

hair and skin was abraded. The first and second incisors of lower mandible were loose or hanging from sockets as result of fall onto rocky beach. While photographing the deer, pools of blood collected in depressions of rocks in amounts that suggested excessive bleeding as cause of drowning.

Photographs are:

870611-2 Mamma Deer, at water edge after floating in after drowning.

870611-3 Ibid, wounds on back and left front leg

870611-4 Ibid, on shore-line. Left leg wounds.

870611-5 Ibid, wounds on tail, side right hip and fatal wounds on both hind legs below anus.

870611-6 Ibid, wounds back, front left leg.

while deer floated on water 4 river after swim 5 toward the deer but after seeing me diverted their course.

In retrospect: I believe the evasive behaviorism of this female deer of swimming back to land and then turning back toward open water on three consecutive times was to divert dog from her fawn on the hillside above the rocky shoreline.

This mule deer was approximately 8 years old and controlled a family unit of 5 generations of her progeny on Humphrey Head. Her progeny are:

mamma deer 1980

Spooky 1983

Shy Doe 1984 Her fawn Teenie 1987

Bimbam

Little Sister } 1985

Buster 1986

Fawn of this year ? 1987

It is noteworthy that the oldest ♀ deer in the group was the first to succumb by a predator. She had shown signs of aging but was still far from being incapacitated.

Humane control of increase deer population is a proper wildlife technique but 20 minutes of torture by a dog is intolerable.