

Bay of Plenty DEERSTALKERS



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Club Night: First Tuesday of the month 7.30pm (Doors open at 7pm if you want to come early for a chat!)

Committee Meeting: Second Tuesday of the month

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Deadlines for newsletter contributions is the 20th of the month.

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Welcome to this month's newsletter.

I hope you have all had a great Xmas and holiday break.

I would like to take the opportunity thank all the volunteers who made their time available over Xmas to get the roof maintenance done on the Club Rooms. This commenced with scaffolding having to be erected and then the roof being denailed and screwed prior to painting. Special thanks to John Fransen for spray painting the roof, which made the job a whole lot easier. The number of volunteers who turned up to remove the scaffolding was fantastic and it was great to see such a good turnout.



The Xmas Shoot and BBQ was an enjoyable day with members and families taking part with quiet a few younger ones using the range. The new admin building was a great asset for holding this event.

The first club night event for the year should be interesting, especially for those members who are new to hunting to pick up some tips on what to pack and take. I am always interested to see what kit others take into the bush as from

my own experience I have changed significantly from when I first started hunting.

In regards to the hut building project up on the Kaimai we have responded via KRT to DOC re their concession document requirements of our Club. We await their reply.

That's about all for this month. Will catch you at the club night. Clyde



COVER PHOTO – From Ross Ritchie from the clubs Tahr Hunt. (If you have a photo that would be suitable for the cover, please contact the newsletter editor.)

ED's Note: Slight refresh of the newsletter, feedback always welcome! Cheers, Claire @

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April	
Tuesday, 3 rd April, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Saturday, 7 th April	BOP Service Rifle Club Day
Tuesday, 10 th April, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms
13 th – 15 th April	Club Roar Hunt - Tawa Hut (Koranga), Target Species: Stag (level 3) Trip organiser: Tim/ Neils/ Reuben
Sunday, 29 th April	NZDA Range Open Day at TECT Park Range
May	
Tuesday, 1 st May, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Tuesday, 8 th May, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Saturday, 12 th May	BOP Service Rifle Club Day
19 th – 20 th May	Lake Tarawera Target Species: Reds, Sambar, Trout (level 3) Trip organiser: Tim/ Stan
Sunday, 27 th May	NZDA Range Open Day at TECT Park Range
June	
1 st - 4 th	Maungapohatu Target Species: Rusa and Reds (level 3) Trip organiser: Stan
Tuesday, 5 th May, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Saturday, 9 th June	BOP Service Rifle Bolt Action Champs
Tuesday, 12 th May, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Sunday 17 th May	Fathers Day Hunt (details TBA)
Sunday, 24 th June	NZDA Range Open Day at TECT Park Range

July	
Tuesday, 3 rd July, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Saturday, 7 th July	BOP Service Rifle Club Day
Tuesday, 10 th July, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms
14 th – 15 th	Pakahi Hut Target Species: Reds, Goats & Pigs (level 3) Trip organiser: Tim/ Neils/ Reuben
Sunday, 29 th July	NZDA Range Open Day at TECT Park Range
August	
Tuesday, 7 th August, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Saturday, 11 th August	BOP Service Rifle Club Day
Sunday, 12 th August	HUNTS Course Range Day
Tuesday, 14 th August, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms
18 th – 19 th August	Waikaremoana HUNTS Course Target Species: Red (level 3) Trip organiser: Bob
25 th – 26 th August	TBC
Sunday, 26 th August	NZDA Range Open Day at TECT Park Range
September	
Tuesday, 4 th September, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Sunday, 9 th September	BOP Service Rifle Club Day
Tuesday, 11 th September, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms
16 th – 17 th September	Te Tuhi Track (Kaimais) Target Species: Red (level 3) Trip organiser: Tim Taylor
Sunday, 30 th September	NZDA Range Open Day at TECT Park Range

October	
Tuesday, 2 nd October, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Saturday, 13 th October	BOP Service Rifle Club Day
Tuesday, 9 th October, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms
20 th – 23 rd (Labour Weekend)	Kaimanawa Road (Waipakahi) Target Species: Sika (level 3) Trip organiser: Chris Munro
28 th October – 5 th November	Mount Cook Thar Hunt Target Species: Thar Trip organiser: Stan Lowe
Sunday, 28 th October	NZDA Range Open Day at TECT Park Range
November	
Tuesday, 6 th November, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Saturday, 10 th November	BOP Service Rifle Club Day
Tuesday, 13 th November, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms
18 th – 19 th November	Littles Clearing – Kaweka Target Species: sika (level 3) Trip organiser: Chris Munro
Sunday, 25 th November	NZDA Range Open Day at TECT Park Range
December	
Tuesday, 4 th December, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Saturday, 8 th December	BOP Service Rifle Club Day
Sunday, 9 th December	BOP Deerstalkers Club Christmas Shoot at TECT Park Range Target Species: metal rabbits & ducks! (level 1) Details TBC
Tuesday, 11 th December, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Sunday, 30 th December	NZDA Range Open Day at TECT Park Range



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Additional Calendar information

Club Night starts at 7.30pm but doors open at 7.00pm so feel free to come along earlier for a catch up with your fellow hunters before the night officially starts!

Disclaimer: the dates, locations, and organisers of the hunts are subject to change. Where possible we will arange suitable alternatives but we are humans and we hunt in places that are affected by weather. We welcome you to become involved as a trip leader or to suggest other locations.

BOP Deerstalkers Trip Grading System				
Grade	Description	Specific skills	Specific Equipment	
	Flat country, suitable	none	none	
1	for any ability			
	Rolling country,	basic fitness	boots and a compass	
	suitable for most			
2	people			
	Local bush hunting,	navigation, fitness,	boots, pack, tent or fly	
	may involve overnight	basic bushcraft		
3				
	Extended hunting,	fitness, basic alpine	boots, pack, binoculars, rangefinder,	
	may involve	skills, navigation	spotting scope	
	helicopters.			
4				
	Extreme Hunting,	extreme fitness, alpine	boots, pack, binoculars, rangefinder,	
	alpine or dense bush	skills, navigation	spotting scope, crampons, ice axe	
5				

CLUB HUNTS - GETTING YOU THERE AND BACK SAFELY

Just a quick note to inform you all about a new system that we're trialing for our 2018 hunting calendar. Many of you were attendance when our NZDA President, Bill O'Leary, spoke at a club night in 2017. He informed us all about our obligations under the new H&S laws, so in order to help meet them we're going to be trialing a 'signup' system for all club hunts. We've also recognized that many of our hunts require a lot of organization (e.g. the Thar hunt) so this system will help everyone involved. Details for signup...

- All participants wanting to participate in a planned club hunt need to signup at a club night.
- Signup forms for various hunts will be set out on a dedicated 'hunts' table and hopefully the organisers will be there to have a yarn with you.
- This will help insure the hunt organisers get a chance to meet you before the hunt and where necessary they can make allowances/provide recommendations for things like equipment or access
- As part of this you will need to supply contact info for an emergency contact and info about any safety equipment you'll be carrying.
- As well as making us more organized, we hope this will grow participation at our club nights and allow new members to form new contacts with experienced hunters.

If anyone has any questions or suggestion to help improve this process please contact Tim, or feel free to have a yarn with any of our committee members.

FEBRUARY CLUB HUNT - WHAKAMARAMARA

Date: $10^{th} - 11^{th}$ February Location: Whakmaramara

Target: Reds and pigs (if you're lucky)

Organiser: Ben Kent-Fiebig ph) 020 4089 5537

Grade 2-3

Details:

Whakamaramara is the traditional proving ground for many BOP hunters. Based in the lower Kaimai's, and roughly 20 minutes from Tauranga, it's easy to access, and contains good numbers of animals. With a solid network of tracks and relatively easy contour, we believe it's about time our members rediscovered this 'old faithful'.

Final details have yet to be decided so please see Ben Kent-Fiebig at the February club night. Depending on numbers and weather, this may be a day hunt or a fly camp.

FEBRUARY CLUB NIGHT - HUNTING GEAR

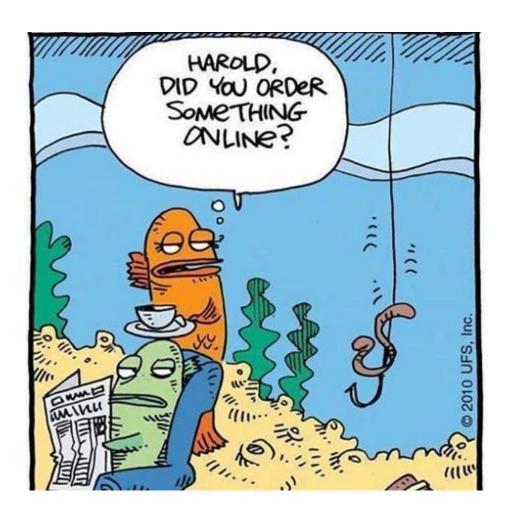
Date: 6th February Location: Clubrooms

Details:

At recent club hunts it's been noted that there's a lack of understanding about what gear is necessary for a hunt. Many of our newer members have been asking questions about what equipment is necessary or have been bringing items that more experienced hunters would consider unnecessary...one member who shall remain nameless, carried in 4 big cans of V energy drink and 4L of water to a hut (we had a good giggle about that haha).

On reflection, we realized that while equipment choice might be obvious to an experienced hunter, it might be a bit daunting to a newbie...there's just so much crap you can buy these days! This club night is all about choosing the right kit, packing it, and knowing when you can add in those little extras. We're encouraging experienced people to bring along their setups and be available to new members for a 'show and tell' type evening. If you're keen, please feel free to bring your day bag, bumbag, pack, tent, fly, or even campervan (if that's what you use). For you newer hunters, please feel free to bring your own kit and ask for recommendations.

For any more info or if you'd like to help out please contact our membership secretary Tim Taylor.





RANGE NEWS

PRE-ROAR SHOOT AND RANGE AMENITY BULDING OPENING

Date: Sunday 11th March Time: 9.30 registration

10:00 start shooting

12:00 pm Range Amenity building opening ceremony 12:15 pm BBQ lunch (meat provided, bring shared

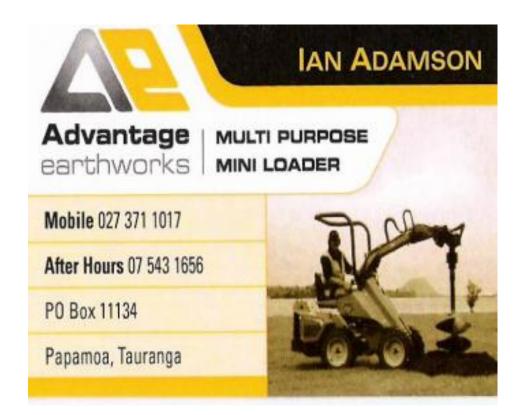
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This will be a centrefire shoot to sign in your rifle for the roar and some friendly competition shooting.

More details to follow	

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A NOVEMBER RUSA HUNT

It was a Wednesday afternoon, late November. I'd had a long run of work without a day off but looking at the calendar I suddenly realised that I had the weekend completely free. My brain was in shock...it fizzed with excitement! I put the call out to the boys "who's keen to go for mission?" For this time of year it was a little late notice but Paul came back to me and with an "all clear" and we were going bush.

"Where were ya thinking mate? Paul asked.

"How about the Pakihi. We did alright up there a few months ago."

"Nah bugger that, how about I show you my Rusa spot."

"Now we're talking! I'll pick you up at 5pm on Friday".

We arrived at the farm in Galatea at 7.30 and after a quick chat with the farmer we were heading up the hill. Paul had advised me that it was going to be uphill all the way so pack light, but I think he was a bit shocked when he picked up my pack and realized it only weighed 10kg...I know how to cut down on the crap when I need to but I was to later regretted not having my usual day bag.

My mate Paul is a master bow hunter, one of New Zealand's best. I've fished with him for many years and I'm always keen to learn off him because he's never put me wrong...a real details person. As this was my first time targeting Rusa I was determined to soak up as much knowledge as I could. On the walk in he explained that this Rusa spot was one that he'd cultivated over many years of hard work. He described how he'd spent a number of trips bashing around until he finally discovered their preference of warm, north facing slopes. He described how their hair is flat, not round like a red deer (something I was to discover the following day) and his theory is that it has very little insulating properties so the deer always want to be in the sun.

After a night in the biv we were up early and on location by 5am. The forecast had shown a massive high sitting over the country so we were expecting perfect hunting conditions and had visions of deer out on all the slopes. Unfortunately we struck something a bit odd. Fog. It was eerie stalking in this stuff and the open slopes were of little use with visibility lowered to about 10 meters. The only thing for it was to sit and wait (i.e. sleep). A few hours dragged by, and while the fog promised to rise, it would dramatically rush back down just as were thinking about moving. By 11 we were getting a bit bored and it was noted that we should have been fishing! We decided to drop down a bit lower and try our luck.

Stalking with a bow hunter is something that's a wee bit different to my usual. Everything that Paul did was calculated and exact. His footsteps were placed precisely and his movements through the crown fern were flowing and smooth. I know he was getting frustrated with my clumsy (loud) movements, but I tried to absorb as much knowledge as I could and copy where possible. With the day dragging on, and me stupidly not carrying any water (it was very dry up here) this definitely got harder and harder.

We'd come down a ridge that was absolutely littered with sign. In fact we'd been following fresh sign all day but nothing had shown. It had worn us down. Standing in a small clearing Paul was half way through a sentence

"I can't believe..." When I butted in "isn't that a deer over there?"

"Shit, it is, be quiet!"

Directly opposite us on the opposing ridge was a Rusa. It was quietly feeding in amongst the scrub and its light brown coat made it stand out strongly from the surrounding green.

"I hadn't even noticed it" Paul said.

"It's exactly 93m away, I ranged that clearing a few months back".

This was obviously too far for Paul's bow so it was up to my Tika to do the business. Paul had been carrying his camera and tripod so he excitedly setup with the goal of getting some footage. The deer was quite oblivious to us, which was useful because our ridge had no decent rests and I took far too long getting setup. Breathing heavily, not wanting to embarrass myself, and with the deer now front on, I knew it would be a hard shot. I squeezed off a round from the 25.06.

"Shit that's loud! Bloody rifle hunters!" Paul exclaimed.

Reviewing the footage we could see that something was a bit strange with the shot.

"Did you mean to do that? he asked.

Nope, but I'll claim a head shot any day off the week!"

We'd both seen the deer go down and the footage showed that it was indeed a headshot. It appeared luck was on my side because this meant it had fallen where it stood; one step forward would have seen it lost down the valley.

Half an hour later we'd sidled up and around to my deer. It was a fat little yearling of around 50kg and looking closely it certainly did appear to have 'flat hair'. I was tempted to take the skin but the heat of the day and the steep ridge to climb back to camp quickly changed my mind. We quickly butchered it out, Paul taking the front legs and I making a backpack of the hindquarters. The climb out certainly was steep and desperately wished I had my day bad to carry the load. I can honestly say that a nylon fly has never looked so good!

Sunday dawned an exact replica of the previous day. Paul was itching to have his turn without a noisy rifle hunter tagging along so he got out amongst the fog while I caught up on some sleep. He returned at 9am having scored a nice red hind, which he shot at 7 meters (he's scary good). A compulsory brew, camp broken, and with heavy packs we headed back down to the ute. It had been a good weekend and to top it off we spotted a Rusa yearling only 100 meters from we we'd parked. It was happily feeding in the riverbed below us so we took a rare opportunity to watch and enjoy. Cheers for the hunt mate.

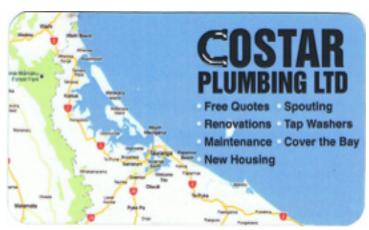
Side note: I'd never tried Rusa meat before but I can confirm it's beautiful. The back steaks were tender and possibly better than any Red that I've eaten lately. The hindquarters I got Kaimai Venison to turn them into venison ham. This was amazing and I ate like a king for all of December!

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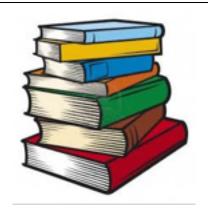
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HUNTING SAFETY GUIDELINES

Hunting Safety Guidelines (Some suggestions from committee discussions)

- 1. It is recommended that hunters wear Hi-Viz clothing at all times while in the hunting block.
- 2. Alcohol may only be consumed after the days hunting is completed.
- 3. Illicit drugs will not be tolerated.
- 4. Only load your weapon when ready to shoot at your quarry.
- 5. Identify your target beyond any doubt.
- 6. Check the firing zone for people, non-target stock, buildings etc.
- 7. Never fire above the skyline.
- 8. Unload your weapon with the barrel pointing away from any potential hazards.
- 9. Never skylark with weapons.

Application for Membership of the Bay of Plenty Branch of the New Zealand Deerstalkers Association (Inc.) 2017/2018

To

New Zealand Deerstalkers Association (Inc) Bay of Plenty Branch P O Box 3111 Greerton Tauranga 3142 N.Z. D.A.

Dear Treasurer,

I am applying for membership of the Bay of Plenty Branch of the New Zealand Deerstalkers' Association for the 2017/18 year (March 1st 2017– February 28th 2018).

My details are as follows: (Please print in capitals)

Surname:	Given Name/s:			
Address:		Suburb:		
City/Town:	Post Code:			
Telephone:	Cell phone:			
Email:		Newsletter By: Post □ Email □		
Occupation:				
Family Members: (please see over page for more information)	Name: Name: Name:	DOB: DOB: DOB: DOB:		
Date of Birth if Junior or Superannuant	/	Junior less than 18 as at 1 March 2017. Superannuitant over 65 as at 1 March 2017.		

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Information for Applicants:

Club Meetings are 7:30 PM first Tuesday of every month at the Tauriko Clubrooms, R617 SH 29. Contact the Membership Secretary, Bob Tatton 07 571 8442 or email membership@deerstalkersbop.org.nz for further information

All new Applications are put before the Committee, at their next available meeting, for acceptance – please allow up to 6 weeks for receipt of your membership card.

The membership type I am applying for is:		d Joine	ed	(Circle one)	
ES – Branch financial year runs from March 1 st 2016 to bruary 28 th 2017		*Joining Fee		Full Yr Mar – Aug	1/2 Yr Sep – Feb
SENIOR – Full benefits at National and Branch level.		\$50.00		\$110.00	\$59.00
FAMILY MEMBER – partner/spouse or children/ grandchildren of Senior Member under 18 as at March 1 st 2016		\$0.00		\$2.00	\$1.00
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ASSOCIATE – Can't vote or enter national competitions. Doesn't receive H&W mag	\$5	0.00	+	\$67.00	\$37.50
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STUDENT – Must produce valid Student ID card as proof.	\$5	\$50.00		\$85.00	\$46.50
* Joining Fee only applies to NEW and members UNFINANCIAL for more than 90 days (i.e.: Existing membership must be renewed before 31 May 2017) OPTIONAL PAYMENTS: Applied Pages Ticket (Mar Feb each year #E0 see separate into the content of the content o	fo	Joinin	g Fe		
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P O Box 3111, Greerton, Tauranga, 3142 Under the terms of the Privacy Act 1993, I acknowledge that you details for the purpose of mailing further information on NZDA a	u are ret	aining r		ame and clu	ıb
Signature: D		Date:			

CODE OF ETHICS

A peculiar virtue in wildlife ethics is that the hunter ordinarily has no gallery to applaud or disapprove of his conduct. Whatever his act they are dictated by his own conscience, rather than by a mob of onlookers. It is difficult to exaggerate the importance of this fact.

Aldo Leopold, The Sand County Almanac.

A member of the New Zealand Deerstalkers' Association Incorporated will be expected to;

- 1. Approach recreational hunting from the highest possible level of ethics, having due regard to the welfare of the animals hunted, and prevention of cruelty to the same
- 2. Not hunt or carry a firearm on property without the proper approval of the owner, occupier of controlling authority and shall strictly observe any conditions imposed upon him
- 3. Be a responsible firearms owner and abide by current Firearms Laws
- 4. Avoid unnecessary or deliberate damage to the environment, respect property, and other users of the outdoors
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