

# THE SOUTHERN HUNTER



Nathan, Simon, Dale, (Simon's bull was  $(43 \frac{2}{8})$ )  
Taken in the Poerua river block West coast (inland from Hari Hari)

Photo courtesy of Nathan Dawson

**July 2011**

# Southland Branch NZ Deerstalkers Association

## Noticeboard:

Meeting: Wednesday 20th July at 8pm

## **Executive and committee members (2010 - 2012):**

<b>President</b>	Nathan Dawson	235 8852
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## **Sub committees for year 2011-2012**

TBA

### **Executive:**

N. Miller, B. Bell, R. Phillips, J. Hogg, S Robinson,  
D. Craig, G. Ronald, S. Byrne, R. Sloan, K. Watson.

### **Life Member(s):**

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### **Presidents Report For July:**

We have the National conference this month in Tuatapere on the 22nd to the 24th of July so if you're around. Get over there for a look!

Have been hearing some good stories of winter hunts with one of my mates bagging his first stag (8 pointer.)

Last month I was away on our winter Thar hunt and weather was great on the coast one day of light rain.

Three of us went in, we shot 19 animals 3 bulls over 12" .Simon set the standards high with shooting the biggest of the three on the first morning of the first day, we had no chance! Great work Simon.

This year the heli-hunters were allowed into the wilderness blocks, we saw one of them in our block and he stuffed up animals for us and I had a three year old tantie on the top of the hill for a minute of two, fell on deaf ears though, heard of others having bad luck with them in other blocks too.

NOT GOOD for us ground hunters!!!!!!!

All in all great trip three good bulls, two broken packs and three bodies that were pushed to the limits.

Great Laughs and good times, Can't wait until next year.

Cheers  
Nathan

### **Guest Speaker for July:**

Southland Conservation Management Strategy:

We will have someone in from DoC to speak about the Southland CMS. This is something that can affect all hunting in Southland so please come along for a listen!

More info about the CMS Here:

<http://www.doc.govt.nz/getting-involved/consultations/current/southland-cms-consultation/>

### **Wallaby Hunt**

There will be a wallaby hunt on the 20th and 21st of August.

We are going to the same station as last time in Waimate

If you are interested please let me know cheers Nathan

[nathan.adrienne@xtra.co.nz](mailto:nathan.adrienne@xtra.co.nz)

Hm : 03 235 8852

Cell : 027 602 1821

### **Eyre Mountains hunt:** Watch this space

We have meeting with DOC next week to hopefully put plan into place.

SO WATCH THIS SPACE, WE WILL LET YOU KNOW.

### **Young hunts:**

We are looking at starting up on the 15th of September.

There is still some spots available let me know if you are interested

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**We're still short on newsletter material – please feel free to send in photos or stories!**

### **NZDA Caps & Beanies**

The Southland Branch has sourced a supply of caps and/or beanies that will have the Southland branch logo printed on them.

The ones available are:

Caps: Dark green with a yellow logo on the front. Peaked front to keep the rain off.

Beanies: Two types available - the standard type of beanie, and one that pulls over the ears (good for the cold days).

Both caps and beanies will have the logo printed on them.

If anyone wants them, they will need to pay up front, as the order will not be sent in until we have a reasonable number to purchase. The cost is \$15.00 for either the cap or the beanies. Cheques can be made out to Southland Branch NZDA, or cash is more than welcome.

For orders, please see R. Phillips on a meeting night, or mail to:

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### **Joke for the month**

Two guys are sitting at a bar.

"You know why I love this bar?" asks the first one.

"No," says the second guy. "Why do you love this bar?"

The first guy points at the window, which is six stories above the ground. "It has a magic window," he says. "You jump out of that window, and you can fly."

The second guy just shakes his head. "Shut up."

"No," says the first guy. "It really is a magic window. I'll prove it to you."

So the first guy gets down from his bar stool, runs at the window, jumps out of it, and flies. He flies around the building twice, up and down, and finally comes back in. He walks to his barstool, and takes a sip of his drink. "See?" he says.

The first guy looks confused. He looks at his drink. "I must be drunk," he says.

"Still don't believe me?" asks the second guy. "I'll show you again." He gets down from his stool, runs and jumps out of the window again. This time he performs some impressive aerial acrobatics, spins, flips, dives. When he finally comes back in, the second guy is staring at him, slack-jawed.

"Wow," says the second guy. "A magic window." He gets off his barstool, takes a running jump out of the window, and promptly plummets to his death. The first guy starts laughing.

The bartender comes over to the first guy with a stern look on his face. "Superman, you're a real asshole when you're drunk."

### The Firearm Safety Code:

1. Treat EVERY firearm as loaded.
2. ALWAYS point firearms in a safe direction.
3. Load a firearm ONLY when ready to fire.
4. **IDENTIFY** your target. **IDENTIFY** your target. **IDENTIFY** your target!!!
5. Check your firing zone.
6. Store your firearms and ammunition separately and securely.
7. Alcohol impairs judgment

### Guest Speakers

If anyone knows of someone who would be interested in being a guest speaker at the meetings please contact

Ray Phillips, ([rkphillips@xtra.co.nz](mailto:rkphillips@xtra.co.nz))

Dave Howden ([davidandlorraine@xtra.co.nz](mailto:davidandlorraine@xtra.co.nz))

or Neville Miller ([nandc43@xnet.co.nz](mailto:nandc43@xnet.co.nz))



With the generosity of Back Country foods we are able to source their goods at cost price – this is the same amount that retail stores buy their product in at!

The owner of Back Country Food indicated that he would prefer to deal with only one person from each club or organisation. Gus Ronald has a current order form and he has been dealing with them for the last 15 years.

Instead of putting the form in the newsletter, anyone interested in getting any, please contact Gus & he will e-mail them a copy. It has all the prices and what is available and he is more than happy to take orders of any quantity from members of if they have friends they could also get it as well. It would also be a lot more easier to place order as quantities warranted it so if members wanted small quantities they may have to wait a short while till Gus gets enough to make a decent size order.

As a guide to the price the cost of a 2 serve which seems the most popular is only \$6.65 + G.S.T. making it \$7.65 inclusive which is about 30% cheaper than most retail outlets. The money would be payable on order as he have no intentions of running an accounting or charging system. There is no making any money out of this and Gus is only doing it to help people out.

You can contact Gus on [gus.ronald@xtra.co.nz](mailto:gus.ronald@xtra.co.nz)

Please also include your NZDA membership number where possible.

## **Notices:**

Thanks to members who put there hands up to take part in the Branch rat control program on Stewart Island. All six trips are now full.

Lincoln University are carrying out surveys on Hunting in NZ, it would be appreciated if you could jump online and carry it out:

<http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/hunt>

## **Subscriptions are overdue.**

**Thanks to those who have paid, everyone else - please give this some attention!**

### **Untamed – Davey Hughes Charity Events**

Join Davey Hughes for a fun evening packed with “great stories of hilarity and high adventure with furs, spurs and exotic bones...”

Davey’s on the road, raising funds for charity from 8 July & promoting his ripper of a new book, Untamed: The Extraordinary Adventures of the Swazi Man.

Friday, 22nd July – Tuatapere (NZDA Conference)

8.30pm                      EVENT: An evening with Davey Hughes

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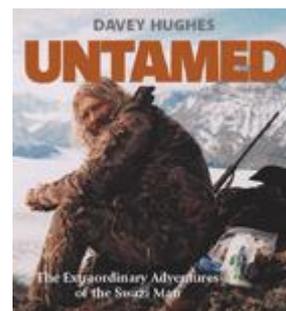
Tickets \$20 from Wayne Edgerton, ph:03 226 6024

Saturday, 23rd July – Gore

7.30pm                      EVENT: An evening with Davey Hughes

Waikaka Hall

Tickets \$25 from Paper Plus Gore



# What do you want your kids' playground to look like in 10 years' time?



*Tell us what you think, Southland!*

## It's your place, have your say...

The Department of Conservation is reviewing our management strategies for conservation in Southland and Otago. This is your chance to tell us what's important to you and have input into our strategies.

**This opportunity only comes around once every 10 years!**

To comment on what you value about Southland, simply visit [www.landscapemap2.org/nzdoc](http://www.landscapemap2.org/nzdoc)

To comment on what you value about Otago, visit [www.landscapemap2.org/otago](http://www.landscapemap2.org/otago)

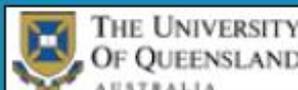
~~Survey closes 2 February 2011~~

If you don't have access to the internet, that's OK - call us on (03) 211 2400 to register your interest. We'll put you on our mailing list to keep you informed with future updates.

For more information call (03) 211 2400.



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# ALPINE EDUCATION

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## MSC SOUTHLAND ALPINE COURSES

### Avalanche Awareness & Alpine Introduction

- Date:** ▲ Saturday 30 - Sunday 31 July  
**Cost:** ▲ \$230  
**Location:** ▲ Remarkables Ski Field, Queenstown

### Basic Alpine Skills

- Date:** ▲ Saturday 13 - Sunday 14 August  
**Cost:** ▲ \$150  
**Location:** ▲ Remarkables Ski Field, Queenstown

### Snow Shelters

- Date:** ▲ Saturday 27 - Sunday 28 August  
**Cost:** ▲ \$150  
**Location:** ▲ Remarkables Ski Field, Queenstown

*\* Extra costs include gear hire, food, transport and accommodation.  
Successful completion of the Avalanche Awareness course is a prerequisite to attending the Alpine courses.*



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