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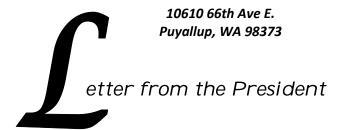
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Hey Y'all,

This will be my last President's letter because I resigned from the WWA presidency early this month. Jim Cortines has agreed to be the next president of WWA. Jim served as president before I did, and returns with good knowledge of what needs to be done. I intend to continue significant involvement with WWA, but from a more technical perspective, not an administrative one.

There is much to be done, number one of which is increasing our membership. Historic social sporting groups are fading into history at an alarming rate because what once was "social" is only one part of being social today. Each and every one of you WWA members are our representatives, and your active and positive input into WWA is what brings in other members. If we aren't having fun making a difference, well then we all need to bring the fun and friends back into the process.

Call for Action Regarding Shillapoo Wildlife Area

Of some significant importance, the WWA-Lower Columbia Chapter has discovered that the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) is currently working toward removing dikes as part of a fish restoration project, and flooding part of the Shillapoo Wildlife Area just west of Vancouver Washington. The WWA has decided to fight this because it represents a loss of managed freshwater wetlands used significantly by waterfowl and waterfowl hunters. Once again WDFW is giving away our waterfowl management and hunter access.

Folks, **WWA** has been involved in these fish restoration projects for nearly 20 years now, and what it's coming down to for **WDFW** is reducing their management costs in the name of saving fish. The legislature has once again cut the WDFW budget and you likely will be seeing a significant price increase in hunting and fishing licenses in the coming year or so (WWA is working on this also, trying to stop exorbitant license fee increases so people can keep hunting and fishing). So, what we have going on is (Continued on Page 3)

Mission Statement

To Preserve, Protect and Promote Waterfowl, Waterfowl Habitat, & Waterfowl Hunting in Washington state

August 22	2, 2016 Page	2	WASHINGTON WATERFOWL ASSOC.
July - Aug	EVENTS CALENDAR Compete for the Ferd Nist Memorial Trophy. More information on page	Sept 10	Youth Target Shoot and Pre Duck Season Warm Up at the Evergreen Sportsman's Club in Olympia, WA. More information on page 21.
Aug 21	18.10th Annual BJ Brown MemorialTrapShoot at the Kenmore Shotgun	Sept 17	Columbia Basin Chapter Youth Upland Bird Hunt at B&G Farms in Royal City. More information on page 22.
Aug 24	Range. More information on page 19.	Sept 17	Moses Lake Ducks Unlimited Greenwing Event in Othello, WA. More information on page 23.
Aug 24 Aug 25	Hunting Doves in Argentina Presentation with WWA member Robb Stack. More information on page 13. Public Meeting regarding Lake	Sept 17 & 18	NW Chapter Youth Hunt Weekend. Bring out the kids or come along to help. Always looking for more Guides and Lands to hunt. More information on page 11.
-	Kapowsin Aquatic Reserve Managment Plan in Graham, WA. More information on page 11.	Sept 24	13th Annual Lower Columbia Fundraising Banquet at the Green Meadows Athletic Club. More
Aug 25	Lower Columbia Basin Chapter meeting with guest speaker Nicole Czamomski—Region 5 MOA Coordinator. More information on page 9.	Sept 24	information on page 9. NW Chapter Banquet in Mt Vernon. Tickets on Sale NOW! More information on page 24.
Aug 27	Shotgun Shooting Clinic for youth and new waterfowling adults at the Evergreen Sportsman's Club in Olympia, WA. More information on page 20.	Oct 1	Skagit Wildlife Area and Farmed Island Hunting Area Tour with the NW Chapter. Contact Reb Broker for more information.
Sept 2-25	Volunteer at the Washingtonians for Wildlife Conservation booth at the State Fair. More information on page 3.	Oct 6	Drawing for the Cedarville Farms Waterfowl Club Hunt for Two Raffle Buy your tickets today! More information on page 25.
Sept 7	Kitsap County Chapter Monthly Meeting at Bremerton Trap and Skeet Club.		n Active Member and ad one of these GREAT Events!
Sept 8	Yakima Valley Chapter September monthly meeting at Barn Restaurant in Prosser. More information on page 4.	Migrat	er your Washington tory Bird Stamp Print lay on page 27-30

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WDFW reducing waterfowl management and science and reducing hunter access options, while increasing fees... otherwise known as "getting less for more cost".

You can support WWA's efforts to save **the Shillapoo** Wildlife Area by getting involved in your local chapter and supporting the Lower Columbia Chapter's efforts. A key contact for the Lower Columbia is Arlan Hackett (aghackett@aol.com).

The "Getting Less for More Cost" issue is a great segue into what is happening with public hunting and fishing access. The primary reason for the losses of management and access is the cost to manage people and the places we go to hunt and fish. Whether we like it or not, it is a "pay to play" world, and public hunting and fishing is now being swept into the pay to play arena because our state legislature thinks managing hunting and fishing is just a pain in the behind side show that doesn't move the state in the right direction. It costs money and doesn't move the state in a direction the legislature supports.

The **WWA** Heritage Lands Program is a realization that hunting and fishing is very rapidly becoming pay to play. The gist of Heritage Lands is: by owning or managing land in a manner such that it makes money, which can then be used to manage the land for hunters and fishers. It is a way to pay for public access, and it pays for itself. But, to be successful, it has to managed by hunters and fishers, not by political philosophies that change with the winds to get the most votes. What the program takes is an initial investment to get 1,000 acres of farmland working for our heritage.

I urge you to think about the concept and help us find a way to make the investment into the future of hunters and fishers paying for <u>AND</u> managing their own public hunting and fishing access. Mark my words, if we don't invest now, most of what we have open to public hunting and fishing will become "pay to play" at much higher prices than many can afford. We need members willing to invest now in the future of public hunting and fish access.

Other items of Interest:

 In regard to playing well with others and supporting sporting groups across the state, the National Shooting Sports Foundation has started a Hunting Works for Washington program. It is a group of groups. I'll be urging the WWA to join and make a positive difference for hunting at the state level. Maybe you can bring other sporting groups to the **Hunting Works for Washington** party.

Keep an eye out for **NW Chapter** and **Lower Columbia Chapter Banquets, both scheduled for September 24th.** Local bucks for local ducks and local duck hunters. It doesn't get any better than that!

- Washingtonians for Wildlife Conservation need volunteers to staff their booth at the State Fair September 2nd through 25th. The booth schedule is online at www.w4wc.org, with a direct link being http://www.w4wc.org, wa-state-fair-schedule.html
 Questions, contact Jeff Christensen at 425-308-7583 or Jeff@w4wc.org
 Staff get fair benefits, including FREE admission and FREE parking!!!
- Don't forget to use Amazon Smile when you
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 select the WWA to receive a portion of every
 purchase by using Amazon Smile! Help us
 make a difference for ducks and duck hunters.

Hope to see you in the field wearing a **WWA** logo and supporting the ducks...waterfowl that is!

Take Care Out There,

Adios,

Rone



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Yakima Valley Chapter News

By Roger Bennett

A Great Time At the BBQ at the Thonney Ranch:

There was a good turnout for the yearly **WWA**-Yakima Valley Chapter BBQ on Saturday, July 30th at YV member Steve Thonney's ranch outside of Prosser. We enjoyed great food, some swimming for the kids, a bit of shooting, and a couple of decoy raffles. We also took delivery of our long-awaited WWA-YV sweatshirts, which turned out great. Thanks for hosting again, Steve!



A few of the folks enjoying themselves at the beautiful Thonney Ranch. (From Left, **Joe and Gina Hanson**, and **WWA-YV Chapter Chair Abel Cortina** in blue at right.

Duck Banding Gets Started:

Duck banding has begun in the Lower Yakima Valley. The Yakama tribe got an early start this summer, and they have already banded several hundred ducks. As is usual, so far the vast majority of ducks captured and banded are mallards, although there

are a handful of other species mixed in. The state has been helping the tribe on occasion, and will begin

their own yearly banding efforts at Sunnyside WRA in early August.



Biologist Jeff
Bernatowicz
banding a
mallard
(above). A
freshly banded
mallard, ready for

September Meeting:

Our September meeting will be the second Thursday of the month, September 8. We will be meeting at the Barn Restaurant in Prosser at 6:30pm. For more information, contact YV Chapter Chairman **Abel Cortina** at 509-786-9196.



Marcus Leuck tossing clays (lower) while others are busting a few clay pigeons.

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Yakima Valley Chapter News continued...



Classifieds-For Sale and Wanted

For Sale:

2009 Beavertail 17/50 boat with 27 Kohler long tail mud motor with Yacht Club trailer. Mud buddy Shaggy blind and hang on dog ramp for \$6000. Contact **Chris O'Neill** at jco3d@comcast.net

NEW—Electric start Westinghouse Generator - 7500 running watts/9000 starting watts. Zero Running Time. Located in the Vancouver, WA area. **Gerry Piazza** 360-256-5662

DECOYS for sale: barely used "Big Foot", shell, floaters, & other goose decoys. Also duck & snow decoys. Some in Grant County, others Brier. **Chip** 425-483-2581

4 Pieces Dura-Cover Blind Cover-New in Boxes-See page 101 Cabelas Waterfowl Catalog-\$140-located in Spokane. **Ivan Lines** 509.994.3744 or ivanlines@gmail.com

Remington 1100 in 12 ga. w/ ribbed Skeet bore barrel, good for 2.75" standard steel shot loads. In average condition for only \$280. **Robb Stack** at 206-909-7189

Springfield 1903-A3 in excellent condition made in 10/43, only \$800. **Robb Stack** at 206-909-7189

Large supply of 7mm Nosler Partition bullets, 45-70 bullets, 9mm bullets, Winchester AA452 powder, .44 Mag Dies, elk antlers. Call for pricing.....Robb Stack at 206-909-7189.

Duck and Goose Texas Rigs for Sale. See page 14 for more information.

Wanted:

GMC Canopy: Canopy in good condition for a GMC 2001, 1/2 ton P/U. Outside rail dimensions 68" wide, 81" long, cab height of around 22 1/2 inches. **Ron Anderson** 503-317-0843.

Purchase cart, or asking knowledge to find cart to carry substantial waterfowl gear. Must maneuver easily, load/unload easily into P/U with short canopy. **Ron Anderson** 503-317-0843.

Spinning wing mallard decoy. Originally Zebco fishing reel driven with speedometer cable. Mathews Speedo. Any parts or pieces or broken works also. Price flexible. Contact 206-579-4129

WWA Classifieds:

WWA is dedicating a page in the newsletter for **WWA** members to sell hunting related items to their fellow members. No business ads please. That extra shotgun, waders, decoys or boat could get you some cash or trade for something another member has on hand.

Rules are simple:

- 25 words or less.
- Members only may advertise.
- For sale items only, not for business ads. (Businesses are welcome to purchase business ads from us.)
- Submit your classified ad each month (we have no way of knowing if you sold/purchased your item or not).
- Be sure to include your contact info. Phone and/or email.
- Send to Matty Moore at matty@vision-marketing.net or call 509.944.1009 by the 10th of the month

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Washington State Duck Stamp and Print Collectors



The 2016-2017
Washington State prints and stamps with the image of a Hooded Merganser, created specifically for Washington by **Doug Snyder** of Chicago, Illinois are available for purchase. As in recent years,

the **WWA** is strictly limiting the number of prints to just 110 copies. Inasmuch as the **WDFW** receives 10 copies and the artist 11 copies, only 89 are available to life members and collectors, and then **WWA** members and then to the general public through the **WWA**.

Remember, proceeds from these sales go to **WWA** and **WDFW** to benefit waterfowl, and water fowling throughout our state.

As in years past, complimentary stamps will also be available to the purchasers of **WA State Migratory Bird Hunting Authorizations** on their hunting licenses.

Order forms are contained in the newsletter on pages 27-30 or are available online at <u>waduck.org</u>

Be sure to order your prints today!

Annual BJ Brown Memorial Trapshoot

By: Jenny Lutz

Friends and family of BJ Brown will be hosting the **10th Annual BJ Brown Memorial Trapshoot** on Sunday,



August 21st at the **Kenmore Gun Range**. BJ was a trapper at **Kenmore Gun Range**, shot trap
and thoroughly enjoyed upland
bird and waterfowl hunting until
his tragic death at the age of 18
in 2006. **The BJ Brown Memorial Trapshoot** is a time to get
together with **BJ's** family and
friends and come out for a fun

day of shooting! Registration begins at 9. Lunch will be provided about 11:30 and is included in the fees. We will have the delicious food from Carolina Smoke BBQ brought up to enjoy between rounds. Trophies are given for all categories. There is a raffle with proceeds divided between WWA and Northshore Scholarship Foundation. Over \$11,000 has been donated to WWA - it would be great to see some of the local chapters put together a squad in support of this event. More information on page 19.

Moses Lake Chapter News

By Dick Price

Two Great Events - September 17th:

There are two events going on in the Columbia Basin on the opening day of the Youth Hunt, Saturday, September 17th. This is the perfect opportunity to hunt Ducks in the morning, attend a Greenwing Event at the Mar Don Resort and have lunch while you get a bunch of free stuff, then hunt pheasants in the afternoon. See the attached flyers on page 22 and 23 for the details on both events. In addition at the Mar Don event we will have a 14' runabout, trailer, and a 9.9 Mercury motor available for silent auction. The boat is camo'd and ready to go. Minimum bid will be \$1,000.00. The motor is like new and runs great. Donated by the widow of a friend of Col. Tom O'Dell's.

Portion of WDFW Wildlife area Closing for Feral Pig Removal:

Starting Friday, July 29 **WDFW** closed public access to a portion of the **Columbia Basin Wildlife Area** in **Grant County** as part of a month-long effort to remove feral pigs from the area. The closure will be in effect through Aug. 31 on about 1,300 acres of the **Desert Unit** of the wildlife area.

During that time, a team from the **US Department** of Agriculture (USDA) will attempt to locate and remove feral pigs, which have been spotted in that area over the past year. The **USDA**, which considers feral pigs an invasive species, plans to use bait to attract the animals and shoot them from a helicopter. (Continued on Page 8)

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According to the **Washington Invasive Species Council,** feral pigs can be extremely destructive to fences, fields, wetlands, and other wildlife habitat. They can also transmit diseases and parasites to livestock and people.

The **USDA** is currently working in 39 states to control feral pigs, which cause an estimated \$1.5 billion a year in environmental damage nationwide. After assessing the situation, federal agents determined that locating and shooting feral pigs from the air is the best option. They also plan to retrieve hair samples from the carcasses for DNA analysis to help determine the origin of the pigs

Lower Columbia Chapter News By: Doug Hargin

Shillapoo ADA Work Party 7/16

Chapter members Rick Erickson and Rick Spring led a work party off Lower River Road to construct an ADA (Americans With Disabilities Act) blind to be placed on the Vancouver Lake Unit of the Shillapoo State Wildlife Area. WWA, Vancouver Wild Life League and the WDFW joined together to provide materials and complete the build. Thanks to WDFW manager Darren Hauswald and his assistant Tyler Hand, Rick Erickson, Rick Spring, Mike Ellis, Ron Anderson, Bob Taylor, Chuck Cheshire, Arlan Hackett, Marlin Reinholdt, Byron Hinner and son. Also, Rick Scott for charging the tools and spotting the trailer. Additional pictures of this event on page 10.

Black Box Blind Delivered and Prepped

The newest **Black Box** three man pit blind has been delivered. On Wednesday July 20th members had a work party at **Rick Scott's** shop to prep the carbon fiber blind for installation. Chapter members sanded the blind surface to prep the surface for the camo paint they applied. We also "built in" the dog box so the lid will close with the dog box in place. A big thank you to **Rick** for the use of his shop and supplies to complete the project. Thanks also to **Jerry Piazza, Ron Anderson, Bob Taylor, Arlan Hackett, Ted Blade** and **Doug Hargin** for working on the project. The blind has been transferred to the **WDFW** and awaits installation. *Pictures of the event on page 10.*

Shillapoo ADA Blind July 16th Work Party



Project organizers **Rick Erickson** left and **Rick Spring** attach the roof framing.



Bob Taylor far left and **Ron Anderson** 2nd from left survey the progress.



Left to right - Marlin Reinholdt, Arlan Hackett and Mike Ellis like what they see.

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Salmon Recovery Trumps Wildlife and Waterfowl Again

Does **Fir Island, Nisqually NWR** or **Willapa Bay NWR** ring a bell for anyone? **Southwest Washington** is the latest victim of this insatiable **"Salmon Recovery"** beast. Our first taste of this debacle started in 2012 when we learned of the proposed breaching of the **Columbia River** into the historic **Shillapoo** lake bed.

The genesis of this nightmare occurred in 2009 when the WDFW signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the federal government to provide off-channel habit for juvenile salmon as they migrate to the ocean. The Shillapoo Wildlife Area was among the locations listed as potential sites. The first version was abandoned in part due to the costs associated with relocating a natural gas pipeline through the project. We believed that the project was no longer viable and suitably buried.

We learned at our June 2016 Chapter Meeting that the monster still lives. An alternative site breaching the river into **Buckmire Slough**. This is now on the fast track as a runaway salmon freight train mowing down any concerns for the wildlife and waterfowl in this area. We believe that replacing year round and seasonal wetlands with tidal flow off the river is a real crime. Having water only a fraction of the year will severely impact the waterfowl and wildlife in this area and ergo the hunting.

The impacts were supposed to be studied to weigh between the fish values verses the wildlife species, waterfowl and habitat that this area has been managed for since its original purchase. Miraculously, the salmon won out, as seems to be the result in every single case since this nonsense started. We believe that the Feds and the **WDFW** have their finger on the scales to alleviate pressure to complete the **MOA** mandates within the small window of time left before violating the agreement.

On Monday August 8th the **WDFW** held a work shop in **Vancouver** for public input on the proposed user fee increases for hunting, fishing, razor clams and shellfish. Our chapter took the opportunity to voice our concern and complete rejection of the ill-fated **Salmon Restoration Project** on the **Shillapoo Wildlife Area.** We presented a letter of opposition and 525 signatures to that affect to **Region 5 director John Long. A letter was given to Assistant Director** of the **State Wildlife Program Eric Gardner**. We also provided a letter for **WDFW Director Jim Unsworth** to be delivered. We were able to talk at length with **Region 5**

Wildlife Manager Sonja and Eric Gardner.

Unfortunately it appears the wildlife group is resigned to the inevitability of the salmon recovery tsunami. They are primarily focused on mitigating the desecration to waterfowl and wildlife wetland habitat resulting from the project.

Nicole Czarnomski is the Region 5 MOA

Coordinator for this project. She has agreed to present the project at our August 25th meeting. You won't want to miss that. We have just begun the fight. Let's hope for a better result this time. Thanks to Tim Kissock, Dave Mason, Ron Anderson, Jack Sherwood, Derrick Kemper, David Chavez, Chuck Cheshire, Ted Blade, Michael Andriotti, Arlan Hackett, Bob Taylor and Doug Hargin for attending the WDFW workshop meeting.

Sportsman's Saturday

Thanks to our members willing and able to spend a day selling raffle tickets and memberships on August 6th. We had members rejoin and a healthy raffle tally. Thanks to **Rick Scott** for trailer shuttling, **Arlan Hackett** for riding herd, our outstanding sales people **Jackie Pepper**, **Doug Lee**, **Michael Andriotti**, **Daren Hauswald**, **Derrick Kemper**, **Gerry Piazza** and **Arland Richardson**. Thanks everyone!

SEPTEMBER 24TH BANQUET!!!

Now is the time for all good members to come to the aid of their banquet! This event will be as good as your participation makes it! We need your help gathering the gift certificates and donations for this great event. If you have questions or just need solicitation and banquet flyers please let us know. Any business that you frequent is a potential donor. Even lightly used gear for hunting, boating, fishing or whatever is desirable. Please Contact Doug Hargin (360) 903-6951 for more information.

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Lower Columbia Chapter News continued...



LET'S

Dog Box prep measurements - Foreground left **Gerry Piazza** clockwise **Bob Taylor, Rick Scott** and **Arlan Hackett**.

Black Box Blind Prep Party at Rick Scott's shop on July 20th



Ron Anderson preps the blind lids for paint.



Darren Hauswald secures the trailer for its ride to **Shillapoo**.

Ted Blade inspects the sanding.

Northwest Chapter News

Banquet Tickets On Sale NOW:

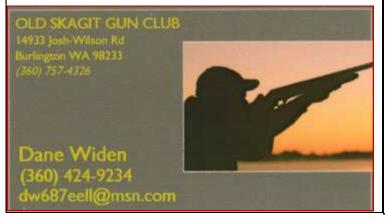
The long awaited moment is here. Tickets for the Northwest Chapter event are open for sale. This year's event is going to be on Saturday 24 September. The festivities will be at Hillcrest Lodge in Mount Vernon this year. Contact Reb Broker at 760.859.7442 lostfish01@gmail.com or Rich Phillips 360.631.4456 warden156@hotmail.com to purchase tickets. Please include the number of tickets you would like, the names of your guests, your mailing address, phone number and emails to help with speeding everyone through check-in. Monies can be collected at the door or email Rich for getting the them to him.

Youth Hunt:

The Northwest Chapter will be conducting youth waterfowl hunts on September 17th and 18th. We'll be hunting a variety of locations in Skagit County, with both morning and afternoon hunts. Guides with dogs, decoys, blinds will be provided. Reservations are required on a first come basis. Youth must be 15 years old or younger with a WA small game license. For reservations please contact **Rick** Skiba at reskiba@msn.com (360) 387-2225.

Kitsap County Chapter News

Just a reminder the **WWA-Kitsap County** Chapter meets at the Bremerton Trap and Skeet Club, 4956 State Highway 3 SW in Bremerton, on the first Wednesday of every month, February thru October.



Southwest Chapter News

By Terry Satre

By Reb Broker Sumner Sportsman's Association Picnic:

The picnic at Sumner Sportsman's Association was a big success. Folks enjoyed fresh fried fish, french fries, baked beans, watermelon and even some deep fried hot dogs. You gotta try them before making a yuck face. Actually quite good with a crunchy exterior and all the fixins. Quite a few members from out of town showed up and shot the breeze and some even broke a few clays. Many thanks to the staff at Sumner for having us!

Youth WDFW Class:

Looks like the first class of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) program geared at the younger or first time waterfowl hunter will be in September.

Lake Kapowsin Aquatic Reserve Management Plan:

Another meeting regarding Lake Kopowsin is scheduled for later this month. Opinions very on whether this is a good thing or a bad thing. Is it even necessary as nothing changes regarding usage etc.?

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) proposes to adopt the Lake Kapowsin Aquatic Reserve Management Plan. The plan provides management guidance for state-owned aquatic lands within the 512-acre area of the lake. This plan was developed in conjunction with an advisory committee composed of local residents, county and agency representatives, and local non-profit groups.

Public Meeting Notice:

August 25, 2016 – Graham Fire Station 94 23014 70th Avenue E, Graham, Washington 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Any questions regarding the SW Chapter contact: Terry Satre @ 253-845-2398 or Teltim@comcast.net Bruce Burns 253-961-8802 or bwburns36@gmail.com



When we hear about dykes being removed for

Grays Harbor Chapter News

By Kurt Snyder

Great Events the Next Two Months:

Our Chapter has a busy couple of months ahead of us. Our **first** shooting clinic is on August 27th (see flyer on page 20) and our annual **Youth Shooting Event** will be on the 10th of September (see flyer on page 21). At this youth event we get to give the kids an opportunity to warm up for the waterfowl season. Then we give them a bunch of hunting equipment to help get them on their way. The event has never had more than 24 shooters, kids and adults, making it a small event. Small but we feel that we should be doing something to get the kids into water fowling. These are the kids who will be passing down water fowling to their kids and keeping it alive by getting involved in all the rule making processes.

Cedarville Farms Hunt for Two Raffle:

We have our *Cedarville Farms Hunt For Two* raffle going on strong now. These hunts are a great way to introduce new hunters to water fowling so please consider buying some tickets for someone you know that might want to hunt. Please see the flier in this issue. We will be setting up a display at the **Lacey Cabela's** in September! Come join us if you can. Putting the **WWA** out there is important for us. **Learn more on page 25.**

Lots of Thanks but We Need to Do More:

I have **dozens of folks to thank** for supporting our Chapter. You all know who you are because you show up for meetings and volunteer your time for what we do. You buy

our raffle tickets and maintain your **WWA** membership. We give little in return but you folks keep on giving! It's what is going to keep water fowling and waterfowl conservation alive for future generations. My worst thought about it all is that they will say; "We could be hunting today if they would have done more"!

failed salmon recovery, traditional hunting areas being closed because we ignored or didn't know about deals between government agencies, we know water fowling is in trouble.

When we see organizations like **Ducks Unlimited**

When we see organizations like **Ducks Unlimited** making money and supporting salmon recovery at the waterfowls expense, we know water fowling is in *trouble*!

When this state has over 40,000 water fowlers but the **WWA** can only maintain a 1,000 members, we know water fowling is in *trouble*!

When the **WDFW Commission** totally ignores the waterfowl counts and the causes of it then water fowling is in *trouble*!

WE HAVE THE POWER TO STOP THIS!

This state's Governor needs to change!

The **WWA** member numbers have to increase.

We have to join up with organizations that support our water fowling. Like *Delta Waterfowl* and The *U.S.*Sportsman's Alliance.

Only we can keep waterfowl conservation alive. No one else

is going to do it. Thank you all, **Kurt Snyder** 360-485-9353



Chapter members **Greg Fulwider** and **William Davis**, installing our newest nesting structures on one of the Cedarville Farms property.

Seattle Chapter News

By John Arrabito

<u>August 24th Program — Hunting Doves in Argentina!</u>

In the spirit of the Olympics and all things South American, Seattle Chapter member **Robb Stack**, will present a slide presentation of his recent dove hunting trip to

Argentina. Bring your curiosity and your questions in case you have upcoming plans [or dreams] of hunting outside of the U.S. This fall I will be fulfilling one of my long time dreams to hunt geese [Canada's and Speckle Bellies] in Alberta, Canada.



Thanks to Skagit County Dog Trainer Adam Schuller and his crew of Zach Stephenson and Connor Barber, for their dog training presentation at our July meeting. Adam emphasized how important it is to keep you best friend in tip top shape in the off season.

As **Adam** emphasized, "Pre-season tune ups keep you and your dog accountable to each other. You and your dog are teammates. The more you practice together, the more trust and confidence builds in each of you. A retriever with a job is a Happy Retriever."

Ferd Nist Trophy Shoot has a New Leader.

I won't name names so as not to "jinx" him, but a at the half-way point in the Annual Ferd Nist Trophy Shooting Competition, there is a new name atop the leader board of ahead of past champions, **Gary Webster**, **David Hanson**, **and John Hanson**. The competition to determine the best shotgunner in **WWA** began in July. The rules are set up to allow **WWA** members of all Chapters to participate. Even if you haven't started yet, there is still time to get in all 3 events. Contact **David** at davidhanson73@hotmail.com for details. Just get your local Range Master and another **WWA** member to verify your score in each event.



Dog Trainer **Adam Schuller** got some of our Junior members involved in his dog training demonstration at our July meeting. Pictured here is **Jonathan Bean** with one of **Adam's** beautiful Golden Retrievers.

BJ Brown Memorial Shoot on Sunday, August 21st

Just an another reminder that the annual **BJ Brown Memorial Shoot** will be held on Sunday, August 21st this year. We need more **WWA** support of this event, which has benefitted **WWA** over the previous nine (9) years with some \$11,620 in donations from the proceeds of this event, a vehicle which **Jenny and Mike Lutz** have used to honor the memory of their son. More Details can be found on **Page 19** of this Newsletter.



Seattle Chapter News continued...

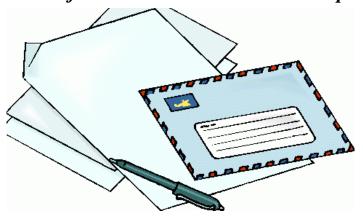
Still Have Duck and Goose Texas Rigs for Sale

We still have some finished product left — 4 oz Texas Rigs for duck decoys are \$3/each; 8 oz Rigs for your floating goose decoys are \$4/each. The rig consists of 300# monofilament with a swivel clip on one end and a 3" snap clip on the other, with either sliding egg shaped lead weights or fixed pyramid or bank weights — your choice. Contact **John Arrabito** if you're interested. We'll be giving away a set at each meeting in our monthly raffle, so pony up one dollar and take your chances!



Jonathan's brother, David Bean with "MAX."

Letters from Youth Conservation Camp



Dear WWA -

Camp this week was fantastic! I really appreciated your sponsorship towards me to go to Conservation Camp. My favorite part was the canoeing class! We learned how to turn over a flipped canoe in the water, using another canoe. Although I lost the race with my partner, I still had a blast!

I also really, really liked the archery class. I was way better than I thought I would be and ended up making it into the finals. In the end, I found myself in the middle of the pack with 16 points. If I wouldn't of ever gotten this opportunity, I probably wouldn't have ever met my amazing counselors – Devin and Steven!

Again I just wanted to thank you for fiving me this opportunity to go to this camp. I hope to share more about my camp experience another time with you!

Sincerely,

Evan Blume

Dear WWA,

Thank you for sending me to camp! I had a lot of fun and I will definitely come back next year.

I loved archery and hiking, and I got my Hunter's Ed, and I learned how to fish. I'm very glad that I got the scholarship because I never would have been able to go otherwise.

I loved my counselors and my cabin mates, and had a great time. I liked singing at campfire with the friends Greta and Mason, and we ended up on YouTube! Sincerely,

Ella Miller, age 12

As a parent, I would like to add my own gratitude that you support such a wonderful camp. It seems very much like the camp I attended and loved, and it brought out the best in my daughter. I hope it stays as it is, and continued so grow.

Thank you sincerely, Rose Miller

News for the Flock

The **WWA** is based on volunteer efforts and donations from folks that care about the waterfowl hunting heritage. Our success rides on the shoulders of these volunteers and generous benefactors. Below in red is a listing of recent contributions to the six (6) primary funds established by the WWA since publication of the July 2016 Newsletter.

WWA Youth Fund — \$1.645

Monthly Recurring Donation — Jim Goldsmith, July 2016 — \$5

WWA Legal Fund — \$17,532

Monthly Recurring Donation — John Arrabito, August 2016 — \$5

WWA Habitat Fund — \$785

WWA Jay Koetje Memorial Fund for Skagit Farmed Island — \$1,975 Dollars used to buy a mower to help maintain the Farmed Island Unit of the Skagit Wildlife Area

WWA Heritage Lands Fund — \$10,957

WWA General Fund — \$138

You can contribute in so many ways to the WWA, from locally in your Chapter, to statewide, helping the WWA carry on! Many donations are tax deductible.

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Bud Hufnagel
#33 Mickey Clary
#34 Reserved for BQT
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#37 Robb Stack
#38 Rod Boyer

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#44 Claudean Talbert
#45 William Dunlap
#46 Analise Arrabito
#47 Robert Zeka
#48 Ron Watkins
#49 Ken Boyer (Newest)
#50 Henry Field (Newest)

WELCOME TO NEW WWA MEMBERS for July

Last name	First name	Chapter	Membership level
Bolar	Douglas	KP	Individual membership
McJunkin	Forest	ML	Individual membership
Zook	Joshua	NW	Individual membership
Graham	Clayton	SE	Individual membership
McGovern	Dylan	SE	Family membership
Siebert	Fred	SE	Individual membership
York	Ryan	SE	Individual membership
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TREASURER'S REPORT (8-4-2016)

 Corporate Checking (BAC)
 \$ 13,005.37

 Corporate Checking (AW)
 \$ 7,909.60

 Duck Stamp Account
 \$ 2,300.00

 (Most recent report 6-16-2016)
 \$ 2,189.33

 Corporate C.D.
 \$ 17,620.80

 Corporate Total
 \$ 43,025.10

CHAPTER FINANCES

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\$	18,336.87
\$	26,216.38
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\$	9,753.83
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WWA FERD NIST MEMORIAL TROPHY

We want to know who is the best shot in WWA? This annual contest is named after **Ferd Nist**, one of the **WWA** founding members. The contest started in 1978 and this perpetual trophy is awarded to the best shotgunner with the highest score out of 100 clays. **John T. Scott** was the first winner in 1978 with two more wins in 1979 and 1982. **Dick Schweiter** has 6 wins, **Don Aker** has 5 wins, **Leo Pfeifer** has 4 wins, **Bill Thorpe** has 2 wins and **Gary Webster** holds the record with 7 wins. There are 10 spaces left on the trophy. The winner will be announced in September.

Ferd Nist contest Rules

- 1. Shoot in the months of July and August.
- 2. Declare before starting event that your score will count for the Ferd Nist Competition.
- 3. Have your score witnessed by another chapter member or range personal.
- 4. Report your score next day to David Hanson, 425-260-4816, or davidhanson73@hotmail.com
- 5. Tie breaker-high score from the slider.
- 6. Second tie breaker- Sudden Death, first miss loses. Shoots in August.

The Competition (Each event does not have to be completed in the same day) 100 Clays, compete for the bragging rights, "Who is the best shot?" The highest score wins.

Event I

Trap — 16 yard, 25 clays, shoot 5 clays from each post. Report score

Event II

Trap, Slider — 25 clays, shoot 5 clays from each post, moving back or forward 2 yards after each shot. (Example)

Start at post 1, 16 yd, shoot clay 1

Move back to 18 yd, shoot clay 2

Move back to 20 yd, shoot clay 3

Move back to 22 yd, shoot clay 4

Move back to 24 yd, shoot clay 5

Rotate to post 2, 24 yd, shoot clay 6

Move forward to 22 yd, shoot clay 7,

Continue moving 2 yards for each shot forwards and backwards at each post. Ending on Post 5, 24yd. Report score.

Event III

Trap doubles — 50 clays, 16 yd, two clays at the same time, 5 doubles on each post. Report score.

BJ BROWN MEMORIAL TRAPSHOOT TENTH ANNUAL



Hosted by the Family and Friends of BJ Brown

Proceeds Donated to the Washington Waterfowl Association (over \$11,000 has been donated for the nine prior years!)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2016

Registration 9:00 a.m. Kenmore Shotgun Range 1031 228th St. S.W. Bothell, WA 98021 (425-481-8685)

Entry Fee \$75.00 Includes 125 Targets and Lunch

50 Singles 50 Handicap 25 5-Stand (each event \$25.00 – could do one, two or all three)

TROPHIES FOR (Men, Ladies, Novice):

Top Gun (must do all 125 targets) Singles Handicap 5-Stand

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Must RSVP at kurtsnyder@outdrs.net by the event date

Free Youth Target Shoot and Pre Duck Season Warm-up

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Saturday, September 10, 2016

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Adult entry \$20.00. Military \$10.00.

Registration and shooting starts at 9:30 a.m., at the Clubhouse.

BBQ grilled lunch at 1:00 PM for all entries. Provided by the WWA-Southwest Chapter! Prizes to be given out after lunch.

ALL youth shooters must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to enter!!

Contact kurtsnyder@outdrs.net for more info or questions.





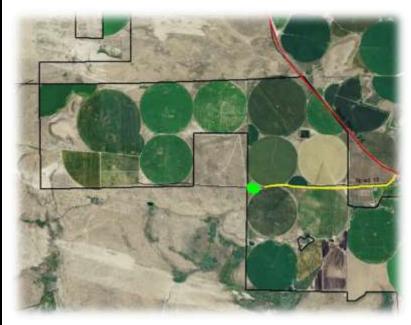


Columbia Basin Chapter Youth Upland Bird Hunt

Saturday, September 17, 2016 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM



Location: B & G Farms in Royal City



The Columbia Basin Chapter of Pheasants Forever (CBPF), Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), and B & G Farms in Royal City are partnering in an effort to recruit youth into the sport of hunting by providing youths an opportunity to hunt wild and planted birds in some of the best habitat available in Grant County. Years ago, WDFW partnered with B & G Farms to install shrub plots to provide optimal bird habitat, particularly important to pheasant survival during rough winter conditions. In addition, dense nesting cover has been planted between shrub rows to provide quality nesting cover which can help boost

annual productivity of wild birds. These numerous, but relatively small (several acre), habitat plots have matured to high quality habitat and will serve as ideal locations to plant birds throughout the day, to ensure that all youths are safely dispersed and have a good chance at kicking up birds. CBPF is donating the birds to the cause and is currently recruiting volunteers to help ensure a safe and enjoyable hunt by pairing an experienced hunter with each youth. Additionally, WDFW will provide assistance of a certified Hunter Education instructor to give each youth a refresher course on hunter safety before beginning the hunt. And, as an added bonus, every youth participant will have a **chance of winning a 20-gauge shotgun!**

Hunters are encouraged to make a reservation for this hunt day; **Saturday, September 17**th (anytime between 9am and 2pm). Though not required, the reservation will help planners ensure an adequate supply of pheasants and refreshments for after the hunt (*make reservations at:* http://wdfw.wa.gov/hunting/hunting_access/private_lands/hunt/392/). Please help us protect our hunting heritage by participating in this unique opportunity!

You can find more information about the Columbia Basin Chapter of Pheasants Forever on Facebook! https://www.facebook.com/ColumbiaBasinPF



Moses Lake Ducks Unlimited Greenwing Event Hosted by The Moses Lake DU Committee

Saturday, September 17th 2016

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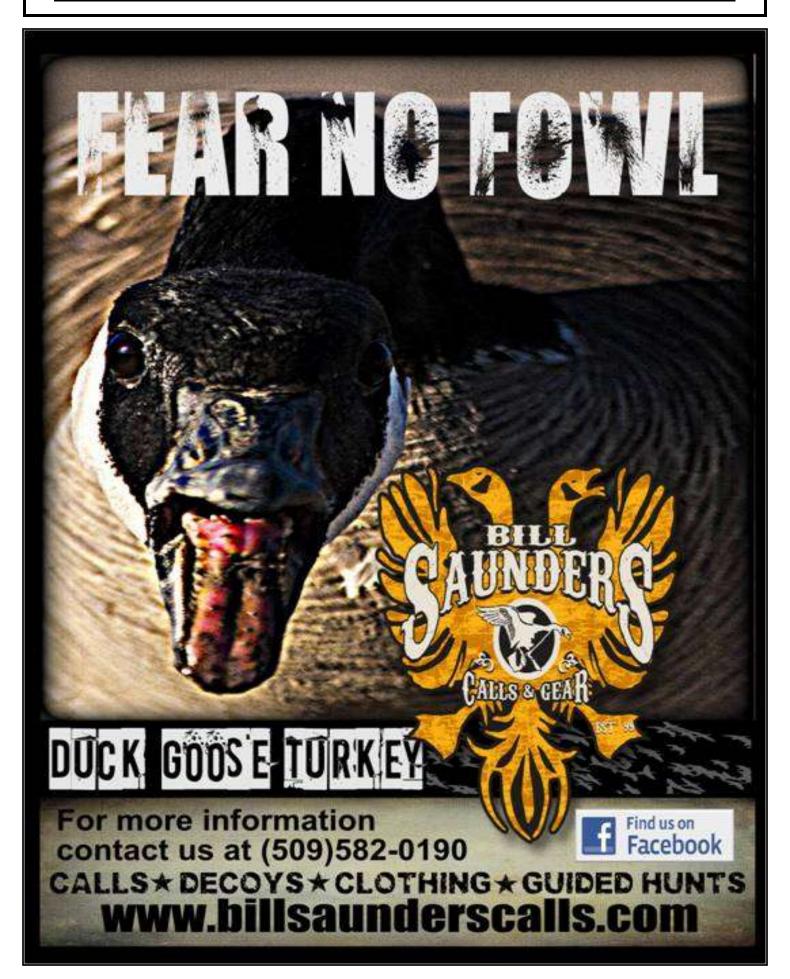
Winner has choice of: Goose hunt, Duck hunt or Puget Sound trophy Sea Duck hunt!

Ticket price is \$5.00 per single ticket or \$20.00 for Five tickets.

Need not be present at drawing to win. Proceeds benefit the Washington Waterfowl Associations' Individual Chapter projects like Youth Shooting Events and Youth Water-fowling education.

Contact your **WWA** Chapter Chairman for ticket purchase and contact <u>kurtsnyder@outdrs.net</u> or 360-485-9353 for purchase, raffle rules and information.

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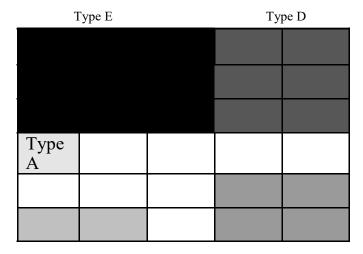
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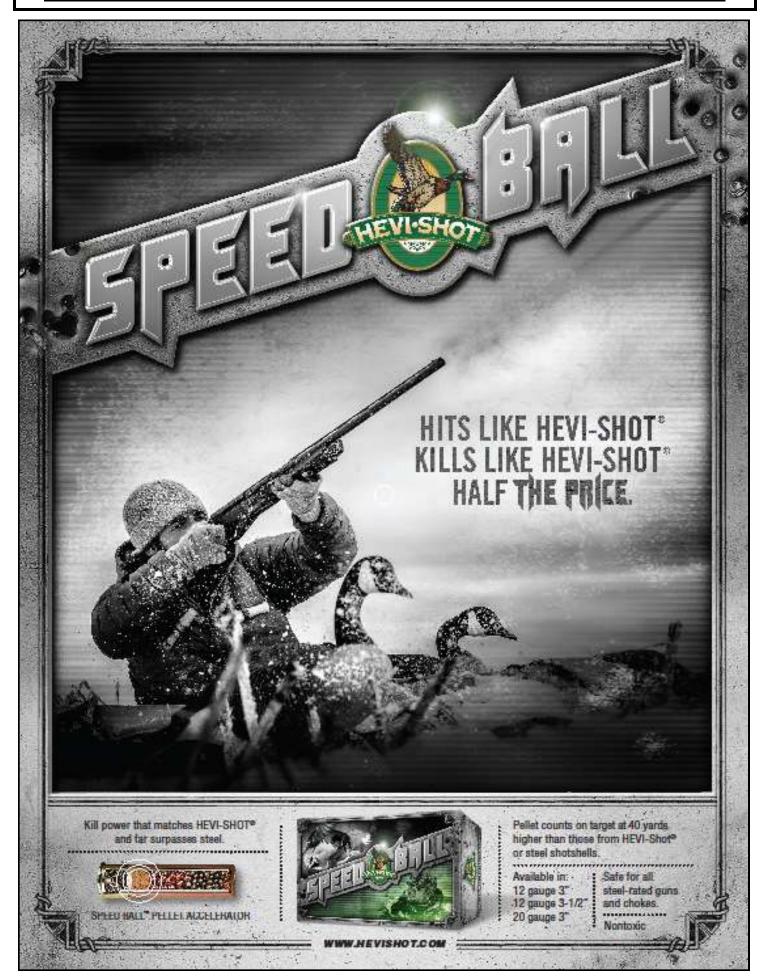
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] []]	Moses Lake Chapter – Dates and places TBD. Northwest Chapter meets year round the 2 nd Tuesday of the month at the Conway Fire Hall.				
[1	Seattle Chapter meets the 4 th Wednesday of the month (Jan – Oct) at Kenmore Shotgun Range , 1031 – 228 th Street SW, Bothell, WA				
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]	1	the Tenant Lake Interpretive Center. Yakima Valley Chapter meets the 2nd Thursday of the month (Feb – Sept) alternating between restaurants in either Prosser or Zillah. See Page 2 for this month's meeting location.				

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- We spend all of our resources within Washington State

Our projects include:

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- Administration of the WA Migratory Bird Stamp and Print Program
- Hosting and sponsoring the Washington State Duck Calling Championships
- Wood Duck Nest Box & Mallard Nest Tube, Goose Nest Pot & platform construction, installation, & maintenance
- Working with the Boy Scouts of America on Eagle Scout projects
- Hosting Youth Mentor shotgun shooting one-on-one instruction events
- Conducting NRA sanctioned Hunter Education classes for Youth & donation of funds to offset WDFW printing costs for youth gun safety classes
- Donation of funds to support high school shooting teams in Washington
- Teaching adults and youth decoy carving arts
- Working with thousands of children at Sportsman's Show painting decoys, and with seriously ill youngsters on a decoy painting project
- Providing scholarships for boys and girls to attend a week at Youth Conservation Camp on Orcas Island, WA
- Working with the WDFW in the creation of premium quality hunt waterfowling areas
- Building and rehabilitating blinds in public hunting areas
- Distribution and planting of thousands of pounds of donated corn seed for waterfowl consumption
- Working with the Yakama Tribe in banding upland birds and waterfowl, and building duck "blinds" on tribal lands
- Goose and duck nest counts and banding of both with the WDFW and USFWS
- Working with the WDFW on dove counts & planting WDFW food plots in Eastern WA with WWA owned tractor and farming implements
- Sponsoring of the Annual NW Decoy Collector's Show
- Participating in multiple Sportsman's shows annually
- Donation of funds and volunteer man hours for Swan Mortality Mitigation Studies
- Donation of funds and man hours to WDFW for goose banding and satellite tracking
- Litter pickup projects at public hunting areas, boat ramps, and along highways; and conducting multiple fund raising banquets annually to pay for all of these "hands on" conservation projects.