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**May Issue 2017:**



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## Rotorua N.Z.D.A. Branch Calendar

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Phone numbers listed on inner back page.

### Calendar of the Club's regular monthly events:

Committee Meeting	Last Monday of each month
Range Shoots*	3rd Sunday of each month
Socials	4th Wednesday of each month
Party Hunts**	4th Weekend of each month

*\* 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.*

### Our programme for this month:

Party Hunts	Please see page 13
Socials	Special DOC Meeting 17th May BOP Shoot 10 <sup>th</sup> June
Range Shoot	Range itinerary for 2017 in this issue: Contact Malcolm Perry or Rod Andrews.

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## Presidents report:

Hi all

So, I was looking forward to meeting some new and for that matter old faces at the AGM yeah right! Well I am honored to have the old team back together for another year with one new guy Kevin Start on board as well.

So, this is the year we hope to get it done so as we have new projects to come, so I will ask again that you get out and help build your range and if not able send in a donation a cash cheque will be fine

Well hopefully you will have read the new proposed reforms to the Firearms Act or had discussions around it, I would hope that you really think and put pen to paper on this as the changes proposed will have an impact on the firearms you may hold and amount of ammunition you may have.

Please don't think this will not worry me, it's only the E cat class that have a problem, well you are dead wrong, that little 10/22 or the semi auto shotgun you use for duck shooting may have to be re-classed and that going to cost –you and then the possibility of new security.

Ammunition sales will require registration, and the amount recorded who's going to pay for that, what if you reload, will you have to record the number of rounds, what will this do to the shooting club that you may belong to i.e. Gun Clubs/Pistol clubs they on sell ammo to you??

Well food for thought so please don't be that typically apathetic kiwi make sure that you have your say and vote accordingly at the election. Contact your local MP and tell them you are unhappy.

I have written to the Minister of Police and asked if she would be able to attend one of our socials to give her views and listen to your feedback so watch this space.

So, we held the ANZAC Shoot on 22 April, the turn out from this branch was poor to say the least, we had arranged good sponsors and a had a good feed laid on so what's the problem, too scared to face the pressure, cost too much \$120 bucks (60 rds. ammo, \$40 entry) for one day of the year and supporting your branch it can't be that bad, we even had an open class so you could shoot your hunting rifle, well maybe next year.

The results of the day

Service rifle:

Gold	Malcolm Gillice	NZDA Rotorua
Silver	Rodney M	BOPSRA
Bronze	Jason Davis	Wellington Service Rifle

Sporterised military:

Gold	Mark Paulger	NZDA Rotorua
Silver	Kevin Story	Auckland Service Rifle
Bronze	Brady Paulger	NZDA Rotorua

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On a final note, we have our working bee on the 13<sup>th</sup> May out at Range see you there

Cheers

Colin

## SPECIAL MEETING:

DOC have asked if we the committee can hold a meeting regarding a 1080 drop in the Whirinaki park.

I propose to hold it on Wednesday 17 May at club rooms 7pm start.

Please this is for current committee members only as we must have a sound controlled meeting

Cheers

Colin

## OTHER 1080 DROPS PLANNED:

### **Notice of Intention to Apply Vertebrate Toxic Agents: Hatepe 5 and Paemahi**

Epro Limited (Epro) has been contracted by TBfree New Zealand Limited to undertake tuberculosis (TB) vector control (possums) within the Kaimanawa Forest Park, north-east of the Waimarino River and north-west of the Oamaru River.

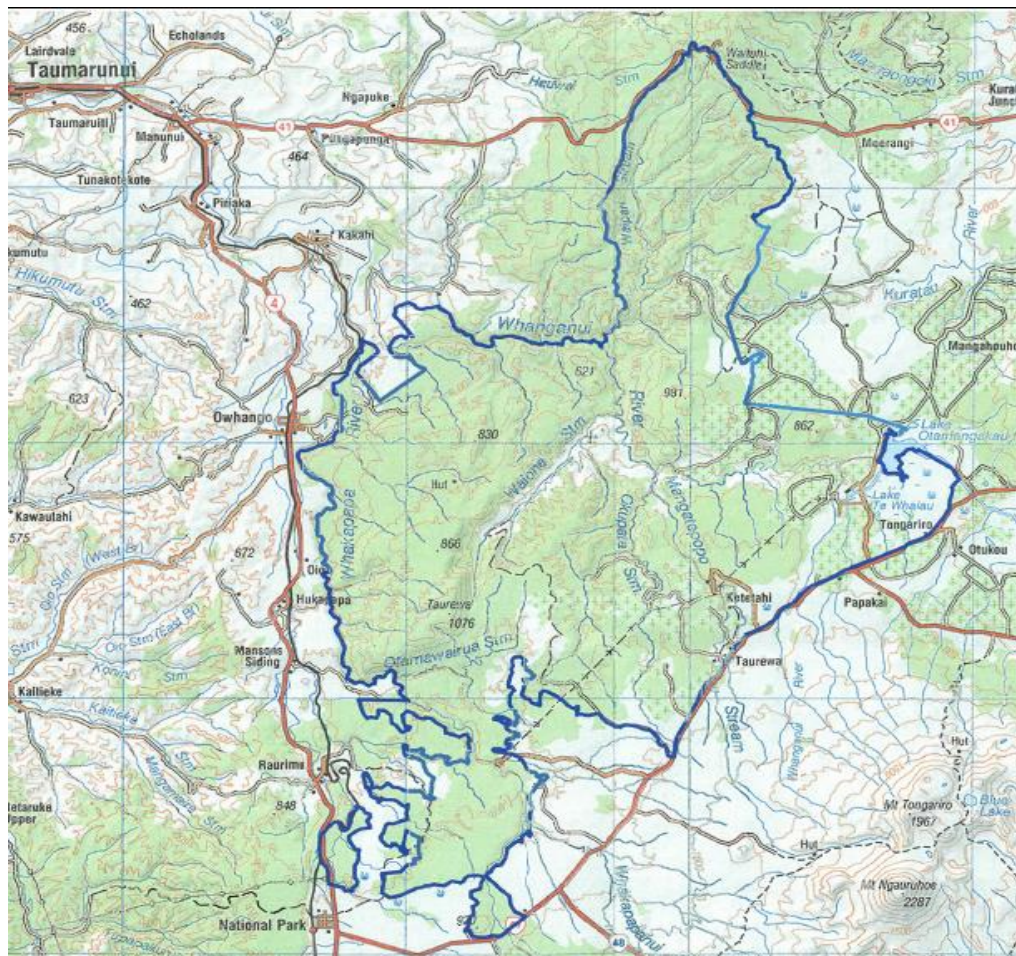
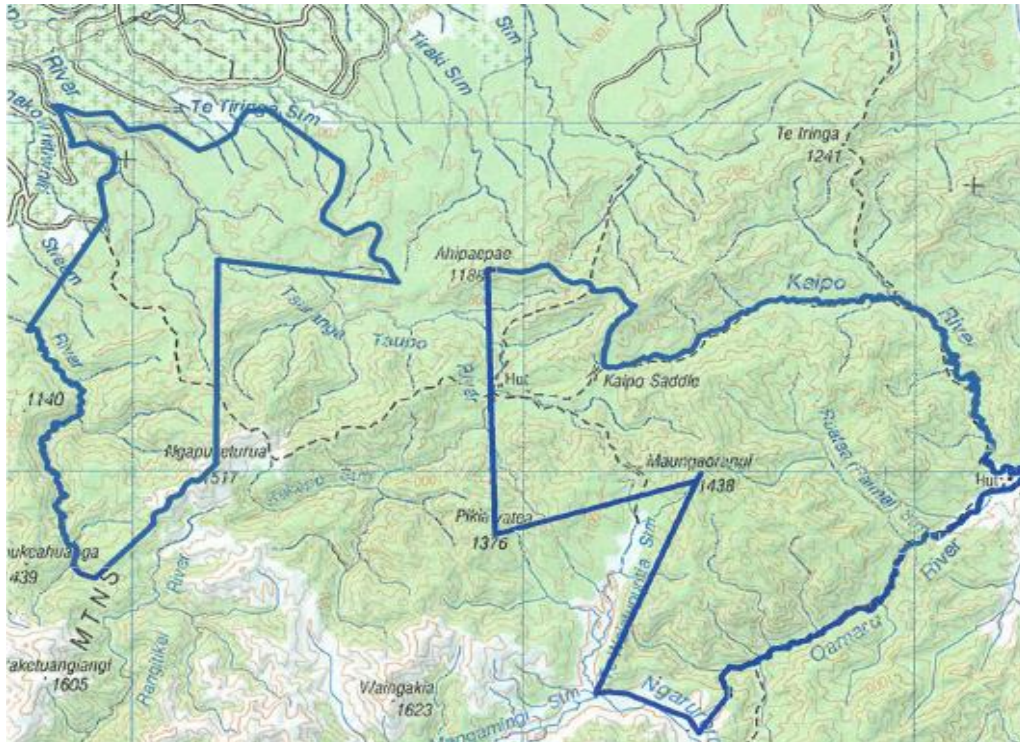
In accordance with the Hazardous Substances Regulations 2001, Epro wishes to notify you of our intention to aerially apply sodium fluoroacetate (1080) and hand lay encapsulated potassium cyanide (Feratox). This operation will be carried out in two phases. Initially non-toxic prefeed bait will be applied. This will be followed five to ten days later by an application of toxic bait.

The bait will be in the form of pellets and will be dyed green in accordance with the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996. All 1080 bait will be coated with Epro deer repellent (EDR) to minimise non-target mortality of feral deer.

This operation will commence as soon as practicable after 15 May 2017 and should be completed by 30 December 2017.

Toxin warning signs will be placed at all normal points of entry to the operation prior to toxic bait being applied. The carcasses of poisoned animals could pose a risk to dogs for several months after the operation. Toxin warning signs will remain in place until this risk has passed.







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# NEW ZEALAND Hunting & Wildlife

You may remember reading in issue #195 of Hunting & Wildlife that the next issue #196 was going to be available electronically on the NZDA website. This has now happened!

We would really appreciate feedback. Send any opinions you have about this to membership@deerstalkers.org.nz

## facebook

There will be relaunch of the NZDA Facebook page in mid June, for the members that have Facebook we would love for you to like the page and comment on the articles that are posted. The more activity on the page the more interest will be created. Check your emails early in June, we be sending out an email with a link to the Facebook page. We hope you like the look.

## Hon Todd McClay

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## **Report of the Inquiry into Illegal firearms in the New Zealand Community**

The government recently held an inquiry into illegal firearms in the community. A select committee, comprised of members from political parties which make up our Parliament, investigated the matter. It called for submissions from the public, receiving 105, making 20 recommendations to place before the Government.

### **Three factors need to be remembered:**

- (a) these are merely recommendations, and will not necessarily form or become government policy;
- (b) they are NOT the law, but may lead to changes in the law;
- (c) Any law change will have to undergo due process, that is (unless urgency is taken by Parliament) undergo three readings, select committee processing (to hear public input) before being passed into law. Timeline for this may be as long as two to three years.

The Select Committee recommendations are listed under six subheadings:

### **Sale and supply of firearms and ammunition**

### **Definition of military-style semi-automatics**

### **Effectiveness of licensing, training, and registering firearms**

### **Criminal offending with firearms**

### **Reducing the number of grey firearms**

### **Importing firearms into New Zealand**

Many of the recommendations suggest changes which are already in effect, of which already exist under the Crimes Act (1961, and subsequent amendments), the Arms Act (1983, and subsequent amendments) and the Arms Regulations (1992, and subsequent amendments).

The entire report and its recommendations may be found at:

**[https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/sc/reports/document/SCR\\_72851/inquiry-into-issues-relating-to-the-illegal-possession](https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/sc/reports/document/SCR_72851/inquiry-into-issues-relating-to-the-illegal-possession)**

**Members are invited to write to their local Member of Parliament to comment upon these proposals.**



- Physical courage which despises all danger will make a man brave in one way, and moral courage, which despises all opinion, will make a man brave in another. The former would seem most necessary for the camp, the latter for the council, but to constitute a great man both are necessary
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Q: What are a woman's four favourite animals?

A: A mink in the closet, a Jaguar in the garage, a tiger in the bedroom and an ass to pay for it all.

# 28 April 2017: OSPRI RESPONSE TO NZ GAME ANIMAL COUNCIL SUBMISSION

## **2017 TBfree Pest Control Operations Consultation**

### ***OSPRI response to submissions of NZ Game Animal Council, NZ Deerstalkers Association and Central North Island Sika Foundation***

The above submissions which are representative of deer and other game hunting interests raise broadly similar issues in response to the OSPRI document *2017 Pest Control Operations Consultation*.

This paper notes key generic issues from submissions and OSPRI's response to them.

### **Adequacy of consultation timeframe**

Concerns at the short time frame between release of the consultation document and the commencement of at least some planned operations (notably Hatepe 3 in January 2017) are noted. OSPRI accepts that to enable adequate consultation a period of approximately 12 months between first notification of intended operations and planned commencement date is desirable. The Hatepe operation has been the subject of earlier separate consultation. It is also largely on private forestry land and timing is at the request of the forest manager.

### **Consultation process**

Related to the above, submissions suggest specific improvements to consultation process, including a proposed five step process commencing as early as 18 months prior to planned operations. OSPRI's planned development, publication and annual updating of operational notices for each of some 100 Tuberculosis Management Areas (TMA) will cover all OSPRI operations and we believe this will help address areas identified for improvement. TMAs are already defined and mapped, with target TB eradication dates, within the published TBfree National Operational Plan. TMA notices will build on this framework by providing maps and descriptions of each TMA, a summary of the area's disease situation and control history, and the eradication approach to be used. Specific wildlife control and survey operations will be defined for the current year of the notice and broadly indicated for the following year, with this information to be updated on annual basis.

TMA notices will thus provide hunting organizations with a much better forward view of planned operations than has been available in the past. OSPRI suggests that the continuous and ready availability of TMA notices will enable hunting organizations to identify well in advance any operations and issues of concern, and to prioritize operations for application of available measures to mitigate effects for hunting. This in turn may support a relatively simple but more effective process of annual consultation and engagement between OSPRI and hunting organizations.

## **Technical case for operations**

Submissions have called for more detailed information on and evidence for wildlife TB infection within or near operational areas, and greater use of wildlife surveys to confirm such information prior to implementing control operations.

OSPRI's planning and decision making approach on where pest control operations are carried out takes into account a number of factors. Central to this is drawing on historic infected herd data and wildlife infection identified through surveys or incidental findings. This data is then subject to spatial modelling which determines likely patterns of disease spread. Wildlife disease surveys – which in some cases will need to target deer – will nonetheless become a more prominent element of the TB Plan.

In the 2017 -2018 financial year surveys of TB sentinel species will be undertaken in the following TMAs within the wider central North Island:

- East Taupo, pig survey
- Hatepe Lake, pig survey
- Hikumutu, pig survey
- Hauhungaroa, deer survey , pig survey
- National Park, pig survey
- Ngamatea – Timahanga, pig survey
- Rangipo, pig survey, deer survey



- Retaruke, pig survey
- Taharua, pig survey
- Turangi, pig survey
- Tutaekuri – Waitara, pig survey
- Urewera, pig survey
- Waihohonu, deer survey, pig survey
- Waipunga, pig survey
- West Taupo, pig survey

Most of these surveys are for proof of TB freedom and are thus unlikely to yield TB findings.

### **Use of deer repellent**

Greater use of deer repellent, better consultation around its use, and further research and development to determine or improve its efficacy – especially for sika deer – are prominent themes of submissions. OSPRI is willing to consider cases for deer repellent, but the additional 20-30% operational cost is a major obstacle. In effect, available funding for deer repellent will need to be allocated on the basis of demand exceeding possible supply. For this reason it would be helpful if hunting organisations could prioritise areas for repellent use to enable best use of this resource.

At this stage it is anticipated that deer repellent bait will be used in full or in part within key areas where there is high use or specific areas identified by local hunting groups.

Further assessment of the efficacy of repellent for sika deer will be undertaken this year, in a planned trial with captive deer to be followed by operational monitoring. The former trial will also assess the effects of bait and lure types. A new source and supply of repellent bait is also under development and trial, which may result in lower future cost and greater availability.

### **Timing of operations**

Timing of operations is a further significant mitigation of effects for hunting. OSPRI already endeavours to avoid operations during the roar hunting season. Submissions have identified July/August as being preferred. OSPRI notes this and will aim for such timing, but operational logistics and weather will have significant impacts on timing and will often require operations outside these months. Again, prioritisation of operations for mitigation of effects may be helpful.

### **Extent of operations over sika deer habitat**

It is acknowledged that planned 2017 aerial 1080 operations may impact sika deer habitat and hunting opportunities. The programme is designed to ensure effective early progress toward TB eradication within timeframes and available funding. The formal progress objectives of the TB Plan require TB freedom in possums to be achieved by 2040, but available operational funding is expected to fall sharply after year 2030. This means maximum progress is needed within the early period of higher funding. The extent of operations and impact on hunting will fall over time. Consultation is in progress and will continue with local hunting groups and other key stakeholders in the central north island while we work in this area.

### **Baiting specifications**

Detailed baiting specifications were not provided in the consultation document as in some cases these have not been finalised. A typical baiting specification for TB possum control is:

Pre-feed (two applications)

- Non-toxic undyed cereal bait at 1 – 1.5 kg/ha using same lure to be used for toxic baiting

Toxic application

- 1.5-2 kg/ha 12 gram baits; toxic loading 0.15% w/w 1080; green dyed; cinnamon or orange lure, RS5 matrix formulation (or No 7 formulation in wetter conditions)

While there may be variations to this specification, variations are likely to be less rather than more hazardous to game mammals. Research trials of lower bait application rates are continuing and this is of obvious potential benefit.

### **Consents for toxin use**

Consents required for 1080 application under the HSNO Act are delegated to the Ministry of Health and in practice are issued by district public health officers. Under recent regulations, consents (from regional councils) under the Resource Management Act will no longer be required for 1080 application. For further information about the TBfree programme and our pest control work, please explore our library of factsheets at [www.ospri.co.nz/Publications/Factsheets.aspx](http://www.ospri.co.nz/Publications/Factsheets.aspx)

## Loss of science quality in NZ is having dire consequences

Monday, 8 May 2017, 11:21 am

Article: [Dr Jo Pollard](#)

### Loss of science quality in New Zealand is having dire consequences

Dr Jo Pollard (BSc (Hons, PhD))

Back in the 1990s, in at least one institution, rigorous government science was alive and well.

At Invermay Agricultural Research Centre, “Lab” meetings were being held where the scientist (or trembling student) presented his or her proposed experiment: the background, hypotheses to be tested and methods. From these proposals were hammered out, with the critical input of all to be involved (particularly sharp, insightful comments were usual from some of the technical staff). Biometric approval was required to ensure the results from the research would be meaningful.

In those days any hint of a prejudicial *bias* seriously undermined a scientist’s credibility. His or her worth was measured by the number of publications in high quality, peer-reviewed journals.

Twenty-five years on, it seems a scientist’s selling ability matters most. Gaining funding and successfully delivering results that generate more funding is vital to career development. And since the NZ government controls the money (grants to universities, NGOs and its own departments) the government gets and selects what it wants.

Sadly, one of the things the NZ government wants and has been getting since the 1960s is widespread aerial poisoning with the broad spectrum poison 1080. The government has argued it needs to kill introduced mammals claimed to spread bovine tuberculosis (Tb) and threaten native wildlife, and widespread poisoning is the best way.

Respected scientists are expected to sit tight while the media, government departments and high ranking officials misuse data to suit pre-ordained agendas. An example is the repeated claim by the Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment, Dr Jan Wright, that 1080 poison is “moderately humane”. The basis for the claim was a report commissioned by the National Animal Welfare Advisory Council (Beausoleil *et al.*, 2010). The report actually said that the word “humaneness” should be replaced with “animal welfare impact” because truly humane control methods are rare, and that 1080 had a “severe to extreme impact lasting for hours”, meaning that its effects on welfare were rated as “intermediate” relative to other poisons. Cyanide (which causes rapid loss of consciousness and death) was at one end of the scale and anticoagulants such as brodifacoum (which has a severe to extreme impact for days to weeks) at the other end.

In another example, respected ornithologist the late Professor Ian Jamieson & his student had to endure incorrect statements and gross extrapolation in the national media regarding the student’s study of two



groups of robins near Dunedin. Their research findings were held up as an example of how harmless 1080 was and that it increased population growth (which it hadn't).

New Zealand's degraded science culture has spawned the rise of some disease-busting and biodiversity-conserving specialists whose claims go unchallenged, have a very strong following and who are supporting ever-increasing poisoning campaigns.

The most obvious victim currently is the kea, NZ's own mountain parrot; a species known to be killed by 1080 poisoning operations since the 1960s and now on the very edge of extinction. Estimates of total kea numbers as low as 1000 have been made since 1986. A current "wild stab" guestimate provided recently was 3000-7000 birds, and numbers have declined noticeably in recent years (Paul van Klink, speaking at Kea Konvention, Arthurs Pass, 2017).

Department of Conservation (DoC) monitoring has demonstrated that in every 1080 aerial poisoning operation, an average of 12% of kea die. This incredible loss to such a rare species is not justified by science, but it is *endorsed* by DoC's scientist in charge of kea management, Mr Josh Kemp.

This bird on the brink of extinction deserves top quality science but Kemp's plan for further, increased poisoning to save them falls far short. According to Kemp, increased 1080 poisoning is needed to kill stoats, which he says are a major cause of the kea's demise. This contrasts sharply with Kemp's and other scientists' previous findings (from the 1960s, 1990s and last decade) that despite living in the company of stoats, kea were "relatively immune" to predation. Any predation impact was thought likely to have occurred long ago (stoats were introduced to NZ in the late 1800s).

It seems that Kemp is required to provide evidence that stoats (and even the largely vegetarian possum) *are* major predators of kea, and that 1080 is needed to kill them. Otherwise the government's further, ever-increasing poisoning plans would clearly be irresponsible. In March 2014 Mr Kemp stated:

*"This year (2014-15) the DOC is gearing up to broadcast 1080 to poison pests over about 500,000 hectares of beech forest inhabited by kea under the Battle for our Birds campaign. These operations are approved on the basis that benefit derived to kea from stoat and possum control will outweigh the non target risk..."* (Kemp 2014, unpublished).

There are many serious flaws in the claim that 1080 is needed to kill stoats. The stoat has to eat a poisoned animal to die (the poison is delivered on cereal baits) and kill rates have been highly variable, e.g. *"The aerial 1080 at Mt Arthur did not reduce the stoat FTL...Stoat FTL subsequently increased"* (Kemp *et al.* 2014, unpublished). Stoats are also known to devastate native birds after poisoning in a response known as "prey switching", after a steady diet of rats has suddenly been poisoned off.

Another major flaw is that aerial 1080 poisoning has been repeatedly observed to cause increases in firstly mice, then rats, in the poisoned areas. As Dr Andrea Byrom of Landcare Research bravely pointed out in 2013, such increases create excellent conditions for the proliferation of....stoats! This is what was observed at Okarito in 2011, where a 1080 operation was followed by large increases in mice, then rats, then a stoat plague in late 2012. Tellingly, in a draft 2016 paper Kemp held this poisoning operation up as the *"best example"* of aerial 1080 improving productivity of kea and preventing mortality from stoats! He had already pointed out, in 2015, that his Okarito study lacked replication, random assignment of the treatments, and observers blind to treatments.

Kemp has had to contort his data wildly, and make some extreme assumptions, to support the required claims. A graph he shows of alleged stoat numbers is not that at all, rather it uses an undefined measure "based largely on seed rain". Never mind that seed rain does not always show a strong correlation with stoat numbers in the scientific literature. Another piece of "evidence" used is a single kea carcass that swabbed positive for stoat saliva – stoats are scavengers of dead animals, and will also prey on sick birds, so the

saliva is not good evidence that stoats are a major predator of kea. Neither is the finding of a dead kea “cached” underground (also used as “evidence”) since rats cache dead animals too.

Kemp’s claims that only kea in human-inhabited areas die from eating 1080 pellets are simply untrue- in Kahurangi in 2014, a site chosen by Kemp for monitoring specifically *because* of its remoteness, 2/22 (9%) of monitored kea were killed by the poison.

Worryingly, Kemp’s kea predation studies rely on frequently visited nests, and there are plans for more monitoring. The scientific literature and bird codes of practice warn against any interference with nests as this is likely to attract predators and cause abandonment, and that any data from such nests must be treated as biased. Kemp’s nests that are monitored with still cameras experience multiple visits from stoats and other species.

The Strategic Plan for Kea Conservation (2015, 2017), a collaborative project between DoC and the Kea Conservation Trust, fails to achieve basic scientific standards. Research is cited without providing references, and bold, unreferenced claims are made (e.g. “the recent population decline exacerbated by introduced predators”). Important definitions (e.g. “predator”) are lacking. The Background omits important issues e.g. starvation, previously identified as the major cause of death. There are no references to published research by Kemp despite his scientific involvement in kea management since the 1990s. There is no consideration of welfare impacts of prolonged deaths from poisoning or interfering with nests.

Positive, timely outcomes from the Strategic Plan seem unlikely. For instance the 2015 plan to “adequately” estimate the number of kea remaining is still some way from being realised, with various options for methods still being discussed in 2017. There were plans to use an “experienced scientist” to develop a working population model, in 2015. In 2017 there were still plans to “have a working population model developed and refined by an appropriate scientist.”

Kemp’s followers (kea lovers and DoC) are immediately and highly defensive of any criticism, to the point of leaping to their feet and shouting down any hint that his work and endorsement of more poisoning could be at all flawed (author’s personal experience at Kea Konvention, Arthur’s Pass 2017). The science-less nature of planning documents and publications, the misuse of scientific mana among followers, and followers’ extreme reactions to any challenge are typical, in fact diagnostic, of *pseudoscience*.

Readers of this concluding paragraph will be in a minority, since few now have time to read about and consider scientific integrity. Hopefully the imminent demise of the kea will engage those few still thinking wisely to call urgently for *science* in conservation management.

For references please see <http://1080science.co.nz/scientific-reviews-of-1080/>

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N.Z.D.A. Range report April 2017.

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> D.A. 300M target shoot. Five members including myself turned up, and did a bit of shooting aimed at zeroing rifles for the distance and giving the two ladies present a chance to show their skills which were impressive. Well done ladies.

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> Anzac shoot. This was well attended again with 18 shooters taking part. Rotorua deerstalkers members did well again, in spite of being few in number, Malcolm Gilice won the main event and Mark Paulger won the open class again, well done to you both. Everybody on the day was successful in getting a lucky draw prize and the feed turned on for lunch was awesome. Many thanks to those who did more work than shooting. Also thanks to the several C.N.I.G.C. members who dismantled the gazebo, it came down in very short efficient order, with little effort on my part

All in all a great day, did not hear any complaints although was aware a couple of shooters did have problems.

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Deer silhouette shoot. This was not so well attended, but the two who did some shooting were satisfied with how things went. The low attendance was not totally unexpected with the shoot the day before.

### COMING EVENTS:

MAY;

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> **WORKING BEE**, bring what ever tools you have shovels, rakes, power tools for construction work etc. Two main objectives will be extending the roof over the 200M mound, and as one member is able to bring a small tractor with a back blade a general tidy up of the range floors so the grass that emerges can be mown without undue damage to the mower. The construction of more target frames.

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> D.A. Metallic silhouette shoot .22lr rifles, again no strict rules except safety, come and have some fun, juniors most welcome. Distances of 40M, 60M, 77M, and 100M.

JUNE:

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> C.N.I.G.C. service rifle club shoot.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> D.A. 300M target shoot.

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Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> D.A. Deer silhouette shoot, as near as we can duplicate hunting conditions on a flat open range, distances of approximately, 300M (accurate) 200, 100, and 50M.

Time to reload,

Malcolm P.



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## ANZAC SHOOT RESULTS:

Match:	Load and Shoot 100												
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2	Bradley	1	2	Open		3	4		7	31		31.000	14
3	Sem	1	3	Service	5	3	1	1	10	47	5	47.005	2
4	Chris Woodman	1	4	Service	2	2	2	3	9	37	2	37.002	7
5		1	5										
6	Rodney M	1	6	Service	4	2	1	3	10	43	4	43.004	5
7	Kevin S	1	7	Open	1	1		4	6	22	1	22.001	17
8	Jason D	1	8	Service	3	4	2	1	10	46	3	46.003	3
9	Michael G	1	9	Service	1	1	4	3	9	35	1	35.001	11
10	Andy S	1	10	Service	1	2	3	3	9	36	1	36.001	9
11	Dennis P	2	1	Open		5	2	1	8	36		36.000	10
12	William O	2	2	Service		1	3	5	9	32		32.000	13
13	Syd G	2	3	Service	4	3	1		8	39	4	39.004	6
14	Wayne M	2	4	Service	2	2	3		7	32	2	32.002	12
15	Colin P	2	5	Service									
16	Malcolm G	2	6	Service	7	1	2		10	48	7	48.007	1
17	Mike J	2	7	Service	2	1	3	3	9	36	2	36.002	8
18		2	8										
19	Mark	2	9	Open	1	3	1	2	7	30	1	30.001	15
20	Issac S	2	10	Service	2	1	1	1	5	22	2	22.002	16

Match:	Trinity 100												
Number	Shooter Name	Squad	Target	Class	V	5	4	3	Shots	Score	V	Calc	Rank
1	Trevor J	1	1	Service	2	4	5	3	14	59	2	59.002	9
2	Bradley	1	2	Open	4	2	4		10	46	4	46.004	15
3	Sem	1	3	Service	1	6	3	2	12	53	1	53.001	11
4	Chris Woodman	1	4	Service	1	3	3	6	13	50	1	50.001	12
5		1	5										
6	Rodney M	1	6	Service	7	3	5		15	70	7	70.007	2
7	Kevin S	1	7	Open	5	5	2	2	14	64	5	64.005	6
8	Jason D	1	8	Service	6	2	4	3	15	65	6	65.006	4
9	Michael G	1	9	Service	6	4	3	1	14	65	6	65.006	4
10	Andy S	1	10	Service	3		2	3	8	32	3	32.003	17
11	Dennis P	2	1	Open	5	6	1	1	13	62	5	62.005	7
12	William O	2	2	Service	7	5	3		15	72	7	72.007	1
13	Syd G	2	3	Service	3	4	2	2	11	49	3	49.003	13
14	Wayne M	2	4	Service	3	5	1	3	12	53	3	53.003	10
15	Colin P	2	5	Service									
16	Malcolm G	2	6	Service	7	6	1		14	69	7	69.007	3
17	Mike J	2	7	Service	1	4	3	3	11	46	1	46.001	16
18		2	8										
19	Mark	2	9	Open	3	1	4	4	12	48	3	48.003	14
20	Issac S	2	10	Service	1	7	4	2	14	62	1	62.001	8



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## PARTY HUNT

Next one will be June, details to follow

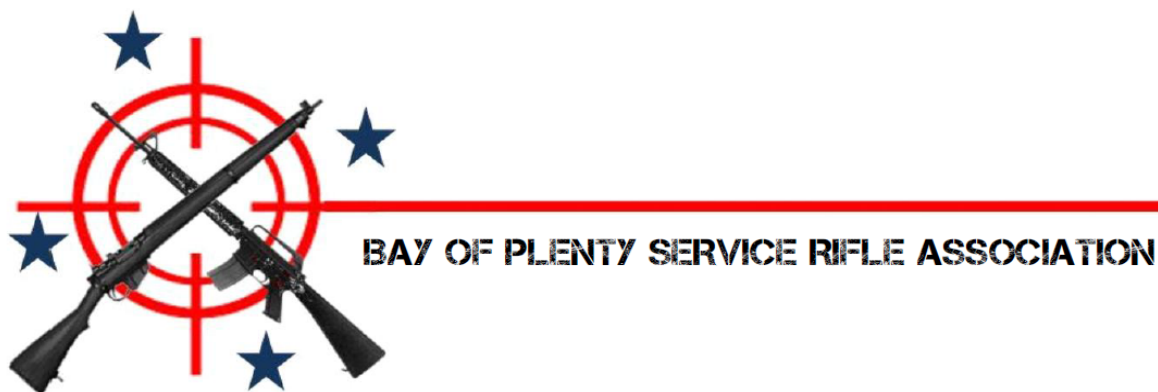
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# **OPERATION OVERLORD SHOOT 2017**

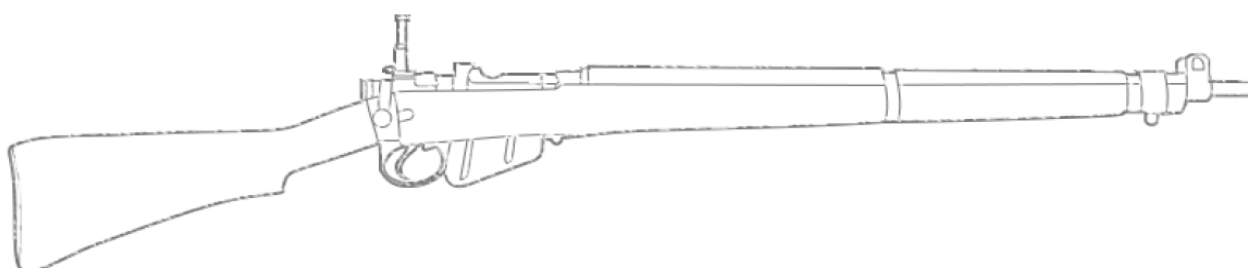
## **OPEN BOLT ACTION CHAMPIONSHIPS**

On 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> June 2017 Bay of Plenty Service Rifle Association (BOPSRA) is holding its annual Open Bolt Action Service Rifle Championships, the Operation Overlord Shoot 2017.

Over the 73<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Normandy (June 6<sup>th</sup> 1944 to August 25<sup>th</sup> 1944), BOPSRA welcomes competitors from across New Zealand to compete in thirteen matches over two days in three classes of shooter (Bolt Action Service Class, Open Class (Bolt), Open Class (Semi), and Sniper Class) at the TECT All Terrain Park NZDA Tauranga Rifle Range.

- Entry Fee of \$100.00 applies- Includes range costs, lunch on both days, refreshments, targets (including tin hat targets for open sight shooting).
- Minimum of 20 Entrants required before May 15<sup>th</sup> 2017.
- Maximum capacity of 40 Entrants.
- Sponsored Prize draw on the day.
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- BOPSRA Keyrings available at registration.

For registration forms and further information contact BOPSRA Committee at [BOPSRA.Inc@gmail.com](mailto:BOPSRA.Inc@gmail.com) or contact the BOPSRA Facebook page by searching [@BOPSRA](#).



# YESTERYEAR PHOTOS

Packing out:



Guide Donald Bell & client Charles Davis packing out the spoils in the Huxley, Otago, 1921.

## Hunter and moose, New Zealand, date unknown

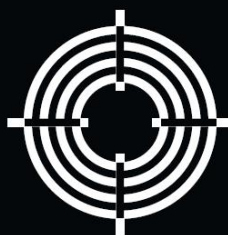
"On 9 April 1910 a cargo of Canadian moose "in splendid condition" were landed at Supper Cove in Fiordland.

The 4 stags and 6 hinds had travelled from Canada to Hobart. When they reached New Zealand they were quarantined on Somes Island before being sent to Fiordland by government steamer. The Union Steam Ship Company supported the venture, providing the moose with free passage on their journey south. This was the second shipment of moose from Vancouver, the first cargo having been sent about 10 years previously. The Tourist Department had organised this as part of their campaign to stock New Zealand's wilderness with wild game animals for trophy hunters. Their efforts led to ecological disaster as many deer species acclimatised all too successfully and decimated native flora.

The Tourist Department officials who had participated so enthusiastically in this campaign were lauded by most at the time. Immigrants who had come to New Zealand from the United Kingdom had left a land where game hunting was for the landed and elite while in New Zealand it was now available to all. General Manager of the Tourist Department Thomas Donne was well satisfied with his efforts writing that "Nature neglected New Zealand in providing game animals; man has remedied the omission." Not everyone admired him though. A newspaper editorial went as far as to suggest Donne should be jailed for bringing "wild beasts" into the country.

Shown here is a hunter with a Fiordland moose. The moose did not acclimatise successfully and the department was roundly criticised for liberating healthy animals in an unsuitable environment and leaving them to starve.





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