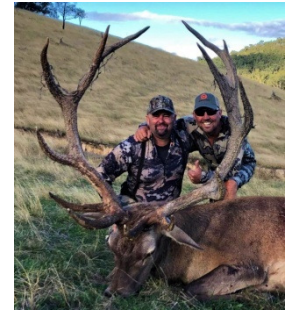


## Raptor Ridge Hunts 2021 end of year hunt report

“What a year”, largest Red Stag recorded at Raptor Ridge Ranch, 34 points, 492 SCI, largest Fallow Buck recorded at RRR, 286DS, largest Snowy Mountain Ram recorded at RRR, 3506mm net score Trophy Game Animals of the World pending world record, 2 Gold Medal Rusa in our top 5 over 32” all taken in pristine high mountains in truly wild hunting conditions.

First up, long time friends and hunting clients Andrew, Darrin and Andrews son Jess, shot a monster 15 point Red, 270DS fallow and Jess took a 16pt 10.5KG Management Red in 4 days of intense hunting. From those first hunts we knew that the season was going to be our best ever, then the big 286DS Fallow hit the deck followed by one monster Red after the other all Gold Medal SCI.



With the amazing Spring/Summer conditions the deer were in incredible condition - however it was tough hunting mostly carried out in the forest or on the edges at twilight and dawn as the hinds and does remained in the thick scrub enticing the stags and bucks with Red Stags roars echoing through the valleys and fallow bucks shivery calls in the open Gum forest making stalking in dry conditions quite a challenge. With head guide Mark, John, Judy and myself working overtime to produce the trophies.



As the season unfolded and with over 75% return customers we worked very hard to up the stakes on previous hunts by recording one huge red and fallow after the other with world class animals heading to taxidermists all over Australia.



Sam (above right) from Newcastle nailed this magnificent 17 point drop tyne stag in torrential rain conditions as the peak of the rut hit. David (above left) brought his family back and had booked a Platinum Stag, landing this 34Pt 492 SCI Stag on the last day of his hunt, with the family going home with a record Snowy Mountain Ram to boot.



Andrew came back with Big Pete who shot another monster red, with Andrew taking a Budget Stag at 360m, then Shane and Melanie were back from last year for a 17 point Red, world class hunting in pristine conditions.



David, Clair and James were back to upgrade their Red Stags, they were not disappointed when nailing a 17 point and Clair hanging out for a wide 20 point Stag with some excellent stalking and shooting on a last morning heart stopper in thick timber, James made no mistake

with his Red Ram.

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Two mates Matt and Charlie from Sydney had booked 16 point reds, heavy fog made for interesting hunting however Matt managed a long shot on a stag disappearing over a ridge late afternoon and Charlie took a last morning stag that was roaring hard in very foggy conditions.



Mitch and his dad Paul came for a trophy fallow and Snowy Ram, Mitch held off to eventually take a nice Buck on the edge of the

timber, Paul harvested a nice Ram.

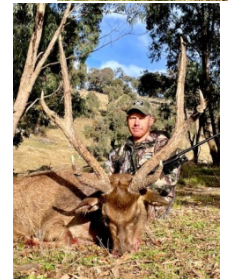


As the red and fallow rut drew to a close Rachele and Chris scored two magnificent Rams back in steep forested country shooting in close range conditions.

With the Rusa stripping, long time client Aaron had booked a Rusa 2 years ago and was first in, with a dozen or more big Rusa wallowing and stripping, Aaron was not disappointed to harvest this incredible 33.5" Rusa with a long range shot finding the target only seconds before the big stag disappeared into the thick scrub, congratulations all round, Aaron rounded off his hunt with a budget fallow scoring over 240DS.



Another of our great friends and clients Tyrone spent a week with us chasing big rusa and pigs, this incredible 32" Rusa was nailed on the 2nd day after many cat and mouse stalks, spending the entire day in a ferny gully to eventually wait him out as he crossed a large opening toward his wallow. This was a special stag with 2" wide inner blades. Tyrone also nailed half a dozen wild pigs with a 4 day camp out in our wilderness back country. Big congratulations and thank you to



all our customers and staff. We are a family affair with a rich hunting heritage established for 14 years on our 8000 acre property dedicated to offering quality hunts.

Best regards from Steve, Judy and Mark



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