

THE SOUTHERN HUNTER



Best Other Wildlife Photo Doug Gordon

Southland Branch NZDA News Letter

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Club Hunts S. McKelvie T Mead T Duggan .

Guest speakers A Nesbit

Areas of interest

S/Island/S. Coast R. Phillips,

Hokonuis A Horan A Nesbit

Greenstone/Caples N Dawson

Blue Mountains D Gordon

Fiordland R. Phillips, S. Robinson.

Longwoods R. Phillips.

South Island Access Committee A Nesbit

Presidents Report



Bull Thar Landsbrough Valley” The One that Got Away”

Well a month has passed and there's a fair bit going on, National Conference Coming up in August, getting all organized for that Also Regional meeting on the 3rd of August that the Southland Branch is hosting so a couple of big events coming up.

Had a few great ideas for guest speakers so far keep them coming, if you no someone that you think might have a good story to tell or a retailer that you think could bring some new products along to speak about give them a polite nudge our way.

The Thar trip hasn't happened yet with the weather window not suiting the window of not working if there's interest I'm keen to reschedule some part before August or look at a Jan or Feb trip. On that note any ideas for hunts are welcome contact myself Tomas Mead or Tomas Duncan.

A Fair bit of effort has gone in around the hall Re Hanging the heads, Levelling the carpark out and hooking up an overflow to the water tank, I'd like to thank all those involved great way to get to no some new faces. Were still working with the national office on membership issues please if you do have issues ring national office. Hopefully everyone is keeping up to date with the government buy back scheme and walking access they are both very influential subjects to our sport and what and where we may be able to go hunting in the future.

I hope everyone is getting a chance to get out for a hunt winter can be a challenging time to hunt deer as they seem to move around a lot less , Hunt smarter not harder would be my advise look for the sunny faces and sheltered valleys. And get out there and have a crack .

Cheers Shaun Mckelvie

Wanted

Stories, adds, letters to the editor, or whatever for the newsletter, send to or contact the editor.

Guest Speaker's needed, Ideas wanted, who do you want, names needed, suggestions to Executive .

NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome them.

Adam Miller,

Club Hunts

All hunts for Southland Branch NZDA Members (with full NZDA membership) as Public liability Insurance required).

None Advertised



Editorial

Hi All

I am just back from a cruise around some pacific islands had a good time, the scenery not quite what expected at times.



No it's not Stewart Island though this spot reminds me of it very much of it though a bit warmer and no Deer. It was Port Vila in Vanautu. Or did you spot the coconut palm tree mid picture. Unfortunately in a lot of places when you looked there was rubbish that needed removed, the beauty being only skin deep. On one island plastic rubbish had been partly burned on the road side in the wharf area.

On the 13th of this month a memorandum of understanding is going to be signed to formalise the commitment to predator free Rakiura on Stewart Island. With National President Trevor Chappell signing on behalf of NZDA. This is a step towards preventing the decline in the quality of the plant and wildlife on the Island that is currently supported by the NZDA as it does not include the removal of Deer.

Doug Gordon

Unpaid Subs

All Members who have not paid their Subs need be aware that you have only received this newsletter as I have no up to date Records of who has paid with E-mail addresses to go from. (An another effect of the National Office membership mess)

So arrange payment now (even if you have not actually received an account). Phone **04 499 6163**

Benefits of Membership

This is a reminder that you have to be a full member Southland Branch to get public liability insurance and all the other benefits of membership of Southland Branch NZDA. Including any branch organised event, there is now an unacceptable risk associated with having those without insurance on branch organised activities, times have changed.

(Associate and Affiliate membership having being removed from the Branch classes of membership at the AGM)

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Joke of the month

An elderly man in Queensland had owned a large property for several years. He had a dam in the next paddock, where he built a nice BBQ and included picnic tables as well. He also planted some Mango and Avocado trees.

The dam was properly shaped and fixed up for swimming when it was built. One evening the old farmer decided to go down to the dam, as he hadn't been there for a while, to check it out. He grabbed a 5 gallon bucket to bring back some fruit.

As he neared the dam, he heard voices shouting and laughing with glee. As he came closer he saw it was a bunch of young women skinny-dipping in his dam. He made the women aware of his presence and they all went to the deep end. One of the women shouted to him, "We're not coming out until you leave".

The old man frowned and said "I Didn't come down here to watch you ladies swim naked or make you get out of the dam naked". Holding up the bucket he said

"I'm here to feed the crocodile".

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