

Thames Valley Deerstalkers Association
Kids Pest Buster's Weekend
Friday 28th – Sunday 30th September 2018

Dear Participants, Parents and Caregivers,

This letter is an outline of the upcoming event being held for the Junior Members of TVDA. It will be held at the clubrooms and property at 101 Morrison Road, Paeroa and will commence on the Friday evening.

This camp is open to MEMBERS ONLY. There is also a permission page attached and we ask that you please read through both the letter and the details on the slip attached and return the slip once it has been completed and signed. We **MUST** have the **permission slip signed along with the MONEY returned to Maureen Coleman** (or paid by direct credit as outlined further through this form) before the children are able to register for the camp. It is a sign of the times that as an organisation providing activities for others, especially youngsters, that we must know that you are fully aware of our plans and procedures.

Activities Will Include:

- Tramping
- Making a range of traps/trap boxes and learning how to set them etc
 - Traps will/may include
 - Vector Rat Trap Boxes
 - PVC Bait stations for rats
 - Possum traps of various kinds
 - Myna Trap
 - Bottle traps for wasps
 - Mouse traps
- Going for a possum and rabbit shoot at night on TVDA property if weather permits
- Archery
- Rifle Shooting
- Bush walk and learning about native trees etc up at Hutchinson's Reserve (Goble's Road) if weather permits
- Bonfire if weather permits

What to Take:

1. Small pack or school backpack will be suitable
2. Trousers, sweatshirts and a WARM JACKET for daytime
3. Long pants and a warm shirt for night time
4. Footwear - 1 pair of gumboots and one pair of sneakers
5. 2-3 pairs of socks
6. Towel
7. Torch
8. Pocket knife or a knife in a sheath
9. Sleeping bag **and** stretcher or bedroll
10. Beanie
11. **ANY MEDICATION THAT YOU NEED TO HAVE OR TAKE – ALSO PLEASE ADVISE MIKE OF THIS AND COMPLETE THIS PORTION OF THE ATTACHED FORM.**

At any stage when a fire arm is being used, it will be under the total and strict control of a firearms licence holder.

Club members with extensive First Aid training will be in attendance for the duration of the weekend's activities.

If any person taking part in the weekend away has **ANY medical condition(s), medication(s), or special needs of ANY kind**, we must be advised of this for their sake and possibly others taking part in the weekend.

ARRIVAL TIMES & DEPARTURE TIME: - The camp will be ready at 6pm on Friday 28th of September so just get there when you can but we do ask that you have tea/dinner before you arrive please. It is envisaged at this stage that the camp will finish at approx 2pm on Sunday 30th September 2018. *(This could be earlier due to unforeseen circumstances - ie weather etc so please make sure you are aware of this).* Please ensure you have included a phone number where you can be contacted if this is the case.

Please send your permission slips ASAP to:

Maureen Coleman
TVDA
P O Box 206
Paeroa

a.j.coleman@xtra.co.nz

Ph: 027 3337786

Cutoff date for registrations and payments will be FRIDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 2018 – or earlier if the maximum number of participants is reached before that date. NO EXCEPTIONS - Sorry but we have had to take this stance to ensure the successful running of this camp.

FOOD: - All food will be supplied but you can bring additional snack food if you like. We do ask that you **DO NOT** send excessive amounts of lollies and/or chocolate to the camp as for some children, it creates unnecessary issues so this kind of food is best left at home please.

COST: - \$25.00 per head - including helpers. This will cover all the ammo and the food costs for the weekend. **Payment for the camp is to be sent to Maureen Coleman or paid by Direct Credit into the TVDA account No 031572 036337-02. Please use your child/children's names as the Reference.**

Permission Advice:

The weekend that TVDA has organised for the weekend of 28th – 30th September 2018 will be spent on the Thames Valley Deerstalkers grounds and on Council Reserve land – Hutchinson’s Reserve, Komata.

As with any activity that we at Thames Valley Deerstalkers Association organise, we undertake to assure you that every care will be taken to provide the safest situations for the activities and participants at all times.

If participants are not prepared to abide by the instructions given by the instructors and the supervisors, then they will be forbidden to continue partaking in the said activity. Should this also not be accepted, then you will be contacted to collect the child from the camp. Bad language will also not be tolerated.

My child.....Does / Does not have the following medical condition(s) which may or does require treatment or attention. If applicable please state in full and advise us of **all necessary** treatments and medications.

Child’s Date of Birth/Age.....

Medical Condition(s):.....

Allergies:.....

Special Needs:.....

Please make sure you sign for approval or delete the following activity from the weekends programme.

My child.....has my permission to use a .22 rifle under total supervision.

Parent/Guardians Name:.....**Signature**.....

I (parent/guardians name).....have read and fully understand all the details of this trip and the associated permission slip. My son/daughter..... has my full permission to partake in all activities as outlined above and I undertake to make him/her fully aware of their responsibilities of being a camp participant.

Signed.....**dated**.....**Name**:.....

Contact Phone numbers:

Daytime:.....**Evening**:.....**Mobile**:.....

Address:.....