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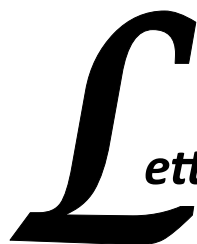
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Letter from the President

Allies and Mentors

By: Bob Taylor

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Fellow Waterfowlers,

Jim Cortines, our President, must have been in dire straights ☺ as he's asked me to write this month's President's Column; he's a busy guy and I'm honored ~ will do my best.

I'm **Bob Taylor**, 10-gauge tote'n waterfowl hunter, nature lover, dog lover, and general outdoors guy from the **Lower Columbia Chapter** and one of your newest board members.

First of all, for those who haven't yet heard, we lost a key **WWA** player last month with the April 26th passing of **Terry Satre**. While I've only known **Terry** for one year and am not qualified to write a proper eulogy, he was one of the first two board members I met; he and **Howard Hicks** made this new kid on the block feel welcomed at his first board meeting. **Terry** was deeply involved in the business end of our organization and also greatly engaged in managing our website. His expertise in these areas and his advice and counsel will be sorely missed.

Terry, I hope to meet you again in the next world where the season is always open and there are no limits....

All members of the **Washington Waterfowl Association** have been invited to attend a memorial service for long time member, **Terry Satre** who passed away in April 2017. Please note the invitation to his services on page 4.

(President's letter continued on page 3)

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

EVENTS CALENDAR

2017 Events

- May 20** Terry Satre Memorial at Puyallup Elks Lodge at 11am. **See page 4 for more info.**
- May 20** WWA Booth at the Sportsman Show. **More info on page 12.**
- May 24** Annual Youth Mentor Shoot at the Seattle Chapter monthly meeting at the Kenmore Gun Range. **See page 10 & 11 for more info.**
- May 30** Southwest Chapter Meeting at 6:30pm at Tacoma Sportsmen's Club. Come shoot trap as SW Chapter will pay for your first round. **More info on page 18.**
- June 1** Grays Harbor Chapter Meeting at Evergreen Sportsmen's Club at 7pm
- June 8** Yakima Valley Chapter Monthly Meeting. **More info on page 18x.**
- June 13** NW Chapter Monthly Meeting at Conway Fire Station at 7pm.
- June 24 & 25** Oregon Waterfowl Festival at the Columbia County Fairgrounds in St Helens, Oregon. Volunteer with the Lower Columbia Chapter.
- June 30** Return your By-Laws Amendment vote to Kurt Snyder by today! **See page xxx for ballott and page 5-7 for proposed amended By-Laws**
- July 8** Lower Columbia Chapter Picnic and BBQ at Lewisville Park at the Knotty Pine Shelter. **More info on page 12.**

- July 22** Second Annual Free Shotgun Shooting Clinic at Evergreen Sportsmen's Club. **More info on page 14 & 15.**
- Aug 12** Annual Free Youth Shooting Event at Evergreen Sportsmen's Club. **More info on page 16.**
- Aug 19** Free Trap Shoot for Youth at Quincy Trap Club. **More info on page 14.**
- Sept 23:** Lower Columbia Chapter Banquet. Make your donation today! **More info on page 12.**
- Sept 30** Mark your calendar for the NW Chapter Banquet. More details coming soon.

**Be an Active Member
and Attend one of
these GREAT Events!**



Letter from the President continued from Page 1

With declining water fowler numbers we need all the allies we can get and we are often overlooking and even bad-mouthing some of our best potential friends-in-arms. For example, not many bird-watchers would be in favor of the recent dike breechings at the **Nisqually and Willapa Bay Wildlife Refuges** nor would they favor the establishment of “corn ponds” in Eastern Washington, which concentrate wintering ducks, thus making them vulnerable to disease and non-sportsman-like hunting massacres while disrupting normal migration patterns.

Nature lovers including hikers, trail-bikers, and bird-watchers will also stand with us against the recent effort to “give back” federal refuges and other lands to state or private organizations knowing that hardly any of these have budgets sufficiently flush to manage such areas for the public good. All of us, hunters and other nature lovers combined, have a vested interest in conserving and protecting both wild places and our access to them.

So, how does one go about convincing bird-watchers and tree-huggers that we waterfowlers are also “good guys” and not just Genghis Khan-style right-wing renegades who gloat at killing everything in our sights?

The first and best way is by personal example; work beside these folks in restoring wetlands and other conservation efforts. While doing so, remind them that **our motto is “Hunters for Conservation”** and talk to them about how participating in our species natural role as a predator is one way we replenish nature. Encourage them to join us in efforts like building and servicing wood duck nest boxes and mallard breeding tubes and in removing invasive plants from wetlands areas. Talk about how we take “wounded warriors” hunting and fishing to help rehabilitate those who have given so much to preserve our wonderful way of life.

Secondly, don't be shy while working with non-consumptive nature lovers to mention that most of the **Federal Wildlife Refuges** — including the **Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge (NWR)** in my neck of the

woods — were purchased through money generated by hunters through the **Pittman-Robertson Act**. You might also mention that we can thank hunters for the creation of both our **National Parks and Forests**.

Occasionally, when hob-knobbing with non-consumptive nature folks, one may run into a rabid anti-hunter, although in my experience this doesn't happen as often as expected. When it does, keep your ears open and mouth closed while Mr/Ms. Rabid rants about why he/she hates our type. Your objective is to broaden their viewpoint, not to make yourself feel better. Jumping in and arguing while they are on a rant will only result with the two of you knocking heads like hot-to-trot turkeys, all blue and red 😊! Once the ranter runs out of gas, rather than trying to refute his/her arguments, ask questions. “Do you know who has contributed the most for conservation in the last 100 years?” (Sportsmen!). “Have you ever heard of **Aldo Leopold, Morris Udall, or Teddy Roosevelt?**” You get the idea.

By working beside and appreciating the interests of other nature-lovers we'll broaden support for the habitat conservation and public access we all desire while forestalling attempts to ban hunting. Our true enemy is neither the tree-hugger nor the bird-watcher but rather the developer's bulldozer. If nature-lovers of all types fight rather than cooperate, the bulldozer wins!

For the Resource,
Bob Taylor



Memorial for Terry Satre

Please join your fellow
Washington Waterfowl Association members, family and friends to
Celebrate the Life
of
Terry Satre

on
Saturday, May 20 at 11:00 a.m.

at the
Puyallup Elks Lodge
314 27th Street NE
Puyallup, WA 98372

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the **Washington Waterfowl Youth Fund**.



News for the Flock

Appointment of Two Directors:

We are pleased to announce the appointment [per Article III, Section 4, of the current **WWA By-Laws**] of two (2) new directors to fill vacancies, effective May 3rd by **President Jim Cortines** and the **Board of Directors**. Those new Board Members are: **Kurt Snyder** and **David Irons**. Again per **Art. III, Sec. 4**, their appointments are valid until the next annual election. **WWA** is fortunate to have both of these members stepping up at a time when the **WWA** has lost a number of people in key positions, including the loss of our good friend **Terry Satre**. (See **Page 4**).

By-Laws and Proposed Changes:

At the **All-Chapter Meeting** held on April 6, the following By-Laws were proposed to be changed. **Please make sure to cast your vote by June 30** at your local chapter meeting or via email. **See page 8 for the ballot and for the current By-Laws go to: <http://www.shuttlepod.org/Resources/Documents/WWA%20BY%20LAWS%20%28as%20Revised%204-2-2011%29.pdf>**

Summary of Proposed Changes to WWA By-Laws:

- Amend #5** — Chapter chair or his appointee afforded one seat on BOD, should chapter not elect to execute, BOD will appoint to the seat
- Amend #6** — Provides for attendance through electronic means as well as voting via proxy
- Amend #7** — Clarifies the qualifications for eligibility to hold office as a chapter officer, BOD member, or corporate officer
- Amend #8** — Allows a 60% (super majority) vote by existing Directors to amend the By-Laws
- Amend #9** — Provides language for the disbursal of assets in the event of the dissolution of either a chapter or corporate organizations

A more thorough explanation of the proposed By-Law changes is provided courtesy of **Board Member Bob Taylor** on the pages 6 and 7.

WDFW News Briefs...

Flooding Closes Okanogan County WDFW Areas

Flooding has forced the **WDFW** to close several roads and campgrounds at three (3) wildlife areas in Okanogan County, effective May 9th. The areas will reopen when conditions improve, according to **WDFW**.

Sinlahekin:

- Sinlahekin Road from Reflection Pond to Blue Lake;
- Fish Lake West and Southwest Campground;
- Sinlahekin Creek Campground;
- Southeast Forde Lake Campground;
- Reflection Pond Campground; and
- Conners Lake Campground.

Methow:

- Bear Creek Campground No. 2 (also known as Lower Bear Creek); and
- Cougar Lake Campground.
- In addition, access to Beaver Creek Campground and Campbell Lake is available only via Lester Road.

Scotch Creek:

- Hess Lake Road; and
- Coulee Creek trailhead parking lot.

Climbing area in Yakima County Closed for Safety

YAKIMA – The **WDFW** closed the **Royal Columns** climbing area on the **Oak Creek Wildlife Area** in Yakima County after a basalt column collapsed April 28th. The month-long closure of the popular climbing area went into effect April 28 to protect public safety and to assess long-term use of the site.

Closed are all lands within 150 feet of the cliffs known as the **Royal Columns** climbing area, and the access trail directly across the **Tieton River** from the **Oak Creek Wildlife Area Headquarters** off Highway 12, northwest of Yakima. The closure includes about 3.5 acres and about 1,000 feet of access trail.

According to **WDFW**, a large basalt column detached from the **Royal Columns** cliffs and plummeted to the valley floor. Signs about the closure are posted throughout the wildlife area and its parking lots.

WDFW said other popular climbing sites on the wildlife area remain open, including **Bend and Moon Rocks**.

The **Tieton River Nature Trail** also remains open.

Detailed Information on Proposed Amendments

The following is a more thorough explanation of the proposed By-Law changes provided courtesy of Board Member Bob Taylor. Please cast your vote on page 8 and return your ballot to Kurt Snyder by June 30. Instructions included on ballot.

Amendment #5(February 3, 2017)

Article III, Section I is amended so that one director may come from each chapter with the provision that the chapter chair or his appointee may function as that chapter's board member should that chapter fail to elect anyone. If fewer than nine total board members result, additional board members may be elected at large.

Why This Proposed Amendment?: Although this section already says, "The Board of Directors shall generally consist of a representative from each chapter.", many chapters to date have not elected a board member with the result that these chapters are not represented at the state level. This amendment is an attempt to provide representation for all chapters while ensuring that there will be nine board members.

Amendment #6(February 3, 2017)

Article III, Section I is additionally amended to allow a board member to give another board member his proxy. The board will create proper forms for such proxies.

Why This Proposed Amendment?: No matter where board meetings will be held, some members will be faced with long drives in order to attend. This has become an issue in recruiting willing board members from all chapters. Although Article III, Section I already states, "Electronic attendance by Officers and/or Board member is permissible." this has proven difficult to implement due to bandwidth and computer compatibility issues. Allowing proxies will make it easier for all board members to perform their duties.

Amendment #7(February 3, 2017)

Article III, Section 13 is amended to permit by-laws to be amended by a super-majority (60%) vote of all currently seated board members.

Why This Proposed Amendment?: Getting a vote on by-law amendments from all chapters state-wide has become nearly impossible since some chapters meet irregularly and one holds no meetings at all. With a determined effort to seek board representation from all chapters this

Detailed Information on Proposed Amendments

amendment will allow the Washington Waterfowl Association to better adapt to new circumstances while still ensuring input from everyone.

Amendment #8(February 3, 2017)

Article III, Section 14 is amended as follows: 1. If a local chapter folds, any remaining assets it holds will become the possession of the Corporate Organization. 2. If the Corporate Organization folds its remaining assets will be divided between existing chapters proportionately based on membership. Local chapters wishing to continue, may keep their own assets; but if they later fold, their assets must be donated to a non-profit.

***Why This Proposed Amendment?:** In the event the state organization can not continue functioning it is entirely possible that some local chapters may wish to continue their conservation and hunter advocacy efforts independently. Since local chapters generally conduct their own funding efforts, it would be unfair to require them to surrender their own funds and fold simply because the state organization had done so. This amendment would allow local chapters to continue. The proviso that their money must be donated to a non-profit if they fold is necessary to ensure the tax-deductible status of monies donated to Washington Waterfowl.*

Amendment #9(April 6, 2017)

In the event that the Corporate Organization folds, individual Chapters would, as they desire, assume the responsibility for the setting, collection and usage of annual dues.

***Why This Proposed Amendment?:** This is simply reality. If the state organization folds local chapters continuing operations must assume these tasks themselves.*

Please cast your vote on the proposed amendments on Page 8. Return to Kurt Snyder by June 30.

By-Law Amendments Ballot

Voting on the 2017 Proposed By-Laws Amendments

The details of the proposed amendments are contained in the newsletter. The By-Laws are available at the WWA web-site at www.waduck.org.

Only members with their 2017 dues paid current are allowed to vote. Only one vote is allowed per member.

You may vote as a group at a monthly meeting or individually by e-mail.

Amendments are to be voted on individually.

All individual or group voting must be received by Kurt Snyder
(kurtsnyder@outdrs.net)
via e-mail by June 30th.

Voting as a Group

Supporting ballots and a copy of the re-cap must be maintained by the chapter. Ballot re-caps must be submitted by a chapter officer.

Voting as an individual member

Submit your individual ballots directly to Kurt Snyder.

Chapter _____
Name _____
Address _____

Amendment #5	Yeah _____	Nay _____
Amendment #6	Yeah _____	Nay _____
Amendment #7	Yeah _____	Nay _____
Amendment #8	Yeah _____	Nay _____
Amendment #9	Yeah _____	Nay _____

Board Member Ballot

NOMINATIONS for Organization-wide **WWA** Officers and Board of Directors are open through the month of May, with a final **WWA Ballot** to be published in the June 15, 2017 Newsletter. All Officer positions are up for election. In addition, [per Article III, Section 4, of the current **WWA By-Laws**] two (2) new directors were appointed by **President Jim Cortines** and the **Board of Directors**, effective with the BOD Meeting of April 3rd. Those new Board Members are: **Kurt Snyder and David Irons**. Their appointments are valid until the next annual election.

The current suggested ballot of the **WWA-Corporate** offices and board positions is set forth to the right. **WWA by-laws encourage a board member from each Chapter, who may participate in board meetings electronically.**

BOARD MEMBERS OPEN POSITIONS:

With a minimum nine (9) member Board of Directors, WWA needs at least two (2) new faces willing to serve!

Bruce Feagan (ML), who is in the final year of 3-year term, and newly appointed Board members, **David Irons (SEA)** and **Kurt Snyder (GH)** won't be up for election until next year. **John Burk, Jr., (NW)** has stepped down from the final year of his 3-year term for personal reasons.

The adjacent ballot is ADVISORY ONLY.

The final ballot will be published in the June 2017 WWA Newsletter.

Absentee Ballot — This ballot may be used as an 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 from members who have paid their 2017 dues.

Ballots must be emailed to **Kurt Snyder** (kurtsnyder@outdrs.net) or postmarked and addressed to:

WWA
10610—66th Avenue E.
Puyallup, WA 98373

by **June 30, 2017.**

WWA Corporate Sample Ballot

Corporate Offices: (One Vote For Each Office)

President

Jim Cortines

 (Write In)

Vice President

 (Write In)

Secretary

Earl Mikkelson

 (Write In)

Treasurer

John Arrabito

 (Write In)

Board of Directors: (Vote For No More than 6) (Listed In Alphabetical Order with Chapter Designations)

Abel Cortina (YV)
 Rod Boyer (SW)
 Howard Hicks (SW)
 Richard Holt (NW)
 Bob Taylor (LC)

 (Write In)

 (Write In)

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News for the Flock

Seattle Chapter News

By: John Arrabito

May's Meeting to Feature 13th Annual Youth Mentor Shoot:

Retiring Board Member from the Seattle Chapter, **Larry Gordon** and his wife **Kathy**, owners of **AMS Guns in Woodinville**, will co-sponsor with the **Kenmore Gun Range** the **13th Annual Youth Mentor Shoot** [and their last at the helm] at our May 24th meeting. **The Gordon's daughter, \Tricia Ring** and her husband **Royce**, have agreed to carry the torch forward for the 14th Annual event next year!

The program is for first time or beginning youth, age 16 and under, and is designed to instill in the student (1) safe firearm handling; (2) basic shotgun shooting skills; and (3) having fun! The program has run upwards of 240 youth thru this program over the prior 12 years! See Flyer on **Page 11**.

All participants will receive **FREE** in the order of importance:

- Firearm Safety Training;
- One-on-one individual shotgun instruction and supervision for shooting a shotgun at clay targets;
- Shells, Range Fees, ear and eye protection; and use of a fitted shotgun;
- A **WWA-logo'd cap** of their choice; and
- Dinner consisting of Pizza and soda.

All participants must (1) be accompanied by parent/legal guardian/adult. Check in begins at 4:00 p.m. All participants **MUST** attend the "Firearm Safety Training" at 4:30 p.m., or they will **NOT** be allowed to shoot!

WWA likes to keep this event at no more than 20 youth in order to assure all participants get one-on-one adult supervision. **Larry** reports that there is still room for a few participants despite the advertised May 16th deadline. Fill out the one page application on the adjoining page, and FAX it **ASAP** to **AMS Guns**, at 425-485-1228.

Larry indicates he can always use more volunteer[s] to help out, so be sure to make the meeting to do your part in helping to keep our shooting sports active and alive among America's Youth!

WWA Supports the WA Brant Festival:

Once again **WWA** supported the **WA Brant Festival** on Saturday, May 6, 2017 in Burlington, WA by bringing and staffing the **WWA Duck Mount Booth** for display at their gathering in conjunction with the annual **Puget Sound Decoy Carving Contest**. Enjoy a couple of photos from the perspective of one of our junior members, **Jacob McGovern**.

Who Dat? Sue Hanneman is always popular at the WA Brant Festival showing her Eagle Owl.



Lots of Color. How many can you identify?



Pretty isn't enough. They have to float correctly to win the competition!



All Photos by Jacob McGovern



WASHINGTON WATERFOWL ASSOCIATION & THE WILDLIFE COMMITTEE OF WASHINGTON INC. PRESENTS:



**13th ANNUAL YOUTH MENTOR SHOTGUN SHOOT
MAY 24, 2017 – KENMORE GUN RANGE**

This program is designed to instill in the student safe firearm handling, to learn shotgun shooting skills, and have fun.

FIRST TIME OR BEGINNING YOUTH AGE 16 AND UNDER WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOOT ONE ROUND OF TRAP FREE

PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE FREE:

- ⊕ FIREARM SAFETY TRAINING
- ⊕ ONE ON ONE INDIVIDUAL INSTRUCTION
- ⊕ SHELLS, RANGE FEES
- ⊕ USE OF SHOTGUN
- ⊕ WWA HAT AND DINNER

PARTICIPANTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A LEGAL GUARDIAN/PARENT/ADULT
CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 4:00 P.M. & PROGRAM RUNS TO 8:00 P.M.

RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 16TH (LIMITED TO 20 YOUTHS)

****REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, NO WALK ON'S, NO EXCEPTIONS****

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:
AMS GUNS 425-483-8855

CO-SPONSORED BY: WWA, WCW, AMS GUNS

Hunter Education Class Information: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/enf/huntered/basichuntered.htm>

Mail to: AMS Guns, PO Box 477, Woodinville, WA 98072 Call: 425-483-8855

Adult Name: _____

Youth Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work: _____

E-Mail: _____ Fax: _____

*Do you own your own "Youth Shotgun"? Yes _____ No _____

*Are you a member of WWA? Yes _____ No _____

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

Must attend "The Firearm Safety Training" at 4:30 p.m., to be ALLOWED to Shoot.

Youth Mentor Shotgun Shoot, May 24, 2017

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Lower Columbia Chapter News

By: Doug Hargin

Loss of Terry Satre:

The Lower Columbia Chapter along with all WWA would like to express our deepest condolences to the Satre family for their loss. Terry was one of the icons in WWA who gave countless hours and contributed to the success of our organization. He will be greatly missed by all.

Sportsman's Warehouse Booth Saturday May 20th:

Please join us Saturday morning May 20th to grow our organization and move a few raffle tickets. We will have the big WWA trailer there and hopefully you! Contact Arlan Hackett for more information at 360-600-9484.

Oregon Waterfowl Festival June 24th & 25th:

Our chapter is supporting the festival this year as a Lead Sponsor! We invite all WWA members to join us that weekend at our booth at the Columbia County Fairgrounds in St. Helens, OR.. The event is billed as the largest waterfowl festival west of the Mississippi. The organizers are working hard to make this the best one yet. Check out their website at: <http://oregonwaterfowlfestival.com/>

Let's Party!:

Saturday July 8th we are having our Chapter picnic and BBQ at Lewisville Park. We have the Knotty Pine Shelter reserved for the day. Please note this is a different shelter than last year. We plan to begin feasting around noon. The chapter will provide a mouthwatering assortment of meats for the main dish. We ask that you bring a side dish of your choice. Please invite your family and waterfowl friends to this big summer party!

Congratulations to Bob Taylor:

We would like to thank Bob Taylor for his service on the WWA Corporate Board of Directors. One year ago Bob answered the call and has been a valuable addition to the board. He has been a long time member of our chapter and a willing participant on all projects we have endeavored. He arrives early at each meeting to help prepare the trap shoot and stays to lose down the Club after our meetings. Thanks for all of your yeoman efforts, Bob!

Now is the Time:

Our chapter banquet is four short months away on September 23rd. We are looking for donations, gift cards, auction items and anything else you can come up with to make this our best event yet! Contact Doug Hargin (360) 903-6951 for information.

Kitsap County Chapter News

The Kitsap County Chapter is looking for a new Chapter Chairperson. Peninsula Waterfowlers, we need someone to step forward.

Spokane Chapter News

The Spokane County Chapter is looking for a new Chapter Chairperson. Inland Empire Waterfowlers, we need someone to step forward.



News for the Flock

Northwest Chapter News

By: Rick Billieu

Driving through the region it's good to see all the Waterfowl that are in our area nesting or on the migration. Even the Snows are still hanging around in good force. I wasn't living in this state 50 years ago, but I can just imagine the difference in the abundance of waterfowl then as compared to now.

One of the primary reasons for the reduced Bird count is the reduction of food sources available. These food sources support both nesting production and migrating waterfowl. The **Washington Migratory Bird Stamp and Art Program** is a major source of funding for annual grain farming on several **WDFW Managed Wildlife Areas** in our state. Each year hundreds of acres are planted supporting winter forage for migratory birds.

Purchasing Washington State Migratory Bird Stamps or Migratory Bird Stamp artwork is an investment in Washington's wetlands, waterfowl, and other migratory bird resources. You can find out more about the Washington Migratory Bird Stamp and Art Program and the projects that it funds at <http://wdfw.wa.gov/hunting/waterfowl/stamp/>

Washington Brant Foundation Event:

The **Washington Brant Foundation** hosted its annual Decoy Carving and Scholarship Auction "**The Puget Sound Open**" on Saturday May 6th at **Holiday Sports in Burlington**. It was beautiful day to hold this event and a lot of fun by all who attended. There were Live Auctions, Silent Auctions and Raffles. The hand carved Decoys at the event were some of the finest I have seen. Several supporting organizations were in attendance including members from the **WWA**, who staffed a booth with our **Duck Mount Display** and actively promoted our mission. Next year, I won't make the mistake of not being one of the folks bidding on the hand carved Decoys, prints and other merchandise at the Live Auction.

NW Chapter Scholarship Grant:

The **NW Chapter** will donate funds this year to establish a College level scholarship. **The Ben Welton Memorial Scholarship** will be an annual \$500.0 Scholarship awarded to a student pursuing a career in a Natural Resources

NW Chapter Members, Ian Heart Broker, Ron Broker and Rick Holt at the WA Brant Foundation Decoy Carving and Scholarship Auction.

field. The Scholarship will be awarded based on a 500 word essay competition. Scholarship details are being firmed up to support Fall enrollment.

3rd Annual Chapter Banquet:

Mark your calendars for the upcoming **NW Chapter banquet**. The Chapter has set a date of September 30th and will hold this event once again at Hillcrest Lodge in Mt Vernon. The Banquet provides financial support for conservation activities and chapter events. A fun evening with good friends, Dinner, Auctions and Raffles. More information to follow in the coming weeks. I hope to see you there.

Blind Maintenance and Restoration:

Ever use a public hunting Blind that looks as if it was trampled by a herd of migrating Wildebeests. By the end of each season some of the Blinds in the area are in need of repair. For the next two (2) months chapter members will be working to restore, maintain and brush-up local area public hunting blinds. The party's about to start.

Membership Renewal and Next Meeting:

If you have not renewed your membership you can do so online at www.waduck.org or you can also renew at the next chapter meeting. The **Northwest Chapter** meets on the second Tuesday each month at the Conway Fire Station starting at 7pm. See you there and bring a friend.



News for the Flock

Grays Harbor Chapter News

By: Kurt Snyder

Hi all.
 Had enough rain yet?
 I don't have much for this month other than to announce our next two Chapter events.

Second Annual Free Shotgun Shooting Clinic:

The first is our second annual free shotgun shooting clinic, on July 22, 2017. Last years was excellent, so we decided to do it again. This years will be held on the **Evergreen Sportsmen's Club Skeet Range**. We are getting some interest on Facebook so we hope the turnout will equal or exceed last years. All students went home a better shooter with some of the kids hitting their first targets. The clinic is for *ALL* ages and shooting skills. **Check out the flier on page 15!**

Annual FREE Youth Shooting Event:

The second event is our annual FREE youth shooting event held at the **Evergreen Sportsmen's Club** on August 12, 2017. The shoot is absolutely free for youth 15 and under years of age *AND* a free lunch for all entries including the adults! *PLUS* shooting and hunting related prized for all kids!

Hope to see many of you there this year. I ask as usual that you save and share the fliers on **page 16** to anyone you think is interested.

June Chapter Meeting:

As usual our next Chapter meeting will be on the first Thursday of the month, the 1st of June at the **Evergreen Sportsmen's Club** near Littlerock at 7:00pm sharp! For more information, contact:

Kurt Snyder
Kurtsnyder@outdrs.net



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 Burlington WA 98233
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Moses Lake Chapter News

By: Dick Price

FREE Youth Shooting — Save the date!!

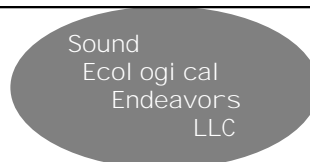
On Saturday August 19, 2017 there will be a free trap shoot for all youth 17 and younger at the **Quincy Trap Club**, 14550 Road Q, N.W., Quincy, WA 98848. The shoot is sponsored by **Brownell's, N.R.A., Moses Lake WWA, Moses Lake DU, Moses Lake Friends of the NRA, and Columbia Basin Pheasants Forever.**

The shoot will take place from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., and there will be no cost for the shoot. The only requirement is that each youth possess either a hunting license or a hunter safety card and be accompanied by an adult. **Shells will be provided and the youths can shoot as many times as their arms can stand.** Excellent opportunity to practice up for the upcoming dove season and for any West Sider's to do a little scouting.

There will also be some free merchandise that is being worked out at this time (for sure a duck call, and waterfowl I.D. book for starters). There will be a free lunch of hamburgers provided.

Goldeye Nest Boxes:

In a conversation with **Ella Rowan, WDFW** biologist, after the **WWA-Moses Lake Chapter's Annual Goose Nest Count** on Saturday, May 6th, she mentioned that the **Goldeneye nest boxes** we built for **Lake Lenore** have shown signs of activity around them, but they would be doing further investigation to see if they had actually been used for nesting and if any had signs of successful hatches.



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- ⊙ ***\$20.00 adult entry to shoot the course. Active or retired military \$10.00.***
- ⊙ ***Registration starts at 9:30 AM in the main club house.***
- ⊙ ***FREE lunch at 1:00 PM for all entries.***
- ⊙ ***Prizes to be given out by random draw between 1:30 PM. And 2:00 PM.***
- ⊙ ***Pre registration (strongly) suggested!***

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

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



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This raffle is sponsored by the Grays Harbor Chapter of the Washington Waterfowl Association

**Some exceptions may apply.*

News for the Flock

Yakima Valley Chapter News

By: Roger Bennett

Selah Shooting Team:

The **Yakima Valley Chapter of WWA** once again has the privilege of sponsoring the **Selah Youth Shooting Team**. The team is composed of middle school and high school students, both boys and girls. They travel around the area and participate in shoots held by other state schools, as well as hosting their own shoot in **Selah** at the **Pomona Gun Range**.

The **YV Chapter's** donation to these young gunners helps defray some of the cost of ammo for the season. We are proud to sponsor you again this year, Selah shooters!

Monthly Meetings:

Our meetings are normally the second Thursday of the month. We alternate meetings between the **Warehouse Restaurant** in Zillah, or the **Barn Restaurant** in Prosser at 6:30pm. For more information, contact **YV Chapter Chairman Abel Cortina** at 509-786-9196.

Southwest Chapter News

By: Bruce Burns

R.I.P. Terry Satre

Obviously a lot of us are still in shock/mourning over the passing of longtime **SW Chapter Chair, Terry Satre**, on April 26th. Please come join us in a Celebration of his Life this Saturday, May 20th. See **Page 4** for more.

Upcoming Chapter Monthly Meeting

The next Southwest Chapter meeting will be May 30, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the Tacoma Sportsmen's Club on Canyon Road in Puyallup. All members are invited out for a fun night. We will meet in the **Tacoma Sportsmen Club House**, then shoot a round or two of trap. Come out early and grab a bite to eat at the café it opens at 5 pm. Break out the shotgun and come on out.

The **SW Chapter** will pay for the 1st round of trap!



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Selah Shooting Team sponsored by the Yakima Valley Chapter of WWA.



Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Update

Waterfowl Breeding Population Surveys

By: Matthew Wilson, Statewide Waterfowl Specialist

The annual **Breeding Population (BPOP)** survey of waterfowl takes place in North America beginning in April and extending through May. Washington conducts the majority of the survey in late April on the west side and the first two weeks of May on the east side. Primarily using a helicopter, biologists count all species of waterfowl and coots along 400-meter-wide transects running east-west and covering hundreds of miles of terrain. Following the snowy and wet winter, there are a tremendous number of pothole wetlands on the landscape throughout eastern Washington. The excellent conditions have provided habitat for species not normally seen in abundance during the BPOP; **Northern Shoveler, Gadwall, Northern Pintail, and American Wigeon**

are well represented this year. As you can imagine, there are a lot of **lone drakes** out there, with hens establishing nests and starting to incubate. Hunters should anticipate a very productive spring and summer, with an abundant local hatch and excellent early season opportunity, as long as conditions persist until mid-summer.



Upper left: Douglas County Potholes
 Upper right: Grant County Potholes
 Lower right: Pasture flooding near Colville

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By: Ellen Satre

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WWA Youth Fund — \$1,860

Ben Welton — \$100

Monthly Recurring Donation — Jim Goldsmith, May 2017— \$5

WWA Legal Fund — \$17,872

Monthly Recurring Donation — John Arrabito, May 2017— \$5

WWA Habitat Fund — \$785

WWA Jay Koetje Memorial Fund for Skagit Farmed Island — \$1,975

Dollars used to buy a mower to help maintain the Farmed Island Unit of the Skagit Wildlife Area

WWA Heritage Lands Fund — \$10,957

WWA General Fund — \$154

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Corporate Checking (Banner)	\$ 14,633.95
Funds to be Deposited	\$ 0.00
Duck Stamp Account	\$ 12,789.02
Merchandise Account (As of 1/5/17)	\$ 2,415.15
Corporate C.D.	\$ 17,630.06
Corporate Total	\$ 61,400.04

CHAPTER FINANCES

GH Checking (1-7-2016)	\$ 1,632.41
Kitsap Chapter (To Be Funded)	
LC Checking	\$ 24,957.96
ML Checking	\$ 26,046.43
NW Checking	\$ 18,941.64
SEA Checking	\$ 20,772.84
SEA CD Amount	\$ 9,754.56
SEA Robert Hickok Fund	\$ 1,317.23
SEA Total	\$ 31,844.63
SPO Checking	Closed 5/19/2014
SW Checking	\$ 6,671.94
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- Our Hunting Heritage - Pass it Forward...



WWA Waterfowl Workshop and Youth Shoot. The kids get an opportunity to learn and get involved.

How were you introduced to hunting? Many people that hunt may not think much about how they were introduced to the activity of hunting even though it has become such a significant part of their lives. They may even take that introduction for granted. In reality, many people that hunt most likely started hunting because someone in their family created the opportunity, provided the necessary equipment, and taught them how to hunt; it was just part of the hunting family's routine of passing on the hunting heritage.



Many decades have passed since I started hunting. I've never stopped; it is a passion. Like many in the community of hunters, my hair has turned gray, my skin has a few wrinkles, my eyes aren't what they used to be, and I grunt when I get up out of a chair. As we grow older, we tend to do a little reflecting about the path we have taken through life. During one of my reflective moments, I asked myself, "How did I get involved in the activity of hunting?" My family was not a hunting family. My parents fished, but didn't hunt. The answer was a friend of mine in grade school hunted with his dad. This friend would share a few of his hunting stories with me during recess or after school; I was captivated by the thought of those hunting experiences. At some point, my friend must have figured out I really would like to try hunting sometime because he and his dad offered to take me dove hunting out in the Arizona desert. I bought an

old single-shot, break-action, 16 gauge, H&R Topper shotgun from my sister's boyfriend for \$15; hunting was about to enter my life. That old shotgun kicked like a mule by the way.

After reliving those early memories and being very thankful for those first opportunities to try hunting, I wrote an email to my old friend to thank him and his dad for introducing me to such a fulfilling sport that has become such a significant part of my life. My friend wrote back with heart-breaking news: "Thanks for the kind words! Unfortunately, I did not get to share those thoughts with my Dad, he passed away a couple days before your e-mail."



While I was saddened that I could not thank my friend's dad for opening the door of hunting to a scrawny little kid in grade school, I was glad I shared those thoughts with my old friend. The simple act of a friend's father inviting me to come along with him and his son on a few dove hunting adventures was life changing for me.

How are we going to pass our hunting heritage on to this generation and future generations? With each passing decade, more and more people are moving into urban areas and less people are participating in the activities of hunting and fishing. Like my family, most families are not hunting families. We need to open the door to hunting for youth that may not otherwise have that opportunity. Actually, it isn't just youth that need those opportunities; many adults may be interested in hunting, but don't know how to get started. As individuals, we should watch for opportunities to introduce hunting to others regardless of their age. My sister didn't start



hunting until she was in her late 40's; she and her husband love the hunting adventures and all of those fantastic organic meals that land on their dinner table as a result.

Many hunting and conservation organizations have realized the importance of passing on our hunting heritage by sponsoring youth hunts and other activities to introduce youth and their families to the activity of hunting. My son went on his first waterfowl hunt through a youth hunt donated to a Washington Waterfowl Association (WWA)



banquet, he bagged his first deer through a youth hunt sponsored by the Seattle Puget Sound Chapter of SCI. WWA has sponsored multiple youth waterfowl hunting workshops and simulated waterfowl hunting youth shoots that give youth and their families the opportunity to learn and shoot. These are activities that we should promote and support. And, by all means, take a kid or an adult hunting that might not otherwise have an opportunity to give it a try.

Our hunting heritage is important; it is the responsibility of every hunter to pass it forward. 🐾

- Jim Goldsmith

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- Grays Harbor/Chehalis Valley Chapter** meets the 1st Thursday of the month (Feb – Oct) at the **Evergreen Sportsmen’s Club**, 12736 Marksman Road, SW, Olympia.
- Kitsap Peninsula Chapter** — Dates and places TBD.
- Lower Columbia Chapter** meets the last Thursday of the month (Jan – Sept) at the **Vancouver Trap Club**, 11100 NE 76th Street in Vancouver.
- Moses Lake Chapter** – Dates and places TBD.
- Northwest Chapter** meets year round 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, WA
- Southwest Chapter** meets on the last Tuesday of the month (Feb – Sept) at the **Tacoma Sportsman’s Club**, 16409 Canyon Road E, Puyallup.
- Spokane Chapter** – Vacant
- Tri Cities Chapter** — Dates and places TBD.
- 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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- 10 chapters throughout Washington
- We spend all of our resources within Washington State

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- Administration of the WA Migratory Bird Stamp and Print Program
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- 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
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- 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.