

Decision No. GREYDLC 028/2021

IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (the Act)

AND

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of an application by **RUSSELL JOHN BECKER** pursuant to s.138 of the Act for a Special Licence in respect of premises situated at the Ahaura Domain (3329A State Highway 7) known as "The Ahaura Hunting & Fishing Annual Competition"

BEFORE THE GREY DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Russell John Becker for the Ahaura Hunting & Fishing Competition Committee has made application for a special licence to sell and supply alcohol for an Easter hunting and fishing competition on Sunday 4 April 2021.

The event is being described as a community fundraising Easter hunting and fishing competition for families of all ages.

This is an annual event that has been run for over 20 years and is described as being recognised nationwide as an event to attend.

The event is being held in a marquee at the Ahaura Domain and it is anticipated that there will be approximately 500 people attending. It is a family event for all ages.

The licence hours applied for are 1.30pm – 9pm.

As per previous years the marquee being used is owned by the Ahaura Community and is often used for events. The plan shows the marquee size as being 42m x 12m. The outside designated area is approximately 186m and will be fenced with 1-metre-high orange plastic net fencing and steel.

This is located at the Ahaura Domain and requires Council consent.

The Committee has previously operated Special Licences without major incident and has provided a management plan that details the measures that will be undertaken with regard to responsible sales or supply of alcohol and that harm will be minimised. Police have not reported any concerns and no noise complaints have ever been received. Police have previously conducted compliance visits at the event.

The whole of the premises is designated as an undesignated area.

We note that this application has only noted the one certified duty manager that being Russell John Becker who is an experienced manager

DECISION

The Grey District Licensing Committee Chairperson, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 **grants** an application by Russell John Becker for the Ahaura Hunting and Fishing Competition Organising Committee for a Special Licence for the premises at the Ahaura Domain, for an event subject to the following conditions:

Conditions:

1. Alcohol may be sold under the licence only on the following day and during the following hours:

Sunday 4 April 2021

Hours: 1.30pm to 9pm

2. The premises be classed as undesignated for the licence period.
3. No alcohol to be consumed outside of the designated licenced area.
4. The holder of a mangers certificate shall be on duty and on the premises at all times during the licence hours.
5. All bottles served to be opened on purchase by bar staff.
6. Sale of alcohol is limited to four units per person, but this may be further reduced at any time if directed to do so by a committee member or Police.
7. The licensee must take the following steps to ensure that the provisions of the Act relating to the sale or supply of alcohol to prohibited persons are observed: minors and intoxicated person must not be served alcohol.
8. Drinking water must be freely available at no charge at all times.
9. Food must be available for consumption on the premises.
10. Low and non-alcoholic beverages must be available for sale and supply from the bar.
11. Courtesy vehicle to be available on request with advice and assistance on alternative forms of transport available to patrons from the licensed premises.
12. Noise levels to be monitored at all times by committee members and bar staff.
13. Payment of the fee prescribed under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Fees) Regulations 2013.

The Premises area is as set out on the plan submitted with the application and date stamped 1 March 2021. A note to this effect is to be made on the licence.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The applicant committee has proven to have run successful events in the past.

I am satisfied that the applicant has sufficient staff and adequate training to manage these events safely and in accordance with the Act.

It is expected the numbers attending will be approximately 500 patrons.

The Licensing Inspectors report indicates that the amenity and good order of the locality will not be adversely affected by more than a minor extent, and she does not oppose the application.

The reports of the Police and Medical Officer of Health raise no matters in opposition.

The Inspector has reported that the certified bar manager is experienced, and the committee expect that any bar staff are fully trained for this event. The applicant has advised that multiple staff will be working with a pre-event staff briefing taking place.

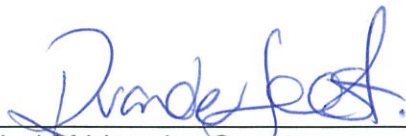
BBQ food will be available during the event.

The Landowner of the domain has no objections to this application.

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.

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

DATED at GREYMOUTH this 18th day of March 2021.



Rachel M Van der Geest
Chairperson/Commissioner

