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TO MEMBERS

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CONSTITUTION RULES of the MARLBOROUGH PIG HUNTING CLUB INC.

1 The name of the Club will be the MARLBOROUGH PIG HUNTING CLUB INCORPORATED.

2 OBJECTS

- a. To promote and foster the sport of pig hunting.
- b. To promote the non-killing of sows, and prohibit sows from all Club competitions.
- c. To improve access to private and public land for members for the purpose of pig hunting.
- d. To enable members to organise hunting trips by sharing their knowledge and resources.
- e. To encourage and assist new members in the Club.
- f. To promote or oppose bills, legislative or other measures or by-laws affecting the interests of members.
- g. To operate the Club on a voluntary basis with a minimum of restrictions and inconveniences.
- h. To mediate in any disputes between landowners and Club members.
- i. To enable younger members to learn the skills of pig hunting, bush craft and safety.
- j. To subscribe or become a member of and co-operate with any other Club whose objects are altogether or in part similar to those of this Club and to procure from and communicate to such Club such information as may be likely to forward the objects of this Club.
- k. To promote and encourage the correct housing and care of pig dogs both within urban and rural areas.

3 MEMBERSHIP

- a. Members will respect and obey all legal requirements laid down by public and private landowners.
- b. Members will meet the legal requirements for dog and firearm ownership.
- c. To take part in Club activities, subscriptions must be current.
- d. Change of address must be notified to the Secretary within thirty (30) days. All notices sent to the last notified address will be valid and deemed received twenty (20) days after posting.
- e. New members, to be nominated by a financial member, must complete an application form. Acceptance, by secret ballot, will be at the discretion of the Committee.
- f. If a membership is declined there is no right of appeal or recourse against the Club and no correspondence will be entered into in respect to the Committee's decision.

4 CANCELLATION OF MEMBERSHIP

- a. Membership will be cancelled by non-payment of subscriptions by due date.
- b. Behaviour deemed to be unbecoming of a Club member in respect of its rules and regulations will lead to cancellation of membership.
- c. Behaviour deemed to bring the Club into disrepute will lead to cancellation of membership.
- d. If any member is prosecuted for unlawful hunting or trespassing the member has the right to appeal before cancellation of membership.

5 OFFICERS

- a. The President shall take the chair at meetings of the Club except when by his or her absence the Vice-President may chair the meeting. The President at all such meetings shall have a deciding vote in addition to a casting vote.
- b. The Secretary shall keep regular minutes of the proceedings of the Club and shall supply to each Committee member a copy of such minutes at the next meeting date. The Secretary shall preserve all communication to or from the Club and his or her signature is to accompany all official notifications emanating from the Club unless otherwise stated.
- c. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the financial transactions of the Club. The Treasurer must collect subscriptions, pay and remit accounts, check expense and fit the expenditure to the income so that a reasonable balance sheet may be presented at the AGM. All accounts must be prepared and checked by a competent person/s. In the matter of receiving monies a receipt must be given. A receipt book with counterfoils must be kept. All monies received shall be deposited in the name of the Club in such a recognised N.Z. bank as the Club shall direct. The bank account shall be operated digitally (on-line banking). The Treasurer shall prepare and present a financial report to such meetings. These reports shall be incorporated into the minutes of the monthly meetings.
- d. The officers of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by one member.
- e. The books of the Club shall be open to inspection by members of the Club as such reasonable times and places as may be determined by the Secretary or Treasurer.

6 LIFE MEMBERS

Life Members may only be elected at the Annual General Meetings and may have all voting rights.

7 SUBSCRIPTIONS

- a. The annual subscriptions shall be fixed at the Annual General Meeting in each year and shall be payable to the Treasurer no later than four (4) weeks following the AGM.
- b. All levies payable by the Club must be included in the subscription fees.
- c. Non-hunting Executive shall be exempt from paying subscriptions.
- d. An Active subscription entitles the Member to receive and have weights etc. entered in the newsletter, partake in all Club competitions and social events. Be covered by the Club's PL Insurance, and reside in the Marlborough District. Active subscriptions to be capped at thirty five (35).
An Associate subscription are for those Members who reside outside the Marlborough District. They are entitled to receive and have weights etc. entered in the newsletter, partake in Club Pig Hunts and social events. Be covered by the Club's PL Insurance, but cannot compete in the Trophy competition.
- e. New Members to pay a Joining Fee.

8 FINANCIAL YEAR

- a. The financial year of the Club shall be **1st January to 31st December**.
- b. The subscription year of the Club shall be **1st February to 31st January**.

9 MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS

- a. Management of Club funds will be the responsibility of the Executive and Committee.
- b. All funds will be held in a NZ bank account. The Executive and Committee shall have the power to decide if one (1) or two (2) persons are to administer the Club's funds.
- c. Funds surplus to requirement may be invested at the discretion of the Committee.
- d. Donations, bequests or gifts may be retained in their original form should the Committee think this is beneficial to the Club.
- e. The Trustees shall not be related to, nor reside in the same household.

10 POWERS OF COMMITTEE

- a. Administration of the affairs and business of the Club as well as day to day running of the Club shall be controlled and managed by a Committee consisting of President, Secretary, Treasurer and five (5) Committee members, notwithstanding.
- b. All major Club policy decisions to be made at Annual General Meetings.
- c. The Committee shall have the power to expel or suspend any member of the Club for discreditable conduct as it may think fit, provided the member be given notice by letter not less than fourteen (14) days before the meeting at which a motion shall be put calling for his or her expulsion or suspension. The notice shall state the grounds for the action proposed, the date, time and place of the meeting. The member shall have the right to attend the meeting and if present may be invited to speak upon any matters affecting the issues, and shall have the right to appeal.

- d. The Committee shall have power to appoint Sub-Committees for any specific purpose and to delegate to them such of its functions as may be deemed necessary, providing that such Sub Committees do not commit the Club to any unusual expenditure or activities without prior consent of the Committee.
- e. The Committee will investigate and take appropriate action on all complaints provided that such complaint is in writing and signed by the complainant, or verbal by the complainant in attendance at a Committee meeting. Club members verbal complaints can also be made to the Committee provided that the complainant allows his or her name to go with the complaint
- f. The Club will be able to bring or defend any legal action.
- g. The Club shall be liable for any legal action taken against a member or members providing that member or members are officiating in Club affairs authorised by the Committee.
- h. The Club will be able to buy, sell, lease or rent any land and/or buildings.
- i. The Committee will be empowered to do all other things as are conducive to the objects of the Club.
- j. The Committee shall have the power on a 75% majority vote at any Special General Meeting to borrow or raise monies as required so long as it meets the objects of the Club.
- k. The Committee may purchase, redeem or pay off such security or securities at any time.

11 MEETINGS

- a. Annual General Meetings of the Club shall be held in **February** of each year. Executive and Committee of the Club shall be elected at the AGM. The AGM shall have the power to transact business relating to the Club which it may think fit. Members will be advised of the meeting by way of newsletter and Email at least fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting being held.
- b. A Special General Meeting shall be called at any time provided members have been given fourteen (14) days notice setting out the purpose for which such meeting is to be called.
- c. Committee Meetings will be held on the 1st Thursday of each month unless otherwise notified by the Secretary. Any financial member may attend these meetings and vote.

FORMAT OF MEETINGS

- AGM
- 1. Apologies
 - 2. Minutes of previous AGM meeting
 - 3. President's Report
 - 4. Audited Financial Report and Balance Sheet
 - 5. Notice of Motion or Remits
 - 6. Reading of voting rules and Election of Officers
 - 7. Fixing of Annual Subscriptions and Levies
 - 8. General Business

- COMMITTEE
- 1. Apologies
 - 2. Minutes of previous Committee meeting
 - 3. Matters arising from these minutes
 - 4. Correspondence (Inwards and Outwards)
 - 5. Financial Report, Accounts for payment
 - 6. General Business
 - 7. New Members

12 COMMITTEE

- a. Committee members must be a financial member of the Club for the previous six (6) months or have previously served on the Committee of this or similar Hunting Club.
- b. Committee members are to discuss decisions through the Committee and not make them on their own accord. This includes newspaper articles, letters, newsletters etc. which must be approved by the Committee, or President and Vice-President combined.
- c. The Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) nor more than ten (10) financial members of the Club, plus President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.
- d. Any Committee member absenting him or herself from three (3) consecutive meetings without an apology may be required to forfeit their seat.
- e. The Committee shall have the power to appoint a member to fill any vacancy until the AGM. Any member so appointed shall retire at the next AGM with the rest of the Committee but all or any of the Committee shall be eligible for re-election.
- f. The Committee shall be the same as the previous year, minus resignations, plus volunteers.

13 QUORUM

- a. No business of the Club shall be transacted at any meeting of the Club unless a quorum of members be present.
- b. The quorum for any Annual or Special General Meeting shall consist of ten (10) financial members, including at least two (2) Executive and five (5) Committee.
- c. The quorum for any Committee Meeting shall consist of six (6) financial members, including at least one (1) Executive and two (2) Committee.
- d. If within ten (10) minutes of the time appointed for any meeting a quorum of members is not present, those members present will be deemed the quorum and complete the meeting.

14 VOTING

- a. Voting shall be decided by a secret ballot in the case of Executives, and by a show of hands for any such matters that require a vote of any other description, unless at least two (2) or more members present require a secret ballot. This to be done at a Committee, Special or Annual Meeting. Results of voting shall be announced by the President and recorded in the minutes.
- b. Voting should be one vote per paid up membership with a minimum age of sixteen (16) years. Voting papers to be picked up from the Secretary and marked off in the minutes as a financial member against their attendance.
- c. At an AGM members can only nominate and second one (1) ACCEPTED Executive member.
- d. Any voting papers torn or altered will be null and void.
- e. Nominations for officials will be taken by post or from the floor at the AGM. Voting will only be accepted from the floor.
- f. If a secret ballot takes place it shall be conducted by a scrutinising officer and assistants appointed for the purpose by the meeting prior to voting.

15 EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

- a. Any members wishing to be nominated for the office of President, Secretary or Treasurer shall be required to have served on the Committee for two (2) years, or served in an Executive capacity in a similar Club. In the event of there being no nomination received then the Committee for the time being may at its discretion accept nominations from members who have served on the Committee for one (1) year.

16 AMENDMENTS TO RULES

- a. Constitution Rules may be altered, added to, or rescinded in part or in whole at an Annual or Special General Meeting. All other rules pertaining to Club or Trophy, not in the Constitution may be changed at a Committee meeting.
- b. Notification of proposed rule changes are to be submitted to the Secretary for processing by the end of January.
- c. All rule changes require a majority vote. In the event of a drawn vote the President may have the deciding vote.
- d. Notification of proposed Constitution Rule changes must be given to members at least fourteen (14) days prior to the Annual or Special General Meeting.
- e. The President and Secretary will be responsible for the Constitution and Rules to be updated within two (2) months following the Annual or Special General Meeting.

17 COMMON SEAL

The Common Seal of the Club shall be under the control of the Committee and in the custody of the Secretary, it shall be affixed by the Secretary to such documents as the Committee may from time to time direct.

18 WINDING-UP

- a. In the event of the Club being wound-up or going into recess, a Special General Meeting will be held with fourteen (14) days notice to members of such a meeting. A quorum of such a meeting will be fifteen (15) members. If after thirty (30) minutes of the start of the meeting fifteen (15) members are not present, those members present will be deemed the quorum and complete the meeting.
- b. All monies held in the Club accounts will be used to pay all outstanding debts. Any of the residual monies will be held in trust for up to two (2) years. If the Club is not reinstated after two (2) years the monies to be distributed to a charity or charities nominated by the meeting.
- c. All assets held by the Club will, at the discretion of the members, be sold or held in trust for up to two (2) years.

19 INSURANCE

The Marlborough Pig Hunting Club Inc. must carry a Public Liability Insurance.

Public Liability Insurance claimants must pay the excess plus a monetary figure set by the Committee to offset premium increases.

20 INCORPORATED SOCIETIES ACT

The day to day running of the Club will be in full accordance with the Incorporated Societies Act.

NEWS and VIEWS

“Without Prejudice”

The festive season is over and we're nearly into the second month of another new year. Hope everyone had a safe and happy time over Christmas and New Year, being able to spend it with family and friends and rest and relax over the summer break. Good luck for 2025, and enjoy your hunting, but watch those hot days.

Social events are being organised for this year and we would hope that members and their families will be able to join in these activities and get enjoyment from them.

Meetings are usually the **FIRST THURSDAY** of every month at the Redwood Tavern commencing at 7.30pm. The more members we have at our meetings, the more input and the more chance of making everybody happy.


Congratulations must go to all the trophy winners. Commiseration's to those who didn't quite make it, but don't forget without you there can be no winners. Besides that, you don't have to keep those trophies polished. YEAH, RIGHT.

At the December Meeting members were asked to read the Constitution and Club Rules, decide if some should be deleted, added to or changed and bring to the February Committee meeting their thoughts for discussion and recommendation for the Annual General Meeting.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on **20th February at the Redwood Tavern**. Members are asked to think about putting their nominations in for Executive or Committee for the administration of the Club. To review the Constitution and recommend any changes needed.

LOST DOGS : Write you phone number on the inside of your dogs collar. It's a nobrainer!! If you loose a pig dog or find a pig dog please ring Bob Bird on 022-0976074. If you loose a dog remember to inform the property owner and neighbouring properties, good PR, after all you don't want your dog blamed for worrying stock or worst still, shot. Failure to do so could jeopardise future access for yourself or other hunters. And don't forget, if you get your lost dog returned, to let Bob know, after all he isn't a mind reader!!!

DOGS LOST AND FOUND



☎ **022-0976074**

Bob Bird

He has the contacts that may help
you locate your dog

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MARLBOROUGH PIG HUNTING CLUB INC. WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 20TH FEBRUARY, 2025 AT THE REDWOOD TAVERN STARTING AT 7.30PM

AGENDA

- Apologies
- Minutes of 2024 AGM Meeting
- President's Report
- Financial Report and Balance Sheet
- Notice of Motion or Remits (None)
- Election of Officers
- Fixing of Annual Subscription and Levies
- General Business

2025 CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	VENUE	TIME PM
Feb.06	Meeting	Redwood Tavern	7.30
Feb.16	Club BBQ	Linda - 5 School Road	5.30ish
Feb.20	AGM Meeting	Redwood Tavern	7.30
Mar.06	Meeting	Redwood Tavern	7.30
Mar.16	Club BBQ	Venue to be arranged???	
Apl.03	Meeting	Redwood Tavern	7.30
Apl.06	DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS		
Apl.18	GOOD FRIDAY		
Apl.19-21	Club Pig Hunt Competition??		
Apl.20	EASTER SUNDAY		
Apl.21	EASTER MONDAY		
Apl.21	Weighin & BBQ??		4.00/5.00
May.01	Meeting	Redwood Tavern	7.30
May.18	Club BBQ	Venue to be arranged????	

CLUB BBQ

Sunday

16th February, 2025



Lucky Member Draw
(must be present to collect this prize)

Bring the Family, meat for the BBQ, a salad to share & drinks and make it a social occasion

at

**Linda Skelton's
5 School Road
RIVERLANDS**

on

Sunday 16th February

Starting at 5.30ish

RIPS AND POKES

The most common problem is injury from the pig's tusks. There are three types:

Superficial skin tear - usually not much bleeding or internal damage. The wound should be cleaned and dusted with antibiotic, and either stitched, stapled or bandaged to keep clean. These wounds can be stitched or stapled by the hunter.

Deep skin tear with underlying tissue damage. This may be associated with bleeding - if so, stop the bleeding by applying gentle pressure to the wound either with the hand or wrap a bandage around. If the blood is bright red and is pumping out under pressure then an artery has been hit and a veterinary surgeon should be consulted as soon as possible. This type should be left for the vet to check and suture as contaminants can be hidden deep in the tissue, and there may be internal damage.

Puncture wounds definitely require professional attention, including treatment with antibiotics. In all cases **stop stopping** the bleeding it is important to prevent shock. Try to get the dog to warm quiet surroundings as quickly as possible.

FRACTURES

Restrain the dog to prevent further damage and pain and get urgent help as soon as possible.

A small first aid kit should be carried by the hunter:

This could include - Swabs to clean the wound
Penicillin ointment
Hypodermic Penicillin
Bandages
Needle and suture material or
Stapler and Staples
Pair of scissors or sharp knife.

**A very wet John Gibson in the thick of it, dragging a 139lb boar out,
to who knows where**



The hard yards are over for Bob Bird with his 115lb boar.





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Saturday & Sunday 9am to 4pm

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THAT FIREARM!!

It's your responsibility and you can't afford to make a mistake - ever! Safety first - never leave a cartridge in the magazine and **THINK FIRST** before pulling the trigger.

FIREARMS REGISTRY

As of 24 June 2023, New Zealand will have a new Firearms Registry. The Arms Amendment Regulations were published on Thursday 11 May and provide the details on how the Registry will work.

If you're a firearms licence holder, you're required to provide information about your arms items from 24 June 2023.

The Registry will help us make New Zealand safer by making it harder for firearms to fall into the hands of criminals, gangs and terrorists. It will also give licence holders more confidence when buying or selling firearms as the Registry will let you know if you're dealing with a current licence holder and if the firearm has been reported stolen.

You must tell us about any arms items in your possession within 5 years.

There will be no charge for registering your arms items.

You have until 24 June 2028 to register your arms items. However, there are activating circumstances where you will need to provide information to the Registry within a shorter time frame. When one of these circumstances happen, we'll let you know what you need to do. However, it's up to you to keep your information up to date.

Go to www.firearmssafetyauthority.govt.nz/registry for more information.

Examples of circumstances where you will need to provide information to the Registry within a shorter time frame

- Applying for a licence or endorsement
- Notifying us of a change of circumstance, such as a change of address
- Selling, hiring, purchasing or receiving an arms item
- Importing, exporting or manufacturing an arms item
- Theft, loss or destruction of an arms item
- You are subject to any compliance or enforcement action under the Arms Act

What needs to be registered

non-prohibited firearms (including Specially Dangerous Airguns)
prohibited firearms
pistols
restricted weapons

Details needed to register your arms items

Type (rifle, shotgun, etc)
Make
Model
Action
Calibre/gauge
Identifying marking (serial number)

Register online from 24 June 2023

You can quickly and easily register an arms item on our website at any time from 24 June. Just go to www.firearmssafetyauthority.govt.nz and click on **MyFirearms**. Otherwise, our Registry and Services team will be available by phone to help during business hours.

For more information on Firearms Safety Authority and any legislative or regulation changes that may affect you, go to:

www.firearmssafetyauthority.govt.nz

AN APPROACH TO ACUTE WOUND CARE

When dogs suffer from wounds caused by trauma such as dogfights, wild pigs, and livestock, the appropriate care for the wound immediately following the incident is very important.

The reason for this is that nearly all of these wounds are contaminated wounds, that is, they contain dirt, blood clots and plant material in the wound itself. This means that if they are not attended to, they will become infected, causing distress to the dog, and decreasing their level of performance in their job. Some wounds obviously require more urgent attention than others, and often require the owner to administer "first aid" before veterinary attention is able to be given.

The following are some basic rules to apply to traumatic wound first aid:

CONTROL OF BLEEDING -

Use clean bandaging or material and apply pressure to the site of bleeding. Maintain pressure at all times, secure your bandage to the dog by tying it around the leg or body, depending on where the wound is. With regard to wounds on the legs, if the bleeding will not stop, a tourniquet or tie, may be applied ABOVE THE WOUND for a period NOT EXCEEDING 15 minutes. In all cases contact a vet as soon as possible.

HYPOTHERMIA -

Dogs that have suffered any degree of trauma are frequently in a state of shock, and will easily develop hypothermia, particularly in winter months. This factor alone can result in death of the dog, even from an apparently small wound. The best way to reduce the chance of hypothermia after trauma is to house the dog inside near a heater or fire, or in the cab of a vehicle if in the bush, cover with blankets if necessary.

WOUND INFECTION -

As mentioned above, all wounds should be cleaned with sterile saline to remove dirt, hair etc. Most wounds require that antibiotics be given to prevent infection, and obviously many need to be stitched to improve healing.

In all cases, it is better to seek veterinary attention earlier rather than later following an incident. Prevention of complications from traumatic wounds is always better than treating the aftermath.

July 1967, Netherwood - Colin Geertson with a good boar
dogs Tyke & Sue nail in a dirty, shitty gully



HEAT STROKE

Summer temperatures often reach well above 25 degrees-C outside, but in vehicles, dog kennels or crates, temperatures often exceed 40 degrees-C. Temperatures in this range can cause dogs serious harm and death if they are exposed for longer than a few minutes, because the heat load on the dog's body rapidly exceeds the capacity of the dog's panting mechanism to remove heat from the body. Heat stroke is likely to occur in any dog that is exposed to hot, humid conditions, especially when combined with exercise.

What are the symptoms?

Heat stroke affects the heart and lungs, the brain, intestines and kidneys, and the most common signs occur in the following order:

- Panting
- Red gum colour
- Increased heart rate
- Breathing difficulty
- Weakness, staggering
- Vomiting and diarrhoea
- Death

Hyperthermia/Heat Stroke is serious and requires immediate veterinary attention. If you are a long way from a vet, begin the following steps:

- Immerse the dog in cool water (not cold water)
- Create a breeze over the dog in aid in heat loss
- Ensure the dog is breathing, remove vomit, tongue, or anything that is obstructing the dog's airway. Begin mouth to nose resuscitation if breathing has stopped
- Avoid stressing the dog - keep noise and activity to a minimum
- If the dog is able to swallow or drink, give 10ml vytrate or gastrolyte solution orally every 10-15 minutes. Do NOT give if the dog is unable to swallow or if vomiting frequently**

Contact a vet as soon as possible if you suspect Heat Stroke. When transporting your dog to the vet, place wet towels or cloths over the dog to facilitate heat loss. This is particularly important if you have a reasonable distance to come. Obviously, prevention is better than the cure - never leave your dog in a closed vehicle, ensure your dog has free access to water. For dogs that are working, frequent water stops are advised, especially in hot weather. Carry electrolyte replacers such as **gastrolyte** or **vytrate** is valuable in an emergency situation where vet assistance is more than 30 minutes away.

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DOGS AND TOXIC ALGAL BLOOMS

Toxic algal bloom are visible scums found in bodies of water like ponds, lakes, streams and puddles, where dogs can often be found playing or even drinking. Exposure to these toxins can lead to poisoning or even death.

These blooms typically occur after periods of warm, sunny and calm conditions during the summer and autumn, at water temperatures between 15 to 30 degrees Celcius, or due to runoff after a big storm. Global warming may also have an impact because warmer temperatures make blooms more intense, as does excessive nutrients from wastewater or fertilisers.

Dogs are more susceptible than humans to toxic algae poisoning because of their behaviour. When toxins are present, dogs can be exposed to toxins by drinking the water, by eating washed up mats or scum of toxic *cyanobacteria* and by having skin contact with water. Dogs are often attracted to algal scum odours. After leaving the water, dogs can also be poisoned by grooming their coat and paws.

If a dog has been poisoned by a toxic algal bloom, some of the signs and symptoms include repeated vomiting, diarrhea, seizures, hives, rashes, difficulty breathing, loss of appetite and drooling. In more extreme cases a dog can die from being exposed to toxic algal blooms in water. Signs can begin to show up in as little as half an hour after exposure. Even scarier, there can be delayed effects from longer or repeated exposure. While all dogs are at risk, smaller dogs (less than 18kg) are expected to have higher health risks when exposed to high toxin concentrations.

If you suspect your dog has been exposed to a toxic algal bloom (which is described as appearing foamy or like pea soup, coloured water, also as scum of floating mats) it is imperative that you seek immediate veterinary care.

To avoid contact all together, it is suggested keeping your dog out of these bodies of water. If your dog does enter the water, rinse/wash them thoroughly with fresh water from a safe source if available. Otherwise, a towel ,or rag can be used to remove algal debris. These water-based toxins are increasing in many areas and the number of dog poisoning from *cyanobacterial toxins* is also on the rise.



TOP TWELVE WEIGHTS

BOARS

Bob Bird	137lb
Pat Eising	125lb
Bob Bird	115lb
Shayne Zonneveld	112lb
Bob Bird	104lb
Duncan Higgins	103lb
Bob Bird	98lb
Pat Eising & Max Rutledge	97lb
Bob Bird & Ian Harborne	90lb
Kerry Robbins	88lb
Matt Anderson	87lb
Ian Harborne & John Gibson	86lb



TUSKS

Quentin Mulholland	572mm
Pat Eising	485mm



John Gibson's dogs have a ferocious bail going

SUMMER ALLERGIES

Fleas and Ticks:

Fleas and ticks are particularly abundant in the summer months and regular flea control is important. Fleas and ticks are the most common cause of skin irritation and infection in dogs, and yet the problem is one that's almost completely avoidable. There are many options available at your local vet from Seresto collars that offer 8 months protection to Bravecto, a chewable tablet that protects against fleas and ticks for 12 weeks.

Ticks are easy to spot, and are often picked up in the bush. Once a tick latches on to its victim, it begins to feed on the blood of the host, becoming stronger and more powerful as a result. If the problem goes unchecked, your dog may exhibit signs of tiredness, weakness, disinterest in normal activity, and a constant desire to scratch and pick at one part of the body. Ticks are visible to the naked eye, and can be removed by your veterinarian.

Fleas, however, are a different problem altogether. You may see several spots on your dog's skin that look irritated, or that your dog has chewed and picked at, causing the area to bleed. This is often because a dog is allergic to the saliva contained in flea bites, causing great discomfort. Fleas can multiply very quickly, and are often not visible when looking for them.

Pollen and Contact Allergies:

Some dogs are affected by the pollen levels contained in the air over the summer. There is often a delayed reaction with signs occurring 24 to 48 hours after contact. Dogs can be given antihistamines to reduce swelling, itching, and other negative reactions.

More commonly, skin irritations develop when coming into contact with certain plants (Stinging Nettle) that are commonly found in the bush over the summer months.

Typical signs of contact allergy include *pruritus* (itchiness) and a *papular eruption* (red bumps). *Pruritus* can be severe. The paws and muzzle are commonly affected in dogs, and sometimes, the insides of the ears are affected, especially in dogs with pendulous ears that come into contact with plants and grasses.

Secondary bacterial skin infections may develop due to trauma and inflammation. Often, dogs will develop hot spots. These are created by a dog repeatedly licking and rubbing the spot. "Hot Spots", also called moist eczema, are easily treated by a topical cream, that soothes and numbs the affected area, and antibiotics, but many unfortunate dogs have to wear the dreaded Elizabethan Collar until healing occurs.

When it comes to skin allergies, prevention is always better and easier than cure so make sure your hunting mates are on good preventative flea programme and wash them regularly to keep their coats clean.

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Keeping dogs safe during the summer

Council encourages dog owners to keep their dogs cool, comfortable and well hydrated during warmer weather.

Dogs should have access to cool, fresh, clean water all the time, regardless of the weather, but it is particularly critical in summer. They should have easy access to plenty of cool shade and shouldn't be kept in the sun for long periods.

Dogs have few sweat glands which means they can't cool off by sweating, like humans do. Instead, they lose heat and moisture from their tongues by panting. Unfortunately, this is less effective when it's hot and humid and their body temperature will become dangerously high very quickly. To replace water loss, fresh drinking water should always be available.

Never, ever leave a dog unattended in a vehicle in the summer months. Heat-stroke and death can occur within minutes in warm temperatures.

Dog owners need to be aware that heat stroke could become a concern during summer, as it can lead to permanent organ damage or death. It is caused by exposure to extreme environmental temperatures, especially when a dog lacks shade, ventilation, or water.

Please notify Animal Control if your dog has died or on-sold to ensure that our records are updated and you can also receive a rebate on your dog registration.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Animal Control by phone 5209033 or Email animalcontrol@xtra.co.nz



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Alex Whaiapu's Camp Stew

5 pounds lean venison or wild pork, cut in 1-inch cubes,

3 tbsp. oil.

½ pound onions, cut into ¾-inch pieces.

½ pound celery, cut into ¾-inch pieces.

3 cloves garlic.

3 ounces flour.

1 quart water or stock, boiling.

1 pint canned tomatoes, chopped.

2 cans beer,

1 tsp. dried thyme.

2 bay leaves.

1 tsp. ground black pepper.

1 tbsp. salt.

2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce.

½ pound carrots, peeled and cut into ¾-inch pieces.

½ pound kumara, peeled and cut into ¾-inch pieces.

½ pound potatoes, peeled and cut into ¾-inch pieces

Brown venison cubes in oil in a heavy pot. Remove leaving oil in pot. Add onions, celery, and garlic to pot and cook until tender. Place flour in pot, stirring well. Gradually add boiling water or stock and stir until thick and smooth. Add tomatoes, beer, spices, and browned venison. Stir until well mixed.

Reduce heat and simmer, uncovered, for 1¼ hours, stirring occasionally. Add carrots and kumara and cook for 30 minutes or more, covered. Add potatoes and cook until they are tender. Serves 12 to 15.

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A Sheriff, in a small town in Texas, walks out in the street and sees a blonde cowboy coming towards him with nothing on but his cowboy hat and his boots. He arrests him for indecent exposure. The Sheriff asks him as he is locking him up. "Why in the world are you walking around like this?"

The cowboy replies, "Well it's like this Sheriff ... I was in this bar down the road and this pretty little red head asks me to go out to her motor home with her ... So I did. We go inside and she pulls off her top and asks me to pull off my shirt ... So I did. Then she pulls off her skirt and asks me to pull off my pants ... So I did. Then she pulls off her panties and asks me to pull off my shorts ... So I did. Then she gets on the bed and looks at me kinda sexy and says, "Now go to town, cowboy ... **And here I am.**

A nun, badly needing to use a rest room, walked into the local pub, Hooters. The place was hopping with music and loud conversation and every once in a while the lights would turn off. Each time the lights would go out, the place would erupt into cheers. However, when the revellers saw the nun, the room went deadly silent. She walked up to the bartender, and asked "May I please use the rest room?"

The bartender replied "OK, but I should warn you that there is a statue of a naked man in there wearing only a fig leaf."

"Well, in that case, I'll just look the other way." said the nun.

So the bartender shows the nun to the back of the restaurant. After a few minutes, she came back out, and the whole place stopped just long enough to give her a loud round of applause.

She went to the bartender and said "Sir, I don't understand. Why did they applaud for me just because I went to the rest room?"

"Well, now they know you're one of us" said the bartender.

"I still don't understand," said the puzzled nun.

"You see," laughed the bartender. "Every time someone lifts the fig leaf on the statue, the lights go out."

During his routine medical check, Paddy asked the doctor, "Do you think I'll live a long and healthy life?"

"I doubt it", replied the doctor, "Mercury is in Uranus right now."

"I don't go in for any of that bullshit astrology crappy nonsense." says Paddy.

"Neither do I," replied the doctor. "My thermometer just broke in your arse."

