

## Traffic and Crime News

### Operation Fiela in St Francis Bay & Storms River nets huge traffic fines

Almost R 9 000 traffic fines were issued and one tavern was closed during Operation Fiela in St Francis Bay early this month, plus 800 vehicles were pulled off the road and searched and 42 traffic fines totalling R30 600 were issued in a big traffic block near Storms River in the Eastern Cape at the end of March.

The four-hour-long roadblock in Sea Vista suburb of St Francis Bay on 5 April resulted in 17 motorists being fined for various traffic offences ranging from unlicensed drivers to driving unroadworthy vehicles, totalling R6 900. One licensed tavern situated in Steenbras Street was closed for contravening licence conditions and its owner was served with a compliance notice.

A 27-year-old Zambian national was arrested for contravening the Immigration

Amendment Act. And on the N2 near Storms River, about 800 vehicles were pulled off the road, then searched and 42 traffic fines totalling R30 600 were issued in a big traffic block on 30 March.

Called 'Operation Fiela' the traffic sting on the N2 also resulted in the arrest for drunken driving of a 35-year-old driver from Dimbaza, who was in a white Toyota Corolla.

The SAPS says 797 vehicles and their occupants were thoroughly searched during the operation. In addition nearly 200 road safety hints were distributed.

Humansdorp acting Cluster Commander, Colonel Simon Swarts, said the operation had positive spin offs even though it was raining at the time, but there was no reported motor accidents on the N2 stretch in the Humansdorp Cluster.

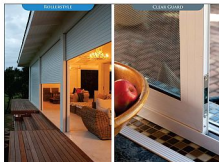


Operation Fiela in St Francis Bay

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## CRIME SCENE HIGHLIGHTS



### Hankey attack suspect still in custody, case remanded

The 32-year-old suspect, arrested in connection with an attack on a woman in a house just outside Hankey around midnight on 23 March appeared in the Hankey Magistrates' Court on 16 April, on a string of serious crime charges including attempted murder and assault.

The suspect appeared on charges of house robbery, attempted murder x4; kidnapping x4; rape; illegal possession of a firearm and ammunition; theft and aggravated robbery.

The case was remanded to 10 May for bail application and further investigation. A crowd of farmers and anti-violence and murder organisations demonstrated outside the Hankey court this morning. The man's name is not being released by the SAPS until he has pleaded.

On 28 March 2018 the Provincial Organised Crime Investigation (OCI) unit, with the assistance of Palmietfontein detectives, arrested the suspect in Kwa Guna administrative area in the Nkhetana

location, a few kilometres from the Lesotho border. Some of the property taken from the Hankey house of the victim was recovered.

The man was arrested on charges of attempted murder (x4), rape, illegal possession of a firearm and ammunition, robbery with aggravated circumstances, theft and indecent assault.

The SAPS report also says the Provincial OCI unit in Port Elizabeth worked around the clock following up on leads relating to the attack. The report further says it is alleged the woman and children were attacked in their house by a gun wielding suspect. During the ordeal, the woman was shot and money was withdrawn from an ATM.

The SAPS said that during the course of the investigation, several persons of interest were questioned but later released.

### Man arrested in connection with robbery on St Francis Bay's canals

A 32-year-old man was arrested on Friday last week in connection with a robbery at a house in Mahe Beat on St Francis Bay's canals.

The robbery occurred on Sunday, 25 February at 11:45 am when it is alleged the suspect went into the house through the open garage door, stole a laptop and fled on his bicycle. The 78-year-old owner

chased after the suspect and found him at vacant premises nearby.

A struggle ensued, the laptop was dropped and the elderly man was assaulted by the suspect. The suspect took the man's wallet and ran away. Cash was taken out of the wallet, which the suspect then dropped.

The suspect appeared in court on 26/3.

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