

NZ Pig Hunting Association AGM

22/07/2017 Meeting at Hamilton 1.00pm

I have found the last year just as challenging as the first, but I feel we are just starting to gain traction. Month by month there seems to be more and more individuals and organisations aware of the national body.

I feel we are having some small gains along the way, but as of yet we can't quite nail the big one, that being the Garmen Tracking Collar issue. Many hours of time are being spent on this issue, just when we gain ground, the door shuts on us again, but I'm quite confident we will get a solution with the calibre of personal attempting to achieve our goal.

Geff and I and some others have been to many corners of NZ meeting with clubs, groups and individuals promoting the formation of our national body with a high percentage of success. The thing that really frustrates me with some of these meetings is that everyone is so positive about the concept, objectives and reasons for having a national body, but they just forget to carry out their intentions, and we have to keep reminding them of their intentions until they join.

One thing I did pick-up quite strongly, was the feeling that we are getting paid for our time at meetings etc. In some cases it was quite a task to convince some that we were doing it for the "passion" not the "payment".

Without the association we could have had a very negative article in the NZ Herald, which could have very easily given us all a bad tag, which would have been difficult to shake-off.

This involves the RNZASPCA on a cruelty issue with a pig hunter supposedly training his dogs. We must quickly distance ourselves from this behaviour, and quickly form a policy to that affect.

I know of a few people that have purchased our "Szazi" packs, which to me is beneficial to both parties. Like I said "it's been a challenge and time consuming" but I'm sure it's all worthwhile

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