

APPLICATION (17/SP/029/2016)

IN THE MATTER of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (The Act)

AND

IN THE MATTER of an application by Louis Wallis Hawken on behalf of Waikato Hunting Incorporated pursuant to s138 of The Act for an On Site Special Licence in respect of premises situated at Arataha Station 297 Pakaraka Road, Tirau.

BEFORE THE SOUTH WAIKATO DISTRICT LICENCING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

THE APPLICATION

Louis Wallis Hawken on behalf of Waikato Hunting Incorporated applies for an on-site Special Licence in respect of premises situated at Arataha Station, 297 Pakaraka Road, Tirau.

Waikato Hunting Incorporated comprises of an event that is held over 2 days on Arataha Farm situated at 297 Pakaraka Road, Tapapa, an event similar in nature to one that was held previously within the South Waikato.

The application on paper deals with the event over two days.

The first proposed event is scheduled on Friday 12th February 2016 commencing at 6pm and concluding at 11pm which involves a social gathering and an evening meal.

The second event is proposed on Saturday 13th February 2016 commencing at 6pm and concluding at 11.30pm which involves a social gathering, evening meal and entertainment.

Both events will follow daytime horse treks.

The applicant anticipates approximately 65 - 75 attendees at each event.

The applicant - Mr Hawken is known by the Medical Officer of Health (Ross Henderson) who has stated that the applicant is a responsible person who intends to take whatever steps are required to manage risk.

Neither Waikato District Council, South Waikato District Council nor the Police have received any negative information or feedback that would suggest that Waikato Hunts Association Incorporated or their representative Louis Wallis Hawken is unsuitable to hold a special licence.

Louis Hawken has submitted a detailed sketch of the layout of the campsite and included a written description.

Alcohol will be sold from a bar area under a marquee that includes an eating area and will be well lit.

The applicant has indicated that children over the age of 13 may be in attendance but this will only occur if they are accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. The applicant seeks the event to be designated as "supervised".

The applicant has stated that the events are only open to individuals over 18, any individuals under 18 must be accompanied by a legal guardian.

The applicant has also indicated that there will be at least 3 other committee members of the Waikato Hunts Association present for the events (totalling 4 adult individuals) and will be monitoring the venue to ensure that people are not becoming intoxicated.

The applicant has stated that low alcohol and non-alcoholic refreshments will be provided. Free drinking water will be available on the tables.

The applicant has stated that relevant signage pertaining to not supplying alcohol to intoxicated persons and minors will be displayed.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Louis Hawken of the Waikato Hunting Incorporated has been named in charge of the events. Although he is not a certified manager he has experience with these types of events.

The comprehensive report of the Inspector indicates that the she is in support of this application.

The Licensing Inspector reports that the applicant is fully aware of every requirement to ensure that attendees are in a controlled, safe and comfortable environment and it appears that the applicant has the appropriate systems, staff and training to comply with the law.

Neither the Police nor the Medical Officer of Health raises any matters in opposition.

Substantive food, non alcohol and low alcohol refreshments and free water will be available throughout the event.

The application was not required to be publicly notified and no opposition or notice of desire to be heard has been received. Accordingly I deal with the matter on the papers.

The South Waikato District Council does not currently have a Local Alcohol Policy.

I am satisfied as to the matters to which we must have regard as set out in s. 105 & 142 of the Act.

DECISION

The District Licensing Committee Chairperson, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 grants the application by Louis Wallis Hawken on behalf of Waikato Hunts Inc. for an on-site Special Licence (17/SP/029/2016) in respect of premises situated at Arataha Station, 297 Pakaraka Road, Tirau subject to the following conditions:

CONDITIONS

Alcohol may be sold and supplied under the licence on the following day and during the following hours:

	Venue	Date	Event	Ages	Numbers Attending	Start Time	Finish Time
1	Arataha Farm	Friday 12 th February 2016	Social Gathering after daytime Horse Trek	18+ All attendees under 18 accompanied by legal guardian	65-75	6:00pm	11:00pm
2	Arataha Farm	Saturday 13 th February 2016	Bogan Bash	18+ All attendees under 18 accompanied by legal guardian	65-75	6:00pm	11:30pm

- The entire premises is designated as a “Supervised” area.
- The designated area must be vacated within 30 minutes of the stated finishing time.

DATED at TOKOROA this 5th day of February 2016



Jenny Shattock QSM JP
Chairperson
South Waikato District Licensing Committee