

On 14th April 2022 Jan was travelling in his privately recorded conveyance through the small town of Montagu, encountering yet another roadblock by [Road Traffic Management Corporation \(RTMC\)](#) agents. Many years into the ongoing cat & mouse game, the agents for the corporation and the people on the road have come to know each other, especially when living in certain districts.

On some days the RTMC agents simply smile and don't seem to have problem with RGH, on other occasions they blindly follow a letter titled "[Legal Opinion Republic of Good Hope Vehicle Licencing](#)" circulating among them since 2018 and have nothing better to do than arrest RGH members and charge them with fraud.

The 14th April was one of the latter occasions, although it was probably one of the friendliest and formal arrests in history. RTMC agent Baadjies openly admitting to Jan that he felt uncomfortable doing this, but he had no other choice, which is not true, because he does have the discretion, even granted to him by the very [National Road Traffic Act \(NRTA\)](#) he is enforcing.

On that day Jan didn't mind spending 3 hours at the Montagu police station, speaking to a number of peace officers and other RTMC agents, explaining in detail (again), why RGH was declared in the first place. A complete recording can be found [here](#).

The 3 hour fun filled session at the police ended with the unlawful confiscation of private property, i.e. RGH record disc, travel card and number plates, and an invitation to the Magistrates' Court four months later, on 6th September 2022.

On 15th June 2022 Jan sent an email to the Montagu court manager asking for the prosecutor's contact details to forward relevant files, documents and information pertaining to the subject matter, as well as the Swellendam court to keep them equally informed, since another RGH member just had a similar experience there. As often with government offices, the emails bounced.

On 6th September Jan made his way to the Montagu court to meet new court employees, first public prosecutor Prinsloo at his office, for a 30 minute chat. This was probably some of the longest time any RSA court official at least listened to what we have to say, he had also obtained a copy of the above "legal opinion" letter, some kind of preparation or indication the court has at least done some investigation, unlike many other.

The conversation stalled a few times in the usual merry-go-round fashion, same old stale arguments, that the RSA constitution automatically applies to all and sundry, whether autographed, contractually accepted or not and anything beyond that question is a of philosophical nature and not for a court of law to discuss. Or, people simply cannot govern and declare themselves independent from the state, whatever we say, do, draft, file, serve or proclaim, according to Prinsloo we remain citizens aka subjects to their system for life.

He is obviously just doing his job in the capacity of a public prosecutor (for a private company), his mandate dictates defending the state, although, he, like many others admitted quietly that the system is broken or settling the national debt should be a priority; i'm not sure if he relates the illogical statutory system to the financial debt of any nation though, how the legal and financial system have controlled the world for centuries now.

After the conversation at Prinsloo's office, Jan made a quick visit in court to see magistrate van Deventer and arrange for a trial date. Unfortunately the Montagu court is very booked according to van Deventer and the next available date was the 17th January 2023.

This is the 4th time RGH is asked to return for a trial, exactly what we want to table all the accumulated issues from the last 7 years, but as evident from the other incident reports, every time the matter was struck off the roll on the day of a promised trial. The magistrates on duty might have been acting on instructions. Only once did RGH have a trial, see [Hylton case or Wilderness incident](#), but until today, RSA and its corporate agencies do not want to know about it, acknowledge or appeal the matter.

That's it for now, we will add to the story, incident or case as it unfolds, since a the trial was guaranteed, it would great to have a number of RGH people and supporters visiting the Montagu court on 17th January 2023. Jan will ask 2 key witnesses to take the stand, as well as question RTMC agent Baadjies. There is of course the possibility the Montagu court will receive the same instruction from some higher and hidden office and strike the matter off the roll on the day.

One thing is clear and guaranteed though, we will not go away, ongoing intimidation, threats, possible conviction or not. This is our time, not only for the people of RGH.