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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!)
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Deadlines for newsletter contributions is the 20th of the month.
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Presidents Report – August 2017

Welcome to this month's newsletter
The month of July was very busy with our own AGM taking place at the beginning of the month and then the National Conference in Christchurch which we attended. The current executive officers and committee have volunteered for another year's service to the club and should be congratulated for doing so. Richard McEwen has come back on the committee and Ben Kent-Fiebig has been elected on, so it great to see some new blood willing to contribute. The membership role has been taken on by Tim Taylor so if you have any questions re membership or change of details please contact Tim.

The National Conference was for the best part a great conference with Peter Dunn opening the conference and confirming his support for NZDA. We also had two speakers from DOC who were also very supportive and it's obvious that the relationship between NZDA and DOC is very good in most areas. An example of this trust between parties is that NZDA now manage hunting for DOC on Molesworth Station which would have to be a first.

The presentation of the financial report at conference was poor and was not accepted. A new Treasurer was elected and new accountant appointed before conference so this situation will hopefully be rectified and reported back to the branches in the next few months.

The ongoing saga of the Hunting and Wildlife magazine and the massive financial loss it has caused the association has finally been decided. H&W will be sent electronically to members and no printed copy will be available through newsagents. A small number of our members are unable to receive electronic copy and so the Branch committee will work on this issue and come up with a solution.
I will not be at the next Club Night but Reuben and Keith will bring you up to date on conference.

Club night speakers for August will be Tim and Reuben on their experiences hunting in Fiordland.

Clyde

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

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COMING EVENTS

AUGUST 2017				
Tuesday	1st	7.30pm	Club Night	NZDA Clubrooms
Tuesday	8th	7.30pm	Committee Night	NZDA Clubrooms
Sunday	13th		HUNTS Course	TECT Park Range
Sunday	27th		Range Open Day	TECT Park Range

SEPTEMBER 2017				
Tuesday	5th	7.30pm	Club Night	NZDA Clubrooms
Tuesday	12th	7.30pm	Committee Night	NZDA Clubrooms
Sunday	24th		Range Open Day	TECT Park Range

OCTOBER 2017				
Tuesday	3rd	7.30pm	Club Night	NZDA Clubrooms
Tuesday	10th	7.30pm	Committee Night	NZDA Clubrooms
Sunday	29th		Range Open Day	TECT Park Range

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!

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Coming to the next club night…

for the 2017 roar Tim Taylor and a group of mates were lucky enough to secure a Wapiti ballot block. Along with a couple of other club members, he'll be sharing his experiences about hunting in Fiordland and the ballot system."

Range News

On Sunday September 3rd, the range will be open for those members who are going on the tahr hunt to sight-in their rifles. Sausage sizzle lunch to coincide with Stans trip meeting then a fun shoot with hunting rifles.
All members welcome.
Range open 11 oclock.
Enquiries to David Harris 5480237.

Range Calendar for 2017	
March	Sun 26 Mar - Public Open Day
April	Sun 30 Apr - Public Open Day
May	Sun 28 Apr - Public Open Day
June	Sun 25 Jun - Public Open Day
July	Sun 30 Jul - Public Open Day
August	Sun 13 Aug - HUNTS Sun 27 Aug - Public Open Day
September	Sun 24 Sep - Public Open Day
October	Sun 29 Oct - Public Open Day
November	Sun 26 Nov - Public Open Day
December	Sun 10 Dec – Xmas Shoot Sun 31 Dec - Public Open Day

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BRANCH HUNT REPORT

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Tahr Hunters Meeting

For all those who have put their names forward for the November Tahr hunt there will a brief meeting prior to the sausage sizzle and range shoot that has been arranged for your benefit. As much long range shooting practice as possible will improve your Tahr hunt results. It's also a great chance opportunity to see the newly completed range building.

The plan is to meet at the range at 11.30am on Sunday 3rd September to-

1. Discuss and finalize areas
2. Discuss itinerary
3. Payment of deposit (this is still be finalised but will be $225 to $250 per person) this is to pay for the ferry crossings and accommodation in the SI for 2 nights)

If you are unable to attend please let know so that your participation and your intentions are made clear before this date.

See you all at the range.

Stan
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BOP Deerstalkers Hunting Calendar 2017/2018

Month	Date	Location	Target Species	Level	Trip Organiser
JUL					
AUG	19th - 20th	Waikaremoana - hunts course	Red	3	Keith Theobald
SEP	16th - 17th	Te Tuhi track (Kaimais)	Red	3	Tim Taylor
OCT	20th - 23rd (Labour Weekend)	Kaimanawa Road (Waipakahi)	Sika	3	Chris Munro
	28th - 5th Nov	Mount Cook	Thar	5	Stan Lowe
NOV	18th - 19th	Littles Clearing - Kaweka	sika	3	Chris Munro
DEC	2nd	BOP Deerstalkers Range @ Tect Park	club christmas shoot	1	committee
JAN	26th - 29th (Auckland Aniversary)	Family weekend - Tapu, Coromandel	snapper	1	Stan Lowe
FEB	23 - 25th	Fly in Kawekas	Sika	4	Chris Munro
MAR	11th	Club day hunt only - to be confirmed	TBC		to be decided
APR	13th - 15th	Club roar hunt - to be confirmed	Stags		to be decided
MAY	19th - 20th	Lake Tarawera	Reds, sambar and trout	3	Tim Taylor
JUN	1st - 4th	Maungapohatu	Rusa & Reds	3	Stan Lowe

Disclaimer: the dates, locations, and organisers of these hunts are subject to change. Where possible we will arange 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

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Notice to Hunters and Trampers

It has been an ongoing issue within the DoC estate in many areas of New Zealand that hunters and other hut users have been cutting up wooden structures for firewood. In some instances there is a shortage of dry firewood but in others it is just plain laziness and lack of consideration for the environment and other peoples property and enjoyment.

In the Kaimais there has been a recent problem with the Kauritatahi Hut, which the Thames Valley Branch had spent many hours and at considerable cost on maintenance to bring the hut up to a very good standard for all to use. Like many smaller huts there is no hut fees on these and it is very disappointing to hear of this sort of problem. (Bunks being cut up for firewood) It has been considered that the only solution to the problem is to remove the fireplace. This is not an isolated case in the Kaimais; there have been previous problems at the Hurinui and also the Wairoa Shelter.

As much as it is nice to have a lovely warm fire at night there are just a few individuals out there that spoil things for everyone else. If any members see or hear of any this type of vandalism we would like to know about it. Ours and many other clubs take pride in what we have achieved over the years in retaining facilities for our members and members of the public.

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The Dance of the Wilderbeest

We are in South Africa on a 10 day hunting safari with 4 other Kiwi hunters, plus 2 observers, all very well organized by Daryl Crimp from Nelson. Sharon, my wife has come along as an observer and to take some photos of our hunt. It is Day 3 of our hunt at a Wakkerstroom Game Reserve (Huntessential), a very large area indeed, and we only hunted a fraction of the country in 5 days hunting. There was very nice open rolling grassland with a big variety of game, and in some places there were large numbers of them. What a grand sight to see such numbers, but getting close enough for a shot was the problem. The thing that impressed Sharon and I was that numbers of young, healthy game animals about, obviously a very well managed reserve.
Today Sharon, our guide Gerrie and I walked from camp as we intended to hunt for a trophy blesbok in a small valley about 3 hours away. With a slight climb, a hot day and at just over 6ooo ft elevation, we carried plenty of water. So we took it easy, taking photos of 2 very nice waterbuck and a small herd of majestic eland, the largest antelope in Africa. They sure didn't hang about for the photo shoot. I think Sharon only got shots of their bums. After a short rest we headed for a long, narrow strip of bush that would give us some cover as we stalked into the mid- section of our intended hunt area. The bush was very dry, so it was a case of very slow travel and tiptoe over all those noisy leaves, just like NZ really. About halfway through the bush strip there was a narrow clear opening and at this point we spied a lone, large, black male wildebeest out in the open, about 120yds away. According to Gerrie our guide he was calling for a mate. Sharon set up the tripod and camera to take some shots and at this point was spotted by Mr Wildebeest. They sure have good eyesight, as all of the game we stalked. I guess it's all about survival really, as there are a lot of things in Africa that will jump on you and have a good feed. What happened in the next 15 minutes I will long remember. Our big, black, hairy and amorous friend obviously had taken a shine to Sharon and proceeded to do his best to tempt her out of the bush. It started with the long stare, a call or two, then the big chest expansion, strutting back and forth with the hair on his backbone standing up real tall, then back to that stare again, then the biggie. A leap in the air, a plant of the front hooves into the ground with the back legs thrust high in the air and upon landing, 3 fast, complete turns and back to that stare. This whole process was completed several times and Sharon was fascinated by the amazing show. Me? Well, I'm thinking, "*Bugger off mate, that's my wife that you are trying to entice from the bush."* I must admit, he sure was an impressive sight, all puffed out and very agile. The trouble was the mating call sounded like he was snoring and that would not work too well with the average woman, that's for sure. The antics went on for about 15 minutes and after the last big stare he turned and strutted, stiff legged, into the lower valley and out of our sight. It was hard to continue a serious stalk after that lot, so we had a rest. The whole episode reminded me of many years past and went something like this.

Friday night and our two likely lads have driven downtown to check out the action. They park up, not a problem in those days, and proceed to strut up and down Main St looking for the main chance. Upon spying two pretty young things sitting on stools in the local milk-bar, sipping soda, our likely lads proceed to try and attract them outside. They try a bit of preening, a friendly push or 2, even a few whistles, but apart from a quick look outside to check on the noise, it was back to the soda for our pretty things. Down the footpath strutted the likely lads to check the action, only to return for another try. Acting cool, they slowly walk up to the milk-bar, then the biggie, out with the comb and then groom the brylcreem saturated hair into a perfect D.A. For those not from that era, it stands for "duck's ass", the popular hair style of the day; think "The Fonz". Finally they get the pretty one's attention, so it's the big finale. A hunch of the shoulders and a pull of the jacket collar so it's standing upright. But all to no avail as the pretty ones went back to sipping soda and our likely lads strode back to their shiny red Zepher 6, slide into the real leather seats, wound down the windows and with one arm hooked over the door sill, they continue to cruise Main St looking for the main chance again.

Just what happened later that night, I am not at liberty to tell in this story, but suffice to say, the wildebeest and our likely lads had to do the same thing – keep trying, which reminds me of the saying " The more things change, the more they stay the same."

Heck, how do you continue a serious hunting story after that lot. Sharon packs the camera gear away, I take some deep breathing exercises as I need to after thinking that far back, like 50 years plus, and Gerrie points out the direction of travel to us, so away we go. Progress is slow, but finally we find a high point that we can glass over the valley from. There are a few blesbok about, but mainly in small family groups. Then at last we spy 2 older males off by themselves, but a long way off. It is worth going after them Gerrie tells me, as one is a good trophy, but we will have to cover a lot of open ground in full view of them. Now over the years I have found that in open country like this you should walk slowly in single file, spaced out a bit and vary the pace and space between the walkers just like a small group of animals really. Stalk on an angle to the target, never straight at them as they will normally take flight. By this method we reached a rock that I hoped to shoot from without alarming our quarry too much, although they watched us for most of the time. When we sat down in the long grass, they settled down again as only our heads could be seen. It is just over 210metres range Gerrie informs me. That is a long shot for me, but I could not see us getting much closer, so I placed my backpack on the rock and settled down for the shot. I could only see the top half of the buck because of the long grass, but that was the important bit. With the scope on 4 power, the target area was very small indeed, so it was a case of blocking everything out, concentrating totally, and very gently squeezing the trigger. The buck dropped instantly, and his mate disappeared very fast indeed. As I opened the bolt to discharge the spent shell, I expected to get the "Good shot Dave," or "What a clever husband you are". But instead I got the second big surprise of the hunt. Up jumps Gerrie gesticulating wildly towards the sky, with Sharon scrambling to get the camera up and focused, and all the time I'm still laying across the rock, totally bemused. Apparently that big scraggly, evil looking thing soaring over the valley was a rare spotty faced, white crested, ratty winged eagle, or something like that anyway. That big bird soared around the valley for a look and then disappeared over the ridge. I think the buck on the ground was a bit too big for even him to carry off. Gerrie proceeded to explain just how lucky we were to see such a thing, but I was only interested in heading down the slope to check out my buck. What a nice trophy it was too, about 9 years old, with good sized horns. It will go well with my very nice springbok that I got 2 days ago.

One advantage of hunting in this type of country is that you can get a 4 wheel drive close by most of the time to pick up the meat, and this proved to be the case on this hunt. On both of the reserves we hunted, they took the total animal back to base, as the locals eat almost everything, guts and all. Only the hooves and teeth are left, but there is a bit of debate over that as well. We got back to base and it was smiles and handshakes all round, a hot shower, clean clothes and over a couple of drinks I have a chance to reflect on the day's hunt. Yes, we put the effort in, lost a bit of sweat, Gerrie more than us as he is a big man and I'm sure he isn't used to hunters like us that just cruise the hills kiwi style. It was a day I will long remember, to be challenged for my wife's affections by a Fonz- type wildebeest, then upstaged by some scruffy big bird. I mean, that just doesn't happen in NZ. Would we hunt in South Africa again, you bet. I leave SA with four good trophies, Sharon has a lot of good photos and we both have a bunch of memories.
Louis and Crimpy did a very good job of organizing the trip. The travel, accommodation and food was all of a very high standard, and the mainly African people that we dealt with were both courteous and kind, so we return to NZ a lot richer for the experience. In our bucket are still a few bits of paper floating around, but while we have our health and fitness, this kind of trip has priority. So if you are still hunting fit, give it a go. Also the cost, apart from the travel, was very reasonable. I chose to use one of the rifles supplied at the game reserve. 7.08 Magnum was the lightest they would let me use. I had a shot on the range, and I was good to go. At $30 per day (I used it for 6 days hunting) that worked out cheaper than taking my own rifle over with all the red tape and about $300 costs involved. So on this trip not only did I not have to make my bed, do the laundry etc, but my rifle was cleaned each night for me which left more time for the sundowners.

Meanwhile I have some unfinished business in the Kaimais and Fiordland, so it will be back to the wet, cold and windy, hard beds, cold water, dark camps at night and a sparse diet. No wonder the kiwi hunters stay so fit, we have to move about a lot just to stay warm. Don't you just love hunting. But I think that being slightly insane helps a lot as well.
Finally, the pictures of African animals that I've seen don't do them justice. Up close and with the sun at the right angle, the colours are just magnificent. Just sitting on the hill glassing them was worth the trip alone.

Dave Sorenson
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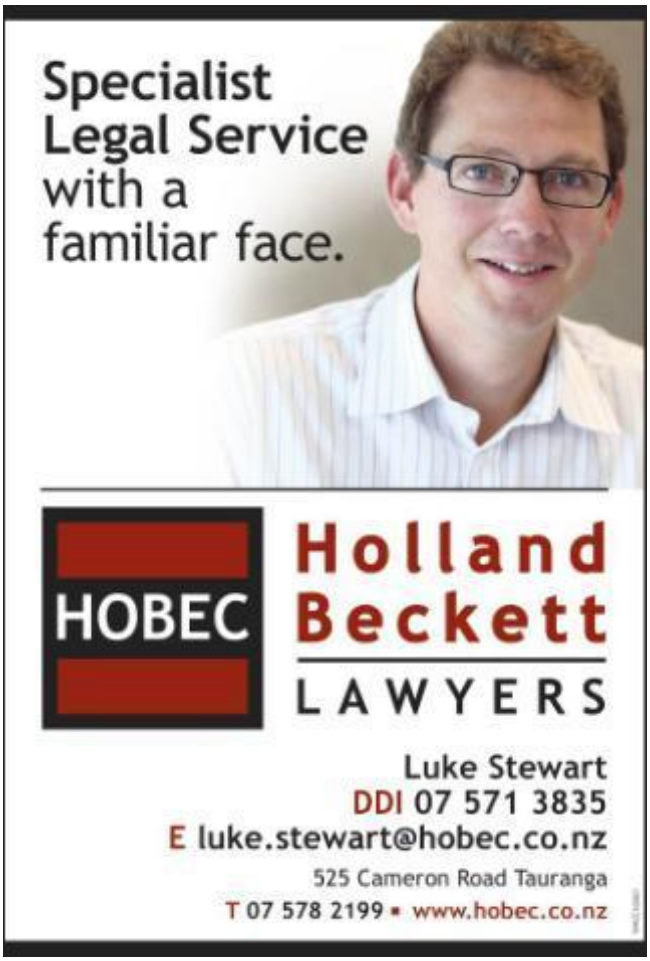

NATIONAL ANTLER, HORN AND TUSK COMPETITIONS 2017

A.01 McGOWAN SHIELD – Fallow deer - Total entries: 13

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	Gary McFarlane	Otago	Central Otago	244 1/4
2nd	Bill Pearce	Sth Canterbury	Hunter Hills	233 5/8
3rd	Tony Pidgeon	Sth Canterbury	North Otago	232 1/2

A.02 MEL LARRITT TROPHY – Red deer - Total entries: 4

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	Greg King	Upper Clutha	Longwoods	321 3/4
2nd	Hayden Breakwell	Ashburton	Hakatere CP	315
3rd	Butch Wilson	Rakai	Rakaia	299 5/8

A.03 SEDDON SHIELD – Rusa deer - Total entries: 1

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	Murray Rowe	Te Awamutu	Galatea	134 1/2
2nd				
3rd				

A.04 HENDERSON TROPHY – Sambar deer - Total entries: 0

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	No Entry			
2nd				
3rd				

A.05 CLIFF MARSHALL MEMORIAL TROPHY – Sika deer - Total entries: 2

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	Allan Foot	Waikato	Ahimanawa Range	172 1/8
2nd	Richard Berger	Auckland	Kaimanawa	170 3/4
3rd				

A.06 MANAWATU BRANCH TROPHY – Whitetail deer - Total entries: 1

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	Garth Johnson	Auckland	Stewart Island	101 1/4
2nd				
3rd				

A.07 KEITH SEVERINSON TROPHY – Wapiti/Fiordland deer - Total entries: 0

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	No Entry			
2nd				
3rd				

A.08 McCONACHIE SHIELD – Chamois - Total entries: 4

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	Andrew Watson	Rakaia	Rakaia	29
2nd	Dallas Nelley	Taranaki	Olivine Range	28
3rd	Beccy Cochrane	Nth Canterbury	Avoca	24

A.09 MOUNT COOK TROPHY – Tahr - Total entries: 14

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	David Keen	Sth Canterbury	Landsborough	45 1/2
2nd	Martin Parsons	Nth Otago	Jollie	45 1/4
3rd	Tim Sandford	Gore & Districts	Westland	45

A.10 COLIN PORTER TROPHY – Goat - Total entries: 0

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	No Entry			
2nd				
3rd				

A.11 DILLON SHIELD – Drawn Pig Tusks - Total entries: 4

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	Bernie Reveley	Rakaia	West Coast	26 1/2
2nd	Murray Rowe	Te Awamutu	Rangitoto Range	26
3rd	Glenn Ralston	Ashburton	Rakaia	25 3/4

A.12 PUTARURU BRANCH TROPHY – Undrawn Pig Tusks - Total entries: 4

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	Shane Clapp	Thames Valley	Coromandel	22 3/4
2nd	Audris Kuzma	Otago	Palmerston	22 1/4
3rd	Peter Spriggs	Taupo	Mokau River	21 7/8

A.13 TREVOR CHAPPELL TROPHY – Wild Sheep - Total entries: 1

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	Geoff Booth	North Otago	Wainakarua	67 1/4
2nd				
3rd				

A.14 POVERTY BAY BRANCH TROPHY – Best Game Animal Shot by a Junior Under 19 Total entries: 4

	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	Jack McLennan	South Canterbury	Mackenzie Country	322.60
2nd	Joshua Keen	South Canterbury	Two Thumb Range	315.75
3rd	Max Watson	Rakaia	Rakaia	311.95

A.15 LEITHEN AWARD – Best Non-Typical - Total entries: 0

Place	Name	Branch	Species	Place Taken	DS Equiv	Medal
1st						
2nd						
3rd						

A.16 Z VERONESE CUP – Best Antlered Species Taken by a Junior - Total entries: 1

Place	Name	Branch	Species	Place Taken	DS	DS Equiv
1st	Jack McLennan	Sth Canterbury	Fallow	Mackenzie	212	322.60
2nd						
3rd						

A.17 E VERONESE CUP – Best Horned Species Taken by a Junior - Total entries: 3

Place	Name	Branch	Species	Place Taken	DS	DS Equiv
1st	Joshua Keen	Sth Canterbury	Tahr	Two Thumb	41 ½	315.75
2nd	Max Watson	Rakaia	Tahr	Rakaia	41	311.95
3rd						

A.18 KAIMANAWA BRANCH TROPHY – Best Game Trophy Taken by a Lady - Total entries: 6

Place	Name	Branch	Species	Place Taken	DS	DS Equiv
1st	Katie Dugan	Nth Canterbury	Fallow	Central Otago	210 ¼	319.93
2nd	Rose Cochrane	Nth Canterbury	Tahr	Ben Ohau	40	304.34
3rd	Jane Cochrane	Nth Canterbury	Tahr	Ben Ohau	39 ¾	302.44

A.19 NORMAN DOUGLAS TROPHY – Best Branch Entry – Consisting of one set of Antlers, Horns and Tusks - Total entries: branches

Place	Branch	Species	DS	DS Equiv	Total
1st	Otago	945.33 pts			
2nd	Ashburton	942.60 pts			
3rd	Rakaia	922.38 pts			

A.20 ORBELL TROPHY – Best Head of All Deer Species

Place	Name	Branch	Species	Place Taken	DS	DS Equiv
1st	Gary McFarlane	Otago	Fallow	Central Otago	244 ¼	371.67
2nd	Greg King	Upper Clutha	Red	Longwoods	321 ¾	321.75
3rd						

A.21 EGMONT TROPHY – Best Head of all Horned Species

Place	Name	Branch	Species	Place Taken	DS	DS Equiv
1st	Andrew Watson	Rakaia	Chamois	Rakaia	29	349.97
2nd	David Keen	Sth Canterbury	Tahr	Landsborough	45 ½	346.19
3rd						

A.22 BOW HUNTING JUNIOR - Total entries: 0

Place	Name	Branch	Species	Place Taken	DS Equiv	Medal
1st						
2nd						
3rd						

A.23 BOW HUNTING LADIES - Total entries: 0

Place	Name	Branch	Species	Place Taken	DS Equiv
1st					
2nd					
3rd					

A.24 BOW HUNTING SENIOR - Total entries: 0

Place	Name	Branch	Species	Place Taken	DS Equiv
1st					
2nd					
3rd					

A.25 WAIKATO BRANCH TROPHY Over 65 - Total entries: 7

Place	Name	Branch	Species	Place Taken	DS Equiv
1st	Malcolm Mitchell	Upper Clutha	Fallow	Longwoods	349.99
2nd	Warren Morris	Otago	Tahr	Dobson	321.46
3rd=	Adris Kuzma	Otago	Undrawn T	Palmerston	315
3rd=	Peter Spriggs	Taupo	Undrawn T	Mokau River	315

A.26 D.BRUCE BANWELL TROPHY

Place	Name	Branch	Place Taken	DS
1st	Greg King	Upper Clutha	Longwoods	321 3/4

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Fares:	**Peak Each Way**
Adult	$52.00
Child	$25.00
Motorcycle	$49.00
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
Premium Lounge (Kaitaki & Aratere)	$45.00 18yrs plus

Peak Dates:
01-28 February 17
13-18 April 17

Fares:	**Off Peak Each Way**
Adult	$45.00
Child	$25.00
Motorcycle	$39.00
Campervan/Motorhome up to 5.5mt	$142.00
Additional half metre	$37.00
Car/Ute/Van/4WD/trailer up to 5.5mt	$124.00 each
Additional half Metre	$19.00
Premium Lounge (Kaitaki & Aratere)	$45.00 18yrs plus

Off Peak Dates:
01 March – 12 April 17
19 April – 18 December 17

Group Booking conditions and instructions for members are:

- Reservations can be made direct with Interislander online at http://www.interislander.co.nz/Booking/Group-Bookings.aspx 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.**
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- 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

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 ☐ Email ☐
Occupation:		
Family Members: (please see over page for more information)	Name: _____ 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 1st 2016 to February 28th 2017	***Joining Fee**		**Full Yr** Mar – Aug	**½ 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 1st 2016	$0.00	+	$2.00	$1.00
JUNIOR – Must be less than 18 years of age as at March 1st 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.

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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
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