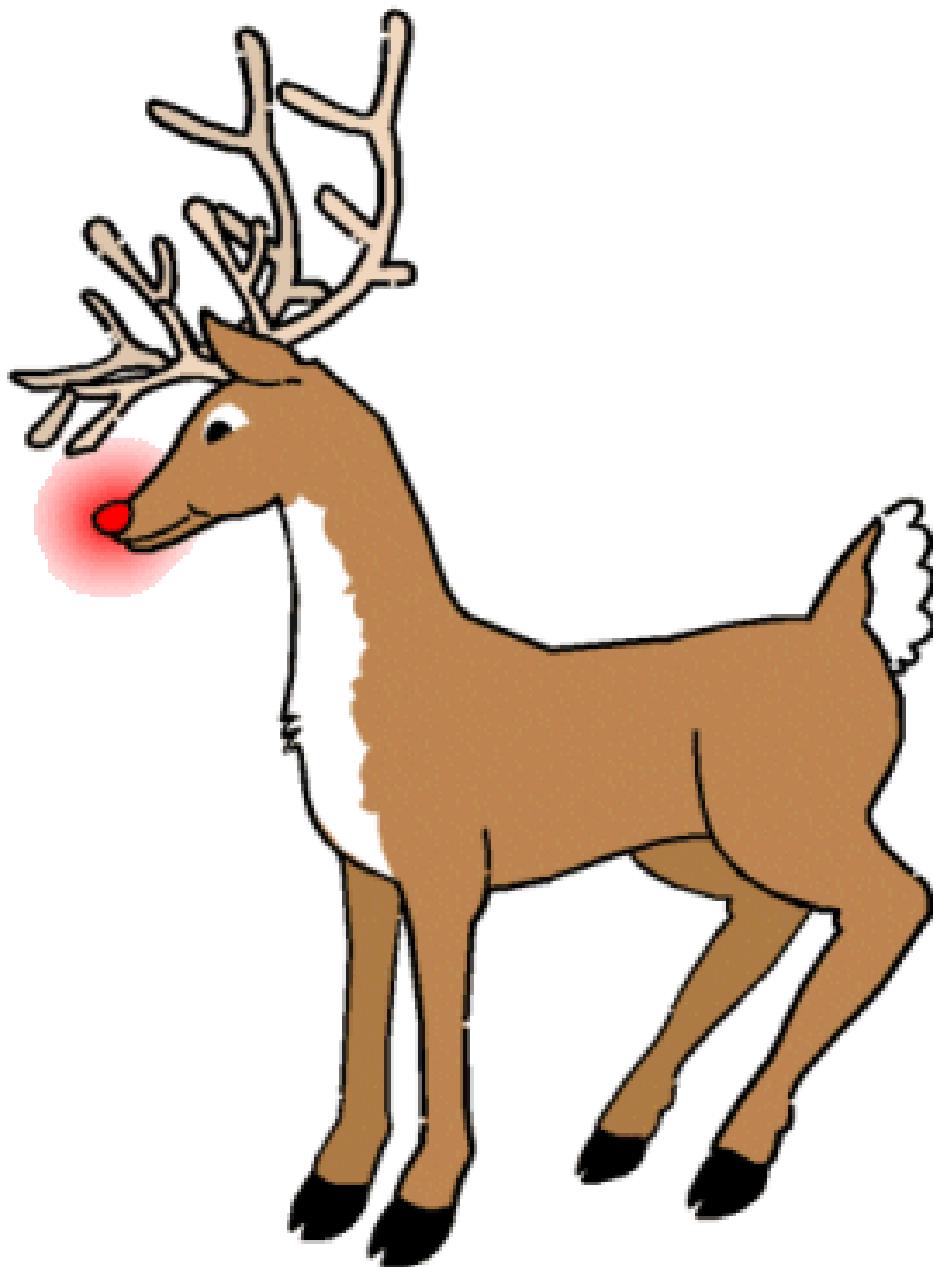




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Next Social: Christmas shoot and BBQ



“The Tines”

Rotorua Branch Newsletter December 2008



Rotorua N.Z.D.A. Branch Calendar

Ring coordinators for more information.
Phone numbers listed on inner back page.

Calendar of the Club's regular monthly events:

Committee Meeting	Last Monday of each month
Range Shoots*	3rd Sunday of each month
Socials	4th Wednesday of each month
Party Hunts**	4th Weekend of each month

* Regular Club Hunting & Trophy Shoots. For extra range shoots and 300 metre shoots please refer to Yearly Range Calendar.

**Some Party Hunts may be on different dates, see programme.

Our programme for this month:

Party Hunts	Resume in 2009. For information, contact Darryn on 348 4496
Socials	Christmas shoot and BBQ December 14 th , 10.00am Shooting Range – BBQ starts at 1pm (BBQ at Neil Hunt park if weather is bad).
Range Shoot	Range itinerary 2008 in this issue: Contact Malcolm Perry.

Cover Photo: All deerstalkers are asked not to shoot any deer looking like this during the Christmas period! Take special note if you happen to go spotlighting at Christmas Eve! To find out more about Rudolf – read on.

If you have a photograph that would be suitable for the cover please contact the Newsletter editor, Elvis Bowring on 350 3230 or ebowring@gmail.com.

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Presidents Report

Hello,

2008 has been a fantastic year for the Rotorua Branch. We have had the luxury of a very strong focused committee. The main focus for the branch was the organisation of the National Conference held in Rotorua in July. There are always some things we could have done better which is a part of the learning process, however we can share our learning's with other branch's that hold the conference. The last time it was held here was 40 years ago. I can confidently say that Rotorua Conference 2008 was a huge success.

In August we had the club annual prize giving and although not a lot of heads were entered this year the function was well attended. A great night was had by all and it was heartening to have the support for a year that did not produce a lot of heads.

Once the conference was over our attention turned to the Hunts Course. Thirteen people from all walks of life took on the challenge of the programme. They learnt all sorts of bush skills associated with hunting and the great outdoors, the programme concluded with a weekend at Sika Lodge, Clements Road. Although I was not involved with the Hunts Course as I was in Australia, the rest of the committee helped at some point.

On the club front, the clubroom kitchen is taking on a new look. We have gutted it with the intention of modernising and creating more space. We had the first extraordinary meeting held in years to pass rule changes for the clubs charitable status in October. We also had the first party hunt in November. We went to Sika Lodge again and had a great time in comfortable surroundings. The range has also been evolving with the tireless dedication of Malcolm Perry. The 300m mound has been covered, tires have been put up between the NZDA and Pistol Club and covered with dirt, most of this manual labour. Also more flax's and toitoi planted in the boggy areas behind the club in conjunction with EBOP.

As you can see the club has achieved a lot in 2008. I know I've learnt a lot from the people I have shared the experiences with. If you have been thinking of getting more involved in the committee make 2009 your year. Don't just sit back anymore. There are too many groups wanting to take our deer, pigs and guns away from us or at least make it harder to do what we enjoy.

I look forward to meeting you in the new year at a social or enter your head in the annual competition no matter how small or big. Remember if it is a good head, do not cut the skull off and take a photo of where it fell. It could be worth entering in the National Competition.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, Darryn

Congratulations to Malcolm Perry

The NZDA Committee, on behalf of all members, would like to congratulate Malcolm Perry on receiving a “Service to Sport Award”, presented to him from Sport Waikato at the South Waikato District Sports Awards – Well done Malcolm.



ROTORUA DEER STALKERS 2008 RANGE CALENDAR

Date		Day	Shoot
December	7 th	Sunday	300m shoot
	14 th	Sunday	Christmas Shoot .22cal novelty fun shoot for all the family 300m and small bore people most welcome
2009			
January	18th	Sunday	Rimfire - Metallic silhouette
February	15 th	Sunday	Centrefire - Deer silhouette 300M, 200M, 100M, 50M. 8 rounds of ammo per run through.

For further info, contact: malcolmperry@clear.net.nz

Smallbore shoots, contact: Jon Abbott on 345 7112

About Reindeer

Reindeer are a species of deer located in the Arctic regions of the world. The largest Reindeer can reach up to four feet high at the shoulder and weigh as much as 250 pounds. It is believed that there are no longer any wild Reindeer, the entire species seeming to have been domesticated. Each Reindeer can pull up to twice its own weight, making it an ideal animal for pulling a sleigh loaded down with any amount of cargo. Reindeer were first domesticated approximately 2000 years ago and, in the Arctic Circle, the Lapps would herd them in much the same way as other nations herded cattle. Reindeer are well-adapted to living in cold regions and under rugged conditions, able to smell-out food even when it is buried under deep snow. Reindeer have large broad hooves which act like snowshoes to support them over snowy and boggy ground. These hooves emit a "clicking" sound as the animal walks, caused by a tendon in the foot rubbing against a bone. The coat of the Reindeer consists of thick fur and stiff hairs which protect them from the worst of the weather. A thick woolly undercoat keeps out the deep cold by trapping air near the skin. These thick coats are also waterproof and, during migration, Reindeer are able to cover vast distances, crossing both rivers and lakes, in search of favourable feeding grounds. The calves are born in early Summer and have the ability to run almost from the moment they are born...a necessary trait if they are going to keep up with their mothers. The antlers of a male Reindeer are larger than those of the female and are palmate at the top...akin to open hands. An antler span of four feet has been recorded.

The Reindeer driven by Santa Claus are the only known flying Reindeer in existence, believed to have been endowed with the power of flight by virtue of magic corn given to Kris Kringle by a great and wonderful wizard. Through this magic corn, the strength of the Reindeer is increased threefold, their stamina increased to infinity and their hooves can manipulate the air as though it were solid ground. Thus, a complement of nine Reindeer would be able

to pull a sleigh brimming with 13,500 pounds of toys for an unlimited amount of time.

About Rudolph

"Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" is perhaps the most modern of all Christmas symbols and certainly the most familiar of Reindeer, even though he was not a member of Santa's original team. Created in 1939 by a 34-year old copywriter named Robert L. May, Rudolph was the product of a request made by May's employer, Montgomery Ward, which wanted a Christmas story it could use as a promotional tool for its chain of department stores. The Chicago-based company had been buying and distributing colouring books for children at Christmas for many years and the idea of creating a giveaway booklet of its own was perceived to be an excellent means of saving money. May, who had a penchant for writing children's stories and limericks, was called upon to create the booklet.

Originally in poetry form, May composed the tale about a misfit reindeer by drawing, in part, upon "The Ugly Duckling" concept and May's own childhood experience of being subjected to frequent taunting due to his small, slight stature and his tendency toward shyness. Thus, May settled upon the idea of an underdog who is ostracized by the rest of the reindeer community because of his physical abnormality...a glowing red nose. In search of an alliterative name for his misfit, May considered and rejected "Rollo" as being too cheerful and carefree. He also rejected "Reginald," feeling it to be too British in nature, before finally deciding upon "Rudolph."

The story was written as a series of rhyming couplets which May tested on his 4-year old daughter Barbara as he went along. Barbara was delighted with the story, but May's employer feared that a tale featuring a red nose...an image usually associated with drinking and drunkards...might prove unsuitable for a Christmas story. May responded by taking Denver Gillen, a friend from Montgomery Ward's art department, to

the Lincoln Park Zoo in order that Gillen could sketch some deer. Gillen's illustrations of a red-nosed reindeer overcame the hesitancy of May's employer and the Rudolph story was approved. That first year (1939), Montgomery Ward distributed 2.4 million copies of May's booklet, and although the wartime paper shortage curtailed printing for the following several years, a grand total of 6 million copies had been given to children by the end of 1946.

The post-war demand for licensing the Rudolph character was enormous but, since May had created the tale as an employee of Montgomery Ward, the company had possession of the copyright and May received no royalties. Deeply in debt due to the medical bills resulting from his wife's terminal illness (she passed away around the time Rudolph was created), May persuaded his employer's Corporate President, Sewell Avery, to turn over the copyright to him in January of 1947. With the rights to his creation in hand, May's financial security was assured.

Later that year, "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" was printed commercially and, in 1948, was shown in theaters as a 9-minute cartoon. The Rudolph phenomenon really caught on, however, when Johnny Marks, May's brother-in-law and songwriter, penned the lyrics and melody for a Rudolph song. This musical version of Rudolph's tale was recorded by Gene Autry in 1949. It sold two million copies during its first year and went on to become one of the best-selling songs of all time...second only to "White Christmas." In 1964, an American television special about Rudolph, narrated by Burl Ives, was produced and remains a constant holiday favourite to this day.

May quit his job in 1951 and spent the next seven years managing his creation. He then returned Montgomery Ward, where he worked until his retirement in 1971. May died in 1976, comfortable in the life that his misfit reindeer character had provided for him.

Although the story of Rudolph is best-known through the lyrics of Marks' song, May's initial rendition of the tale differs substantially in many ways. The original Rudolph was not one of Santa's reindeers nor was he the offspring of any of Santa's reindeers. Rudolph did not dwell at the North Pole but rather lived elsewhere in an "ordinary" reindeer village. Although in May's story Rudolph was taunted and ridiculed for his shiny, red nose, he was not considered by his parents as a shameful embarrassment. Rudolph was raised in a loving reindeer household and was a responsible little fellow with a good self-image and sense of worth.

In addition, the original Rudolph did not rise to fame when Santa singled him out from the rest of the reindeer herd because of his shiny, red nose. Rudolph was discovered quite by accident when Santa noticed the glow emanating from Rudolph's room while the kindly old gift-giver was delivering presents to Rudolph's house. Concerned that the thickening fog...already the cause of several accidents and delays...would keep him from completing his Christmas Eve deliveries, Santa called upon Rudolph to lead the team of reindeer, observing upon their safe return:

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Without you, I'm certain we'd all have been lost!"

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Seasons greetings and a safe holidays.

Rotorua Range Report for November 2008

Saturday 1st - Taupo Prize Shoot, if only we could get this good a turnout on our own range, 13 Rotorua Members, only 3 short of the host branch attendance.

Rotorua members achievements; Brenda Perry 1st place; Hilary Heard 3rd; Malcolm Perry 7th; Rod Hill 1st B grade 9th O/A; Malcolm Gillice 3rd B Grade; Garth Piper 9th B Grade; Carol Gillice 13th B Grade; Merv Heard 6th C Grade; Andrew Perry 14th B Grade; Grant Piper 3rd D Grade; Kelvin Acutt 4th D Grade; Tracey McRae 8th D Grade; Linley Perry 15th D Grade;.

As we have come to expect at Taupo the weather was fine (in spite of forecast) and everybody went home with a prize, many thanks Taupo.

Sunday 2nd - 300M shoot.

Haven't yet confirmed if this event took place as there are no results where I normally find them.

Sunday 9th - Rotorua Smallbore 50M shoot.

Sunday 16th - should have been 2nd day of King Cup I was there but no body else turned up so I did some work instead.

Sunday 23rd - Smallbore 50M shoot.

Also on Sat. & Sun. 22nd & 23rd was the North Island Championship Shoot hosted by South Waikato Branch, and Brenda made up for some of her disappointment in Brisbane by having a clean sweep of all the trophies even with most of her fellow team members with all their high tech. gear also present, well done Brenda.

Coming Events;
 Only two left for the year.
 Sunday 7th 300M shoot.
 Sunday 14th Christmas Novelty .22 Shoot, A chance for all the family to have some fun. All 300M and Smallbore people welcome, a few loan rifles available for those that do not own a .22.

2009 program, N.Z.D.A. shoots will still be on 3rd weekend generally but will not follow structured competition format, instead will alternate between R/f metallic silhouette and C/F deer silhouette. We will run this for several months and see what sort of response we get on that basis the first two shoots in New Year are;

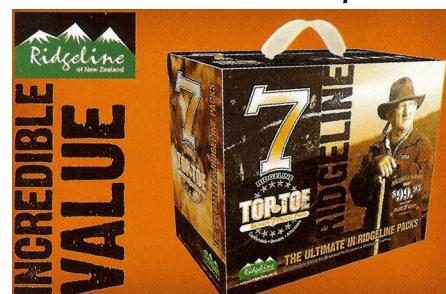
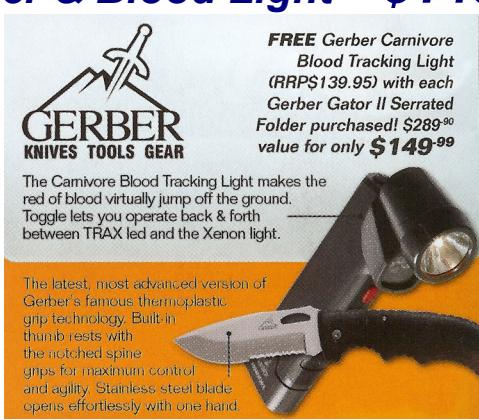
Sunday 18th Jan. R/F Metallic silhouette
 Sunday 15th Feb. C/F Deer silhouette 300M, 200M, 100M, 50M 8 rounds of ammo per run through.

Time to Reload,
 Malcolm.



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NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS 2008

HOSTED BY SOUTH WAIKATO ON THEIR T.S.S.C. RANGE. November 21st and 22nd.

Saturday was the R/F 3P match at 50 & 100m. Weather was fine but the wind was tricky especially for R/F.

First match 50m Prone and top 4 all on 99 were Grant Botting (TPO); Mike Bailey (TPO); Brian Lambert (S/WAIK); Sue Gavin (S/WAIK).

Next up 50M Kneeling Top 3 , Grant Botting 96; Brenda Perry, (ROT) 94; Colin Curreen (S/WAIK) 91.

50M Stand; Top 3, Brenda Perry, 90; Grant Botting, 89; Colin Curreen, 81.

Short Range Aggregate; Grant Botting, 284; Brenda Perry, 281; Hilary Heard (ROT) 272.

After lunch and swapping ranges, the 100m session started.

100M Prone, Colin Curreen, 94.01; John Pearce (S/WAIK) 94.01; Mike Bailey, 93.01.

100M Kneel, Colin Curreen, 92.01; Mike Bailey, 90.01; John Pearce, 88.02.

100M Stand, Brenda Perry, 90.03; Mike Bailey, 85; Grant Botting, 83.01.

Long Range Aggregate, Colin Curreen 269.02, Mike Bailey, 268.02; Brenda Perry, 267.04.

R/F Grand Aggregate; Brenda Perry, 548.04; Grant Botting, 544.03; Colin Curreen, 538.02.

Sunday C/F 4P @ 100M. The rain that had been forecast did not eventuate, but gusty winds at times would have everybody hold their fire for a minute or two till it settled down again. As was the case on Saturday we had 16 shooters which is down on last year.

Top 3 100M prone; Brenda Perry, 100.08; Mark Poots (TPO) 100.07; Grant Botting, 100.03. Close scoring and Brenda setting out to make she has a good hold on this match.

C/F 100M Sit. Brenda Perry, 99.03; Hilary Heard, 97.02; Grant Botting, 95.03; Sue

Gavin, 95.03; You've sure got to watch these girls.

100M Kneel, Bryn Blythen (WGRI) 93; Brian Lambert, 92.01; Brenda Perry, 91.02.

Standing. Brenda Perry, 90.01; Colin Curreen, 85.00; Hilary Heard, 85.00; those girls again.

Centre Fire Total, Brenda Perry, 380.14; Bryn Blythen, 369.09; Colin Curreen, 369.07; those extra 1 or 2 inners can be crucial.

Trophies and Medals were awarded as follows; Rimfire Aggregate Trophy; Brenda Perry, 548.04.

Centrefire Aggregate Trophy; Brenda Perry, 380.14.

Combined Aggregate awards are;

North Island Championship Trophy; and 3 medals; Gold, Brenda Perry, 928.18; Silver medal, Grant Botting, 908.10; Bronze Medal,,Colin Curreen, 907.09.

North Island Ladies Trophy; Brenda Perry, 928.18; Hilary Heard, 869.06; Sue Gavin,865.08.

A Teams Trophy,Taupo, Botting, Bailey, Poots, 4272.36.

There are also certificates for grade placings in the grand Agg. As follows;

A Grade, 1st B. Perry; 2nd G. Botting; 3rd, C. Curreen.

B Grade, 1st B. Lambert; 2nd G. Farrow; 3rd I. Checkly (Bush)

C. Grade 1st Wendy Farrow.

Congratulations to all the place getters.

We did have one protest which due to an observant committee member was able to be resolved in the shooters favour. Many thanks to the disputes committee for their work.

A big thank you to Sandi Curreen, who single handedly marked all the targets and with the help of her computer collated all the scores in very short order, a real timesaver at the end of the day.

Malcolm Perry.

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From Head Office - December 2008

FOR BRANCH ADMINISTRATORS

1. OVERDUE ACCOUNTS - Enclosed in the mail to the branches that have outstanding invoices. It would be appreciated if these could be settled as soon as possible.

2. INVOICES NZ HUNTING & WILDLIFE 162 - Enclosed in the mail. Please pay these as soon as possible as the Association has already had to pay NZ Post.

3. CENTRALISED ADMINISTRATION 2009/010 - at no cost to the branch and its members. Enclosed in the mail to branches and available electronically on request forms to be completed and returned to the national office as soon as possible, along with information on: -

- Facts
- Benefits
- What to do next

Is your branch already on the centralised administration system? or Does your branch wish to take up the offer of centralised membership?

POISONING OPERATIONS

1. LOWER LANDSBOROUGH - aerial 1080 operation in the Lower Landsborough area, which is located northeast of the Gates of the Haast Bridge. The specific area is 3530 hectares in the Landsborough Valley West of the Bealy Range from State Highway 6 up to Strutts Bluff. This operation is to be undertaken in the first period of favourable weather after January 1st 2009. For more information contact: Gary Scott, DOC, State Highway 6, Fox Glacier, Phone 03 751 0807 or email gscott@doc.govt.nz

2. AKURU VALLEY – areal 1080 operation in the Okuru Valley, which is located south of the settlement of Haast. The specific area is 5873 hectares in the Upper Okura Valley between Mark and Browning ranges. This will begin in the first period of favourable weather after December

1st 2008. For more information contact: Gary Scott, DOC, State Highway 6, Fox Glacier, Phone 03 751 0807 or email gscott@doc.govt.nz

3. TE WHARU – Greater Wellington Bioworks unit using 1080, Feratox, and trapping in the Wellington and the Wairarapa areas as part of the Wellington region's Vector Control Operations. For further information contact John Hopkirk, 06 378 2484 or email him on john.hopkirk@gw.govt.nz

4. MAKINO AND RUATITI STAGE 2 – KB Environmental Services Ltd – contract for the AHB. Trapping, Pestoff and Feratox in bait stations. Commencement of the treatment will be in or about November 2008 and conclusion of the work on or about June 2009. For further information contact Kevin Battersby, phone 06 348 5568 kevin@kbes.co.nz

SHOOTING RESULTS

PACIFIC REGIONAL SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS 2008, Brisbane 2008.

Enclosed in the mail to the branches and available electronically on request from the national office

- Congratulations to all those who brought home medals – well done.
- A huge thanks to the supporters, partners and team leaders.
- See NZ Hunting & Wildlife 163, January – March 2009 for further reports and photos

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UNITED NATIONS THIRD BIENNIAL MEETING OF STATES TO CONSIDER THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION TO PREVENT COMBAT AND ERADICATE THE ILLICIT TRADE IN SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS IN ALL ITS ASPECTS, New York, 14 – 18th July 2008.

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- Report John Howat, Chair COLFO

SUBMISSIONS REQUIRED

1. DRAFT RAKIURA NATIONAL PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN AND REVISED DRAFT STEWART ISLAND/RAKIURA CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Information available electronically on request from the national office. Planning newsletter 19 November 2008. The draft planning documents are open for public submissions from November 22nd 2008 and close March 11th 2009 at 5.00pm.

Because the submission period is during a busy time of the year, a longer period of time has been provided to allow more opportunity for people to have their say.

The newsletter contains details such as:-

- Where to find a copy
- How to have your say
- Planning roadshow dates
- Further information
- Check out www.doc.govt.rakiurareview

2. WAIKATO CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT STRATEGY REVIEW (CMS) – submissions close 4.30pm Friday January 9th 2009. The Waikato CMS is under review and a draft copy is available now for public comments. For further information and the submission form go to:

[www.doc.govt.nz>getting involved>consultations>current>Waikato conservation management strategy review](http://www.doc.govt.nz/getting-involved/consultations/current/Waikato-conservation-management-strategy-review)

The CMS is a 10-year plan produced by DOC in consultation with iwi, the Waikato Conservation Board and the general public. Workshops will be held for the public during November and early December. Information on places, dates and times for these workshops will be placed on the DOC website listed above. These workshops will seek to explain the content and purpose of the

document, the submission process, answer questions and listen to any relevant feedback, issues or concerns. If you have any further questions contact Waikato Conservancy phone 07 858 1000 or email waikatocms@doc.govt.nz

ERMA PROPOSED REVISED METHODOLOGY – due Monday 8 December 2008.

Under the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act 1996 the Environment Risk Management Authority (ERMA) must make decisions about applications with Methodology. The Methodology ensures that decisions are made in a consistent way and that appropriate weight is given to risks, costs and benefits.

The current Methodology was prepared in 1998 – before ERMA had considered any hazardous substance applications. Since 1998 there have also been a number of significant amendments to the HSNO Act.

In order to reflect the benefit of ten years of experience and to provide for the amendments to the Act, ERMA has prepared a proposed revised Methodology.

A paper outlining the proposals and a proposed revised Methodology is available on www.ermanz.govt.nz/news-events/methodology/index.html

Available on request to assist in your submission

NZDA Draft Submission to ERMA's Proposed Revised Methodology, which includes:-

- A need to reference the appropriate sections of the HSNO Act
- Key sections of the HSNO Act that need incorporation into the HSNO Act
- Inadequacy of a benefit-cost approach, and ERMA's lack of integrity
- NZDA comments on the proposed Methodology update

NZDA is concerned about:

- The conflict of interest that the applicant usually has, as the main beneficiary of the application
- A previous bias in selection of panel especially the 1080 panel

Regards Dianne Brown, CEO

GUIDE TO RIGHTS OF ACCESS TO THE COUNTRY SIDE

1. GATES AND CATTLE STOPS ACROSS ROADS

Enclosed in the mail to the branches and available electronically on request

- Statutes of New Zealand, Local Government Act 1974

2. PUBLIC ROADS - published by the Public Lands Coalition, July 1991.

This book is now out of print, however, there is a copy in the mail to the branches and additional copies are available from the national office for a cost of \$7.50 including post and packaging.

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A. Your legal rights

- A.1 definitions and dedications
- A.2 rights of public to pass along a road
- A.3 property on roads
- A.4 administrative powers over road
- A.5 nuisance, negligence and obstruction
- A.6 private occupation

- A.7 closing and 'stopping' of roads
- A.8 gates and cattle stops
- A.9 disposal of roads
- A.10 offences
- B. Legislative threats
- C. A 'Public Way' system for New Zealand
 - C.1 Why 'Public Way' instead of 'Road'
 - C.2 research: determining if and where public roads exist (land appellation, cadastral maps, district scheme planning maps, certificates of title, record and road legalisation maps, interpreting record maps, deposited plans, survey office plans)
 - C.3 delving around on the ground (contacting adjoining owners, obstructions, a note about the law of trespass
- C.4 signs, stiles and markers
- D. A country code

RECENT ADVOCACY

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AWAKINO EXPIRED PASTORAL OCCUPATION LICENCE

This submission includes:

- Summary.
- Areas is appropriate for adding to the Hawkdun Conservation Park.
- Public access and huts.

Regards

Dianne Brown
CEO

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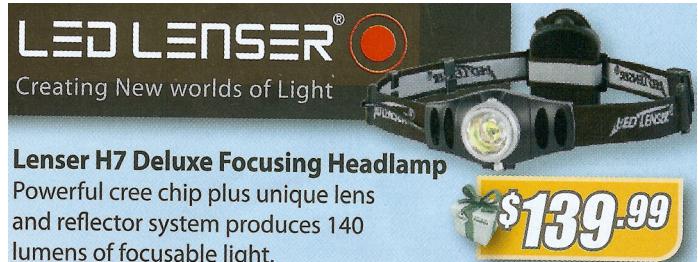
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Range Keys

Any person who wishes to have a range gate key for the private use of our range must be a CURRENT FINANCIAL MEMBER of the Branch and must obtain a key from Hamills, Outdoorsman HQ or Serious Shooters, Amohia St, at a cost of \$20.00 per year. Your membership card must be produced at the time of key purchase. Keys may not be lent or passed on to other persons, whether they are members or not. Non-Members can only enter the Range if accompanied by a current Financial Member. Any use of the range by non-members requires prior approval of the committee executive.

Membership Costs

Senior = \$90 (full benefits at local and national branch level)

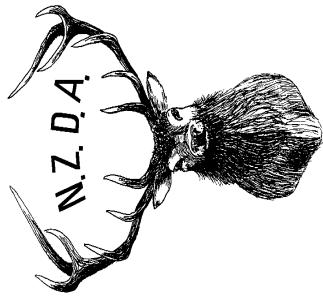
Associate = \$60 (Unable to vote or enter national competitions. Does not receive H&W)

Junior = \$25 (Must be less than 18 years of age as at March 1st 2008. Full benefits apart from voting rights.)

Student = \$40 (Must be attending a tertiary institute or undergoing an apprenticeship. Proof must be provided.)

Superannuant = \$50 (Over 65 as at March 1st 2008. Full benefits)

Family = \$5 (Children or grandchildren)



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