

The southern hunter



February 2009  
Southland branch  
NZ deerstalkers association

**Noticeboard:**

Executive Meeting: Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 7pm

General Meeting: Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 8pm

Executive and committee members (2008-2009)

	President	Jim Ridley	
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Roger Stratford	Steven Long	Brendon Bell	Ray Phillips
	Murray Colson	Euan Butters	

**VOLUNTEER WANTED:**

One volunteer is need for a week checking traps in the Waitutu Forest for DoC in February. Person needs to be fit, have GPs knowledge and general bush skills.

Contact Jim Ridley if interested 03 215 9649

**Animal Skin Tanning Service**

Adam Cowie

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## GUEST SPEAKER FOR FEBRUARY MEETING

Hugh R. Bradley F.S.G.

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[www.stagersport.com](http://www.stagersport.com)

Hugh Bradley will be showing the excellent Blaser instructional film on shooting moving game. Also supplier of quality products ie.

Meindel Boots

Blaser Rifles

Zeiss Scopes

Mauser Rifles

And lots more

Should be an interesting night so get along to the meeting and talk to Hugh about his products.



# Draft Stewart Island National Park Plan & CMS

Branch members on email will receive an electronic message about this plan. It is important we get submissions. If you are not on email please make a submission in writing:

We suggest you pick any three or four of the points below, more if you wish, add your own comments or put it in your own words.

Address it to:

Department of Conservation – Rakiura Planning Team  
Southland Conservancy  
PO Box 743  
Invercargill 9840  
Email: [rakiura@doc.govt.nz](mailto:rakiura@doc.govt.nz)

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Introduced Animals:

My submissions are:

1. I want whitetail deer to be recognised as a resource, recreational opportunity, protected animal (pick one) on Stewart Island.
2. Say you support the Pest Liaison group but oppose eradication of whitetail. *You may wish to support the removal of red deer from Stewart Island.*
3. I support recognising the value that recreational hunters place on whitetail deer within Rakiura National Park.
4. *Suggest ways DoC can recognise that value of hunters*
5. I support the work being done by Rakiura Hunter Camp Trust (add any *personal experiences.*)
6. I want information on deer numbers to be made available to hunters. (suggest how this can be done.)
7. I support the elimination or eradication of cats rats and possums from Stewart Island.
8. I support the work being done by Southland NZDA killing rats at Mason Bay.

If you want further info sent to you email [southlandbranchnzda@hotmail.com](mailto:southlandbranchnzda@hotmail.com)

Do it now! submissions must be in before 11 March.

## Southland Mountain Radios

Southland mountain radios ceased to exist on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January 2009, anyone looking for radios they are still available via Canterbury radio service phone is 03 379 7905

A big thanks to Ray and Corinne Phillips for the service they have provided for the last 22 years and also to all volunteer helpers on radio duties with him. Most hunters will miss Rays cheek coming over the radios in the high country.

## Editors Comments

Hope everyone had a great (and safe) Xmas and New year. For most hunters the up coming next few months are busy planning for the roar and Duck shooting etc. these are busy times for the dedicated!!

We are looking at getting hold of more stations for club hunts (goats, deer and wallaby's) so keep an eye out, always great fun to be had.

*We would like to have more stories and/or photos etc. would be appreciated.  
Don't necessarily have to tell where you've been ☺*

## February Hunting Tips:

Make sure you've got your annual leave in for the upcoming roar ☺

Not too mention building up the Brownie points with the wife so your allowed to go!!

Be safe and identify your target.

### **FOR ALL THE DUCK SHOOTERS....**

The hunting and fishing 2009 simulated field clay bird shoot is to be held on the 15<sup>th</sup> of March, at the Central Southland Gun club at Springhills. Any inquires phone 03 218 2266  
Is a great shoot see you there!