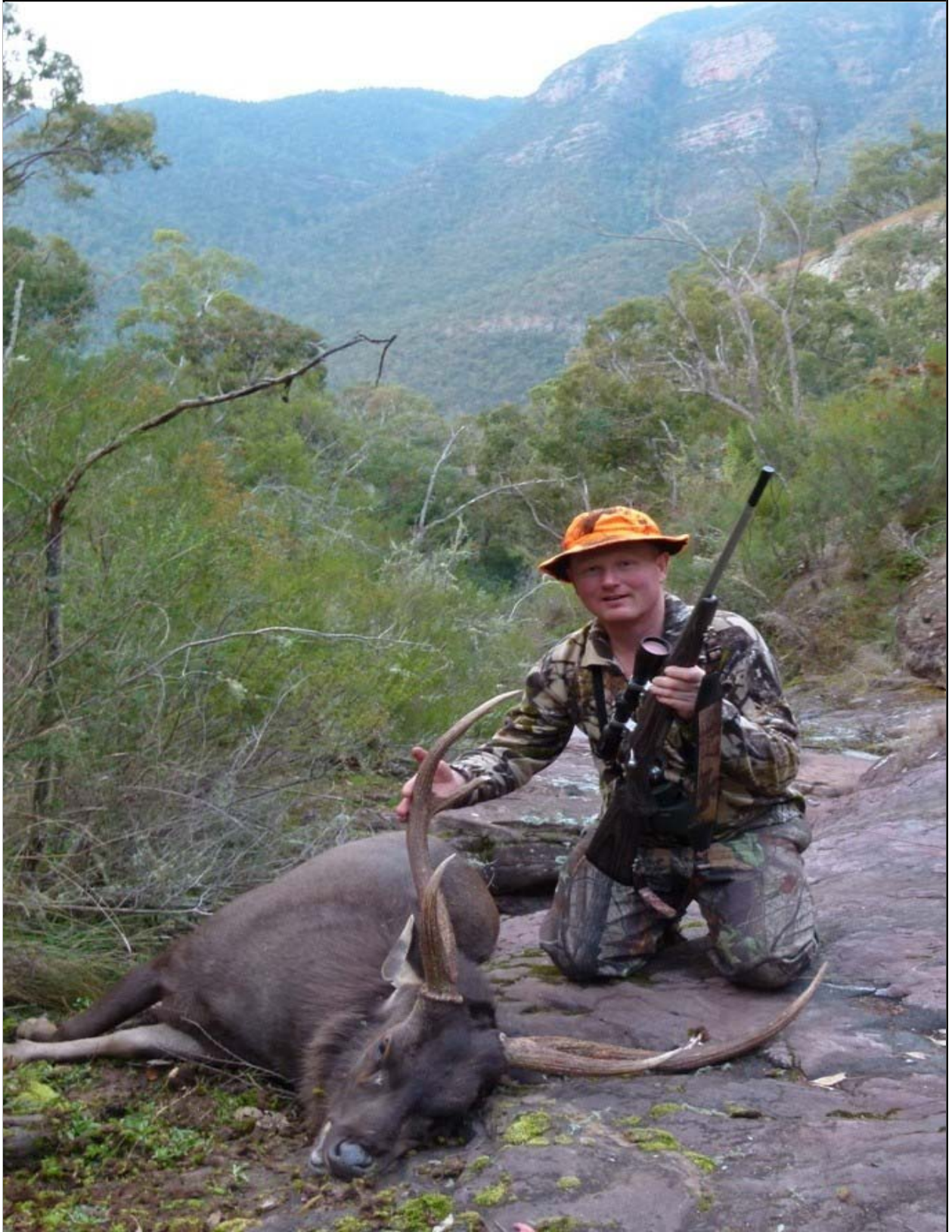


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FROM THE EDITOR

This year we will publish four issues of this newsletter. To ensure that we get each issue out on time, there will be deadlines for submission of materials to be included. If material reaches me after a deadline, it will be included in the next issue, if appropriate.

Guidelines for submissions.

Material which is emailed saves me a lot of work. Writing can be sent as a Word file, or a text file. For those without an expensive word processing program, you can use any writing program included with your operating system, or download "Open Office" free from the internet which is virtually identical to "Microsoft Office" & can exchange files with that famous program.

Photographs should NOT be included in the article itself, but sent as separate files (attachments to the email). You can indicate where each photo might be placed by typing its file name in brackets in the text.

Photographs should be . jpeg files, saved at about 15 cm X 10 cm size at quality 8 (which gives the best quality for the smallest file size).

Printed on paper submissions need to have clear black typed text. Faintly printed text will not scan & cannot be included.

Very short pieces, such as personal adverts can be hand written.



Meeting dates for 2011

I forgot to mention the 2011 meeting dates.

**The venue is the German Austrian Club
Cabramatta – 13 October Trophy
Exhibition & Christmas Party Saturday 19
November**

See Secretary's Report for details of the Christmas Party & Trophy Show.

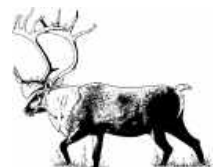
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Australia & New Zealand Hunting

Australia: Island free of killer cats on 2011/6/2 6:51:14 (75 reads)

It is hoped more birds will return to Tasman Island now that feral cats have been officially eradicated. A final check of the island, off Tasmania's south-east, by the Parks and Wildlife Service has found no trace of the pest. It follows a \$250,000 baiting, trapping and hunting program in May last year. Parks and Wildlife General Manager Peter Mooney says it was a challenging task. "It's not exactly that easy to land on the island and to get the logistics to and from the island, and also the weather is quite difficult there at times." The cat population was well established. "To go in there and methodically do the planning, remove them and do the monitoring to prove there's none left is a significant achievement, especially when you're thinking they were getting rid of about 50,000 individual fairy prions each year, let alone the shearwaters they were killing as well." Mr Mooney says the island's seabirds are now on the road to recovery. "There will be species that will come back to the island and re-establish themselves and these are species that are particularly vulnerable to cats and they would never have been able to go back to the island and establish and breed, with the cats there," he said. Several methods were used to confirm cat-free status. "The most easy and successful one is the remote camera monitoring which has been set up on the pathways that the feral cats were using regularly," Mr Mooney said. "Over the last 12 months, we've actually not picked up any cats." Tracking dogs were also taken to the island. "[They] have a fantastic smell sense for cats and they haven't been able to locate any scents at all." No feral cat scats has been found on the island during the past 12 months. <http://www.abc.net.au/news/stories/2011/06/01/3232641.htm>

House Cat Research Result.

Anyone who has ever owned an outdoor cat knows that it tends to disappear for hours, sometimes days, at a time. Where do cats go when they are lurking out of sight? The question is of interest not just to pet owners but also to conservation scientists who study the impact of free-roaming cats on wildlife populations. Scientists at the University of Illinois and the Illinois Natural History Survey recently attached radio transmitters to the adjustable collars of 18 pet and 24 feral cats in southeastern Champaign-Urbana and tracked the animals by truck and on foot for more than one year. The research, published in the *Journal of Wildlife Management*, shows that pet cats maintain a rather lazy existence: they spent 80 percent of their time resting. They devoted another 17 percent to low-activity pursuits such as grooming and only 3 percent to high-activity pursuits such as hunting. Unowned cats rested just 62 percent of the time and spent 14 percent, mostly at night, being highly active. Feral cats roamed far more widely than researchers had expected: up to 1,351 acres. In contrast, pet cats stayed within an average of about five acres of home. The small cats' behavior is similar to that of their larger cousins. "Maintaining a ranging area is a very intrinsic behavior to cats," says Alan Rabinowitz, CEO of the conservation organization Panthera. Like small cats, wild cats like to stay close to humans for easier access to food. Jaguars in Latin America, for example, slink quietly through massive stretches of human land. It's part of a cat's nature to live on the interface of wild and human-inhabited land.

Editor. Australian cats are the same species as in the USA so the behaviours of our cats are very likely the same. Cats can make good pets but it's a shame most owners are completely irresponsible regarding their hunting around the home.



NSW Hunters in Trouble over Illegal Hunting

A blitz by officers from the Mudgee Area of the National Parks and Wildlife Service over the past few months has resulted in more than \$3000 in fines and thousands of dollars of pig hunting gear being seized. In Mudgee Local Court on July 20, four men pleaded guilty to offences including hunting in a National Park and having dogs with breastplates carrying GPS tracking device. Daniel Leo Carey, Shaun Peter Derewlany, Ricky Laferla and Nathan John O'Brien will be sentenced in Mudgee Local Court on August 17. Carey, 22, of Kestrel Way, Yarramundi, is to be sentenced over charges of hunting in Coolah Tops National Park and having control of a dog on which tracking equipment was carried on February 20 this year. Derewlany, 22, of George Street, South Windsor has pleaded guilty to are hunting an animal in a park, having control of an animal (a dog) in a park, possessing a breast plate in a park and possessing a knife in park on February 20. Laferla, 22, of Kestral Way, Yarramundi, pleaded to hunting an animal in a park, having control of an animal (dog) in a park and carrying a (hunting) knife in a park on February 20.

O'Brien, 21, of Slopes Road, Kurmond, pleaded guilty to hunting an animal in a park, and having control of an animal (dog) in a park on February 20. NPWS Mudgee Area Manager David Crust said five more pig hunters, one from the Central Coast and four from Western Sydney, would face similar charges in Mudgee District Court in the coming months. "We have been stepping up our patrols on weekends and during the week and have been successful in catching illegal pig hunters, firewood cutters and trail bike riders," he said. "In Coolah Tops National Park, NPWS officers have caught three separate groups of

illegal pig hunters. "All told 13 men and 11 dogs have been apprehended and our officers have seized eight hunting knives, three GPS tracking units, seven radio tracking collars, five breast plates and a machete. "We have been undertaking patrols in Coolah Tops National Park with the assistance of the Coolah Police and officers from our Special Investigations Unit based in Sydney. "These patrols have been very successful in catching illegal pig hunters. "Instead of fines, several of the hunters will be facing Mudgee Local Court. "NPWS officers also have the authority to seize items when an offence has been committed in a national park or nature reserve. "This includes chainsaws, trail bikes, firearms and hunting gear such as knives, breast plates and radio tracking equipment." Mr Crust said pig hunters who claimed to be doing NPWS a favour by killing feral pigs in our national parks and nature reserves, were wrong. NPWS has a well-planned strategy for controlling feral animals including trapping, poisoning, field shooting and aerial shooting. Illegal hunters often cut gates and fences, dump rubbish, smash signs, lose dogs and generally only take one or two animals out of the mob whilst letting the rest go, he said. "Hunting dogs also push feral pigs deeper into inaccessible pristine areas making overall control so much harder," he said. "We are also starting to use infra-red surveillance cameras in some reserve to help detect illegal activities such as firewood cutting and hunting. "The cameras are concealed along trails and are positioned so that they capture photos of vehicles that are used in illegal activities. "We can then interview the owner of the vehicle by tracing the registration and then take legal action against the driver and occupants". Patrols in reserves north of Mudgee have also been successful in catching illegal firewood cutters and trail bikers. "The majority of people visiting national parks and nature reserves

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Secretary's Report

Annual General Meeting held on 21 July 2011

The meeting was well attended considering the weather conditions with heavy rain and strong winds.

We have two new life members being Ron Tinning and myself for our contributions to our club over many years. It was a very humble experience for me as I enjoy the mateship and just doing my bit.

We have a couple of changes to the committee for 2011/2012.

President/ Public Officer: Greg Haywood
Secretary: Mat Wulff
Treasurer: Nalda Haywood
Senior Vice President: John Natali
Junior Vice President: Peter Birchall
Immediate Past President: Darren Plumb

Congratulations to the new committee and a thanks to Darren for his three years as President.

Australian Deerstalkers Federation

The Federation was disbanded some years ago and we were one of four clubs that founded the Federation to support our sport of deerstalking and the welfare of the deer.

The four clubs were, Deerstalkers SSAA (VIC), GDSA, NEDSA and NSWDA.

The Deerstalkers SSAA contacted the other three clubs and we have agreed to reform the Federation as we see the need for one voice to protect the deer and its game status which is being eroded in some states where they are now classified as pest animals.

There was some \$2,000 in funds which is being refunded to the Federation once it has been duly formed. The Tasmanian Deerstalkers Association representing some 400 members, also, wishes to join. This will give us a voice representing all recognised Deerstalking clubs.

A meeting will be held in Melbourne the 1st or

2nd Sunday in November 2011 to approve the new Constitution and elect office bearers from the member clubs.

This could be an opportunity for us to enjoy some deerstalking in Victoria once we get established.

ANZAC Rifle Range - Malabar

The Malabar Range was to be closed by the Federal Government on the 31 October 2011, whereupon an eviction notice was issued to all user groups due to an alleged asbestos contamination.

The Range has since been closed because of alleged safety issues.

Junior Development

One of our members Joe Hallas has donated a Mossberg .22 Magnum for junior development. The committee will decide how this can be best utilised i.e. a training firearm to promote the safe handling of firearms in the field. Thanks Joe.

NSWDA – Clothing

We still have a good quantity of NSWDA logoed clothing in stock and Darren will do a stock take for the next magazine.

Contact Darren if you want any items and he will bring them to the meeting.

Christmas Function Saturday 19th November

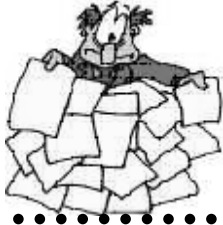
This year we need your trophies for the presentation day and we have decided on a competition for bringing your trophies to share with other members. You will get a ticket for each trophy you bring to a maximum of four. The prize is a custom built knife by J.R. Peck to the value of \$260.

This year will be fully catered for, including drinks so bring the family.

Next meeting will be held on Thursday 13 October 2011.

Good Hunting,
Greg





President's Report

Editor.

Due to the change-over of the committee positions, Greg Haywood has provided this issue's Secretary's Report, which under the circumstances we can also read as the President's Report. I'm sure that every members is pleased about Greg's life membership of the NSWDA, given as a mark of respect & gratitude by the Association for his long and efficient service. Likewise, we congratulate Ron Tonning for his services to the Association. Ron is of course well known for his dedication to, and expertise in all thing deer.

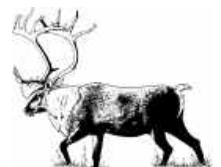
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do so responsibly and are welcomed back," Mr Crust said. "But a small number continue to flout the regulations and persist with their illegal activities - and that's who we are targeting. "We want to make our parks safe for everyone." <http://www.mudgeeguardian.com.au/news...000-in-fines/2242019.aspx>

International Rhino Poacher Caught.

A Thai national believed to be a kingpin in the illicit trade of rhino horns was arrested yesterday morning in a major breakthrough against rhino poaching. The 43-year-old man was arrested at a house in Edenvale, east of Johannesburg, in a joint operation by the South African Revenue Service (SARS), the Hawks and forensic investigator Paul O'Sullivan. The man, who is due to appear in court tomorrow, was searched by SARS officials at OR Tambo International Airport when he entered the country on June 13. According to SARS spokesman Anton Fisher, officials found various documents on the man - including an order for 50 sets of rhino horns, a computer and a cellphone. Said Fisher: "The suspect allegedly obtained rhino- hunting permits under false pretences in terms of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of

Wild Fauna and Flora (Cites). "Such permits issued under Cites are specifically for trophy hunting and not for the illicit trade in rhino horn." It is believed that once the animals were killed on supposed trophy-hunting trips in South Africa, the rhino horns were sent abroad by the suspect who paid, on average, about R65000 per kilogram for the rhino horns. Fisher added: "The arrest follows an extensive investigation by SARS officials into the activities of the suspect and a trading (import/export) company based in Laos (in south east Asia)." Yesterday's arrest comes after the successful prosecution of another Thai national, Punpitak Chunchom, for the illegal possession of lion claws and teeth. He was deported last week. Both Chunchom and the man arrested are employed by the same export company. The "hunting" of the rhino is believed to have taken place at a farm in North West. It has also been established that more hunting was planned until the end of the year and that the poachers were hoping to kill at least 15 rhino a month and ship the horns to Thailand. Last year, in the Kruger National Park alone, more than 146 rhinos were poached for their horns. The current wave of poaching is being committed by sophisticated criminal networks using helicopters, night-vision equipment, veterinary tranquillisers and silencers to kill rhinos at night while attempting to avoid law enforcement patrols. O'Sullivan commended SARS and the Hawks for having "done an excellent job in combating this scourge".



Video Library

Free hunting videos for members to borrow for one month if picking up video's at a meeting. Members must pay postage by registered mail back to the club in carton supplied. You can phone or write for videos to be posted to you, however the member must pay postage both ways. When returning videos to the club within one-month members must include cost of postage to them in stamps inside the box.

If members are to lend these video's to fellow members, remember that the original person who borrowed them from the club will be held responsible if they are not returned within due time. As these videos are the property of the club, you are expected to look after them. If you loose or damage a video you will have to pay the replacement cost. If you don't return them after 4 weeks you won't get anymore.

To borrow a Video contact:

Terry Burgess

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2. Capstick, Botswana Safari Buffalo, Lion
3. In the Blood, Capstick, Rhino
4. Zambia Safaris
5. Whitetail, Mule Deer, Pronghorn, Late Season Elk
6. Monster Elk, Horns of Plenty, Hunt Exotics 1 & 2
7. Hunting Bugling Elk, Big Muleys, Caribou
8. North American Big Horn Rams, Greatest Whitetail, Wild Hogs of Texas
9. Col Allison Hunters Home Video, Big Bears, Russian Boar, Whitetail
10. North American Mixed Bag, Big Horn Rams, Whitetail
11. Great Trophy Bucks Mixed Bag, Big Horn Rams, Whitetail
12. Wild Boar Pig Hunting Down Under Part 1
13. Hunting Sheep, Goat & Moose in B.C.
14. Big Rams Brooks Range, Big Horn Rams, Mouflon
15. The Bow Hunter, Whitetail Deer
16. Big Rams, North American Big Horn Sheep, Mouflon Sheep
17. North American Big Horn Sheep, Big Rams Mixed Bag
18. Mouflon, Bow Hunting Elk, Whitetail, Mule Deer etc.
19. Challenge of the Mountain Monarchs, Thars, Mouflon Sheep, Red Deer in Qld



20. Pig Hunting in Qld, Wild Goat in Qld, Mouflon
21. Pig Hunting in Qld, Red Deer in Qld
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For Sale - Bob Penfold's personal 340 Weatherby Magnum.

Action New long Mark 10 Mauser 98 Barrel 26 inch highly accurate magnaported. Trigger Timney adjustable. Stock Painted Brown Precision very straight composite with factory recoil pad. Scope 3 X 9 Burris posi lock. Great in low light. Strong beyond belief. Scope mounts. Steel bridge mounts. Supply of ammo, components, loading gear all included. All included for **\$1250.00**

I used to shoot this rifle prone and watch the bullet strike the game through the scope. Fired maybe 100 rounds. Inside barrel as new. Several rubbed patches on the bluing from lots of carrying. Suitable for extreme range big game hunting. Light weight, easy to carry, easy to shoot and deadly to as far as you can see to shoot.

With 210 grain Nosler Partition bullets. 3 inches high at 100. 4 inches high at 200. Right on point of aim at 300. 4 inches low at 350 and only 8 inches low at 400 yards. I have shot numerous game animals at this range so can attest to the exactness of these trajectory figures. Have not fired this rifle for some years and now have no further use for it. I would like it to go to someone who has real use for this great rifle.

Contact Bob Penfold 13 Oregon Avenue
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Deer - Their Ability to Smell & See.

Recent research shows that the several species studied all had the ability to identify the sex and age of fellow members of their species from scent left on grass, trees etc, or on the wind. The researchers concluded that it is almost certain that they can also identify individuals of their herd by their scent alone.

This is no surprise to experienced deer stalkers who know only too well how acute is their smell. In an earlier article in the Deerstalker, the author pointed out that deer "normalise" on their own abilities, or in other words, because their sense of smell is so acute, they assume that every other animal's is too. Not that their hearing & sight aren't excellent also!

This normalisation can be a weak point which we can exploit to approach deer, who watch their back track closely, expecting a predator (us) to be trailing them by scent. An approach from an angle upwind, or across the wind can be somewhat easier. Deer don't realize that we humans are "sight hunters" rather than "scent hunters". Be careful of approaching upwind of course. I estimate that even in a steady breeze my smell spreads out in a fan shape of about 60 degrees, with me at the pointy end.

Deer, like many grazing animals, seem to expect predators to come at them from below and usually set themselves up when resting to look down hill. It's always worth the extra effort to climb high & get above them. Apart from getting closer shots, more of the animal is usually visible, giving a better opportunity for a shot & to place it in a vital area.

Eyes.

Not all mammal eyes are the same. Caribou are one of the only mammals which can see UV light. It has been found that the lichen they feed on & the coats of wolves, their main predator, absorb UV, making both easily visible against snow.

Editor.



NT Buffalo Management Hunt & Donkey Bomb Up!

From: Andrew Palmer

In early February JC and I started throwing around emails and made some calls to ask interested parties if they were interested in participating in a Game Management Hunt in the Northern Territory. Once we had six committed persons, of which four went last year, the detailed planning commenced.

In early July, four weeks prior to our departure a meeting was convened at Wolfgang's residence to discuss various aspects of the hunt and to view his trophy room (which you've seen). However, the meeting was more a casual chat over the BBQ cooking bratwurst and bierwurst sausages complemented with German bier.

Thursday 4 August came around quick, I travelled up to Picton to collect Ben then onto Mascot. At 17:00 we all met at the designated rendezvous point in Terminal 3. Then proceeded to check-in, in mass. The new additional item of baggage system seemed much fairer than the old and horrendously expensive excess luggage costs.

During the flight we were all charged with excitement and any sleep was light and broken. Touching down in Darwin at 23:35 local time, we collected our luggage and firearms within 15 min from disembarking from the plane. The mini-bus, a diesel (yay!), was collected from Hertz and we then proceeded to the station on the far side of Katherine, arriving at 5:35am.

The station was initially in darkness; the outfitters fired up the generators then greeted us. Soon after, brewed coffee was prepared and a full breakfast was cooked on the BBQ. Following breakfast we rested for a couple of hours, admiring the trophies in the cabin including a massive set of Red Stag



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antlers from the south island of NZ.

Around 10am and more coffee, we headed out to the range to check our respective rifles. On this trip there was; a 9.3x62mm, two 450/400 NE 3", a 450 NE 3 1/4", a 500 NE 3", and a 505 Gibbs.

Woodleigh projectiles featured prominently, but there were some Hornady dangerous game series factory load ring-ins too. With all rifles checked, we headed back to camp for a light lunch prior to the afternoon's hunt.



Following lunch, Ben, John and I boarded the open top hunting wagon and headed in an easterly direction. Ben and I had our respective Ruger No. 1s in the classic 450/400 3"; mine with a Kahles 1.1-4x24mm scope and Ben's with a peep sight. John had a Verney-Carron in 450 3/4" with a Swarovski 1-6x24mm EE scope.

Not long into the trip we encountered a Buffalo Bull in amongst cattle on the edge of a wetland system. Our guide said "get that bastard". John got out and dropped a pair of 480gr Woodleigh RNSN loads into the 450 3/4" double. Soon after I jump out and loaded the 450/400 3". For this trip, I was using 400gr Woodleigh RNSN loads exclusively. John steadied himself on a nearby tree and fired the first barrel. The Bull was hit in the right shoulder at ~55m. The animal reacted to the hit and ran into the wetland. John fired and missed with the second barrel. As back up, I lined up and fired striking the Bull in the head below the right ear at ~90m dropping him instantly in the drink!



NSWDA Merchandise

I have organized some new club shirts, polar fleece & caps.

The colours are at this time ;

Polo shirtswhite/navy trim.....\$ 25.00

Micro fleece top.....Moss green.....\$ 35.00

Caps.....bottle green.....\$ 15.00

Caps.....blaze orange.....\$ 15.00

All garments have the club emblem embroidered on the item

We will have the items at the next meeting for sale & also at Coffs Harbour.

For further information members could contact me on 48 210 774 / 041 202 1741
or at 20 John street. Goulburn. 2580

Postage will be at \$5.00 for members.

Also, other colours are available but will need to be a special order.

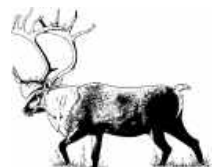
Thanks Darren

Retrieving the animal was a sloppy operation, but necessary to take the meat. Both the projectiles were recovered during butchering. Although it accomplished the desired task, there was not much remaining of the 400gr RNSN.

Being in close proximity (2-3km) to the station cold room, we sprinted back to drop off the four legs, backstrap and fillets.

Venturing back out we encountered a couple of groups of Buffalo, one group was off limits and the other was very skittish. I disagreed with the guide over the stalking technique with the wind up our rear, pushing the herd further away and in thicker cover. With the light failing the hunt was abandoned. Driving back there was a young Bull standing in the middle of the track taking a piss and had just dropped a load! Ben jumped out and the Bull ran into high mission grass getting hit with a 400gr FMJ during the dash. John and Ben entered the grass and barrage of multiple shots commenced soon after. The guide and I thought the racket was a tad excessive, but amusing.

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With all four legs and the backstraps taken, we head back and rolled into camp after dark.

Saturday morning following an early breakfast we headed out in a westerly direction. We came across a Bull behaving suspiciously near a damaged fence. The guide gave the all clear to cull the animal. Ben got out and placed a 400gr FMJ into the beast's chest at ~45m,

with a follow up, coup de grâce, shot to the head which passed through the head and left horn. The 400gr FMJ fired into the chest was found on the opposite mid-span side of the animal and under the hide. The projectile had passed through the brisket, heart, lungs and paunch with approximately 3ft of penetration. Ritually all the legs, backstaps and fillets were taken.



Approximately four hours of nil activity, we were walking along a billabong and dry creek bed when a solitary Bull was glassed sitting under a tree chewing his cud. He was ~300m from us. The guide indicated it was my turn and we were going to stalk in close using the long gamba grass for cover, finally a proper stalk with the wind in our



favour!

Emerging from the high ground cover behind a tree, the guide and I were only ~20m from the relaxed Bull. Gingerly, I set up the shooting sticks and rifle for the shot. His head was back a tad and I waited until he was facing me. With the cross-hairs level with his eyes, I squeezed off the shot with the Bull dropping on the spot. The guide called out brilliant shot and proceeded to come out from behind the tree. However, within 30 seconds the stunned Bull, infuriated, came back to life, got up and commenced a charge. I reacted with an immediate shot in the neck (above right horn boss), reloaded and hit the right shoulder repelling the charge. Then placed a shot into where the tail meets the spine, dropping him briefly, then another shot to the left high shoulder immobilising him, then I ran up to place a shot to the head (under right eye) and a final “make fucking sure” shot into the heart at close quarters. The adrenaline was sure pumping by the end of the encounter!

The guide took the legs and backstraps, but was not keen butchering the animal in search of projectiles. However, some small fragments were found in the head, but no bullet shanks were found. Turns out that due to his head angle and my not compensating for the difference between the scope and bore, my initial shot was ~2” too low and just missed the brain.

After taking the meat back to the station’s shed and cool room, we enjoyed a lunch in the cool, then headed southeast looking for Buffalo. We followed a creek, that would normally be dry, we encountered a number of Cows that required thinning out, but were very skittish. Also it was John’s turn for a shot, but unfortunately he lacked self-confidence with taking shots over 100m. There was a lot of



water present and the ground cover was unusually high, up to 2m in places with the gamba grass.

A number of times we encountered pigs near water. One interesting encounter was putting up a Sow from her bed in the spear grass to reveal a dozen suckers. We disembarked to take a couple of photos, all the time keeping a watch eye on mother.

We came across a couple of Cows and the guide asked John to drill it. The shot was ~120m and John reluctantly took the shot, missing with the first barrel, but made a solid hit with the second barrel,...



thump! Following the blood trail for the next hour, the guide decided it was getting late and we should head back.

Nearing camp, almost opposite the gates we encountered two Bulls in the adjacent paddock. The guide said “take the one out on the left only”. With the light low, Ben could not see his sights and John was not confident of the shot as they were a fair way in the paddock. Jumping out of the 4WD, I wound the scope up to 4x and placed the cross-hairs on the backline of the now fleeing animal, allowed a bit of lead and squeezed off. There was an almighty thump and the Bull faltered and ran for ~100m then collapsed in the grass. I ranged the spot he was hit to be 165m. Driving out to the bull, I got out and fired a second, coup de grâce, shot to the neck at ~5m finishing him. It was at last light and again the guide was not keen butchering the animal for the projectile, but I assumed from the angle it passed through the liver and into the lungs and top of heart.

That night Ben K (K for Katherine) drove out to catch up and conduct a little business with JC. During the conversation over a few ales he mentioned me that the property he met Gibbo, Lee & Nathan on last year has been sold.



Before sunrise on Sunday, I trotted out to get a photo of the Bull, he was only ~300m from camp.

After breakfast and some meat collection, the Bull's remains were dragged a couple of kilometres away from the homestead. Driving a further six kilometres west we called into a vantage point which revealed some beautiful scenery. A pair of wild dogs were spotted and subsequently ranged at 406m. The guide asked one of us to have a crack, Ben obliged with his 450/400, placing a 400gr FMJ ~2m short of the duo, windage perfect!

Driving along the track for a number of kilometres, we finally came across a few Cows and Calves. Ben was up and John backed up. A Cow succumbed to a couple of 400gr FMJs and a 400gr Hydro from Ben's 450/400 3" and a 480gr Hornady DGX from John's 450 3¼". As we had a fair way to go, the legs were taken and stored on a fallen tree in shade. The backstraps were placed in the cooler bag.

Continuing on we encountered numerous Buffalo herds of various sizes, including some average trophy Bulls near a lake. The guide made it quite clear that no Buffalo were to be taken, which was a tad frustrating as we had seen numbers of all sizes exceed a hundred plus just getting to the lake.

At the lake, we observed Buffalo and noticed some Donkeys come in for water. Making our way



around to the other side where we saw the Donkeys, the Buffalo did not seem too concerned with our presence. We staked out a game trail for approximately one hour.



With no activity on the game trail, we headed back to the 4WD and drove north for a couple of kilometres to come across a herd of fifteen Donkeys. The instruction from the guide was “wipe them out”. Obliging we disembarked from the 4WD and stalked into within 30m of the closest animal. Ben initiated the engagement belting the closest animal, a young male. My first target was the dominant Jack who

now was on the run quartering away, the initial shot was forward of the left leg angled into the boiler room at 104m. The Jack did not react, but made the fatal mistake of looking back and instantly became a Hindu with my second shot.



What a sensational experience with three big bores bellowing away, and the resultant “thumps” of heavy slugs hitting. In the end I had fired off all ten rounds on my belt, with all connecting. All fifteen Donkeys were cleaned up. Donkeys can be frustratingly tough little bastards with shoulder/chest shots not appearing to have any initial effect. One tan Donkey took

a hit from the 450 3/4” in the shoulder and two shots from my 450/400 3” to the head before expiring.

John and Ben were suitably pleased with the engagement, especially Ben. Ben was using 400gr RNSNs and 400gr Hydros in his 450/400. He shot one Donkey with a RNSNs and then a Hydro that travelled through the animal exiting, striking a small tree passing through to slam into another tree ~25m behind! Now that is performance!





John was using 480gr Hornady DGXs and located a lump on the far side of a Donkey he hit. The DGX was quickly found (sideways) and recovered. For an expanding bullet the DGX does not really expand! The Donkeys were piled up for Wild Dog bait and a GPS reading taken by the guide for a future visit.

With the sun getting lower, we commenced the journey back to camp seeing numerous Buffalo on the way. There was an opportunity for John to have a crack at a Bull with a broken horn, but the Bull soon joined an “off limits” herd. We came across a pair Bulls having a disagreement, which was an experience to witness.



In our travels we encountered an agro Brown Snake on the road that took three strikes at the wheels as we drove past. Ben, who is ophidiophobic, vehemently voiced his concerns.

Returning back to camp that night, Ben K was quite chuffed hammering a large Cow with his new Merkel 140 double 500 3”. The other guys; JC, Mark and Wolfgang also did very well harvesting five Buffalo. Ben K headed back the Katherine that evening.

Monday morning there was a slight change of the crews. The plan was for one group to spend the entire day on foot, which would be almost impossible to handle for Wolfgang, who is 77yo. Subsequently, I swapped places with Wolfgang joining JC and Mark. Wishing best of British luck to Ben and John, I bid the old crew farewell. The original guide for JC and Mark had departed for Darwin to meet and collect a group of American trophy hunters, and we were to be guided by one of the workers, Col. Col was not comfortable going unarmed, asking if he could bring a rifle. We thought it was brilliant idea. Col had an old sporterised Brno vz.33 8x57mm Mauser and his loads consisted of



196gr Woodleigh RNSNs.



We drove down to a creek southeast of camp and walked the creek for ~90min. With no sign seen, we called off the hunt in favour of going to a different location. We drove to a different creek, which was a series of stagnate ponds to find a large Bull and a couple of Cows in amongst a herd of cattle. Col said, “Ok fellas, do what you want, but don’t shoot the Bull or cattle”.

With the entire herd constantly moving, we followed for ~60min before the ground cover and foliage became too thick.

Returning to camp for lunch, Col stated he would take us to a spot not usually hunted, but it will be a fair hike. We were very enthusiastic with the proposal.

Around 2pm, the property mechanic drove us 19km west to the drop off point. >From there we trekked to the gorge country which was spectacular viewing.

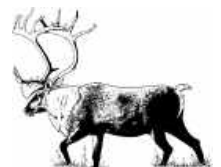
Nearing the bottom of the gorge, a herd of Buffalo was coming out of the creek only ~60m from Col & I. Col reminded me that no big Bulls are to be shot. No problem, I lined up on high shoulder of the largest Cow and squeezed off the shot which rolled her on the spot. As I walked closer and with the memory of the Bull still vivid, a second shot to the head was insurance of no comeback! The 400gr RNSN was recovered from the opposite shoulder.

Following the spring fed creek through the marsh was exhilarating and felt like a proper hunt, for me. We bumped the same herd of Buffalo. Mark opened up with his Lynx straight pull 9.3x62mm hitting a young Bull twice with 286gr Hornady factory loads. JC backed up with a single 570gr FMJ from his Merkel 500 3” as the young Bull crossed the creek.

Mark then put a 286gr pill into the boiler room of a Cow that proceeded to run into a clump of high gamba grass. We looked around for the Cow without any success. The 570gr FMJ had travelled through the young Bull and was recovered from forward of the opposite shoulder.

The time was after 4:45pm and Col stated we still had over 4km to go, including a climb before dark. Pushing on we saw a couple of large pigs break from cover near the waterways.

As the sun was getting lower, Col glassed a mob of Donkeys in the direction we were heading. We stalked through the gamba grass to get within range of JC’s open sight double rifle. The opening salvo was brilliant with all four rifles firing simultaneously and hitting our respective targeted animals. The remaining Donkeys were confused by the commotion and the firing continued. A number of animals



broke away from the remnants of the main group, which Mark pursued and attended to. Col took a brilliant running head shot with his 8x57mm, at the Jack he initially hit. Following two successful head shots, the 450/400 3" was then stretched with a couple of long shots around 200m on two tan Donkeys. Allowing a 10" drop, I compensated accordingly with the crosshairs placed just above the spine and resultantly their shoulders erupted in a cloud of dust with each solid hit. There were fifteen Donkeys strewn about following the carnage. With the sun below the hills, I only took a photo of the

animal taken with the old classic 8x57mm.



Climbing the rocky slopes out of the valley, we were met by the mechanic at the designated rendezvous pickup point. He conveniently packed a few cold cleansing Carton Mid ales. In four hours we had trekked ~9km through some sensational country. It was definitely the best part of the entire trip. Col's demeanour broke the client/outfitter barrier by being one of the boys

out on a hunt. Enjoying the ales, we savoured the colours of the sunset on the last day of the trip.

Returning to camp Monday evening, we met up with Ben, John and Wolfgang who managed to harvest a couple of young Buffalo. The final total for the trip was; 24 Buffalo (including 4 animals not found), 34 Donkeys and 1 Wild Dog.

In the photo below of recovered projectiles, from the left;

- 505 Gibbs – 535gr Woodleigh RNSN with Buffalo shoulder bone impregnated in the mushroom
- 505 Gibbs – 535gr Woodleigh RNSN
- 500 NE 3" – 570gr Woodleigh FMJ
- 500 NE 3" – 570gr Woodleigh RNSN
- 500 NE 3" – 570gr Woodleigh RNSN
- 500 NE 3" – 570gr Woodleigh RNSN
- 450 NE 3¼" - 480gr Hornady DGX (factory)
- 450 NE 3¼" - 480gr Woodleigh RNSN
- 450/400 NE 3" - 400gr Woodleigh FMJ
- 450/400 NE 3" - 400gr Woodleigh RNSN



450/400 NE 3" - 400gr Woodleigh RNSN
· 9.3x62mm - 286gr Hornady InterLock SP (factory)
9.3x62mm - 286gr Hornady InterLock SP (factory)



Tuesday morning was leisurely. Following copious amounts of coffee and some breakfast, the few trophies we had were packed into our luggage and the mini-bus departing the station around 11:30am.



On the way back to Darwin, we collected our Census Traveller Packs at the Katherine VIC and dropped off a pair of Cow horns to Ben K. Then continued onto Adelaide River for a quick ale at the 303 Bar. Arriving in Darwin, we pulled up at the Fox Bar & Grill for beer and dinner. After a couple of beers Wolfgang opened up and told us about his childhood in Leipzig

Germany during WW2; not seeing his father since the age of 8yo (1942), capture in Romania and death in Soviet captivity; and how he, his wife and 2yo daughter escaped East Germany in 1958 and came to Australia. Then we moved onto his adventures and hunts in Africa. It was absolutely fascinating to hear his experience and the hours just melted away.

At Darwin airport, we completed the Census over a couple of Jamiesons & Baileys. With the trip almost over, bleary eyed, we boarded the Qantas flight back to Sydney, departing at 01:40. Most of us passed out before takeoff and woke 40min out of Sydney for breakfast. The flight landed at 06:10 local



time and it was back to reality.

The general consensus from the two regulars; JC & John, and repeat visitors Ben & I was for the increase in cost (paid up front), the level of service was reduced and overall animals seen was way down on past years. Next year, the rate is going up another \$500. Wolfgang was the only one keen to return next year. JC and I are investigating trips to southern Africa which seem better value, and finding our own areas in NT to access Buffalo.



.410" 400gr Woodleigh
RNSN

The projectile on the left was a coup de grâce, recovered from a Bull's skull on the first day. It only weighed 211.5gr or 52.9%.

The projectile on the right was a high shoulder shot that smashed through the spine and was recovered from the large Cow's opposite shoulder on the last afternoon. It weighed 351.6gr or 87.9%.



Aiming Up/Down Hill

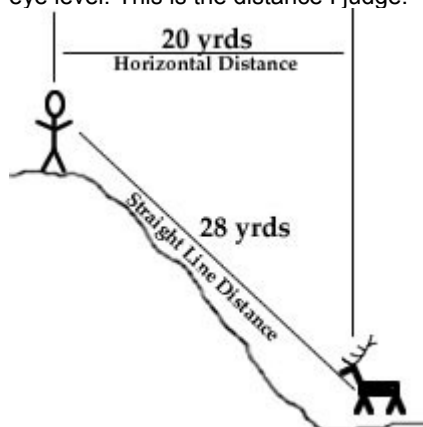
Every fall, while at full draw on an animal, I'd would ask myself the question "do I aim high or low?" Up and down hill shots can be real stress producers. This doesn't need to be a stress producer. You've worked long and hard to get to draw on an animal, now is not the time to be questioning yourself.

So, how do you aim? The short version is: judge the horizontal, not the straight line, distance and aim using a distance slightly less. How much less? It depends. The lesser the angle, the closer to the horizontal distance you'll need to use.

Using the Chart

When aiming up or down hill there are several things to consider.

One is the horizontal distance to the target. This is from the archer to the target as if they were on the same plane. In the example, the horizontal distance is 20 yards. The straight line distance is actually 28 yards. I pick a tree near the target and draw an imaginary line straight up to a point at eye level. This is the distance I judge.



In the example: 20 yards. The second thing to consider is the angle at which you're shooting. In our example, the angle is 45 degrees.

Check the chart . Follow the 20 yard line from the left to the 45 degree line. They intersect at 14.1 yards. According to the chart you'll want to aim as if the shot is 14.1 yards.

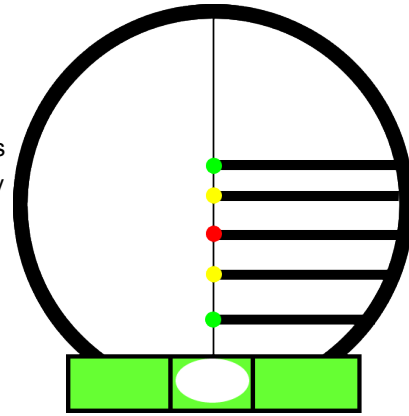
Check here for information on using a [level](#) with your site or understanding [3rd axis](#) site adjustments.

Angle (up or down)

Horizontal Distance in yards (NOT Straight Line Distance)	Angle (up or down)							
	10°	15°	20°	25°	30°	35°	40°	45°
5 yards	4.9	4.8	4.7	4.5	4.3	4.1	3.8	3.5
10 yards	9.8	9.7	9.4	9.1	8.7	8.2	7.7	7.1
15 yards	14.8	14.5	14.1	13.6	13.0	12.3	11.5	10.6
20 yards	19.7	19.3	18.8	18.1	17.3	16.4	15.3	14.1
25 yards	24.6	24.1	23.5	22.7	21.7	20.5	19.2	17.7
30 yards	29.5	29.0	28.2	27.2	26.0	24.6	23.0	21.2
35 yards	34.5	33.8	32.9	31.7	30.3	28.7	26.8	24.7
40 yards	39.4	38.6	37.6	36.3	34.6	32.8	30.6	28.3
45 yards	44.3	43.5	42.3	40.8	39.0	36.9	34.5	31.8
50 yards	49.2	48.3	47.0	45.3	43.3	41.0	38.3	35.4
55 yards	54.2	53.1	51.7	49.8	47.6	45.1	42.1	38.9
60 yards	59.1	58.0	56.4	54.4	52.0	49.1	46.0	42.4
65 yards	64.0	62.8	61.1	58.9	56.3	53.2	49.8	46.0
70 yards	68.9	67.6	65.8	63.4	60.6	57.3	53.6	49.5
75 yards	73.9	72.4	70.5	68.0	65.0	61.4	57.5	53.0
80 yards	78.8	77.3	75.2	72.5	69.3	65.5	61.3	56.6

Do I need a level on my sight?

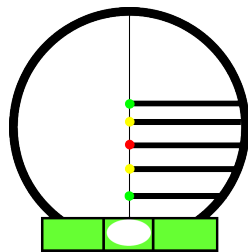
While, these are just a few things to consider when getting ready for backcountry bowhunting, what it really comes down to is making the shot. A couple of rather critical issues the backcountry bowhunter should ponder include: canting your bow and up/downhill aiming when your target does not present you will a shot on level ground.



Shooting target archery has opened my eyes to the use of a level on all my sights. A level will prevent me from canting (tilting) my bow to the left or the right. Some wonder just how much difference a level makes. Let me give you an example of just how important having a level on your sight, and using it, can be.

While preparing for a tournament not too long ago, I noticed that my arrows were impacting consistently to the right about three inches. I'd made no change to any of my equipment, so where was this problem coming from? I put my bow on a device used to see if the level in my sight was actually square with my bow. I found that the sight had come loose and was off by only half a bubble, which was causing me to cant my bow very slightly to the right. Half of a bubble is almost indiscernible while at full draw. Consider this, a three-inch error at twenty yards equates to six inches at forty yards. An error of six inches can mean a miss, or worse, a non-fatal wound. In my opinion, the use of a level on your sight is essential.

Third Axis



Pin Guard

**Pin Guard
at Right Angle
to Sight Bracket**

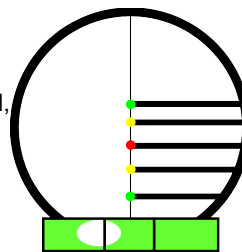
**The Bubble
will be
Centered**

Top View

Sight Bracket

Now that you've made sure your sight is square with your bow, it's time to consider checking your 3rd axis. The 3rd axis references whether the sight pin housing is square to your bow when aiming up or down hill. To the LEFT is a diagram which depicts a sight pin housing which is square.

To the RIGHT is a diagram which depicts a sight pin housing which is NOT square to the bow. For a right-handed archer aiming downhill, the resulting sight picture would result in the bow being canted to the left in an attempt to center the bubble. A bow canted to the left, when aiming downhill, would yield in the arrow impacting to the left. If the archer is aiming uphill, the bubble would be to the right side of the level resulting in a bow canted to right in order to center the bubble, causing the arrow to impact to the right. As you can see, a sight, either without a 3rd axis or an improperly adjusted 3rd axis, can cause radically changing impact points depending if you're aiming up or downhill and depending on how steep of angle the shot is being made.



Pin Guard

**Pin Guard
NOT at Right Angle
to Sight Bracket**

**The Bubble
will be
LEFT of Center**

Top View

Sight Bracket

Selecting a Peep Site

So, why would I want a peep sight anyway? And how do I know what size peep sight to use?

As archers, these are some of the questions that may go through our heads. So let's answer them both.

It had been some time since I had done much bow hunting. I purchased a new bow. The shop threw all kinds of things on it, to include a peep sight and sight pins. I went home and couldn't get my arrow to group any better than 6 inches at 20 yards!! Years ago I had 5 inch groups at 40 yards... what was wrong???

I went to a different local pro shop to find a solution. The dealer had me look through the setup on his bow. "That's it!!" I said. I was ready to take his bow right then. It seemed very natural. At the time my setup was a large peep sight with a square pin guard around the sight pins. What was different about his setup? The pin guard on his sight was round and his peep sight was just the right size to allow the pin guard to fit right inside the peep.

The old way of sighting, before round pin guards, was to pick the appropriate pin, center it in the peep and release the arrow. A single pin in a large opening (the peep) is a difficult thing to center on a consistent basis. With a round pin guard, center the pin guard in the peep, select the appropriate pin and release the arrow. This is a much easier way to duplicate shots, thus increasing your accuracy.

Now, let's answer the peep size question. There are a couple of schools of thought on this. The first being to edge toward a larger peep size. This could possibly mean that the peep would have a view which is larger than the pin guard. Why go for a larger peep? Light. A larger peep will allow more light to filter through. This can definitely be a plus when drawing on a bull elk in the dark timber.

The second school of thought on peep size is to select a peep with a size, which will allow the pin guard to fit right inside the peep. The plus with this setup is accuracy. However, keep in mind that this approach will lead you to a peep size, which will most likely be smaller than the first approach.

Peep sights are inexpensive, usually less than \$10. Go to your archery shop or pro staff shooter and experiment. It's cheap and VERY educational.

You tell me, which looks better?



FERAL ANIMAL HUNTING

The Hon. ROBERT BROWN [6.57 p.m.]: I want to set the record straight on the history of negotiations relating to the conservation hunting of feral animals in national parks. I had not intended to do this but a new member in the Legislative Assembly who might not have been aware of what occurred in the term of the former Government unwittingly lit the fire on Tuesday. I refer to the member for Keira who asked a question of the Government about hunting in national parks. For some reason it appears to be a topic about which members of the former Government are keen to talk. The Shooters and Fishers Party has a policy of utilising licensed volunteer conservation hunters to cull feral animals from our national parks and State reserves. Not even The Greens can deny the damage and losses that are caused by these feral animals. The one true Green in the last Parliament, Ian Cohen, agreed that feral animals needed to be removed; we differed only on who should do the job.

However, I digress. In the term of the last Parliament the Shooters and Fishers Party put this policy to the former Government for negotiation. It was obvious to everyone other than former Government members and The Greens that the first bill was open to negotiation after The Greens almost turned purple and nearly choked with outrage—something that I believe was reflected also in the left wing of the Australian Labor Party. The dust settled and negotiations with the Labor Government began from an opening position of not understanding what we wanted to do. The former Government gradually saw the benefit of having volunteer licensed conservation hunters removing goats, pigs, foxes, feral cats and feral dogs from our national parks.

The then Minister for the Environment—the current Leader of the Opposition—was the first Minister with whom we dealt as part of a senior ministerial negotiating team. As he had carriage of the matter he seemed happy enough to adopt what politicians call a pragmatic attitude to it. From that starting point things progressed, albeit slowly, because the Labor Left was worried about offending The Greens and perhaps not getting preference votes at the election, which at that stage was still a couple of years away. We kept going throughout it all, despite the many roadblocks put up by some people within the Department of Environment in their advice to the Ministers and, lo and behold, we finally reached an agreed position with the then Premier.

The Hon. Michael Gallacher: Which one?

The Hon. ROBERT BROWN: Nathan Rees. This agreement enabled Game Council licensed voluntary conservation hunters to cull feral animals in more than 60 national parks across New South Wales—remote parks as they were labelled by Graeme Wedderburn, the Premier's Chief of Staff.

Should there be doubters, I have a map which confirms what I am saying. Despite this agreement—we all know that hand-shake agreements do not hold much water these days—things went no further. As I understand it, when the agreed position was taken to Cabinet there was apparently some gnashing of teeth, and perhaps even the shedding of a few tears. The term borderline hysteria also comes to mind, but I cannot be certain of that now. I will not name those who were apparently so offended by the proposition. It seems that the Premier was told if the Government went ahead with this vile agreement it might as well hand Balmain and Marrickville then and there to The Greens. What happened? The then Premier, Nathan Rees, spectacularly junked that agreement in what turned out to be a valedictory speech on 3 December 2009. The Labor Party still lost one of those two seats to The Greens and only narrowly held on to the second—irony writ large.

The bottom line is that a former Labor Premier negotiated and agreed to hunting in more than 60 national parks across New South Wales. It is now hypocritical for the Labor Opposition to pretend that it did not happen. It wants to think that the sky will fall in if this Coalition Government agrees with us on the benefits of such a brilliant initiative. The Shooters and Fishers Party will continue to promote this now proven sensible conservation model. Our constituents—true conservationists, I might say—expect us to do so. We are committed to the hugely successful conservation model behind the legislation. Volunteer conservation hunters have successfully hunted in State forests for more than five years. Feral animals do not recognise boundaries on a map.

In conclusion, we have all witnessed a politically difficult issue negotiated to an outcome in the United States of America just this week. Following that example, it is not beyond the wit and will of

good people to have this important conservation measure resolved between the Government and the Shooters and Fishers Party. We live in hope.

3 August 2011, Questions Without Notice

FORESTRY PROTESTS

The Hon. ROBERT BORSAK: I direct my question without notice to the Minister for Roads and Ports representing the Minister for Primary Industries. Is the Minister aware that two days ago environmental protesters staged yet another stunt in the Cumberland State Forest and blocked access to nearby government offices at Pennant Hills in an effort to prevent conservation harvesting of native forests on the South Coast? Are these protesters the same people who have constantly blockaded roads in the southern forests, stolen safety signs and barriers around forest workplaces, glued locks on forestry machinery, stolen security equipment, painted windows and staged tree sit-ins to stop work in the forests? Will the Government ensure that sufficient security and, if need be, legislation are always available to support forest workers so that they can go about their lawful business and protect their assets from protesters who want to prevent them from working?

Mr David Shoebridge: Point of order: The question clearly contains argument. It seeks to draw a connection in the question and is therefore in breach of Standing Order 65. It equally contains, in breach of Standing Order 65 (1) (a), statements of fact that cannot be authenticated and that clearly go beyond the reasonable statements of fact contained in the question pursuant to that standing order.

The PRESIDENT: Order! Those parts of the question that contained argument have been removed. The second part of the question did not contain statements; they were questions asked of the Minister. Therefore, the question is in order.

The Hon. DUNCAN GAY: I will forward the question to the Minister for Primary Industries for a detailed response. However, there are no greater hypocrites than The Greens in this country with regard to the general philosophy of protecting people going about their daily work, looking after their families and contributing to the economy of this State. Some people call The Greens watermelons. They are not watermelons; they are avocados—that is, they are green on the outside and nuts in the middle. They spruik in this House for hour upon hour about protecting the rule of law, but they support people who endanger others who are doing an honest day's work. The hypocrisy of that organisation and the threat it poses are incalculable.

2 August 2011, Questions Without Notice

NATIONAL PARKS PATRONAGE

The Hon. ROBERT BROWN: My question is directed to the Minister for Finance and Services, representing the Minister for the Environment. Is the Minister aware of a recent letter to the *National Parks Journal* in which the writer laments, "If you have been to any national parks lately around Sydney you will have noticed how few people are visiting"? Given that the previous Government ridiculously claimed that there were 38 million visitors to national parks in New South Wales each year, will the Minister provide the House with detailed visitor figures for each national park over the past five years?

The Hon. GREG PEARCE: I thank the Hon. Robert Brown for his interesting question. I will obtain a response as soon as possible from the Minister for the Environment. I will be interested to read it myself. With regard to the utilisation of our wonderful parks, one of the first things the O'Farrell Government did was abolish entry fees for the Mount Annan and Mount Tomah parks in western Sydney. I understand that as a result the visitation rate has increased about four-fold. There is obviously a great demand for these assets if they are open to the public, appropriately nurtured and properly used.

Mass shootings in Australia and New Zealand: A descriptive study of incidence

McPhedran, S., & Baker, J. (2011). *Justice Policy Journal*, 8(1).

Executive Summary

Introduction

- There is a growing amount of research into the impacts of regulatory reform upon firearm-related deaths in countries like Australia, where strict nationwide firearms regulations were introduced in 1996.
- Comparatively little scrutiny has been applied to the occurrence of a specific type of homicide - mass shootings.
- The current paper examines mass shootings in Australia and its near neighbour New Zealand.
- Australia and New Zealand differ in the relative availability of semi-automatic longarms and pump-action shotguns.
- Banning those firearms in Australia in 1996 has been credited with stopping mass shootings. If this is correct, it would be expected that mass shootings would continue to occur in New Zealand, where such firearms are still available.

Method

- Publicly available data from the Australian Institute of Criminology (AIC), Statistics New Zealand, and New Zealand Police were used to detect the occurrence of mass shootings (defined as four or more people killed) from 1980-2009.
- Data were standardised to a rate per 100 000 people, to control for differences in population size between the countries.
- Mass shootings before and after 1996/1997 were compared between countries.

Key Findings

- In the period 1980-1996, both countries experienced mass shootings. The rate did not differ significantly between countries.
- Since 1996/1997, neither country has experienced a mass shooting event.
- The results do not support the view that prohibiting certain types of firearms explains the absence of mass shootings in Australia since 1996.
- Other factors may underlie the clustering of mass shooting events in the late 1980s and mid-1990s, followed by an absence of mass shooting events, in both countries.
- In the late 1980s and early 1990s, both Australia and New Zealand experienced high levels of unemployment, followed by a decade of relative economic stability and growth from the mid-1990s onward.
- The clustering of mass shootings around a period of economic downturn and high unemployment, followed by the absence of such events during a period of economic stability and relatively low unemployment, may reflect broader relationships between economic wellbeing and violence.

From: rory robertson [mailto:strathburnstation@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, 16 August 2011 2:34 PM

To: strathburnstation@gmail.com

Subject: fyi; Strathburn Safaris suddenly has an October 2011 vacancy; plus a 2012 update (see below)

Good afternoon all...Rory Robertson here, owner of Strathburn Station.

We've just had a safari cancellation (via illness) so the week of 6-13 October now is available

. So too 10-17 November still is available. **Sorry, no dogs.**

If not this year, check out our website (

www.strathburn.com) and if you like what you see, we're happy to take a booking for 2012. **We run from June to November, with August, September and October the most popular months.** 20% off for bowhunters, or 10% off for others for weeks that end in June or start in November.

The key details on our safaris - including prices - are set out below. It's "first in, best dressed" in terms of securing your preferred week.

My brother - your guide - would work hard to help you have a great trip. Hit REPLY if you have an interest, or further questions.

Regards,

Rory

- **background:** strathburn is a working cattle station covering 50km by 50km of cape york wilderness. it's long been considered one of the best pig-hunting properties in australia. in 2010, we completed our first full season in four years, reopening a business that paused for breath after operating for over two decades.
- each of the 16 groups that came in 2010 decked plenty of good boars and went away with a pile of impressive tusks. to maintain the quality, in 2011 and beyond we'll be breaking in new tracks to access unexplored creek systems (with a front-end loader bought from next door).
- my brother alisdair lives up there full time and guides the safaris...i get to do all the admin from sydney. last year, we received very upbeat feedback on the boars but also on alisdair as a guide and a bloke. turns out he's friendly and works like a trooper to make sure everyone gets what they came for.
- **all our safaris are fully guided, typically running for a week and involving 2-5 hunters. we do rifles and bows...SORRY NO DOGS. to allow the option of flying in and out on the mail plane from cairns, our safaris run from thursday to thursday**
- **in 2012, a 7-day hunting safari at strathburn costs: 2 hunters = \$3900 each, 3 hunters = \$3400 each, 4-5 hunters = \$3200 each. 20% off for bowhunters, OR for 5-day rather than 7-day trip.**
- **package includes a guide, his vehicle, accommodation at main homestead and all meals - BYO GROG. always only one group at a time. "bag limit" is up to three boars per hunter per day (21 max. each)...no trophy fees on boars..fishing for barra and saratoga as well if desired.**
- **a 20% deposit secures any booking, with a further 30% deposit due two months out, and the balance paid in the days before coming up.**
- in terms of other game, dingos and cats are shot on sight but there are no donkeys, buffalo, or deer... the scrub bulls in the unfenced country in 2012 will incur a trophy fee of \$500 per beast. fishing for saratoga and barramundi is complimentary on request. but strathburn safaris mainly is about hunting for big boars and spending a week with your mates in the remote heart of Australia's last frontier.
- **on getting to strathburn: fly to cairns and then it's seven hours of**

driving in a hired 4WD or 2-3 hours on the weekly mail plane (which involves assembling at cairns airport at 7.30am on thursday morning).

- to hire a vehicle, try Amanda at **Sargent 4wd hire truck lease & rental**, 301 Little Spence St, Bungalow (in Murdoch Road Transport yard):

ageary@sargent.com.au, ph:0740 323094, fax:0740 323181... like strathburn, sargent 4wd hire is very popular in peak season, so again book early to avoid disappointment.

- happily, the roads are much better than you might think. drive to mareeba, about 40 minutes over the range from cairns. it's then about two hours to lakeland/laura, then two hours to musgrave roadhouse, then two hours to strathburn. **all up, it's a 550km drive up the main peninsula road from cairns via mareeba, 80% of it sitting on or near the 100-110kph limits. from cairns, it's seven hours of driving - give or take - plus your stops along the way.**

- for the thursday mail plane, it's \$340 return in 2011. need to assemble in cairns on wednesday evening, and be out to cairns airport at 7.30am thursday. you arrive back in cairns mid-late afternoon the following thursday...**westwing's operating aircraft in 2011 is a 9-seater "caravan"**...let me know if you are keen on taking the plane.

- booking a hunt at strathburn station, it's first-in best-dressed in terms of preferred weeks...again, book early to avoid disappointment...ditto sargents and other 4wd rentals...

- **get in touch if you are keen for a trip in 2012, or if you have any questions.** we'd work hard to help you and your crew have a great trip.

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FIREARMS REGISTRY

Our Ref: 10871-449/R&R:GJM

Anzac Rifle Range User Committee
P O Box 386
Maroubra 2035 NSW

DATE 22 July 2011

NOTICE OF REVOCATION UNDER THE *FIREARMS REGULATION 2006*

I am writing to advise that a decision has been made to **REVOKE** your Range Approval No. 410467183

Upon service of this notice you are no longer authorised to conduct or allow live firing at the Anzac Rifle Range Malabar NSW under the provisions of the *Firearms Regulation 2006 clause 89 (2)(a) and (b)*.

The Reasons for my decision are as follows:

Clause 89 of the Firearms Regulation 2006 prescribes that the Commissioner may revoke such an approval if he:

- (a) is satisfied that the shooting range is not being conducted with proper regard to the preservation of public safety or the peace
- (b) the Commissioner is satisfied that any conditions to which the approval is subject have not been complied with.

In support of this decision I note the following:

- Complaint received by Government authorities as well as the NSW Rifle Association in relation to a member of the public who, "...was shocked to experience, when sat on the edge of the headland, a bullet pass by us at very close range" dated 3 July 2011.
- Front gate access to the range remains open and accessible by any member of the public without any control mechanisms in place to preserve safety whilst on the site during daylight hours.
- Failure to maintain security of the range site by way of daily perimeter inspections and maintenance as required, preventing access to the site by unauthorised members of the public.
- Failure of the Range User Committee to prevent other site users from accessing the Range danger areas whilst live firing is in progress presenting a heightened risk to the safety of those users e.g. Malabar Riding School.
- Failure to adequately control access to the perimeter of the range site by unauthorised persons e.g. Members of the public, whilst live firing is occurring to preserve public safety.
- Failure to maintain a regular education programme for members of the public to the dangers of accessing the site unlawfully as the range site is a restricted area under Commonwealth law.

My understanding of the applicable law is that:

Firearms Regulation 2006

Clause 85 Offences relating to shooting ranges

(1) A person must not:

(b) operate an approved shooting range in contravention of any condition to which the approval is subject, or

Clause 87 Approval of shooting range

(1) The Commissioner may approve a shooting range either unconditionally or subject to such conditions as the Commissioner thinks fit (such as conditions relating to the control, administration, management, use and inspection by a police officer, or such other person as may be approved, of the shooting range, and the preservation of public safety).

Clause 89 Revocation of approval of shooting range

(1) The Commissioner may revoke an approval of a shooting range for such reason as the Commissioner thinks fit.

(2) Without limiting subclause (1), the Commissioner may revoke such an approval if:

- (a) the Commissioner is satisfied that the shooting range is not being conducted with proper regard to the preservation of public safety or the peace,
- b) the Commissioner is satisfied that any conditions to which the approval is subject have not been complied with.

Right of Review

Section 53 of the *Administrative Decision Tribunal Act 1997*, provides that you, or a person acting on your behalf, may seek an internal review of the decision of the Commissioner of Police. Any request for an internal review must be lodged in writing to the NSW Firearms Registry within 28 days of service of this Notice.

Please find enclosed the FACT Sheet 'Right of Review' which details how you may apply for an internal review of this decision.

Yours Sincerely



Delegate for the Commissioner of Police
Manager Registration & Ranges| Firearms Registry



NSW Police Force
www.police.nsw.gov.au

FIREARMS REGISTRY

Right of Review

Appeals

A person may apply for a review of a decision made by an administrator. Initially, an internal review of the decision is conducted by the Firearms Registry and if the outcome of that review is unacceptable, an external review to the Administrative Decisions Tribunal (ADT) may be requested.

This FACT sheet provides information on the reviewable decisions as provided by section 75 of the Firearms Act 1996 and clause 131 of the Firearms Regulation 2006 and the appeal process for customers to follow.

What decisions are reviewable?

Section 75 of the Firearms Act 1996 (Act) outlines the decisions that may be reviewed. These include:

- * The refusal of or failure to issue a licence or permit,
- * Any condition imposed on a licence or permit,
- * The revocation of a licence or permit issued to the person,
- * The refusal of or failure by the Commissioner to register a firearm,
- * The cancellation of the registration of a firearm,
- * A firearms prohibition order made against a person.

A person can also appeal decisions made in relation to dealers licences, shooting range approvals and club approvals - clause 131 of the Firearms Regulation 2006.

- * The refusal of an application to change the premises to which a firearms dealer licence relates - clause 35 of the Regulation,
- * A refusal or failure to grant an approval for a shooting range,
- * A condition imposed or varied on the shooting range approval,
- * The revocation of a shooting range approval,
- * The refusal or failure to grant a club approval,
- * A condition imposed on the club approval,
- * The revocation of a club approval.

Appeals relating to club approvals can only be made by a secretary or other relevant office holder of the club concerned.

What decisions are not reviewable?

- * There is no right of review for a decision not to issue a permit for a prohibited firearm, and
- * There is no right of review when a revocation is based on the person being subject to a firearms prohibition order or an apprehended violence order.

- * Any decision not specified in section 75 of the Act.

NOTE: Cancellation of registration of a firearm is a reviewable decision. However, if you do not hold a valid firearms licence or permit, the decision to cancel registration cannot be changed at Internal Review.

If your licence has expired, please contact the Firearms Registry Call Centre to obtain application forms and further information on the process required to retrieve your firearms.

How does the review process work?

If you are not satisfied with a reviewable decision made, you may request an Internal Review. The Internal Review is conducted by the Case Management Unit within the Firearms Registry.

The Internal Review is an independent review of the decision by a member of staff who was not involved in the making of the original decision.

How do I make application for an Internal Review?

Your request for an Internal Review must:

- * Be CLEARLY MARKED "INTERNAL REVIEW REQUEST"
- * Be made in writing by you or your representative (eg solicitor), and
- * Be lodged with the Firearms Registry, Locked Bag 1, Murwillumbah NSW 2484, within 28 days of being notified of the reviewable decision, and
- * Provide information on why you disagree with the decision, and
- * Supply any supporting documentation you believe is relevant and applicable.

If your representative requests the internal review, they must include your written authorisation for them to do so on your behalf.

How long does the Internal Review take?

An Internal Review is usually finalised within 21 days, but this may vary.

What are the possible outcomes of an internal Review?

The internal reviewer may:

- * Affirm (ie agree with) the decision,
- * Vary the decision,
- * Set aside the decision and make a decision in substitution.

How will I be notified?

You, or your representative, will be notified in writing of the outcome of the Internal Review.

What if I am not happy with the Internal Review decision?

If you are not satisfied with the decision made at INTERNAL Review, you may make application for an EXTERNAL Review by the ADT.

What is the ADT?

The ADT is the Administrative Decisions Tribunal which is an independent body that reviews decisions made by administrators.

How do I make application to the ADT?

Contact the ADT directly or visit their website for information relating to their application process and any applicable fees associated with seeking an external review. The Tribunal is located at:
Level 15, 111 Elizabeth St
Sydney, 2000, NSW.
Freecall: 1800 060410
Telephone: 02 92234677
FAX: 02 92333283
Website: www.lawlink.nsw.gov.au/adt.

What if I do not wish to request a review?

The original decision will stand.

What do I do with my firearms?

Firearms will remain with police or a licensed Firearms Dealer until the finalisation of any internal or external review.

If the decision is affirmed on review, you will need to arrange to dispose of your firearms through a licensed Firearms Dealer or you may authorise police to destroy the firearms.

If the decision is set aside or varied, when your firearms licence is reinstated, you will be authorised to possess and use your firearms once again. In this case, both you and the police/firearms dealer will be informed in writing that you may collect your firearms.

NOTE: If any of your firearms were seized in relation to an offence relating to safe keeping under Part 4 of the *Firearms Act 1996*, and you were found guilty by the court of that offence those firearms seized are deemed forfeited to the Crown.

Related Information**See legislation:**

Section 75 of the *Firearms Act 1996*,
Section 80 of the *Firearms Act 1996*,
Clause 131 of the *Firearms Regulation 2006*,
Section 35 of the *Weapons Prohibition Act 1998*,
Sections 53 & 55 of the *Administrative Decisions Tribunal Act 1997*.

Firearms Registry**Address**

Locked Bag 1
Murwillumbah NSW 2484

Telephone

1300362562

Interstate

02 66708590

Fax

02 66709803

Email

firearmsreg@police.nsw.gov.au

Website

www.police.nsw.gov.au/firearms

Where can I find more information?

The information provided in the FACT Sheet is for general guidance only. Applicants and licensees should familiarise themselves with the *Firearms Act 1996* and the *Firearms Regulation 2006*, which are available on the NSW Legislation website www.legislation.nsw.gov.au



NSW Police Force

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Class of Policy: Liability Insurance	Policy No: T/B/A
The Insured: NSW DEERSTALKERS ASSOCIATION INC	Invoice No: 110175
	Our Ref: NSWDEERST

PUBLIC & PRODUCTS LIABILITY INSURANCE - GUN CLUBS**INSURED** : NSW DEERSTALKERS ASSOCIATION INC**BUSINESS** : FIREARMS SPORTS HUNTING CLUB**MEMBERSHIP** : 200**GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS** : Worldwide Excluding USA & Canada**LIMITS OF LIABILITY:**
Public Liability: \$10,000,000
In respect of any one claim or series of claims arising out of any one occurrence.**Products Liability:** \$10,000,000
In respect of any one claim or series of claims arising out of any one occurrence and in the aggregate during the period of Insurance.**Sublimit:**
Care, Custody and Control \$50,000 any one claim or series of claims arising out of any one Occurrence.**EXCESS** : \$500 Each and every claim**SECURITY** : Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's of London (100%) (C)**WORDING** : Miramar Steadfast General & Products Liability Wording (MS2010.1)**ENDORSEMENTS:****GUN CLUBS**

1. M5 SPORTING GUN CLUB MEMBER PERSONAL LIABILITY incl. Member to Member Definition 1.14
"Insured Names" includes:
Any member of the Insured's designated in paragraph 1.14.1 and 1.14.2, in respect of any claim for compensation in respect of Personal Injury or Property Damage brought by or on behalf of any other person including another member of the Insured, but limited to Personal Injury or Property Damage caused by or arising out of the authorised activities of the Insured and subject always to the terms, conditions, exclusions and Limit of Liability provided in this Policy.
2. Warranted guns only sold to licence holders.
3. Warranted that Club Rules and Guidelines must be adhered to.
4. Warranted sale of handguns limited to handguns with trigger guards.
5. Warranted clubs comply with relevant legislation in respect of all matters including range templates, firing rights etc.
6. Warranted all products comply with Australian, U.S.A. or E.U. Standards.
7. Warranted all rights of recourse are maintained against manufacturers or suppliers.
8. MU028 - ERROR IN FORMULA OR DESIGN EXCLUSION
This policy does not cover liability in respect of Personal Injury or Property Damage caused by or arising out of the nature, condition or quality of your products which nature, condition or quality result from the use of any design, formula, specification, plan or pattern.
9. Excludes exports to U.S.A. and Canada.
10. Excludes liability for injury to drivers or passengers of motor vehicles being driven or operated where:
 - driver does not hold a current drivers license to drive the particular vehicle
 - they are not seated within the vehicle's cabin and/or are not wearing a seat belt
 - they are not wearing protective helmets if riding a motorcycle, trike or similar vehicle
 - are a pillion passenger on a motorcycle, trike or similar vehicle.

Class of Policy: Liability Insurance	Policy No: T/B/A
The Insured: NSW DEERSTALKERS ASSOCIATION INC	Invoice No: 110175
	Our Ref: NSWDEERST

STANDARD CONDITIONS:

1. Electronic Date Recognition ("Year 2000"/"Y2K"/"Millenium") Exclusion, Asbestos Exclusion, Terrorism Exclusion and Cyber Exclusions apply to this policy.
2. Insured must comply with their Duty of Disclosure pursuant to the Insurance Contracts Act 1984.
3. Proposal Form and payment within 30 days from inception. No hold covered provisions apply.
4. Cancellation fee \$100.00 + GST.
5. Miramar has the right to revise renewal terms should any losses/claims be reported prior to the Due Date.

PLEASE NOTE: MIRAMAR UNDERWRITING AGENCY DOES NOT PROVIDE ANY AUTOMATIC HOLD COVERED PROVISIONS, FULL PAYMENT IS REQUIRED WITHIN 30 DAYS FROM INCEPTION DATE.

THIS SCHEDULE IS A SUMMARY OF YOUR POLICY. PLEASE REFER TO POLICY WORDING FOR FULL DETAILS OF TERMS & CONDITIONS.

TERRORISM EXCLUSION:

Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary within this insurance or any endorsement thereto it is agreed that this insurance excludes liability to pay compensation in respect of personal injury or property damage or any cost or expense of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from, arising out of or in connection with any acts of terrorism regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to acts of terrorism.

For the purpose of this endorsement an act of Terrorism means an act including but not limited to the use of force or violence and/or the threat thereof, of any person or group(s) of persons, whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation(s) or governments(s), committed to political, religious, ideological or similar purposes including the intention to influence any government and/or to put the public, or any of the public, in fear.

This endorsement also excludes liability to pay compensation in respect of personal injury or property damage or any cost or expense of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from, arising out of or in connection with any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing or in any way relating to any act of terrorism.

In the event any portion of this endorsement is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

ASBESTOS EXCLUSION:

In consideration of the premium charged for this insurance, it is hereby understood and agreed that this contract shall not apply to and does not cover any actual or alleged liability whatsoever for any claim or claims in respect of loss or losses directly or indirectly arising out of, resulting from or in consequence of, or in any way involving asbestos, or any materials containing asbestos in whatever form or quantity.

CYBER EXCLUSION:

Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary within this insurance or any endorsement thereto it is agreed that this insurance excludes liability for loss, injury, damage, cost or expense of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with:

- a) Loss of, damage to, deterioration or corruption of any computer hardware or related Information Technology and communication system, any computer software, Internet, Intranet, Website or similar facility and/or electronic data and related information.
- b) any loss arising out of any:
 1. unauthorised access, use or misuse
 2. denial of access or use
 3. infringements of data privacy
 4. infringements of intellectual property rights (including but not limited to trademark, copyright or patent)
 5. errors, omissions or provision of negligent advise, design or installation for a fee or otherwise
 6. libel, slander or defamation
 7. wrongful advertising or product disparagement
 8. breach of any trading regulation or jurisdictional and legal requirement

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If the Insurers/Reinsurers allege that by reason of this exclusion, any loss, injury, damage, cost or expense is not covered by this Insurance the burden of proving the contrary shall be upon the Insured/Reassured.

In the event any portion of this endorsement is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

NEW SOUTH WALES DEERSTALKERS ASSOCIATION INC.

Dedicated to the Sound Management and Conservation of Deer in NSW.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

SURNAME:.....CHRISTIAN.....MIDNAMES.....

DATE OF BIRTH..... SEX: Male/Female

DRIVERS LICENCE NO:..... STATE.....

SHOOTERS LICENCE NO:..... CLASS:.....

POSTAL ADDRESS:.....POST CODE:.....

HOME ADDRESS.....POST CODE.....

HOME PHONE.....BUSINESS.....MOBILE.....

OCCUPATION.....

FEES (Please tick payment being made):

1 YEAR SUBSCRIPTION

FAMILY: \$55.00

SINGLE: \$50.00

JUNIOR: \$25.00 (Under 18)

3 YEAR SUBSCRIPTION

FAMILY: \$150.00 (SAVE \$15.00)

SINGLE: \$145.00 (save \$5.00)

JUNIOR: \$70.00 (Save \$5.00)

PLEASE NOTE: By law, to possess a shooters licence you must hold appropriate insurance. This is included in the subscription with the exception of FAMILY MEMBERSHIPS which include only one insurance payment. Insurance must be obtained for each additional family member after the first at the rate of \$10.00.

INSURANCE @ \$10.00 PER FAMILY MEMBER AFTER THE FIRST TOTAL: \$.....

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION FEE \$.....

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$.....

I AGREE TO ACCEPT AND PRACTICE THE NSW DEERSTALKER'S CODE OF ETHICS AND TO ABIDE AT ALL TIMES BY THE CONSTITUTION, FEDERAL, STATE AND TERRITORY LAWS.

Signature:

Date:...../...../.....

PLEASE NOTE: This form is an application for renewal of membership only and is subject to Committee Approval. An application will only be considered if accompanied by all the necessary Fees, This form must be completed in full and is due for renewal 1st July of Membership expiry.

PLEASE PAY PROMPTLY.

Return to: The Secretary, NSW Deerstalkers, P.O. Box 519, Picton NSW 2571