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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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Presidents Report's - March 2016

Hello to our members new and old.

For those of you with reasonable eyesight and a grasp of what constitutes a decent set of goat horns, you may have paused for a second or two (with envy) on the front page of this newsletter. It's hard enough to find a goat that goes over the 30 inches these days, but young Alex has bagged a beauty which measures a long way north of 30. Well done Alex!!

The members that participated in the annual hare hunt had an enjoyable weekend with the weather thankfully staying fine.

It's been a busy month which started with an invitation from Tuhoe to participate and give input into Te Kawa Te Urewera which is their framework to manage Te Urewera. The meeting was held in Rotorua and it will be interesting to see what their final priorities are to manage the Urewera.

The working bee at the range on Sunday has seen the completion of the netting over the insulation and the flashing installed along the front edge of the roof. Weeds were sprayed and grass cut as well as the normal maintenance to the target butts. Thank you to those people who turned up to help it's much appreciated.

Please take time to read the information that Keith has compiled for the antler horn and tusk competitions and photographic competitions. A clear understanding of the rules and what is required on measuring night will help us all on the night.

Don't forget the meeting this month is at Hamills with good discounts and prizes to be drawn. Members that have paid their subs by the end of February will go into a draw for \$100.00 Hamill gift voucher.

See you there Clyde

Cover Photo: Alex Shorrock with his 39" Billy

Photo by Hanno van der Merwe

If you have a photograph that would be suitable for the cover please contact the Newsletter editor

COMING EVENTS

MARCH								
Tues	Tuesday 1 st 7.00 pm Club Night Hamills							
***	great deals! Specials on all clothing including Stoney Creek and Swazi Specials on Winchester ammo with lots of other specials on the night Every \$50 spent goes into the draw for a rifle as well as lots of other prizes See you there!							
Tues	day	8 th	7.30pm	Committee Night	NZDA Clubrooms			

<u>APRIL</u>							
Tuesday 5 th 7.30 pm Club Night NZDA Clubrooms							
Casual meeting – no guest speaker tonight, just head Along to the clubrooms to catch up with the members and swap hunting stories.							
Tues	day	12 th	7.30pm	Committee Night	NZDA Clubrooms		

MAY							
Tuesday 3 rd 7.30pm Club Night NZDA Clubrooms							
Tahr Hunt film and photo evening by members							
Tueso	day	10th	7.30 pm	Committee Night	NZDA Clubrooms		

Please Note: 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!



Paul Adamson

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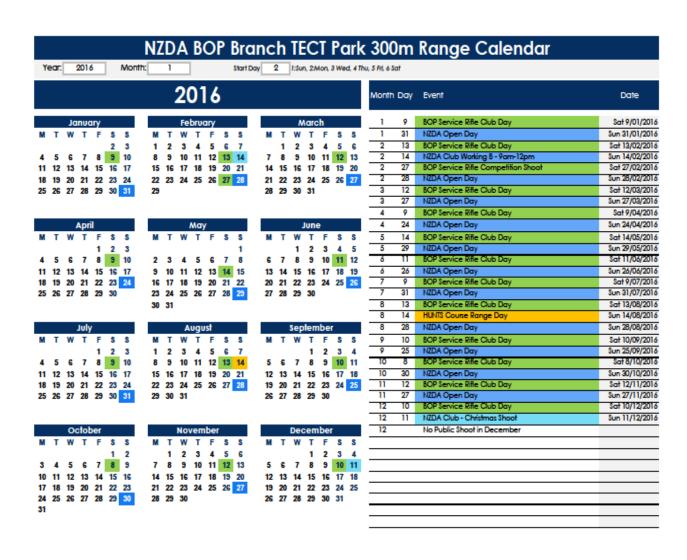
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Range Calendar for 2016

Any alternatives or additions to this calendar will be notified in the newsletter if time permits and on the branch website.



Supporting the Businesses that support us

Through the grant that our club has received from Pub Charity we will be able to move forward with the installation of a new gate at the range.

Please support the following businesses that contribute through Pub Charity to organisations such as ours:-

AJ's Maungatapu Marty's Pool Bar Renner's Bar Rossco's Café & Bar





We received funding from First Sovereign Trust for Marquees which have been sign written with our BOP NZDA information. These marquees were used on the Thames Family weekend.

Please support the following businesses:-

Cruzaz Cafe Bar Brewers Bar Hippi Pipi Stadium Bar and TAB

Thanks must go to Nik Maxwell from NZ Guns and Hunting for his help and supply of art work for these marguees.





Family Weekend at Riverside Retreat - Tapu

By Stan & Arendina

Thankfully the weather we ordered for this weekend (22nd-24th Jan) was delivered with temperatures up to 29c, balmy evenings and very little wind. With 1 motor home, 1 caravan, 2 popup campers, 6 tents on the Riverside Retreat property, accommodation at Tapu Motor Camp and accommodation at our home and flat, it was going to be action packed one with about 38 people ranging in age from a few months to 3 score and ten.

By Friday night most had set up camp and settled in for the evening under the 2 new marquesses that the club has recently purchased. (These are impressively sign written with NZDA logos and great scenery shots on the back wall) These looked the part on the edge of the Tapu River and our very own swimming hole.

Saturday morning had everyone out and about, some fishing in the Firth of Thames, some walking in the Coromandel Forest Park, some visiting the Market Day in Thames while others opted to enjoy the beach, the waterhole and other tourist attractions. By late afternoon it was chill out time at the Marquee and the river. Dinner was a group event with a feed fit for a King (or Queen) - BBQ snapper fillets, venison, sausages, steaks, patties etc, cockles, crayfish and every type of salad you could imagine followed by yummy desserts. A lovely relaxed evening with not too many mossies, lots of stories and members getting to know each other over an ale (or wine) or two or three.

Sunday morning dawned hot, calm and clear, just the right conditions for more fishing, kayaking, swimming and hoping in and out of the river just to cool down or even a stroll along the beach followed by an ice cream.

After lunch was pack up time which was made easy with plenty of helpers. In addition to the vast quantity of snapper cooked on Saturday night everyone went home with a couple of feeds of fresh fish as well as lovely sweet cockles for those who stopped and collected them on Sunday afternoon.

We feel so privileged to be able to share our little slice of paradise with the group and look forward to making



this an annual event. Many thanks to those who brought the equipment from the clubrooms and helped set up and clear up.

Stan & Arendina



A note from the Ed...

Jillian Rogers has kindly offered to take over the newsletter writing for me for a few months while Dean & I focus on our new bundle of joy!

Please note however that I will still manage the correspondence. Please continue to send any and all newsletter articles, photos and information through to my email — <u>claire71@gmail.com</u> and I will correspond with Jillian. Thanks Jillian for the support.

Claire

Advance Notice!! Annual Dinner & Prizegiving Saturday 18th June 2016

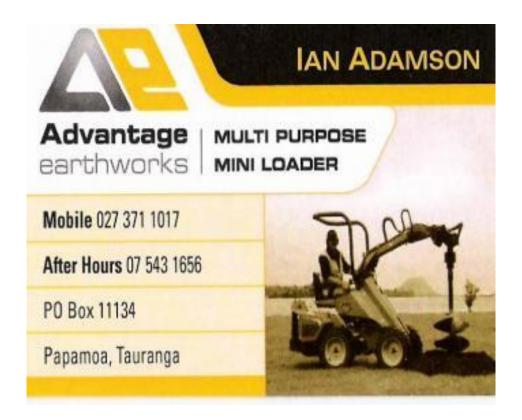
Please note this date in your diaries. Tickets will be available from Measuring Night onwards.

Details in next Newsletter.

!!!! Douglas Score Measuring !!!!

If there is sufficient interest the Branch will look at running a training seminar later this year. This is usually a one day course. Cost is unknown at the moment. This may be run here or combined with other branches. Contact me if you are interested.

Keith Theobald Phone 0276 935 445



Deerstalkers Library

Don't forget the library is open for Club members to borrow books and DVDs.

See Richard McEwen on club nights between 7.15 – 7.30pm



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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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Measuring Night 2016 Tuesday 17th 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: -

Α	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)
С	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 – 7×5 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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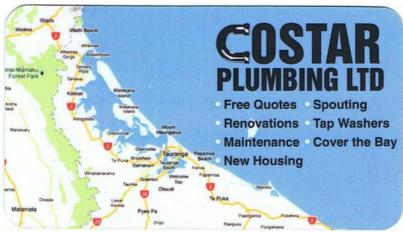
Branch Hunts

No organized branch hunts in March and April. Get your mates together practice roaring and go out and get them!

We are also organizing hunts now for May, June, and July. Info in the newsletter and on facebook as we get them together.

You can also catch up with any of the branch hunts contacts at the monthly meetings.





A bad day hunting still beats a good day working. - Unknown



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Tahr Trip Photos

A couple of photos from last years tahr trip – Thanks Clyde Rogers



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.



Govt Eyes Tougher Gun Laws

Article by Nicholas Jones

New Zealand Herald - Tuesday February 9, 2016

Police would gain greater search powers under reform to target illegal weapons in gangs.

Measures including greater police search powers are being considered to try and get illegal weapons out of the hands of gangs.

Police Minister Judith Collins is expecting a report on firearm prohibition orders and has confirmed a law change is under active consideration.

The orders are used with varying conditions in three Australian states and are mostly targeted at motorcycle gangs, including the Hells Angels and Rebels.

In New South Wales, anyone served with a firearm prohibition order faces heavy penalties for possessing firearms, cannot knowingly be in the company of people with firearms, and cannot knowingly reside at or visit a location where there are firearms.

Police in the state can stop and search a person who has been issued with an order and can search houses and vehicles they occupy without a warrant, to check if an order has been breached.

They have regularly used the orders since a law change in 2013; in one particular week 11 properties were searched and new orders issued to 14 people.

Orders are issued at the determination of the Police Commissioner.

A spokeswoman for Ms Collins said introduction of the orders here was being considered, but there was much detail to work through.

A police briefing to the Police and Justice Ministers from April last year, released under the Official Information Act, details the case for firearm prohibition orders. They have been introduced in NSW, South Australia and Tasmania.

While New Zealand was yet to experience the scale of armed gang offending that has occurred in Australia, evidence suggested gun crime was a particular problem among gang members, the paper states.

"For instance, 44 per cent of the almost 4000 patched adult gang members and prospects identified in July 2014 had been charged with offences involving firearms during their lifetime."

Police can currently deny high-risk offenders a gun licence, but there is no power to prevent the same people getting firearms through association with others, the briefing states.

Cabinet asked police and justice officials to look at firearm prohibition orders in June 2014 as part of a wider Gangs Action Plan. That work has since gathered pace.

Minutes from the police-run firearms community advisory forum meeting in December state that penalties in the Arms Act and permits for the import of parts will be considered for reform, and that "firearm prohibition orders are to be progressed as a separate bill".

Police Association president Greg O'Connor said the prohibition orders could be helpful, but it was another piecemeal measure when a wider inquiry was needed into why guns were so prevalent in the criminal community.

Labour's police spokesman Stuart Nash said he broadly supported any measure to limit criminals' firearm access, but would need to see evidence relating to search powers and other details.

He strongly supported Mr O'Connor's call for an over-arching review into firearms access.

Meanwhile, police yesterday attended an incident at a remote Coromandel holiday hotspot when at least two men were seen running with shotguns, chasing someone.

Armed officers swooped on the normally quiet Kennedy Bay just before midday and the local Harataunga Marae, which was filled with children, was forced into lockdown after shots were heard. Two men have been arrested.

A woman at the marae, who did not wish to be named, said she heard several gun shots and there were people running around with guns on the main street.

She said there were a lot of children at the marae over the holiday weekend and they were all very scared.

Waikato Police Senior Sergeant Andrew O'Reilly said police had received reports of shots being fired at Kennedy Bay about 11.30am. The Waikato Armed Offenders Squad was sent to the scene.

Several people were helping police with their inquiries. No firearms had been recovered and there was no report of injury.



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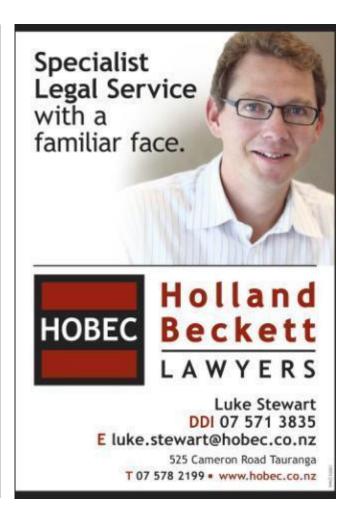
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- Keith Theobald, Greerton, Ph. 578 1195
- Baden Prentice, Bethlehem, Ph. 579 3107 (pick up can also be made from Newton St, Mt Maunganui by prior arrangement)



Application for Membership of the Bay of Plenty Branch of the New Zealand Deerstalkers Association (Inc.) 2016/2017

To:

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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 2016/17 year (March 1^{st} 2016—February 28^{th} 2017).

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

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Occupation:		
Family Members: (please see over page for more information)	Name: Name: Name:	DOB: DOB: DOB: DOB:
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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 Treasurer, Bob Tatton 07 571 8442 or email treasurer@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	eriod Joined (Circle one)				
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SENIOR – Full benefits at National and Branch level.		\$50.00	+	\$110.00	\$59.00	
FAMILY MEMBER – partner/spouse or children/ grandchil Senior Member under 18 as at March 1 st 2016	dren of	\$0.00	+	\$2.00	\$1.00	
JUNIOR – Must be less than 18 years of age as at March 1 (No voting rights).	.st 2016	\$0.00	+	\$37.50	\$22.75	
ASSOCIATE – Can't vote or enter national competitions. Description receive H&W mag	oesn't	\$50.00	+	\$67.00	\$37.50	
AFFILIATE – Must be a full member of another branch.		\$50.00	+	\$50.00	\$29.00	
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Under the terms of the Privacy Act 1993, I acknowledge tha details for the purpose of mailing further information on NZL	•			and club		
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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