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July Issue 2013:

Guest speaker from Magellan GPS's



"The Tines" Rotorua Branch Newsletter July 2013



Rotorua N.Z.D.A. Branch Calendar

Ring coordinators for more information. Phone numbers listed on inner back page.

Calendar of the Club's regular monthly events:

Committee Meeting
Range Shoots*

Socials

Last Monday of each month
3rd Sunday of each month
4th Wednesday of each month
4th Weekend of each month

Our programme for this month:

Party Hunts October Party Hunt with CT Club. Lake Waikaremoana

11, 12, 13 October. Watch this space for more info

Socials Guest speaker from Magellan GPS's

Wednesday 24th July 2013 @ 7:30pm,

Neil Hunt Park Clubrooms.

Range Shoot Range itinerary for 2013 in this issue:

Contact Malcolm Perry.

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^{*} Regular Club Hunting & Trophy Shoots. For extra range shoots and 300 metre shoots please refer to Yearly Range Calendar.

^{**}Some Party Hunts may be on different dates, see programme.

Presidents Report

Hi All

Well not a great deal to say this month, We had the annual head measuring last week and for a Branch with over 300 members we had only two heads in and two goat heads so recon the deer population must be poor you think!

Any ways things to look forward are this month's social. A rep from Navman/Magellan is coming to give us the run down on their line of GPS's and the differences between them and Garmin. Should be a good night, gold coin donation at the door cheers.

We are also planning the 40th anniversary of the branch so anyone who knows some of the originals please get in touch with the committee. The date is looking towards the end of September.

Party hunt in October will be at Lake Waikaremoana with the CT Club so any boat owners out there get in touch.

Well I said to was brief

Cheers Colin

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Wanted to buy

None listed.

NZDA SOCIALS AND PARTY HUNT

Social - Guest from from Magellan GPS's

At Rotorua Deerstalkers Club Rooms

Neil Hunt Park, 24th July 2013, 7.30pm

All welcome. Cheap (\$4) drinks available.

Come and hear what Magellan has on offer and why you should consider a Magellan GPS.



Party Hunt

Party Hunts - October Party Hunt/Fish with Rotorua CT Club.

Lake Waikaremoana 11, 12, 13th October. Watch this space for more info

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Volunteers/NZDA Rotorua Projects Updates

Whirinaki/Urewera Hut restoration

Okui hut has been completed.

We will be doing one or two huts every year. Although we are working, there is ample time to get in some hunting as well. Please talk to a committee member if you would like to volunteer.

NZDA ROTORUA WEBSITE IS ONLINE:

CHECK OUT WWW.NZDAROTORUA.ORG.NZ

Range report June 2013

Saturday & Sunday 1st & 2nd

The 300M group held their North Island Championships with an attendance of six including one lady.

Sunday 16th was to be our Deer silhouette shoot, but very unpleasant weather meant the three others that turned up, two of them visitors/ prospective new members, did some practise from under the 200M covered mound.

Coming events:

July,

Sunday 7th, 300M shoot.

Sunday 21st, .22 metalic Silhouette shoot in morning and Junior target practise in afternoon.

August,

Sunday 4th, 300M shoot.

Sunday 18th Deer Silhouette shoot.

September,

Sunday 1st, 300M shoot.

Sunday 22nd (Note 4th Sunday), Morning .22 Metalic Silhouette shoot. Afternoon, 1PM start Junior, SWAZI shoot, if Swazi sponsorship is available again.

PLEASE NOTE, ADVANCE NOTICE, THE POLICE HAVE BOOKED THE RANGE FOR TWO SUCCESIVE MIDWEEKS, OCTOBER 7TH-11TH & 14TH - 18TH.

This is for a national training exercise and the range will not be available for casual use during this period.

Development work: To help to bring our range to certification standard, we are looking at having a designated 50M .22, & C/F range to the west of the 200M mound, ie toward the Toilets, this may not be constructed for a little while as I have to have the design I have in mind approved by the certifier, who has made the suggestion for such a set up. Those attending the range may see evidence of pegs setting out the intended location, would appreciate they not be interfered with, thanks.

It was suggested and agreed upon at the last committee meeting that next year starting in February we will run familiarization courses on the range at regular intervals, that all members will be required to attend before they are able to purchase a key. This may seem a little harsh on existing key holders, but we anticipate that the work required for certification may be completed by then and there will be a number of requirements on members to be observed when using the range and this will be the easiest way to inform members. This will also hopefully reduce the amount of incorrect setting of targets etc on the range.

Time to reload,

Malcolm.



CONFERENCE 2013

1. NOTICES OF MOTION 2013

Enclosed in the mail in hard copy and also available electronically on request

2. CONFERENCE HANDBOOKS

These will be posted in the near future. One will be posted to each branch automatically. The branch can request one further free copy and then any additional copies over 2 will incur a cost of \$15.00 each.

RECENT ADVOCACY

Both enclosed in the mail in hard copy and also available electronically on request

- 1. AUCKLAND CMS ORAL SUBMISSION
- 2. REVISED WESTLAND NAITONAL PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN ORAL SUBMISSION

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All enclosed in the mail in hard copy and also available electronically on request

- 1. <u>CONFIRMED MINUTES FOR THE</u> <u>GENERAL MEETING</u> February 2 2013
- 2. CONFIRMED MINUTES FOR THE
 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, March 17
 2012
- 3. <u>COLFO CHAIR ANNUAL REPORT TO</u> THE 2013 AGM

LAND INFORMATION (LINZ)

1. KELVIN GROVE PASTORAL LEASE – RUN NO. 598, OTAGO – TENURE REVIEW, PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL. Submissions close 15 July, 2013 to the Christchurch office of Land Information New Zealand (LINZ), at Private Bag 4721, Christchurch 8140. Phone 0800 665 463 (option 7). Email pastoral&tenurereview@linz.govt.nz For further information check out http://www.linz.govt.nz/about-linz/news-

<u>publications-and-consultations/news-and-notices/kelvin-grove-tenure-review-notice-of-preliminary-proposal</u>

2. **STATEMENT OF INTENT 2013 – 2016**

http://www.linz.govt.nz/about-linz/news-publications-and-consultations/news-and-notices/linz-statement-of-intent-2013-16

POISONING OPERATIONS

- 1. <u>HOKITIKA SOUTH NOTIFICATION:</u> Sodium Fluoroacetate (1080) and Cyanide to the 'Hokitika South' Operational Area. Ground based possum control will begin shortly. Areas where toxins are being used will be sign posted and are only used with the express permission of the landowner. For further information contact <u>JulieP@vcs.net.nz</u>
- 2. **WESTERN KAHURANGI AREA:** DOC's Buller *Kawatiri* Area Office is applying for Resource Consent from the West Coast Regional Council for aerial 1080 operations over approximately 113,699 ha of conservation land in the Western Kahurangi area. The resource consent term applied for is 10 years (2013 -2023). Actual operations are likely to be undertaken at approximately 2-5 yearly intervals within various portions of the application area over the life of the consent. The timing of operations is dependent upon increases in possum or rat densities, and/or habitat condition. **For more information** contact: Buller Kawatiri Area Office, PO Box 357, Westport. Phone 03 788 8008 mabel@doc.govt.nz
- 3. **HAUHANGAROA**: Aerial 1080 poisoning operation.
- **4. PUKEATUA AERIAL PROJECT:** To Free has announced that the six month caution period for the above operation has now expired. For **further information** contact Alan Innes info@tbfree.org.nz
- <u>5. EASTERN TARARUA:</u> AHB is planning an aerial operation during August 2013. For further information contact Graeme Butcher phone 06 378 2484 or email him on Graeme.butcher@gw.govt.nz
- 6. ORAUTOHA DOC AS1: Epro has advised that they will aerial apply 1080 as soon as practicable after 1 May 2013 weather permitting. For further information contact John Pascoe, phone 07 348 4852 or email control@epro.co.nz
- 7. NGARURORO/TUTAEKURI TUTAEKURI/MOHAKA: Epro will be undertaking on behalf of AHB an aerial 1080 operation from May to August 2013 weather permitting. For further information contact Epro phone 07 348 4852 or email control@epro.co.nz

OTHER ITEMS WHICH MAY BE OF INTEREST

- 1. SWAZI YOUNG HUNTER OPPORUNITY: Swazi has just launched a competition in association with Leithen Valley for a 14-18 year old to win a hunt for a week in July. This is such a great opportunity for keen young hunters. For more information check out https://www.facebook.com/SwaziNZ or our website www.swazi.co.nz
- 2. MARLIN NOT FOR SALE: LegaSea and the New Zealand Sport Fishing Council (NZSFC) launched a campaign to stop marlin being introduced into the Quota Management System. The action involves thousands of Kiwis sending a message to the Minister for

Primary Industries – facilitated on the LegaSea website. **Check out** http://www.legasea.co.nz/marlin-position-statement.php

This campaign represents more than just the marlin issue at hand. It represents the one million+ Kiwi's who fish every year making a stand against the greed of the commercial fishing sector, the influence it has in the way our fishery is managed and the detrimental outcomes this is having on our marine and fishery resources. While many of you may not be marine fishers I am sure you or someone you know would be concerned that our last non-commercial marine fishery is about to be privatised.

Your questions or feedback is most welcome, as is your endorsement through coverage to highlight this issue and generate public support. **To view comments** visit https://www.facebook.com/LegaSea

3. NEW ZEALAND WALKING ACCESS COMMISSION: The New Zealand Walking Access Commission's 2013-2016 Statement of Intent (SOI) has been released and is available for download from our website. If you wish to view it, please follow this link. This SOI reflects the priorities of the Government, the Minister for Primary Industries and the Board for enhancing walking access opportunities and embedding access culture and heritage in New Zealand over the next three years.

http://www.walkingaccess.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/New-Zealand-Walking-Access-Commission-SOI-2013-2016.pdf

4. LEAD AMMO US UPDATE

http://www.nssf.org/NewsRoom/releases/show.cfm?PR=052313_CBDvEPA.cfm&path=2013

<u>5. DOC ADDITIONAL BUDGET FUNDING:</u> The Minister of Conservation has announced an additional \$20 million funding for conservation over the next four years as part of the Budget 2013 allocation.

This \$5 million funding for the next four years has been specifically allocated to provide for additional frontline roles within DOC's new structure and to upgrade recreational facilities.

In the news

IWI THANKED FOR CONTINUED LAND ACCESS - THE DAILY POST (11 JUNE 2013)

Fish & Game Eastern has applauded local iwi for their decision to provide continued access to local forests for game bird hunting - lands which are part recent Treaty of Waitangi settlements.

Access to Rotoehu and Kaingaroa Forests for game bird hunting opened on the first weekend in May, as the new game bird hunting season began.

Eastern Fish & Game Manager Rob Pitkethley said Ngati Awa, Ngati Makino and Ngati Pikiao have permitted game bird hunting access to their land in the Rotoehu Forest this season, which is one of New Zealand's premier forests for pheasant hunting.

"We are very grateful to the iwi concerned for allowing access to this important area for game bird hunters who'd otherwise be forced to look elsewhere," he said.

Rotoehu Forest has long been recognised as a very productive pheasant hunting area and has provided decades of upland game hunting.

"Iwi have taken over the land's ownership but are still allowing upland game hunters to use the forest - we're very grateful and recognise their efforts to provide this continued hunting opportunity."

Other Central North Island iwi have also continued to permit game bird hunting in Kaingaroa Forest over winter weekends - which also adds to the number of easily-accessed areas open to upland game bird hunting.

But hunters are reminded that they need to obtain permits from ISCL in Rotorua to access both Rotoehu and Kaingaroa forest areas.

Mr Pitkethley said Fish & Game also wanted licence holders to know it's important they report any suspicious activities they observe in any of the forests.

"Our game bird hunters need to be responsible forest users and we strongly urge them to help keep the forests safer places for everyone."

The upland game bird season, which includes quail and pheasant, runs for a total of nearly four months to August 25, 2013. Other species like pukeko, paradise shelduck and black swan have an extended season which further adds to game bird opportunities. "Target those species and you'll be getting good value from your game bird licence," Mr Pitkethley said.

Eastern Fish & Game's short season for grey and mallard ducks has now closed but with upland game and some other species still huntable, hunters are urged to check their regulation booklets to make the most of opportunities over the full hunting season.

Tourism Firm Controls Pests, – The Daily Post (3 July 2013)

Rotorua Canopy Tours have used their ziplines for more than tourists - 500 traps for stoats, rats and possums have been flown in by zipline in an operation designed to wipe out more than three tonnes of pests.

The pest eradication programme is being funded and managed by the tourism company in the Mamaku native forest and is supported by the Department of Conservation. During the next six weeks the area will be pre-fed ahead of the traps being set live on Sunday, September 8.

Canopy Tours director James Fitzgerald, who is managing the operation, said pests caused a lot of damage to native forest and contributed to the death of native wildlife.

"We want to raise awareness even further about the true impact of pests on our native animals and plants," he said.

"Landcare Research estimates that 26 million native birds are killed annually - that equates to approximately 70,000 per night. Only 5 per cent of native chicks are making it to adulthood in areas where there is no pest control.

He said that by removing a large volume of pests before spring a safer breeding ground and environment for chicks to grow and gain flight was formed.

The project will roll out over the next five years and will eventually cover the entire 500ha reserve.

The Department of Conservation's community relations ranger for Rotorua, Rob Griffiths, said they were thrilled with the programme.

"This is a great example of a business working in partnership with DoC to achieve significant conservation gains," he said.

The operation has been funded through donations as well as from Rotorua Canopy Tours admission costs.

Canopy Tours staff will monitor and re-set the pest-specific traps daily as well as provide updates to DoC. Only traps that provide humane and instant kill results will be used throughout the conservation exercise.

CHRISTMAS DAY SHEEP KILLING 'INHUMANE' – NZ HERALD (21 JUNE 2013)

An Otago man who told police he thought "lamb chops on the barbecue would be nice" has been convicted of wilfully ill-treating two sheep he killed at a farm on Christmas Day.

Jeremy Phillip Clark, 40, unemployed, acknowledged having killed the two lambs at a Merton farm but claimed the animals both died quickly and had not been caused any unnecessary pain and distress.

In his decision in the Dunedin District Court yesterday, Judge John Macdonald said he accepted the evidence of experienced veterinarian John Keenan, who told the court on Monday his examination of the two slaughtered animals led him to believe they had died from shock from blood loss.

Dr Keenan described the killing of the sheep as a "protracted, inhumane event, given the carotid artery was not severed". He believed the animals would have taken two to three minutes to die and would have been conscious and experiencing pain for about half of that time.

The knife involved, essentially, a blunt steak knife, had been used in a backwards and forwards sawing motion, and also to inflict some stab wounds to the neck.

In his decision, Judge Macdonald concluded Clark "didn't know what he was doing" and was incapable of killing the sheep quickly using the particular knife.

It was too blunt and used in "a haphazard, hit and miss" way to strike a number of blows.

While it was perhaps unintended, Clark must have appreciated what he was doing was likely to cause unnecessary pain and distress to the sheep, the judge said, finding proved both charges against Clark.

Clark was remanded on bail for sentence on August 9.

- Otago Daily Times

<u>Drowning Doesn't Look Like Drowning by Mario Vittone – Stuff.co.nz (06 June 2013)</u>

The new captain jumped from the deck, fully dressed, and sprinted through the water.

A former lifeguard, he kept his eyes on his victim as he headed straight for the couple swimming between their anchored sportfisher and the beach. "I think he thinks you're drowning," the husband said to his wife.

They had been splashing each other and she had screamed but now they were just standing, neck-deep on the sand bar. "We're fine; what is he doing?" she asked, a little annoyed.

"We're fine!" the husband yelled, waving him off, but his captain kept swimming hard. "Move!" he barked as he sprinted between the stunned owners. Directly behind them, not 3 metres away, their 9-year-old daughter was drowning. Safely above the surface in the arms of the captain, she burst into tears, "Daddy!".

How did this captain know-from 15 metres away-what the father couldn't recognize from just 3? Drowning is not the violent, splashing call for help that most people expect. The captain was trained to recognise drowning by experts and years of experience. The father, on the other hand, had learned what drowning looks like by watching television.

If you spend time on or near the water (hint: that's all of us) then you should make sure that you and your crew know what to look for whenever people enter the water. Until she cried a tearful, "Daddy", she hadn't made a sound. As a former Coast Guard rescue swimmer, I wasn't surprised at all by this story. Drowning is almost

always a deceptively quiet event. The waving, splashing, and yelling that dramatic conditioning (television) prepares us to look for is rarely seen in real life.

The Instinctive Drowning Response - so named by Francesco A. Pia, Ph.D., is what people do to avoid actual or perceived suffocation in the water. And it does not look like most people expect. There is very little splashing, no waving, and no yelling or calls for help of any kind. To get an idea of just how quiet and undramatic from the surface drowning can be, consider this: It is the No. 2 cause of accidental death in children, ages 15 and under (just behind vehicle accidents)-of the approximately 750 children who will drown next year, about 375 of them will do so within 25 yards of a parent or other adult.

In some of those drownings, the adult will actually watch the child do it, having no idea it is happening. Drowning does not look like drowning.

- Dr. Pia, in an article in the Coast Guard's On Scene magazine, described the Instinctive Drowning Response like this:
- 1. "Except in rare circumstances, drowning people are physiologically unable to call out for help. The respiratory system was designed for breathing. Speech is the secondary or overlaid function. Breathing must be fulfilled before speech occurs.
- 2. Drowning people's mouths alternately sink below and reappear above the surface of the water. The mouths of drowning people are not above the surface of the water long enough for them to exhale, inhale, and call out for help. When the drowning people's mouths are above the surface, they exhale and inhale quickly as their mouths start to sink below the surface of the water.
- 3. Drowning people cannot wave for help. Nature instinctively forces them to extend their arms laterally and press down on the water's surface. Pressing down on the surface of the water permits drowning people to leverage their bodies so they can lift their mouths out of the water to breathe.
- 4. Throughout the Instinctive Drowning Response, drowning people cannot voluntarily control their arm movements. Physiologically, drowning people who are struggling on the surface of the water cannot stop drowning and perform voluntary movements such as waving for help, moving toward a rescuer, or reaching out for a piece of rescue equipment.
- 5. From beginning to end of the Instinctive Drowning Response people's bodies remain upright in the water, with no evidence of a supporting kick. Unless rescued by a trained lifeguard, these drowning people can only struggle on the surface of the water from 20 to 60 seconds before submersion occurs."

This doesn't mean that a person that is yelling for help and thrashing isn't in real trouble-they are experiencing aquatic distress. Not always present before the Instinctive Drowning Response, aquatic distress doesn't last long-but unlike true drowning, these victims can still assist in their own rescue. They can grab lifelines, throw rings, etc.

Look for these other signs of drowning when persons are in the water:

- * Head low in the water, mouth at water level
- * Head tilted back with mouth open
- * Eyes glassy and empty, unable to focus
- * Eyes closed
- * Hair over forehead or eyes
- * Not using legs-vertical
- * Hyperventilating or gasping
- * Trying to swim in a particular direction but not making headway
- * Trying to roll over on the back
- * Appear to be climbing an invisible ladder

So if a crew member falls overboard and everything looks OK-don't be too sure. Sometimes the most common indication that someone is drowning is that they don't look like they're drowning. They may just look like they are treading water and looking up at the deck. One way to be sure? Ask them, "are you all right?".

If they can answer at all-they probably are. If they return a blank stare, you may have less than 30 seconds to get to them. And parents-children playing in the water make noise. When they get quiet, you get to them and find out why.

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Range Keys

Any person who wishes to have a range gate key for the private use of our range must be a CURRENT FINANCIAL MEMBER of the Branch and must obtain a key from Hunting and Fishing, Hamills, Outdoorsman HQ or Serious Shooters. Your membership card must be produced at the time of key purchase. Keys may not be lent or passed on to other persons, whether they are members or not. Non-Members can only enter the Range if accompanied by a current Financial Member. Any use of the range by non-members requires prior approval of the committee.

Membership Costs (Rotorua Branch)

Senior = \$100 (full benefits at local and national branch level)

Associate = \$70 (Unable to vote or enter national competitions. Does not receive H&W)

Junior = \$25 (Must be less than 18 years of age as at March 1st 2011. Full benefits apart from voting rights.)

Student = \$40 (Must be attending a tertiary institute or undergoing an apprenticeship. Proof must be provided.)

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Family = \$5 (Children or grandchildren)

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