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

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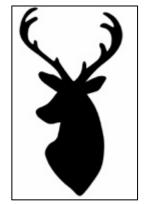
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Club Night: First Tuesday of the month 7.30pm (Doors open at 7pm if you want to come early for a chat!)

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.

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PRESIDENTS REPORT - AUGUST 2020

Hi everyone and welcome to this month's newsletter.

Our chosen sport and hobby is being attacked from all sides with the gun legislation that Labour is forcing through Parliament and then the Greens who seem to be fully in charge of the DOC estate slaughtering the Tahr.

Once Eugene Sage has eliminated the Tahr, which she intends to do she will switch focus to the deer and there will be no stopping her.

Having a government with the Greens in power has by default put Forest and Bird in charge of our back country and they want all introduced species removed.

According to Eugene Sage the Tahr are eating all the Mt Cook lilieswell in the areas we hunt the Tahr obviously didn't get the memo!



Not a bright outlook for us at the moment and the media don't seem to be interested in anything other than the sunshine glinting of Jacinda's teeth. At the next election my vote will be directed at the party that I think will best serve myself, to own firearms and have some game remaining in the hills and mountains of New Zealand to hunt.

Not sure what's on for next

club night but it will be either a talk from a local Knife maker or Grant will give a talk and demo on reloading. I will send out an email to let know and to remind to come along. Hope to see you at the club night and if you are a new member please come and introduce yourself and we will do our best to make feel welcome.

Clyde

COVER PHOTO – An old photo from the competitions – by Clyde!

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 2020

August	
Tuesday, 4 th August, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms - TBA
Tuesday, 11 th August, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms

September	
Tuesday, 1 st September, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Tuesday, 8 th September, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms

October	
Tuesday, 6 th October, 7.30 pm	Club Night at NZDA Clubrooms
Tuesday, 13 th October, 7.30 pm	Committee Night at NZDA Clubrooms



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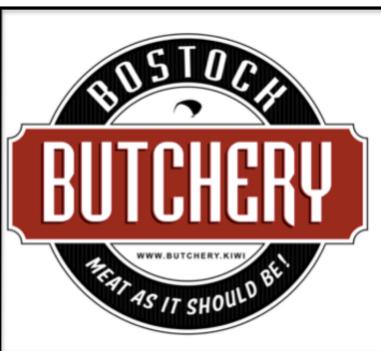
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CLUB HUNTS

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			
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			



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This is my club so how can I help??

What a great question and one that all members should ask themselves from time to time. Have I contributed to help run the club in some way, whether that's on a working bee or going on the committee or just helping out when required.

Without members contributing in some way the club will not function successfully and the trend in recent years is that a small number of members bare most of the responsibility and for a considerable number of years without a break. The time is fast approaching when we need new blood to take up the executive positions on the committee such as President, Secretary and Treasurer and we will also be looking for a Membership Secretary.

If more members would step up and contribute some of their time and especially those members with some skills it would make life easier for all which would share the load. I can hear some of you saying I'm too busy and don't have time.... Are you really that busy or is it just a convenient excuse. I guess if you haven't had time to go hunting, fishing or out to the range then maybe you are too busy.

For new members joining the club one of the best ways to get to know everyone and make some friends is to get involved with organisation in one way or another and for me the satisfaction of making a contribution is rewarding.

If you are interested in getting more involved in the club please come and talk to me about it at one of the club nights.

Clyde President



THE SHEILA AT THE PARTY HUNT - SARAH COTCHING

The party hunt at Maungapohatu was my first experience of hunting with the Tauranga Deerstalkers crew and was definitely one to remember. From the moment I was welcomed by Stan as we set off into snow clad hills in convoy, to the final few minutes at the club rooms sharing out the provisions from some excellent hunting by the rest of the group I was impressed with how gracious and inclusive the guys were. The banter and farting was possibly toned down a bit because of my presence, but still there in good doses, from everyone. The snoring throughout the trip was quite something. Almost spectacular at times. I didn't know the human throat was capable of expressing some of the sounds I heard all 3 nights while we were there. Those responsible denying any responsibility the next morning, and looking incredibly refreshed while the rest of us coped with coffee and sleep deprivation.

The hunting up at Makomako was quite different from other parts of the Ureweras I've been in. The slopes were typically steep and always beautiful but not as much sign about as other parts I've been into. On the second day Shane and I managed to spook a stag who barked at us from about 50m away but his barks got further away quite quickly, and none of the usual sign of him before that.

The more experienced hunters said that usually there's plenty of opportunity to have a shot but that winter and being higher up things were quiet.

Hats off to Shane and Wayne who coped well with me tagging along with them.

I was impressed by the overall fitness of some of the guys in the group who were half my age and seemed to leap tall mountains in a single bound. Something to aspire to for sure.

As with any party hunt, one the aspects I particularly enjoy is hearing about the experiences of others, both with hunting and their life stories. I have huge respect for their wisdom and practical advice about best places to hunt, what to avoid and how hunt smarter. So too with their life experiences.

I know that the other half of the group on the lower foothills shot all the deer we shared, however just being a part of this hunt with its range of experienced hunters was gold for me. Here's to more like this in the future and many thanks to Stan for his mahi in organising such a great event.



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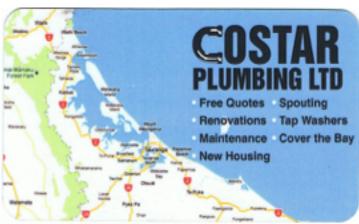




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FOR SALE: 303 rifles – Gerry Carey

Collectors and Bush rifles for sale, some spotorised with new barrels and scopes plus iron, seven in total pricing from \$300/\$350 a bargain it would be better to view them to appreciate.

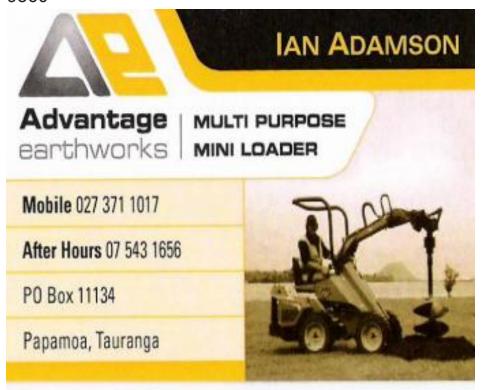
Browning ~ X-Bolt Hell's Canyon Long Range ~ 7mm Rem. Mag. 10 shots fired through its best and first offer over \$1,800 will secure. (Listed \$2,200 on Trademe and that's with no picatinny rail.)

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Can come with scope, worth well over \$550 will sell for \$250

For more informtion on the above rifles – contact Gerry Carey

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FOR SALE: Toyota Hilux - Call Chris Munro

For Sale 2000 Toyota Hilux SR5

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All questions and viewing welcome.

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FOR SALE - Motorola Windows Embedded Personal Digital Assistant

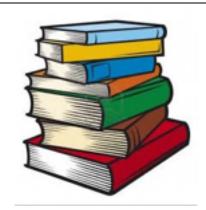
Model: MC 9500k. Complete with charging cradle and USB cable and holster and belt clip – 5 available.

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

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- 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.)

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 year March 1^{st} 2020 – February 28^{th} 2021.

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

Surname:	Given Name/s:	
Address:		Suburb:
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Email:		Newsletter By: Post □ Email □
Occupation:		
	Name:	DOB:
Family Members: (please see over page for more information)	Name:	DOB:
	Name:	DOB:
	Name:	DOB:
Date of Birth if Junior or Superannuant	/	Junior less than 18 as at 1 March 2020. Superanuitant over 65 as at 1 March 2020.

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- 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, Tim Taylor 027 668 9904 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.

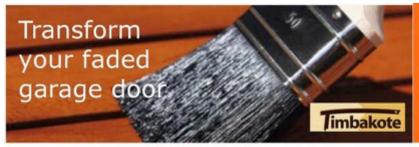
The membership type I am applying for is:	Perio	od Joined		(Circle one)			
FEES – Branch financial year runs from March 1 st 2016 to February 28 th 2017		*Joining Fee		Full Yr Mar – Aug		1/2 Yr Sep – Feb	
SENIOR – Full benefits at National and Branch level.	\$5	0.00	+	\$145.00		\$75.00	
FAMILY MEMBER – partner/spouse or children/ grandchildren of Senior Member under 18 as at March 1 st 2016	\$(0.00	+	\$5.00		\$3.00	
JUNIOR – Must be less than 18 years of age as at March 1 st 2016 (No voting rights).	\$(0.00	+	\$45.00		\$25.00	
ASSOCIATE – Can't vote or enter national competitions. Doesn't receive H&W mag	\$5	\$50.00		\$100.00		\$55.00	
AFFILIATE – Must be a full member of another branch.	\$5	\$50.00		\$63.5	50	\$35.00	
SUPERANNUANT – over 65 as at 1 March 2016	\$5	\$50.00		+ \$100.		\$55.00	
STUDENT – Must produce valid Student ID card as proof.	\$5	\$50.00		\$95.0	00	\$48.00	
* Joining Fee only applies to NEW and members UNFINANCIAL for more than 90 days (i.e.: Existing membership must be renewed before 31 May 2020) OPTIONAL PAYMENTS: Annual Range Ticket (Mar-Feb each yr – \$50 see separate info pack) Donation towards ongoing development of the Shooting Range:			Membership Fee \$50.00 Joining Fee \$ Range ticket \$ Donation \$ Total Payment \$				
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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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