



The New Zealand Deerstalkers Assoc. Inc.

November Issue 2008:

Next Social: European Hunting DVD's



“The Tines”

Rotorua Branch Newsletter November 2008



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	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	Resume in 2009
Socials	European Hunting DVD's November 26th, 7.30pm Neil Hunt Park Clubrooms.
Range Shoot	Range itinerary 2008 in this issue: Contact Malcolm Perry.

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Presidents Report

Hello,

With the elections over and a new government consisting of National, ACT, United Future and the Maori Party, change is in the air.

Rodney Hide and United Future's Peter Dunne have been outspoken about issues that affect hunting particularly the indiscriminate use of 1080. I believe it is only a matter of time now that major changes will be made to the stupid biodiversity policies we currently have. United Future who advocated for the Wild Animal Control Advisory Committee and also the establishment of the Big Game Hunting Council will be instrumental in changing the status of Big Game Animals in New Zealand.

We had the first party hunt for the year this month, 6 club members stayed at the "Ritz" Sika Lodge. We were all very impressed with the comforts of the lodge and watched the elections unfold Saturday night on TV! Certainly beats sleeping on the ground! Although no deer were taken on the weekend it was not for lack of trying, as usual with Sika some were "put up", some were seen and shot at.

On the Club front we had an extraordinary meeting on November 19th Wednesday night 7:30pm, we had to propose a rule change for our "charitable trust status". We have our social on Wednesday 26th of November 7:30pm at Neil Hunt Park clubroom, one of our own members will be showing a video of what its like to hunt in Europe. Please come along and support him as it is not very often we can get a taste first hand of hunting on another continent.

The Christmas social will be Sunday December 14th held out at the NZDA Range from 1pm. If it is raining plan B will be the Neil Hunt Park Clubrooms.

With the flick of a switch summer has been in full force over the last week, feed in the higher alpine areas will be starting to grow lush and irresistible to deer. Sika hinds will be kicking their yearlings out in the next week or two to make way for their new born. So if you are out and about shoot the yearlings and leave the velvet stags to grow hard antler for me to shoot (just joking) and I'll hopefully see you at the next social.

Happy safe hunting.

Darryn.

Rabbit Shoot by Peter Graham

A gentle reminder from Malcolm at the October committee meeting jolted my memory. A rabbit shoot had been promised, but as yet not been undertaken. The property being shot over being on Moniatoto Road, which runs off the main Rotorua Te Puke Highway. It being just a short drive from Rotorua City.

A brief phone call to the farm manager saw everything okay. A previous call or request had been met with a decline due to lambing being in progress. "Help yourselves to rabbits, turkeys, magpies and wild cats" was the managers reply. "Thank you very much" from the convenor.

A ring around of a hand full of members who had earlier expressed an interest. A time and meeting place, at the clubrooms and we would be on our way.

A Sunday, 3:30pm arrived with all persons concerned on time but! Where's Darryn!???. A hasty phone call soon established Darryn was on another planet, 2:30pm his time. Consequently he missed the boat.

Eventually we got to our destination where we were to split into 3 groups. Between us all it enabled us to cover an area of 200 to 300 acres. A couple of hours of shooting at our leisure.

At the conclusion of the shoot and back at the vehicles, stories of long shots, missed shots, good shots and more than required shots, came to the fore. Ten people took part including parents of children, novice shooters, experienced shooters as well as a couple of "older hands" whom were just happy to be out for the stroll! An enjoyable time had by all.



Library Books by Peter Graham

The Golden Days of Stalking. (The hunting diaries of Archie Kitto)
By D. Bruce Banwell.

The above book is a recent addition to our clubrooms library. Compiled and edited by D. Bruce Banwell, Archie Kitto's diaries take you back into the 1920's. The book being a valuable, historical account of the golden years of deerstalking in Otago and South Westland.

PS. Any members wishing to borrow a book from our library please ensure your name and phone number is logged into the "Red Log Book". A committee member is required to sign the book in on its return. Thanks

Peter Graham
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Rotorua Range Report for October 2008

A busy month on the range with the usual Sunday shoots and a couple of extra Saturday events as well.

5th Sun. 300m shoot. Not certain if this event took place, I was unable to attend and have yet to see results.

11th Sat. H.U.N.T.S. Course range day. This went very well, with 13 participants and 8 or 10 instructors/helpers. As it turned out the instructors were being scrutinized as well for the new Range Officer qualification. Also to add to the days interest there was a demo of how to take care of a deer once you have shot it and wish (as you should) to recover meat/trophy head, ably presented by Trevor.

12th Sun. 50m Smallbore shoot

18th Sat.& 19th Sun. Central Regional Championships. Unfortunately we did not have a big turnout for this shoot, our P.R.C. team minus Colin who was unable to get time off work, and two non team members. As our regular R/O was unable to help out I did not shoot but took that role. The highlight of the weekend for me was in the C/F event on Sunday when my two daughters gained 1st & 2nd place, something I have anticipated they might do one day, well done.

25th Sat. Due to a postponement and a special request we held a deer silhouette shoot. In spite of the long weekend we had five shooters including a junior. Everyone had two runs through the course and we were finished by midday, so did not take up too much of the long weekend.

26th Sun. was programmed for a 50m Smallbore shoot.

Results of Central Regional.

Rimfire: 4x20 shot matches @ 50m

Name	PR	SIT	KN	St	Total	
Brenda Perry	190	196	180	171	737	Gold Medal
Grant Botting (TPO)	196	187	186	163	732	Silver Medal
Sue Gavin (S/W)	195	190	184	159	728	Bronze Medal

It is to be noted that Grant Shoots a second kneeling match instead of sitting, due a physical problem and this is allowed but would put him at a disadvantage with the more difficult position. You have to watch those ladies too.

Centrefire: 4x20 shots @ 100m

Name	PR	SIT	KN	St	Total
Brenda Perry	200.10	200.02	196.03	185.01	781.17
Hilary Heard	199.05	196.06	184.0	172.0	751.12
Grant Botting	199.10	190.05	193.07	167.01	749.23

Brenda was certainly making sure her big sister was not going to beat her, 30 point lead.

COMING EVENTS:

November:

1st Sat. Taupo Prize shoot usually well attended by Rotorua members.

2nd Sun. 300m shoot 10-30 start.

9th Sun. 50m Smallbore shoot.

14th

15th members are reminded that the Pistol Club has a major shoot on these three days

16th and shooting on our range will be restricted to programmed shoots. As I will be in attendance the majority of the time I will be able to supervise some casual shooting, but as I anticipate doing some mowing would rather no casual shooting.

16th Sun. King Cup 2nd day 200m & 300m C/F 10-00am start.

23rd. Sun. 50m Smallbore shoot

December:

7th Sun. 300m shoot 10-30 start

14th Sun. Christmas shoot. Novelty .22 shoot fun for all the family, rifles available if you don't have a .22. 300m and Smallbore members most welcome to join in, come and meet people you don't usually shoot alongside.

Time to reload, Malcolm.



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PACIFIC REGIONAL SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2008

HOSTED BY S.S.A.A. BRISBANE BRANCH
AT BELMONT RANGE, 6TH-9TH
NOVEMBER

This report only covers the Scoped Rifle events although Benchrest, Silhouette and Service Rifle were involved also.

To start at the beginning we had an early rise on Wednesday 5th to be at the Auckland airport at 6-30am for check in ready for 9-25 departure, no problems with luggage or customs and flight was great. In his welcome aboard speech the captain specifically mentioned the N.Z. Sports shooting team a nice touch and one of the advantages of going dressed as a team. I always thought Brisbane was three hours away but our plane landed in Brisbane 9-55am (N.Z.) time, different story coming home.

On the way to our hotel we stopped off at the range to leave our rifles in the armoury, the quantity of what appeared to be club firearms was impressive indeed.

The remainder of the afternoon was free time with the official opening ceremony to kick off at 6-00pm, and this was a great chance to catch up with old friends for those of us who have competed against the Aussies before and a chance for new team members to acquaint with those they would be on range with, an enjoyable occasion.

Thursday 6th practice day at the range, which also served as a practice run for the draw for the following day. Members were able to practice R/F and C/F with the only problem I am aware of being that Brenda's C/F rifle requiring an eighteen minute windage adjustment, a bit of a worry, was it going to give problems, but no further problem and still don't know why.

An interesting situation arose while Hilary and Colin were shooting R/F two magpies walked up the slight rise in front of them virtually under their line of fire and comments were

passed as to the risk they would be taking in N.Z., they are of course a protected native over there. An easy day finished with all the team dining out for dinner one of the great things about being with a team away from home.

Friday 7th Time to get serious and as it turned out the Kiwi's showed they were not just having a holiday. Rimfire teams event, two to a team 3x40 3P match not a match to attempt in competition without practice and this trip we had done that pretty well.

After it was all over the N.Z. C team Grant Botting and Mike Bailey both of Taupo branch took the gold medal and N.Z. A Colin Curreen and Brenda Perry took bronze.

The Australians had a young lady in their team this year and although I heard rumours of some negative feelings about that she certainly proved her place being involved In several of the medals the Australians gained and paired with Chris Gulvin, Kadiejane and Chris gained the silver teams medal.

Although not awarded in this match Grant Botting had a very personal best by being top score for the day with 1116.29, well done on first international comp.

Saturday 8th R/F individual, same matches as teams Kiwi's not so lucky this time, our top 3 shooters placings: Colin Curreen 5th; Grant Botting 6th; Brenda Perry 7th close together only 4 points between them. The medal winners Chris Gulvin Gold; Rod Frisby Silver Dave McCarthy Bronze.

Sunday 9th C/F teams and Individual combined. This match 3x20 shot 3P

The N.Z. team found a couple of medals this time. Brenda Perry missed the Gold by just 3inners Kadiejane Tirkot Gold; Brenda Perry Silver; Chris Gulvin Bronze.

Team medals Kadiejane and Chris Gold; Colin and Brenda Silver Rod and Dave Bronze.

There were some names that kept appearing in the medal list.

There was also a team award for the two gun and as we had different C teams in each event four Kiwi's shared a place in this award, Gold Chris and Kadiejane (again); Silver Colin and Brenda; Bronze Mike Bailey, Grant Botting and Mark Poots, Hilary Heard.

A few notes of interest; Although the weather was overcast on all but one day we drank lots of water 4 litres each per day That was bottled water by the 4lt bottle 2 for \$5-00.

Late on the Saturday afternoon when the last detail was shooting we had a shower of rain that lasted all of five minutes but enough for me to see wet targets in Aussie for the first time in three trips.

The trip finished with a presentation dinner that had an interesting show of the extra talents of the Samoan silhouette team when they entertained us with a few songs.

A great trip with few of the upsets we had in 2006, and more medals. Congratulations to the medal winners on both sides of the Tasman. Our range officer in Aust. is an endowment member of N.Z.D.A.

Malcolm Perry

Results

RIMFIRE - TEAMS 50m			7-Nov-08						
	Country		Prone	Prone	Stand	Stand	Kneel	Kneel	Total
1A	Brenda Perry	NZL 123	192.07	191.04	176	180.04	180.03	173.03	1092.21
2A	Dave McCarthy	AUS 117	190.04	189.03	164.01	149	176.04	184.02	1052.14
3A	Trevor Gulvin	AUS 121	189.03	189.05	151	150.01	181.03	170.01	1030.13
4A	Sue Gavin	NZL 125	189.03	190.08	133.01	150.03	167.03	168	997.18
5A	Rod Frisby	AUS 116	193.06	186.03	176.03	177.04	185.05	186.05	1103.26
6A	Daniel Tarbard	AUS 120	191.1	189.07	149	172.01	172.03	173.04	1046.25
8A	Colin Curreen	NZL 122	194.11	193.06	163	163.03	185.04	177.04	1075.28
1B	Ian Williamson	NZL 124	190.06	186.04	166	158.01	189.07	187.03	1076.21
2B	Chris Gulvin	AUS 118	193.08	195.08	184.02	184.05	180.05	179.02	1115.3
3B	Mike Bailey	NZL 126	191.07	195.1	149	165.01	177.03	182.05	1059.26
5B	Grant Botting	NZL 127	195.11	196.1	174.01	174.01	189.04	188.02	1116.29
6B	Kadiejane Tirkot	AUS 119	192.07	193.08	154	174.02	168.01	176.01	1057.19

Team New Zealand - Rimfire			
Bronze	A	Colin Curreen & Brenda Perry	2167.49
6th	B	Ian Williamson & Sue Gavin	2073.39
Gold	C	Mike Bailey & Grant Botting	2175.55

Team Australian - Rimfire			
4th	A	Rod Frisby & Dave McCarthy	2155.4
Silver	B	Chris Gulvin & Kadiejayne Tirkot	2172.49
5th	C	Daniel Tarbard, Trevor Gulvin	2076.38

RIMFIRE - INDIVIDUALS 50m			8-Nov-08						
		Country	Prone	Prone	Stand	Stand	Kneel	Kneel	Total
1A	Chris Gulvin	AUS 118	200.1	200.15	193.03	190.07	189.04	195.04	1167.43
2A	Hilary Heard	NZL 128	199.15	199.12	171.01	170.02	181	178.02	1098.32
3A	Colin Curreen	NZL 122	197.11	198.11	186.02	183.02	189.05	193.08	1146.39
4A	Mike Bailey	NZL 126	197.07	200.09	174.02	178	186.05	194.05	1129.28
5A	Trevor Gulvin	AUS 121	195.1	198.12	177.03	181.03	184.06	186.05	1121.39
6A	Mark Poots	NZL 129	198.13	200.14	167.01	166.02	189.03	192.05	1112.38
7A	Ian Williamson	NZL 124	197.09	199.12	154.01	178.03	196.06	195.08	1119.39
8A	Dave McCarthy	AUS 117	200.12	197.13	183.02	189.04	194.06	191.07	1154.44
1B	Sue Gavin	NZL 125	200.15	199.12	174	184.05	193.07	187.04	1137.43
2B	Brenda Perry	NZL 123	196.08	197.11	184.05	182.01	188.06	195.05	1142.36
3B	Grant Botting	NZL 127	198.15	198.13	177.03	189.03	187.05	193.06	1142.45
4B	Daniel Tarbard	AUS 120	200.12	198.1	179.02	178.01	185.03	188.07	1128.35
5B	Rod Frisby	AUS 116	199.1	199.11	184.02	190.04	190.03	194.06	1156.36
6B	Kadiejane Tirkot	AUS 119	196.13	199.09	185.07	184.03	193.03	197.07	1154.42

New Zealand Individuals			NRA - 2 Gun Teams		
5th	Colin Curreen	1146.39			
7th	Brenda Perry	1142.36	Gold	Chris Galvin & Kadiejayne Tirkot	AUS 3311.69
12th	Ian Williamson	1119.39	Silver	Colin Curreen & Brenda Perry	NZL 3300.71
9th	Mike Bailey	1129.28	Bronze	Mike Bailey, Grant Botting,	
13th	Mark Poots	1112.38		Mark Poots & Hilary Heard	NZL 3281.67
14th	Hilary Perry	1098.32			
8th	Sue Gavin	1137.43	4th	Rod Frisby & Dave McCarthy	AUS 3275.56
6th	Grant Botting	1142.45	5th	Ian Williamson, Sue Gavin	
				Mike Bailey, Ian Williamson	NZL 3142.51
			6th	Daniel Tarbard & Trevor Gulvin	AUS 3115.47
Australian Individuals					
Silver	Rod Frisby	1156.36			
Bronze	Dave McCarthy	1154.44			
Gold	Chris Gulvin	1167.43			
4th	Kadiejane Tirkot	1154.42			
10th	Daniel Tarbard	1128.35			
11th	Trevor Gulvin	1121.39			

CENTREFIRE - 100m			9-Nov-08				
	Country		Prone	Stand	Kneel	Total	
1A	Sue Gavin	NZL 125	199.04	174	188.04	561.08	6mm
2A	Grant Botting	NZL 127	199.07	169.02	183.01	551.1	6mm
3A	Ian Williamson	NZL 124	198.04	162.01	179.01	539.06	6mm
4A	Mark Poots	NZL 129	199.05	166	186	551.05	0.224
5A	Rod Frisby	AUS 116	199.06	169	191.01	559.07	0.224
6A	Kadiejayne Tirkot	AUS 119	200.07	189.02	185.02	574.11	0.224
7A	Mike Bailey	NZL 126	194.03	149	187.03	530.06	6mm
1B	Brenda Perry	NZL 123	195.05	190.01	189.02	574.08	6mm
2B	Daniel Tarbard	AUS 120	196.03	154	168	518.03	0.224
3B	Dave McCarthy	AUS 117	197.05	173.01	191.03	561.09	0.224
4B	Colin Curreen	NZL 122	199.1	171.01	189.03	559.14	6mm
5B	Trevor Gulvin	AUS 121	196.06	159	166	521.06	6mm
6B	Hilary Heard	NZL 128	198.05	180.01	177.01	555.07	0.224
7B	Chris Gulvin	AUS 118	199.07	178.01	188.01	565.09	6mm

New Zealand - Individuals		
6th	Colin Curreen	559.14
2nd	Brenda Perry	574.08
11th	Ian Williamson	539.06
12th	Mike Bailey	530.06
10th	Mark Poots	551.05
8th	Hilary Heard	555.07
9th	Grant Botting	551.1
5th	Sue Gavin	561.08

Team	New Zealand - Centrefire	
A	Colin Curreen & Brenda Perry	1133.22
B	Ian Williamson & Mike Bailey	1069.12
C	Mark Poots & Hilary Heard	1106.12

Australian - Individuals		
7th	Rod Frisby	559.07
4th	Dave McCarthy	561.09
3rd	Chris Gulvin	565.09
Gold	KadieJane Tirkot	574.11
14h	Daniel Tarbard	518.03
13th	Trevor Gulvin	521.06

Team	Australian - Centrefire	
A	Rod Frisby & Dave McCarthy	1124.16
B	Chris Gulvin & Kadiejayne Tirl	1139.2
C	Daniel Tarbard & Trevor Gulvi	1039.09

	Scoped Rifle - 2 Gun - Teams	NRA 3P	SSAA 3P	
Gold	Chris Galvin & KadieJayne Tirkot	2172.49	1139.2	3311.69
Silver	Colin Curreen & Brenda Perry	2167.49	1133.22	3300.71
Bronze	Mike Bailey, Grant Botting, Mark Poots & Hilary Heard	2175.55	1106.12	3281.67

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ROTORUA DEER STALKERS 2008 RANGE CALENDAR

Date		Day	Shoot
November	1 st	Saturday	Taupo Prize Shoot at Taupo
	2 nd	Sunday	300m shoot
	9 th	Sunday	Rotorua Smallbore Club 50m shoot
	15 th	Saturday	Benchrest shoot
	16 th	Sunday	King cup 2nd day 300 & 300m
	23 rd	Sunday	Rotorua Smallbore Club 50m shoot
December	7 th	Sunday	300m shoot
	14 th	Sunday	Christmas Shoot .22cal novelty fun shoot for all the family 300m and small bore people most welcome

For further info, contact: malcolmperry@clear.net.nz

Smallbore shoots, contact: Jon Abbott on 345 7112

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From Head Office – November 2008

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WAPITI BUGLE INFORMATION 2009 INFORMATION PACK issued November 2008

Applications must be received by 5.00pm
Monday January 5th 2009.

Check out www.fiordlandwapititrust.org.nz

The Bugle is divided into two fortnightly periods:

1. 16 March - 29 March 2009
2. 30 March - 12 April 2009

There are 25 blocks.

Notification will be sent within five working days
of the ballot draw and will also be available on
their website.

Enclosed in the mail to the branches and
available electronically on request from the
national office:

- Blocks and map.
- Briefings.
- Permits.
- Wapiti Ballot Committee.
- General re no dogs, payment of hut fees,
availability of mountain radios, etc.
- Ballot Application form.
- Wapiti Bugle Ballot party detail form.
- Fiordland Wapiti Trust form.

UPDATE ON MANAGING NUMBERS OF DEER, CHAMOIS, TAHR AND WILD PIGS

A previous newsletter advised that NZDA had
asked under the Official Information Act for
copies of the cabinet papers and the cabinet
decision on the topic of the Minister of
Conservation's proposal for a Wild Animal
Control Advisory Committee, which was
addressed at a cabinet meeting September 15th
2008.

These had now been received and are enclosed
in the mail to the branches and available
electronically on request: -

1. Cabinet Policy committee papers outlining:

- Purpose of the meeting.
- Previous consideration.
- Summary, ie under the confidence and supply
agreement between the Labour Party and
UnitedFuture.
- Baseline implications.
- Legislative implications.
- Timing issues.
- Consultation and announcements.

2. The Minister of Conservation's recommendations to the committee including:

- What the Minister of Conservation intends to
direct DOC to do.
- The establishment of a committee.
- Reference to deer repellent.

3. A memo from the Minister of Conservation to the Cabinet Policy Committee, which includes:

- Proposal.
- Executive summary.
- Background.
- Summary of the Panel's finding and
recommendations.
- Minister's proposed responses to the issues.
- Wild Animal Control Advisory Committee.
- Improving coordination within the wild animal
hunting and farming sectors.
- Review of legislation.
- Financial implications.
- Consultation.
- Publicity.
- Recommendations to the committee, and to
DOC.

4. Draft terms of Reference for establishment committee for Big Game Hunting Council (BGHC), ie:

- The purpose.
- Membership.
- Work plan.
- Tasks.
- Context.
- Funding.

In essence the Minister of Conservation's response the Panel recommendations are:

- Directing DOC to imitate a series of insignificant measures to 'assist' recreational hunting.
- Setting up an ad hoc committee of five chosen by DOC of non-hunters.
- That Recreational Hunting Areas (RHAs) be addressed under Conservation Management Strategies (CMSs).
- Implementing any best practices identified with monitoring by the NZCA.

NZDA will amongst other things:

- Express its concerns to sympathetic political parties.
- Write to the minister expressing our concerns on these outcomes.
- Enquire who the so called experts were that formed the Wild Animal Control Advisory Committee

DOC UPDATES

DOC's annual report to June 30th 2008 has been released and is available on www.doc.govt.nz/annual-report-2008

Alternatively, if you would like a printed copy please contact Clare Plumley, DOC PO Box 10420 Wellington 6143 or email her on cplumley@doc.govt.nz

SUBMISSIONS REQUIRED

ERMA PROPOSED REVISED METHODOLOGY

- due Monday 8 December 2008.

Under the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act 1996 the Environment

Risk Management Authority (ERMA) must make decisions about applications with Methodology.

The Methodology ensures that decisions are made in a consistent way and that appropriate weight is given to risks, costs and benefits.

The current Methodology was prepared in 1998 - before ERMA had considered any hazardous substance applications. Since 1998 there have also been a number of significant amendments to the HSNO Act.

In order to reflect the benefit of ten years of experience and to provide for the amendments to the Act, ERMA has prepared a proposed revised Methodology.

A paper outlining the proposals and a proposed revised Methodology is available on www.ermanz.govt.nz/news-events/methodology/index.html

Enclosed in the mail to the branches and available on request to assist in your submission

NZDA Draft Submission to ERMA's Proposed Revised Methodology, which includes: -

- A need to reference the appropriate sections of the HSNO Act.
- Key sections of the HSNO Act that need incorporation into the HSNO Act.
- Inadequacy of a benefit-cost approach, and ERMA's lack of integrity.
- NZDA comments on the proposed Methodology update.

NZDA is concerned about

- The conflict of interest that the applicant usually has, as the main beneficiary of the application.
- A previous bias in selection of panel especially the 1080 panel.

WAIKATO CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT STRATEGY REVIEW (CMS) - submissions close 4.30pm Friday January 9th 2009 - as per information in the previous two newsletters.

Regards

NEWSLETTER TO BRANCHES AND MEMBERS, 31st October 2008.

THE NATIONAL OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

Friday November 14th and Monday November 18th.

For urgent queries please contact Alec McIver 027 282 0770 or email him on anmciver@slingshot.co.nz

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2. NZ MPS JOIN OVER 2000 WORLD MPS URGING UN TO BACK THE ARMS TRADE TREATY.

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RECENT SUBMISSIONS

1. SUBMISSION OPPOSING APPLICATION FOR RESOURCE CONSENT U080928

Enclosed in the mail to the branches and available electronically on request, which includes: -

- That NZDA opposes the indiscriminate use of poisons and toxins in the environment, causing contamination of valuable food resources and endangering non target species.
- Properties of 1080.
- Endocrine disruption.
- 1080 in water supplies.
- That all ERMA imposed regulations are implemented.
- Caution times.

2. BACK COUNTRY HUTS COMPLIANCE DOCUMENT CONSULTATION FEEDBACK

Enclosed in the mail to the branches and available electronically on request.

Subsequent to the backcountry feedback the Minister of Conservation, Hon Steve Chadwick announced on Friday October 31st

BUILDING RULE CHANGES REDUCE RED TAPE FOR HUTS.

‘The changes, the latest in a series aimed at reducing red tape, means some unnecessary building rules will no longer apply when building or replacing DOC backcountry huts.’

Many huts will be coming up for replacement in the next few decades. The simplified requirements will ensure that DOC is able to undertake this task without undue costs and difficulties.

The new rules mean huts will no longer need to have:

- Smoke alarms and emergency lighting (because the huts are small and have other provisions for fire protection).

- Access and sanitary facilities for wheelchair users, where huts are in genuinely inaccessible locations.
- Potable (drinkable) water supply and artificial lighting.

DOC manages more than 940 backcountry huts in remote and inaccessible locations across the country offering basic accommodation for trampers and hunters.

They have been a welcome sight for generations of people who have spent the day walking or hunting in mountainous regions in often tough conditions and are a cherished part of our Kiwi heritage.

This decision now allows more pragmatic, common-sense regulations that will make building new huts easier.

Thanks to all who made submissions.

SUBMISSIONS REQUIRED

1. DRAFT SUBMISSION FOR AWAKINO EXPIRED PASTORAL OCCUPATION LICENCE (POL)

Enclosed in the mail to the branches and available electronically on request for comment.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands proposes that this 800 Ha area of unencumbered crown land become conservation area.

It has already been surrendered from pastoral lease as part of the pastoral lease freeholding in 1988, and is primarily Class VII and VIII land unsuitable for grazing.

It is surrounded on three sides by public conservation land, and has some deer and pigs. It provides an approach to the Pastoral Crown Land (PCL) in the St Mary's Range.

Submissions are due by 23 December for those who also want to write in support of the area

becoming a PCL. The draft submission contains information on: -

- The area is appropriate for adding to the Hawkdun Conservation Park.
- Public access requirements.
- Future addition to the Hawkdun-Oteakea proposed Conservation Park.

If you have any comments please contact Hugh Barr, national advocate, Phone/fax 04 934 2244, email hugh@infosmart.co.nz or 027 686 0063 no later than November 15th please.

2. WAIKATO CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT STRATEGY REVIEW (CMS)

– submissions close 4.30pm Friday January 9th 2009. The Waikato CMS is under review and a draft copy is available now for public comments. For further information and the submission form go to [www.doc.govt.nz/getting involved>consultations>current>Waikato conservation management strategy review](http://www.doc.govt.nz/getting-involved/consultations/current/Waikato-conservation-management-strategy-review)

The CMS is a 10-year plan produced by DOC in consultation with iwi, the Waikato Conservation Board and the general public.

Workshops will be held for the public during November and early December. Information on places, dates and times for these workshops will be placed on the DOC website listed above. These workshops will seek to explain the content and purpose of the document, the submission process, answer questions and listen to any relevant feedback, issues or concerns.

If you have any further questions contact Waikato Conservancy phone 07 858 1000 or email waikatocms@doc.govt.nz

NZDA NATIONAL SHOOTING WEEK

Enclosed in the mail to the branches and available electronically on request: -

- Entry form.
- Information sheet.

It is not too early to start thinking about this shooting week, which will be held March 7th – 13th 2009 at the Tokoroa Shooting Sports Complex.

It would be appreciated if all branches could include this paper in a branch newsletter please. Closing date for 2009 National Shooting Week entries is Saturday February 21st 2009.

For further information contact Sandi Curreen, phone 07 855 0779 day, 07 886 4090 evening or email her on sandijo@xtra.co.nz

STEWART ISLAND NEWS

Check out www.sircet.org.nz

A Scoping Document to eradicate rates, wildcats and possums on Stewart Island' compiled by Brent Bevan has been prepared and released.

DOC UPDATES

Enclosed in the mail to the branches and available electronically on request: -

Check out www.doc.govt.nz for updates on

- Conservation Management Strategies (CMSs).
- National Park Management Plans.

- There are no Conservation Management Plans being consulted on at present.

Branches and members should check out the public consultation phases that are going on in their own areas, or the areas that the hunt in and make submissions where applicable.

Updates since the last notification include:

- Abel Tasman National Park Management Plan has been approved by the NZ Conservation Authority and is now operative.
- Waikato Conservancy has released their CMS for public submissions, which close January 9th 2009.
- Canterbury Conservancy has added some draft sections of their CMS on the web for feedback.
- Updates for timeframes for Northland, Auckland, East Coast/Hawke's Bay and Wellington CMS processes have been made.
- Rakiura CMS is likely to be notified mid November.

Regards Dianne Brown, CEO

NZDA CHRISTMAS BBQ

BBQ AND CHRISTMAS SHOOT

- Sunday, 14th December
- .22 shoot. .22 rifles available if you don't have one
- Sunday, 14th December
- 1pm BBQ

November Social

**European Hunting
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Wednesday November 26th

*At Rotorua Deerstalkers Club Rooms,
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26th November, 7.30pm



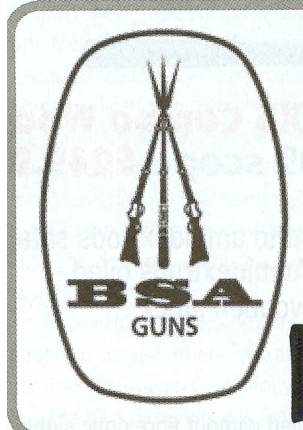
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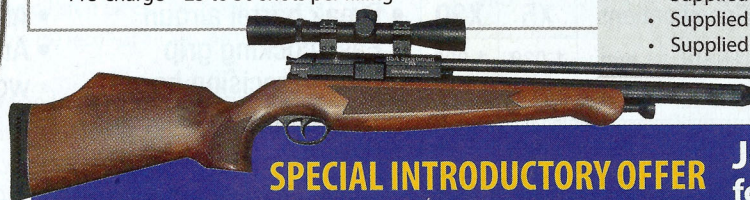


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Range Keys

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Membership Costs

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