



# THE DEERSTALKER

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## PRESIDENTS REPORT

Gidday all,

Another month has swept on by and was quite eventful.

The roar is pretty much done and dusted and opening day has been and gone for the ducks. That's not to mean hunting is over, but a change in tactics will be required should you wish to put venison on the table during the cooler months.

Our last club meeting was an AGM and I'd like to thank all of you who were able to attend as well as the good number of new members who have put their hands up to assist on committee. All up the club is looking pretty healthy financially but we could definitely do with a few more members to bolster our numbers. All of you with mates who have considered joining but have not, give em a nudge in our direction. It's good for all parties to be a member.

Another terrible event this month has been the high profile siege in Napier where one person was killed and three more seriously wounded.

Please guys (and girls) don't let these minorities destroy our sport. Illegal firearms are not a good look for all sporting shooters. One way to stop these firearms from getting into the wrong hands is for you to ensure, without a doubt your rifles and shotguns are well and truly secured when not in use. Also if you are selling your guns/s or ammo make sure it is sold to a licensed person. You need to physically see their licence or get an original signed Police form from their local arms officer to confirm this is so. If they cannot come up with the paper work it has to be no deal.

Hastings competition judging is at our clubrooms on the 6th of June, followed by HB Judging on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> over in Napier.

If you have a head you think will cut the mustard, or other photo or tusks etc please bring them in. All entries are possible points for the club and it would be great to return some of the shields and cups back to our clubrooms and members.

Don't forget this next club meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June has Steve Wheeler as a guest speaker. Steve is a local knife maker who makes some very nice kit. I'm sure he will be very interesting to hear from.

We are always looking for good ideas for club activities so if you can think of a good one feel free to bounce the idea off me.

I was hoping to speak with a few other NZDA clubs who may be interested in a swap hunt for theirs and our members. If there is a species you have always wanted to hunt, maybe a chamois or one of our other big game animals we would be keen to toss the idea around and do our best to make a club hunt out of it. Obviously the further a field the trip, will require more planning etc, but you gotta start somewhere eh.

You can get me on the phone 021 765335 or email [jamesguilford@clear.net.nz](mailto:jamesguilford@clear.net.nz).

Hot barrels,  
James



## Upcoming Events for June 2009!!

**Committee Meeting -**  
Mon 1st June

**Club Meeting -**  
Wed 3rd June

**Hastings Competition Judging -**  
Sat 6th June

**Hawkes Bay Competition Judging -**  
Sun 7th June

**National Competition entries deadline-**  
Tue 18th June

**Hawkes Bay Prizegiving -**  
Sat 27th June

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## **EDITORS CORNER**

WE'VE HAD GREAT FEEDBACK ABOUT THE NEW LOOK NEWSLETTER AND HAVE APPRECIATED ALL YOUR COMMENTS, SO FAR. ALSO, THANKS TO THE MEMBERS WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED EDITORIALS TO DATE, REMEMBER THAT **ALL PUBLISHED EDITORIALS GO INTO THE DRAW FOR A TRIP TO OTUTU ISLAND IN MARCH 2010 & YOU MUST BE A FINANCIAL MEMBER TO BE ELIGIBLE.**

WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME A NEW MEMBER, **SAM KINGI** AND A RETURNING PAST MEMBER **KEITH FRANKUM**.

PLEASE MAKE OUR NEW MEMBERS FEEL WELCOME BY INTRODUCING THEM TO OTHER MEMBERS AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO GET INVOLVED WITH CLUB ACTIVITIES.

## Details for Upcoming Events

### **Hastings Competition Judging - Sat 6th June**

Hastings NZDA Clubrooms - heads preferably delivered the night before, Friday 5th June between 6 and 9pm. Late entries will only be accepted before 10am on the Saturday.

### **Hawkes Bay Competition Judging - Sun 7th June**

Napier NZDA Clubrooms - Thorn Place, Onekawa, Napier.  
Heads to be on table by 9am.

**National Competition Entries Deadline** - All heads and other entries to be submitted to national by the 18th of June.

**Hawkes Bay Prizegiving** - Sat 27th June - 3pm start, Napier NZDA Clubrooms - 6.30pm prizegiving, \$5 entry fee includes meal & free wine.

**National NZDA Conference** - will be held on the 10th-12th of July, at the Kingsgate Brydon Hotel in Oamaru.

### Other Events of Interest

\*Sporting Shooters Association of NZ, Northland branch are holding the **WHANGAREI HUNTING SHOOTING AND FISHING SHOW**, Saturday 13 June 2009. For further information on exhibiting, or sales please contact 09 430 6588.

\***16TH ANNUAL SIKA COMPETITION** — Saturday 26 & Sunday 27 September 2009. Venue is at the Taupo Events Centre, AC Baths Avenue, Taupo. 9-4 daily.

\***2009 SOUTH ISLAND SHOOT** - 31 October and 1 November - To be hosted by the South Canterbury Branch subject to the certification of the Taiko Range. For further information contact David Wood, phone 03 686 2006 or 0274 322 662, email davidwood@xtra.co.nz.



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# NEW ZEALAND DEERSTALKERS' ASSOCIATION INC

## **Latest News**

SPARC AWARD - The HUNTS programme was entered in the category awarded to organisations that have partnered in a successful sport and recreation collaboration of the SPARC awards, and focused on the programme as an exercise involving NZDA, MSC and NZ Police. While the HUNTS programme got into the final four it did not win, however, the judges reported the scheme as highly commended and was singled out for some special comments.

### **STOP GUIDED HELIHUNTING PETITION**

[www.gopetition.com/petitions/stop-guided-helicopter-hunting.html](http://www.gopetition.com/petitions/stop-guided-helicopter-hunting.html)

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KATE WILLIAMSON APPOINTED ASSOCIATE MINISTER OF CONSERVATION - The prime minister released this appointment as it is clear that Tim Groser is out of the country at times as trade minister, and is not able to devote a much time as he would have otherwise been able to on the conservation portfolio.

CONFERENCE - OAMARU 10 - 12th JULY 2009 - ACCOMMODATION - The code for making your reservations with the Kingsgate Bridon is 63592 - this offers a preferred rate for bed and breakfast. HELP - Is there anyone driving down from the top or centre of the South Island who may be able to assist a member to get his Red trophy to Oamaru? If so please contact Alain Jorion direct by phoning him on 06 868 9588 or emailing rachel.jorion@hotmail.com (Alain lives in Gisborne)

### **SUBMISSIONS REQUIRED - MOUNT ASPIRING DRAFT NATIONAL PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Submissions close June 30th 2009. Check out

[www.doc.govt.nz/getting-involved/consultations/current/mt-aspiring-national-park-draft-management-plan/](http://www.doc.govt.nz/getting-involved/consultations/current/mt-aspiring-national-park-draft-management-plan/)

## **RECENT NZDA ADVOCACY**

MT ASPIRING PASTORAL LEASE PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL - NZDA supports the proposal, as it will add outstanding wild lands to the public conservation estate, including lands with very high recreational deerstalking values for Red Deer and Chamois.

RECREATIONAL HUNTING COMMITTEE AND PUREORA FOREST PARK RECREATIONAL HUNTING MANAGEMENT PLAN - As a result of Hugh Barr speaking to the Waikato CMS he was asked to put forward a model NZDA would like to see for the Waikato Conservancy for involving recreational hunters. The model is similar to that in the Kaimanawa Forest Park. The proposal includes: Ø The importance of big game hunting in DOC's Waikato Conservancy Ø A Recreational Hunting Planning and Management Committee Ø The intentions set out in the CMS Ø Possible/proposed milestones.

NEW ZEALAND DEERSTALKERS' CONCERNS: WAIKATO CMS - A letter from Hugh Barr to the NZ Conservation Authority with concerns regarding: Ø Not stating how Conservation General Policies will be implemented Ø The need to encourage recreational hunting Ø Recreational planning - eg vehicles and other forms of transport Ø Conservation Park Management Plan Ø Maps of public conservation land holdings. In summary: NZDA trusts that the NZCA will continue its interest in CMSs being adequate planning documents for consultation with the public, and not meaningless trivialised statements. (continued on next page)

WAIKATO CMS CONCERNS cont'- NZDA believes that the Waikato CMS still needs to be made much more specific before NZDA will have confidence they are doing their statutory job. Though the Department's response to our presentation in support of the NZDA submission last week was positive, the association feels the Authority should be aware of the association's disquiet with the inadequacy of the process from the public recreational viewpoint, and the special reasons for our concerns.

CARRICK PL PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL CENTRAL OTAGO SUBMISSION - NZDA supports the proposal as it protects scenic tussock tops and potential recreational hunting areas in the future. 4WD access, ie by permit, was requested should big game animals be present in the future.

GLENFELLEN PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL TENURE REVIEW, CENTRAL OTAGO that includes: Support to the proposal with the proviso that the Nevis Road be resurveyed and swapped where necessary to be a public road through the proposed freehold area.

## **WAROS CONCESSIONS/HELIHUNTING, FLYING SAFETY CONCERNS**

MINISTER'S WARO CONCESSIONS AND CARRIAGE OF RECREATIONAL HUNTERS - letter to the minister of conservation with NZDA concerns: - ie recreational hunters shooting from helicopters, and aircraft being used to sport and/or herd wild animals.

EXCERPTS FROM WILD ANIMAL CONTROL ACT, WARO LICENCES, SCHEDULE 1, CLAUSE 2, PAGE 20, ie Concession Activity: The use of aircraft (whether for hire or reward) to carry out one or more of the following activities: The searching for, shooting, or immobilising of wild animals; The carriage of persons, supplies, equipment, firearms, ammunition, poisons, or other things that may be used for the purposes of paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) EXCLUDING the carriage of either recreational hunters or fare paying passengers.

MESSAGE FROM CIVIL AVIATION IN RESPONSE TO A QUERY FROM HARVIE MORROW:  
'The relevant text from the Civil Aviation (CAA) Rule Part 9.1 Carriage and discharge of firearms is: 91(d) A firearm may be discharged- From an aircraft for the purpose of shooting or immobilising animals on the ground if: The discharge of the firearm does not pose a hazard or cause injury or damage to persons or property on the ground; and The firearm is not discharged over any congested area of a city, town, or settlement or over any open air assembly of persons. The full text of the Civil Aviation Rules can be viewed on the CAA website [www.caa.govt.nz](http://www.caa.govt.nz) under Rules. Clearly the situation to which you refer to may (from a 'safety' rather than an 'ethical' point of view). However, the CAA is concerned with the nature of your email. The prospect of identifying an operator in a particular situation may be slim, and the information supplied might not be automatically trigger an investigation into a singular event, but repeated reports may identify and issue that may trigger some form of CAA investigation or intervention. With this understood, the email address to register individual occurrences of this nature is [ISI@caa.govt.nz](mailto:ISI@caa.govt.nz).

\*A REQUEST FROM THE NATIONAL OFFICE Please record any examples of helihunting you come across - we need to know: Date,Time,Registration,Place GPS if poss, Photos/video if poss.

**CHECK OUT THE LATEST BUGLE FOR MORE ON HELIHUNTING AND HOW YOU CAN HELP!**

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## Hastings Branch AGM 2009

### **Appointed Officials**

Club Patron	Max Motley
President	James Guilford
Vice President	Jeremy Hanaray
Treasurer	Neil McLean
Secretary	Steve Shaw
General Committee	Malcolm Burne, Aaron Wakeford, Wayne Martin, Angus Richards, Robert Underwood, Guy Te Kahika
Newsletter Editors	Steve Shaw & Lynne Ellingham
Barman	Hector Crawford-Flett

### **Hall Sub-Committee**

Caretaker	Rob Underwood
Grounds Keeper	Grant Richards
Bookings	Guy Te Kahika, Grant Richards, Rob Underwood

### **Competition Officials**

Competition Judges	Grant Richards & Malcolm Ingpen
Competition Scribes	Rob Underwood, Paul Montaperto

### **Club Representatives**

SAR Co-ordinators	Grant Richards, Rob Wallace
DOC Fire Team Leader	Guy Te Kahika

## Recipe of the Month by Andy Lyver

### Oven Roasted Paprika Venison (SERVES 6-8)

1 shoulder of venison (about 4.5kg from a fat young animal)  
 450 grams butter  
 4 cloves garlic, crushed  
 2 teaspoons coarse salt  
 2 teaspoons cumin  
 1 teaspoon paprika  
 1/4-1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper



Trim the shoulder if required and make a dozen or so shallow incisions all over the meat. Soften the butter and blend into a paste with the garlic, salt, cumin, paprika and cayenne pepper. Rub this paste thoroughly into the meat and push it into the cuts.

Set aside for a few hours or overnight in the fridge to allow the meat to absorb the flavours of the paste.

Preheat the oven to 230°C. Place the room temperature venison, fat side up on a baking tray and roast for 15-20 minutes before turning the oven down to 180°C. Continue to roast for about 2 1/2 -3 hours or until the meat comes away from the bone easily. Baste the meat every 15 minutes with the spiced butter during this time.

Serve the meat on a large tray in the centre of the table surrounded by small bowls of coarse salt, ground cumin, paprika and cayenne pepper so that guests can season their own meat as they eat it with their fingers.

Taken out of Andy's book-*'Wild and Wonderful Everyday Venison Recipes for all Seasons'*  
**Her excellent cook books are available from all good book stores.**

## My Trip To Stewart Island by Aaron Wakeford

My neighbour popped in for a beer one night and said as a wind-up "do you want to go to Stewart Island for a fortnight in April?" No questions asked, I was in!

Nathan McGee had secured the Tio Block, which is off Oyster Bay in Port Adventure.

Eight of us loaded up two utes with everything we would need, included were a brazier made out of the stainless inner of a washing machine and the kitchen sink, literally! Two very well used items on the trip, that we left for others to utilise.

The drive to Stewart Island was eventful in itself, but once we reached Bluff the real adventure began. We loaded our charter boat, "The Mana", which was an old coast/tug boat converted into a Cray boat and now doing charters. The crew are excellent people, we even got bacon & egg pie freshly cooked on the trip over, which took about 3.5hrs to Port Adventure. They also rented us two runabouts to get around in, a 12ft dinghy with a 12hp out board and a 12ft Stabi with a 25hp out board. Later in the trip, three of the guys went out to one of the islands, where they were welcomed on, to learn how the locals catch & process the mutton birds. We swapped the hind quarters of a white tail deer for some mutton birds.

Stewart Island, in itself is a beautiful part of the country. The water round the bays is crystal clear, you can see rocks on the sea floor, kelp growing up from the bottom and when you are fishing your bait is visible & seeing the fish swim along & grab the bait is amazing. You drop your bait and within 2mins, 'strike!', blue cod & trumpeter. The seafood is in great abundance and we made pigs of ourselves on it. Although, the island maybe starting to get a little pillaged, the crayfish are huge if you can find them. The Paua are the size of a bread & butter plates, the Kinas bigger than beer cans and Oysters you walk out to at low tide and help yourself, as well as the Mussels from a rock at the edge of our bay.



Anyway, enough of seafood, the island is a very easy place to walk; the white tail deer have eaten as high as they can reach. The land is rolling country with the odd creek to cross and is very easy to get lost in as I found out. I didn't shoot a white tail deer but saw three, they are very elusive, and you have to bait them with stinkwood and broadleaf.

Altogether the camp got six deer, so we all ate pretty well.

There is a river, aptly named, the Amazon, which we could run the dinghy up to get to the back of our block. The river is tidal and the water is jet black, its like going up one of those tropical rain forest rivers you see on the doco's. The bird life is also amazing with Wood Pigeons were flying about all the time and the Kiwis walking around during daylight, then fighting around the camp at night. Unfortunately, stray wild cats are starting to move across the island, one got dosed with a 7mm08 pill. The weather, whilst we were on the island was literally, four seasons in one day!!



The island is very social, you would get up in the morning to find a yacht moored up just outside the camp, at one stage there were three. The "Bosom block" guys turned up one night for drinks then the next night we all went to "Kelly's block", actually there was a fair bit of visiting and drinking going on between the camps most nights.

A typical menu: Fresh bread in camp oven, Roasted Oyster, Paua Fritters, Battered

Oyster, Fresh oyster, Mussels opened on the Brazier, Smoked cod & trumpeter, Cod poached in cream & veggies, Smoked back strap, Venison stewed in red wine with veg and one night a cray for afters. Six people from two yachts joined us for that meal. The day we left one of the crews cooked us up five doz oysters and gave us fresh brewed coffee for breakfast. What an awesome Trip!!



### Committee Officers

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