making a difference



- **Crime usually drops after a patrol has been formed in the area**
- **Theft ex car, burglary and unlawful takings are usually opportunist**
- **Patrols take away the opportunity by being seen around the area**

# New Patrols



**Setting up new patrols is the role of CPNZ**  
(We don't go into a community unless we are invited)

**Patrols must be community driven**

**We have approximately one new patrol a month affiliating. When they affiliate, each patrol is given two copies of the CPNZ Manual**

# CPNZ Manual



- **Contents of the manual include**
- **CPNZ Profile**
- **The MoU with New Zealand Police**
- **CPNZ Charitable Trust Document**
- **Rules of Affiliation and Procedure**
- **Training Package**
- **Forms & Statistics pack**

# Formation of a new patrol



**A meeting of interested parties is held  
ie. Police, Community dignitaries,  
security firms, local Councils, Iwi,  
Service clubs, etc**

**Following this, a public meeting to gauge  
interest for the formation of a patrol,  
where people can volunteer their services**

# Statistics



**We ask affiliated patrols to send in quarterly statistics to CPNZ**

**Statistics we require are:**

**Patrol hours & kilometres**

**Incidents reported – Wilful damage, Disorder, People related incidents, Property related incidents, Vehicle related incidents & Special Service**



**Community Patrols of New Zealand  
wants to help communities throughout  
New Zealand by:**

**making people feel safer in their homes  
and communities**

**We feel that we are  
achieving this**



# Questions