

Thames Valley Deerstalkers Association

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Owhango Hunting Weekend – HUNTS Course 2020

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Club Nights – Always the LAST Wednesday of each month. Start time 7.30pm

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www.ngaituhoe.iwi.nz – website for Te Urewera Hunting Permit

Club Events Calendar

October

Sunday	11	Bowhunters Club Day
Monday	12	DOCKING STARTS AT PANEKIRI (goes for 10 days)
Monday	12	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Tuesday	13	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Wednesday	14	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Monday	19	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Tuesday	20	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Wednesday	21	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Tuesday	27	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Wednesday	28	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Wednesday	28	Club Night – Jason Mills talking about photography*
Friday	30	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Saturday	31	NZDA Regional meeting hosted at TVDA
Saturday	31	THE RANGES WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY TODAY

November

Monday	2	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Sunday	8	Bowhunters Club day
Wednesday	11	Committee Night that Begins with SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING to set our subs for 2021/22 year*
Wednesday	11	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Friday	13	HUNTS Course Final Wknd Hunt – Te Urewera's
Thursday	19	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Saturday	21	Kiwi Avoidance Training - Thames *
Monday	23	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Tuesday	24	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Wednesday	25	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Wednesday	25	Club Night – Steve Collins*
Sunday	29	Rimfire, Centrefire Champs and Patron's Cup

Monday	30	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
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December

Tuesday	1	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Wednesday	2	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Saturday	5	Kids Hunting Weekend*
Sunday	6	Kids Hunting Weekend*
Monday	7	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Tuesday	8	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Wednesday	9	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Wednesday	9	Committee Meeting
Friday	11	TVDA Club Flying Trip to Te Urewera's***
Saturday	12	TVDA Club Flying Trip to Te Urewera's***
Sunday	13	TVDA Club Flying Trip to Te Urewera's***

*****If some people want to stay longer - More days can be added. You will need to indicate this when contacting Maureen to book the trip so that it allows for adequate planning.**

Sunday	13	Bowhunters Clubday
Monday	14	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Tuesday	15	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>
Wednesday	25	<u>NO CLUB NIGHT IN DECEMBER</u>
Monday	30	Private Use – <i>finished by 3pm</i>

***Kiwi Avoidance Training**

Bookings are ESSENTIAL so please ring Kauaeranga Visitor Centre 07 867 9080 or kauaerangavc@doc.govt.nz for a booking.

My personal number is 0274055102 for any further information.

Christine Friis



Presidents Report

This year really is proving to be one of endless changes on all fronts and I have to start this part of the newsletter by saying a MASSIVE THANK YOU to you all for your understanding and support as we have had to keep juggling various events at the club. I so totally appreciate that this has often caused undue changes back at home or for family members as well so once again, a very special thank you for help and consideration.

There have certainly been a few things that can and have been able to happen especially since the first lock down ended and to a lesser extent, through the recent Level 2 restrictions.

The HUNTS Course has been able to happen which is fantastic and this is almost at its conclusion. Special thanks to all the participants and helpers for making this such a top team in 2020.

One thing that is NOT happening in November is the Annual TVDA Anniversary 100 target sporting clays event. Due to the ongoing uncertainty with the second phase of Covid and given that so many of our shooters come from north of the Bombays, the committee made the decision to cancel this event. It was felt better that we cancelled it and everyone knew where they stood rather than keep trying to juggle things on the fly and potentially end up with a massive amount of work for no benefit to anyone. Thank you all for your understanding on this and we will see you at the Maureen Bennett Memorial 100 Sporting Clays Shoot in February 2021.

TVDA is also going to be hosting an NZDA Regional meeting on Saturday 31st October so this will be a good chance to hear what is planned and happening on several fronts within NZDA and the various branches from Taupo and Rotorua up to the top of the north Island. This has been planned twice already this year and ended up being canned due to Covid so its 3rd time lucky and the 31st is looking like it will be a really informative day. Also going to be at this meeting to give an update will be the Kaimai Mamaku Forum who have been awarded the \$19m from DOC to go towards Nature for Jobs. If you want to get and hear the details from the horse's mouth – this is the time to do it.

Take care out there if you are heading for a spot of hunting or fishing. If you are looking to spend time in the hills, remember to always identify your target beyond ALL DOUBT and it will be a trip to remember for all the right reasons.

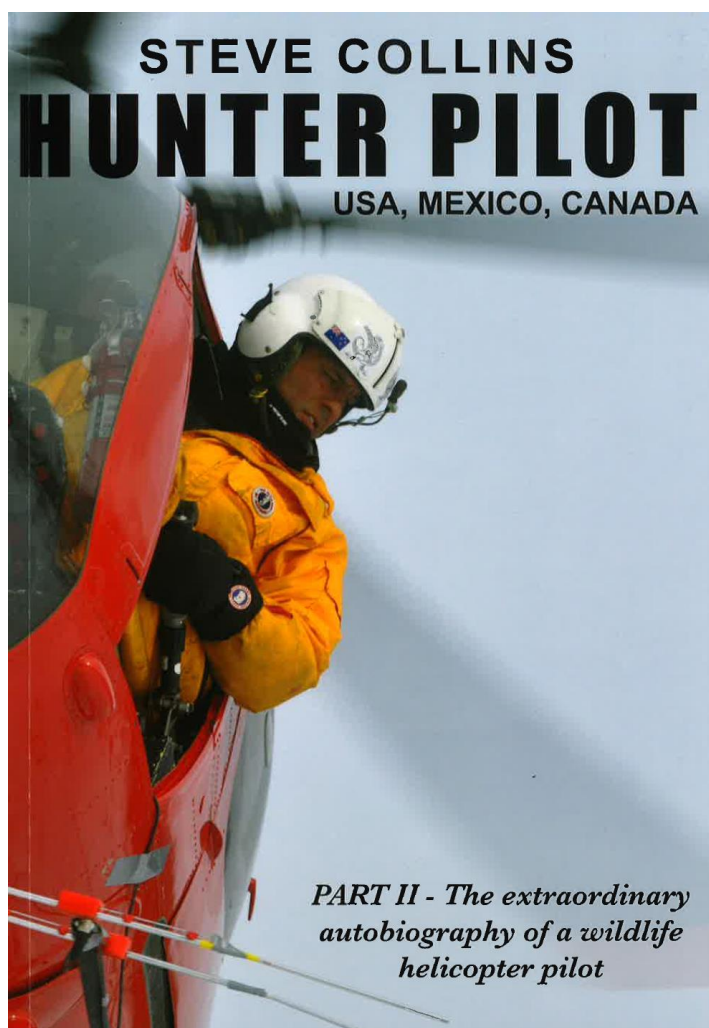
Cheers

Maureen

Recent Club Nights

Special thanks to our club night speakers over the last few months – your contributions have been so appreciated by us all.

Steve Collins joined us back in July and gave a really interesting talk on the journey his life has taken – starting as a youngster growing up in the remote areas between Taupo and Napier back in the 1960's and 1970's. This followed on into his years as a budding shooter from helicopters in the meat hunting era in NZ and then the determination to push himself to go back and study to become a chopper pilot. This work has then taken him all around the world – and the opportunities that this hard work and dedication have provided have been amazing.



Steve has written two really cool books that are also filled with fantastic photos and make for a great read. It was also extremely humbling and such a delight for each of the junior event winners at our awards night to have Steve present them with a signed copy each of his first book – Hunter Pilot. This was a total surprise for the youngsters and certainly a very special moment from the club's perspective to have this wonderful support shown to our junior members, and ultimately the club as a whole.

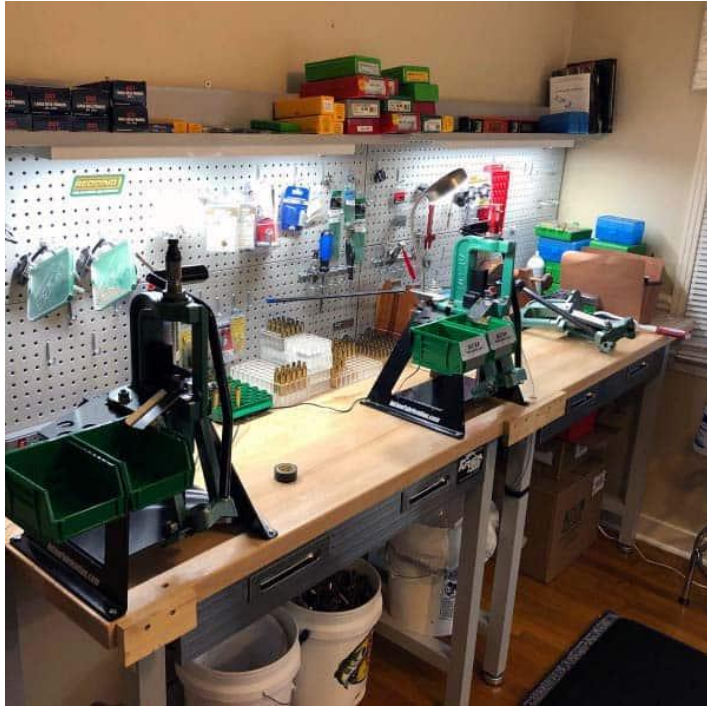
He also very kindly presented our trophies and certificates as we combined this annual event with our July Club night due to Covid having put paid to our normal plans for the annual dinner.

Thank you so much Steve – this really was so appreciated and I know for a fact

that the kids are enjoying reading their books.

Steve will be joining us again for our November Club night to share with us the time he spent working on translocation work of endangered species in Mexico, Canada and America.

Having read this book of Steve's it will be an awesome night and the work they did was fantastic. **This will be a must see.**



It was great to have Peter Thompson as our guest speaker at club night back in August. As well as providing plenty of valuable and helpful information on reloading, powders to use, projectiles for various situations etc and so the list goes on, Peter also had plenty of tips and comical moments to share from various hunts and trip away.

Of particular focus for Peter was the reloading of centrefire ammo 'for hunters and hunting' rather than specifically for target shooting so it was great to pick up on plenty of new tips along the way.

Im sure that for anyone who has an interest in reloading, this evening has given you plenty to think about; a new space being made in the man cave or spare room and look out game; here comes the hunter!!!

Huge thanks Pete for your help and valuable information.

And.....at our September Club night past junior member of TVDA Ethan Fisher joined us to share in the work that he was doing over in northern British Columbia (BC) where we was working as a wrangler in his first year and then as a guide the following season for a kiwi company Ultimate OE that is owned and run Kuran Ireland and Matt Gibson.

About three years ago after having applied for and done the Ultimate OE preliminary course down South, Ethan came back up home here and got back into work, with the hope that a phone call would come and he'd be



heading up into the great wilderness of North America. That call did come and with only a few days' notice; he'd finished his job, packed his bags, got his tickets sorted, pinched himself that it was really about to happen and he was airborne for BC....

Now in Canada it was time to catch a much *smaller plane* out into the wilderness. He was dropped off at his camp after it having been vacated by humans over the off season and this was a wakeup call for the kiwi lad. He was now all alone in the wilderness, not another person for many days by foot and his job was to get the camp ready for the new season. What caught him unawares was that bears had been in residence during the 'off season' and what a mess they'd made. Boards ripped off the camp buildings, the food store has been trashed, hardly an area left unturned and more to the point.....when would they be back!!!

No time like the present however to get stuck in and start sorting it all out and so it helped fill in the days. Many hours of hard work and waking up to wild elk grazing

just out in front of the cabin in the mornings made up for the chores that were still waiting to be done.

Once the hunting started (albeit several weeks late due to the season), the hours spent preparing and doing reconnaissance work (after the camp had been tidied up) really paid off.

Many a new experience came long and every day was such an awesome adventure. The sheer size and magnitude of being in these majestic mountains chasing the ever wily Stone Sheet and Mountain Goats was dream come true.



Like all jobs, there were also challenges

along the way but in true kiwi style, there is always a way to see the positive side of things and once again; so much was learnt along the way that has proved so beneficial since.

Despite the 'norm' being that you begin as a junior wrangler looking after the horses and various chores and also being out on the trail and then progressing up to the position of a fully-fledged guide over about 5-6 years, Ethan was handed this mantel in his second season. Wow this was really a huge feather in his cap and the opportunity was certainly not left wanting. The hard work began again in earnest, the scouting for animals meant many long hours and days out in the mountains in advance and once the clients started arriving – the proof and rewards for this trust and respect in his abilities was paying off. Many fine and record book animals were taken and happy clients makes for a happy outfitter that has good bookings for future seasons.

Ethan thrived on his time up in BC and was all sorted to head back up there again this year for another season of guiding but Covid has put the brakes on that.

HUNTS Course 2020

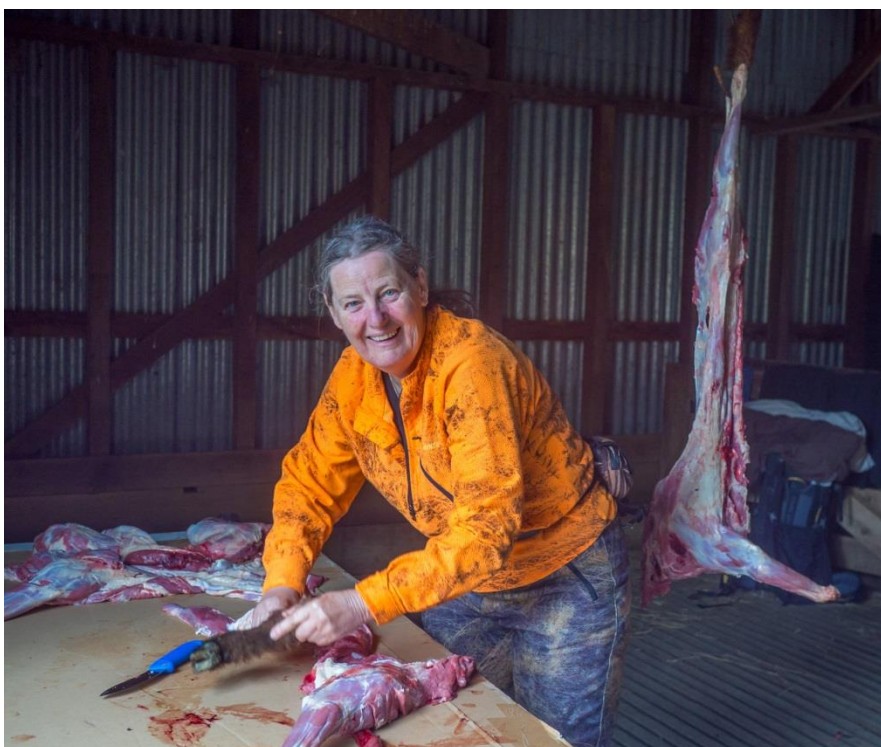
The HUNTS Course has been ticking along and despite being spread out to accommodate the various other things that have overlapped due to the later than planned start date.

The 14 participants taking part this year are a great bunch and the course is going really well.

The overnighter and range session early in the piece was a great change for everyone to get to know each other, the following couple of evening sessions saw anticipation

increasing as the goat shooting weekend was drawing closer. This weekend went off extremely well, the weather played its part, everyone got a goat and learnt so much about the whole foray into hunting as well.

On the Saturday night the rain that has threatened for most of day finally arrived but not until we'd enjoyed the change to sit around the campfire and round out what had been a top day. Sleep came easy that night – nobody heard any snoring in the woolshed and with the rain still falling the next morning, the planned butchery session in the woolshed



was the perfect way to wind up the weekend. Next on the list is the River Crossing Training on Sunday 1 November and then the final hunting weekend in Te Urewera is booked for mid-November.

Huge thanks to you all – participants, trainers, helpers, families and landowners – you are all part of the team that makes this whole experience so valuable.

Docking at Panekiri

Panekiri

Huge thanks to the team of wonderful volunteers who have helped make this possible again in 2020.



Membership Renewals

Thank you also to all those people who have paid their subs through the online system or for those who are not on email, via getting your invoice in the mail.

If you have had problems making your payments due to the system not working, can you please let me know and I will chase it up with the NZDA Office.



Similarly; if you have not received your invoice either by email or through the post, please contact me.

Everyone's membership is hugely valued and appreciated. In return, we as a committee are focused very much on representing you and your sporting endeavours on the wider front – be that Nationally with NZDA or politically to help retain the things that matter so much to us as firearms owners, outdoor recreationalist, the retention of the ability to hunt our prized game animal species on public land etc.

Many thanks once again everyone –

Maureen 027 3337786 or a.j.coleman@xtra.co.nz



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Te Papa Atawhai

Trap Line

In total since trapping began in May 2017 the catch tallies are as follows

- 117 Stoats
- 77 Rats
- 77 Hedgehogs
- 1 Ferret
- 3 Mice
- 2 Birds.



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Special General Meeting

At the time of our AGM this year there were still a number of issues that we were waiting to get answers on from NZDA – and in particular around the membership database and memberships in general moving forward.

It was felt prudent that the time of the AGM to hold off on setting our subs for this upcoming financial year (2021/22) but rather hold a Special General Meeting specifically to deal with this once more information was to hand. *The SGM is solely for the purpose of setting the subs for the upcoming financial year.*

The SGM has been set for 7.00pm on Wednesday 11th November. This will take place immediately prior our normal Committee night. Once this SGM business is finalised, our regular meeting will follow.

Everyone is most welcome to attend – exactly the same as if this was the AGM.

Upcoming Hunting Trips

These 2 are a MUST READ

1 KIDS – Hi Kids and Parents.

This Kids Goat Shooting weekend has been confirmed and booked in for the 5th and 6th of December and it will be on a farm between Raglan and Kawhia.

Given the way that the year has ended up this will just be a single weekend trip (rather than two different groups as first planned) and also because the property lends itself very well to splitting into groups for various ages. We will be staying in shearer's quarters so this will be a great trip away for the kids

There are only a very few spaces left on this so be quick or your will miss out.

If you have kids who are keen to be part of this, please email Maureen straight away on a.j.coleman@xtra.co.nz as it will be first up best dressed.

Maureen will be away at Panekiri docking but will work through the bookings as soon as she gets home so don't expect a reply as soon as you send in your email.

2 Everyone – **TVDA Flyin Trip to Te Ureweras - Reds, Rusa and Pigs**

Friday 11 – Sunday 13 December (or Monday 14th December)....

or longer as well maybe if you want!!!

These trips are for any members that want to take part so please make sure you put your name down if you are keen.

The blocks that we have pencilled in are:

Right Branch, Left Branch, Duckville, Takarua, Casino, Waihua, Ngahiramai.

Groups of 2 chopper loads (6 people) per block will be put into the blocks. Most of these blocks will have a hut (but not all, nor guaranteed), and there will certainly be a selection of game to hunt. **The price will be \$275 Per person for the chopper flight so long as you meet the gear and weight criteria as well as 3 per load.**

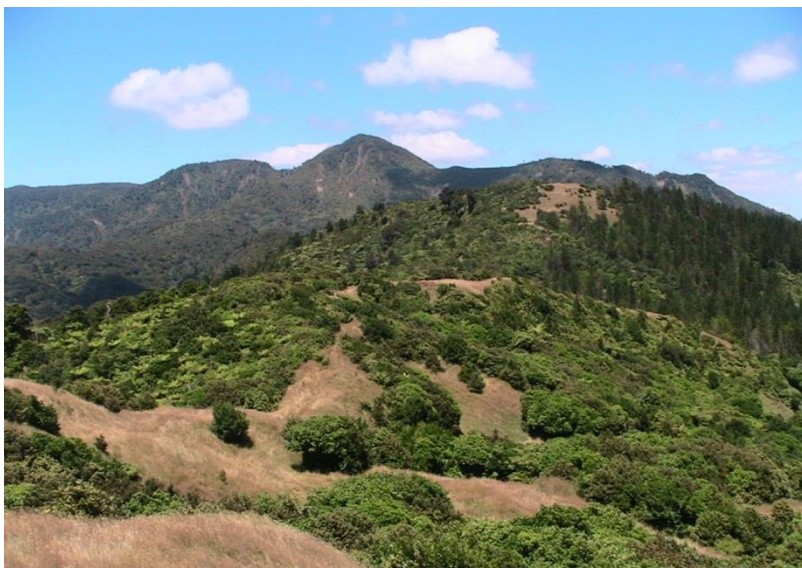
If you want to make the trip for a longer period that is no problem but you will need to advise this at the time of booking so that it can be factored into the planning.

Bookings must be made by 1 December and it is on a first in first served basis.

Contact: Maureen on 027 3337786 or email a.j.coleman@xtra.co.nz

Work on Motutapere Hut - update

The old 'Cullers Track' on the Western side of the range is now fully opened up thanks to the hard work and sweat spent by the Mike's and their helpers and a much quicker access up to the Motutapere Hut is there for the taking. This is the 'cullers track' after all so in essence it was the quickest way up onto the tops and there is some grunt and sweat required as it's got a bit of bite in the first part of it and it's pretty steep for the first part but after that, it's much easier and it's only an hour on the track and you are at the hut. This is in addition to the access road from the Tuahu Gate up through the forestry. If you are keen to head up to the hut via this route, please give Mike Deane or Mike Cook a call and they will give you directions.



Lay of the land near Motutapere Hut

On the latest working bee trip up to the hut, Mike Deane and Mike Cook have levelled up the bench and sink as well as clearing the waste pipe (so the water actually flows out of it now), tidied up on the helipad, sorted out various other jobs inside and outside the hut, given the whole hut and porch area a dose of 30 seconds in preparation for a coat of paint and stain in the summer and all in all put in a great days work up there. The work that is required relates to: levelling up the decking, fixing up the sink/bench so that the water actually runs out...., replacing slats on the bunks, recladding the mattress box to keep the vermin out, putting a storage area in the porch and just some other general tidy up work.

Mike Cook is the contact person if anyone is keen to head up to the hut to help out with upcoming jobs or if you are looking to head up that way for a hunt, please give Mike call in case he needs something dropped off or brought back afterwards. Im thinking of even just taking a couple of photos to help with planning, potentially rebait the rat bait stations etc – every little bit helps. There are still going to be a couple of weekend working bees coming up over the next few months to finish off the planned works so if this sounds like a bit of you and tie it in with a hunt at the same time please get in touch with



Mike Cook's contact details are:

Mobile: 027 4741112 or

Email: mike@2nsure.co.nz

Can you help share the workload please?

It has been suggested that in our endeavour to keep up with the various jobs that need to be done around the property and the fact that we don't want to eat into people weekends with endless working bees; that we split the jobs into 'bite sized pieces' and put it out there for people to 'tag a job that works for them'. Often people say that they are only too happy to help with various jobs but what works best is when they have a 'window of time to spare or they come down to use the range'.

So with this in mind, we have come up with a list of suggested tasks or various jobs that people can 'take ownership of' and do on an adhoc basis and when the time works for them.

With this approach, if you can please have a look through the list that we have noted down here and pick out a job or two that suits them to take care of, that would be a huge help and most certainly spread the workload immensely. If you have other ideas or thoughts – then these are most welcome too.

Can you please contact Ashleigh Dewar with your offers, suggestions or any other help that you can provide and we will get a plan in place at the next committee meeting

ashleigh_d007@hotmail.com or phone 020 40070067

- The range area (keeping the ranges tidy and mowing the area with the ride one etc (target board areas to be done as a group project when needed) (**redoing the target boards and blocks behind them would be done as a group working bee*)
- Running boar complex maintenance and upkeep
- Clubrooms and associated buildings
- Grounds and property related – someone to oversee this:
 - Stock work
 - General maintenance
 - Equipment and machinery
 - Inside the clubrooms property and the top carpark area
 - The native planting on the hillside
 - Weed spraying to be broken down into various areas:
- Health and safety
- Hut co-coordinator/s
- Trap line co-ordinator
- Overall bar manager and roster co-ordinator
- Website / facebook - moderator
- Range events co-ordinator
- Range / range officer coordinator
- Social events co-ordinator
- Club trips co-ordinator
- Hunts co-ordinator
- Newsletter editor

RANGE USE

Our range officers have all just gone through the process of being revalidated for the next three years which is a huge help to us all.

Special thanks to these members for their on-going commitment to range safety and ensuring that our events are always run in full accordance with our Range Standing Orders.

As a general FYI to all members – please make sure that regardless of what range you are using when you come up to sight rifles in, this

- **BARRIER AT THE GATE WAY must be across the driveway.... (as shown in the photo below)**

AND the

- **FLAG ON THE FLATPOLE AT THE 100m shooting mound MUST BE PUT UP.**



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These are now able to be ordered from NZDA so there are a couple of options for doing this:

- You can order them online for \$29.00 for 4 editions by clicking on this link <https://nzda.shop> and follow the process through from there.***
 - Once on this NZDA Shop page, scroll down to the bottom for the option to purchase the next 4 issues as a package.***
- Or contact Maureen and I will just go online and order them for you, and you can give me the money at club night etc.***



A very special Welcome to the New members who have joined TVDA over the last couple of months:

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| - <i>Kevin Hookey</i> | - <i>Chris Bellamy</i> |
| - <i>Sam Alderlieste</i> | - <i>Peter Kowalski</i> |
| - <i>EJ Wentzel</i> | - <i>Lukas DeHaast</i> |
| - <i>David Fryer</i> | - <i>Graeme Anderson</i> |
| - <i>Elliott Pilkinon-Brodie</i> | - <i>Damian Trownson</i> |
| - <i>Graham Dally</i> | - <i>Arie Schouten</i> |
| - <i>Ivan Kalugin</i> | |

Make sure you all have a catch up with these folks at events or on the range and make sure they are made feel very welcome – I know you will all do that anyway.

NZDA Regional Meeting being held at / hosted by TVDA

Date: Saturday 31 October

Start time: 12 noon or a catch up and BBQ lunch

Meeting Starts: 1.00pm sharp

********The Range will be closed for the entire day********

This will be an excellent opportunity to meet members from other branches and also hear what is going on within NZDA as they work hard for your rights as recreational hunters AND

Also what is planned for right on our doorstep here in the Kaimais now that \$19m has been made available....

*Please RSVP to Ashleigh Dewar by 20th October on
ashleigh_d007@hotmail.com or phone 020 40070067*

October Club Night...

We are really fortunate to have local photographer Jason Mills coming to give us some really valuable insight and tips on how to get the most out of our photos, how to add that extra little bit of class to the photos that we take and how to have that something really special to remind us just why we took the photo in the first place.



This will be an informal night and Jason really has developed the art of what helps to make a stunning photo and he's only too happy to share this with us all.

It's also not about having massive lenses and ultra expensive camera but the everyday tips that help to make the end result a work art in itself.

SWAMP COMP 2020



I have been speaking with H & F Staff and they have confirmed that the very successful SWAMP COMPETITION will be held again this year – that's great news.

It has been so successful over the last few years and I'm sure with this spring having been so mild, the results of trapping these little buggars will be right up there again this year.

If you haven't already been out there nabbing as many mustelids as possible, there is no time like the present to make a start. All you need to do is keep the tails **ONLY** in the freezer and then take them into H&W in November and each tails gives you an entry into the competition.

Now is when these horrible little killers really start to move around and create their mayhem so every one that is taken out of circulation not only saves a heap of birds and their fledglings, but it cuts down on the number of 'baby mustelids as well'.....and they breed just about as quick as rabbits so more that are taken out the better!!!

WHAT IS THE SWAMP COMP?

It's the event where hunter/conservationists trap ferrets, stoats and weasels, freeze the tails then bring them in for counting in November each year. Each tail equals a chance in the prize draws. The competition is running again in 2020 so keep trapping and collecting those tails.

WHY TRAP WETLAND PREDATORS?

We get that our endemic species evolved without the impact of predators, and that 'Predator free NZ by 2050' is the ultimate vision to protect them. What's changed is that we now need to give mallards a helping hand when they are nesting and raising broods to ensure there's a harvestable population for the next hunting season. In New

Zealand habitat degradation makes nests easier for predators to find, and of course predators here have a safe life and without our intervention could expect to die of old age.

Fish & Game's research suggests predator control could be a game changer. Alongside predator control it is believed that enhancing the breeding habitat for mallards by fencing off nesting areas, planting up dam corners or farm ponds creates nesting and brood rearing cover which provides beneficial protection for nesting mallards.

Swamp Comp details as below:

COST:	<i>Entry is FREE!</i>
WHAT:	Target stoats, ferrets or weasels. (Wild cats, rats, hedgehogs and possums killed are a bonus to the environment, but sorry, they can't be entered).
DRAWS:	Each tail = A 'ticket' in the prize draw. Draws are conducted after event closes in December. Prizes drawn in value sequence starting with the most expensive, one prize per entrant.
WHERE:	Wetland habitat where possible, but predators range over vast areas so any dead one is a good one no matter where it was trapped.
WHEN:	Year-round but predator numbers build around wetlands through the nesting season.
WHO:	The Swamp Comp is open to anyone. Need Trapping Advice - Check out www.bbem.co.nz - John Bissell.
HOW:	Remove ferret/stoat/weasel tails while they're fresh-keep tails in your freezer - Bring tails in for counting at your Hunting & Fishing New Zealand store in November (ONLY).
PAPERWORK:	Nothing to do before you bring tails in. But complete the in-store entry-form clearly and completely when your tails are counted-if we can't read it or contact you, we're forced to re-draw your prize.
DISPUTES:	Judges decision is final - some conditions may apply.

Last year there were 220 prizes given out to those who entered tails and the total prize pool was valued at over \$30,000 so this is certainly well worth the effort!!!

WANTED -

Below is a list of the known books that are still being sought for the NZDA Heritage Trust Library.

John and Dulcie Riley along with their bunch of dedicated helpers have done a wonderful job sourcing a huge collection of books but there are still some that they have not been able to track down.

If you have one or some of these or someone else has them and you are keen to see them in a safe home for years to come – please get in touch with John or Dulcie on jofre1943@gmail.com



Huge thanks for your help and consideration of assisting with this project if you are able to.

TITLE	AUTHOR
<i>Addenbrooke, Mervyn</i>	Home From The Hills
<i>Airey, Mark</i>	Spot X Game Bird Hunting
<i>Allen, Doug</i>	From North To South
<i>Allison, Col</i>	The Australian Hunter
<i>Andersson, Stellan & Akerman, Jan</i>	The Practical Gun
<i>Bannister, Charles</i>	Mount Holdsworth. Valuable hints for climbers
<i>Blackwood's Magazine</i>	No.1379 Sep 1930
<i>Blackwood's Magazine</i>	No.1525 Dec 1942
<i>Brewster, T.R.</i>	Farming & Hunting in NZ
<i>Broadmore, Tom</i>	Dog Gone & Other Stories
<i>Brown, Pam</i>	A Survival Handbook For New Zealand
<i>Butler, Kerry</i>	To Hunt In The Bush
<i>Campbell, Bruce</i>	As the River Flows By
<i>Churchill, James</i>	Field Dressing Small Game
<i>Craig, Peter</i>	Going Bush
<i>De Cleene</i>	Diary Of Deer Capture
<i>Edwards, S.H.</i>	Shooting & Shooting Bushcraft

	Fishing & Shooting Gazettes
<i>Fraser, Wayne & Davidson, Mavis</i>	Sika And Red Deer In The Kawaka Ranges
<i>Geelan, Janic & Macperson, Ross</i>	Rotary Wings
<i>Greenfield, Len</i>	Outdoors 50 1928-1978
<i>Halcyon Press Series No.2</i>	Red Deer Stalking In New Zealand
<i>Halkett, John</i>	The Native Forests Of New Zealand
<i>Hardcastle, E.</i>	The Deer Of New Zealand
<i>Harris, L</i>	New Zealander's Handloader's Manual
<i>Harris, L</i>	New Zealander's Handloader's Manual Vol 2
<i>Harris, L</i>	Notes On The Introduction Of Axis Deer In NZ
<i>Harris, L</i>	Stewart Island For White Tail Deer
<i>Henwood, Jessie</i>	Game Seekers
<i>Holden, Philip</i>	Outdoors In Australia
<i>Hovell, Hal</i>	An Old Man's Pleasure
<i>Hutchinson, R.F.</i>	Stalking In The 1920's With E.M.H
<i>Jacobs, David</i>	Field Guide For Trophy Hunters
<i>Jagger, Peter</i>	The Chain At The Tararua Peaks
<i>Kennedy, Robert Tarlton</i>	Callum
<i>Kirk, H.B. Professor</i>	The Opossum
<i>Klette, Carl</i>	Notes on the Introduction of Chamois in N.Z
<i>Kromer, Ray</i>	Sixty Sporting Years
<i>Lotze, K.</i>	Das Asprechen Des Hirsches
<i>Lowe, David</i>	At Home In The Wilderness
<i>Lurker, Norris</i>	Magnum Deer Trials
<i>MacGregor, Jill</i>	The Big Pig Hunt
<i>McKenzie, Connor</i>	A Twist In The Pig Hunters Tale
<i>McKenzie, Connor</i>	New Zealand Pig Hunting Tales
<i>McNally, Ward</i>	The Which Way Country
<i>Mills, Lindsay</i>	I Did It My Way
<i>Montford, Paul</i>	Exposure Or Hypothermia
<i>Morrison, Charger</i>	New Zealand Pig Hunting Tales

<i>Nelson, Chris</i>	My Story
<i>NZ Cullers Newsletters</i>	NZ Cullers Newsletters
<i>Paparoa National Park</i>	Paparoa National Park
<i>Parkes, Brad</i>	Dressing, Fish, Game & Seafood
<i>Pascoe, John</i>	The Mountains
<i>Rethmel, R.C. (USA)</i>	Backpacking
<i>Seawell, Bill</i>	A Guide To The Rimutaka Park
<i>Sleator, Terry & Dain, Len</i>	Voices From The Bush:The Long & Short Of It.
<i>Sorenson, Peter</i>	Rippers & Grippers
<i>Spence, John</i>	The Life and times of a Part-Time Hunter
<i>Suisted, Rob</i>	Birds Of New Zealand
<i>Suisted, Rob</i>	Landmarks Of New Zealand
<i>Suisted, Rob</i>	Majestic New Zealand
<i>Suisted, Rob</i>	Molesworth
<i>Suisted, Rob</i>	National Parks Of New Zealand
<i>Suisted, Rob</i>	Wildlife Of New Zealand
<i>Tararua Trampler Magazines</i>	Tararua Trampler Magazines
<i>Temple, Phillip</i>	The Shell Guide To The Hollyford Track
<i>The Canterbury Progress League</i>	In Canterbury With Rod & Gun
<i>The New Zealand Life</i>	10/02/1928
<i>The NZ Illustrated Magazine</i>	November. 1900
<i>The NZ Illustrated Magazine</i>	April. 1901
<i>The NZ Illustrated Magazine. May. 1901</i>	May. 1901
<i>The NZ Illustrated Magazine</i>	July. 1902
<i>The NZ Illustrated Magazine.</i>	August. 1902
<i>The NZ Illustrated Magazine</i>	Jan. 1903
<i>The NZ Illustrated Magazine</i>	Sep. 1904
<i>Westend, Peter</i>	Hunting In The Wild
<i>White, Yuileen</i>	Sixty Years Behind A Rod And Rifle
<i>Whitehead, Kenneth</i>	Hunting & Stalking Deer in Britain Through the Ages
<i>Willet, Roderick</i>	Your First Gun

SPECIAL THANKS TO....

- The team who has helped out in any way with the upcoming docking – this help has come in many forms and it's all hugely appreciated.
 - Dockers, cooks, transport providers, donations towards groceries, baking being done, helpers back home keeping things ticking over while other help out on the station and so the list goes on. You are all part of the team that makes this such a success
- Wizz for working his magic and getting the Eftpos Machine at the club back up and running after it had a hissy fit a couple of club night's ago!!!
- Matt and the girls for the fabulous job you are doing on tidying up the area where the old rabbit trap shed was and building the bon fire for afterwards!!! Getting this job done and your help is hugely appreciated thank you.
- Jack and David for the installation work that you have already done in the containers and the extra work that is scheduled for a 'rainy day' as you certainly deserve a day off in the sunshine rather than working in the containers. This work will be a massive asset all round and the awesome job you have done is a real bonus for us all.
- Wayne Bennett – aka Wayne Weedsprayer..... Wayne has very kindly come up and spent a couple of days knocking the bidibidi problem into shape and making such huge indent in getting this weed under control. When seeing the massive difference that this spraying has made I know now why the backpack just wasn't cutting the mustard. Huge thanks from us all Wayne – this work has been a godsend and such a morale booster.
- The trio of Mikes for their sterling efforts in knocking the cullers track into shape and starting work on the hut tidy up. This is a real asset for us all.
- The HUNTS team of 2020 – this is to all the mentors, helpers, property owners and presenters at various training sessions – a fantastic group for sure.
- And not by any means last on the list – but to anyone that I have missed for any reason....to everyone who has helped out with various jobs and tasks over the last few months – you are all what helps to make TVDA a place that means so much to us all. ***Thank you one and all folks.***

Mike's Famous – KIDS SURVIVAL CAMP 2021

Time is rolling around again and planning for the 2021 event is well underway.

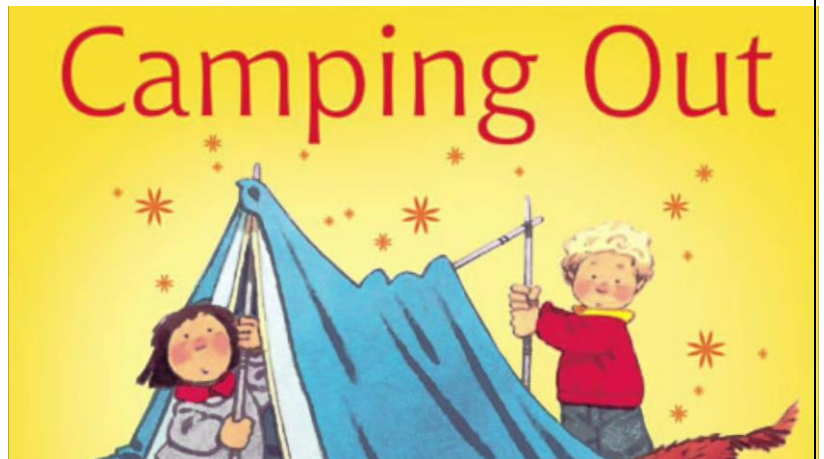
Nigel Lesley has very kindly taken on helping with the registration and camp planning with Mike to help ease the workload which is really awesome.

The camp this year will be held on the following days:

Starting on Thursday 14th January and

Finishing on Saturday 16th of January.

The general format of the Camp will be the same, it will be held at the same fantastic venue at Maratoto; there will be heaps for the kids to do and this year, it will be open for MEMBERS ONLY and a strict CUTOFF date and numbers will be applied to ensure the ongoing success of the camps.



For those who have not been before, this camp is an iconic part of our club and it sees many people who attended as kids themselves bringing the next generation back for a healthy dose of being a 'kiwi kid', getting out there and doing it and making neat friends along the way.

The general activities of the camp involve: camping, cooking over the fire, checking trap lines, swimming in the creek, catching eels, shooting, archery, novelty events, basic navigation and outdoor first aid.....and having a great time. All activities are fully supervised at all times

The Camp Registration Forms and details can be obtained by contacting Nigel Lesley at ainslea@xtra.co.nz or by phoning him 027 4823 117.

The cost of the camp is \$30.00 per person and can be paid by sending a cheque to TVDA, P O Box 206, Paeroa or direct credit to the bank account shown on the registration forms.

It will be first in first served as far as registrations go and there will be a final cutoff date of 20 December 2020 if the maximum number of attendees has not already been reached.

If the maximum number of 35 participants is registered before that date, then that is it - CLOSED.

Dear Branches

A few branches have requested confirmation that our \$10m liability insurance cover has been rolled over and for a copy of the Certificate of Currency to share with private land owners and forestry block operators where members hunt. I am pleased to inform you that:

- NZDA's current policy is in place until 4.00 pm 31 August 2020 (i.e. until Monday); and
- Our new policy then starts on 31 August 2020 to 31 August 2021.

Copies of both Certificates of Currency for 2019/20 and 2020/21 can be viewed below and downloaded here:



BusinessGuard
Combined Liability Insurance
Certificate of Currency

The following General and Products Liability Insurance has been arranged on behalf of the mentioned Insured and is subject always to the terms, conditions, endorsements, exclusions and limitations of the policy.

Insured: New Zealand Deerstalkers Association Incorporated, it's branches, and members
New Zealand Deerstalkers' Association National Heritage Trust
New Zealand Deerstalkers' Association Hunts Trust
New Zealand Deerstalkers' Association Limited Partnership and General Partner

Policy Number: CLI 401833

Policy Period: 31 August 2020 to 31 August 2021
both days at 4.00pm and subject to annual renewal thereafter as agreed

Limit of Liability:	General Liability	\$10,000,000	each occurrence
	Products Hazard	\$10,000,000	in the aggregate
	Statutory Liability	\$500,000	in the aggregate

Insurer: AIG Insurance New Zealand Limited

Signed for and on behalf of
AIG Insurance New Zealand Limited



Authorised Person
Issued on 28 August 2020



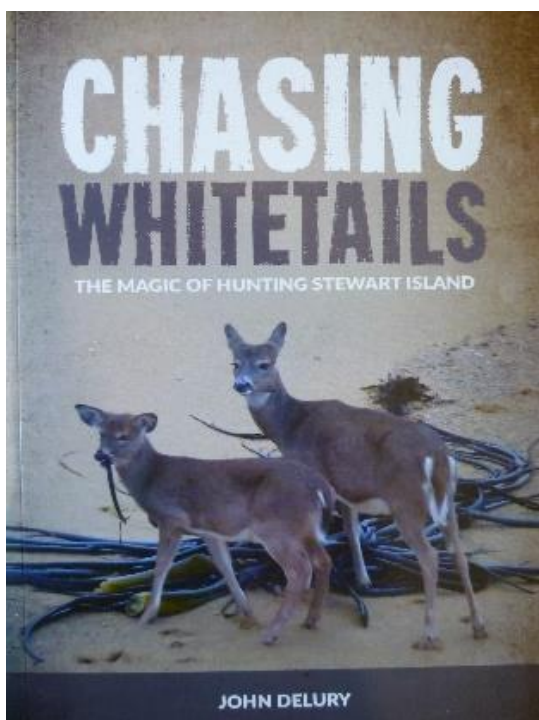
To secure our rights as firearms owners
and a future for our sport, what we value
and a future for this country post Covid -
Vote for Change



Make sure you get your voting done ahead of time if you are not going to be near a polling booth on Election Day – Saturday 17th October

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

Bow hunters Corner



Next club day is Sunday 11th October 2020

2020 Final

Pine Ridge

October 11

The Final of the Kiwi 3D is being held this weekend at Pine Ridge

BUT it will still ALSO BE CLUB DAY AT TVDA on Sunday 11th October so don't despair and think you have missed a club day because of this.

TWILIGHT – the Bowhunters team have already set up the Twilight Bowhunters Course for the season and it's all ready to go.

The Bowhunters twilight will kick off a couple of weeks prior to the shotguns side of it starting so come on along and enjoy some time on a Thursday evening with mates and get in practice for the upcoming events or maybe some time out there in the hills chasing game as well.



The Start Date for **BOWHUNTERS**
TWILIGHT only is **Thursday 22nd**
October

TAUPO BRANCH PRIZE SHOOT

Saturday 7th NOV
2020



JACK DILLON
MOUNTAIN

OFF NAPIER / TAUPO HIGHWAY AT THE FOOT OF MT TAUHARA

MEMORIAL RANGE,
ROAD, TAUPO

REGISTRATIONS: 8.30AM UNTIL LAST DETAIL ON MOUND.
SHOOT COMMENCES 9.30AM

INCLUDING: TAUPO GRADED SHOOT
TAUPO" BIG BALLS HUNTER CLASS"

ENTRY FEES: PER EVENT

\$30.00 SENIOR

\$15.00 JUNIOR [UNDER 18]

FORMAT: PRIZE SHOOT;
100 METRE CENTREFIRE OR RIMFIRE,
FOUR POSITIONS, 20 SHOTS, GRADED A TO D
THREE MINUTES UNLIMITED SIGHTERS

BIG BALLS HUNTER CLASS;
SEE ATTACHED DETAILS.

RULES: GRADED SHOOT:
AND
BIG BALLS HUNTER CLASS
TAUPO RULES APPLY.

CAMPING; FREE ON RANGE. NO CAMP SITE POWER POINTS
PLENTY OF ROOM WITH KITCHEN AND TOILET FACILITIES
NO DOGS
FREE MORNING AND AFTERNOON TEA
FREE HOT PORK, VENISON, OR HOGGET SANDWICHES
AFTER SHOOT

BIG BALLS HUNTER CLASS RULES

HIGHEST SCORES

\$50 1ST,

\$30 2ND,

\$20 3RD,

**COURTESY OF GREAT LAKE TANNERY
PLUS PRIZE TABLE FOR ALL ENTRIES**

5 SHOTS, 4 POSITIONS:

**SHOOTER CAN ELECT TO SHOOT A LESS STABLE POSITION IF DESIRED.
NON- GRADED:**

NO SIGHTERS:

MAX RIFLE WEIGHT: 9LB / 4K

**HUNTING RIFLES WITH FACTORY OR SIMILAR BARREL PROFILES
NOT VARMINT PROFILES**

SCOPE SET TO A MAXIMUM POWER OF 9X

**MIN MUZZLE ENERGY : 1940 FTLB : IE 243, 100GR, 3000FPS
TAUPO RESERVES THE RIGHT TO TEST LOADS**

**NO TARGET EQUIPMENT : IE, JACKETS, ELBOW PADS,
SHOOTING HATS GLOVES ETC**

NO RESTS OR BI-PODS

**NO SINGLE POINT SLINGS, 2 POINT SLINGS O K :
IF USED MUST BE ATTACHED IN POSITIONS**

ENQUIRIES ; PHONE KATH KEELEY 0210354455/073780150

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RATES QUOTED FOR

NZ Deerstalkers Association

Group Booking Reference: **FA5474**

The below rates are based on prices to date, inclusive of GST and subject to availability.

Fares:

	Peak Each Way
Adult	\$52.00
Child	\$25.00
Motorcycle	\$50.00
Campervan/Motorhome up to 5.5mt	\$170.00
Additional half metre	\$42.00
Car/Ute/Van/4WD/trailer up to 5.5mt	\$137.00 each
Additional half Metre	\$22.00
Plus Lounge	\$55.00 18yrs plus

Peak Dates: 19 – 28 April 20

Fares:

	Off Peak Each Way
Adult	\$47.00
Child	\$25.00
Motorcycle	\$40.00
Campervan/Motorhome up to 5.5mt	\$145.00
Additional half metre	\$37.00
Car/Ute/Van/4WD/trailer up to 5.5mt	\$124.00 each
Additional half Metre	\$20.00
Plus Lounge	\$55.00 18yrs plus

Off Peak Dates: 01 March – 3 April 2020; and 28 April – 11 December 2020

Group Booking conditions and instructions for members are:

- Reservations can be made directly with Interislander online at <https://www.greatjourneysofnz.co.nz/members-fares>
- by entering FA5474 into the group discount code box.
- Space is subject to availability at the time of the booking request.
- Bookings are 90% refundable if cancelled up to 1 hour before departure.
- Date and time changes allowed up to 1 hour before departure without penalty, subject to availability.
- **NZDA membership card to be shown at check-in or full retail fare will be charged. Membership card to be in the name of the person travelling.**
- Fares subject to change with notification.
- If booking from outside NZ you will need to request your booking be made via email.
- Rates valid for travel 01 February through to 11 December 2020
- **Please note that no discount applies 19 December 2020 through to and including 31 January 21**

CANCELLED



ECOLAB®

TVDA Anniversary Cup

100 Sporting Targets

Thames Valley District Championships

~~Sunday 1st November 2020 – 8.30am start~~

THIS EVENT HAS BEEN CANCELLED

***due to the uncertainty over Covid and the
planning required for these events***



Sender:
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