

Palmerston North

SAFECITYTRUST

Phone (06) 3500 157 Fax (06) 3500 158

Mobile (027) 4482 800

email steve@uniquerealty.co.nz

31 August 2011

**The Mayor & The Chief Executive Officer
Palmerston North City Council**

SAFECITY HOST REPORT

Dear Mayor Jono Naylor and Chief Executive Paddy Clifford

Please find below the SAFECITY Host Report for the five weeks ended 28 August 2011

INCIDENT LOCATIONS – 5 weekends 31-July to 28-August 2011



1. Week Ended 31 July 2011

	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	TOTAL
<i>Weather conditions</i>	<i>Rain & Cold</i>	<i>Rain & Cold</i>	<i>Fine & Cold</i>	
<i>Numbers of people</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>Ave</i>	<i>High</i>	
Violence/ Fighting	0	3	1	4
Disorder	0	2	0	2
Vulnerable at Risk Person	0	0	0	0
Criminal Damage	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Related	0	0	0	0
General Assistance	0	1	1	2
TOTAL	0	6	2	8

Incident Summary

1.1 Friday 29-July 21:15 **Plaza Carpark by Countdown** – The Hosts and Police attended an incident by Countdown where a group of males (age 20) had been fighting. The group moved and were located in College Street. One male was arrested for assault.

1.2 Friday 29-July 23:40 **Corner of The Square and Broadway** – The Hosts saw a group of males (age 20-30) fighting, advised Police and proceeded to the location. Police and the Hosts intervened and fighting stopped. The males were given a warning and no further action taken.

1.3 Friday 29-July 01:50 **From Main Street Telecom Building to the I-Site in The Square** – The Hosts spoke to a male (age 20's) that had a black eye and was drinking alcohol. The male disposed of the alcohol (by drinking it) and left. A few minutes later the Hosts found the same chap by the Information Centre drinking again. Police attended, had the male tip out the booze and then they gave him a warning.

1.4 Friday 29-July 02:10 **Near the Information Centre** – The Hosts saw a group of 4 males & females (age 17-20) arguing and fighting amongst themselves. Police assisted by the Hosts intervened and one female was arrested.

1.5 Friday 29-July 03:10 **By Icons Bar** – The SafeCity Hosts attended a disorderly situation involving a group of Linton Army males. The males were separated and nearby Military Police arrived and dealt with the group.

1.6 Friday 29-July 03:40 **By the Information Centre** – The Hosts saw two males (age 20) pushing and shoving each other. One of the males was the same chap involved in a previous breach of the Liquor Ban. Police arrived and arrested this male and warned the other.

1.7 Saturday 30-July 22:30 **Plaza Carpark by Ashley Street** – A First Security Patrol car stopped and the officer advised the Hosts of a male in the carpark in need of assistance. The Hosts found a male (age 50's) suffering serious chest pains. The Hosts called an ambulance and the male was rushed to hospital.

1.8 Saturday 30-July 01:30 **Regent Arcade** – Two males were involved in an altercation in the Regent Arcade seemingly triggered by very little. One male pulled a knife on the other and stabbed the male. Police attended, as did an ambulance. We heard later (unverified) that the stabbed male was treated at hospital and discharged. The Hosts assisted Police at the scene.

General Comment A busy Saturday night with quite high numbers in town. The Hosts dealt with 4 incidents of Liquor Ban Breach involving 6 people.

2. Week Ended 7 August 2011

	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	TOTAL
<i>Weather conditions</i>	<i>Fine & Cold</i>	<i>Fine, Cold & Windy</i>	<i>Fine, Cold & Windy</i>	
<i>Numbers of people</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>Ave</i>	<i>High</i>	
Violence/ Fighting Disorder	0	1	0	1
Vulnerable at Risk Person	0	0	2	2
Criminal Damage	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Related	0	0	0	0
General Assistance	0	2	1	3
TOTAL	0	3	3	6

Incident Summary

2.1 Friday 5-Aug 23:45 **Around The Square** – A large group of boy-racers (40 to 50) were parked around The Square and driving around The Square. Police attended, stopped a few cars and carried out various checks on vehicles, drivers and occupants. Many of the passengers had been drinking. The Hosts stayed available to assist Police if needed but were not required.

2.2 Friday 5-Aug 02:35 **Highflyers & Malbas** – A very intoxicated female (age 40's) asked the Hosts for assistance. The Hosts walked with the woman from Highflyers to Malbas where she got a taxi to take her home.

2.3 Friday 5-Aug 03:10 **Highflyers Main Street** – A group of 3 males (age 18-23) were seen fighting by Highflyers. The Hosts called the Police and stopped the fight. Police separated the males and sent them on their way without incident.

2.4 Saturday 6-Aug 01:40 **Malbas Bar** – Police asked the Hosts to respond to a call reporting a fight at Malbas. The Hosts attended but found no fight. No further action taken.

2.5 Saturday 6-Aug 02:10 **The Office in Main Street** – A large group of males & females (age 20-30) gathered outside The Office and some fighting was starting. The Hosts called Police and the Hosts and Police then separated various people and diffused the situation. Everyone left the area as instructed by Police.

2.6 Saturday 6-Aug 03:45 **Outside The Coffee Club on The Square** – The Hosts saw two males (age 30's) arguing over who was getting a nearby taxi. The Hosts separated the males, put one into the taxi and flagged down another taxi and sent the second chap home as well.

General Comment A reasonably busy weekend for the Hosts with mostly good behaviour. The high presence of Boy Racers was unusual but their behaviour was mostly reasonable. The Hosts dealt with 4 incidents of Liquor Ban Breach involving 9 people.

3. Week Ended 14 August 2011

	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	TOTAL
<i>Weather conditions</i>	<i>Rain</i>	<i>Rain</i>	<i>Rain</i>	
<i>Numbers of people</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>Ave</i>	<i>High</i>	
Violence/ Fighting	0	0	3	3
Disorder	1	0	0	1
Vulnerable at Risk Person	0	1	0	1
Criminal Damage	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Related	0	0	0	0
General Assistance	1	1	1	3
TOTAL	2	2	4	8

Incident Summary

3.1 Thursday 11-Aug 23:00 **By the Information Centre** – The Hosts spoke to a female (age 23) who was drinking in breach of the Liquor Ban. The girl tipped out her alcohol. Later the Hosts observed this girl on two further occasions picking up discarded bottles and trying to drink what was left in the bottle. The Hosts spoke to this girl and told her to leave the area or Police would be called. The girl left the area.

3.2 Thursday 11-Aug 02:15 **Between Highflyers & the Information Centre** – A very drunk male (age 40's) was stumbling around the street trying to start fights. The Hosts spoke to the bloke's friends and asked them to take their friend home to safety. The friends took the man home without further incident.

3.3 Friday 11-Aug 22:35 **Near the Information Centre** – The Hosts found a very drunk male (age 20's) on the Street vomiting. The Hosts notified Police who attended. Police were able to contact the male's partner and arranged for the sick man to be collected.

3.4 Friday 12-Aug 00:15 **At the Information Centre in The Square** – Six carloads of Boy Racers (age 17-25) were parked by The Square and they were drinking alcohol. The Hosts advised them of the Liquor Ban and to stop drinking. The occupants ignored the Hosts so Police were called and attended. Police spoke to them then the Boy Racers left the area without further incident.

3.5 Saturday 13-Aug 23:40 **Outside Murphy's Bar in Main Street** – Two males came out of the Bar and started arguing in the Street. The Hosts separated the two and calmed them down. The males then left without further incident.

3.6 Saturday 13-Aug 01:40 **Outside the ANZ Bank on The Square** – The Hosts found a car parked by the ANZ with a door open and no one there. A wallet and other personal items were there to be stolen so the Hosts stopped a passing Police patrol. Police removed the valuables and left a note in the car for the owners to collect the items from the Police Station.

3.7 Saturday 13-Aug 03:10 **Highflyers** – The Hosts arrived at a fight between two males fighting (age 20's). The Hosts separated the males and called Police. Police arrived and arrested one of the males followed by arresting another nearby male for disorder.

3.8 Saturday 13-Aug 03:20 **Empty Vessel Bar** – The Hosts assisted Police who were attending a reported assault at the Empty Vessel Bar. On arrival a female victim (age 20's) was found, she had been hit in the head and was bleeding. The offenders had left in a taxi. An ambulance was called and took the girl to hospital for treatment. Police were left to handle the matter and the Hosts resumed their patrol duties.

General Comment A busy weekend with again mostly good behaviour. Police were out with a high presence. The Hosts dealt with 6 incidents of Liquor Ban Breach involving 11 people.

4. Week Ended 21 August 2011

	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	TOTAL
<i>Weather conditions</i>	<i>Clear & Cold</i>	<i>Clear & Cold</i>	<i>Clear & Cold</i>	
<i>Numbers of people</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>Ave</i>	<i>High</i>	
Violence/ Fighting	0	1	1	2
Disorder	1	2	0	3
Vulnerable at Risk Person	0	0	0	0
Criminal Damage	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Related	0	0	0	0
General Assistance	0	1	1	2
TOTAL	1	4	2	7

Incident Summary

4.1 Thursday 18-Aug 01:00 **Near the Clock Tower in The Square** – There was a large group of juveniles (age 14-16) loitering near the Clock Tower and Cenotaph. They were trying to start fights with passers bys. The Hosts spoke to them and intervened twice but the problem behaviour continued. On the third occasion the Hosts told the children to leave the area or Police would be called. The Hosts notified Police and provided details of the main offenders. The juveniles left the area.

4.2 Friday 19-Aug 23:30 **By the Clock Tower in The Square** – A female (age 30's) was trying to start fights and acting in a generally disorderly manner. The Hosts advised her to stop the behaviour and leave the area. She complied without need for further action.

4.3 Friday 19-Aug 02:05 **Outside Highflyers** – A male (age 27) was acting aggressively outside Highflyers. Police attended and warned the male. The male settled down and left the area without further incident.

4.4 Friday 20-Aug 02:40 **The Office then by the Courthouse in Main Street** – A male was running from Police and the Hosts stopped him and handed him over. The male had attempted to assault one of the staff at The Office with a street sign then fled. The male was arrested.

4.5 Friday 19-Aug 03:15 **By Golden Takeaways** – A group of 8 males (age 20's) were fighting outside Golden Takeaways. Police assisted by the Hosts separated the males. One male was arrested and the rest warned who then left without further incident.

4.6 Saturday 20-Aug 01:20 **By the Information Centre in The Square** – The Hosts observed a large group of juveniles (age around 14) loitering by the Information Centre. Police were notified and spoke to children. Some were taken home by Police and the rest left the area.

4.7 Saturday 20-Aug 02:40 **By the Information Centre in The Square** – The Hosts found two males (age 17-20) fighting by the Information Centre. The Hosts stopped the boys from fighting and told them to go home. The boys complied and left the area.

General Comment Numbers of juveniles in town were noticeably an increase to recent time and with some behavioural problems. Hosts dealt with 11 incident of Liquor Ban Breach involving 20 people (mostly people aged 20's).

5. Week Ended 28 August 2011

	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	TOTAL
<i>Weather conditions</i>	<i>Clear & Cold</i>	<i>Clear & Cold</i>	<i>Clear & Cold</i>	
<i>Numbers of people</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>Ave</i>	<i>High</i>	
Violence/ Fighting	0	2	1	3
Disorder	0	0	1	1
Vulnerable at Risk Person	0	0	0	0
Criminal Damage	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Related	0	1	1	2
General Assistance	0	0	1	1
TOTAL	0	3	4	7

Incident Summary

5.1 Friday 27-Aug 21:45 **Around The Square** – The Hosts observed two males driving a scooter around The Square in a dangerous manner including not wearing helmets and no lights on – Police were notified. The males then dropped the scooter and ran off but were caught by Police. The driver of the scooter was arrested. The Hosts recovered the scooter and took it to the Police Station.

5.2 Friday 27-Aug 02:05 **Highflyers Carpark** – A group of 3 males (age 18-20) were fighting with another group of 3. As the Hosts arrived the fighting stopped and the 6 left the area without further action being required.

5.3 Friday 27-Aug 03:10 **Outside Downtown in Main Street** – The Hosts saw a group of males (age 20's) fighting outside the Downtown Main Street entrance. The Hosts stopped the fighting and the group calmed down. No further action required.

5.4 Saturday 28-Aug 23:25 **Malbas Bar** – The Hosts were tipped off about a group of underage girls that had tried unsuccessfully to get into Highflyers and were now heading for Malbas Bar. The Hosts alerted the Malbas staff who then refused the girls entry to the bar.

5.5 Saturday 28-Aug 00:50 **Main Street by the Telecom Building** – The Hosts intervened and stopped a group of 8 males (age 20's) fighting. The males settled down then left without further incident.

5.6 Saturday 28-Aug 02:10 **Outside Tararua Work Wear Broadway/ Princess St corner** – The Hosts observed a couple (age 20) arguing as they walked along the Street. The Hosts spoke to the couple and the girl asked the Hosts to make sure the male (friend) did not follow her as she walked away. All was well and the two left separately.

5.7 Saturday 28-Aug 02:30 **Outside Highflyers** – The Hosts found two males (age 17-20) fighting by the Information Centre. The Hosts stopped the boys from fighting and told them to go home. The boys complied and left the area.

General Comment Saturday night had an extra obvious high presence of students in town related to a Toga Party – mostly well behaved. Town was generally busy. Hosts dealt with 5 incident of Liquor Ban Breach involving 13 people.

Steve Williams



**Palmerston North
SAFECITY TRUST**

Special thanks to our Supporters:: Palmerston North City Council **Lion Foundation** Massey University PN Police
 Endeavour Community Trust UCOL PN Police Fitzherbert Rowe High Flyers Subway NZ Post
 IPC Neighbourhood Support Street Vans NZ Army Maori Wardens First Security
 Palmerston North Community Patrols Gordon Paine Barrister Cochrane Accountants ANZ BANK
 Professionals Real Estate Brewers Apprentice ACC PN Safety Advisory Board