

## 2018 Branch Competitions

The **end of May 2018 is the close off** for entries in the branch Antler, Horn, & Tusk Competitions & Photographic Competitions. The timing is to fit with the NZDA National Competitions.

If you have been lucky enough to have taken a trophy during the year (1<sup>st</sup> June 17 to 31<sup>st</sup> May 18) you need to have the head or jaw cleaned and measured as soon as possible. This means that if you are planning to have the head or jaw mounted then please have the head measured, before you do this.

To reduce the load on individual scorers and add to the interest at meetings we are going back to "measure-up nights". The intention is to have scorers present at the May meeting or by arrangement via the committee. There may be a further opportunity at the June meeting for heads entered prior to the end of May close off.

When this has been done the head or jaw is automatically entered into the correct categories. Please ensure the **entry** is done before the end of May. If not, fill in the entry form. **This way we will also identify heads worthy of entry into the national competitions.** A similar vetting system for photo's worthy of national entry also exists.

For Digital photos **please supply a good quality finished print as well as a high resolution digital version** that will be kept as a record of the place getters.

### The photographic judging is broken down into:

60% subject matter, 30% photographic technique, 10% presentation.

The Big game animals section is judged by: Degree of stalking difficulty, Photographic technique, Presentation.

**Please avoid printing photo's on standard photocopy paper – it does them no justice.**

### Basic Competition Rules include:

- **Note the new Kaitoke Cup and explicit new rules on public land kills for existing categories.**

- It should be your own photo (taken by you not merely of you) and all digital pics must be in the original "as shot" unaltered format.
- "Big Game Animal" photos are of NZ animals whilst still alive and not on the inside of a fence (unless declared, in which case they may be considered). Big game animals are Deer, Tahr, Chamois, Pigs, Goats.
- "Other Wildlife" - all other living creatures, e.g. seals, birds, spiders, Welshmen, unicorns etc.
- "NZ wildlife" – entries into this category may be reassigned to either "Big Game" or "Other Wildlife".
- "Stalking Interest" covers photos of general interest to stalking but does not need to include successful hunt photo's e.g. carrying back an animal, stalking through the bush, guys making a raft, crossing a river, helicopter landings, etc.
- "Scenic" – any photo of scenic value (e.g. mountain or river scene, sunsets) however does not include camp scenes.
- "Camp Scenes" – from around a hut or camp.
- "Floral and Abstract" – plants, ice formations, spiders webs etc
- "Video" – can fit any of the above categories.
- **B&W – NEW RULES** – this category now asks for your *own photos* shot in MONOCHROME or SEPIATONE settings or using like film stock or filters.
- Trophies must be free range game as per the association rules. Game park animals need to be declared as such.
- You must have been a member when you shot the animal or took the picture.

**Notes:** The judges may re-categorise entries if they have been inadvertently entered into an inappropriate category.

There are also trophies for the best animals taken by Juniors so enter them and note their age.

**All trophies/cups awarded for 2017 comps must be returned by the May 2018 meeting.**

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## Photographic Competitions - Entry Form

*Note: This form is to be used for one category only. Max of three entries per category*

### Competition Category (circle one)

Colour Slides, Digital and Colour Prints, Monochrome and Sepia tone					
1	Big Game Animals	2	Other wildlife	3	Scenic
4	Stalking Interest	5	Camp Scenes	6	Floral and Abstract
7	Black and white prints – <b>NEW Monochrome or Sepia-tone</b>				
<b>Others</b>					
8	Movie/Video films – Stalking Interest				

### Description of photographs:

- 1) .....
- 2) .....
- 3) .....

	Date Taken	Location	Approx. Dist. from subject
1)	.....	.....	.....
2)	.....	.....	.....
3)	.....	.....	.....

### Technical Details:

	Camera	Lens size	Focus	Exposure metering
1)	.....	.....	Man/auto	Man/auto
2)	.....	.....	Man/auto	Man/auto
3)	.....	.....	Man/auto	Man/auto

**Declaration:** I hereby declare that the information above is correct & agree to be bound by the rules of the competition. I understand that the judge's decision is final.

**Name:** .....

**Phone:** ..... **Email:** .....

**Signed:** ..... **Date:** .....

**Number each photo.** For digital, use the frame number. Do not write your name on the photos. Place this form along with the photos in an envelope, and write your name on the envelope. Use a different envelope for each category. Don't date-stamp digital photos as this reduces picture quality.

# **Hutt Valley Branch NZDA - 2018**

## **Antler, Horn and Tusk Competitions - Entry form.**

**Name** ..... **Phone No** .....

**Address**-..... **Email**.....

Note : this form is to be used for **ONE** Category only (maximum of 1 entry per sheet)

**Category** - Enter one of the following categories in the box

	<i><b>Trophy</b></i>	<i><b>Category</b></i>
	Tisdall Rosebowl (you are automatically entered for this trophy)	Best Trophy of any species – Public Land
	Wellington Branch Trophy	Best Red Deer shot ON Public Land in the North Island, South of the Manawatu Gorge.
	Delieu Trophy	Best Red Deer – Public Land
	Sika Competition	Best Sika Deer – Public Land
	Other deer Competition	Best Non Red Deer Antlered Species – eg White tail, Sambar, Rusa, Fallow etc – must be fair chase with no trophy or access fee paid
	Presidents Trophy	Best Chamois or Tahr – Public Land
	Best Goat Trophy	Best Goat or wild sheep
	Pig Tusk Trophy	Best Pig Tusks (drawn or undrawn)
	<b>The Kaitoke Cup – NEW</b>	<b>Best trophy of any species (DS or DS conversion) – non-public land, fair chase and no trophy or access fee paid</b>

### **Details of the Head**

**Date Taken** ..... **Area in New Zealand**.....

Brief description of the stalk

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**Please attach a Douglas Score sheet for this head if you have one.**

*Signed* .....

*Date* .....

Declaration – I hereby declare that the above information is correct, and I agree to be bound by the rules of the competition. I understand that the judges’ decision is final.

The closing date for entries is the end of May 2018 and the trophy must have been secured in the twelve months (June 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 to May 31<sup>st</sup> 2018). **Trophies must be presented in a clean condition.** For National comps they need to have the skull intact in order to be eligible but at club level we accept cut skulls.