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**“The Tines”
Rotorua Branch Newsletter June 2018**

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Rotorua N.Z.D.A Branch Calendar

Ring coordinators for more information.
Phone numbers listed on inner backpage.

Calendar of the Club's regular monthly events:

Committee Meeting	Last Monday of each month
Working Bees	2nd Saturday 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 and Trophy Shoots. For extra range shoots and 300m shoots please refer to Yearly Range Calendar.*

Inductions will be completed only during range shoots

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

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President's report May/ June 2018

Hi all

Once again, a brief report as we have not a lot to report although Mark Slade and myself will once again be heading off to National conference this week 13/14 July held in Wellington. We have two heads to deliver to the comp. A Red that was well in excess 300 and a Goat over 100 so let's hope Rowan Smith scores well.

We have a major event coming our way in November on the 10 /11 Warren Fitzsimons is running the Pacific Regionals Service shoot quite a big do, as team from Aussie turning up hoping to clean up, so we shall see. We expect around 50 shooters over the weekend which will be great for the Branch, so I will keep you posted as well will be holding a few working bees to get ready.

The access road is still one area were we are in need of support to maintain it as no good having a top range if people can't get to it easily, we may have at look into a toll or some such way of covering the cost, we have approached other users and some have been forthcoming with ideas and some funding.

Cheers
Colin

Range Working Bee

Hi Folks,

Saturday 14th being the second Saturday of the month will be our monthly working be. As the 300M range is booked we will concentrate our efforts on the 100/200M range. To this end I am in the process of making some new target frames for the 200M range, these will stand in ground sockets and be tall enough to be seen shooting from prone position on the 200M mound. Also some more target frames to be used at 100 can be assembled and any tidy up jobs. tools to bring if you have spades, rakes, line trimmer, hammer hand saw battery drill.

Hopefully will be a fine day.

Cheers,

Malcolm P. 027 625 9608.



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Rotorua Branch Range Report for June 2018.

Rotorua N.Z.D.A. Range Report June 2017.

Saturday 10th, due to last weekend being long weekend program a week later, C.N.I.G.C. Service rifle club shoot.

Sunday 11th, 300M target shoot, the usual 3 or 4 turned up.

Sunday 18th, not a nice day but 3 of us turned up to test a couple of rifles and our skills on the deer targets.

A rather quiet month, but the good news is the new roof is on the 200M mound again, but on going out there yesterday (Thurs 22nd,) it was obvious the wind had blown the water dripping off the back of the roof right through the mound so next need the back wall closed in again, proposals of which have been discussed and an idea of how it will be done has been put forward.

COMING EVENTS:

JULY;

Saturday 1st, C.N.I.G.C. Service rifle club day.

Sunday 2nd, 300M target shoot.

Sunday 16th, .22 Rimfire metallic silhouette shoot.

AUGUST:

Saturday 5th, C.N.I.G.C. Service rifle club day.

Sunday 6th, 300M target shoot.

Sunday 20th, Deer silhouette / target shoot, 300, 200, 100 & 50M distances, 8 rounds of ammo per run through.

A request: Please if you are at the range and something is out of order or broken, please ring me or leave a message with the firearm folk at the outdoorsman who will certainly let me know. When I was out there on the 22nd, to do an induction, we went to put the flag up at the locked gate and were not able to do so as it was all in a heap on the ground, rope broken. If I had been notified I could have been prepared to repair it then, luckily was due to go out 2 days later, and will fix it. It does seem the setup has a particular problem that caused the rope to wear excessively which will be investigated. Also there are still people using the shorter distances on the 300M range incorrectly, if you wish to shoot at 100 or 200M on this range you must put your target at the bottom of the range and shoot off the open grass mounds of the particular distance, most people do get it right but there are one or two who do not. Please folks do the right thing as any mishaps could lose us a very valuable asset.

Time to reload,

Malcolm P,

027 625 9608.

N.Z.D.A Rotorua is online
Check Out <https://www.nzdarotorua.org.nz/>

Rotorua N.Z.D.A Provisional Calendar for 2018

July:

Saturday 7th: D.A. 300M target shoot

Sunday 8th: 300M target shoot

Saturday 14th/ Sunday 15th: 300M range booked for S.A. service rifle team

Sunday 22nd: Deer target shoot 300, 200, 100 & 50M

August:

Saturday 4th: C.N.I.G.C Service rifle club day

Sunday 5th: D.A. 300M target shoot

Sunday 19th: 22 Metallic Silhouette shoot

September:

Saturday 1st: C.N.I.G.C Service rifle club day

Sunday 2nd: D.A. 300M target shoot

Sunday 16th: Deer Target shoot 300, 200, 100 & 50M

October:

Saturday 6th/ Sunday 7th: C.N.I.G.C service rifle rapids shoot

Sunday 14th: 300M target shoot

Sunday 28th: .22 Metallic Silhouette shoot

November:

Saturday 3rd: C.N.I.G.C Service rifle club day

Sunday 4th: D.A. 300M target shoot

Sunday 18th: .22 Metallic Silhouette shoot

December:

Saturday 1st: C.N.I.G.C service rifle club day

Sunday 2nd: Swazi Junior shoot and Christmas BBQ

Please Note: Inductions will only be done on NZDA range shoots

For Sale.

Cartridge brass:

.308 Federal 1x fired 150 available \$15 -00 per 100.

>222 P.M.C. 1x Fired 400 available \$10-00 per 100.

Live ammo:

.308 military F.M.J. M.F. head stamp 90 rounds \$75-00 per 100 = \$67-50

Rifle scopes:

Tasco 4x40 wide field \$75-00.

Eagle 4x32 \$45-00

Loading Dies:

Lee .303 2 die set incl shell holder and instructions and storage drum, \$65-00

Malcolm Perry 027 625 9608.

Positions Available

We require a person to look after clubrooms and take bookings etc.

If you are interested contact Mark Slade on 07 349 5630 or 027 4988 911.

Someone in this position would be highly appreciated and a huge help for our club.



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Range rules

Entering the Range: The gate on Mead Road should be kept closed; this is to keep out stray members of the public. The range gate should be kept locked unless there is a club shoot in progress in which case it will be secured open. When shooting is to take place, the red warning flag next to the gate must be raised. The flag next to the 200mtr mound should be raised if that range is to be used. Raise the flag by the 300mtr mound if that range is to be used. The lanyards are to be secured to prevent them becoming tangled by the wind. Enter your name(s) in one of the log books located in the 200mtr and 300mtr mounds.

Range Layout: There are four shooting distances available at the range, 50mtr, 100mtr, 200mtr and 300mtr. There is a backstop and target placement area for each distance. Target frames are provided but shooters may use their own. Targets must only be sited between the red marker posts and immediately in front of the backstops. Targets must not be placed mid range, if it is necessary to shoot at a non standard distance then the target must still be sited immediately in front of one of the backstops and the shooter must move closer to the target. The backstops are there to confine shots to the range area. All shooting must be directly downrange, shooting at an angle to the line of the range is strictly not permitted as it carries the risk of shots leaving the range area and entering the adjacent club's land. Some changes to these arrangements may be permitted for certain occasions and by prearrangement.

Range Operation: Generally there will not be a range officer present. Any rifle that is not in use must have a chamber flag fitted. Shooters must not handle any rifle when other shooters are out on the range. Shooters must work together to make sure that it is safe before anyone enters a range and make sure that everyone has a clear understanding when the range is closed and when it is open. The 200mtr and 300mtr ranges are provided with a hand held red flag. When shooters are using the range and people may be down range (setting targets or using one of the shorter distances), to make the status clear, the flag must be displayed by placing the handle in the socket in the ground located just in front of the firing line. Magazines must not be loaded until immediately before use. The 200mtr and 300mtr ranges can be operated independently. Shooters must not leave any rifle unattended. Unattended means not under the close supervision of a firearms licence holder.

Range Standing Orders: The range standing orders give an overview of the range operation and include the steps to be taken in the event of a serious accident. The standing orders are issued with each range key and are also displayed in the 200mtr covered mound. Supervision of Minors and Unlicensed Shooters: The law states that all unlicensed shooters must be under close supervision by the licence holder. This means that the license holder will not be shooting and the license holder will only be supervising one non licence holder at any time.

Toilets: There are two 'long drop' toilets; please keep the doors closed when not in use to avoid the weather getting at the toilet rolls.

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Keep the Range Clean: There is no litter collection at the range; please take your rubbish away with you.

Mead Road: Members are reminded that Mead Road is maintained largely by the Rotorua NZDA. To keep wear and tear to a minimum the road has a speed limit of 25 KPH if you witness any driver speeding then speak to the offender or report the incident to a committee member.

Take Note: Members are privileged to have unrestricted use of a range such as ours, please make sure you respect this privilege, if you witness any behaviour that you think is unsafe or inappropriate then speak to the offender and if necessary report the incident to a committee member.

New Visitor procedure

The Rotorua Branch of the NZDA



Visitors to the Rifle Range

A reminder to members.

In order to shoot, visitors must either:

1. For casual visitors. Pay the \$10 range fee, and enter his or her name in the sign in book and fill in name, address and contact details on one of the 'Day Membership' slips, this gives the visitor day membership of the Rotorua Branch of the NZDA. The fee and completed slip should be put into the secure cash box on the door of the right hand container
2. For those participating in NZDA committee authorised events run by other groups at the Rotorua Branch range (for instance, CNIGC shoots), the individual(s) must be a member of the group running the shoot

Visitors (*ie.* Persons who are not members of the Rotorua Branch of the New Zealand Deerstalkers Association) are otherwise **not allowed to shoot** at the Rotorua Branch rifle range.

Colin Peterson, President:

Date: 28th May 2018

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Wanted

*Stories for newsletters.
Any interesting articles.
Any photos of your hunting trips.
Anything to buy or sell?
Send to editor at amynattrass@gmail.com*

In the News:

1080: It's Chemistry, and the role of microorganisms in its break down

If you are interested follow the link to the website below:

<http://1080science.co.nz/1080-chemistry/>

Hunter rescued seven hours after falling 15 metres onto rocky ledge in Bay of Plenty (https://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/news/article.cfm?c_id=1&objectid=12076928)

A man out hunting in bush in the Bay of Plenty is recovering in hospital after falling 15m onto a rocky ledge.

The 52-year-old fell while out in the Tarawera Forest - about 15km from Kawerau - yesterday afternoon.

Emergency services, including the Whakatāne Land Search and Rescue crew, police and ambulance staff were called to the area about 4pm.

Police Constable John Fredericksen said efforts to rescue the hunter were hampered because of steep terrain.

The man was taken to Tauranga Hospital almost eight hours later, just before midnight, by the Whangārei Rescue Helicopter.

Police said the victim was in a stable condition.

Donations

Any donations to the Rotorua Deerstalkers would be highly appreciated and can be paid into the bank account 01-0414-0016731-00

web: www.nzdarotorua.org.nz

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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 Hunting and Fishing, Hamills, Outdoorsman HQ or Serious Shooters. You must have completed the range induction protocol. 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.

Membership Costs (Rotorua Branch)

Senior = \$110 (full benefits at local and national branch level)

Associate = \$70 (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 2011. 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 2011. Full benefits)

Family = \$5 (Children or grandchildren), \$10 partner or spouse.

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