

THE SOUTHERN HUNTER



Winning Photo Topical Shaun McKelvie

Southland Branch NZDA News Letter August 2018

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Meeting Wednesday 15th August 8pm

Executive Meeting 7.00 pm

Guest Speaker

Sorry the one we hoped to have is no longer available.

Will e-mail if we find one **Any Ideas Members**

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Guest speakers	
Areas of interest	
S/Island/S. Coast	R. Phillips, S. Robinson.
Hokonuis	-----
Greenstone/Caples	N. Dawson.
Blue Mountains	N. Dawson,
Fiordland	R. Phillips, S. Robinson.
Longwoods	R. Phillips.



Presidents Report

Hi All.

Not long to go now and we will be on the other side of winter and into some spring hunting. This year's winter hasn't been so bad for Southland, but I am sure it's not over yet. A lot better than some of the news reports we have had regarding 1080. With the contractor dumping 1080 on Stewart Island to protesters having their say. This is an ongoing issue we are going to have strong opinions about for a very long time. This is going to be interesting to see what outcome is in store for the contractor. Very appalling for us as hunters who believed that the 1080 was being applied in bait stations. We have to ask just how long and how often has this happened and where. The Department has also been active in this dumping as well, in larger volumes around the country. This kind of activity needs to be questioned, regardless of anyone's views on the matter.

Last month Adam Cowie spoke about his company, Animal Skin Tanning Service. Was great of him to give his time to speak to us. Some of the samples were of top quality and showed us his service is of a very high standard and well worth the investment. Adam also gave us some tips regarding preparation before dropping your skin in to him. When we have these speakers please make sure you come along and support them, they are giving up their time and come with a huge amount of knowledge, advice and stories they are willing to share.

Up and coming club hunt.

Wallaby hunt in spring. Date's to be confirmed. These wallaby's always provide some great hunting for the novice and the expert among us. I have even seen some experts become novices in one weekend.

Steve Robinson

New Members Please Welcome them

Paul Howden, Jeffrey Shaw, Shaun Waddel, Elliot Wilson, Andrew Braven



Editorial

Among other things in the news is access across Station/ Run land to Doc Estate.

Firstly there is the Hunter Valley where people report access issues, but when a TV crew turn up they are let right in. Which proves nothing, what would have been the response if the land owner didn't know it as a TV crew or it had been some one wanting access for hunting. The TV crew needed to covertly ask for access before it becomes meaningful (especially for hunting). Then there is MT White Stn. where there is to be no chance to access (whatever there is currently going to continue). At least the issue of access made the news regarding this sale!

Access is one of the basic requirements for hunting, unless one likes looking over ones shoulder while hunting. Something I can't see the point in doing as I want to enjoy the hunt. As I hunt for enjoyment and relaxation. Not for profit which is typical of those who poach.

Access has become a problem since the animals we hunt have been given value. This is compounded by the rich who buy land so they can have exclusive use of it for their relaxation. More can be done when land is retired in Land Tenure reviews in the way of improving access. The question must be asked how much does the government want the public to extensively access Crown owned land. Some would prefer it locked up never to again be seen by humans (except for themselves examining what is there and counting it to determine if it is increasing or decreasing).

For all the above which is out of control how much is access restricted as the result of abuse of access in the past. Vehicle tracks into swamps, just to see how far one can go, shot op signs, discarded rubbish. Gates left open and stock disturbed. None of this helps. Yes it is not all hunters' especially recreational hunters.

Unfortunately a few bad eggs spoil it for all. Any hoon with or without a gun, to some is a typical hunter. Don't be one that is spoiling what we have, we need to be united in behaving well. Here the NZDA needs to be leading the way standards need to be maintained!

Doug Gordon

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

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Subs. are due as from January 1st ,if you have not received an account as yet please E MAIL National Office membership@deerstalkers.org.nz or phone them on 04-4996163

As the Branch now operates through the centralised membership system ALL new and renewal subscriptions must be made through the national office not the Branch.

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This reminder is being put out as some members have paid direct to the branch account, as the account is not now checked on a regular basis for membership renewal a time lag will occur before any incorrect payments are picked up, and then forwarded onto Wellington.

For members renewing their memberships just pay to Wellington on the invoice that they send out to you ,DO NOT fill in a new application form as this just leads to a lot of double ups

Notice for members

If you change your address or your contact details like email address you must notify the Branch and the National office.

If we do not have correct contact details how can we keep you informed from the branch, and national office cannot send out membership cards or the magazines, so it is important to have correct Postal as well as Email Addresses.

The Newsletter Editor is sick of chasing people who fail to notify changes of E-mail address, there seems to be new ones most time something is mailed out!!

The Branch e-mail address is on the front page of this newsletter!

Reminder for subscription renewal for the 2018/2019 year
Members please wait until you receive an invoice from National Office and then pay on that, these will come out in early February,

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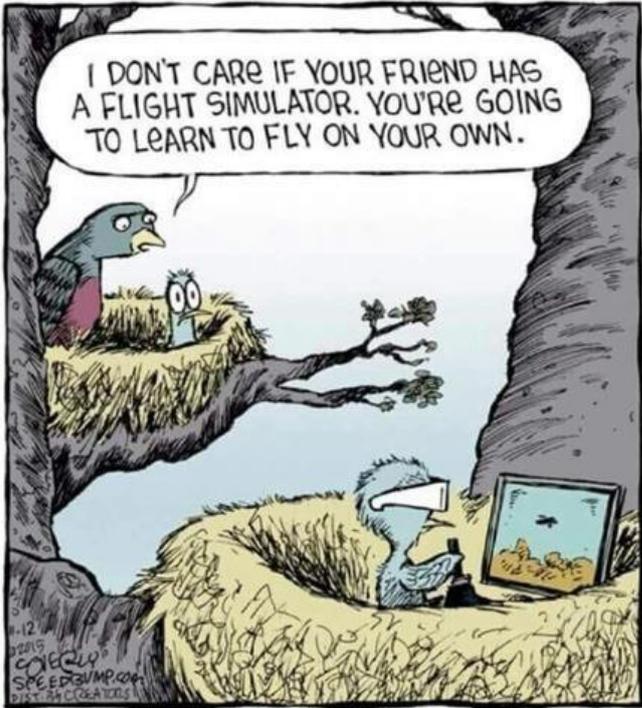
Alan Harrison was a well-known wapiti hunter who bagged many fine trophies. He was a man of strong moral values and never hunted on another person's block even though he seen a fine trophy across the boundary of his block.

Returning from a hunt to the sounds the weather closed in and the aircraft could not pick them up. Torrential rain and wind prevented them from collecting sea food. Supplies were running low. Alan said to his mates if you're going to the toilet more than once a week you're eating far too much.

Might be a bit of advice for future hunters.

Dave Asher

Joke of the Month



off the mark .com

by Mark Parisi



See below another chance for you to comment on the use of poison

Good afternoon,

WE ARE NOW INVITING FEEDBACK ON OUR 2019 NATIONAL PLAN FOR TBFREE PEST CONTROL OPERATIONS.

The consultation document and details about how to make a submission are available at ospri.co.nz/have-your-say.

The document outlines the proposed pest control operations in support of the National Pest Management Plan for 2019. It also explains the approach taken by OSPRI in relation to engagement for the TBfree programme.

The consultation period runs through to 30 September 2018 and there are a number of ways to make a submission, including an online submission form. During the consultation period we will be meeting with key stakeholder groups and interest groups to get their feedback on the document. If you would like to be part of these discussions please contact us.

OSPRI believes that it is important to undertake effective and timely consultation. This will provide an opportunity for people and organisations interested in, or affected by, our pest control operations including landowners and land users, farmers, hunters and recreational land users to discuss any concerns they may have regarding the proposed operations.

If you have any immediate questions or comments please contact consultation@ospri.co.nz. We encourage you to share this with relevant or other interested stakeholders.



Regards,

The team at OSPRI

Find out more about the TBfree programme?

The TBfree programme aims to eradicate bovine TB from New Zealand by 2055, with key milestones of TB eradication from cattle and deer by 2026 and from possums by 2040. For more details see the [OSPRI website](#).

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Red Stag lodge after a good frost

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