

# Securing Rejas

A recent burglary further up the valley has highlighted how weak the security of some rejas is. The mode of entry was to knock the pins out of the door rejas (either patio or normal entry doors). The first pictures show a pin partially knocked out, the second picture shows where the pin should be.



To secure the pins and prevent them being knocked out is relatively simple and was suggested by Rod who is one of the neighbourhood watch members. His solution is effectively tamper proof, using “groove pin” known locally as metric roll pins see picture. People need to ask for a 'pasador' (groove pin/roll pin) 4mm and suitable for standard rejas. They can be bought at the car accessory outlet, a little further down from the BP garage on the opposite side.



What needs to be done is to drill partially (**not right through**) into the lower half of the hinge, hammer in the roll pin, cut/grind off the excess pin and paint over. Job done and now the hinge pins cannot be easily driven out. For a couple of hours work and 20 cents worth of pins you will have defeated another means of entry. They will look elsewhere for easy entrance (some one who doesn't lock their doors or rejas).

