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Hey Y'all,

On the fun side, I hope you get a chance to play in the mud & water this weekend and get yourself some ducks. I may end up sleeping out on the bay before opener to beat the tides. Spent many a day and night out there over the past 30 years; even did a little research on Spartina before it was eradicated with the herbicide Glyphosate and Imazapyr.

Did you know Spartina....

- changed the Bayfront significantly;
- created channels where there were none;
- raised the elevation of the bay quickly; and
- completely changed the invertebrate populations.

Kind of like cattails filling in that pothole you used to be able to put some decoys on. But Spartina may have been good for endangered fish species...lots of habitat to hide in there and lots of little critters for fish to eat. But we will never know because there were no investigations, and the state decided to plow it under using amphibious vehicles...or to kill it with herbicides Glyphosate or Imazapyr. There is still lots of rotting Spartina root clumps out there with the silt eroded from around them.

- Wonder what those herbicides did to change the bay and changed how ducks use it?

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MISSION STATEMENT

TO PRESERVE, PROTECT AND PROMOTE WATERFOWL, WATERFOWL HABITAT, & WATERFOWL HUNTING IN WASHINGTON STATE

EVENTS CALENDAR

[\(See Page One for Contact Phone Numbers\)](#)

Saturday, Oct 17	Waterfowl Regular Season Opener Statewide.
Thursday and Friday Oct 22—23	CLOSED SEASON STATEWIDE See Condensed Schedule on Page 17
Saturday, Oct 24	Waterfowl Regular Season Second Opener Statewide.
Tuesday, Oct 27 (New Time)	WWA-Southwest Chapter Meeting; 6:30 p.m. @ Tacoma Sportsmen's Club. Contact Bruce Burns .
Wednesday, Oct 28	WWA-Seattle Chapter Meeting; 5:30 p.m. @ Kenmore Gun Club, in Bothell. Contact John Arrabito. Annual Swap Meet Meeting. Bring your new, used, and/or surplus hunting gear, clothes to sell or swap with 10% going to the Chapter.
Thursday, Oct 29	WWA-Lower Columbia Chapter Meeting 7 p.m. @ Vancouver Trap Club. Contact Rick Scott .
Tuesday, Nov 3	WWA-Whatcom County Chapter Meeting 5-7 p.m. @ the Tenant Lake Interpretive Center, Ferndale. Contact Scott O'Day .
Thursday, Nov 5	WWA Corp Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 p.m., @ Canyon Park Denny's. All WWA members welcome.
Tuesday, Nov 10	WWA-NW Chapter Meeting 7 P.M. @ the Conway Firehouse, Conway, WA. Contact Reb Broker .
Tuesday, Jan 12	WWA-Tri-Cities Chapter Meeting 6 PM @ Kiko's Tacos, 1014 S Washington Street, Kennewick. Contact Jason Oliver .
Wednesday, Feb 3	WWA-Kitsap County Chapter Meeting @ Bremerton Trap and Skeet Contact Les Hollister .
Thursday, Feb 4	WWA-Grays Harbor Chapter Meeting @ The Evergreen Sportsmen's Club, Little Rock, WA. Contact Kurt Snyder .
Wednesday, Feb 10 Thru March 9	Extended Goose Season on private lands ONLY in AREA 2A See Condensed Schedule on Page 17
Sunday, Feb 14 Thru March 9	Extended Goose Season on private lands ONLY in AREA 2B See Condensed Schedule on Page 17
Thursday, Feb 11	WWA-Yakima Valley Chapter Meeting will not be held again until after the hunting season. Contact Abel Cortina .

(President's Letter Continued from Page 1)

- I wonder what an insecticide sprayed over the bay does to invertebrate populations that ducks feed on when there is no food left in the fields.
- I wonder how far ducks go to get their fresh water every day.
- I wonder where the ducks go when they leave the Bayfront in December or January.
- I wonder where public duck hunters are going to hunt when the lands are all paid for by others.

Hopefully you can help **WWA** continue to figure this stuff out, make some areas for public hunting, and create some habitat for ducks, and maybe carve a decoy or two or ream out a duck call on your lathe.

Membership Drive 2015

Please don't forget to sign up a member or two so you and the new members can be a part of our 2015 Membership Drive and win some cool Christmas presents.

Elections for Officers and Directors in the New Year

Elections are coming up for corporate officers if you care to make a difference for ducks in Washington. Add your nominees to the list over the hunt season.

See Nomination/Ballot and Instructions on Page 3.

This is our last newsletter of the year. We'll be back in January. Talk to you next year.

For the Resource,
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Northwest Chapter News

By **Reb Broker**

Hard to believe that the Newsletter is coming around again for the month and it is with a bitter sweet note that this will be the last one for the year.

Last month we ended with the early goose getting ready to kick off. Hopes were high and things were looking great right up till the fog socked us in here in the valley opening morning. The take was a little lower and slower than years past, but it beat setting in the office for those 5 days!

The following weekend was a blur with **NW Chapter's Banquet** (See **Gary Talbert's** write-up on the adjacent **Page 7**) and the youth hunt the same weekend.

Youth Hunt Another Chapter Success

Speaking of which, **Rick Skiba** put on a great event this year for area youth! Even with the bad tides this year that limited the number of slots that we were able to provide, the kids had a great hunt and got plenty of shooting in. This year we were just south of Stanwood in the **Port Susan** tidal area. A total of four (4) groups of young hunters participated. The weather was great for duck hunting, the ducks cooperated (most of the time), and the kids had a wonderful time with plenty of shots.



Mallards and Teal — Luke Stevens and Jacob McGovern with their early morning bounty after participating in the NW Chapter Youth Only Hunt opener, Saturday, September 19th.

On the note of the Banquet (thanks **Gary** for doing a write-up about it) I would like to say thanks to everyone that attended the event and thanks to all of the donors that without your participation our banquet would not have been possible! THANKS!

Large Turnout for Members Wanting to Learn About the Skagit Wildlife Area

The last official event for the preseason for the NW Chapter was the **Skagit HQ and Farmed Island Tours** that we had on the 3rd of October. This was a fun event with seven (7) boats and 31 individuals motoring around the south fork region.

We explored the bay front and the islands. Not to worry, I only pointed out all of my friends' hunting spots to everyone, so those that hunt with me in my hidey holes are still safe! While on the Island we were met by **Curran Crosgrove with WDFW**, and he showed us the planting that was done on the Island this year. This is the most planting that they have been able to do in quite a few years thanks in part to a few factors — mainly the low water levels in the river and the barge that is donated by the Estate of **Jay Koetje** for the Department's use to ferry equipment and supplies back and forth to the Island.

Thanks to everyone for coming out for this event and I hope that you will be able to take advantage of hunting in some of the locations that we looked at. If anyone has any questions about hunting in the **Skagit Valley** this season don't hesitate to give me a call. I might not tell you the best field to hunt in (cause I'll already be in it), but I will tell you where you need to be looking at to hunt that particular day. Until then, get the last minute projects done, and I'll see you in the field!

NW Chapter To Meet Throughout the Hunting Season

The **NW Chapter** will continue to meet throughout the hunting season to talk about what is going on and what the birds are doing. I don't have speakers lined up for the 8th of December and 12th of January meetings yet, but at the November 10th (**Happy Birthday Marines!**) meeting, **Nick Handly** will be coming and talking about and demonstrating call maintenance and some different uses of your calls. The maintenance piece is really very good to be in. He will be having us take our calls apart and clean them (yes they are supposed to come apart and all that stuff inside is not supposed to be there). All good info to know and might even keep you healthier during the season!

(Photos of the **Skagit Waterfowl Tour** on **Page 6**)

Banquet Supported By These Generous Donors

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First Ever Northwest Chapter Banquet a Huge Success

By Gary Talbert

When the movie "As Good As It Gets" was made, they must have had the **Washington Waterfowl Assoc., NW Chapter's Fund Raiser and Banquet** in mind!!!

On Saturday, September 19th, **NW Chapter Chairman, Reb Broker** and Chapter member **Geoff Bush** put on one of the best waterfowl fund raisers I've ever Attended [and believe me, I've attended quite a few in my time].

This great event was enjoyed by approximately 120 attendees! Thousands of dollars of hunts and waterfowl hunting gear were either auctioned, raffled or just given away (and yes, even Gift Certificates from **Nordstrom's** for the Ladies), shotguns, rifles, stand up and layout blinds, shells, decoys, wildlife art work, camo gear, backpacks, blind accessories, etc., etc.

Reb had a great bunch of **WWA** members helping, and a special thanks to **Mike Painter, Rick Billieu, Rick Holt, Gary Talbert, Tom Kearns, Reb's wife Valerie** and son, **Ian**.

The food was great (from **Kelley's BBQ in Mount Vernon**), and the list of donors was very impressive [See the itemized list above]. This successful event grossed over \$14,000 and netted over \$8,000.... all for duck hunting heritage and conservation in our great State!

**AN 'ATTA BOY' TO ALL INVOLVED!
AS A FOLLOW-UP, BE SURE AND SUPPORT THE GENEROUS
DONORS ABOVE THAT SUPPORT US!**

**WWA Life Members,
Claudean and Gary Talbert**

WDFW Closes Access to Portions of Skagit Wildlife Area HQ Unit

OLYMPIA – Public access will be disrupted weekdays through mid-December at the **Skagit Wildlife Area Headquarters Unit on Fir Island**.

Contractors for **WDFW** began work Monday, Oct. 12, to repair the tide gate and culvert structure along **Wiley Slough**. The trail along the dike and the small boat launch for the marsh area will be closed **weekdays** through Dec. 18. **Those areas will be open Saturdays and Sundays.**

Wildlife Area Manager, Belinda Rotton, noted that the boat launch to **Freshwater Slough** will remain open daily through construction.

Construction crews will dismantle and rebuild the tide gate and culvert structure in an effort to address concerns about effective tide gate drainage and failing culverts. The **HQ Unit** is a popular spot for waterfowl hunting, fishing, bird-watching and walking. The 190-acre headquarters estuary is part of **WDFW's** 16,700-acre **Skagit Wildlife Area**, located on the south end of **Fir Island**.



For all of you white goose hunters it has started snowing here in the valley with about 5K more landing every day.



From a Close Up, Boots-on-the-Ground, look at the Farmed Island through the eyes of WDFW's Curran Cosgrove, to the Armada fleet of seven (7) boats and 31 attendees at the Skagit Wildlife Area Headquarters and Farmed Island Tours held Saturday, October 3rd under blue bird skies and 75+ degree weather. Can't beat it!

Moses Lake Chapter News

By Dick Price

Youth Events a Big Success

The youth event on Sept. 19th was a huge success. Col. Tom O'Dell had over 100 Duck Bucket packages, and we gave them all away and still had youths that received only partial packages. The youths packages were worth over \$100 in "freebies" thanks to Tom's generous efforts.

All told over 200 youths and parents were fed hamburgers and hot dogs. Several of the youths had hunted waterfowl in the morning, and there were a few limits reported. The food was donated by the owner of Super One Foods in Sandpoint, ID. and Moses Lake D.U.

Chapter Chairman Robin Hickok was able to sign up several youths to WWA membership and got a renewal from a past member. Everyone had a great time, and it was hard to beat the price of \$5 for youths and \$10 for adults. Several of the youths had hunted Waterfowl in the morning and there were a few limits reported.

Youth Pheasant Hunt

In a cooperative effort by WDFW, Columbia Basin Pheasants Forever and B & G Farms, a pheasant hunt on released birds was held. Sean Dougherty of WDFW coordinated the effort, and B & G Farms provided the site. Over 100 birds were released for the hunt and 18 youths participated, with several getting their limit. The birds were provided by the Columbia Basin PF Chapter, as was a free lunch of burgers and hot dogs.

ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) Blind Activities

On Sept. 11th Col. Tom O'Dell, Marv Leyda and myself brushed up the two (2) ADA-capable blinds on the Frenchman Restricted Access Area, and on Sept. 12th, Bill and Rosann Green and myself finished up the job plus measured out the dimensions to build ramps to make sure a wheelchair can access the blinds.

On Sept. 26th Bill and Rosann Green, Col. Tom O'Dell, Marv Leyda, Robin Hickok, Orrin and Erin Duvuvuei, Rich Finger and myself constructed panels for another ADA capable blind for the new lake in the Middle Crab Creek Channel. The panels were taken to the site and assembled on Sept. 29th.

Right now there are a lot of waterfowl using this new water, and upon completion of the water control structure[s], we should see more ponds and more waterfowl.

Geezer Pheasant Hunts

The word out is that there were lots of pheasants around on both the release sites and private property for the "cleanup" hunt. Heard there were lots of missed shots and/or roosters that were smarter than the pursers.

Yakima Valley Chapter News

Our Next Chapter Meeting Won't Be Until 2016

Our Chapter is currently on "Hunting Season Hiatus" during the fall and winter. Our next meeting will be the second Thursday of February (the 11th).

For more information, call or text YV Chapter Chairman Abel Cortina at 509-786-9196.

Whatcom County Chapter News

Fundraising Raffle Tickets Now On Sale

At our October 6th meeting, we began to sell our raffle tickets for our latest fall/winter fund raiser. Tickets are \$5 each, with prizes consisting of \$300, \$200, and \$100 Cabela's gift cards. Out-of-town WWA members can contact Chapter Chairman Scott O'Day if they wish to purchase some raffle tickets.

The next meeting of the WWA-Whatcom County Chapter is Tuesday, Nov 3rd at 6:30 p.m., at the Tenant Lake Interpretive Center, 5236 Nielsen Avenue, Ferndale, WA. So lets try and have a good turnout, so we can sell a lot of tickets, and make some money for our Chapter. Hope to see you there. Any questions call Scott O'Day at 360.966-4112.

Southwest Chapter News

The SW Chapter meetings are held the last Tuesday of the month at Tacoma Sportsmen's Club on Canyon Road in Puyallup. Next meeting is October 27th at 6:30 p.m. Please Take Note that we revised the start time to 6:30 PM, to give members time to have a bite to eat at the Club prior to meeting.

Any questions contact:

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Lower Columbia Chapter News

By Doug Hargin

Fund Raising Banquet Another Success!

Thanks to the hard work of our members, generous donors and everyone who came out to the banquet, we had another successful event. We were able to raise just under \$11,000. Thanks to All!

Cedarville Farms Hunt Donation

Thanks to **Jon** and **Marty McAninch** for again donating two (2) hunts for the **WWA** Fund Raising Raffle. They have fantastic duck club properties that provide outstanding waterfowl hunting opportunities to the lucky winners. {See the Winners named in the **Grays Harbor Chapter News on Page 9**}. Thank for your generous support of our organization!

Ridgefield NWR Blind Opening and Brush Up

On Saturday September 26th we had a great turn out for the annual opening of the hunting blinds on the **River S Unit of the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge (NWR)**. Blinds were uncovered and cleaned out with the annual "snake-a-thon" in some of the pit blinds. The box blinds were grassed up and are ready for the opener on October 17th. There are already a lot of ducks in the area.

We are patiently waiting for the pumps to do their magic and flood the north end of the hunt area. The **WWA-LC** donated pit blind at #4 has been placed and the cover finished. We are hopeful that rains will provide some seed germination. For now it will just be a muddy adventure.

Thanks to the following members for their help on the work party: **Michael Andriotti, Don Bonstein, Mike and Susan Ellis, Arlan Hackett, Dan Hafenbrack, Doug Hargin, Derek Kemper, Nathan Lomas, Dave Macy, Dino Mastro, Marlin Reinheldt, Roman Schauer, Rick Scott** and **Tim Snyder**.

Ridgefield Birdfest Report of October 2nd & 3rd

We set up our **WWA** Trailer just past the **Kiwa Trail** parking lot at the trailhead from 11 AM to 3 PM both Saturday and Sunday, October 2nd and 3rd. Our **WWA** State duck stamp prints were on display, and we answered questions and provided information about the stamp and art program and waterfowl hunting on the Refuge.

Thanks to **Arlan Hackett** for spearheading this event. Thanks also to **Terry Foltz, Craig Sundstrom, Dan Hafenbrack** and **Bob Taylor** for giving retriever demonstrations with their dogs. A huge thank you to immediate **WWA Past President Jim Cortines** for bringing down the **WWA** mounted bird display and spending the weekend at **Birdfest** with our chapter. Thanks also to **Dave Herbenson** for bringing the wood duck box display and helping out. Other members contributing to the effort were: **Chuck Cheshire, Doug Hargin, Bill Mitchell, Cliff and Jackie Peppers, Gerry Piazza, Rick Scott, Rick Spring** and **Brandon Trager**.

Refuge Youth Hunt Early this Year

The **Ridgefield NWR Youth Hunt** will take place on Saturday, October 24th this year. This should provide for the best shoot ever for our young up and coming hunters. Our Chapter will provide calls, prizes, decoys and assistance to the hunters. A BBQ lunch will also be provided.

Youth hunters will be notified by mail about their reservation status. Only youth hunters (15 and under) will be issued reservations for the morning hunt. The general public can resume hunting at noon with a ping-pong ball lottery to determine blind assignment for unoccupied blinds. We need volunteers to help with the early morning blind assignments and to staff the BBQ lunch.

Last Chapter Meeting of 2015 on October 29th

We will meet as usual at the **Vancouver Trap Club**. Trap shooting begins at 5:30 PM and the regular meeting at 7 PM. Dinner will be provided for a \$5 donation.

Multiple WWA Displays at Birdfest 2015 at the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge.





WWA-LC Chapter Chair, Rick Scott, floating materials to repair and camo Blind #13 at RNWR.



Blind #13 Before and After: Rick Scott repairs some of the screen used to hold the camo material at Blind #13 at the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge (NWR). The finished product in the photo at the right. The Insert photo on top is Blind #9 at Ridgefield NWR after a camo spruce up performed by WWA-LC Chapter members. Who knows what blind is in the background over Rick's right shoulder?

Seattle Chapter News

By John Arrabito

September Program Was Special

Many thanks to **WWA-Seattle Chapter** members, **Dick Schweiter** and **Rich Smith**, for the terrific Power Point Presentation they put on at our September 23rd Chapter meeting on hunting in Africa and the important role that sport/trophy hunting plays in both conservation, and the economies in these poor areas of Africa! If you missed it, you missed something truly special.

Hunting Gear Swap Meet at October 28th Meeting

Our last meeting of the year will feature our annual swap meet of waterfowl hunting gear. Bring your new, used, and/or surplus hunting gear, decoys, calls, camo clothing, etc., to sell or swap with others with 10% of all proceeds going to the Chapter.

Youth Only Hunt Weekend at Ilwaco a First Step

The **First Ever Youth Only Hunt** at the **Porter Point Unit of the Willapa National Wildlife Refuge (NWR)** was a learning experience for all involved. The good news is that the number of adults volunteers showing up to help put this on for **SW WA Area Youth** out-numbered the youth participants by about 4 to 1. The bad news is that there were only three (3) youth participants!

Thanks to **WWA** member volunteers, **Dan Heasley (LC)**, **Mike Lovelace (SEA)**, **Ben Welton (NW)**; and **Jack Westerfield (SW)** for joining me and representing **WWA** at this inaugural event. A big THANKS also to **Ben** and **NW WA Regional DU Director** [and **WWA-Seattle Chapter member**,] **John Tierney**, for gathering up literally boxes full of **DU** "freebies" to complement the freebies provided by the **WWA-Seattle Chapter** for the Youth. Too bad we couldn't have given away more than just the three (3) camo knapsacks filled with the goodies.

There were multiple reasons for the light turnout. (1) We knew going in that the tides for the Youth Only Hunt Saturday, September 19th, were not conducive to a hunt out

on the saltmarsh. (2) Consequently it was a long slog of about 1/2 to 3/4 miles out to the bay front for the supervised youth. (3) Only one group of ducks was spotted on the horizon all morning; and (4) the problem with Youth in **SW WA** is not getting them out from behind their cell phones and other hand held electronic devices. This time of year a good number of these area youth are out in the hills with bows and muzzleloaders with family trying to put some venison and/or elk in their freezers at home.

Next year the **Willapa NWR** plans to do like the **Ridgefield NWR** — not tie the event to the third weekend in September and again be at the mercy of the tide gods. Instead they will close down to Youth Hunting Only the **Willapa Complex** on a Saturday morning in October with the highest predicted tides of that month and utilizing the many blinds available at the **Riekkola** Goose Field. The Refuge would reopen to the public at noon. See **Page 8** of the **WWA-LC News** as to how they do this at the **Ridgefield NWR**.

BJ Brown Memorial Shoot Donates Another \$1K+ to WWA

Thanks to **Mike** and **Jenny Lutz** for donating \$1,075 from the proceeds of the 9th Annual Memorial Shoot to honor their son, **BJ Brown**. Another \$415 was donated to the **Northshore Scholarship Foundation** where **Mike** and **Jenny** provide a cash scholarship in the name of **BJ** to a graduating **Bothell High School** student annually. Since 2007 **Mike** and **Jenny** have donated some \$11,620 to **WWA** from this shoot in honor of their son.

We, as a Chapter and as an entire organization need to get more future participation from **WWA** members in this event and support those who support us.

See You Down the Road and Hopefully in the Field

This will be my last assignment as Editor of your **WWA Newsletter**. I will also be stepping down as **WWA Corporate Treasurer**. I have come to believe that some of us old timers who just "hang on" are actually "enabling" new, young blood from stepping forward and taking leadership roles in **WWA**. I will remain as **Seattle Chapter Chair**.

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Jackie Ferrier, Project Leader for the Willapa National Wildlife Area Complex, helps two Youth Shoot participants with waterfowl identification using posters donated by Ducks Unlimited and the WWA Duck Mount Display in the background at the Inaugural Youth Only Hunt Day there on Saturday, September 19th. From a non-hunting/shooting family, the two were accompanied out to the saltmarsh with their uncle who is standing behind them. Though there had been no shooting for the youth that day because of a lack of birds flying, that didn't dampen their enthusiasm for learning about waterfowl. WWA member volunteers, Jack Westerfield (closest to the Wood Duck Nest Box) and Dan Hasley are in the background.

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. Our next meeting is Wednesday, **February 3rd**. Come out and join us!

Any questions call **Les Hollister** at 210.410-3037.

Spokane Chapter News
Chairman Still Wanted!

Do you know anyone in the Spokane area interested in spreading the waterfowling heritage?



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Grays Harbor Chapter News

By Kurt Snyder

Hi everyone.

Being the end of our Chapter's business year I would like to thank all of you that supported our Chapter efforts over the past year. I think we had a very good year! Next year with your help we will be expanding all of our projects and events.

Our accomplishments for 2015 included:

- expansion of our nesting program by 11 wood duck boxes,
- four (4) goose nesting platforms; and
- two (2) hen houses.
- We had a Turkey shoot that actually made some money with only five (5) shooters!
- We put on a youth shoot that is slowly becoming more and more popular every year. It's a fun event for all involved.

We have already started planning for next years business!

Cedarville Hunt Club Winners Announced

The winners of the Cedarville hunt for two are; **Rob Neher of the Whatcom Chapter** and **David Stearns from Olympia**. Good luck to you both on your hunts!

We sold under 600 tickets this year, and for the life of me I can't understand why!? If only 500 of the **WWA** members bought only ONE book of tickets each, the income would be \$10,000.00!! I did notice that we had several ticket buyers that bought a large number of tickets, and I would like

to thank you and all that bought them for supporting our fundraising.

Thank You

Also a **HUGE** member **Jon McAninch of Cedarville Farms** for generously donating these hunts. We have raised most of our Chapter's funds over the years by selling raffle tickets for access to this popular Hunt Club!

Finally, I wish all of you a great and safe hunting Season, and I hope to see some of you out there in the next couple of months!

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Great duck boat. I still have the one I use, and have no need for this one any longer since Dave has passed. We always hunted them together in the marsh up here and in Oregon and on the Palix river.



News for the Flock

Donations

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 is a listing of recent contributions since the publication of the WWA September Newsletter to the six (6) primary funds established by the WWA.

WWA Youth Fund — \$1,550

Monthly Recurring Donation — Jim Goldsmith, October 2015 — \$5

WWA Legal Fund — \$17,497

Monthly Recurring Donation — John Arrabito, October 2015 — \$5

WWA Habitat Fund — \$785

WWA Jay Koetje Memorial Fund for Skagit Farmed Island — \$1,980

WWA Heritage Lands Fund — \$10,391

WWA General Fund — \$138

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#4 Rone Brewer	#14 Jack Westerfield	Herrera-Beutler	Bud Hufnagel	#42 Will Goldsmith
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#10 Larry Gordon	Time Payments	#28 Derek Melton	#36 Doug Graef	#48 Ron Watkins
#11 Rich Greenshields		#29 Dan Stearns	#37 Robb Stack	#49 Ken Boyer (Newest)
			#38 Rod Boyer	#50 Henry W. Field (Newest)

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WELCOME TO NEW WWA MEMBERS for September

Last Name	First Name	Chapter Preference	Membership Level
Ballard	Brendan	Northwest	Individual Membership — 2 years
Kemper	Derek	Lower Columbia	Individual Membership — 2 years
McCann	Kacie	Northwest	Individual Membership — 2 years
Reischman	Jim	Northwest	Family Membership
Shipman	Jason	Lower Columbia	Individual Membership
Vance	Brandon	Northwest	Family Membership
Vance	Morghan	Northwest	Family Membership
Yunker	Dick	Grays Harbor	Senior (65+) Membership

News for the Flock

TREASURERS. REPORT (10-1-2015)

Corporate Checking (BAC)	\$ 16,381.61
Corporate Checking (AW)	\$ 494.04
Jay Koetje Trust for	
Skagit Farmed Island	\$ 1,980.00
Duck Stamp Account	\$ 8,535.06
Merchandise Account	\$ 3,537.20
Corporate C.D.	\$ <u>17,610.25</u>
Corporate Total	\$ 48,573.16

CHAPTER FINANCES

GH Checking	\$ 1,632.41
Kitsap Chapter	(To Be Funded)
LC Checking	\$ 30,094.73
ML Checking	\$ 10,743.78
NW Checking	\$ 16,062.36
SEA Checking	\$ 26,119.09
SEA CD Amount	\$ 9,751.75
SEA Robert Hickok Fund	\$ 1,316.85
SPO Checking	\$ Closed 5/19/2014
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**Selected (and Incomplete) Summary of 2015-2016
Migratory Game Bird Seasons (Significant Changes in Red)**

SPECIES	AREA	SEASON DATES (inclusive)	DAILY BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
Ducks	Statewide	September 19-20, 2015 (Youth Hunt Only (a)	7 (b)	14 (b)
		Oct. 17-21, 2015 and Oct. 24, 2015— Jan. 31, 2016	7 (b)	21 (b)
		EXCEPT Scaup closed Oct. 17 — Nov. 6, 2015	3 (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;		
	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		
(b) <u>Possession Limits Statewide</u>		6 pintail; 9 scaup; 6 canvasback ; 6 redhead & 6 hen mallards		
		6 scoter; 6 long tailed duck; & 6 goldeneye in Western WA		
		Coots, and	25	75
		Snipe	8	24

AUTHORIZATION & HARVEST RECORD CARD REQUIRED TO HUNT SEA DUCKS, BRANT & SNOW GEESE

Geese (except Brant)	Goose Mgmt. Area 1	Early Season — Sept. 10-15, 2015; Oct. 17-29 & Nov 7 2015 thru Jan 31, 2016 EXCEPT Snow, Ross, Blue White-fronted geese can be taken Oct 17, 2015 thru Jan. 31, 2016(d)	5(c) 4 4	15(c) 12 12
	Goose Mgmt. Area 2A	Early Season — Sept. 10-15, 2015; Nov 14—Dec 6; Dec 16—Jan 31, 2016; Feb 10 — Mar 9 (However public lands are closed to all goose hunting in this Area)(e) Saturdays, Sundays & Wednesdays Only (EXCEPT Ridgefield NWR) Ridgefield NWR Tuesdays, Thursdays, & Saturdays Only Nov. 14— Dec 5; Dec 17—Jan 30, 2016 EXCEPT CLOSED Nov 11, 27, Dec 25 & Jan 1, 2015	3(c) 4(e) 4(e)	9(c) 12(e) 12(e)
<u>Dusky Canada Goose Season is closed in Areas 2A/2B during October thru March</u>	Goose Mgmt. Area 2B	Early Season — Pacific County Sept. 1-15, 2015; 15(c) Early Season — Grays Harbor Co., Sept. 10-15, 2015; 5(c) Saturdays, Sundays & Wednesdays Only Oct. 17-25 ;Nov 14—Jan., 10, 2016 Feb 14 — Mar 9 (However public lands are closed to all goose hunting in this Area)(e)	4(f) 4(e)	12(f) 12(e)
	Goose Mgmt. Area 3	Early Season — Sept. 10-15, 2015; Oct. 17-29 and Nov. 7, 2015—Jan. 31, 2016	5(c) 4	15(c) 12
	Goose Mgmt. Area 4	Early Season — Sept. 12-13, 2015; Sat, Sun, & Weds, only, Oct. 17— Jan 24, 2016 Nov 11, 26, and 27; Dec 25, 28, 29, & 31, 2015; Jan 1; and every day Jan 25-31, 2015.	3(c) 4	6(c) 12
	Goose Mgmt. Area 5	Early Season — Sept. 12-13, 2015; Oct. 17-19, & Oct 24, 2015—Jan 31, 2016	3(c) 4	6(c) 12
Brant (see authorization requirements on p. 4 of 2015-2016 regulations pamphlet)	Pacific County	Jan. 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10, 12, 14, 16, &17, 2016	2	6
	Skagit County	Jan. 9, 10, 13, 16, 17, 20, 23, & 24, 2016	2	6
	Skagit County	If the pre-season wintering population in Skagit County is between 3000 and 6000 (as determined by the midwinter survey) this brant season will be limited to Jan 9, 13 and 16, 2016. If the pre-season wintering population in Skagit County is less than 3000 (as determined by the midwinter survey) the brant season in Skagit County will be canceled.		

Mourning Dove	Statewide	September 1 thru October 30, 2015.	15	45
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**Selected (and Incomplete) Summary of 2015-2016
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, 2015	2	6
Mourning Dove	Statewide	September 1—October 30, 2015	15	45
Eurasian Collared Dove	Statewide	Year Round	No Bag Limit	License Required
Forest Grouse (Blue, Ruffed & Spruce)	Statewide	Sept. 1, 2015 — Dec. 31, 2015	4 of any species	12 of any species to include not more than 3 of each species daily and 9 of each species In possession.
<u>SAGE, SHARPTAILED GROUSE & PTARMIGAN</u> <u>CLOSED STATEWIDE</u>				
Pheasant (g)	Western WA 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Sept. 19—20 (YOUTH HUNT ONLY)	2 of either sex	4 of either sex
		Sept. 21—25 (SENIORS ONLY) (AGE 65 OR OLDER)	2 of either sex	10 of either sex
		Sept. 26—Nov. 30, 2015 (REGULAR) Dec. 1—15, 2015 (EXTENDED SEASON—NO PHEASANTS RELEASED) ONLY at Skookumchuck, Fort Lewis, Kosmos, Scatter Creek, Belfair, Lincoln Creek, Whidbey Island (EXCEPT Bayview)	2 of either sex	15 of either sex
Eastern WA	Sept. 19—20 (YOUTH HUNT ONLY)	3 cocks only	6 cocks only	
	Sept. 21—25 (SENIORS ONLY) (AGE 65 OR OLDER) Oct. 24, 2015 — Jan 18, 2016 (REGULAR)	3 cocks only	15 cocks only	
California & N. Bobwhite Quail,	Western WA	Sept., 26—Nov. 30, 2015	10 mixed bag	30 mixed bag
	Eastern WA	Sept. 19—20 (YOUTH HUNT ONLY)	10 mixed bag	20 mixed bag
		Oct. 5, 2015 — Jan 18, 2016	10 mixed bag	30 mixed bag
Mountain Quail	Western WA	Sept., 26—Nov. 30, 2015	2	4
	Eastern WA	SEASON CLOSED throughout E WA		
Chukar & Gray Partridge	Eastern WA	Sept. 19—20 (YOUTH HUNT ONLY) Oct. 3, 2015 — Jan 18, 2016	6 of each 6 of each	12 of each 18 of each
Crow	Statewide	Sept 1—Dec 31, 2015	No Limit	No Limit
Turkey (h)	GMUs 101-154 162-186	Sept 19—Oct 16, 2015	3 turkeys with the following area restrictions: GMU's 101, 145-154, 162-186: one (1) turkey (either sex) GMU's 105-121: 2 beardless only GMU's 124-142: 2 beardless only Plus 1 either sex	
See the Big Game Hunting Regulations & Spring Turkey Pamphlet for more information on turkey hunting.				
Late Fall Turkey Season	GMUs 105-154 162-186	Nov., 20—Dec., 15, 2015	1 either sex turkey	
Statewide Spring Season (Gobblers and turkeys with visible beards only)		April 2-3, 2016 (YOUTH HUNT ONLY) April 15—May 31, 2016 (REGULAR)	See Spring Turkey Pamphlet See Spring Turkey Pamphlet	
Cottontail & Snowshoe Hare	Statewide	Sept., 1, 2015—March 15, 2016	5 mixed bag	15 mixed bag

JACKRABBIT & PYGMY RABBIT CLOSED STATEWIDE

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WWA Invited to Join “Hunting Works for Washington”

By Jim Goldsmith

Hunting Works for Washington is a great step toward reaching out to the many people in Washington that don't hunt, and to those that do hunt to provide them with information about "...the role hunting and shooting sports play in both the heritage and economic health of Washington." We have been in discussions about how to ensure public opinion isn't negatively swayed by the emotionally-based diatribe and propaganda that is continuously used by anti-hunters and environmental extremists.

We had been looking at the Colorado Model which is nicely presented by the **Nimrod Society** in a video. However, we also realized pursuing the Colorado Model approach would take a lot of time, effort, and legislative and **WDFW** cooperation. **Hunting Works for Washington** fell into our laps shortly after those discussions began about the Colorado Model and other methods of outreach and education.

We are fortunate to have **Mark Pidgeon** signed-on as a co-chair with **Hunting Works for Washington**. This gives an even greater benefit to the hunting community and all of the members of **Washingtonians for Wildlife Conservation (WWC)** and the **Hunters Heritage Council (HHC)**, of which **WWA** is a voting member. Although I am just a individual member of **WWA**, I would like to see **WWA** to become a partner in this educational outreach to the non-hunting public. Many Washington hunting organizations and businesses have already added their names and links onto the growing list.

If you have any specific questions regarding **Hunting Works for Washington**, I believe **Mark** will be able to get an answer for you.

Hello —

I am emailing you about a new organization called **Hunting Works for Washington (HWFW)**. The purpose of **Hunting Works for Washington** is to educate the general public on the economic impact that hunting has on our economy and the amount that hunters pay for conservation. The effort is being funded by the **National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF)**, the trade industry association for the firearms industry.

The number one contributor to the animal-rights effort is the anti-gun movement. No hunting means one less need for guns. Shotgun sales would drop to about zero as would bolt action rifles. The **NSSF**, which has incredible amounts of money, realized that they need to support hunters and hunting to protect their industry. I am proud to say that I have been named one of the state co-chairs of **Hunting Works for Washington**.

I was wondering if the **Washington Waterfowler Association** would want to become a partner of **HWFW**? It costs nothing. It is non-political, non-partisan, educational effort, so it wouldn't jeopardize your 501(c)(3) tax exempt status. To me this is a no-brainer. How can you beat free?

They have hired a national PR company and a PR company in the state to promote this and **NSSF** is paying the freight. **PR Newswire** is on board, and many specie specific organizations are on board with **HWFW** including **Delta Waterfowl**, **The Ruffed Grouse Society**, **National Wild Turkey Federation**, **Mule Deer Foundation**, and **Pheasants Forever**. I would love to have **WWA** as part of this effort. **WWC** and **HHC** are also partners.

Hunting Works For America launched in 2010 in three states: **Arizona**, **Minnesota** and **North Dakota**. **Washington** is the second state to launch this year. A new chapter in **Maine** was started at the end of July. All totaled, the **Hunting Works For America** program now represents more than 1,500 businesses, organizations and associations representing tens of thousands of stakeholders.

Membership will give **WWA** free publicity on the **HWFW** website. This is something that is 100% positive for hunting, and you don't have to pay or do anything if you don't want to, or you can be more actively involved if you want to. Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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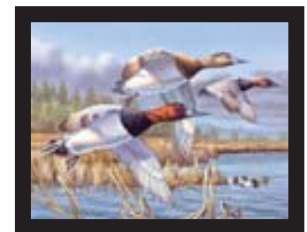
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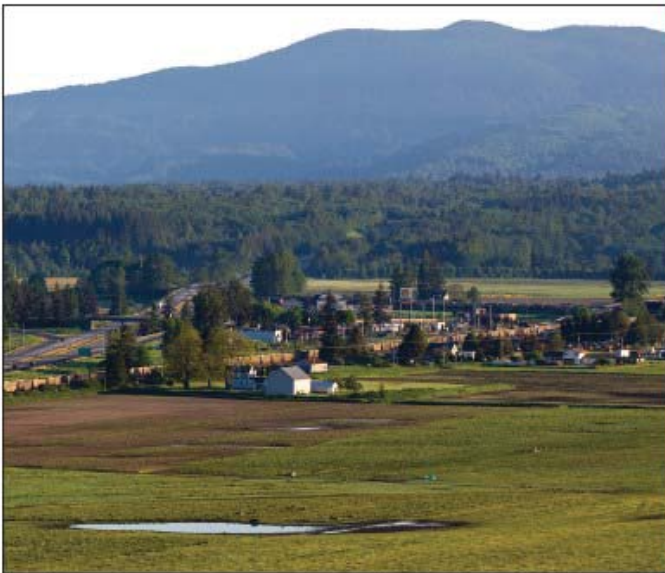
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- Kitsap Peninsula Chapter** meets the 1st Wednesday of the month (Feb – Oct) at **Bremerton Skeet & Trap Club**.
- Lower Columbia Chapter** meets the last Thursday of the month (Jan – Oct) at the **Vancouver Trap Club**, 11100 NE 76th Street in Vancouver.
- 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** – Vacant
- Tri Cities Chapter** — meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month (Jan – Oct) at the **Kiko's Tacos**, 1014 S Washington Street, Kennewick, WA 99337.
- 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) alternating between restaurants in Either **Prosser** or **Zillah**. See Page 2 for this month's meeting location.

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A few facts about the WWA:

- 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 pay for all of these "hands on" conservation projects.