Bay of Plenty DEERSTALKERS

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

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Club Night: First Tuesday of the month 7.30pm (Doors open at 7pm if you want to come early for a chat!)
Committee Meeting: Second Tuesday of the month
All correspondence to be addressed to PO Box 3111, Greerton

Deadlines for newsletter contributions is the 20th of the month.
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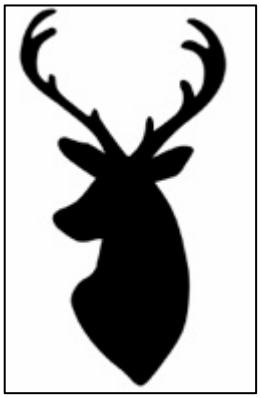

Presidents Report – March 2019

Hello everyone and welcome to this month's newsletter.
The roar is fast approaching and its time to get all your gear sorted for the next few months of hunting. This month's meeting is at Hamills and will be the ideal opportunity to purchase any hunting or fishing requirements for upcoming trips. To be eligible for our hunting competitions you must be a financial member so if you haven't already renewed please do so on the meeting night. We will draw a name out of the hat for all those who have renewed and the prize will be $100 Hamills voucher.
As previously communicated by Tim, we will not swap range keys at the moment so your existing key will open the range gate until further notice.
The February party hunt at the Te Tuhi Junction was well attended by nine hunters which is great to see and makes the effort put in by the organisers worthwhile. One deer was taken and a number of animals seen or spooked.
Don't forget if your going bush and require a PLB please make use of the club's PLB's as we have ten units available.
The family weekend at Tapu was fantastic and I'm sure those who attended enjoyed the weekend. Thanks must go to Stan and Arendina for hosting all the campers and looking after everyone. The weather was perfect as usual and the fishing was up to Stans high standard with the snapper queuing to get on Stans boat.
The Clubrooms require some maintenance such as painting fascia and barge boards, and also the pavers require relaying. I will send out an invitation for volunteers to help with these tasks in the next few weeks so if you can help it would be appreciated.
That's it for this month see you on club night at Hamills.
Clyde

COVER PHOTO – From Tapu – family fishing!

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

***** WE ARE RUNNNG LOW ON PHOTOS – PLEASE SEND YOURS NOW!! *****

This calendar sponsered by Tree Wise Men

NZDA Calendar 2019

March

Tuesday, 5th March 7.30 pm		**Hamils Night - Club Night** at Hamils		
Tuesday, 12th March, 7.30 pm		**Committee Night** at NZDA Clubrooms		
Thursday, 7th March, 7:00 pm		**Lecture Night** at NZDA Clubrooms (for Firearms Licence)		
March HUNT	15th - 17th	Location: Mangamate Hut, Whirinaki Te Pua-a-Tane Conservation Park	Target Species: Reds **Level 4**	Organiser: Baden Prentice

April

Tuesday, 2nd April, 7.30 pm		**Club Night** at NZDA Clubrooms - **Tahr Trip Photos**		
Tuesday, 9th April, 7.30 pm		**Committee Night** at NZDA Clubrooms		
Thursday, 4th April, 7:00 pm		**Lecture Night** at NZDA Clubrooms (for Firearms Licence)		
Aoril HUNT	5th – 8th	Roar Hunt – Pakihi Hut / Te Waiti Hut, Urutawa Conservation Area	Target Species: Reds, Pigs **Level 3**	Organiser: Tim Taylor

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NZDA HUNTS Calendar 2019

Month	Date	Detail . Location	Target Species	Level	Trip Organiser
February	8th - 10th	Local Hunt - Te Tuhi Track, Kaimai Mamaku Forest Park	Reds, Pigs	**3**	Jonathan Flude
March	15th - 17th	Mangamate Hut, Whirinaki Te Pua-a-Tane Conservation Park	Reds	**4**	Baden Prentice
April	5th - 8th	Roar Hunt - Pakihi Hut / Te Waiti Hut, Urutawa Conservation Area	Red Stags	**3**	Tim Taylor
May	17th - 19th	Boat-in Hunt - Hot Water Beach Campsite, Lake Tarawera	Reds, Sambar, and Trout	**3**	Bob Tatton
June	31st - 3rd	(Queen's Birthday) Maungapohatu Station / Makomako Hut, Te Urewera	Reds, Rusa	**3**	Stan Lowe
July	12th-15th	Fly-in Hunt - Boyd Hut, Kaimanawa Forest Park	Sika	4	Reuben Hayward
July / August	30th – 1 AUG	HUNTS Course Guided Hunt Waikeremoana	Reds, Goats, Pigs	3	Bob Tatton
September	13th - 15th	Hut Warming - Te Whare Okioki Hut, Kaimai Mamaku Forest Park	Reds, Pigs	3	Reuben Hayward
October	25th - 28th	(Labour Weekend) Canoe Hunt - Mokau River	Fallow, Pigs, Goats	**3**	Reuben Hayward
November	2nd - 10th	Club Tahr Hunt - Mount Cook National Park	Tahr	**5**	Stan Lowe
	22nd - 24th	Spring Meat Hunt Clements Mill Rd	Sika	**3**	Mark Hargrave

Additional Calendar information

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!

Disclaimer: the dates, locations, and organisers of the 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.

For up to date specifics refer to the Facebook events page.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/deerstalkersbop/events/?source=4&action_history=null&filter=calendar

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

Club hunts – getting you there and back safely

Just a quick note to inform you all about a new system that we're trialing for our 2018 hunting calendar. Many of you were attendance when our NZDA President, Bill O'Leary, spoke at a club night in 2017. He informed us all about our obligations under the new H&S laws, so in order to help meet them we're going to be trialing a 'signup' system for all club hunts. We've also recognized that many of our hunts require a lot of organization (e.g. the Thar hunt) so this system will help everyone involved. Details for signup…

- All participants wanting to participate in a planned club hunt need to signup at a club night.
- Signup forms for various hunts will be set out on a dedicated 'hunts' table and hopefully the organisers will be there to have a yarn with you.
- This will help insure the hunt organisers get a chance to meet you before the hunt and where necessary they can make allowances/provide recommendations for things like equipment or access.
- As part of this you will need to supply contact info for an emergency contact and info about any safety equipment you'll be carrying.
- As well as making us more organized, we hope this will grow participation at our club nights and allow new members to form new contacts with experienced hunters.

If anyone has any questions or suggestion to help improve this process please contact Tim, or feel free to have a yarn with any of our committee members.

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INFORMATION for MEMBERS
- FIREARM LICENCING -

The committee has agreed to allow me to offer to people going for their first firearms licence the opportunity to attend a safety lecture on the seven safety rules and other useful tips around handling firearms at our branch clubrooms.

So please tell your family members and friends who wish to obtain their first firearms licence that these lectures will take place on the first Thursday of the month starting on 7 March. Start time will be 7.00pm and will last approx. 2 hours. There will be an entry fee of $10.00 adult and $5.00 high school student. Sorry Cash only

This has come about because of the changes that police have made for obtaining your first firearms licence, people are expected to learn this theory by online learning.

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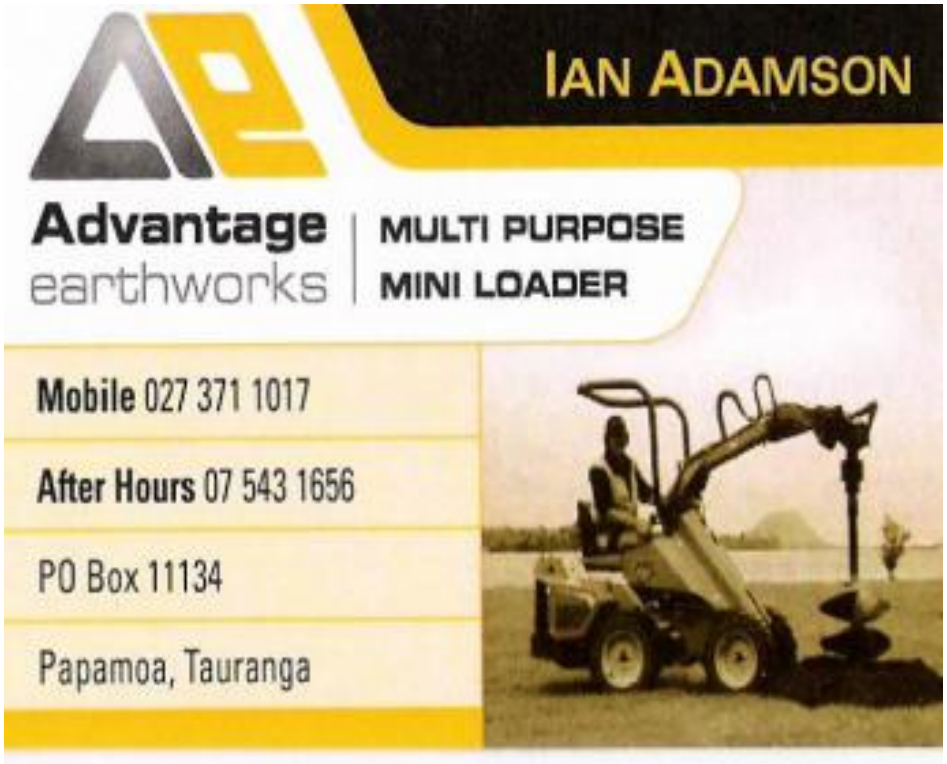

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NOTE: if you have something to buy or sell please let the editor know. Similarly, if you advertise something for sale, and then sell it, please let your editor know so your advert can be removed...

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See Richard McEwen on club nights between
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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.) 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:

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*** In all instances this application form must be filled out in full and posted to:**

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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
5. Advocate sensible conservation practices at all times and promote New Zealand's biodiversity 'in situ'
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