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With continued, heavy rainfall, City Police observed unique sets of driving challenges. Riverbeds and roads are flooded with waters, washing vehicles away as drivers miscalculate the depth and strength of water level. The number of videos in circulation uploaded at various social platforms showing vehicles being washed away during the heavy rain remain worrisome.

Here are some advices directed at all road users and vehicle owners to keep in mind when driving in a rain:

- Turn on your headlights, wipers and defroster to increase visibility.
- Allow for increased space between your vehicle and the one in front of you.
- If you engage cruise control mode, hold the steering wheel straight and remove your foot from the gas.
- Make U - turn if the road or riverbed ahead is flooded.

If heavy rainfall makes it too difficult to drive, drivers should make a wise decision to wait until it is safe to resume driving. In case of emergency, contact us at 061-302302.

Property break-in picked up this week under review with several businesses properties broken into, Prosperita area, Southern Industry, where pre-cast building bricks were stolen a yard, after a padlock was damaged.

Leaving valuable items lying around premises or in plain sight from the road can unwittingly lure thieves onto your property. Business owners are advised to invest in the improvement of security measures and ensure valuable items are kept out of site.

Other notable incidences

1. Armed Robbery – on Sunday, 05 March 2017 at Chaledoon Street 54 Eros. Five suspects all armed with weapons(firearms, knives, panga) jumped the wall, handcuffed a security guard and took his firearm. The suspects demanded house keys, however the owners of the house heard the commotion and fired warning shots from inside the house. The suspects ran off and the victims were advised to go open a case charges

2. Property break-ins – on Monday, 06 March 2017 at Esther Brandt Street, Olympia, Dros Restaurant. Eight suspects tied up a security guard after one of the suspects pointed a firearm at the security guard. The suspects proceeded by smashing the window to the restaurant with a brick to gain entrance and cut

wires connected to the alarm and the security camera. The victims was advised to go open a case at Windhoek Police station.

3. Accidental death – On Monday, 06 March 2017 around (20h00) at the office of the Gender Based Violence, a 42 year old Johanna Angombe, an employee of Nambian Police force was accidentally locked in an office by her colleagues when they knocked off. In an attempt to get out of the office building, she climbed through the window, unfortunately she got stuck and was cut by the sharp spikes between the burglar bars of the outside wall, she died instantly due to heavy bleeding. The next of keens have since been informed

4. Propert break-ins/ Armed Robbery – On Wednesday, 08 March 2017, (04h00-12h00) at Nampost Independence, Avenue Katutura. Four male suspects armed with firearms cut a hole in the fence and block a padlock of the door to gain entry. The suspects tied up a security guard with shoe laces and stole several valuable items. The victims were advised to go open a case at Windhoek Police station.

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