

# Firearms Pānui

The latest firearms information

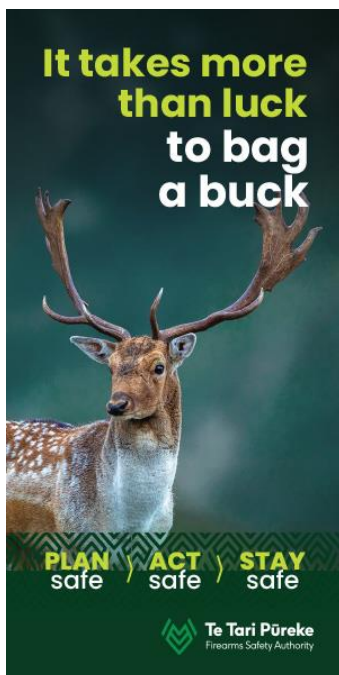
Kia ora,

On 15th of March, I attended the 5th anniversary of the mosque attacks where the victims, injured and their families were remembered.

While it is now five years after the attacks and much has changed and been achieved with the regulation of firearms in New Zealand, there is still a long road ahead of us as we contribute to safety outcomes for all of New Zealand.

Te Tari Pūreke plays a critical role in achieving safer outcomes while continuing to work with our partners, stakeholders and different communities to enable firearms licence holders to possess and use firearms for sport, business, recreation and food gathering.

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## Plan safe, Act safe, Stay safe

Autumn is in the air and many hunters are heading out into the hills for the Roar. Remember this season, **Plan safe, Act safe, Stay safe.**

Recreational hunting is a big part of many New Zealanders lives, we want everyone involved to have a great time away and to head home safe at the end to their loved ones.

Keeping yourself and others in your hunting area safe takes more than luck. This year, we have three key reminders for hunters:

1. **Make a plan for your hunt and stick to it.**
2. **Always treat every firearm as loaded.**
3. **Identify your target beyond all reasonable doubt.**

Keep an eye on the [Firearms Safety Authority NZ Facebook](#) page for more tips during the Roar.




## Collaborating with New Zealand's firearms community

Earlier this month, we had the first Firearms Community Advisory Forum (FCAF) meeting for 2024. Associate Minister of Justice (Firearms) Hon Nicole McKee joined us for part of the meeting.

FCAF has been in place since 2014 and was established to act in a consultative and advisory capacity. The members are selected for their broad skills, knowledge, and understanding of firearms issues. They have diverse practical experience and represent the many different groups within New Zealand's firearms community.

Through FCAF, we can hear and understand the many ideas and recommendations from the diverse firearms community, as well as respond to their challenges and concerns.

 Photo taken at the Firearms Community Advisory Forum (FCAF) meeting, held at Deerstalkers House in Wellington.



## Building stronger relationships with Islamic Women's Council

Last month, Senior Partnerships Advisor, Emilia Steer, headed to the 33rd Islamic Women's Council New Zealand National Conference.

The event was designed to bring people together with Muslim women and girls who are committed to enhancing unity amongst the Muslim Ummah in New Zealand.

Te Tari Pūreke and NZ Police met with many attendees to build stronger relationships and greater mutual understanding.

 Emilia Steer, pictured with sister Aliya 'Allyn' Danzeisen, Aliya is a member of the NZ Police Muslim Reference Group, a distinguished community leader and spokesperson for the Muslim community.




## Engaging with sports shooters at the New Zealand Clay Target Shooting Association Down the Line (DTL) Nationals 2024

Earlier this month Senior Partnerships Advisor, Douglas Brett, with Gareth Turner and Mark Lupi from the Te Tari Pūreke Canterbury team attended the DTL Nationals.

The event hosted a wide range of competitors, from juniors to super veterans, from New Zealand and abroad.

“The team had many conversations about arms regulation, visitor firearms licensing, and arrival processes. Huge thanks to the organisers for hosting us,” says Douglas.


 Douglas Brett pictured with Arthur Cozens (President New Zealand Clay Target Association).



## Focus on Māori Responsiveness

Recently our Māori Responsiveness Team spent some time with engagement and partnership specialists from Te Arawhiti.

Te Tari Pūreke are working to use cultural intelligence to inform cultural capability needs, and ensure communities and stakeholder voices are heard and recorded. This work forms part of our strategy to build Mātauranga Māori expertise at Te Tari Pūreke.

 Pictured is Victor Goldsmith, Director (Te Kāhui Hīkina Te Arawhiti), Hika Maxwell (Senior Partnerships Advisor - Iwi) and Arapeti Kepa (Workshop facilitator - Te Arawhiti).

**Keep up to date on the latest numbers**



## Firearms Registry

We have had more than **154,473** firearms registered since the Registry has been live.

Remember, the first time you have an activating circumstance you are required to record all arms items in your possession.

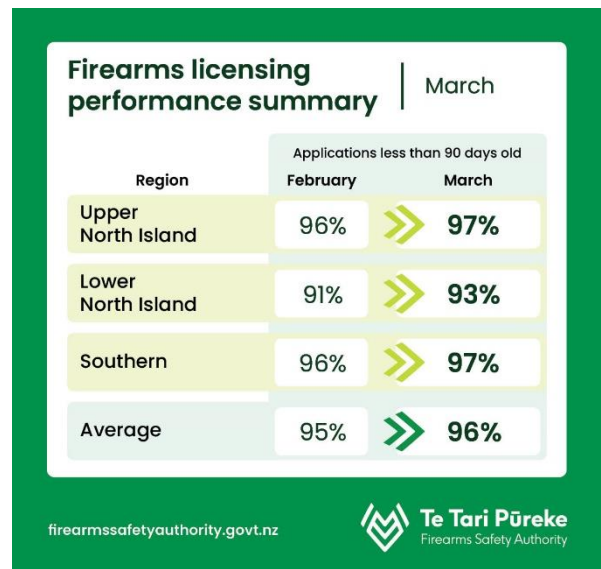
Find out more about activating circumstances and ongoing events [here](#) or give our helpful registry team a call on 0800 844 431.



## Firearm licensing performance

Te Tari Pūreke is working to complete all firearms licence applications within three months (90 days).

However, it should be recognised that in some situations it will take longer than three months to make arrangements with applicants and complete parts of the process. For example, to undertake the in-person interview, inspecting an applicant's storage facilities along with interviewing referees.



## Firearms safety

### Store and transport firearms and ammunition safely

Each month we feature a firearms safety video. This month we have **Rule 6: Store and transport firearms and ammunition safely**.

If you have missed our last features or want to see them again, you can check out the full series of safety videos [here](#).





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