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New Zealand Deerstalkers Association



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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
NEW ZEALAND DEERSTALKERS ASSOCIATION,
BAY OF PLENTY BRANCH



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Our mission statement is to retain, enhance and create opportunities for the enjoyment of legitimate recreational hunting and the sport of shooting, for the members of the Association.

Founded in 1950, the Bay of Plenty NZDA is a branch of the New Zealand Deerstalkers Association.



COVER PHOTO: Daniel Gallagher's story on page 8.

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PRESIDENTS REPORT: MAY 2024

It's been a busy and exciting roar period for me, and I've hardly had time for much else. My highlight had to be roaring in a stag in the upper Whirinaki for my daughter to have a shot at. Unfortunately, the stag didn't present a good body shot for her to let an arrow fly and he legged it pretty quick when he spotted us, but a thrilling few moments and it was really great being able to share that with my 10 year old daughter.

Between hunting with family, friends and club members, I've been giving a lot of thought to what the club is all about. For me it's about hunting, but just as much, it's the time we spend in the outdoors with likeminded people of all ages and from all walks of life. It's always great to go on a hunt with people I know, but equally those I haven't yet got to know. Building relationships over a brew in the hut or around the campfire are the building blocks of a strong well-connected hunting club. If you have the opportunity, get on a club hunt. You may not know anyone who's going, but after a couple of evenings chewing the fat and perhaps a long drive there and back, you'll know someone in the club you didn't previously and that's where it all starts.



We have had a lot on in the club over the last couple of months, and plenty more coming up. Don't forget measuring night is less than two weeks away. It's always a hive of activity and there's a story behind every head that comes in. If you need a conversation starter, just ask someone about the hunt they got their head on. There are more club hunts and shooting events in the calendar so make sure you register so you can join others in pursuing that elusive trophy or improving your shooting.

See you at measuring night!

Reuben

MEASURING NIGHT

TUESDAY 21ST MAY

FROM 7PM

As the stags get into their stride roaring it's a timely reminder that our Annual Measuring night is not far off. For those of you who aren't familiar with Measuring Night, it's the time of year when we bring in all of our trophies to the club and get them Douglas scored for our annual Antler Horn and Tusk Competition. It's important to note that you shouldn't be put off if you haven't got the biggest and best as there are plenty of opportunities that might get you in the running for some silverware even if you aren't expecting it...you may be the only person who enters so bring everything in to be measured!

The trophy categories are:

- **Bay of Plenty Cup** - best Red deer head Donated based on its DS score.
- **H. Seely Cup** - second best Red deer head Donated based on its DS score.
- **Stan Lowe Trophy** - best Kaimai Red deer head based on its DS score. Must be taken within the Kaimai Forest Park north of State Highway 29.
- **Joe Monk Memorial Shield** - classical Red deer head based on visual, as judged by the measuring panel.
- **NZDA-BOP Branch Cup** - non typical deer head (any species) awarded to the most unusual or peculiar head.
- **Jenson Shield** - best Sika deer head based on its DS score.
- **Jack & Ken Barrow Shield** - Best Fallow deer based on its DS score.
- **George Baldock Cup** - Best Fiordland deer head based on its DS score.
- **Stoney Creek Trophy** - best Sambar deer head based on its DS score.
- **Waghorn Trophy** - best Rusa deer head based on its DS score.
- **John Hamilton Cup** - best Chamois head based on its DS score.
- **Neville Hogg Cup** - best Tahr head based on its DS score.

- **Bruce White Shield** - best Goat head based on its DS score.
- **John Dyke Ford Trophy** - best Goat head taken by a junior based on its DS score.
- **Huxtable Shield** - extracted Pig tusks based on its DS score.
- **Joe Malyon Cup** - undrawn Pig tusks based on its DS score
- **Pickering Shield** - best head taken by a lady based on its DS score.
- **Leo Malyon Cup** - best head taken by an under 20 year old based on its DS score.
- **Burr Family Trophy** - best head taken by a junior under 16 Years based on its DS score
- **D'Luxa Caterers Cup** - most outstanding head (all species) based on its DS score Red equivalent
- **Rod Mills Cup** - highest Antler, Horn & Tusk aggregate
- **Knight Trophy** - highest aggregate over all competitions based on AHT, Photography & Shooting
- **Dale Treanor Cup** - best tanned skin of a game animal based on shape, appearance, condition of hair markings and type (species). Skin must be tanned by the entrant and not done commercially.
- **West Trophy** - best Whitetail deer head based on its DS score.
- **West Trophy** - best wild Sheep head based on its DS score.
- **Golden Oldies Trophy** - Best head taken by a member 65 years or over, at the time of taking their trophy based on its DS score Red equivalent

We also celebrate our photographic and filming skills so it's time to dig through the hundreds of photos and videos you've taken throughout the year and submit your best ones for the chance to win yet more silverware.

Section A: Game Animals

Section B1: Other wildlife - birds

Section B2: Other wildlife - mammals

Section B3: Other wildlife - insects, reptiles, and amphibians

Section C: Scenic

Section D: Flora

Section E: Human Interest

Section F: Best colour or black and white print of all sections

Section G: Best Junior colour or black and white print

Section H: Photographic sequence

Section I: Photographic aggregate

VIDEO FILMS

Section A: Training/Promotional

Section B: Hunting

Section C: NZ wildlife

For more information on all of these categories as well as the AHT categories, please check out our NZDA Branch Handbook.

Friendly reminder that you need to be a current financial member to enter this competition and at the time of taking either the photo or trophy head.

BOP NZDA CLUB EVENTS & HUNTS CALENDAR 2024

MAY	MEASURING NIGHT Organiser: Tim Taylor Date: 21st May from 7pm	PEEKING WALLABY MATCH Date: 5 th May Check the club website for more info	RANGE CLOSED Saturday 11th May Midday - 3pm for NRO Trainer Training
	CLUBROOM WORKING BEE Organiser: Tim Taylor Date: 24th May (9am-lunchtime)	CLUB NIGHT See website for more details Date: 7th May from 7pm	Sunday 12th May 9am - 3pm for NRO Assessments
WANGANUI RIVER HUNT 31 MAY - 3RD JUNE			
JUN	BENCHREST SHOOTING Date: 16 th June Check the club website for more info	CLUB NIGHT See website for more details Date: 4th June from 7pm	
JUL	BOYD HUT CLUB HUNT Date: 24 th -28 th July Organiser: Adam Rusk 021 186 6721	NEW HUNTS COURSE COMMENCES Date: 29 th July Organiser: Cath huntscourse@deerstalkersbop.org.nz	ANNUAL AGM / JULY CLUB NIGHT See website for more details Date: 2nd July from 7pm
AUG	PEEKING WALLABY MATCH Date: 4 th Aug Check the club website for more info	CLUB NIGHT See website for more details Date: 6th August from 7pm	
SEPT	BENCHREST SHOOTING Date: 8 th Sept Check the club website for more info	CLUB NIGHT See website for more details Date: 3rd September from 7pm	
OCT	CLUB NIGHT See website for more details Date: 1st October from 7pm		
NOV	PEEKING WALLABY MATCH Date: 3 rd Nov Check the club website for more info	CLUB NIGHT See website for more details Date: 5th November from 7pm	

VISIT: www.deerstalkersbop.org.nz/club-events for more NZDA BOP events and activities.



RANGE NEWS:

PEEKING WALLABY MATCH

5th May, 4th Aug, 3rd Nov - For more information please check the club website.

BENCHREST SHOOT

16th June, 8th Sept - For more information please check the club website.

RANGE MAINTENANCE

Thanks to our members that attend our working bees at the range - as they say, few hands make light work so it would be good to see some new faces assisting at working bees. We have a core group of members putting in most of the hours but we know there are many more active and regular range shooters out there that should be helping.

We are currently working on extending the 100m, 200m and 300m target lines so that each firing position (1 to 15) will shoot more directly straight down the range as opposed to the slight angle that is currently needed. This will require an extension and rebuild to the target lines. Initial earth works have been completed.

RANGE TICKET FEE PAYMENT REMINDER

If you have not paid your NZDA membership and range fee for 2024 then your range tag has been deactivated. When you make payment please send an email to range@deerstalkersbop.org.nz so that your range tag can be reactivated

RANGE CLOSURE DATES

Range closed - Saturday 11 May 12.30pm to 3pm for NRO Trainer Training

Range closed - Sunday 12 May 9am - 3pm for NRO Assessments

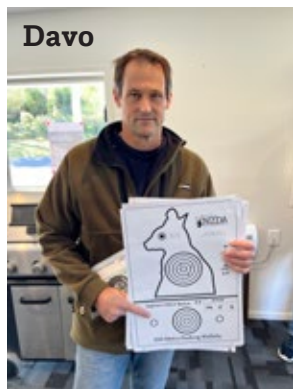
IMPORTANT NOTICE:

**DO NOT LEAVE LIVE AMMO AT THE RANGE.
DO NOT PUT LIVE AMMO IN THE EMPTY CASE BINS.**

Davo was awarded one for scoring 44 points at 300m in Factory Rifle class and Jono was also awarded one for scoring more than a total of 129 points in TPH (Tactical Practical Hunter) class. Jono actually scored 149 points which is the highest score of any rifle shot so far in the PWM in over 2-1/2 years! The two best previous scores were 143 and 134 points. He also set new high scores for both 100m and 300m.

While the wallaby targets were being scored we ran the Hop House Beer Coaster Shoot. About a dozen coasters were purchased and stapled up at 200m for participants to try and achieve their 1 shot for fame and glory. Previously no one has achieved this amazing feat at the PWM. But low and behold three shooters managed to hit the hop flower (about 15mm diameter in size) and three \$50 Hop House restaurant & beer vouchers were duly awarded. These went to Reg, NZ Varminter and Davo. Davo's shot was truly awesome as it went right through the center!

Well done everyone and best of luck for the August match. If you haven't tried this out yet give me a call. Our branch is very fortunate to have a 300m range which gives us the unique ability to practice out this distance.





APRIL CLUB HUNT TE WHARE OKIOKI

It was looking like a good turnout for the club hunt up at Te Whare Okioki. But then the weather forecast changed to heavy rain and the cancellations began to flow in.

I decided not to cancel the club hunt despite the ominous weather forecast, as I knew there was no major rivers to cross, and the hut was well suited for inclement weather.

Determined to make the most of it I finished work early on Wednesday and headed in, roughly 4 hours to the hut but with a heavy pack and a muddy track always feels a lot further. I caught up with Rob on the track and continued, once we hit the north-south track, the sky darkened with the threat of rain, so we pushed on toward the hut, eager to reach our

destination. Suddenly, our progress was halted by the sound of a deer crashing away through the thick bush, no time for a shot but a good omen for the days ahead.

We arrived at the hut on dark and as the heavens opened, we were glad to be under cover. With alarms blaring we got up and set plans for the morning hunt

I set off up towards the Mangamuka heading to a nice open part of the Kaimai letting out a few roars along the way.... (with no response). As the day progressed the wind became unbearable, swirling wind in every direction, so I pulled the pin and pushed my way back to the hut....

By the afternoon the other hunters arrived a little wet but in good spirits, the rain continued so we settled in for the evening.

The next morning the rain continued but it looked like it was clearing so I made the decision to head out, we were given a 1% chance of bagging a deer. I teamed up with Sam and headed out just north of the hut, we pushed our way up a thick shitty ridge to a nice open terrace and we both said if I was a deer I would be here. Two steps later I spotted a yearling only 30m away staring straight at us. I quickly raised the rifle, boom ...a deer on the ground.

Sam made quick work of gutting and making a deer backpack and he even offered to carry it back (what a legend). Luckily the track was close so only a 20-minute walk back to the hut, we returned soaked but triumphant...

Next Morning everyone was up early as the rain had cleared so we were eager to head out. Heading out solo I was up early and at my hunting location I waited for the sun to rise within minutes I spotted a hind feeding through the thick bush, I couldn't get a clean shot, so I

waited until she walked out between two trees, boom she bolted almost straight past me, did I miss? I reloaded and put another shot in. Down she went...the 1st shot did hit but wasn't a kill shot.

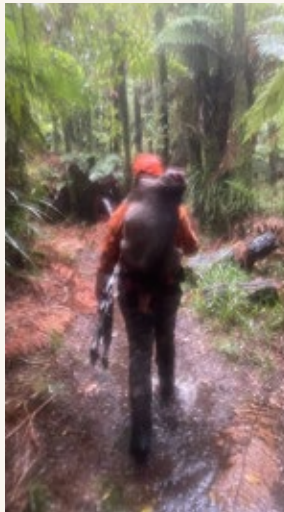
I looked at my watch 7.30am not bad, I said to myself I might be getting good at this finally... With an easy stroll back to the hut I began the butchery.

The other hunters returned during the day empty handed but with stories of close calls...I was relieved as there was a lot of meat to be carried out.

The next day we divided the meat up and walked out along a very muddy track. A bit disappointed no stags were shot but nice to have some good tasting meat in the freezer.

Another awesome club hunt with a great bunch of guys who braved the weather.

By Dan Gallagher



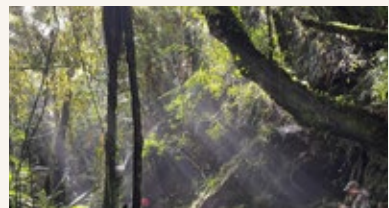


A VERY WET HURUNUI CLUB HUNT IN MARCH

The group went up the Henderson north tramline track and met Friday afternoon. Keith and Chris had already hunted the day before. At the Huruni hut Keith told us he had already shot his deer a day before (first public land deer) but sadly hadn't taken any photos.

Early start Saturday morning saw us spook six deer but nothing was shot. Heavy rain started to fall which made the area unsuitable to hunt so we all went back to the hut. We lit the fire, shared stories, had lots of laughs and Keith shared his venison. Sunday morning we went for a quick hunt whilst the rain had briefly stopped but nothing was seen.

By Sascha Haag





WE NEED YOU KAIMAI HUT MAINTENANCE

About: Did you know that the Bay of Plenty Branch has a long history of undertaking important maintenance work on huts in the Kaimais? Together with the Kaimai Ridgeway Trust, we're responsible for maintaining the Te Whare Oki Oki, Mangamuka and Hurunui huts - all of these are vital for accessing important hunting grounds. In recent years, a handful of members have been largely undertaking this work on their own, but the hills never get smaller and we find the list of jobs are always increasing. For this reason we'd need your help.

What's involved: There's numerous ways you can be involved so we're looking for expressions of interest in helping out. These jobs can be completed at any time but some may require support from helicopters so we're especially looking for people who are available during the week. There's a never ending list of small maintenance jobs around these huts - pruning overhanging trees, painting, plumbing, minor repairs etc. Then there's the occasional bigger jobs like replacing toilets or flying in

firewood. We're also looking for people who can simply walk in, check things out, and report back. All of these jobs will be appropriately supported and funds are available for materials, we just need some volunteers!

What do you get in return: A fun day out in the bush, an occasional helicopter ride, and free accommodation in the huts.

Get in touch: If you have time available and would like to get involved with this rewarding work in the bush, please get in contact with Stan Lowe to register your interest **027 667 1140**



STALK SMART

Recently my husband Tommy and I managed to sneak away for a day hunt while Mum watched the kids. We set out at first light with a 90-minute climb to the top of a ridge.

About halfway up, stalking through a mix of lancewood and horopito forest we spotted a glimmer of movement and leaves rustling about 20 yards away. We halted and crouched, with Tommy making a little mew call. Five minutes later, out from the shadows came a Sika spiker and a 4-pointer that stopped about 10 yards from us. We quietly filmed them until they decided to move on. We continued our way up to the top of the ridge stopping to roar, but all was quiet in the bush.

We hunted on and bumped into another spiker we managed to avoid. After a solid hour of hiking, we decided to drop into a gully but weren't hopeful after hearing nothing all morning.

About 100 yards into the gully suddenly IT WAS ALL ON! Consistent mews from a stag were bringing other stags into the area as we slowly stalked through dense bush on a game trail. With the wind in our faces, we crawled under shrubs and slid under logs until I found myself face to face with a hind at just 5 yards.

This moment was a make or break. One wrong move or change in wind direction would instantly end our chances. I was watching her through a squint. If she had seen my eyes it was likely she'd give a great squeal and alert the whole valley to run.

Once again we were frozen still, waiting for a deer to move on. Undetected we were finally able to start moving towards the roaring stag. I could see a young 8-pointer to my right that I didn't want to shoot. He looked nervous as another stag was progressing toward him. Through a gap in the bush, I spotted a big thick main beam of antler.

The young 8 took off when confronted with the older Sika stag, and I started to get excited seeing that thick mature antler searching for the hind.



We inched our way closer to the roar. With about 40 yards left to go, I was leading with the 308 and Tommy following closely when from behind a huge crash disturbed our concentration. Tommy grabbed onto a tree and stayed facing forward, fighting all human instinct to turn around. He was focused on minimising movement so I could get past him in silence.

In a matter of seconds, I spun around and took a single step, positioning myself in front of Tommy, and dropping to one knee. I watched this stag clear a log in a leap through the scrub, it was on course to step onto our game trail directly in front of me. From 7 yards away he sensed danger. I could clearly see his neck with his head looking straight at me.

I knew he was a high and heavy-timbered mature stag so I took the shot before he had a chance to spook and dissolve the whole hunt. BOOM! He was down fast and clean. His big rack was impressive, but unfortunately no tops. He was a big mature 6-pointer, and I was still stoked about how it all played out. We had experienced so many encounters yet managed to slip past them all undetected and came away with a solid mature stag. It was a great outcome.

Tommy and I sat down for a debrief on the whole exciting ordeal, took a couple of photos, and packed out the meat. I mixed up a sachet of Peak Performance Hunt Smart as I knew it would be a hard grind back up to the top.

We got stuck into the big walk back (thank goodness for Hunt Smart!) feeling thrilled with our success. Once home safe we unpacked and sat down with a cold one to yarn and reminisce about the epic day we had.

By Jess Montaperto

Instagram @jess_nz_sikahunter

CLUBROOM WORKING BEE

Location: Tauriko Clubrooms

Date: Saturday 24th May

Time: 9am - Lunchtime

This is a working bee where we aim to get all of the native plantings tidied up. These plants all need to be weeded, ground mat placed around them, and mulch spread out. While it's not a massive job, it will require as many hands on deck as possible to make quick work of it, and as usual we will

throw on a BBQ afterwards. No special tools are needed but if you have a pair of gardening gloves, these would be useful. Looking forward to seeing you there!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS
PLEASE CONTACT TIM TAYLOR
ON 027 668 9904



SEEKING EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR THE COMMITTEE & SUBCOMMITTEES

It won't be long and the annual AGM will be happening once again. This is held on the July club night which is the 2nd of July this year.

It's an extremely important event for our Branch as it deals with any outstanding business and sets us up for the next year, including electing the next committee. We're always looking for enthusiastic people to join our committee so we'd like you to have a think about if you have something to offer the club. The commitment isn't huge, only one meeting per month, but it's a role that can be as big as you like.

Are there things that frustrate you about the club?

Do you have awesome ideas you'd like us to do?

Do you have a set of professional skills that you think we need?

It's your chance to make a positive impact on the club so we welcome you to step forward.

INTERESTED?

Please have a yarn to any member of the current committee for more information, or contact Tim or Reuben to put your name forward.

We're also seeking expressions of interest for subcommittees.

These are more informal groups of people who are charged with getting stuff done and are particularly suited to people who have particular interests. We have these for the range, club hunts, clubrooms, and social media. Again, if you're interested please have a yarn to any member of the current committee for more information.

NZDA HUNTER NATIONAL TRAINING SCHEME

The NZDA Hunter National Training Scheme (HUNTS) was first launched in 1987 and has since helped thousands of hunters gain the skills needed to hunt big game safely and responsibly in New Zealand.

The HUNTS course is delivered by NZDA branches at a local level where instructors teach the HUNTS syllabus under the guidance of a National Coordinator.

Trainees learn about hunting in New Zealand's unique conditions and develop essential bushcraft and shooting skills for use in the outdoors.

GENERAL COURSE STRUCTURE

The theory aspect of the course generally occurs over eight 2-hour evening sessions covering 9 learning modules.

The practical training consists of 3 weekend sessions, made up of:

- 1 full day of practical training in range shooting.
- 1 full weekend covering equipment, food, bushcraft skills, travel, navigation, survival & river crossings.

1 full weekend completing an overnight camping/hunting trip.



HUNTS MODULES

The topics covered by HUNTS include:

- Ethics, Ecology & Regulations
- Equipment & Food
- Backcountry Travel
- Navigation
- Firearms Selection, Safety & Marksmanship
- Big Game Animals
- Hunting Techniques
- Meat, Skins & Trophies
- Outdoor Emergencies & Survival Techniques

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Recipe by Alan Bergo
<https://foragerchef.com/venison-biltong/>

VENISON BILTONG

INGREDIENTS

11000 grams (2.2 pounds) Elk or venison preferably the top round or bottom round.

½ teaspoon instacure no 2

20 grams kosher salt
(roughly 4 teaspoons)

2 teaspoons black peppercorns

2 Tablespoons coriander seed

4 Tablespoons apple cider vinegar

EQUIPMENT

UMAi Dry Ribeye/Striploin bags

METHOD

- 1 Toast the black pepper and coriander, then grind coarsely in a spice grinder. In a separate bowl, mix together the salt and instacure.
- 2 Trim the meat of all sinew and connective tissue, then cut into 1 inch thick slices. Mix the meat with the salt seasonings, then vacuum seal for 2 days.
- 3 Remove the meat from the bag and lay the slices on a cutting board. Soak a towel in apple cider vinegar and blot each slice of meat on both sides, then transfer to an UMaI Dry bag (I like to use the ribeye-striplon bags for this) seal using the vac mouse strip (refer to their instructions here if you're unfamiliar) and refrigerate for 14 days, or until the meat no longer feels "springy" to the touch.
- 4 If you really want to go the extra mile, vacuum seal the meat again, in a regular vacuum bag, and refrigerate for 24 hours to refresh the texture.
- 5 From here, you can pull out pieces of biltong as you like. To serve, slice the biltong into thin slices using a sharp knife and eat as you would jerky. I like to keep the chunks of meat whole until I'm ready to slice and serve them.



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CONTACT MATT - 021 222 5854

GOT SOMETHING TO SELL OR ARE YOU WANTING TO BUY?

Simply email a photo, a few words, the price and your phone number to editor@deerstalkersbop.org.nz and we will be sure to publish your listing.



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

CLUB HUNT, PAPAHIWI FARM

We are looking for expressions of interest from those keen to take part in a Club Hunt in July and / or August.

We have secured 2 exclusive weekends (dates to be confirmed) arriving noon Friday - departing noon Sunday.

Papahiwi is a working Sheep and Beef farm, consisting of 600 Ha of rolling to steep Hill country and 900 Ha of Native Bush on the edge of the Pureora Forest. Located in the King Country, the farm is just over 2-hours drive from Tauranga.

With a large number of red deer present, this is prime opportunity to bag a meat animal for the freezer with plenty of bush edge and farm hunting on offer. Goats are also on offer to those inclined.

There are 2 huts on the farm with 2-wheel drive access available right up to the main hut, quad bike access required for the second smaller hut.

Farm shuts down for hunting Mid-August due to Lambing. At this stage we have the weekend July 12th and August 9th available.

DOGS ARE ALLOWED BUT MUST BE:

- Stock Proof
- Under Effective Control (if call back is not 100% on leash/long line)
- Up to Date with Vaccinations
- Been wormed with a wormer containing (Praziquantel (covers tape worm) no earlier than 48 hours prior to arrival and no later than 30 days before the departure date).

THIS IS A 'PAY FOR ACCESS' ARRANGEMENT AVAILABLE TO 6 HUNTERS PER GROUP HUNT. PRICING AS FOLLOWS:

- 6 hunters (minimum / maximum)
- \$200 each (covers the 2 nights in the hut, use of chiller etc. Excludes animals shot)
- \$150 per animal (Hind or Spiker only)
- One animal per hunter at this stage (\$200 for extra animal - talk to Rob on the day)

NB: We are still discussing prices for stags (if any)

If you are interested or have any questions, please call or email:

Matt Batchelor
021 222 5854
matt@rutherforddesigns.co.nz

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CHILLER USE RULES

- Chiller use is a privilege that may be removed if access is abused or rules not adhered to.
- Clean up after yourself, every time you access the chiller.
- Use a fish bin or other suitable container to catch dripping blood etc. and remove from site when you take your meat away.
- No skinning or butchering on the NZDA premises. The chiller is for hanging only, no processing of any sort is allowed.
- All waste must be removed from the premises when you take your meat away, including any part of an animal, blood, and all wastewater.
- All animals/meat must be tagged with a label denoting the date hung, name and contact number of the person who hung it in the chiller. Any meat without a label will be considered a donation to the club.
- The maximum time for hanging any meat or animal is 10 days.
- Do not hang any foul meat or contaminated carcasses.
- Take care not to contaminate anyone else's meat with hair, blood, dirt etc.

It is preferable to hang all carcasses with the skin on and to hang any partially processed meat in a breathable bag or muslin cloth. Hanging carcasses and meat should not touch the chiller walls or they may (partially) freeze.

Respect the facility and other members meat.

For more information or if you need to report any issue, misuse, or abuse of the facility you can contact Reuben on **027 482 8969** or at reuben@deerstalkersbop.org.nz.



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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
07 544 2207

Keith Theobald, Greerton
07 578 1195

IMPORTANT NOTICE

ARE YOU KEEN TO ORGANISE A CLUB HUNT?

IF YOU CAN HELP, PLEASE
CONTACT ISABELL ZITZELBERGER

secretary@deerstalkersbop.org.nz

We are also meeting at the Club on Tuesday the 4th of June at 6pm to discuss, we would love to see you there!

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CLUB NIGHT:

First Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm.
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COMMITTEE MEETING:

Second Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm.
All correspondence to be sent to secretary@deerstalkersbop.org.nz.

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