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Rotorua Branch Newsletter April/ May 2019

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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	Last Monday of each month
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

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

Inductions will be completed only during range shoots

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

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President's report April 2019

Hi all

Well what time to be a legal firearms owner, some of us have been made out to be criminals just for holding a E licence or owning a semi auto centre fire rifle and before some of you go well it not my problem, the old lever action .22 and any rifle holding more than 10 rounds is illegal now. Unbelievable don't you think, people with no idea making the rules, and with the swipe of a pen grandads old gun is gone, history lost. Well maybe some sense may come into play when the second draft of new laws is tabled.

Well you have probably heard it all so on we go.

So, what's been going on lately.

Well due to the banning of semi autos the Service Rifle Nationals, typically held at Waiouru , we were asked if the Rotorua range would be available to hold an impromptu shoot, so we had at our Range approximately 50 shooters from South Africa , Aussie and all around NZ shooting bolt action typically No 4 303's (which were hard to come by I might add). Lots had to be borrowed and guys shared rifles, using old Turkish ammo.

All attended really enjoyed the place, and commented on how good the layout of the range was.

So, with any luck we could be the range to use next year finger crossed as this would-be bonus to us not only to put us on the map as one of the top ranges but also as a financial benefit as range costs will only go up.

Also all those who attended from overseas really enjoyed the setting and the range layout.

The 27th was ANZAC Shoot

This I hoped would be bigger than last year, but I suppose due to the National service shoot guys had travelled enough, we had 21 shooters which was not bad. A couple guys from Auckland had attended the nationals and were keen to shoot again which was good. This year we had a better turn out for open class, so we will organise a trophy next year!!

And the trophy goes to

Service Class

Peter Miles

Rod M

Sem De Visser

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Mark Paulger – obviously no one wanted to take him on this year

Open Class
Rob Mihaljevich
Lindsay Sandilands
Garth Piper

Rob borrowed, Lindsay's rifle to out shoot him!

I now would like to give a big thanks to the sponsors this year who with their helps gave us an awesome prize table.

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So, what's next well we are to hold a working bee on Saturday 11 May to crack on and get the 50m range done as we are still having problems with ricochets into pistol club, so we must get this done and remove all .22 shooting from the 100/200m, so I hope to see you out there, a job list will be posted out

On 15th may Dennis and I will be attending another NZDA North Island region meeting, with other branches. Also, you should have by now received your membership invoices, unfortunately this were held up in the data base at National, new system so shit can happen, but I hope it all go, we will issue new keys soon, it has been agreed to use one outlet this year so keys will be available from Outdoorsman as this is on the way out to range typically.

Well that my lot for now

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

ANZAC Shoot Photos 2019



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Rotorua Branch Range Report

APRIL

Sat 6th Service rifle shoot.

Sunday 7th 300M target shoot, a small band of shooters turned up. I was expecting two inductions, only one turned up, who was a chap I had met years ago when shooting smallbore.

Sat & Sun 20 /21. Service rifle Tri nations shoot, all bolt actions now, attended by South Africa, Australia and N.Z. I imagined the Australians would have been quite at ease as they have only been allowed to use bolt actions for some time. However it seems from what I have heard the S.A. members and some of the N.Z. members did well. I heard the shoot went very well and our range was held in high regard.

Sat 27th was our annual combined (C.N.I.G.C. & N.Z.D.A.) Anzac shoot, which has always been a bolt action match. Numbers appeared to be down a little but after the previous weekend was not that surprising. One of the shooters just happened to be the person under whose guidance we are developing the 50M range, and as Dennis and I had taken him off to check our progress just as the prize giving was about to start, something we did not realize, Peter was being called for the prize handouts, much to his surprise he had won the main event, well done Peter Miles. As is usual for this competition, the C.N.I.G.C. team run the shooting side of things, thank you guys, and the N.Z.D.A. team look after the B.B.Q. lunch and I think I can safely say it was well enjoyed by all.

Something not to be overlooked was that we had a lady competitor one of our D.A. members, good to have you involved Krystal.

COMING EVENTS:

MAY;

Sat 4th C.N.I.G.C. Service rifle club shoot. Bolt actions, so if some of you who have a bolt action service rifle and did not think you could take part before, now you can.

Sun 5th 300M Target shoot.

Sun 19th Deer target shoot, 300; 200; 100; and 50M distances.

JUNE;

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

Sun 2nd 300M Target shoot, yes is long weekend Q.B.

Sun 16th .22 Metallic silhouette shoot.

JULY:

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

Sun 7th 300M Target shoot.

Sun 21st 100/200 3 positional shoot or for some 100M only .22 rimfire.

Time to reload, Malcolm P.

MAY

Sunday 5th May

300M target shoot several shooters turned up and had an enjoyable shoot.

Saturday 11th

Was a working bee on the 50M range a big thank you to all that turned up a put the effort in,

Sunday 19th May

Was the 300M deer target shoot just myself Dennis and Jamie Palmer where there so for change we taped some balloons on to the vital area of the deer target which proved interesting especially as the breeze got up.

Saturday 25th May

There was a working bee which I was unable to attend

More work was done on the 50M range a big thank you to all that turned up a put the effort in. Some photos below.

Report on progress on 50M range.

Yes we are making progress even if a little slow and steady.

11th May a working bee was arranged, eight or ten people including a couple of ladies turned up. Work achieved; some painting to the steel support frame, timber support beam at rear fixed in place, support posts to rear beam concreted in, steel cleats welded in place for rafters, rafters in central bay fixed in place. Also some weed trimming to 100M range.

Saturday 18th, Dennis and Malcolm P made a start laying 250 x 50mm decking to centre section of the structure. This is not a fast process but reasonable progress was made.

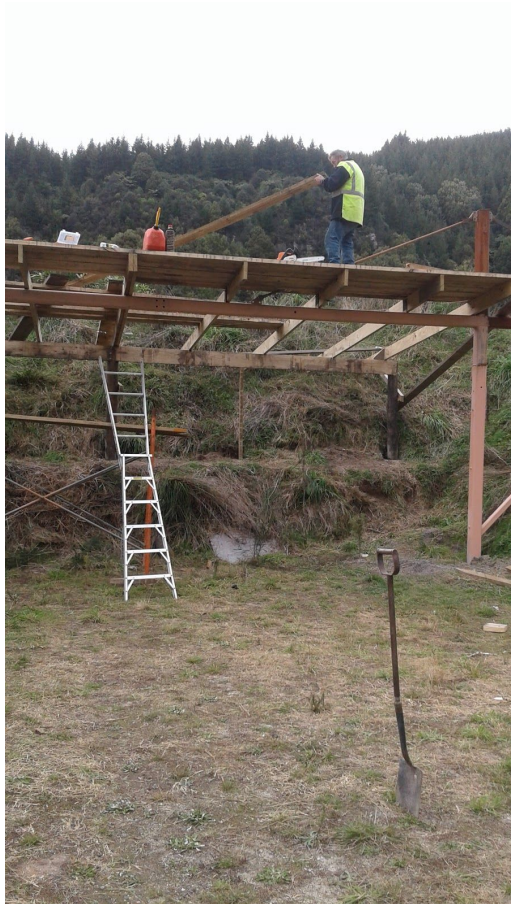
Saturday 25th a working bee was called at short notice and five persons turned up.

Three people continued work on the decking and other two do some maintenance jobs to other ranges, there is always something that can be done. I will send some photos to give an idea of what is happening.

As the coming weekend is a long weekend the next chance to work will probably be Sat 8th, so if you have a spare few hours contact Dennis who will advise what is happening and what is required.

Lastly a big thanks to those that have given their time so far.

Malcolm P.



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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.

Head Measuring

26th June

7pm

Deerstalker Clubrooms

Contact Dennis Price 0272006489 or 021461157 for any information

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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.

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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

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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 2019. 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 2019. Full benefits)

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

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