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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 All correspondence to be addressed to PO Box 3111, Greerton

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 - DECEMBER 2019

Hi everyone and welcome to this month's newsletter.

The Tahr hunt in November was a mixed bag with the weather having the last say as usual. The groups that drove into their hunting blocks had a rain effected week and at the time of writing this report some are yet to recover their vehicles. It was evident that some of the areas had been heavily culled which was to be

expected but regretfully we discovered that mature bull tahr were culled which was a surprise and certainly not what DOC had promised. Obviously some of the operators who were contracted to cull the tahr didn't care what they shot as long as they could do the job as quickly as possible. The Tahr Foundation are aware of the bulls being culled so we may here more in the future.

The Christmas fun shoot and BBQ will be on Sunday 8th December starting at 9.30 and finishing after the lunch time BBQ. We will have kids zone operating in the admin building with organised activities for them so come along and enjoy the day.

Over the Christmas holidays we are planning to do some maintenance on the club rooms which will include some recladding and then painting. If we have time we will also relay the pavers in the front entrance so if you can help out that would be appreciated. I will send out emails once we have finalised dates.

Club night speaker for December will be a representative from the new Conservative party and in light of the pending arms legislation bill which most of us don't like it could be worth attending.

That's it for this month and don't forget December is the last club night until February next year.
Clyde

COVER PHOTO – taken from the Competition Entries.

If you have a photo you would like to see on the cover please send it through to claire71@gmail.com

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NZDA CALENDAR 2019 / 2020

December	
Tuesday, 3 rd December, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Sunday, 8 th December	Club Shoot at the Range – 9.30 start
Tuesday, 10 th December, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms

January	
No club night	
Tuesday, 14 th January, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Friday, 24 th January – Monday 27 th January	Family Weekend – TAPU, Coromandel

February	
Tuesday, 4 th February, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Tuesday, 11 th february , 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms



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NZDA Christmas Shoot

+ BBQ CUNCH + KIDS ZONE



Come along to the NZDA Annual Christmas Shoot and BBQ lunch.

SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER TECT PARK RANGE START TIME: 0930

PLUS this year will also include a K1DS ZONE!

We welcome Rhiannon from Wondercraft who will bring crafts,
activities and face painting skills. You may leave your children up in
the admin block and wander down for a shoot without having to
worry about the kids.





Fly in HUNTING & FISHING to the Kaweka Ranges May 7th – 10th

Parties are more than welcome to book their own huts with Chris Cross East Kaweka Heli. At this Stage Mason Hut, Manson Bivvy, Rocks Ahead Hut and Rock Ahead Bivvy are Booked for the Club Hunt.

Hut Bookings, Confirmed.

Back Ridge Hut, 4 spots available.

Mason Bivvy/Spion Corp Range, Johnny, Matt, Neil.

Rocks ahead Hut, 4 spots available.

Ballard Hut, 4 spots available

Heli Pricing at this stage is looking to be \$415 each includes return flight and Doc Landing fee. Might Be cheaper once Numbers are getting better.

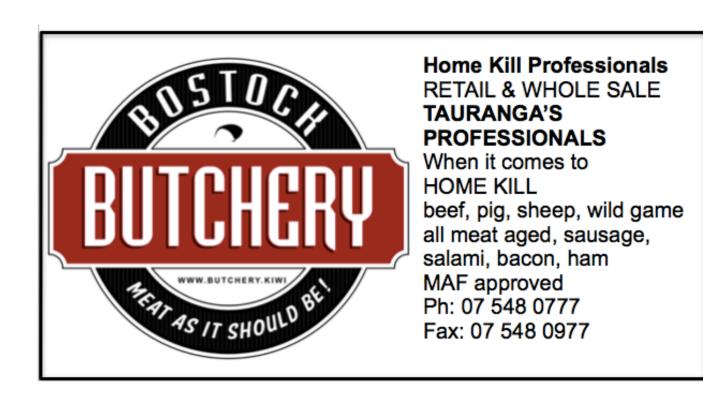
Bookings for these spots are to come to Johnny – 0275451515

Fishing Available for Rocks ahead hut & Bivvy, Fish & Game rules Apply.

CLUB HUNTS

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			
	Extended hunting, may involve helicopters.	fitness, basic alpine skills, navigation	boots, pack, binoculars, rangefinder, spotting scope			
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	Extreme Hunting, alpine or dense bush	extreme fitness, alpine skills, navigation	boots, pack, binoculars, rangefinder, spotting scope, crampons, ice axe			
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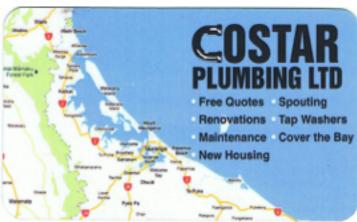


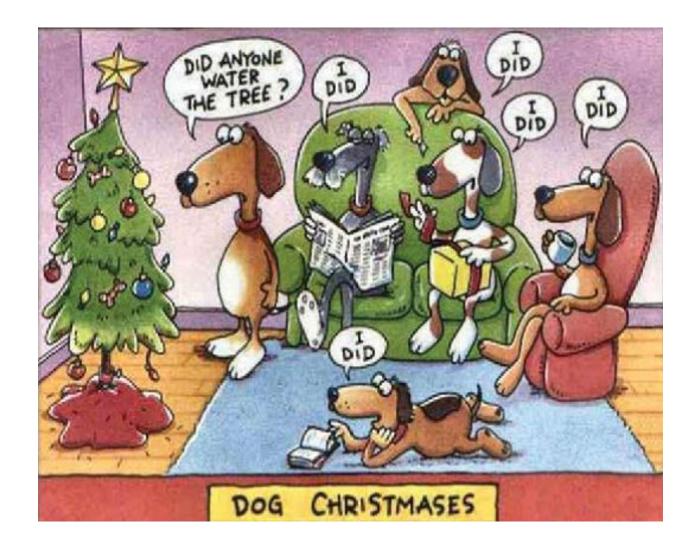


Bumper Stickers available from Club Night: \$10 each









FAMILY WEEKEND

Friday January 24th to Mon 27th 2020

(Auckland Anniversary Weekend)

Riverside Retreat

31 Tapu Coroglen Road Thames Coast (Stan & Arendina Lowe's)

Enjoy a weekend of **fishing, boating, kayaking, swimming, walking, and biking on Hauraki Rail Trail** or just relaxing with the family and other club members. Heaps of other activities and lots of space to do it in.

Bring your camping gear, caravan, camper van or stay in our accommodation at Riverside or across the road. Other holiday accommodation can be arranged if none of the other options is to your liking.

Facilities at Riverside include non flush toilets, shower, large BBQ area with NZDA marquees, fridge and freezer space, local shop with takeaways, safe swimming whole in river, shellfish collecting, school playground plus the whole of the Coromandel Peninsula.

So gather up the kids and the rest of the family and come and enjoy a weekend away before school goes back as well as meeting other club members.

<u>WHAT TO BRING</u> – Sun screen, insect repellent, food & drink and usual camp gear and the toys you enjoy or even a deck chair and a good book.

Saturday & Sunday night we will have a group BBQ with heaps of snapper – Bring salads and potluck food to share.

COST - \$15 per adult per night, students \$5 per night, under 5 years free



If you have any specific requirements give me a call, as I an sure we can make it happen. PLEASE PHONE STAN ON 0708684515 or email lowe2147@gmail.com to advise your intentions

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RATES QUOTED FOR

NZ Deerstalkers Association

Group Booking Reference: **FA5474**

The below rates are based on prices to date, inclusive of GST and subject to availability.

Fares: Peak Each Way

 Adult
 \$52.00

 Child
 \$25.00

 Motorcycle
 \$50.00

Campervan/Motorhome up to 5.5mt \$170.00 Additional half metre \$42.00

Car/Ute/Van/4WD/trailer up to 5.5mt \$137.00 each

Additional half Metre \$22.00

Plus Lounge \$55.00 18yrs plus

Peak Dates:

01-28 February 19 18-23 April 19

Fares: Off Peak Each Way

 Adult
 \$47.00

 Child
 \$25.00

 Motorcycle
 \$40.00

Campervan/Motorhome up to 5.5mt \$145.00 Additional half metre \$37.00

Car/Ute/Van/4WD/trailer up to 5.5mt \$124.00 each

Additional half Metre \$20.00

Plus Lounge \$55.00 18yrs plus

Off Peak Dates:

01 March - 17 April 19 24 April - 15 December 19

Group Booking conditions and instructions for members are:

- Reservations can be made direct with Interislander online at https://www.greatjourneysofnz.co.nz/members-fares
- by entering FA5474 into the group discount code box.
- Space is subject to availability at the time of the booking request.

- Bookings are 90% refundable if cancelled up to 1 hour before departure.
- Date and time changes allowed up to 1 hour before departure without penalty, subject to availability.
- NZDA membership card to be shown at check-in or full retail fare will be charged. Membership card to be in the name of the person travelling.
- · Fares subject to change with notification.
- If booking from outside NZ you will need to request your booking be made via email.
- Rates valid for travel 01 February through to 15 December 19
- Please note that no discount applies 19 December 2019 through to and including 31 January 20



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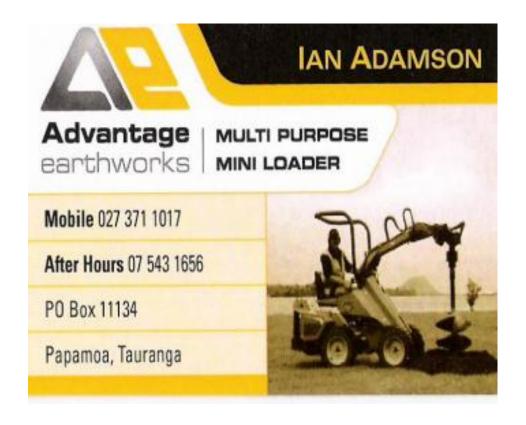




RANGE NEWS

Grant Hammond NZDA BOP Branch Range Manager

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NOTICE BOARD

FOR SALE:

Prescott Tandem Axle Trailer

Size: 4260mm x 1900mm galvanised chequer plate trailer bed

(Max width including mudguards=2430mm and max length including draw bar =5750mm)

Max Load: 1800kg

GVM: 2800kg (i.e. gross vehicle mass is the max operating weight comprised of trailer weight and maximum trailer payload weight)

Tyres: x4 175cm/13 inch

- -Draw bar and hydraulic brakes with parking brake lever and reverse auto-braking device.
- -High performance disc brakes
- -Spare wheel
- -Retractable jockey wheel
- -2x removable gantries to support load above wheel arches
- -2x removable loading ramps stored below trailer in steel racks and restrained with securable spring loaded bolts
- -Led lights at rear and white lights on leading edge of mudguards
- -Low side rails at front and one side
- -4x 1850kg capacity lashing rings (2× on each side)

Registered to: 21/02/20

Current WOF Expiry: 16/09/20

In great working condition.

Selling for \$11,000 ONO

All questions and viewing welcome.

Please contact Mike or Sue Thame Tel: 07 576 5087 or Mobile: 027 441 4813

FOR SALE:

Motorola Windows Embedded Personal Digital Assistant.

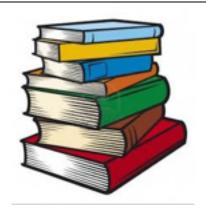
Model: MC 9500k. Complete with charging cradle and USB cable and holster and belt clip – 5 available.

Contact Michael Thame for any of the above. H: 07 576 5087 M: 027 338 2582

NOTE: if you have something to buy or sell please let the editor know. Similarly, if you advertise something for sale, and then sell it, please let your editor know so your advert can be removed...

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Members will need to:

- 1. Book the units in advance.
- 2. Be a current member and show their membership card when picking them up.
- 3. Fill in an Outdoors Intention Form to be held by the Branch custodian issuing the unit.
- 4. Pay a \$40 cash bond, refundable on return, in original condition and on time.
- 5. Pay a \$10-20 donation per trip, on return, for hire of the unit.

Hire will be on a per trip basis, based on a maximum of a 21 day trip. The units will not be insured because of the cost, so any damage or loss will be payable by the user (approx. \$640). There is no cost for the renewal of the unit if it is used in an emergency

but if possible we will need it returned. Any costs incurred for rescue by emergency services or false PLB activation will be the sole responsibility of the user.

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 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 2019/20 year (March 1st 2019– February 28th 2020).

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.				

Membership benefits:

- NZDA \$10 Million Liability Insurance Cover, including \$1 million rural fires extension.
- 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 2019 to February 28 th 2020		*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 2019		\$0.00		\$2.00		\$1.00	
JUNIOR – Must be less than 18 years of age as at March 1 st 2019 (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 2019		\$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 2019)		Memb	nip Fee \$				
OPTIONAL PAYMENTS: Annual Range Ticket (Mar-Feb each yr – \$50 see separate info pack) Donation towards ongoing development of the Shooting Range		Range tick		cet \$			
Donation towards origining development of the Shooting Range		Donation Total P			—		
Please find enclosed my payment for my application to Bay of Plenty Branch. Cheque Cash Direct Credit Account Name: Bank Account No: Reference: NZDA- BOP Branch 030445-0184375-00 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:					
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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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- 7. Be exemplary members of NZDA by promoting and abiding by its Rules, Field Guidelines and this Code of Ethics.



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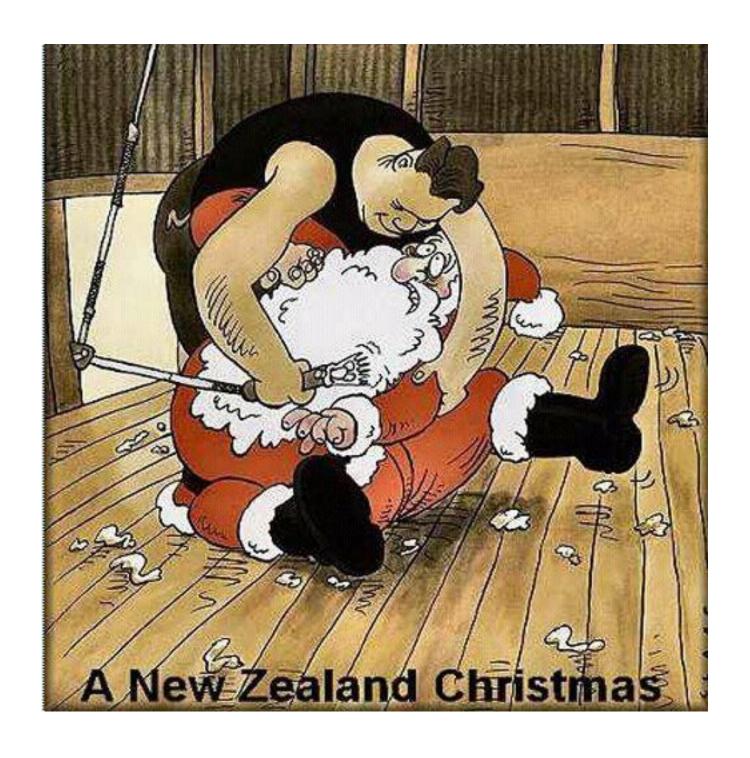








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