



Bay of Plenty DEERSTALKERS



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Monthly Newsletter of the
New Zealand Deerstalkers Association, Bay of Plenty Branch

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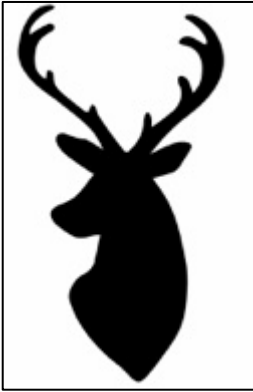
Club Night: First Tuesday of the month 7.30pm (Doors open at 7pm if you want to come early for a chat!)

Committee Meeting: Second Tuesday of the month

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

Opinions and views expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily endorsed by the branch, its executive committee or the national association.



PRESIDENTS REPORT – MAY 2018

Welcome everyone to our May newsletter.

I hope the hunting gods have been kind to you over the roar and we look forward to seeing your trophies or photos that you may have secured over the last year.

This time of year is not only busy for the hunters engaging in the roar but also for the Committee organising the measuring night and the annual dinner. Measuring is on the 3rd Tuesday of May (15th) so please come along and have a look and a chat even if you were unsuccessful this year.

This year we have decided to change the annual dinner format to hopefully reinvigorate the evening and make it more appealing and enjoyable. The evening will be fully catered and so you will only have to bring your own drinks. We will have a guest speaker to entertain us for the evening and the prizegiving will not take place on this evening but will be moved to a Club night. We will of course have the roaring competition at some stage during the evening. The reason for the change is to try something new as numbers attending the dinner and prizegiving have dwindled over the past several years so something needs to change. A copy of the menu has been included in the newsletter and it looks very good, and I'm led to believe our guest speaker is very entertaining. Tickets will be available on Club nights and measuring night or contact Paul Hill. Please get your tickets as soon as possible to assist the caterer as they require numbers in advance of the dinner.

We will have Nichol McKee from COLFO as our guest speaker for the May Club Night so please come along as she is making the trip from Wellington to speak at our meeting.

That's it for this month so hopefully I will see you at the May Club Night

Clyde

COVER PHOTO – From Google!

(If you have a photo that would be suitable for the cover, please contact the newsletter editor.)

*** WE NEED MORE PHOTOS FOR THE COVER!! PLEASE SEND ME YOUR ROAR PHOTOS!!! ***

***** WE NEED YOUR PHOTOS FOR THE COVER!!! *****

NZDA CALENDAR 2018

April	
Tuesday, 3 rd April, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms – a casual get together for those Hunters not out in the Roar!
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 – Speaker Nicole McKee
Tuesday, 8 th May, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Tuesday, 15 th May 7.30 pm	Measuring Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Saturday, 12 th May	BOP Service Rifle Club Day
19 th – 20 th May	Hot Water Beach, 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 June	Maungapohatu Club Hunt Target Species: Rusa and Reds (level 3) /Trip organiser: Stan
Tuesday, 5 th June, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Saturday, 9 th June	BOP Service Rifle Bolt Action Champs
Tuesday, 12 th June, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Saturday 16 th June	ANNUAL DINNER
Sunday 17 th June	Fathers Day Hunt (details TBA)
Sunday, 24 th June	NZDA Range Open Day at TECT Park Range

NZDA CALENDAR 2018

July	
Tuesday, 3 rd July, 7.30 pm	AGM at NZDA Clubrooms
Saturday, 7 th July	BOP Service Rifle Club Day
Tuesday, 10 th July, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms
13 TH – 15 TH July	National Conference
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
Sunday 5 th August	HUNTS Course Range Day
Saturday, 11 th August	BOP Service Rifle Club 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

NZDA CALENDAR 2018

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	Little's 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 arrange 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
1	Flat country, suitable for any ability	none	none
2	Rolling country, suitable for most people	basic fitness	boots and a compass
3	Local bush hunting, may involve overnight	navigation, fitness, basic bushcraft	boots, pack, tent or fly
4	Extended hunting, may involve helicopters.	fitness, basic alpine skills, navigation	boots, pack, binoculars, rangefinder, spotting scope
5	Extreme Hunting, alpine or dense bush	extreme fitness, alpine skills, navigation	boots, pack, binoculars, rangefinder, spotting scope, crampons, ice axe

MAY CLUB NIGHT

Nicole McKee from COLFO (Council of Licensed Firearms Owners) will be giving a presentation at the club night on the 1st May. It will be interesting to hear her thoughts on the Law and Order report released last year following the Select Committee Inquiry. For those interested the report can be read at https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/sc/reports/document/SCR_72851/inquiry-into-issues-relating-to-the-illegal-possession.

For COLFO's full analysis refer to <http://colfo.org.nz/22-colfo/law-and-order-select-committee/145-colfo%E2%80%99s-full-analysis-of-the-law-and-order-select-committee%E2%80%99s-report.html>

This is a great opportunity to hear what COLFO do on behalf of licensed firearms owners and to ask questions around the changes being implemented to the licensing process later this year.

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MAUNGAPAHUTU BRANCH HUNT

Fri June 1st to Mon 4th June

Te Urewera's, Mako Mako Hut plus tenting base camps

Leaving at 7.30am Friday

Branch Hunt Conditions

- Small access fee
- Shared travel costs
- All meat shared
- Hunters will be allocated areas which must be strictly adhered to for safety reasons.

Please register with Tim Taylor at the next club night or give Stan a call on

Phone Stan 07 8684515 or
Or email lowe2147@gmail.com



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.



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HOT WATER BEACH, LAKE TARAWERA CLUB HUNT

Club hunt May details:

Location: Hot Water Beach, Lake Tarawera

Dates: 19th-20th May

Targets: redds, sambar, wallabies, trout

Details: this is a fun weekend hunt where we will be based at Hot Water Beach. It will be a great option for families as there's quite a wide range of species that we can target as well as enjoying the beach and nearby hot pools. It requires a boat or kayak to access as it's on the far end of the lake so you will need to find your own way there. We will have to book campsites via the DOC website so please get in contact with Tim (either at the May club night or by giving him a ring on 027 668 9904) to register your intentions.



**NZDA BOP BRANCH
ANNUAL DINNER
SATURDAY 16TH JUNE 2018**

Venue - Tauriko Clubrooms

GUEST SPEAKER

Chris Gambitsis

(Founder of Lake Chalice Winery & a Hunter. Chris has been touted by others as a very interesting speaker)

**Tickets \$58 each
Children Under 12 Free**

Please note there will be no Prizegiving at the Dinner this year however
A Roaring Competition will be held

Dinner will be fully catered for by *Food Gurus*
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MENU

Hors d' Oeuvres

Canape of smoked salmon, chive and cream cheese
Bacon wrapped chicken skewers
Kumara, spinach and cream cheese filo parcels
Garlic pita breads with hummus

Buffet Dinner

Roast Mediterranean vegetable salad
Rosemary roasted potatoes, kumara & pumpkin
Warm winter green vegetables (e.g. peas, carrots, beans)

Roast Leg of lamb with mint sauce and pan gravy
Chicken breast in a creamy mushroom & tarragon sauce
Carved roast beef with gravy, horseradish and mustards
Hot baked ham with mustards and gravy
Gravy, mustards and sauces

Desserts

Pavlova, berries and fresh cream
Cheese cake
Fruit platters with fresh seasonal fruits
Vanilla Ice cream and hot fudge sauce

Tea and Coffee



Tickets will be available on Club nights and Measuring night or by contacting Paul Hill



RANGE NEWS



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Measuring Night 2018

Tuesday 15th May – 7.00pm

A reminder of the conditions of entry

All members must be financial both at the time of taking the trophy or photo and at the time of entry to the competition. Financial means that subscription monies are in the hands of the Treasurer and have been receipted.

All A.H.T. trophies must have been taken under fair chase rules and not have been paid for. They need to be presented in a clean and non-smelly condition. Skulls must be whole and can only have the brain cavity opened below the atlanto-occipital joint where the skull joins the spine. The lamdoidal ridge at the back of the skull must be intact. On Sika, Red and Wapiti heads the nasal bone must be complete and intact for measuring skull.

Entries in both the A.H.T. and Photographic competitions are limited to 3 per category excepting the sequence section which is from 3 to 10 photos to tell a story.

Photo Categories: -

A GAME ANIMALS	(Live and not in captivity)
B1 BIRDS	(Live and not in captivity)
B2 MAMALS	(Live and not in captivity)
B3 INSECTS, REPTILES & AMPHIBIANS	(Live and not in captivity)
C SCENIC	(Can have minor human activity)
D FLORA	(In natural setting)
E HUMAN INTERESTS	(Must show evidence of human activity) (Can be fireplaces, trophies etc)
F SEQUENCE	(3 to 10 photos telling a story)
G TRAIL CAMERAS	(Photos from set cameras)

VIDEOS – DVDS	A HUNTING
	B WILDLIFE
	C TRAINING
	Should be no longer than 20 minutes

PHOTO SIZES:-

These can be either 6 x 4 or 7 x 5.

A tip – 7 x 5 present better particularly in the National Competitions

All trophies in both A.H.T. and photographic are to be taken in New Zealand only and not from any moving conveyance *i.e. car, boat, aeroplane or helicopter.*

The BOP NZDA competitions run from measuring night to measuring night, usually the third Tuesday in May. The National competition goes from 1st June to 31st May leaving a couple of weeks gap. If you shoot a worthy trophy in this period it can only qualify for this years competition. Get in touch with us quickly.

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PICS AND A SHORT STORY FROM THE APRIL CLUB HUNT:

Four of us headed into the Pakihi Hut for the April club hunt. The Pakihi hut is located in the middle of the Pakihi track, and is becoming popular because of easy access and relatively high numbers of animals (deer, pigs, and goats). Niels Thorkilsen shot the first thing- deer- only a few hundred metres from the hut first thing on Friday morning. It was a small 3.5 pointer that he picked up crossing an open slip so he dragged it back whole. Tim Taylor got the second deer, a solid 6 pointer, an hour from camp. This deer was roaring extremely hard and he was able to stalk to within a few metres of it. Sadly it rolled down a steep gully after being shot and broke one antler off. Other deer were seen/heard roaring/shot at, so everyone had their chances but we all know the excuses haha.



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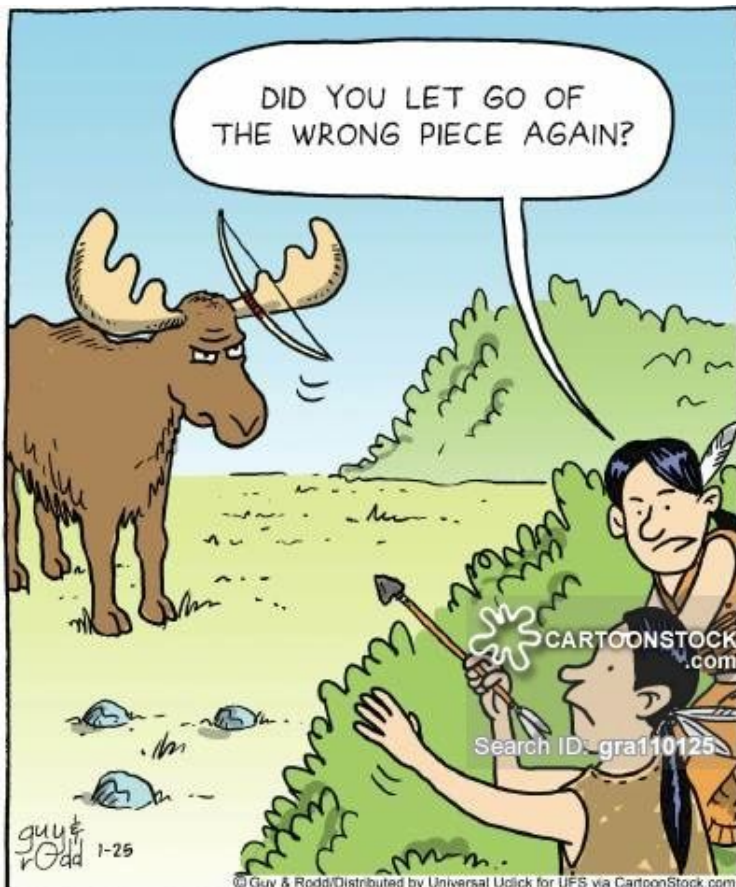
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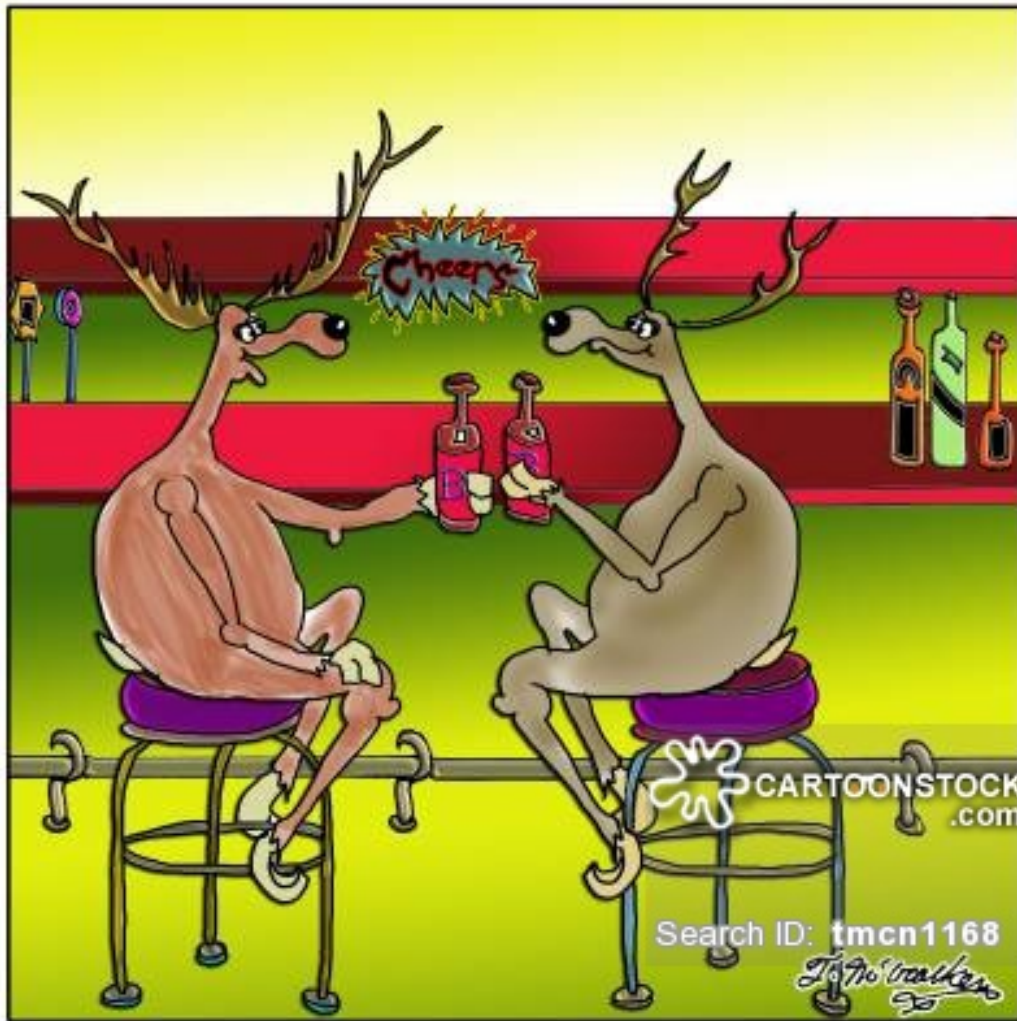
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Branch PLB Custodians:

- Dean Maisey, Welcome Bay, Ph. 544 2207
- Keith Theobald, Greerton, Ph. 578 1195
- Baden Prentice, Bethlehem, Ph. 579 3107 (pick up can also be made from Newton St, Mt Maunganui by prior arrangement)



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
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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 <input type="checkbox"/> Email <input type="checkbox"/>	
Occupation:		
Family Members: (please see over page for more information)	Name: _____	DOB: _____
	Name: _____	DOB: _____
	Name: _____	DOB: _____
	Name: _____	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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- 🍷 NZDA working to protect your hunting interests.
- 🍷 NZ Hunting & Wildlife magazine (except for affiliates or associates; 1 copy per family).
- 🍷 Club newsletter – monthly.
- 🍷 Club nights with guest speakers, organized branch hunting trips.
- 🍷 *HUNTS courses.*

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:

Period Joined

(Circle one)

FEES – Branch financial year runs from March 1 st 2016 to February 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
JUNIOR – Must be less than 18 years of age as at March 1 st 2016 (No voting rights).	\$0.00	+	\$37.50	\$22.75
ASSOCIATE – Can't vote or enter national competitions. Doesn't receive H&W mag	\$50.00	+	\$67.00	\$37.50
AFFILIATE – Must be a full member of another branch.	\$50.00	+	\$50.00	\$29.00
SUPERANNUANT – over 65 as at 1 March 2016	\$50.00	+	\$85.00	\$46.50
STUDENT – Must produce valid Student ID card as proof.	\$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:

Annual Range Ticket (Mar-Feb each yr – \$50 see separate info pack)

Donation towards ongoing development of the Shooting Range:

Membership Fee	\$
Joining Fee	\$
Range ticket	\$
Donation	\$
Total Payment	\$

Please find enclosed my payment for my application to Bay of Plenty Branch.

Cheque

Cash

Direct Credit

Account Name: NZDA- BOP Branch
 Bank Account No: 030445-0184375-00
 Reference: Enter your surname

*** In all instances this application form must be filled out in full and posted to:**

**New Zealand Deerstalkers Association B.O.P Branch,
 P O Box 3111, Greerton, Tauranga, 3142**

Under the terms of the Privacy Act 1993, I acknowledge that you are retaining my name and club details for the purpose of mailing further information on NZDA and related matters.

Signature:

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
5. Advocate sensible conservation practices at all times and promote New Zealand's biodiversity 'in situ'
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