



# New Zealand Deerstalkers' Association Wairarapa Branch Incorporated

Newsletter for **August 2022**

## **General Meeting Wednesday 17 August**

7:30 pm Parkvale Hall

Speaker: Francois Lategan

Hunting in Namibia 'on the cheap'

### **General Meeting 17 August**

Our speaker this month is branch member **Francois Lategan**. Francois will give a short presentation about hunting in Africa, and how it doesn't necessarily all have to be about fancy lodges set up for wealthy Americans & Germans! Some of you will know Francois from our Wanganui hunts and it promises to be an entertaining presentation with opportunity for questions and answers. This meeting is a good opportunity to submit entries for branch AHT and Photo competitions. Followed by a cuppa and biscuits.



## **Key Dates - Upcoming Trips and Events**

**17 AUGUST GENERAL MEETING** Parkvale Hall 7:30 pm. See details above.

**31 AUGUST CLOSING DATE FOR BRANCH COMPETITIONS** See details and entry form later in newsletter.

**7 SEPTEMBER COMMITTEE MEETING** Parkvale Hall 7:30 pm.

**11 SEPTEMBER BRANCH COMPETITION SHOOT** Sunday registration 9:30 am at Gladstone range. Shooting will start at 10 am and no late entries accepted as we only have the range until 1 pm. Details and competition rules later in newsletter.

**21 SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING** We are hoping to arrange an open night at King & Henry.

**5 OCTOBER COMMITTEE MEETING** Parkvale Hall 7:30 pm.

**15 OCTOBER BRANCH ANNUAL DINNER** Parkvale Hall. Put this date in your calendars now! Caterers are booked and always a great event. No general meeting in October.

**29–30 OCTOBER SIKI SHOW** Mystery Creek Events Centre Hamilton. For more details see [www.sikashow.co.nz](http://www.sikashow.co.nz)

**2 NOVEMBER COMMITTEE MEETING** Parkvale Hall 7:30 pm.

**16 NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING** Parkvale Hall 7:30 pm. We are planning on arranging a buy/sell/swap evening.

## Recent Events

### 21 JULY GENERAL MEETING Smallbore target shooting

There was a good turnout of about 15 members and guests despite the late start time and cold and windy winter conditions. Two of the top three scores were shot by non-members, with Peter's girlfriend beating him (& everybody else!).



#### Top scores:

##### Senior

92.1 Alesha A  
91.1 John C  
91.0 Nathan F  
90.2 Glenn R  
90.1 Allan A  
89.1 Richard O

88.1 Andrew D  
88.0 Sean R  
85.0 Derrick F  
61.0 Brad G  
Junior  
89.1 Peter O  
79.1 Liam D  
79.1 Henry G

## 29–31 JULY NZDA ANNUAL CONFERENCE, WAIKATO

Branch president **Andrew Dennes** attended and filed the following report:

This year I was lucky to get time to attend the NZDA National Conference. It was hosted by the Waikato Branch in Hamilton this year and the theme was Hunter education.

Friday evening the conference opened with registration and then a few casual drinks and nibbles. There were trade exhibits from DOC, AJ Productions, GAC and various others. NZDA Heritage Trust had a stand selling books to raise funds to transport a historic head up from the South Island for the museum. There was a Douglas Score stand and a competition to guess the score on the head and win a buck hunting knife. They had table-loads of prizes for their raffles with 400 tickets sold and 60 prizes. There was also an auction for the more expensive ticket items, carbon fibre bipod, backpack and a tent. It was a great evening having a bevy or two and a yarn. I got to meet some really interesting people and the atmosphere was fantastic.

Next day the conference started proper. Craig Benbow and Gwyn Thurlow spoke well and there are a lot of great things coming out of the hard work they have been doing. There was a long list of guest speakers including Nicole McKee ACT, Tim Gale GAC and Cam Speedy Sika Foundation who all had you on the edge of your seat. In between there were presentations and reports on all the goings on. Financials & Budgets were discussed, motions & remits, capitation & levies were voted on and set. Competition results were announced and more guest speakers.

We had a break for a couple of hours to freshen up before the dinner and prize giving. The Mayor of Hamilton spoke about adding more parks & reserves and cleaning up their waterways. Removing non-native species and planting natives along them.

Dinner was a buffet with all the trimmings and a couple more beers. Prize-giving started and there were some impressive heads and photos entered. I was honoured to receive two prizes for Peter O'Driscoll this year for young deerstalker of the year and his photographic entries.

Sunday morning saw us back electing officers, with candidates giving speeches and introducing themselves. Lastly there was some general business without too much fuss. Next year's conference will be jointly hosted by Malvern, Ashburton, and Rakaia Branches. Might pack the shooter and take an extra couple of days to have a look around.

The guys and gals from Hutt Valley branch suggested a friendly get together or shoot so will keep in touch with them. All in all it was a great experience meeting a lot of like-minded people.

Congratulations to branch junior member **Peter O'Driscoll** who received the Newton McConochie Award for Young Deerstalker of the Year. Peter was nominated by the branch committee. The nomination read:

Peter is 15 years old and has been a family member of the Wairarapa Branch for over 10 years. His father, Richard O'Driscoll joined the branch in 2010, and has served on the committee since 2012, acting as treasurer from 2013–19. Although Richard was a relatively late starter to deerstalking, Peter has been a regular participant in club activities from an early age. He went on his first club trip in 2013 at age 7.

Peter shot his first deer at age 11 and in the last 4 years has shot four species of deer (red, fallow, sika, and whitetail), along with chamois, goats, and wallabies. His first "trophy" was an 8.5" chamois buck shot on a multi-day camping trip in the Victoria Range (West Coast) in December 2020, which won "Best trophy head by a Junior" and the "Max Cole barometer for best tahr or chamois" at the Wairarapa Branch AHT competition in 2021. Other hunting highlights included shooting a mature whitetail buck on his first Stewart Island trip in January 2022, and a red stag shot on the tops in the Nelson area in April 2022. He is already planning for his

next major adventure - a tahr trip in December 2022 with other branch members.



The Wairarapa Branch organises regular meat hunts to a property in Wanganui and Peter has taken part in 13 of these trips. As well as shooting fallow deer and goats himself, he has helped guide several new members on their first successful hunt – from 8 year old Callum to 70+ year old Benno. He willingly participates in all aspects of camp activities from butchery to cooking and dishes. Cutting firewood is the major branch fundraiser and Peter turns up to most working bees where he is a good splitter operator and his young muscles are a great help in moving the larger rounds! He also assisted with a branch fundraising effort stacking hay in summer 2022. He is the honorary branch photographer at our annual dinner and other functions and has recently agreed to act as one of the administrators on the branch social media accounts.

Peter's love of hunting has fostered a developing interest in wildlife photography. He has won the Thames Valley Branch trophy for Best Junior Photo in the National NZDA competition for three consecutive years 2019–21 and the junior category of the lockdown photo competition in 2020. In 2020, he was also awarded the Gore & District Branch trophy: Human Interest and was second in the same category. He has had many other photos highly commended in the National photographic competitions and his images have featured in Hunting and Wildlife and other National Office material. At branch level, Peter 'cleans up' the photographic sections, winning 4 of the 5 branch photographic titles in 2021.

Peter has competed in the branch junior shooting competitions since 2013 and after a number of runner-up finishes (mostly to his older sister), he won both the junior rimfire (50 m, 4-position) shooting competition and the Swazi shoot (50 m, 2-position) in 2021. His winning score in junior rimfire was higher than the winning senior score. Peter was also 5th in the branch open centrefire (100 m, 4-position) competition in 2021 (there is no junior centrefire category) and runner-up in the junior F-class (shooting a .22LR!). He also won the branch trophy for indoor smallbore shooting (25 m, prone) in 2021.

We believe Peter fits all the criteria for this award with his hunting, photography, and shooting successes, and active participation in Wairarapa Branch activities. There is also a nice historical connection, with Peter's great-great-grandfather, Nelson dentist Claude Tatton, being one of Newton McConochie's hunting companions. Their hunt in the Rakaia valley is described in Chapter 7 of McConochie's book "You'll learn no harm from the hills" and Claude's trophy from that hunt is still in the family possession. Peter's great grandfather Stan Tatton was a member of the Wairarapa branch from the 1950s to 1980s.





Peter also won the national junior photographic competition (for the 4<sup>th</sup> year in a row!) with a photo of two fallow bucks taken during a club trip and was second (to national president Gwyn Thurlow) in the open photo portfolio section. Full National Competition results are available via [www.deerstalkers.org.nz](http://www.deerstalkers.org.nz)



## News

### MEMBERSHIPS

We continue to welcome new members, with two new member applications and one transfer this month. Please introduce yourself to the new faces welcome at meetings and club events.

### PARKVALE HALL

The water tank has been cleaned out and water is drinkable again. Regular hall bookings continue to come through. **PHONE 022 323 6993 for hall bookings.**

### SEARCH AND RESCUE

Pretty quiet again this month. Maybe all the loopies are over in Taranaki taking their cats for a walk! If you're interested in joining SAR please contact Phil Gray on 027 4740717.

### RANGE & SHOOTING

Following on from our successful smallbore inshore shooting the branch rimfire and centrefire competitions will be held at Gladstone Range on Sunday 11 September.

**Wairarapa NZDA Annual Competition Shoot**  
**Gladstone Range**  
**Sunday 11 September 2022 registration at 9:30 am**  
**Shooting to start 10 am sharp**

This event will be conducted at the Gladstone Range (we thank our WPSSC friends for allowing us the use of Range 6 for the event). The event will proceed regardless of the weather. The branch will supply a BBQ lunch.

We have a lot of events to shoot and only a short time in which to complete them all, so please listen carefully to the range staff and help out with any setting up, packing up etc.

**Match 1. Junior (under 18 years of age) Rimfire**

50 yards, 20 rounds. 5 shots prone, 5 shots sitting, 5 shots kneeling, 5 shots standing.

**Match 2. Senior Rimfire**

50 yards, 20 rounds. 5 shots prone, 5 shots sitting, 5 shots kneeling, 5 shots standing.

**Match 3 Open Centrefire (Up to 8 mm)**

100 yards, 20 rounds. 5 shots prone, 5 shots sitting, 5 shots kneeling, 5 shots standing.

**PLEASE NOTE FOR MATCHES 1, 2 AND 3**

- Are to be shot unsupported- no slings, bipods, rests etc.
- Scopes are to be set not exceeding 6x power.
- Sporting stock configuration only- no thumb hole stocks.
- No special target shooting clothing, gloves, jackets etc.
- No heavy or target barrels to be used.

**Match 4. F Class**

100 yards, 10 rounds. F Class up to 8 mm calibre, max score 110, any aids-bipods, slings, rests, barrel-stock configurations are allowed.

**Match 5. Military**

100 yards, 10 rounds. Military rifles to be bolt action, iron sighted (open sighted-no scopes, Parker Hale target sights), be of actual military origin (may be sporterised but not restocked with a sporting stock) and must be a military calibre i.e. 6.5 x 55, .303 etc.

Notes:

All shooters to bring their own ammunition. Shooting mats may be used. No muzzle breaks.

**Branch trophies will be competed for in the following categories:**

- Centrefire
- Rimfire
- Open Aggregate
- Women's aggregate
- F Class Senior
- F Class Junior
- Military

**Range rules will be read out to you on the day but I would like to remind all:**

- All shooters/spectators must abide by the WPSSC range rules.
- All children are to have a parent/guardian supervise them at all times.
- All visitors must sign the range book on arrival.

- Hearing protection must be worn.
- Chamber flags must be used as are now mandatory (I have some to loan but otherwise can be obtained from the range for \$2.50 each).
- Firearms must be in good mechanical order.

If you require any more information please do not hesitate to call Alex on 027 4359216.

Gladstone range is available for the use of members on weekends when not in use. Branch members get 6 free visits a year.

## HUTS

The renovations and re-cladding on Sayers Hut will be scheduled for the week around Labour weekend. Most materials have already been sourced.

### Tarn Ridge Hut history: Can you help John?

I am writing about huts built in the Tararuas by deerstalking and tramping clubs, and am keen to learn more about Tarn Ridge Hut, built by your Branch in 1961. I have only the following bare facts:

- The hut was a memorial to Basil Blatchford, a Wairarapa NZDA Branch member who had died of exposure on Tarn Ridge in 1959 (I have the full story about this);
- The NZ Forest Service helicoptered materials to the site;
- The five-bunk hut was opened on Sunday 3 April 1961;
- It was demolished in 1993 after the new Tarn Ridge Hut was built further south.

Beyond this I have nothing. Please, do your records have more information?

Cheers & thanks

John Rhodes (06 304 9095 or [rhodesja@xtra.co.nz](mailto:rhodesja@xtra.co.nz))



## DEER PARK

A buyer has been found for the fallow yearlings. We will schedule a working bee to tidy up in the Deer Park. Details to come.

## FINANCIALS

Bank balance \$14,658 + \$20,869 in four term deposits. Balance includes \$5400 held as deposit for 2023 Stewart Island trip. Hall insurance ios due and we are exploring options to further increase cover. Conference costs for Andrew Dennes still to be paid. The branch bank account number for payments (firewood, etc) is 03-0687-0022096-00 but please not this is not the account for payment of memberships – which go direct to National Office.



## FIREWOOD/FUNDRAISING

We have a big pile of logs (gum) waiting in a paddock These will be transferred to a suitable location for ringing and splitting as soon as it dries out, then we will arrange some working bees ...

## WEBSITE

The material is now very out of date. Luke Johnson has gone through and made a list of suggestions for updates which will be discussed with Nick Perkins who administers the website on behalf of the branch.

## WAIRARAPA BRANCH AHT & PHOTO COMPETITIONS

Closing date for entries for annual Branch competitions is 5 pm on **Wednesday 31 August 2022.**

Categories are as follows:

- Red deer, public land (Avon Tatton Shield)
- Red deer, private land (Steve Ticehurst cup)
- Classic Red deer (J.M. Jury shield)
- Best goat head (Crawford Cameron shield)
- Best head where a trophy fee is paid (Playle trophy)
- Best pig jaw –undrawn tusks (Harvie Morrow shield)
- Best pig jaw – Drawn Tusks (N. Tilsey Shield)
- Aggregate, two or more species (V.V. Donald shield)
- Best head other species
- Best trophy head ‘under 20’
- Tahr / Chamois (Max Cole Barometer)

Photographic categories are:

- Game animals in their wild, outdoor state (W.F. McIntyre Cup)
- Other Wildlife in its wild, outdoor state and not in any form of captivity (V.V. Donald Shield)
- Scenic relative to the sport of hunting (B.W. Newport Cup)
- Other – not covered in other categories (K Gear Cup)
- Junior photograph (Amos Cup)

All competitions will be run closely to the Branch Competition rules which have been laminated and displayed in our Parkvale meeting room for the whole competition year. These notes are simply an abbreviation of them.

Key dates this year are:

- Closing date for the taking of heads, jaws and photos is **Wednesday 31 August 2022.**
- Entry forms and AH&T Trophies (heads) to be dropped off at Parkvale Hall or in the hands of Joe Hansen (phone 027 692 6465), by **5 pm Wednesday 31 August.**
- Photographs to be emailed to Richard O’Driscoll at [wairarapanzda@gmail.com](mailto:wairarapanzda@gmail.com) by **5 pm Wednesday 31 August 2022.**
- Entries can also be dropped off at the General Meeting 7:30 pm Parkvale Hall **17 August 2022.**
- Branch Prize-Giving – presentation of Awards & Certificates – **Saturday 15 October 2022.**



Extracts from the Rules.

1. Entrants must have been financial members of this branch at the time of shooting the trophy or taking the photograph. Junior members (18 years & under) to be noted on Entry forms please.
2. All entries in the Antler-horn-tusk competitions (including the Paid hunting section) must have been taken in unimpeded fair chase. No spotlighting. **Paid hunting entries are to be clearly designated on Entry forms.**
3. Antler-horn-tusk entries must be on a clean, full skull (or jaw). Foul entries will not be accepted. **No mounted heads accepted.**
4. A Disputes panel will be appointed by the Committee.
5. A competitor may enter more than one head in each competition.
6. Entry forms (both AH&T and photographs) should contain adequate information to illustrate the philosophies within these Competition rules are met.
7. Photos taken in N.Z. Not from a Conveyance. No dead animals or birds. **All entries will be submitted digitally rather than as prints.** Please email high resolution .jpg images to [wairarapanzda@gmail.com](mailto:wairarapanzda@gmail.com). Make sure you put "Photo entry" in subject. Images can also be provided on USB to Richard O'Driscoll (021 1411472). You will still need to complete an entry form for each photo entered.
8. Judging will be of four categories. The categories must be designated by the entrant and clearly marked on the Entry form and the back of photo. One fully completed entry form (see note 6 above) for each photo. Members may enter up to three photos in each category.
9. The categories are:
  - a. Game animals in their wild, outdoor state. Not in any form of captivity.
  - b. Other Wildlife in its wild, outdoor state and not in any form of captivity. The subject matter is to be relevant to hunting, hunting country, and the associated activities of hunters.
  - c. Scenic relative to the sport of hunting. Human activity should be of minor importance.
  - d. Other – not covered in other categories. Subject matter is to be relevant to hunting or hunting country. Or the associated activity of hunters.

NOTE: The winning photo of each category will be printed and retained for the Parkvale Hall display board.

Entry form at the end of the newsletter. There must be a separate entry form for each trophy or photo submitted!



### Forest & Bird misrepresent Te Ara ki Mua

The wild animal management strategy, Te Ara ki Mua, represents a significant opportunity to create enduring management solutions for game animals (deer, tahr, chamois and wild pigs) that will bring major conservation benefits for New Zealand despite the misrepresentations from Forest & Bird, says the Game Animal Council.

“It is incredibly disappointing to see Forest & Bird distort what Te Ara ki Mua is about and the potential it has for delivering significant conservation and game animal management benefits,” says Game Animal Council General Manager Tim Gale.

“Te Ara ki Mua rightly recognises that there is no one-size-fits-all approach to game animal management in

New Zealand. Different populations in different places require different strategies and these must be underpinned by science and involve collaboration with local communities.”

“This challenge should not be characterised as being about conservation interests versus hunting interests. Hunters and hunting organisations care deeply about the health of the ecosystem and do more to help manage game animal populations than anybody else.”

“Simple ecology and experience tell us that by better managing, and where required, reducing game animal numbers, will also improve the quality of the hunting resource. This represents a win-win.”

Te Ara ki Mua also applies to goats, which are not a game animal. Goats are a major issue and the Game Animal Council understands and supports the significant effort that DOC is planning to put into goat control to reduce numbers.

“It is incredibly frustrating that rather than collaborating on better management, Forest & Bird are more focused on throwing rocks from the sidelines,” says Gale. “This is disappointing because there are a lot of people working extremely hard to achieve outcomes that can benefit all New Zealanders.”

“It is also unfortunate that Forest & Bird continue to focus on the impact of deer on carbon storage in forests when that issue is still very difficult to calculate, uncertain and highly contested.”

“The Game Animal Council, DOC and all those interested in improving conservation and game animal management need to work together. If we do that, we can achieve some really good outcomes for New Zealand.”

The NZ Game Animal Council is a statutory organisation responsible for the sustainable management of game animals and hunting for recreation, commerce and conservation.

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### 100 kms of track maintenance milestone reached

The Tararua Aorangi Remutaka Huts Committee (TARHC) track programme has reached the milestone of completing 100 kms of track maintenance over the last 6 months.

Last track completed was the Mikimiki Walk, a 7 kms bush walk through the Mikimiki and Kiriwhakapapa streams. It took 4 days of cutting and clearing debris of the track. Aim was to cut the vegetation back to the original formed track.

Over the last 6 months, 46 days have been worked on the track work to complete 100 kms of track clearing, totalling 650 hours of volunteer effort. Up to 7 regular volunteers have participated, along with two tramping and running groups. The Stihl scrub bar has clocked up a total of 240 hours of operation.

The TARHC has existing management agreements with DOC for the upkeep of 210 kms of tramping tracks in the Aorangi and Tararua forest parks. It is likely that over 130 kms of track will be completed in the first year of the programme. Tracks completed so far include the Kaitoke/Tauherenikau, Waingawa/Mitre Flats, Lower Ruamahanga, Mikimiki, Mangahao valley, Tauherenikau gorge, Lower Waiohine/Cone Saddle and the Aorangi Crossing areas.

Other tracks to be completed this year include Mt Frith and Upper Waingawa/Arete Forks/Lower Ruamahanga.

The ongoing programme will likely maintain up to 60 kms of track annually. The aim is to build the volunteer

effort so that the programme can continue into the future. Recutting of tracks will occur ever 3 to 6 years, depending on vegetation regrowth.

Once the next year's programme is sorted, there will be opportunities for volunteers to participate. Watch this space. Or get in touch by email to [info@tarhc.org.nz](mailto:info@tarhc.org.nz)

For more about TARHC (including a recent name change to the new name of "Greater Wellington Backcountry Network Inc" see <https://tarhc.org.nz/>



## Aerial possum Control Operations

### Aorangis

Poison was dropped on 5 July 2022. The area of operation was shown in May newsletter.

### Southern Remutakas

We believe this operation was also carried out in July. The area of operation was shown in May newsletter. The factsheet is available online here: [www.ospri.co.nz](http://www.ospri.co.nz) or [www.ecofx.co.nz](http://www.ecofx.co.nz)

### Hutt/Kaitoke

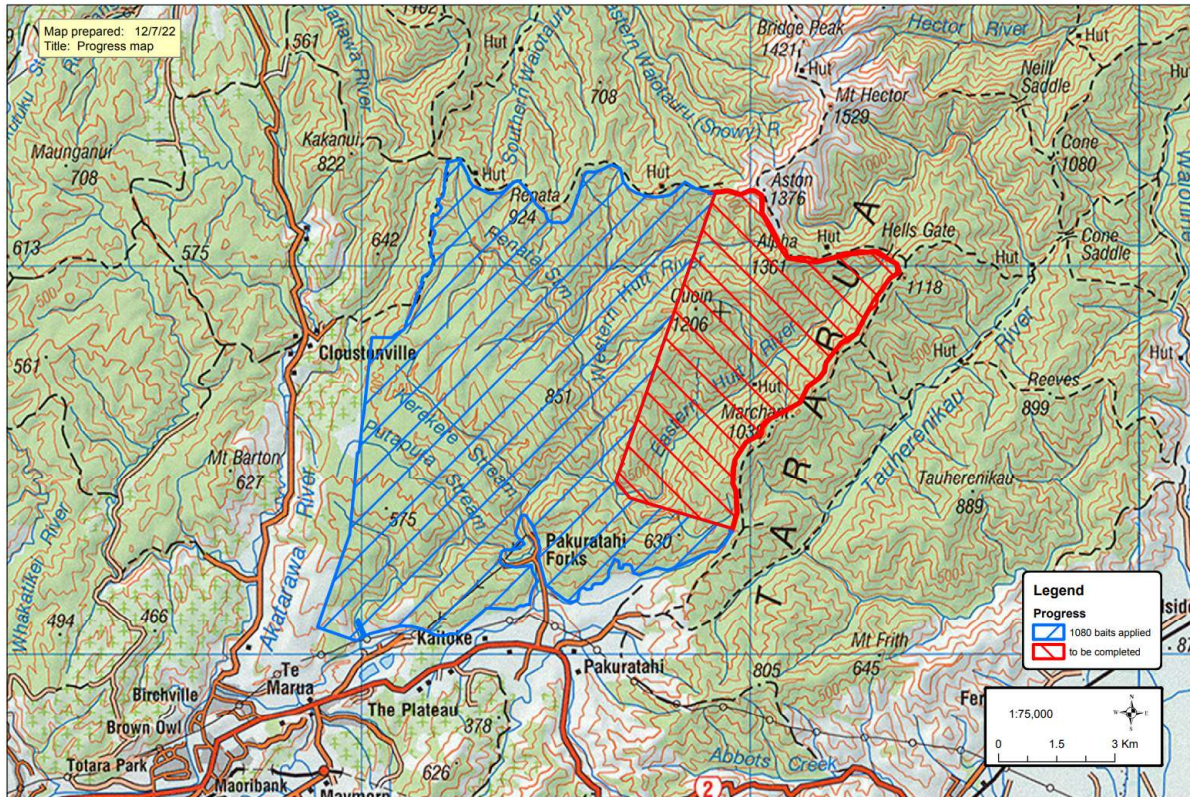
Update on the aerial 1080 operation within the Kaitoke Regional Park and Hutt Water Collection Area to control possums.

- The prefeed baits were applied on 12 May.
- 1080 baits were applied on 27 May, however weather conditions were not ideal on the morning of that day and low cloud was present for longer than expected. As a result, the operation wasn't able to be completed within the day.
  - 1080 baits were applied to approximately 8,200 hectares
  - 3,000 hectares is still to be treated with 1080 baits
- Successful aerial 1080 operations only require two to three fine nights, this operation experienced three fine nights before rain fell on the 1080 baits.
- Wellington Water Limited undertook water quality monitoring from the Hutt River after 24 hours, 48 hours and seven days following the application of 1080 baits. No 1080 was detected within any of the water samples tested.
- We are proposing to complete the operation in August/September.

The area still to be treated includes most of the Eastern Hutt River catchment, much of Quoin ridge and some of the head waters of the Western Hutt River catchment. Access to the remaining area would be via the Marchant Ridge track and along Renata Ridge between Elder Hut and Omega. Below is a map of the area that



identifies where 1080 baits have been applied and the area that still needs to be treated.



Hutt Kaitoke Aerial 1080 Progress

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## Hunting Reports

No stories again this month. Remember there is a **prize of \$50 for the best newsletter story** from October 2021 to September 2022. Open to all members, so please send stories and photos to the newsletter editor at [wairarapanzda@gmail.com](mailto:wairarapanzda@gmail.com).

There are multiple different stories behind the photo below which is alternately titled:

**“Take a kid hunting”** by Gary Warren or **“How I shot all the deer”** by Andrew Dennes or **“Next time we should leave Dad at home”** by Callum & Liam Dennes.

Still waiting to get the in-print versions. Failing that, come to the next club meeting and ask them yourself 😊





## Buy, Sell, and Swap

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](mailto: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.

### NZDA MERCHANDISE

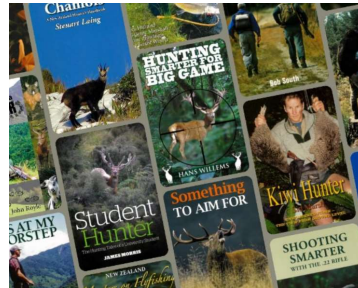
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### CHILLER

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### 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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The Branch now has a Closed Facebook Group (open only to members). You can apply to join here: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/798600664354866>

The website is at: <http://www.wairarapanzda.org.nz/>. Thanks to **Nick Perkins** our website administrator.



**WAIRARAPA BRANCH NZDA**  
**ALL ENTRIES FOR ANTLER HORN & TUSK**  
**AND PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITIONS**  
**TO BE ON THIS FORM**



**COMPETITION ENTERED FOR** .....

**NAME OF ENTRANT** .....

**ADDRESS** .....

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**DATE SHOT/TAKEN** ..... **LOCALITY** .....

**BRIEF ACCOUNT OF SECURING TROPHY** (to be completed by entrant) .....

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**THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS CORRECT. I AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THE RULES OF THE COMPETITION AND I UNDERSTAND THE JUDGES DECISION IS FINAL.**

**SIGNATURE** .....

**DATE**

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ANY PERSON FOUND DELIBERATELY CONTRAVENING RULES MAY HAVE ALL THEIR ENTRIES DISQUALIFIED AND MAY BE BARRED FROM PARTICIPATION THE FOLLOWING YEAR OR AS DETERMINED BY THE BRANCH COMMITTEE.

**WITNESS:** I ..... CERTIFY THAT THE ENTRANT IS A FINANCIAL MEMBER AND WAS, AT THE TIME OF TROPHY TAKING.