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Hey Y'all:

Congratulations to **Mike Maier**, winner of the **Washington State Sanctioned Duck Calling Contest**. Mike gets \$1,000 from **WWA** to travel to Stuttgart Arkansas over Thanksgiving weekend to compete in the **World Championship Duck Calling Contest**. See all the results on **page 7**.

I chatted with **Stephen Bell** of the **Stuttgart Chamber of Commerce** who helps oversee the World contest, and he suggested that Mike wait until after the contest before he eats the spicy gumbo. **Stephen** also mentioned they have a contestant coming to Stuttgart from New Zealand this year... pretty cool. Guess they shoot ducks in New Zealand too. Anyway, good luck Mike, give'm heck from Washington.

Our thanks go out to **Cabela's Lacey** for hosting the contest. Sponsors contributing to all the prizes included **Bill Saunders Calls and Gear, Cabela's, Pacific Custom Calls, Zink Calls, Sitka Gear, Ragged Outdoors, and Stew Waldrop**. And thanks to the volunteers that helped to set up, conduct the contest, judge the contests, and broke it all down.

By the time you all get the October newsletter, the last one of the year, another opening day will have come and gone. Hope you all get a chance to share a good hunt.

For the Resource,

Rone Brewer

EVENTS CALENDAR

(See Page One for Contact Phone Numbers)

- Saturday, Sept. 14** **WWA-LC Chapter Annual Banquet Club Green Meadows, Vancouver, WA.**
See Flyer on **Page 9.**
- Saturday, Sept. 14** **WWA-Grays Harbor Chapter Annual Youth Shooting Event, @ Evergreen Sportman's Club, near Littlerock.**
Contact **Kurt Snyder.** See **Page 14.**
- Saturday, Sept. 21** **3rd Annual Fall Decoy Collector's Show & Silent Auction, Oak Harbor, WA.** See Flyer on **Page 20.**
- Saturday & Sunday Sept. 21-22** **YOUTH ONLY WATERFOWL HUNTING**
See Flyer on **Pages 19 & 22.**
- Tuesday, Sept. 24** **Southwest Chapter Meeting; 7 p.m. @ Tacoma Sportsman's Club.**
Contact **Terry Satre.**
- Wednesday, Sept. 25** **Seattle Chapter Meeting; 7 p.m. @ Kenmore Gun Club, in Bothell.**
Contact **John Arrabito.**
- Thursday, Sept. 26** **Lower Columbia Chapter Meeting 7 p.m. @ Vancouver Trap Club.**
Contact **Rick Scott.**
- Tuesday, Oct. 1** **Whatcom County Chapter Meeting 5-7 p.m. @ Tenant Lake Interpretive Center, Ferndale.** Contact **Scott O'Day.**
- Wednesday, Oct. 2** **Kitsap Peninsula Chapter Meeting 6-8 p.m. @ Bremerton Trap & Skeet Club.** Contact **Richard Bazzell**
- Thursday, Oct. 3** **Grays Harbor Chapter Meeting. 7 p.m. @ Evergreen Sportmen's Club, near Littlerock. Program on Duck Identification by USFWS.** Contact **Kurt Snyder.** See Flyer on **Page 21.**
- Thursday, Oct. 3** **WWA Corp Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 p.m., @ Canyon Park Denny's All WWA members always welcome.**
- Monday, Oct. 7** **Tri Cities Chapter Meeting; 7 p.m. @ Benton County PUD Auditorium at the corner of 10th Ave. and HWY 395 in Kennewick, WA.**
Contact **Tracy Miles.**
- Tuesday, Oct. 8** **Northwest Chapter Meeting; 7 p.m. @ Conway Fire Hall.**
Contact **Rone Brewer.**
- Saturday, Oct. 12** **REGULAR WATERFOWL SEASON OPENS**
- Thurs & Friday Oct 17-18** **WATERFOWL SEASON IS CLOSED**
- Saturday Oct. 19** **WATERFOWL SEASON RESUMES**

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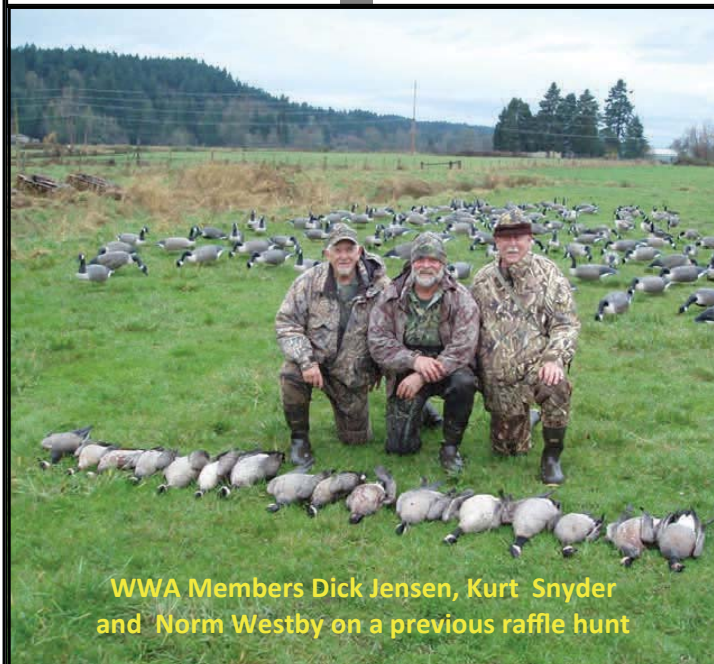
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SEE RESULTS



WWA Members Dick Jensen, Kurt Snyder and Norm Westby on a previous raffle hunt

WATERFOWL HUNT RAFFLE

(Oakville, Washington)

The **Washington Waterfowl Association** is raffling off two (2) Cedarville Farms Hunt Club guided waterfowl hunts for the 2013-14 season. These hunts are likely to be the only means for a non-member to procure a hunt with Cedarville this season. The tickets are \$5.00 each, or 5 for \$20.00 and each ticket will get two (2) chances to win one hunt with **Cedarville Farms** in the upcoming season. These hunts are for two (2) people **and include lodging.**

The drawing for the two lucky winners will be held on September 30, 2013. If you are interested in purchasing tickets for this worthy cause, contact any **WWA** Chapter Chair. Check out the photo [above] of one of the two hunts donated by **Cedarville Farms** to the **WWA** from the 2012--13 season. Waterfowl hunting doesn't get much better than this!

Projects and Programs

HERITAGE LANDS

Farmland & Public Access Preservation

The Washington Waterfowl Association (WWA) has finalized a business plan for private land/public access program called

Heritage Lands.

The program idea came from a multi-stakeholder work group developing mitigation options for the farmland and public access losses resulting from fish restoration projects in the Lower Skagit and Stillaguamish River Deltas.

The goal of the program is for the Washington Waterfowl Association to:

1. Purchase & own a limited amount of farmland in three or four different areas across the deltas.
2. Preserve the farmland in perpetuity through sale of development rights and farming-related easements.
3. Lease the land to farmers, supporting and promoting agricultural productivity, infrastructure, and crop rotation.
4. Use lease fees to support property management, hunting and other public access, and lease of waterfowl hunting access to other private farmland in the region.
5. Promote recreational access and wildlife habitat improvements that do not reduce long-term agricultural productivity.
6. Provide research and public education opportunities.

To learn more or, provide your thoughts/ideas contact:
Rone Brewer – (206) 595-7481 or nwducks@frontier.com

We are now seeking funding for the Heritage Lands Program. If adequate private funding can be obtained it will drastically simplify program initiation. Your support can help get this program rolling.

You can **CONTRIBUTE** at WWW.WADUCK.ORG

Moses Lake Chapter News

By Dick Price

Columbia Basin Youth Hunt Opportunities:

Pheasants:

Local **Pheasants Forever** and **WWA** volunteers will be at the **Warden** Release Site from 9 AM to 1 PM to assist in the **WA Youth Only Hunt** on Saturday, September 21 & 22. youths. Contact **Kevin Richards** for more info. 509-760-1863.

Waterfowl

Ducks Unlimited and **WWA** volunteers will be holding an event Saturday, September 21st at **Mar Don Resort** from 11 AM to 2 PM for \$5 youth/\$10 adults with hamburgers/hot dogs and fixin's. Lots of stuff for the kids to win. For more info go the DU website www.ducks.org, then click on "events," then to wa du/youth waterfowl party.

Each of the first 48 youth, who is registered online on or before September 19th will receive a BBQ lunch, a "duck hunter's bucket", **Haydel** duck call and lanyard, and a gun tool, all donated by **Colonel Tom O'Dell** of **Moses Lake DU** which has also donated a duck identification poster, DU duck call, cap, and Greenwing membership for each young hunter.

WWA will be donating logo'd hats and a one-year junior membership, as they have for two (2) years running to every successful graduate of **Tom's Hunter Ed Classes**. **You must register via on-line ticketing so we have enough food and beverages** (See [page 13](#) for details).

Work Party

Save Nov. 9th-10th for a follow up work party on the shrub planting on the **Gloyd Seeps Unit**. We will be replacing the willow cuttings that did not survive along **Crab Creek**. Meet at 9 AM at the site. Hunt ducks before and then pheasants in the afternoon when we finish. **WWA-Moses Lake** will furnish lunch and refreshments.

Drought conditions had a real effect on the survivability of the cuttings so hopefully these will get a good start before freeze up and take off in the Spring.

Grays Harbor Chapter News

By Kurt Snyder

Hi All:

The next hunting season is just around the corner, which means our Chapter business year is coming to an end. We've had a busy year that included such projects as:

- Placed 10 new wood duck nesting boxes and built 20 more;
- held two (2) successful *Youth Waterfowl Workshops*;
- created a new *Sporting Clays Challenge*; and
- added approximately 20 new **WWA** members

Thank You!

By the time you read this our annual **Youth Mentor Shooting Event** will be over. This small and relatively new chapter has accomplished a lot in 2013. We couldn't have accomplished any of this without our volunteers. You really shined with all the hard work and time you all provided. I owe many **BIG** thank you's, but would like to name a few of our "iron men":

- **Jon McAninch** of **Cedarville Farms Hunt Club** for his time, donations, and use of his wood shop to build our nesting boxes. **Jon** has been involved with most all of our decision making and is not afraid to do the dirty work;
- **Dirk Farrar** who headed up our **Youth Waterfowl Workshop**.
- We can't forget the Workshop crew, **Howard Roberts, Dick Jensen, Brad Roberts, and Bill Vogel**. You guys are always helping and together made the workshop a go!

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- **Tony Yaklich and Mike Nesbitt**, Chapter Treasurer, who seem to be at all functions and work parties;
- **Greg Fulwider** who always is there to lend a hand and was the iron man volunteer at the **State Calling Contest**;
- **Scott Nelson** who is always at our meetings and got us a great deal on duck calls for the kids this year;
- **Al Stover**, our Chapter Co-Chairman and prize donor for our Youth Shoot; and
- **Mitch Myers**, donor and shooting coach for our Youth Shooting event.

We were **successful** this year because of **you all**.

2013 Washington State Duck and Goose Calling Contest

WWA put on another successful **State Calling Contest**. Congratulations to **Yakima Valley Chapter** member, **Mike Maier**, on winning the sanctioned **WA State Duck Calling Championship**. WWA will send him with \$1,000 cash to the **World Championships** to be held Thanksgiving week in Stuttgart, AR.

We had 24 callers sign up for a total of 51 entries.

See tallied results on **page 7**.

We have **MANY** people to thank for making the WA contest a winner!

First I would like to give honorable mention to a few folks that made this contest possible. We would never have succeeded without their contributions and efforts.

- **WWA** member **Brad Roberts**, **Dave Spsychala**, and **John Plugoff**. They pooled their resources, called in a bunch of favors which resulted in us having some great *prizes* and *judges*. You cannot have a contest without these.
- **Macy Bruhy**, Events Coordinator of **Cabela's Lacey**, dug deep into her budget and provided over a \$1,000 worth of prizes!

- **LC Chapter member Arlan Hackett**, for sending out the mass email that resulted in a very large volunteer group to work at the contest! The list was long: **Greg Fulwider, Trevor Austin, Alex Yerges, Joe Hedberg, Bruce Burns, Jack Westerfield, Lance Kintrea, Jack Sherwood, Dick Jensen, Chris Stalcup, Arlan Hackett, Howard Roberts, Brad Roberts, Dave Spsychala, Terry Satre, John Farrow, Lou Arnoldi, James Meaux, Donald Taylor, Scott Nelson, John Arrabito, Rone Brewer, and Don Kraege**. Many, Many thanks to you all.

The Past and the Present. 2013 WA State Duck Calling Champion, Mike Maier, holds his trophy high standing with his acknowledged mentor, 2012 WA Champion, Abel Cortina. Both are members of the WWA-Yakima Valley Chapter.



Thanks to the Judges for their time and skills: **Robert Strong, Jason Gupton, Brad Roberts, Abel Cortina, Mario Friendly, Dusty Brown, John Plugoff, Joe Hanson, Brian Maebacker Austin Sandmann, Shane Rossen and Bill Saunders!** I know there were more, and I apologize for not getting your name down.

I would also like to thank all the sponsors of the contest. I will be remembering who they are when I buy my waterfowling gear. Sponsors include:

- **Cabela's**, who not only hosted the event but also rented a 30 X 40 tent, chairs, and all the tables we used.

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- **Bill Saunders Call and Gear** (www.billsaunderscalls.com), who donated over \$1,500.00 worth of prizes. Bill himself was on the judging panel for several events.
- **Pacific Custom Calls** (www.pacificcustomcalls.com), who donated an ITF Duck call and had several winning entries.
- **Ragged Outdoors**, (www.raggedoutdoors.com), who donated shirts and DVD's for all winners. They also set were a vendor
- **Zink Calls** (www.zinkcalls.com), who donated a very nice duck call.
- **Sitka Gear** (www.sitkagear.com), who donated a very nice \$169.00 Sitka Backpack.
- **Mark helms of Advanced Wildlife Taxidermy** (www.advancedwildlifetaxidermy.com), who donated a very nice duck mount.
- **Stew Waldrop**, who made some really great looking plaques for the top winners.
- **Mike Eddy** (www.callingduck.com), who advertised our contest nationally!
- **Washington Waterfowl Association**, for providing a \$1000.00 prize to the State Duck Calling Champion, and provided most of the volunteers to work the event!

Please remember who these vendors when you need something for yourself, or as a gift for a friend or family.

Kitsap Chapter News

By Richard Bazzell

Chapter Meetings

The **WWA-Kitsap Peninsula Chapter** meets the first Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the **Bremerton Trap & Skeet Club**. Each Chapter meeting throughout the off season will be followed by shooting and dinner provided by

our local **Kitsap DU Chapter**. Please call or email **Richard Bazzell** at rbazzell@yahoo.com or 360-509-7900 for further information. Also, be sure to check us out on our Facebook page at **Kitsap Peninsula Waterfowlers**.

Whatcom Chapter News

By Scott O' Day

Outdoor Events at Cabela's

Our next outdoor event at **Cabela's** in Marysville is September 14-15. Contact me if you can help out.

Miscellaneous

- Wood duck box material is available – contact **Richard Kessler**.
- **WDFW** volunteers needed – contact **Brad Otto**. Hours can be credited toward state grant money.
- **WWA** shirts are still available to purchase.

Next Meeting

The **WWA Whatcom** Chapter meets the first Tuesday of each month, 5-7 p.m., @ **Tenant Lake Interpretive Center, Ferndale**. Contact **Scott O'Day** for more details.

Southwest Chapter News

By Bob Schwent

Get Ready!

School is back in session, the salmon are running the rivers, football is back on the television, and the days are starting to get short. That means hunting season is right around the corner.

It's time to get the gear out of the closet or attic, clean it up, make sure the calls and decoys are ready to go, and get some practice. Call some of your buddies from the chapter and maybe talk to one of the new members, and get those hunts planned. This is why most of us joined **WWA**, to meet other duck hunters, and find people to hunt with or new places to hunt. I hope to see all of you at the September meeting, and let's kick this season off right.

September Meeting

The next meeting of the **Southwest Chapter** is at 7:00 pm, September 24th at the **Tacoma Sportsmen's Club** (16409 Canyon Rd East, Puyallup). Shooting starts at 6:00 so bring your shotgun. Hunting season is right on top of us and if you haven't been out burning powder, it is time to get out and get tuned up for hunting season. Shoot a little skeet or trap, get your shooting eye sharpened up, and

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Washington Waterfowl Association Cabela's-Lacey 2013 State Calling Contest Results

WA State Goose

1. John Plughoff - 785 - Pasco WA
2. Patrick McCormick - 765 - Olympia WA
3. Jeager Evinger - 765 - Centralia WA

Open Goose

1. John Plughoff - 491 - Pasco WA
2. Dusty Brown - 486 - Pendleton OR
3. Pat McCormick - 481 - Olympia WA

Novice Goose

1. Tye Ball - 759 - Woodland WA
2. Carson Mackey - 757 - Selah WA
3. Max Lien - 513 - Kelso WA

Junior Goose

1. Tristan Eims - 223 - Puyallup WA

Pee Wee Duck

1. Drew Rossen 78, Mill Creek WA
 2. Chase Rossen 77, Mill Creek WA
 3. Hunter Roberts 75, Tumwater WA
- Noah Howell 73 Puyallup WA

Junior Duck

1. Jason Howell Jr. - 471 - Selah, WA
2. Tristan Eims - 466 - Puyallup, WA

Novice Duck

1. Brody Rowland - 779 - Klamath Falls, OR
2. Aaron LaPlante - 761 - Spokane. WA
3. Jeager Evinger - 754 - Centralia, WA

WA State Duck

1. Mike Maier 777; West Richland WA
 2. Josh Harris 775; Lynnwood WA
 3. Joe Hanson 747; West Richland WA
- Alex Y., Spokane Valley WA
Brock Devol, Enumclaw WA
Shane Rossen, Mill Creek WA

Open Duck

1. Josh Harris 778, 292, Lynnwood WA
 2. Shane Rossen 778, 289, Mill Creek WA
 3. Mike Maier 777, West Richland WA
- Robert Strong 776, Orting WA
Brody Rowland 223, Klamath Falls WA
Alex Y., 222, Spokane Valley WA
Brock Devol 217, Enumclaw WA

Team Duck

1. Robert Strong/Dave Spychala - 229
(Orting / Olympia, WA)
2. Josh Harris/John Plughoff - 227
(Lynnwood / Pasco, WA)
3. Abel Cortina/Mike Maier - 226
(Prosser / West Richland, WA)

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maybe get some bragging rights with your friends. The kitchen is open if you want a good dinner and some good company. This month's guest speaker has not been nailed down yet, but we should get a report from **Terry Satre** and **Lance Kintrea** on their trip to Alberta this month to hunt snow geese. Last year's trip was a blast, and this year's should be as well. I'm sure they will have some great pictures, funny stories, and lots of goose meat to bring home with them.

Upcoming events

- September 14th the **Southwest Chapter** will be helping out at the **Grays Harbor Chapter Youth Shoot**. Last years event was a huge success and we all need to get the next generation of waterfowlers and shotgunners on board.
- September 14th also is the **Lower Columbia Chapter banquet**. Those who have attended this banquet in the past can tell you that they do a great job of it. If you are interested in good food, great company, and some really great prizes, go online and get your tickets and head to Vancouver.
- September 14th is also the date for the **Cabela's Waterfowl Classic**, and they are requesting **WWA** staff a table again this year. The **Southwest Chapter** has supported this annual event, and volunteers are once again needed. If you are interested in staffing a table or providing other support, please contact **Rone Brewer** or **Kurt Snyder** as soon as possible.

Washington State "Puyallup" Fair

The **Washingtonians for Wildlife Conservation (WWC)** will have a booth in the Northwest Outdoors / Go Play Outside building again this year. This is a great public outreach opportunity for sportsmen. We need several volunteers to staff this booth, which is geared toward teaching people that we are not just conservationists, we are America's #1 conservationists!

WWC will have over 25' of booth space and put out all sorts of hides, horns, skulls and such for the kids to play with. There are track stencils for the little kids and literature highlighting our time-honored, essential place in waterfowl conservation and wildlife management. It's a great event, and has done a lot of good over the past 13+ years. Contact **Jeff Christensen** at 425-308-7583 or Jeff@hunt4life.com The booth schedule is online at www.w4wc.org , and also at Direct link: <http://www.w4wc.org/FairSchd.htm> .

The dates of The Fair are September 6th through the 22nd. All volunteers receive free entry to The Fair. There are a limited number of Parking Passes on a first come, first served basis - when they're gone, they're gone! There will be 2 shifts each day with 1-2 attendants per shift. Hunting Ambassadors Wanted!

Bob

Tri-Cities Chapter News

By Tracy Miles

Chapter Meetings

The **Tri-City Chapter** meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m., at the **Benton County PUD Building** in Kennewick. Our next meeting is October 7th. Contact **Tracy Miles** for details.

Lower Columbia Chapter News

By Doug Hargin

Shillapoo Work Parties

Ted Blade and **Bob Taylor** got the ball rolling with an inspection of seven of the most popular blinds in the **Shillapoo Wildlife Area** on Wednesday July 24th. They did a thorough evaluation of each blind and repairs needed. Ted then organized a work party on Thursday evening August 8th to construct flip covers for blinds. **Rick Scott** was gracious enough to allow his shop to be the location of the event. Thanks to **Ted** and **Evan Blade**, **Rick Scott**, **Bob Talyor**, **Dave Weston**, **Dave Chavez** and **Arlan Hackett** for screens.



Bob Taylor (L) and Dave Chavez constructing screens.

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News for the Flock

**You are Cordially Invited to Attend the 10th Annual
Washington Waterfowl Association Banquet,
Lower Columbia Chapter
Saturday, September 14, 2013
6:00 p.m.**



**Club Green Meadows
7703 NE 72nd Ave
Vancouver, WA**

(Directions: From I-205, exit at the Padden Parkway exit heading westbound to NE Andresen. Turn left on Andresen to the next light at NE 78th St. Travel one block and turn right onto NE 72nd Ave. We will be in the main building on your left.)

Dinner

**\$35 Single; \$65 Couple; Ages 13-16/\$22 Ages 6-12/\$12
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The following Saturday morning the group met **WDFW Area Manager Darren Hauswald** out at the hunt area to implement the repairs. A big thank you to **Arlan** for bringing the trailer from **Rick's** shop loaded with the screens and building supplies and rustling up a lunch for the guys. The blinds in the **South Unit** were all cleaned and flip out screens added to two (2) blinds. On the **North Unit** they cleaned blinds #2, #3 and #19. The floor and screens were also repaired on blind #19. Thanks to **Ted** again for putting this together. Also thanks to the following members for their help; **Dave Weston, Evan Blade, Dan Hafenbrack, Don Bonstein, Mark Weston, Arlan Hackett** and **Chris Stalcup**. These guys, amazingly, followed up with another work party the following Wednesday evening on August 14th! A new floor on blind #20 and new flip down screens on blind #2 and repairs to same on #3. Thanks of course to **Ted** also **Al O'Connor, Bob Taylor, Dan Hafenbrack** and **Dave Weston**. We would like to thank **Daren Hauswald** and the **WDFW** for providing materials for all the blinds. Fantastic work everyone!



Ted (L) and Evan Blade putting together a flip screen.

Ridgefield NWR

Ridgefield NWR Complex Leader Chris Lappe has informed us that the new #12 pit blind has been "planted" in the hunt area. The next step is to come up with a seating plan. We are currently working out the details and will install them prior to the season opener.

We will have the **annual blind opening and brush up Saturday September 28th** at the Refuge. We will rally at the Hunter Check Station at 8:00 AM. Please bring your waders, gloves, pruners, shovels, buckets etc., to open up the pit blinds and brush up the box blinds. This is a great

way to see the blinds in the daylight and get familiar with the hunt area. Lunch will be provided.

Washington State Duck Calling Contest

Thanks to **Arlan Hackett** and **Chris Stalcup** for making the trip up to assist **Kurt Snyder** with the **State Sanctioned Duck Calling Championship at Cabela's Lacey** Saturday, August 24th. They and others put in a long day for a worthy event. Thanks guys! (see list of all winners on page 7)

Chapter Liaison for Youth Hunt

Dino Matri has stepped up to be our chapter youth hunt coordinator with **WDFW**. If you have input or any ideas for **Dino** contact one of our officers, and they can put you in touch with him. **Dino** has been teaching Hunter's Ed classes and we appreciate his help. Thanks **Dino**!

Mark your calendars for the **Youth Hunt on Saturday October 26th**. This is a great event, and we look forward to getting the kids out, feeding them and providing prizes.

10th Annual fundraising Banquet

By the time this hits the presses we will have concluded our Chapter Banquet on September 14th. We hope you were able attend and enjoy yourself and help us raise some funds. Thanks to all who put in the hard work and those able to support **WWA**. We will have a report in the October newsletter.

Northwest Chapter News

By Rone Brewer

New Contact

Reb Broker is now the primary point of contact for the **WWA Northwest Chapter**. **Reb** can be reached at 760-859-7442. **Reb** has been working with **WDFW** trapping and banding ducks. We have discussed helping **WDFW** out with the banding, and **Reb** is getting some good experience so we can place our own traps in coordination with **WDFW** next summer. Thanks **Reb**.

Youth Hunt Weekend

Rick Skiba and **Reb** have done a great job setting up the **Youth Hunt Program** for our Chapter. Last I chatted with them, there were hunt times available both Saturday and Sunday, September 21st and 22nd. Contact **Rick Skiba** (360.387.2225) if you want to arrange a youth hunt in our Chapter. We may also be able to provide a few youth mentor hunts during the season and you can contact **Rick, Reb, or Rone** (206.595.7481) to get the wheels rolling on

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such a hunt. We also may be able to help members get out and chase some snow geese.

Farmed Island

The **Farmed Island** has some crops planted and growing. I have not been over there to check it out, but hear a decent amount of the island should be planted. **Jay Koetje** purchased a barge for **WDFW** out of his own pocket and offered his company's excavating equipment to clean out the ditches, all donated. To date, **WDFW** has not been able to get permits to allow the ditch cleaning.

Also, despite upwards of \$100,000 of donated equipment and services to fix up and maintain the **Farmed Island**, **Rone** received a call that planning is underway for a new fish restoration project on the island. The concept floated was restoring only half of the island as a compromise. **Rone** replied that the original compromise back in 1999 was half the island for fish and the other half was to be maintained, and taking half of the remaining half of the island is in no way a compromise because hunters and waterfowl do nothing but lose.

It is very important for **WDFW** and other folks to think about this. **A private individual has offered** in the ballpark of \$100,000 of equipment, time, and supplies to maintain the **Farmed Island** and at the same time **WDFW** is planning to cut the island in half!

Rone will no longer be involved in **Farmed Island Restoration Project negotiations**. If someone has an interest in following up on this, it would be great if they would and keep us informed.

Leque Island

The groundwater study was approved, so **WDFW** has the green light for restoring a portion or all of **Leque Island**. **WDFW** has started the process of planning what to do. **Rone** will no longer be involved in this process either, so **WWA** needs a representative to be part of the **Leque Island Restoration Planning Process**.

It is likely at least some of the foot bridges need to be repaired on **Leque** so it would be great if a **WWA** representative could contact the **Skagit HQ** folks, find out if this needs to be worked on, and arrange the work party.

Have a great and safe youth hunt and opening day!

Yakima Valley Chapter News

By Roger Bennett

Duck Banding

The **YV Chapter** responded in a big way to calls for help banding ducks at the **Sunnyside WRA** this past month. Multiple members showed up over several weeks to help the state agents band more than 500 ducks. The banding started slowly, with day one's catch at just 13 mallards, but before long, the **Giffen Lake** traps were holding 50 to 100 ducks each morning. It didn't take long to reach the quota of 500 newly-banded mallards.

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Four unidentified young boys (not WWA members) herding ducks into one of the net pens.



YV Member Hugh Carney with son Finn and a banded Hen Mallard. (Photos by Roger Bennett)

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The majority of captures were mallards, but there were also a decent number of wood ducks, pintails, and gadwalls that were banded. Those species are a bonus, above the 500 mallard goal. The **Yakama Reservation** did substantial banding as well.

Several kids helped band on a number of days. Often the kids were used to “wrangle” the ducks from the big traps into the holding cages. One of the days I was able to help, it was great fun to stay on shore, nice and dry with the other adults, while four (4) junior-high aged helpers happily did the “wet work!”

All in all, it was a very successful banding season in the Yakima Valley. If you are lucky enough to get some “jewelry” on a bagged duck this coming season, you just might have a **WWA-YV** member to thank!

Next Meeting

We won't meet again until after hunting season — the second Thursday in February — February 13th. Have a Great and Safe Waterfowl Season!



Fun and Fashion Statements were the order of the day at the 7th Annual **BJ Brown Memorial Shoot** held at the Kenmore Shotgun Range on Sunday, August 18th. Over the years, **BJ's** parents, **Mike and Jenny Lutz**, have donated over \$8,500 to **WWA** from the proceeds of this shoot to honor & remember their son.

Seattle Chapter News

By John Arrabito

Annual Swap Meet Meeting

Our September 25th Meeting will feature our annual Gear Swap Meet Event. Bring your used hunting gear, calls, clothing, PFDs, decoys — bring it all! Put a price on it and barter, trade, or sell with other members. This is a good event for “Newbies” to get outfitted for the upcoming waterfowl season at very little expense.

It's frankly amazing what kind of “stuff” members have and want to get Ten percent (10%) of all sales go into the Chapter coffers.

To break up all the “Fast and Furious” selling activity, ALL WWA members of ALL Chapters can shoot a free round of trap or 5-Stand courtesy of WWA-Seattle.

Another Successful BJ Brown Memorial Shoot

In lieu of an August general meeting the Seattle Chapter instead chose to concentrate its efforts in that month in support of the **BJ Brown Memorial Shoot** on August 18th. The fun [and competition shoot for those wanting to be more serious] was another great success and raised another \$1,000+ for **WWA**. Thank you once again, **Mike and Jenny Lutz**, for your overwhelming generosity to **WWA**.

Prayer Request

On a more serious note and if you are so inclined, say a prayer for our cook and caterer, **Ann Hansen**, who suffered a stroke recently. She's back on her feet and went into rehab this past Wednesday, but she won't be cooking for us at our September 25th meeting. We'll just have to make do with the Pizza Delivery man.

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DUCKS UNLIMITED BBQ LUNCH AT MARDON RESORT

Ducks Unlimited (DU) is offering a BBQ lunch for youth waterfowl hunters and their parents/chaperones at Mar Don Resort, Potholes Reservoir, **on Youth Waterfowl Hunt Day**, Saturday, September 21, from 11 a- 2 p.

Each of the first 48 youth, who is registered online (\$5 fee) on or before September 19 – will receive a BBQ lunch, a “duck hunter’s bucket”, **Haydel** duck call and lanyard, and a gun tool, all donated by **Colonel Tom O’Dell** of Moses Lake. **DU** has donated a duck identification poster, **DU** duck call and cap for each young hunter, as well, while Kraft Foods has donated a snack pack for each youth. **Washington Waterfowl Association (WWA) is donating free logo’d hats and a complimentary one-year WWA junior membership , as they have for two (2) years running to every successful graduate of Colonel Tom’s Hunter Ed Classes.**

Please visit the **DU** website, www.ducks.org , or, the specific address is: <http://www.ducks.org/washington/events/32193/wa-du-youth-waterfowler-party> to sign up. **You must sign up online to attend**, so staff will know how much food to prepare.

- The fee is \$10 for the parent/chaperone, who accompany the youth, and they will be fed, too!
- An anonymous donor is buying a Greenwing (youth) membership for each of the first 48 who sign up.

Mike Nilsen, WA State DU Chairman-Elect and **WWA** member is coordinating the event. **Mike** is a career Navy NCO, who is working with **Col. O’Dell** to make this happen for our young hunters.

TAKE A YOUTH HUNTING!

WDFW EASES FIRE RESTRICTIONS ON LANDS EAST OF CASCADES

The **Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)** is easing fire restrictions on all agency-managed lands in eastern Washington, where recent rains have reduced the risk of wildfires. Restrictions on the following activities - enacted August 8 in response to extreme fire danger - are no longer in effect:

- Smoking outside an enclosed vehicle.
- Target shooting outside designated shooting ranges, except on the Wenas Wildlife Area, where a temporary rule prohibits the activity through September 30.
- Use of welding equipment, chainsaws, and other equipment powered by combustion engines.
Operating a motor vehicle off developed roads.

Clay Sprague, WDFW Land Manager, said the Department's action is consistent with changes in fire rules approved this week by the **WA Department of Natural Resources**, which provides fire protection for many state wildlife areas.

Sprague emphasized that while some restrictions have been lifted, the ban on campfires remains in effect east of the Cascade Mountains, where hot weather is predicted across the region.

"These changes reflect an easing of fire danger in eastern Washington, but we still urge campers and others heading outdoors to be extremely cautious in any activity that could spark a wildfire," **Sprague** said. **WDFW** eased all fire restrictions on its lands in **Western Washington** on August 15, when wetter, cooler weather reduced fire danger.

(Source: WA Dept of Fish & Wildlife)

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YOUTH TARGET SHOOT AND PRE-DUCK SEASON

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Kurt's Snyder's Wader Repair Shop Tips

Like many of you I have been repairing my waders since the beginning of time. There is nothing like a boot full of cold water at 5:00AM in 20 degree weather. These are just a few suggestions that will make your repairs easier and long lasting:

- Store your glue in the freezer between repairs, and don't screw the cap on very tight. I get the use of almost all the glue that way.
- Hodgman glue or Aqua Seal are the glues to use.
- Pinch the rubber part of your wader boots. If you are seeing cracks, then it's time for new waders. You may get a few more uses out of them but that's pushing it.
- If you hunt away from home then invest in a spare wader. You will thank yourself someday if you do.

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Colorado State Senate President Ousted in Historic Recall Vote

In a historic recall election Tuesday, voters ousted state Senate President **John Morse** over his support of tougher gun laws passed earlier this year.

Morse thanked and urged fellow lawmakers to continue fighting Tuesday as results showed he would lose his job.

"It has been an honor to represent the 11th Senate District," said **Morse**, who is the first Colorado lawmaker to be recalled and thrown out of office. "It's been hugely rewarding."

With almost 100 percent of votes counted in the historic recall election of **Morse**, returns show 51 percent have voted "Yes" and 49 percent "No."

Morse called the legislative session where he and Democratic colleagues passed stricter new gun laws a successful one.

"We as the Democratic Party will continue to fight," **Morse** said. He added: "The highest rank in a democracy is citizen, not Senate President, so soon, along with many of you, I will hold that rank, and there's nothing citizens can't accomplish when they put their minds to accomplishing it."

Hugs and tears were plentiful in the ballroom at his election night party Tuesday. Republican **Bernie Herpin**, who won Tuesday night's recall election addressed a crowd of about 75 supporters in a cramped room at the El Paso County GOP Headquarters.

"Thank you to the voters in Senate District 11, thank you for supporting the recall and for giving me a chance to serve you. Thank you for standing up for yourselves and demanding to be heard," **Herpin** said in his victory speech. He added: "This election was about defending the constitution, standing up for our rights and deciding how best to let us decide how to defend ourselves."

The Republican crowd became emotional after hearing **Morse** had conceded, with cheering and wild applause breaking out as soon as the announcement had been made.

Herpin supporter **Calandra Varga** said she had been working all summer getting information to voters about the recall, and fought back tears as she talked about **Herpin** winning the recall.

"I'm more excited **Morse** is out," **Varga** said. "I think we're replacing a very authoritarian style of leadership with someone who is more approachable."

The ouster of **Morse** comes after months of legal spats, millions of dollars in donations and a barrage of intense TV and radio advertisements.

"Since day one, they said it couldn't be done. Tonight, this is a victory for the people of Colorado, and we share this victory with them."

There are currently 69,481 active voters registered in **Morse's** district.

Democrats comprise 34 percent of the district, while unaffiliated voters are the largest group with 38 percent.

"Our turnout is well below what we expected," said **Morse**, while speaking to the press at his election night watch party at a downtown Colorado Springs hotel earlier in the evening. "Certainly low turnout is worse for me than high turnout."

Morse spent much of his time knocking on doors Tuesday and said that despite the low turnout he remained optimistic.

"I think there are an awful lot of Republicans who do think this recall is ridiculous and will vote against it," said **Morse** of a recall election that is a litmus test of sorts in the national debate over gun-control legislation.

Colorado College on Tuesday afternoon shuttled students to-and-from a downtown polling location so that they could cast ballots. A majority of the students were Democrats and voting against the recall.

"I've grown up in the age of Columbine and the Aurora theater shooting, and **John Morse** has stood up to the **NRA**," said **Sachin Mathur**, a freshman at Colorado College, who is a Democrat from Castle Rock. "He did what was right."

Morse and Democrats passed laws that limit ammunition magazines to 15 rounds and require universal background checks on all gun sales and transfers. **Jay Benson** was among a steady stream of people flowed into the downtown voting center Tuesday.

"It's not just necessarily for the gun votes, although it is important to be able to have as much ammunition in a gun as you want," said **Benson**, a Republican.

Benson cast a vote for **Herpin**, **Morse's** only opponent on the ballot.

"I'm cautiously optimistic," **Herpin** said earlier Tuesday from the El Paso County GOP headquarters. In a backroom underneath an American flag, 12 volunteers manned the phone banks as other volunteers kept an eye on their computers waiting for updates on turnout numbers.

After calling voters earlier in the afternoon, **Herpin** spent the evening hunkered down in an office away from volunteers.

El Paso County taxpayers are slated to pay about \$190,000 for the recall election, according to the clerk's office...

Source: Denver Post

From The Humane Society of the United States

(Source: Washingtonians for Wildlife Conservation—www.w4wc.org)

Wayne Pacelle, Senior Vice-President of HSUS:

- "We have no ethical obligation to preserve the different breeds of livestock produced through selective breeding. ... One generation and out. We have no problem with the extinction of domestic animals. They are creations of human selective breeding."
(Quoted in Animal People, May, 1993)
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(Quoted in "Impassioned Agitator," Associated Press, Dec. 30, 1991)
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(Quoted in Bozeman Daily Chronicle, Oct. 8, 1991)
- "Only 7% of Americans are hunters. That means there are more of us than there are of them. It is simply a matter of democracy. The majority rules in a democracy. We are going to use the ballot box and the democratic process to stop all hunting in the United States... **We will take it species by species until all hunting is stopped in California. Then we will take it state by state.**"
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YOUTH HUNTS

WHEN: September 21st & 22nd

WHERE: (1) Port Susan Restoration Site (2) Jensen Slough

DETAILS:

The NW WWA Chapter is sponsoring youth waterfowl hunts at the Port Susan Restoration Site and at Jensen Slough.

Port Susan Restoration site is a saltwater/tidal bay, with hunts conducted from the dike. Jensen Slough is non-tidal backwater, hunts conducted from the shoreline.

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The Grays Harbor WWA Chapter will be hosting a waterfowl identification class, presented by Bill Vogel of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), at our October meeting. Bill previously presented this course at our Youth Waterfowl Workshop and impressed everyone that was there. Mr. Vogel is also a Washington State Hunter Education Instructor and a supporting WWA member.

Everyone is invited to this presentation. It will be at the Evergreen Sportsman's Club on the 3rd of October at 7:00 PM Sharp! Contact Kurt Snyder for reservations (no fee to attend) at (360) 485-9353 or at Kurtsnyder@outdrs.net

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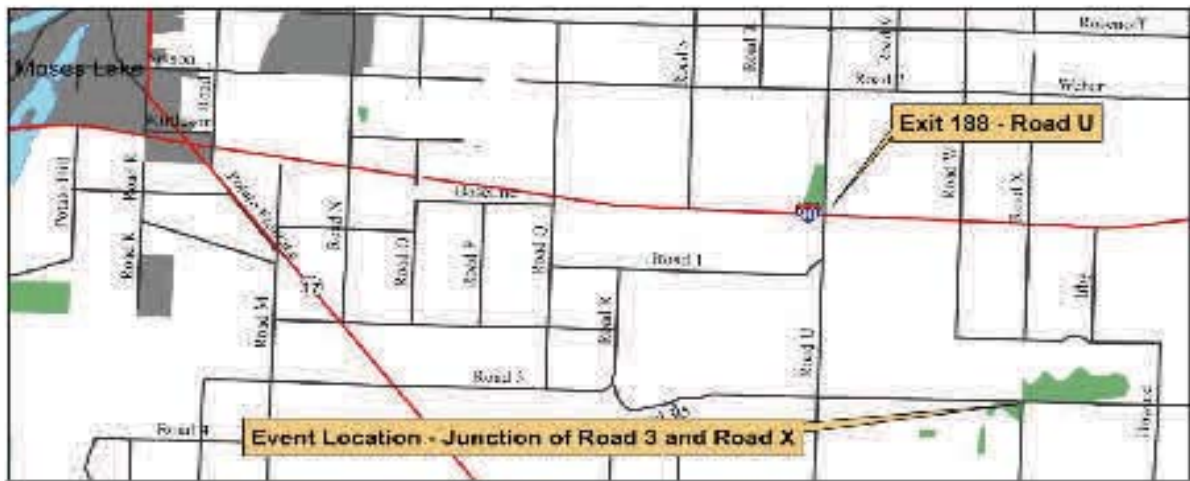
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Corporate Total	\$ 36,686.90

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**Selected (and Incomplete) Summary of 2013-2014
Upland and Migratory Bird Seasons**

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>AREA</u>	<u>SEASON DATES (inclusive)</u>	<u>DAILY BAG LIMIT</u>	<u>POSSESSION LIMIT</u>
Band-tailed Pigeon	Statewide	September 15—23, 2013	2	4
Mourning Dove	Statewide	September 1—30, 2013	10	20
Eurasian Collared Dove	Statewide	Year Round	No Bag Limit—License Required	
Forest Grouse (Blue, Ruffed & Spruce)	Statewide	Sept. 1, 2013 — Dec. 31, 2013	4 of any species	12 of any species
SAGE, SHARPTAILED GROUSE & PTARMIGAN		CLOSED STATEWIDE		
Pheasant (f)	Western WA 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Sept. 21—22 (YOUTH HUNT ONLY) Sept. 23—27 (SENIORS ONLY) (AGE 65 OR OLDER) Sept. 28—Nov. 30, 2013 (REGULAR) Dec. 1—15, 2013 (EXTENDED SEASON—NO PHEASANTS RELEASED) ONLY at Skookumchuck, Fort Lewis, Kosmos, 2 of either sex Scatter Creek, Belfair, Whidbey Island (EXCEPT Bayview) & Lincoln Creek sites	2 of either sex 2 of either sex 2 of either sex	4 of either sex 10 of either sex 15 of either sex
	Eastern WA	Sept. 21—22 (YOUTH HUNT ONLY) Sept. 23—27 (SENIORS ONLY) (AGE 65 OR OLDER) Oct. 19, 2013 — Jan 12, 2014 (REGULAR)	3 cocks only 3 cocks only 3 cocks only	6 cocks only 6 cocks only 15 cocks only
California & N. Bobwhite Quail,	Western WA	Sept., 28—Nov. 30, 2013	10 of either	30 of either
	Eastern WA	Sept. 21—22 (YOUTH HUNT ONLY) Oct. 5, 2013 — Jan 20, 2014	10 of either 10 of either	20 of either 30 of either
Mountain Quail	Western WA	Sept., 28—Nov. 30, 2013	2	4
	Eastern WA	SEASON CLOSED		
Chukar & Gray Partridge	Eastern WA	Sept. 21—22 (YOUTH HUNT ONLY) Oct. 5, 2013 — Jan 20, 2014	6 of each 6 of each	12 of each 18 of each
Crow	Statewide	Sept., 1—Dec., 31, 2013	No Limit	No Limit
Turkey (g) See the Big Game Hunting Regulations & Spring Turkey Pamphlet for more information on turkey hunting.	GMUs 105 thru 142	Sept., 21—Oct., 11, 2013	2 beardless turkeys (in addition to other fall turkey harvest)	
	GMUs 101 124-154 & 162-186	Sept., 21—Oct., 11, 2013	1 either sex turkey (in addition to other fall turkey harvest)	
	GMUs 105-154 162-186	Nov., 20—Dec., 15, 2013	1 either sex turkey	
	Statewide	April 5-6, 2014 (YOUTH HUNT ONLY) April 15—May 31, 2014 (REGULAR)	See Spring Turkey Pamphlet See Spring Turkey Pamphlet	
Cottontail & Snowshoe Hare	Statewide	Sept., 1, 2013—March 15, 2014	5 mixed bag	15 mixed bag
JACKRABBIT & PYGMY RABBIT		CLOSED STATEWIDE		

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**Selected (and Incomplete) Summary of 2013-2014
Migratory Waterfowl Seasons (Significant Changes in Red)**

SPECIES	AREA	SEASON DATES (inclusive)	DAILY BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
Ducks	Statewide	September 21-22, 2013 (Youth Hunt Only) (a) Oct. 12-16, 2013 and Oct. 19, 2013— Jan. 26, 2014 EXCEPT Scaup closed Oct. 12 — Nov. 1, 2013	7 (b) 7(b) 3(b)	14 (b) 21(b) 9(b)
(b) Bag Limits:	Statewide	7 ducks to include not more than 2 hen mallards; 2 pintail; 3 scaup; 2 canvasback , and 2 redhead;		
(b) <u>New Possession Limits Statewide</u>		6 pintail; 9 scaup; 6 canvasback; 6 redhead & 6 hen mallards		
		Coots, and	25	50
		Snipe	8	24
	Western WA	To include not more than 1 harlequin; 2 scoter, 2 long tailed duck; and 2 goldeneye		
(b) Season Limit		1 harlequin in Western WA		

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Geese (except Brant & Aleutian)	Statewide	September 21-22, 2013 (Youth Hunting Only) EXCEPT Goose Mgmt., Areas 2A & 2B	4(c) Canada Geese	8(c)
	Goose Mgmt. Area 1 & 3	Early Season — Sept. 10-15, 2013; Oct. 12-24, 2013 & Nov 2, 2013—Jan 26, 2014 EXCEPT snow, Ross, or blue geese can be taken Oct 12, 2013 thru Jan. 26, 2014	5(c) 4(c) 4(c)	10(c) 12 12
	Goose Mgmt. Area 2A	Early Season — Sept. 10-15, 2013; 8 a.m.— 4 p.m. Nov. 9—Dec 1 & Dec 11—Jan 26 EXCEPT CLOSED Dec. 25 & Jan 1 Sat., Sun & Weds., only (EXCEPT Ridgefield NWR) Ridgefield NWR open 8 a.m.—4 p.m. Tues., Thurs., and Saturdays only Nov. 9-30, 2013 & Dec 12—Jan 25, 2014 EXCEPT CLOSED NOV. 28th	3(c) 4(e) 4(e)	6(c) 12(e) 12(e)
	Goose Mgmt. Area 2B	Early Season — Sept. 1-15, 2013; 8 a.m.— 4 p.m. Saturdays & Wednesdays Only Oct. 12-23 & Nov 2, 2013—Jan., 18, 2014	5(c) 4(e)	10(c) 12(e)
	Goose Mgmt. Area 3	Early Season — Sept. 10-15, 2013; Oct. 12-24 and Nov. 2, 2013—Jan. 26, 2014	5(c) 4(e)	10(c) 12
	Goose Mgmt. Area 4	Early Season — Sept. 14-15, 2013; Sat, Sun, & Weds, only, Oct. 12— Jan 19, 2014 Nov 11, 28, and 29; Dec 26, 27, 30, & 31, 2013; and every day Jan 20-26, 2014.	3(c) 4	6(c) 12
	Goose Mgmt. Area 5	Early Season — Sept. 14-15, 2013; Oct. 12-14, 2013, & Oct 19, 2013—Jan 26, 2014	3(c) 4	6(c) 12
Brant (see authorization requirements on p. 14 of 2013-2014 regulations pamphlet)	Pacific County Skagit County	Jan. 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, 16, 18 & 19, 2014 Jan. 11, 12, 15, 18, 19, 22, 25, & 26, 2014	2 2	6 6
	Skagit County	If the pre-season wintering population in Skagit County is below 6000 (as determined by the early January survey) the brant season in Skagit County will be canceled.		

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Life — | \$ 500.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Sustaining Life — | \$ 750.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Senior (65 or over) - | \$ 15.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Junior (under age 18) -- | \$ 15.00 |

Chapter & Newsletter: (Please specify your preferences)Newsletter by email or hard copy

- Grays Harbor/Chehalis Valley Chapter** meets the 1st Thursday of the month (Jan – Oct) at the **Evergreen Sportsmen's Club**, 12736 Marksman Road, SW, Olympia.
- Kitsap County Chapter** meets the 1st Wednesday of the month (Jan – Nov) at **Bremerton Skeet & Trap Club**.
- Lower Columbia Chapter** meets the last Thursday of the month (Jan – Oct) at the **Vancouver Trap Club**, 11100 NE 76th Street in Vancouver.
- Moses Lake Chapter** – Dates and places TBD.
- Northwest Chapter** meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the **Conway Fire Hall**.
- Seattle Chapter** meets the 4th Wednesday of the month (Jan – Oct) at **Kenmore Shotgun Range**, 1031 – 228th Street SW, Bothell.
- Southwest Chapter** meets on the last Tuesday of the month (Jan – Oct) at the **Tacoma Sportsman's Club**, 16409 Canyon Road E, Puyallup.
- Spokane Chapter** – Dates and places to TBD.
- Tri Cities Chapter** meets the 2nd Monday of the month (Jan – Oct) at the **PUD Auditorium**, corner of 10th Avenue & HWY 395, **Kennewick**.
- Whatcom County Chapter** meets the 1st Tuesday of the of the month (Jan – Nov.) at the **Tenant Lake Interpretive Center**.
- Yakima Valley Chapter** meets the 2nd Thursday of the month (Feb – Sept.) at **Café Villa, Prosser**.

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- Established in 1945
- Non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization
- 10 chapters throughout Washington
- We spend all of our resources within Washington State

Our projects include:

- Working on behalf of Hunter's Rights issues to keep public access open and available
- 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 fund all of these "hands on" conservation projects.

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