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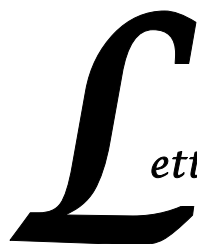
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Letter from the President

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Hey Y'all,

November brought the birds, December rains spread them out, and the holiday freeze sent them back to the open water, this past week or two they spread back out to fields in hordes in western Washington. If you can follow the ducks around, and have a place to access them, there has been some good shootin'. It takes time to keep track of the birds though, time most of us don't have. Which is why WWA works to open more land to public hunting, to keep existing public hunting areas open, to manage the land for waterfowl and hunting, and to get people out hunting. The evolution of WWA depends on its membership, a tremendous enjoyment of waterfowl, and getting folks out hunting ducks. While our dedicated programs remain the same, the remainder of my term will emphasize sharing the incredible, very challenging, and rewarding nature of ducks and huntin' 'em. Hopefully, you become a WWA hunting partner.

Membership Drive Winners

Big thanks to all who helped us out on our 2015 membership drive. Winners of the 15 prizes are:

- 1st: Andrew Crowser Sponsored by NW Chapter
- 2nd: Joseph Stevens Sponsored by NW Chapter
- 3rd: NW Chapter as a Sponsor
- 4th: Jim Wregglesworth as a Sponsor
- 5th: Rone Brewer as a Sponsor
- 6th: David Ragsdale Sponsored by Kurt Snyder
- 7th: NW Chapter as a Sponsor
- 8th: Ric Wray Sponsored by Terry Satre
- 9th: Ric Wray Sponsored by Terry Satre
- 10th: Sean Dahlsrud (no sponsor)
- 11th: Ken Johnson (no sponsor)
- 12th: NW Chapter as a Sponsor
- 13th: Billie Elkins (no sponsor)
- 14th: Josh Bluhm Sponsored by NW Chapter
- 15th: Billie Elkins (no sponsor)

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EVENTS CALENDAR

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

- Saturday, Jan 16 **Last day** of Brant Season in Skagit Co
- Sunday, Jan 16-17 **Last 2 days** of Brant Season in Pacific Co. **See Page 17 for Brant seasons.**
- Monday, Jan 18 **Last day** of E WA Pheasant Season. **See Page 18.**
- Tuesday, Jan 26
(New Time) **WWA-Southwest Chapter Meeting; 6:30 p.m. @ Tacoma Sportsmen's Club.** Contact **Bruce Burns.**
- Wednesday, Jan 27 **WWA-Seattle Chapter Meeting; 5:30 p.m. @ Kenmore Gun Club, in Bothell.** Contact **John Arrabito. Free round of trap for ALL Members of ALL WWA Chapters. We'll be going over preferred goose decoy spreads for use this last long weekend of the Season.**
- Thursday, Jan 28 **WWA-Lower Columbia Chapter Meeting 7 p.m. @ Vancouver Trap Club.** Contact **Rick Scott.**
- Sunday, Jan 31 Last day of the Waterfowl Season.**
- Tuesday, Feb 2 **WWA-Whatcom County Chapter Meeting 5-7 p.m. @ the Tenant Lake Interpretive Center, Ferndale.** Contact **Scott O'Day.**
- Thursday, Feb 4 **WWA Corp Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 p.m., @ Canyon Park Denny's. All WWA members welcome.**
- WWA-Grays Harbor Chapter Meeting @ The Evergreen Sportsmen's Club, Little Rock, WA.** Contact **Kurt Snyder.**
- Tuesday, Feb 9 **WWA-NW Chapter Meeting 7 P.M. @ the Conway Firehouse, Conway, WA.** Contact **Reb Broker.**
- Tuesday, Feb 9 **WWA-Tri-Cities Chapter Meeting 6 PM @ Kiko's Tacos, 1014 S Washington Street, Kennewick.** Contact **Jason Oliver.**
- Thursday, Feb 11 **WWA-Yakima Valley Chapter Meeting will not be held again until after the hunting season.** Contact **Abel Cortina.**
- 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**

(President's Letter Continued from Page 1)

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 and hunting them in Washington, add your nominees to the list and vote. **See Nomination/Ballot and Instructions on Page 3.**

It's Planning Time

January and February are planning months for WWA. Get to a chapter meeting and find yourself surrounded by waterfowl hunters who are planning and completing waterfowl projects state wide. Listen close and you might find valuable insight to hunting in the region. And please share your knowledge and skills so we all hunt safer and more successfully.

Anti-Hunter Alert

Realize that last fall, our Washington State Governor Supported the Human Society of the United States (HSUS) by overturning a science-based decision by the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission. The HSUS simply is THE most powerful anti-hunting animal rights group in the nation. It is so incredibly important that folks realize the HSUS is not related to your local Humane Society, and that the HSUS likely is the single biggest threat to hunting and pet ownership in the U.S.; and its huge budget is funded by people you know. Millions of hunter and fisher dollars go to defending against the HSUS each year.

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News for the Flock

WWA-Corporate Elections

Per the **WWA By-Laws** **NOMINATIONS** for Organization-wide **WWA** Officers and Board of Director positions are open until **January 31, 2016**.

Current by-laws provide that only members with at least one year of service as a chapter or corporate board member are eligible to be officers. The current ballot of Nominees for the **WWA-Corporate** offices and board of directors positions is set forth to the right.

WWA by-laws encourage a board member from each Chapter, who may participate in board meetings electronically.

If you are interested in running for any position, seek nomination at your next Chapter meeting, and your Chapter Chairman will notify the **WWA** Corporate Secretary, **Earl Mikkelson**, to put your name on the ballot. Obviously those with Chapter support have the best opportunity to represent their respective Chapters on the Board. **If you are interested in serving, now is the time to step up!**

Currently open positions include:

OFFICERS:

All officer positions are open as all have served their most recent elected 2-year terms.

BOARD MEMBERS: The following Board of Directors positions are up for election in 2016.

- Abel Cortina (YV)**
- Richard Holt (NW)**
- Thor Ostrom (TRI)**
- Terry Satre (SW)**
- Neco Villella (SEA)**

John Burk Jr., (NW) and **Bruce Feagan (ML)** are in the second year of 3-year terms and **Larry Gordon (SEA)** and **Howard Hicks (SW)** are in the second year of 2-year terms. All four (4) of these positions are currently not up for election.

The adjacent ballot may also be used as an Official Absentee Ballot.

To vote by Absentee Ballot, first mark your ballot and place it in a blank envelope without any identification of the sender, and seal it. Place the unmarked envelope in an envelope identifying the voting member with a return address. In order to be counted, absentee ballots will only be counted

WWA Corporate Sample Ballot

Officers: (One Vote For Each Officer Positions)
(Current Nominations and Those Agreeing to Serve Are as Follows)

President:

- Rone Brewer (NW)**
- _____

Vice—President:

- _____
- _____

Secretary:

- _____

Treasurer:

- _____

Board of Directors: (Vote For No More than 5)
(Listed In Alphabetical Order with Chapter Designations)

- Abel Cortina (YV)**
- Rod Boyer (SW)**
- Richard Holt (NW)**
- Thor Ostrom (TRI)**
- Terry Satre (SW)**
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Moses Lake Chapter News

By Dick Price

Plans For The Year

We have several projects on our plate for 2016 starting with completion of the ALEA grant we received for stream bank stabilization and nesting cover at Rd. 19 N.E. and Willow Lake Road. The new Middle Crab Creek water delivery system to Moses Lake has created an island at maximum flow and we will be planting 10,000 trees and shrubs on the island to prevent erosion of the bank and planting nesting cover on the island for Waterfowl, Upland birds, and song birds.

In May we will conduct our annual Goose nest count on Potholes Reservoir followed by a potluck picnic for all. If funding can be found we will also have a work party to rebuild the handicapped hunting blind at Buckshot Ranch on the Columbia River above Priest Rapids dam. Blind was originally built over 20 years ago by volunteer help from Washington Duck Hunters, the forerunner of WWA.

In September we will again be assisting on the opening day Youth event in September at Mar Don Resort. It will have a little different format this year, so watch the website for specific details or the newsletter as we come up with specifics.

If you have any input on the Restricted Access hunting sites in the Basin you can e-mail them to me at dickprice@nctv.com. I'm going to make some recommendations at the next WAG meeting for changes to the way the sites are currently being managed and input from folks that actually use the sites would be really helpful.

Yakima Valley Chapter News

By Roger Bennett

February Meeting

Our "meeting hiatus" during the hunting season is now over for the year. Our February meeting will be Thursday February 18th at 6:30pm at The Barn restaurant in Prosser. The February meeting will feature a planning session for projects for the coming year, and a visit from WWA President Rone Brewer. For more information, contact Chapter Chairman Abel Cortina at 509-786-9196

Gun Raffle Winner

The lucky raffle winner of our CZ Over-and-Under shotgun was drawn last month. Congratulations to Nick Chacon. Nick has a sweet new 12 gauge double to finish out the season with!



Member and WDFW Biologist Matt Wilson Banding Ducks



Member Tim Bennett with a banded mallard



Kids blowing duck calls at CW Sportsman's Show

Plans For The Year

As mentioned above, our February meeting will set the agenda for the year for chapter projects. We likely will continue most of our yearly projects, and possibly add a few more. Our yearly projects in the past have included:

- Goose banding in Yakima and Tri-Cities
- Building traps and duck banding at Sunnyside WRA and on the Yakama Reservation
- Cleanup of blinds and hunting areas
- Helping with handicap access
- Supporting the Selah School District Shooting Team
- Running a booth at the Central WA Sportsman's Show, focused on fundraising and youth involvement
- Building and setting up "Hen Houses" in the Yakima Valley
- Fun Summer BBQ and shoot in Prosser

Call or text chairman Abel Cortina at 509-786-9196 to get involved or if you have more ideas for us.

Whatcom County Chapter News

The next meeting of the **WWA-Whatcom County Chapter** is Tuesday, February 2nd, 6:30 p.m., at the **Tenant Lake Interpretive Center, 5236 Nielsen Avenue, Ferndale, WA** . Any questions call **Scott O'Day** at (360) 966-4112.

Southwest Chapter News

Well he season is close to over, for some it is. Hope you were safe and successful. The SW chapter will once again be having a booth at the Sportsman's show the end of January (27-31). We are looking for volunteers and you know who you are so give me a call. If you have never Helped, its four hours of time spent meeting other waterfowlers, selling raffle tickets and memberships. You get free admission and the rest of the day to see the show

Out next meeting at Tacoma Sportsman's club on Canyon road in Puyallup is January 26th at 6:30. **SW Chapter** meetings are held the last Tuesday of the month at **Tacoma Sportsmen's Club** on Canyon Road in Puyallup.

Any questions contact:

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Howard Hicks 253-847-6274 hkhicks1302@gmail.com

Lower Columbia Chapter News

By Doug Hargin

Ridgefield NWR Youth Hunt

An overcast day and well rested birds made for a great youth hunt on **October 24th** at the **Ridgefield NWR**. The season was only a week old and the three day season closure prior offered an excellent opportunity for the **eighteen** young hunters. **WWA** provided calls, a box of shells, face camo kit and hand warmers to each participant. Thanks to check station manager **Dave Lescalleet** and wife **Cindy** for administrating the hunt for the refuge. **Rick Erickson, Jerry Piazza, and Rick Spring** welcomed the group first thing in the morning and passed out the goods prior to blind assignments. **Rick Scott** later brought down the big **WWA** trailer and helped **Chris Stalcup** grill the burgers and dogs that **Arlan Hackett** had picked up. **Dan Haffenbrack** and **Doug Hargin** also helped out. Thanks to all for your time

and efforts on the second weekend of hunt season. We appreciate your help and support of our youth hunters!



Young hunters await blind assignments for the youth hunt and enjoy burgers.

Great Turnout in October

Thanks to all who were able to make it to our October meeting. We had great time. The 31 members who attended enjoyed a free round of trap, pulled pork sandwiches and **Ted Blade's** unbelievably good apple cake desert! We had such a good time we decided to add a December 3rd meeting this year! The extra meeting was very popular with another 31 member turn out. We had several drawings for participation incentive prizes for showing up at meetings and projects during the year. Thanks to **Mike and Susan Ellis** for the hunting theme cake and **Ted Blade's** brownies!



Dave Lescalleet and wife Cindy help inspect ducks from a productive morning in the blind

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Rough Start for Ridgefield NWR's First On-Line Lottery

The brand new draw system for the hunt area administrated by **Accela (Kinsail)** crashed with a thud. **Kinsail** is a recreation management company recently acquired by **Accela** to help facilitate the interface of government agencies with recreation management access. Our understanding was it would be similar to the same systems that **Umatilla** and **McNary NWR** hunt programs have used for years. The program for **Ridgefield** apparently gave each applicant one draw regardless of the dates chosen. This resulted in erroneous email notifications on **October 9th** to all applicants. Just as the season was to begin on **October 13th** an email was sent out to correct the error. Next month we see how the numbers pan out for the season. My experience was many openings in the morning lottery due to a lack of primary hunters showing.



Dan Hafenbrack(L) and Ted Blade had a very successful hunt in November. They were the winning bidders at our banquet for the Curtis Ranch hunt donated by Jim Meyer.

First Meeting of the New Year January 28th

Please join us for trap shooting a meal and good stories as we meet January 28th at 7 PM for our first monthly meeting of the year at the Vancouver Trap Club. Help us plan and map out our goals and projects for the year. Share your favorite story from your hunt season and reconnect with our chapter. We look forward to seeing you!

Seattle Chapter News

By John Arrabito

Treat yourself and your **WWA** members friends to a **FREE** round of trap or 5-stand at our first meeting of the year in preparation for the last few days of this 2015-2016 WA Waterfowl Hunting Season. We'll also be going over some diagram planning of decoy spreads for your use this last [hopefully extended] weekend of the season, which ends on Sunday, January 31st.

FREE WWA Logo'd Caps for New Members & Sponsors



I know the **WWA Membership Drive** is over and **Congrats** to all winners, [published elsewhere in this Newsletter]. However, here's a little additional incentive for all **WWA** members who bring and sign up a new member at this meeting — you and your recruit will each receive the latest edition of the **WWA** logo'd cap to celebrate!

Hope to see a good turnout for those wishing to sharpen their shooting for the last volleys of the hunt season and who may wish learn a little something about setting up goose decoys to enhance their chances of getting a couple of the big honkers before the season ends.

See You Down the Road and Hopefully in the Field

The October edition was my last assignment as Editor of your **WWA Newsletter**. I will also be stepping down as **WWA Corporate Treasurer** after the February elections. 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

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WWA. I will remain as your **Seattle Chapter Chair** for the foreseeable future.

Kitsap Chapter News

By Les Hollister

No News this month

Northwest Chapter News

By Reb Broker

Hunting season??? What, it can't be almost over with!!! Sad but true, the 9th was the first of three days of Brant hunting in the Skagit area, and as of me setting here watching the Seahawks struggle there is only 21 days left in our season.

Have to admit that it has been a fun season this year, hunting with new members and trying to figure out some new locations. Hunting for some new birds and always being amazed watching the birds adjust to the new tricks we throw at them.

Conservation Efforts

With the season coming to an end it will be time to start cleaning up not only the decoys and gear, but also the hunt areas. On February 6th the NW Chapter will be going over to **Farmed Island to clean-up**. We will be meeting at the HQ boat launch at 0900 to head over. Would like to have 5 boats and 20 members (at least) to participate. This way we can spread out and get to the blinds quickly. If you are interested in make this one I will be the organizer for this event so shoot an email LostFish01@gmail.com or call 760.859.7442. Let me know if you are going to bring your boat or if you need a ride.

Will let you have the week off but the following

weekend we move into WOOD DUCK work. Member Rick Billieu (Home 360.653.8571) will be hosting a work party to build around a dozen of these. If you have a need for a box or want to come over give Rick a call, he is in the Marysville area.

Also need to do a clean-up at Welts and DeBay's but will follow-up in an Email when we get a date for that one.

Meetings

On **9 February** the chapter will have its next general meeting at the Conway Fire Station. We will be building **Mal-lard Nesting Tubes** at this meeting... So bring your gloves and if you can come up with a list of locations that they can go on we'll let you take a few home with you.

Spokane Chapter

Chairman Still Wanted!

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

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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 October** Newsletter to the six (6) primary funds established by the **WWA**.

WWA Youth Fund — \$1,565

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

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WWA Legal Fund — \$17,512

Monthly Recurring Donation — John Arrabito, Nov, Dec of 2015 & January 2016 — \$15

WWA Habitat Fund — \$785

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

WWA Heritage Lands Fund — \$10,957

Bob Swartz thru donation of an 870 Shotgun raffled by WWA-Seattle — \$566

WWA General Fund — \$138

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WWA Life Members

#1 Gary Talbert	#13 Reserved	#23 Ken Packard	#35 Reserved	#47 Robert Zeka
#2 Paul Bunn	#14 Jake Westerfield	#24 Jan Sabin	#36 Doug Graef	#48 Ron Watkins
#3 Austin Addicoat	#15 Bud Hufnagel	#25 Lance Kintrea	#37 Robb Stack	#49 Ken Boyer
#4 Rone Brewer	#16 John Arrabito	#26 Jim Kline	#38 Rod Boyer	#50 Henry W. Field
#5 Fritz Kiemle	#17 Jenny Lutz	#27 Leon Kollman	#39 Paul Sullivan	#51 Rich Phillips
#6 Jim Cortines	#18 Mike Lutz	#28 Derek Melton	#40 Jessica Dunn	#52 Ross Barkhurst
#7 Neco Villella		#29 Dan Stearns	#41 Dave Farley	#53 Ric Wray
#8 Roger Bennett	#19 Reserved	#30 John Hanson	#42 Will Goldsmith	#54
#9 Bruce Feagan	#20 Bret Stark	#31 Mark Hackett	#43 Shaunie Cochran	#55
#10 Larry Gordon	#21 Earl Mikkelson	#32 Reserved	#44 Claudean Talbert	#56
#11 Rich Greenshields		#33 Mickey Clary	#45 William Dunlap	#57
#12 Mike Lovelace	#22 U.S. Rep Jaime Herrera-Beutler	#34 Reserved	#46 Analise Arrabito	#58

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WELCOME TO NEW WWA MEMBERS
October—December

Colin Adams	Ron Anderson	Brendan Ballard	Kurt Benson	Josh Bluhm
Tony Breckenridge	Gerda Burk	Jack Burk	Mark Bussey	Ryan Coe
Rebecca Cooper	Andrew Crowser	Sean Dahlsrud	Scot DeLap	Billie Elkins
Tom Elliot	William Evans	Travis Farrell	Lyle Friesbee	Greg Fritz
Robert Gates	Michael Gentile	Sam Glackler	Nick Handly	Kyle Henselman
Stephen Hudspeth	Jim Hylton	David Jahns	Ken Johnson	Jace Johnson
Justin Jones	Josh Klinger	Jake Lazzari	Doug Lee	James Leonhard
Dan Loyd	Kacie McCann	Andrew McGovern	Derek Miller	Dave Mohler
Bryan Ness	Colter Pattulo	David Ragsdale	Scott Ramerman	Shaun Randles
Jay Salyers	Jim Shreffler	Mathew Skiba	Joseph Stevens	James Suir Jr.
Brent Tenborg	Cooper Treadwell	Memphis Turner	Thomas Voss	Brian Waltner
Dick Yunker				

News for the Flock

TREASURERS. REPORT (1-7-2016)

Corporate Checking (BAC)	\$ 17,293.95
Corporate Checking (AW)	\$ 4,993.84
Jay Koetje Trust for	
Skagit Farmed Island	\$ 1,980.00
Duck Stamp Account	\$ 8,535.06
Merchandise Account	\$ 2,332.90
Corporate C.D.	\$ <u>17,614.62</u>
Corporate Total	\$ 52,744.37

CHAPTER FINANCES

GH Checking	\$ 1,632.41
Kitsap Chapter	(To Be Funded)
LC Checking	\$ 27,371.22
ML Checking	\$ 10,745.14
NW Checking	\$ 15,951.90
SEA Checking	\$ 24,925.30
SEA CD Amount	\$ 9,752.72
SEA Robert Hickok Fund	\$ 1,316.91
SPO Checking	\$ Closed 5/19/2014
SW Checking	\$ 5,622.69
Tri-Cities Checking	\$ 100.00
(Original Seed Money)	
WH Checking	\$ 6,181.21
YV Checking	\$ 2,038.83



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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)
Dusky Canada Goose Season is closed in Areas 2A/2B during October thru March	Goose Mgmt. Area 2B	Early Season — Pacific County Sept. 1-15, 2015; Early Season — Grays Harbor Co., Sept. 10-15, 2015; 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)	15(c) 5(c) 4(f) 4(e)	45(c) 15(c) 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 Skagit County	Jan. 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10, 12, 14, 16, & 17, 2016 Jan. 9, 10, 13, 16, 17, 20, 23, & 24, 2016	2 2	6 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		

**Selected (and Incomplete) Summary of 2015-2016
Upland 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 CLOSED STATEWIDE</u>				
Pheasant (g)	Western WA	Sept. 19—20 (YOUTH HUNT ONLY)	2 of either sex	4 of either sex
	8 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Sept. 21—25 (SENIORS ONLY) (AGE 65 OR OLDER)	2 of either sex	10 of either sex
		Sept. 26—Nov. 30, 2015 (REGULAR)	2 of either sex	15 of either sex
		Dec. 1—15, 2015 (EXTENDED SEASON—NO PHEASANTS RELEASED) ONLY at Skookumchuck, Fort Lewis, Kosmos, 2 of either sex		15 of either sex
		Scatter Creek, Belfair, Lincoln Creek, Whidbey Island (EXCEPT Bayview)		
	Eastern WA	Sept. 19—20 (YOUTH HUNT ONLY)	3 cocks only	6 cocks only
		Sept. 21—25 (SENIORS ONLY) (AGE 65 OR OLDER)	3 cocks only	15 cocks only
		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) See Spring Turkey Pamphlet April 15—May 31, 2016 (REGULAR) See Spring Turkey Pamphlet		
Cottontail & Snowshoe Hare	Statewide	Sept., 1, 2015—March 15, 2016	5 mixed bag	15 mixed bag

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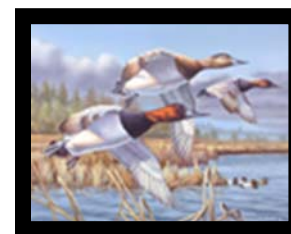
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