



New Zealand Deerstalkers' Association Wairarapa Branch Incorporated

Newsletter for **November 2020**

**General Meeting Wednesday 18 November
7:30 pm Search & Rescue Headquarters
Manaia Road, Masterton (near Hood Aerodrome)**

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Something different this month. Venue is about 200 m past the Hood Aerodrome Museum on right. Look for the aerals! Come along and learn about the important work done by LandSAR. Several of our members are actively involved, and it is a service we all hope we will never need, but are grateful they are there. We'll run through our meeting business then have a look around. Followed by a cuppa.



Key Dates - Upcoming Trips and Events

14-15 NOVEMBER WANGANUI SPRING FALLOW HUNT Leaving Friday night, back Sunday afternoon. \$30 per person for 2 nights' accommodation and \$100 per deer. Likely to be limited to yearlings and spikers. Still a couple of spots left. Contact Andrew Wilkinson on 027 4381363.

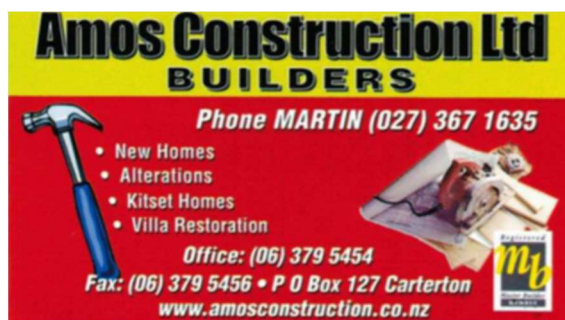
18 NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING SAR Headquarters starting 7:30 pm. See details above

29 NOVEMBER FIREWOOD WORKING BEE Lloyd Rayner has kindly donated some mature pine trees. Working bee to start 8:30 am at Lloyd's place 73 Diversion Road (off SH53). Bring your chainsaw, splitter, or just a pair of hands. We will ring then split the logs. Personal protective gear (including ear muffs) is absolutely essential! Firewood is our major fund-raiser so please help the club earn money for subsidised trips. There will be further working bees in the New Year.

2 DECEMBER COMMITTEE MEETING Parkvale Hall, 7:30 pm.

6 DECEMBER END OF YEAR BBQ MASTERTON DEER PARK This is a **Sunday** - not Saturday as advertised last month, Starting at 11 am. Sausages, bread, sauce will be provided. Please bring a side (salad etc), drinks, and camp chairs. A great event for the family (including lolly scramble for the kids). Our final get together of 2020

12-13 DECEMBER WANGANUI FALLOW HUNT Same details as for November trip. A perfect chance to get some great eating venison for Xmas. Again there are still a couple of places left. Contact Andrew Wilkinson on 027 4381363.



Recent Events

10 OCTOBER BRANCH COMPETITION SHOOT Here are the full results.

Junior 22

#	Shooter	Score	Ranking
1	Liam	45.000	2
2	Rhys	52.000	1
3	Jack	43.000	3

Senior 22

#	Shooter	Score	Ranking
1	Martin	85.000	6
2	Savannah	71.000	9
3	Sean	40.000	10
4	Derrick	118.000	2
5	Phil	92.000	5
6	Kerry	82.000	7
7	Alex	82.000	7
8	Gerry	136.000	1
9	Benno	93.000	4
10	Andrew	115.000	3

Centrefire

#	Shooter	Score	Ranking
1	Martin	150.000	1
2	Savannah	70.000	6
3	Sean	59.000	8
4	Derrick	121.000	2
5	Phil	94.000	5
6	Kerry	0.000	9
7	Alex	121.000	2

8	Gerry	108.000	4
9	Benno	0.000	9
10	Andrew	64.000	7

F Class

#	Shooter	Score	Ranking
1	Martin	97.000	2
2	Savannah	99.000	1
3	Kerry	86.000	3
4	Paul	72.000	5
5	Derrick	74.000	4

Junior F Class

#	Shooter	Score	Ranking
1	Rhys	73.000	2
2	Liam	87.000	1

Military

#	Shooter	Rifle	Score	Ranking
1	Alex	8mm	71.000	1
2	Phil	303	58.000	2
3	Gerry	30/06	46.000	3

Combined

#	Shooter	M/F	Senior 22	CFire	"Aggregate Score	Place
1	Martin	M	85.000	150.000	235.000	3
2	Savannah	F	71.000	70.000	141.000	2
3	Sean	M	40.000	59.000	99.000	6
4	Derrick	M	118.000	121.000	239.000	2
5	Phil	M	92.000	94.000	186.000	4
6	Kerry	M	82.000	0.000	82.000	8
7	Alex	F	82.000	121.000	203.000	1
8	Gerry	M	136.000	108.000	244.000	1
9	Benno	M	93.000	0.000	93.000	7
10	Andrew	M	115.000	64.000	179.000	5



17 OCTOBER BRANCH ANNUAL DINNER & PRIZE-GIVING

A very good turn-out with 84 people at the dinner. Thanks to our raffle/auction sponsors:

- King & Henry
- Wairarapa Hunting & Fishing
- Amos Construction
- Pete Cunningham
- Aidan Bichan
- Crafty's Sports (Hastings)

Special thanks to the committee led by Andrew Dennes, as well as Sharon Playle, Gary Warren, Frances Hamilton for the work on the night, alongside our caterers. Scott Traill gave an entertaining demonstration of some of his 'toys'. Dave McKay (lamb), Brad Gardiner (pork), Lloyd Rayner (venison), and Richard O'Driscoll (salami) provided meat. A good night enjoyed by all. Photos below are by Peter O'Driscoll.

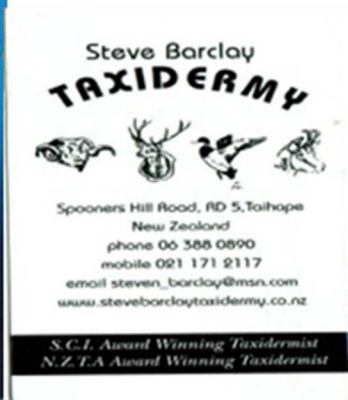





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2020 Competition Winners

Antler, Horn and Tusks

- Red deer, public land (Avon Tatton Shield) – Lloyd Rayner DS 150 5/8
- Red deer, private land (Steve Ticehurst cup): - Mark Wellington DS 239 5/8
- Classic Red deer (J.M.Jury shield): Mark Wellington DS 239 5/8
- Best goat head (Crawford Cameron shield): Mark Wellington 80 3/8
- Best head where a trophy fee is paid (Playle trophy) Owen Butcher Sika DS 196 (343)
- Best pig jaw –undrawn tusks (Harvie Morrow shield): Jordan Hamilton DS 20 1/8
- Best pig jaw – Drawn Tusks (N. Tilsey Sheild) Mark Wellington DS 30 2/8
- Aggregate, two or more species (V.V Donald shield): Mark Wellington Red, Drawn Tusks, Goat = 261
- Best trophy head 'under 20' – Jack Fitzgerald Goat DS 70 (188)
- Tahr / Chamois (Max Cole Barometer) – Lloyd Rayner DS 25
- New Cup – Womens Best Stag Open Class – Liz Warren Red DS 227 4/8
- Judge's Commendation Certificate- Liz Warren



Shooting

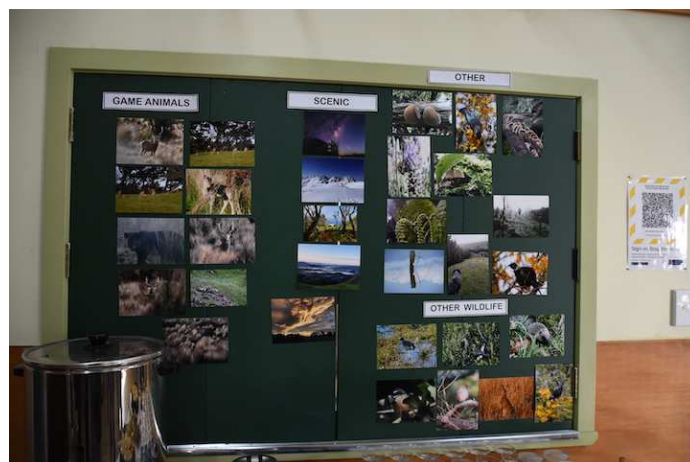
- Senior Class F Rifle Champion –Savannah Smith
- Military - Alex Beesley
- Ladies Aggregate Rifle Shoot – Alex Beesley
- Best Junior Rifle Shoot – Rimfire - Rhys Amos
- Large Bore Rifle Aggregate – Martin Amos
- Small Bore –Gerry Veugelaers
- Junior F Class shooting – Liam Dennes
- Open Rifle Aggregate - Gerry Veugelaers
- Claybird Shooting - Greg Hamilton

SWAZI SHOOT 1st Rhys Amos 42
 2nd Liam Dennes 22
 3rd - Jack Fitzgerald 18



Photography

- V.V Donald Shield – Other Wildlife Photo – Morag O’Driscoll –Wax Eye
- K Gear Cup Most outstanding photograph not covered by another category – Clair Hodgins – Fluffy Tui,
- W.F McIntyre Cup – Game Animal Slide – Peter O’Driscoll – Incoming 8,
- B.W Newport Cup – Scenic Slide – Clair Hodgins – Misty Morning
- Amos Cup Best Junior – Peter O’Driscoll – Incoming 8
- Judges Certificate – Peter O’Driscoll – Reflections



Literary

- Newsletter story – Lloyd Rayner –Solo hunt

News

ALFREDTON HUNTS

Just re-opened after lambing. Call (don't text!) Martin on 027 3671635 to book a hunt.

PARKVALE HALL

We are still waiting to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the Hall Society to transfer ownership of the land. Sean and Phil to discuss conveyancing, once the signed MOU is received.

Very special thanks to Gary Warren and his team at **Valley Plumbing** for donating their time to replace hall spouting 😊

For hall bookings contact Martin on 027 3671635.

SEARCH AND RESCUE

Come along to our general meeting on 18 November to learn more. First Aid training 8 November. If you're interested in joining SAR please contact Phil Gray on 027 4740717.

RANGE & SHOOTING

Gladstone range is available for the use of members on weekends when not in use. If you want to sight a rifle the best opportunity is Wednesday afternoons between 3 pm and 7 pm as there is nothing else on.

HUTS

No reports.

DEER PARK

Somebody nicked the cast antlers from the fallow buck, but we recovered the ones from the red stag. We are looking for baleage.

FINANCIALS

Closing balance \$7,704 plus \$15,191 in term deposits. Dinner made a profit of ~\$700.

FUNDRAISING

Firewood working bee 29 November. See details earlier in newsletter. We are still on the lookout for trees. Please contact Martin on 027 3671635 if you have any leads.

NATIONAL OFFICE

You should all be receiving the National newsletter by email.



Hunting Reports

All those trophies entered in the AHT competitions and no stories **again** this month! Come on guys and gals there must be some interesting tales to tell? To encourage contributions we are offering a **prize of \$50 for the best newsletter story** from October 2020 to September 2021, Open to all members, so please send stories and photos to the newsletter editor at wairarapanzda@gmail.com.



'Incoming 8' Best game animal (and junior) photo by Peter O'Driscoll

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If you have hunting or outdoor related items that you want to buy, sell, or swap, then we'll include these in the Newsletter free of charge (better than TradeMe). Send items (with picture if you wish) to wairarapanzda@gmail.com

PERSONAL LOCATOR BEACONS

The four club PLBs purchased with a grant application from Trust House Wairarapa are available for hire for \$10 for a weekend or \$20 for 3-14 days. Contact Aidan on 027 432 3410.

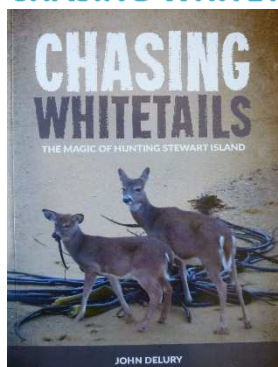
7MM REM MAG

Browning X-bolt. \$1500, no scope, rings or sling. Contact Brenden Yaxley brbyaxley1@gmail.com



NZDA BOOK OFFER

CHASING WHITETAILS The magic of hunting Stewart Island. Author John DeLury



John is Chairman of Rakiura Hunter Camp Trust and a Life member of Southland Branch NZDA. This book is the result of forty years & well in excess of one hundred trips hunting Stewart Island. The book documents many of those hunts as well as the history of many of the hunting blocks. There are 41 chapters, 256 pages, full colour throughout and the spine is stitched. It also covers the history of whitetail on the Island and some of the research projects John has been involved in and includes habits of the animals and some hunting hints. A review of the book can be seen at:-

<https://thefishingpaper.pdfmobile.nz/the-fishing-paper/february-2020-issue-173/hunting-news/chasing-whitetails-the-magic-of-hunting-stewart-island>

The book is \$40 plus post. Up to three books can be sent on one pack. Autographed on request. To order contact John DeLury wtd243@gmail.com or 0276925338

Final Thoughts

Be safe be sure.
Assume it is a person not a deer.
No meat is better than no mate.
Identify your target.

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