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## NZDA welcomes it's new CEO!

NZDA executive and members warmly welcome Gwyn Thurlow as the associations new CEO.

Gwyn brings a wealth of experience to our organisation, ranging from extensive hunting experience on game animals throughout New Zealand, executive office holding at a branch level, a driving force in the establishment of the National Heritage Trust and the new building, writing and presenting submissions to government on firearms and many years working for law firm Chapman/Tripp.

Here is an outline of what the Executive perceive as being priority areas for the CEO to concentrate on:

No	Item Action	Comment	Priority
1	Organisational Design NATOF•	By 31 July propose organisational model for consideration and adoption by NATEX to include office and executive rules for enhanced organisational management	1
2	Process assessment NATOF	Gap analysis of NATOF and NATEX processes procedures and proposals to remedy	2

3	NATEX member skill set assessment and review	Constitution allows for members to be appointed to the Exec what skills and competencies can assist in the future development of the organisation	1
4	Business Plan review and rewrite	Current BP has not been amended for some time and lacks meaningful measures and actions	2
5	Business growth strategy	Initial plans to grow membership are to be put into middle time period with recession anticipated. How best to look after membership and retain / sustain / engage current members	1
6	Stakeholder engagement plan	Positioning of NZDA with key organisations including government, NGOs, private sector, proposals to include partnering arrangements. CEO to undertake key introductory meetings.	2
7	Costs reduction cost management following Covid -19 impacts	While current budget indicates sufficient income the executive must look to ways of reducing expenditure in the short and medium term what ways can we reduce our costs in	1

		particular making use of member and staff resources rather than go to market or contractors.	
8	Membership system review and recommendations	The arrangements for membership renewal and new member processing is inefficient and creates poor outcomes nationally and for branches. How might this be improved	1
9	IT asset management and replacement	Comment has been made about the aging IT infrastructure a asset management strategy shall be developed to ensure NATOF and NATEX is capable of meeting the needs of members/ stakeholders.	3
10	Chasing Great check for currency and future role	Chasing Great has been the mantra for NZDA improvements for four years and requires a sense check given progress since its adoption	3

•Note NATOF is the national office while NATEX refers to the national executive

## National President Report



Trevor Chappell

The lock down period under Covid 19 certainly curtailed many of our members activities, including my own. However we have moved to level two and we can now enjoy most of the activities previously available before level four put a stop on everything.

Many thanks to all those members who participated in the "Special Photographic Lockdown Competition." Hopefully your prizes will be posted in the next week or so - I am just waiting on Hamills to send them to me for distribution.

My work these last few weeks has been getting reports written for the conference handbook and checking to ensure other annual reports are submitted.

There has also been liaison with DOC over access issues into the Blue Mountain RHA hunting blocks, particularly mid-week through forestry operational areas.

Discussion with DOC is still progressing on improved access into the southern Pureoras - it amazes me how forest managers can have so much influence on reducing access to the public conservation estate.

I have also met with Mark Bridgman of the Sika Show - which will still proceed at the end of September at this stage - about display booths for NZDA and the Heritage Trust.

The Zoom Executive meeting on 16 May discussed in detail the proposed format for the forthcoming annual conference - the minutes are attached.

Finally, I again remind members of the excellent discounts we have arranged with commercial operators - taxidermists, hunting and shooting suppliers, water and helicopter travel, game callers etc. Please use these sponsors where possible.

Regards

Trevor Chappell  
National President

**National Secretary**



## Chaz Forsyth

- Preparing agendas for National executive meetings
- Writing minutes of meetings including a recent executive meeting held by ZOOM
- Preparing Annual Report/2020 Conference Handbook, including approaching convenors of committees and working groups, and branches, for annual reports. Collating, sorting and inserting these into handbook, along with Notices of Motion, Remits, nominations for national office positions. Liaison with office manager and with branch officers to this end
- Liaison with incoming CEO about conference handbook preparation and related matters.
- Research work on firearms and firearm-related matters for various outfits including COLFO.
- Branch liaison and local branch sub-committee work
- No NZDA branch meetings attended!



Always masked up during lock-down though!

## Lower North Island Representative



**Tim Watson**

Hi NZDA members,

My activities as follows:

- Attend NZDA quarterly Zoom meeting
- Judge NZDA Lockdown Photo competition
- NZDA building project management

My best regards go out to all our members and their families over this difficult time. Look after each other

and think of how you can help those who may be in less fortunate situations.

## **Lower South Island Representative**



**Ian Owen**

Hi all,

With lockdown and social distancing the regional meeting for the Southern branches was held using Zoom, the topic of the meeting was the upcoming conference.

The majority of branches were in favor of postponing conference until a face to face conference could take place, but came to the conclusion that Natex wouldn't listen to them and the digital conference would take place regardless.

The next meeting was scheduled to after the branches received the conference handbook.

A Zoom Natex meeting was held on Saturday the 16th of May, which I attended, where a number of items were discussed.

## **Lockdown Photo Competition**



## Special 'Lockdown' Photo Competition

Judging of all the photos entered into our NZDA Lockdown Photo Competition is now complete, and the winners and place getters are listed below.

Entries were of a good standard with some creativity evident, particularly in the humorous/human interest section. Photos were judged by executive members Kaylyn Pinney, Tim Watson and Trevor Chappell. Here are the placings-

### Adult Section A: Hunting Related Activities

1. Rikki Brown of Nelson Branch - knife making

2. Sharon Sorenson of Bay of Plenty - cabin fever
3. Paddy Corkery of Southland - shed building

Highly Commendable

- Richard O'Driscoll of Wairarapa - salting a skim
- Rhett Brown of Whangarei - rifle stock rejuvenation

## **Adult Section B: Humorous/Human Interest**

1. Paul Hoskin of Hutt Valley - where I wanna be
2. Darryn Moeller of North Taranaki - suffering in the shed
3. Steve Ludwig of South Canterbury - why I can't go!!
4. Ian Swan of North Taranaki - chilling out

Highly Commendable

- Chris King of South Waikato - tui likes sugar
- Eileen Comber of Taupo - bird and sika watching

## **Adult Section C: Flora and Fauna**

1. Jared Parker of South Auckland – flying duck
2. Ian Swan of North Taranaki - praying mantis feasting
3. Garth Haylock of Marlborough - monarch butterfly family

Highly Commendable

- David Morrison of North Canterbury – fantail
- Joe Hubmann of Wellington - falcon

## Kids Section A: Hunting Related Activities

1. Lucas Knight of Ruahine - my maimai
2. Miriam Newton of North Canterbury - sausage sizzle
3. Mark Frost of Nelson – a fishy dinner

### Highly Commendable

- Tiarna Allen of Rotorua – my first deer

## Kids Section B: Humorous/Human Interest

1. Esther Newton of North Canterbury - the kids "surrender" treaty
2. Peter O'Driscoll of Wairarapa – a bored fantail

## Kids Section C: Flora and Fauna

1. Peter O'Driscoll of Wairarapa – fantail close-up

Many thanks to all members who participated. There were 50 entries from 15 branches. Such a competition takes time to organise, sponsors arranged, judging, and then distributing of the prizes. Your support has made it worthwhile.

**The links to the entries can be found by clicking the button below:**

[Competition Entries](#)

# Conference Reminder

Just a reminder that the annual Deerstalkers' Conference is to be held on the 25th and 26th of July.

The format will be an online Zoom meeting. The Natex board will host this from the Deerstalkers' House in Wellington.

More details to follow.

Please note, the national competitions are still going ahead. Please get your entries in as soon as possible.

The forms and rulebook can be found by clicking the button below.

[Entry Forms and Updated Rulebook](#)

# Survey on National Parks in New Zealand

Please take a moment to fill in this Survey which looks at National Parks within New Zealand.

Thanks,

Chaz Forsyth

[Online Survey](#)

# Hunting and Wildlife Magazine



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## **available**

There is still the ability to order your printed copy of **NZ Hunting and Wildlife Magazine** and have it delivered to your home address. Please note that due to current circumstances with COVID-19, there is a delay in orders received during lockdown, these should arrive in the next week.

\$10 a copy

or

\$29 for 4 x editions

### **ONLY 50 printed copies left for issue 208**

[Click here to read the latest edition online](#)

Some branches ordered copies to sell at the branch meetings. However, not everyone can get to meetings - under current circumstances this is definitely not an option.

### **Order your printed copy now!**

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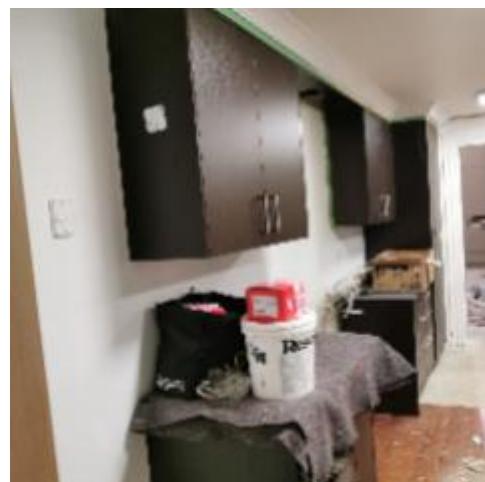
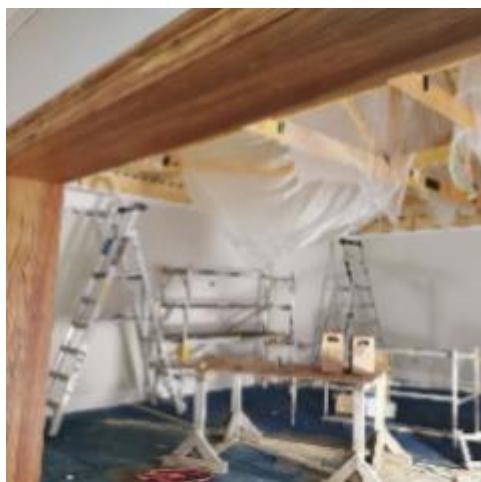
### **Contributions needed for NZ Hunting and Magazine**

Please send contributions to the editor Simon Gibson at: [editor@deerstalkers.org.nz](mailto:editor@deerstalkers.org.nz) or mail on a memory stick to NZDA, PO Box 12015, Wellington 6144.

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## **Deerstalkers' House Update**

Great news as the construction manager firmly thinks work will be finished by Friday the 3rd of July.



## General Notices From Staff at National Office

### National Office Premises - Level 3

Now that we are in level 2, we have resumed working from our temporary office in Wellington.

The landline was redirected for the duration of lockdown but will be reverted back soon. However email is the best and most efficient form of contact at the moment.

If the matter is urgent, please contact 04-499-6163.

### Your Membership Invoice Update

2020/21 Renewal invoices are almost complete.

Thank you to everyone that has paid their membership invoice recently, we appreciate it is a frustrating

time not being able to hunt extensively during the Covid-19 period, however your capitations fees go towards the running of the Association and the advocacy work to continue to protect our hunting rights in New Zealand during Covid-19.

The National Office Staff have been busy reconciling all these payments and dealing with the many queries and new memberships.

So just a quick thanks to everyone that has referenced their payment correctly, it was a huge improvement on last year and it is very much appreciated as it makes it so much easier.

If you haven't received your invoice yet, this may be because of a couple of reasons:

1. We have an incorrect email address for you.
2. It went to your spam folder, please check; it will be from [nationaloffice@deerstalkers.org.nz](mailto:nationaloffice@deerstalkers.org.nz)
3. You don't have an email address, and you normally receive your reminder by post.

The printers were closed during level 4 so these are a little behind in being printed and sent so should be with you soon.

If you still haven't received your invoice (either by email or in the post) by the end June, please contact [membership@deerstalkers.org.nz](mailto:membership@deerstalkers.org.nz)

## Credit and Debit card payments

We have been alerted that there are a small number of people that the below credit card facility is not working for them.

This is due to an older computer or browser not supporting the strict security it needs. If you forward the invoice and email link to a smart phone or another family member, it should work there.

Alternatively you can pay via bank transfer or phone the office to pay over the phone. Just don't forget to include the correct references and invoice number.

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Amount payable

**\$100.00**

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## Membership Cards

Membership cards should now be sent on a weekly basis. Please note however that the current Covid19 situation has caused several delays to our printing partner's ability to operate.

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