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"The Tines"
Rotorua Branch Newsletter January/ February 2019

Rotorua N.Z.D.A Branch Calendar

Ring coordinators for more information.

Phone numbers listed on inner backpage.

Calendar of the Club's regular monthly events:

Committee Meeting
Working Bees
2nd Saturday of each month
Range Shoots*
3rd Sunday of each month
Socials
4th Wednesday of each month
Party Hunts**
4th Weekend of each month

Inductions will be completed only during range shoots

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Emails: If you are not receiving emails with club updates and would like to please notify us atnzdarotorua@gmail.com

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

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

President's report January/ February 2019

Hi all

Well its a month or two since Christmas and it feels like a year ago already. I take it you have all had a good break, and didn't get too hot, thank god it's rained some as the place starting to look like a desert. Well now that the cold spell hit guess you all priming for the roar / Sika roar and then duck shooting as these will be next big hunting events.

I finally got away over the east coast for a weekend hunt with a couple of mates and we did ok, although it was hot as hell, luckily the station owned a chiller so all meat was able to chill down without going off or getting fly blown, as there was a bit of it to chill. Although driving home we had 30 plus degrees which had me worried about the meat. Apparently, I had not given notice about being away as the Monday was the first committee meeting, as the treasurer rang, sorry guys nice to know you missed me!!

Some of you may remember an old dude who used to be the treasurer, the one and only John Eason, well he is written a book on his hunting memoirs, so if you would like a copy hunt him down, I will however post out when the books are available.

So, I get asked a lot about the 50m range. When? Well I suspect the next working bee will be focused on the 50m so get your posterior out when the day is cast and help then you can answer your question yourself.

To the observant we have had a bit of a clean-up along our boundary between Black Powder Club in readiness for fill for the 300m berm which is coming in as we speak.

So, we will be running the ANZAC Shoot again on 27th so get out, have a go and support your branch, it our fundraiser for the Range. Look out for the flyer.

Cheers Colin

Wanted

Stories for newsletters.
Any interesting articles.
Any photos of your hunting trips.
Anything to buy or sell?
Send to editor at amynattrass@gmail.com



Rotorua Branch Range Report January 2019

Sat 5th C.N.I.G.C.Club day.

Sunday 6th, 300M target shoot. Considering it was the holidays we had a good turnout. Six shooters plus myself as R/O. Two people came from Taupo, one of whom was in a motorised wheelchair, the second time he has been to the range and I am certain will not be the last, he thoroughly enjoyed the day shooting from the bench at 300. Sunday 20th was to have been a Metallic Silhouette shoot but everyone must have been otherwise occupied, no problem. I did have an apology from two regulars that they would not be coming, that was helpful.

COMING EVENTS;

MARCH:

Saturday 2nd C.N.I.G.C. club shoot. Sunday 3rd 300M target shoot.

Sunday 17th .22 Metallic Silhouette shoot.

APRIL:

Saturday 6th, C.N.I.G.C. Club shoot.

Sunday 7th 300M target shoot.

Sunday 21st !00/200M target shoot, 5shot matches in 3 positions at each distance or those that wish may shoot .22 at 100M only.

Sat Or Sun 27th/28th posible date for annual ANZAC shoot.

Time to reload, Malcolm Perry.

N.Z.D.A Rotorua is online

Check Out https://www.nzdarotorua.org.nz/

For Sale.

Cartridge brass:

.308 Federal 1xfired 150 available \$15 -00 per 100.

>222 P.M.C. 1xFired 400 available \$10-00 per 100.

Live ammo:

.308 military F.M.J. M.F. head stamp 90 rounds \$75-00 per 100 = \$67-50

Rifle scopes:

Tasco 4x40 wide field \$75-00.

Eagle 4x32 \$45-00

Loading Dies:

Lee .303 2 die set incl shell holder and instructions and storage drum, \$65-00

Malcolm Perry 027 625 9608.

Positions Available

We require a person to look after clubrooms and take bookings etc.

If you are interested contact Mark Slade on 07 349 5630 or 027 4988 911.

Someone in this position would be highly appreciated and a huge help for our club.

Range Calendar

APRIL;

Sat 6th C.N.I.G.C. Service rifle club day.

Sun. 7th 300M target shoot.

Sat 13 & Sun 14 C.N.I.G.C. Service rifle club Holding practise shoot. One or other range available for casual use.

Sun. 21St 100/200M positional shoot. People can shoot 100M .22 if they wish.

Sat. 27th C.N.I.G.C./N.Z.D.A. Anzac shoot. More info nearer time.

MAY;

Sun.5th 300M target shoot.

Sun. 19th Deer target shoot.

JUNE:

Sat 1st C.N.I.G.C. Service rifle club day.

Sun 2nd 300M target shoot. Yes is a long weekend Q.B.

Sun. 16Th .22 Metallic Silhouette.

JULY;

Sat 6th C.N.I.G.C. Service rifle club day.

Sun 7th 300M target shoot.

Sun 21st 100/200M positional shoot. 100M Only rimfire for those that wish.

AUGUST:

Sat 3rd C.N.I.G.C. Service rifle club day.

Sun 4th 300M target shoot.

Sun 18th Deer target shoot.

SEPTEMBER;

Sun 1st 300M target shoot.

Sat 7th C.N.I.G.C. Service rifle club day.

Sun 15th .22 Metallic Silhouette.

OCTOBER:

Sat 5th & Sun 6th C.N.I.G.C. Service rifle RAPIDS competition.

Sun 13th 300M target shoot.

Sun 20th 100/200 positional shoot and .22 @ 100M for those that wish.

NOVEMBER;

Sat 2nd C.N.I.G.C. Service rifle club day.

Sun 3rd 300M target shoot.

Sun 17th Deer target shoot.

DECEMBER:

Sun 1st SWAZI Junior shoot & end of year B.B.Q.

Sat 7th C.N.I.G.C. Service rifle club day.

For enquiries Contact: Malcolm Perry, 027 625 9608.

Range rules

Entering the Range: The gate on Mead Road should be kept closed; this is to keep out stray members of the public. The range gate should be kept locked unless there is a club shoot in progress in which case it will be secured open. When shooting is to take place, the red warning flag next to the gate must be raised. The flag next to the 200mtr mound should be raised if that range is to be used. Raise the flag by the 300mtr mound if that range is to be used. The lanyards are to be secured to prevent them becoming tangled by the wind. Enter your name(s) in one of the log books located in the 200mtr and 300mtr mounds.

Range Layout: There are four shooting distances available at the range, 50mtr, 100mtr, 200mtr and 300mtr. There is a backstop and target placement area for each distance. Target frames are provided but shooters may use their own. Targets must only be sited between the red marker posts and immediately in front of the backstops. Targets must not be placed mid range, if it is necessary to shoot at a non standard distance then the target must still be sited immediately in front of one of the backstops and the shooter must move closer to the target. The backstops are there to confine shots to the range area. All shooting must be directly downrange, shooting at an angle to the line of the range is strictly not permitted as it carries the risk of shots leaving the range area and entering the adjacent club's land. Some changes to these arrangements may be permitted for certain occasions and by prearrangement.

Range Operation: Generally there will not be a range officer present. Any rifle that is not in use must have a chamber flag fitted. Shooters must not handle any rifle when other shooters are out on the range. Shooters must work together to make sure that it is safe before anyone enters a range and make sure that everyone has a clear understanding when the range is closed and when it is open. The 200mtr and 300mtr ranges are provided with a hand held red flag. When shooters are using the range and people may be down range (setting targets or using one of the shorter distances), to make the status clear, the flag must be displayed by placing the handle in the socket in the ground located just in front of the firing line. Magazines must not be loaded until immediately before use. The 200mtr and 300mtr ranges can be operated independently. Shooters must not leave any rifle unattended. Unattended means not under the close supervision of a firearms licence holder.

Range Standing Orders: The range standing orders give an overview of the range operation and include the steps to be taken in the event of a serious accident. The standing orders are issued with each range key and are also displayed in the 200mtr covered mound. Supervision of Minors and Unlicensed Shooters: The law states that all unlicensed shooters must be under close supervision by the licence holder. This means that the license holder will not be shooting and the license holder will only be supervising one non licence holder at any time.

Toilets: There are two 'long drop' toilets; please keep the doors closed when not in use to avoid the weather getting at the toilet rolls.

Keep the Range Clean: There is no litter collection at the range; please take your rubbish away with you.

Mead Road: Members are reminded that Mead Road is maintained largely by the Rotorua NZDA. To keep wear and tear to a minimum the road has a speed limit of 25 KPH if you witness any driver speeding then speak to the offender or report the incident to a committee member.

Take Note: Members are privileged to have unrestricted use of a range such as ours, please make sure you respect this privilege, if you witness any behaviour that you think is unsafe or inappropriate then speak to the offender and if necessary report the incident to a committee member.

New Visitor procedure

The Rotorua Branch of the NZDA

Visitors to the Rifle Range

A reminder to members.

In order to shoot, visitors must either:

- 1. For casual visitors. Pay the \$10 range fee, and enter his or her name in the sign in book and fill in name, address and contact details on one of the 'Day Membership' slips, this gives the visitor day membership of the Rotorua Branch of the NZDA. The fee and completed slip should be put into the secure cash box on the door of the right hand container
- 2. For those participating in NZDA committee authorised events run by other groups at the Rotorua Branch range (for instance, CNIGC shoots), the individual(s) must be a member of the group running the shoot

Visitors (*ie.* Persons who are not members of the Rotorua Branch of the New Zealand Deerstalkers Association) are otherwise **not allowed to shoot** at the Rotorua Branch rifle range.

Colin Peterson, President:

Date: 28th May 2018

Donations

Any donations to the Rotorua Deerstalkers would be highly appreciated and can be paid into the bank account 01-0414-0016731-00



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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. You must have completed the range induction protocol. 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 = \$110 (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.)

Superannuant = \$50 (Over 65 as at March 1st 2011. Full benefits)

Family = \$5 (Children or grandchildren), \$10 partner or spouse.



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