



# NEWSLETTER

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### Game Claim Report 13/08/2013

We've received a handful of ratings this past period reflective of our members traveling far and wide across Australia to take some great game.

John and Karen Valery had another productive trip east of their home in Darwin in late 2014, with Karen scoring a 72 point buff, her first banteng cow and a couple of solid boars with her recurve. Not to be outdone, John cracked a great trophy banteng bull scoring 65 6/8 DS which sits at No. 3 and a 28 DS boar, both shot with his recurve. Good work guys!

Paul and I also travelled north over the October long weekend and got into some action on the banks of the Mitchell River with a few good mates. Paul capitalised on a couple of boars that we came upon bedded out from the river as we were walking back to the truck. The first was a healthy 26 4/8 DS boar and the second an



Karen Valery with her first buffalo (above), banteng (below) and a nice boar (bottom).



absolute cracker of a boar, scoring 36 DS neat. I also got into the action, shafting an old 27 6/8 DS boar as he chewed muscles in a waterhole from 25 yards, and another 28 DS boar on the last afternoon. Not a bad way to finish a memorable trip.





John Valery with an awesome banteng bull scoring 65 6/8 DS (above) and 28 DS point boar (below). Paul Southwell and a nice boar (bottom).



Paul's PB boar – 36 DS



Mark Southwell and two great cape boars – 28 DS (above) and 27 6/8 DS (next page top).





**Dave Roughton with a 120 5/8 DS billy**

We've had some cracking billy goats hit the ratings of late. Bourke bowhunter James Warney found a good 'un one morning while looking over a few on a western NSW tank. Following the mob up through the woody weed, Warney closed the gap to 8 yards and sent a wooden shaft on its way. At a touch over 43 inches tip to tip and scoring 131 2/8 this is the biggest billy to be rated this year.



**Dave Roughton with two nice fallow taken with the curve this year**



**Warney and his recurve billy – 131 2/8 DS**

Also shooting the traditional gear is Canberra based hunter Dave Roughton who rated a 120 5/8 point billy he shot last year along with two fallow from this year's rut both measuring a tad over 200 DS. Well done.



Goulburn bowhunter Steven Holgate left the foxes alone long enough to crack a 40 inch goat of his own, scoring 116 2/8 DS which rates at No. 120. Steve also rated a 26 2/8 DS boar - Good work mate.





Steve Holgate shot a 40 inch mountain billy (above) and 26 2/8 DS boar (below)



Willisy also cracked his first 40 inch billy on a recent hunt in WA, scoring on a curly 40 6/2 inch spread billy which measured out at 118 4/8 DS.



Nice selfie Willisy!!

Still over in WA, new member Darren 'Boondy' Stone joined the club with a 9 13/16 fox and 99 5/8DS billy. A couple of other new members have joined the ranks as well, Peter Phillips from the New England with a cracking 29 2/8 DS mountain boar, and NT bowhunter Allan Karaitiana rating a 105 6/8 billy and two snowy mountains fallow scoring 216 and 198 1/8DS. Some great game there guys – welcome to Trophy Takers.



New member Darren Stone with a nice western fox





Peter Phillips with a hulking 29 2/8 DS public land boar (above) and Allan Karaitiana with a nice billy (below)



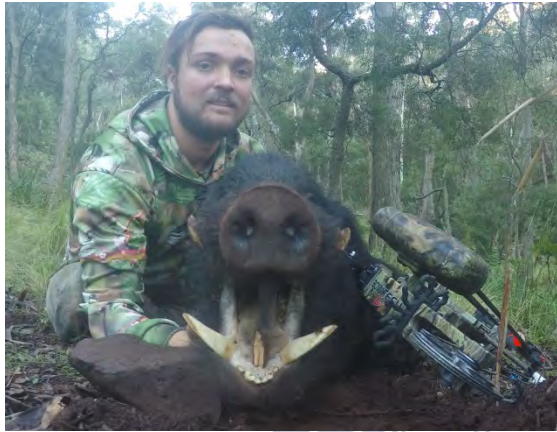
The Hervert boys spent a week in the Wilderness and combined to take some great mountain game. Nick dusted off his compound to crack his best goat to date – a deep curling 112 1/8 DS model along with another 107 DS billy and two solid boars the largest of which scored 27 DS neat. Old man Hervert did well too nailing a 116 1/8 DS billy with his recurve and Manual Aguis woods – tidy work lads.



Two ripper fallow taken by Allan Karaitiana in the snowy's.







The Herverts with the spoils of a good week in the scrub, Nick with a 27 DS boar (above) and 112 ½ DS billy (below) and Chris with a cracker 116 1/8 DS billy taken with the curve (bottom).



Victorian bowhunter Will Ellen had a better than reasonable start to the year, taking a cracking fallow and hog deer. With a longer antler measuring a touch over 30 inches, Will's fallow scored 239 2/8DS, while his hoggy scored in at 77 5/8 and sits at number 6. Well done Will.



Will Ellen's pearler 239 2/8 DS buck (above) and hoggy stag (below) from the 2015 season



There were plenty of new additions to the fallow ratings as well. Long time TT member Wayne Cressy rated a 223 6/8 Buck he shot last year while Canberra bowhunter Pascal Savary scored on a nice black buck of 202 5/8 DS.

The Payne clan also got into them, with Glenn rating three bucks, the biggest of which scored 223 3/8 DS. Not to be outdone, his old man Lee rated a long antlered buck scoring



213 4/8 DS. Lee also sent in our first scrub bull rating, a big old red fella scoring 47 4/8 DS. Back to the rut, and new member Kyhal Hayman from Bourke spent a few days down with the Paynes and came away a happy camper with a fine buck scoring 209 6/8 DS. Well done guys and welcome to TT Kyhal.

Lee Payne with his big bodied 213 4/8 DS fallow buck.



Pascal's nice buck from the 2015 rut



Lee Payne with the first scrub bull to be rated with TT (above) and Kyhal Hayman's 209 6/8 DS fallow buck (below).



Glenn Payne and his two best for the 2015 rut – 223 3/8 DS (above) and 207 6/8 DS.



That's about it from me, I'm sure we'll see a few more critters trickle in from



the 2015 rut – if you get out and have some luck, get your trophies measured up and send them in to me at [info2@trophytakers.org](mailto:info2@trophytakers.org) or the **new TT postal address of PO Box 1804, Armidale NSW 2350.**

Mark S

## Pigs' Pad

What we put on the World Wide Web is a subject everyone needs to give some thought too. In recent times I have seen a few things that made me think, is that something that portrays the subject matter in a favourable light, my answer was probably not. Yet in most cases I enjoyed it and saw little wrong with the content but this is all about perception. Remember the hardnosed opposition will never be swayed; the majority in the main stream are the ones whose support we want. So think before you put something out there.

Along the same vein, everyone on Facebook will receive anti- hunting posts from time to time and often the ignorance and stupidity behind that information can make the most placid of us jump on the soap box and get ready to fire. So again think before you post, if you're going to get aggressive and demeaning then don't, however providing informative factual information or even you're well thought out opinion is a lot more positive than doing exactly what the opposition wants and that is to portray us in a bad light.

My chairman's inspired journey along a more traditional bowhunting route continues. The recent rut provided a great opportunity to try and take a fallow buck with the recurve. I hunted hard and got close plenty of times, a couple of misses and finally in what I would call post rut managed to take a nice buck.



There was a little luck with it but hey I reckon hunting karma plays a part and eventually you get rewards from your efforts. It was a memorable moment with my boy high on a mountain in our own country. A couple of weeks later I missed a nice red, but that's the journey I am on!

**Chris Hervert.**

## NSW Hunter Licencing Update

As most will be aware, the regulation of hunting licencing and training has recently changed in NSW. In short –



the statutory body which managed hunting in NSW – the Game Council, has been abolished and hunting is now being managed by the DPI Game licencing unit. This has meant some changes in the way that hunters get trained as well as the procedures hunting clubs such as ours have to go through to become accredited hunter providers and trainers.

Presently, Trophy Takers is a registered Approved Hunting Organisation (AHO) with the DPI game licencing unit, which means that our members can use their TT membership on their applications for G and R-licences. Hunters that now apply for an R-Licence have to undertake a Hunter Learning, Education and Accreditation Program (LEAP) before they can apply. This is similar to the old written test under the Game Council.

Currently TT cannot provide the training necessary for hunters to obtain their R-Licence through the LEAP program. However, I am in the process of making TT an accredited Hunter LEAP Provider, which will allow nominated members to apply to become accredited Hunter LEAP Trainers.

Any members wishing to become trainers can apply online via the DPI game licencing unit's website (<http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/hunting/education-and-training-for-hunters>). If you do want to become a trainer and represent Trophy Takers then you will need to quote TT's AHO number which is 1531. Can all members that are registered trainers or are applying to

become one please let me know ([info2@traphytakers.org](mailto:info2@traphytakers.org)) as we will compile a list and put it on our website so people know who to contact to get their NSW R-licence.

As a reminder, all hunters that hunt game birds or deer in NSW need at least a G-Licence, while those that want to hunt on public access land (state forests) need to participate in the LEAP program and obtain their R-Licence. Information on hunter licencing can be found at <http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/hunting/hunting-licences/general>

## 2015 Awards

We have just secured a venue for this year's awards. This year the awards will be held in the New England region in Northern NSW at the Uralla Bowmans Club, on the weekend of 3<sup>rd</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup> October 2015.

The Uralla Bowmans Club is situated 23 km west of Armidale on the Bundarra Road, and lies on the banks of Boorolong Creek. It will be a great spot to hold the awards, with space for camping (with showers and toilets), fishing (trout in the creek) and a clubhouse to hold the awards in. In addition, it is within an hour's drive of Copeton Dam for the keen cod fisho's amongst the TT ranks.

There are also several target courses set out, which we will be able to fling a few arrows at during the weekend. As usual the awards presentation will be on the Saturday evening, and the AGM on the Sunday morning, but this year



we are also planning on having some additional bowhunting/archery related presentations and demonstrations throughout the weekend. We are currently working on this and will email out a more formal program for the weekend in the coming months.

If you are thinking of coming along to the awards, and reckon you could run a hunting/archery/fishing/camping related demo, then flick an email to [info2@trophytakers.org](mailto:info2@trophytakers.org), and we'll get you on the program.

The club also has a clubhouse which will house the usual TT trophy and photo display, so please give some thought to bringing something along (big or small) to contribute to the display. It should be a great event.



**TT Facebook Page**

Thanks to Nick Hervert and Steven Dimitrakellis, the TT facebook page is now up and running. It is still in its infancy with some details as to how it will run still to be nussed out. In time though this will be a great asset to the club and a way to spread the word about what TT has to offer. Thanks for your efforts fellas.



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**Newsletter Contributions**

We are still keen to hear from any members who would like to submit a short story or hunt report for the newsletter, so please don't be shy. Product reviews or other informative articles are also more than welcome.

Ratings Score sheets, photos and membership enquiries should be directed to Mark Southwell at the TT Mailbox.

Please ensure photos are attached to all ratings submissions, and sent to:

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Enjoy the bush!

**Ben Salleras & Paul Southwell.**







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# **AGM Dartmouth Awards 2014- Minutes**

## **Meeting Held 5 October 2014**

### **ATTENDEES:**

Dave & Helen Whiting, Ben Salleras, Wayne Anderson, Manuel Agius, Dave James, Judy James, Shannon James, Trevor Willis, Jim Craze, Lee Payne, Mick & Kath Kernaghan, Dan Kernaghan, Jarrod Vyner, Steve Dimitrakelis, James Warne, Merv & Larry Smith, Damain Zeinert, Chris Hervert, Nick Hervert, Tom Hills, Faye Hills, Alan & Phylis Kernaghan, Stan Kwasigroch, Anthony Clarkson, Dale Furze, Rod Shorten, Col Moynihan, Howard O'Connell, Gary Piper, Evan Scott.

### **MEETING COMMENCED: 1345 Hrs.**

### **APOLOGIES:**

Ian & Roma Fenton, Mark & Karen Ballard, Ribtek, Jeremy Kelly, Shane Dupille, Mark Southwell, Paul Southwell, Dash Warren, Sean Walsh, Wal Parker, Willsy, Adam Greentree, Ben Chambers, Rod Collings, Ben Rieth, Will Ellem, Marc Curtis

### **BUSINESS ARISING:**

(no minutes)

No Balance Available. AC's approx. \$200 working \$5000.00 market, \$2000.00 cash (from this W/E's Awards – Publican payment, Loo rental and Trophy postage etc to be covered out of this cash).

### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Re: Email from Mark Southwell – introduction of more perpetual trophies

“ to raise the following points for discussion at the meeting that revolve around the introduction of several new 'perpetual' trophies to both further recognise the achievements of our members, and to also encourage members and non-members to rate more game with us.”  
Motions moved are:



1) Trophy Takers Australian Deer Grand Slam.

"I move that we create a perpetual trophy that recognises all TT members that have rated at least one free range animal from each of the six common deer species found in Australia (Red, Rusa, Fallow, Chital, Sambar and Hog deer). Given that it is the goal of many dedicated bow hunters to take 'the six' in Australia, and we have a handful of members that have obtained this goal, I think their achievements should be officially recognised by trophy takers. Moved M Southwell Seconded J Craze. PASSED

2) TT Australian Game Grand Slam.

I move that we also create a perpetual trophy that recognises TT members that have rated an animal in each of the 15 free range Australian game categories that TT records. Therefore, the recipients of this award would have a rating in each of the following categories:

- 1 - Goat
- 2 - Boar
- 3 - Buffalo
- 4 - Banteng
- 5 - Red deer
- 6 - Fallow deer
- 7 - Rusa deer
- 8 - Chital deer
- 9 - Hog deer
- 10 - Sambar deer
- 11 - Camel
- 12 - Fox
- 13 - Cat
- 14 - Wild dog
- 15 - scrub bull

Moved M Southwell, seconded: T.Willis – passed.

**The Bowmen of the Bush**

- D. Keable moves motion that scrub bull is recognised as a TT game animal. Second: M Angius – passed.
- J. Craze moves motion that Banteng is recognised as a TT game animal second: D.James – passed
- Directors to remain as standing.
- Working on Darryl Bulger to attend venue to be determined and give a measuring course.



- Email from Paul Southwell – re above motion on Batang – the number one arrow head TT shield be awarded back dated to the Oct 2013 Awards. Second: D. Whiting – passed.

Motion to Streamline the TT website moved P.Southwell seconded: D.Keable – passed.

Motion – Establish T.T. Face Book site moved J.Warne second: Chris Hervert

Ian Fenton & Dave Whiting were awarded life membership.

Chairman made it known all members that the Directors are open to all suggestions concerning the club & will take these suggestions to all members. Next year Awards to be held at: Willow Tree.

**Meeting Closed: 1445Hrs.**

