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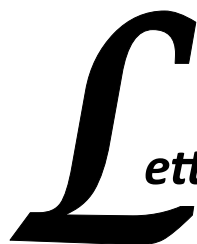
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The opinions addressed here are mine. We are in a battle with the WDFW concerning our hunting and fishing. The salmon populations are in a sad state. Big game numbers are in a sad state. Duck numbers in the Skagit Valley this year were pretty poor. I heard reports from other hunters that eastern Washington duck numbers were poor as well. For some the opposite may be true.

Let us get down to the nitty gritty.

In order to get our issues heard we need your support. That support comes in the forms of volunteering and money. I am asking that members get with their chapters and support them.

For the WWA to be successful in our endeavors we need donations. I am asking for a donation of \$5.00 to \$10.00 a month or what the individual thinks is prudent.

MEMBERSHIP. I will keep harping on this subject every month. **GETTING NEW MEMBERS. WE NEED THEM!** When you take someone out hunting that is not a member, sell them on becoming a member. Have an application form with you (*see the last page of the newsletter for a current application*), get them to fill it out. If you can, get them to a chapter meeting. We need new members. Looking for a birthday gift? Consider a WWA membership as a present.!



Thank you John!

The Washington Waterfowl Association would like to thank Seattle Chapter Chairman and Corporate

Treasurer, **John Arrabito** for all the many years of service he has given to the organization by coordinating, creating and editing the monthly newsletter. **Thank you John!**

FOR THE RESOURCE

Thank you,
Rick Holt
WWA President

Mission Statement

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

News for the Flock

2019 EVENTS CALENDAR

- Jan 23 thru 27** Washington Sportmen's Show at the Washington State Fair Events Center in Puyallup, WA. [Learn more here.](#)
- Jan 27** End of regular Waterfowl Hunting Season.
- Jan 23** Seattle Chapter Meeting at the Kenmore Shotgn Range in Bothell, WA.
- Jan 31** Lower Columbia Chapter Meeting at the Vancouver Trap Club.
- Feb 2 thru 16** **Extended goose season** in Area 2 Coast — Pacific County, and portion of Grays Harbor County **WEST** of Highway 101.
- Feb 5** Whatcom County Chapter Meeting at the Ferndale Public Library.
- Feb 6-10** Pacific Northwest Sportmen's Show at the Portland Expo Center in Portland, OR. [Learn more here.](#)
- Feb 7** Grays Harbor Chapter Meeting at 7 p.m. the Evergreen Sportmen's Club.
- Feb 9 thru Mar 9** **Extended goose season** in Area 2 Inland — Clark, Cowlitz, Wahkiakum and portion of Grays Harbor County **EAST** of Hwy 101.
- Feb 9 thru 20** **"White Goose" [Snow, Ross and Blue Geese] Extended Hunt Season** in Skagit and Snohomish counties. See NW Chapter News on **Page 5.**
- Feb 12** NW Chapter Meeting at the Conway Fire Hall.

- Feb 26** Southwest Chapter Meeting at the Tacoma Sportmen's Club in Puyallup at 6:30pm.
- Feb 27** Seattle Chapter Meeting at the Kenmore Shotgn Range in Bothell, WA. [Learn more here.](#)
- Feb 28** Lower Columbia Chapter Meeting at the Vancouver Trap Club.
- Feb 28-Mar 3** Central Oregon Sportmen's Show at the First Interstate Bank Center & Deshutes County Fair & Events Center in Redmond, OR. [Learn more here.](#)



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WASHINGTON SPORTSMEN'S SHOW

January 23 – 27, 2019

Washington State Fair Events Center – Puyallup, WA

PACIFIC NORTHWEST SPORTSMEN'S SHOW

February 6 – 10, 2019

Portland Expo Center – Portland, OR



CENTRAL OREGON SPORTSMEN'S SHOW

February 28 – March 3, 2019

First Interstate Bank Center and Deschutes County Fair & Events Center – Redmond, OR



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Duck Stamps & Prints:

If you are going to the **Sportsman Show** January 23-27 please stop by the **WWA booth** to check out the duck stamp prints and stamps. Also be sure to bring a copy of your 2018/19 license with the Washington duck hunting authorization on it to receive a complimentary stamp when you stop by the booth.

Learn more about the 2019 **Washington Sportmen's Show** on January 23-27 at the **Washington State Fair Event Center** in Puyallup, WA at: <https://www.thesportshows.com/shows/washington/show-information/>.

Not headed to the show? You can still get your stamp by mailing a copy of your License and a self-addressed stamped Envelope to:

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Report Your Crab Catches:

Hopefully everyone's winter crabbing treated you better than the waterfowl season. You need to either send in your catch card to:

WDFW CRC Unit
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Or go on line <https://fishhunt.dfw.wa.gov/#/login> with your wild ID and have fun with that one. These are **DUE BY**

FEBRUARY 1st or you get to make a further contribution of \$10 to the state the next time you buy a license! So either beat your head against the wall online or support one of the nice people in the office by mailing it in, but get it done by the end of the month!



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JOIN OR RENEW

Grays Harbor Chapter News:

By: Kurt Snyder

February Monthly Chapter Meeting:

Hi all. I hope everyone's season has gone well. Now I guess it's back to business with the **WWA**. Our Chapter closes for business during the waterfowl season, and we open for the year with a meeting at the **Evergreen Sportsmen's Club** near Littlerock on the 7th of February, at 7:00_{pm} sharp. I hope to see some of our new members there so we can show you what we do.

We will start the planning for our events for 2019 and hopefully have time for a few hunting stories!

Volunteer for the WAAG:

I have volunteered (once again), for the **Wildlife Area Advisory Group, (WAAG)**. I will be contacting all the other west Washington Chapters looking to see if anyone wants to represent the **WWA** with your areas Wildlife Area management. This is a great opportunity for us to be involved in how these important areas are to be used and maintained. I have been involved with the **WAAG** for the **Willapa Hills Wildlife Area** and now am part of the **Scatter Creek Wildlife Areas WAAG**.

Cedarville Farm Hunt for Two Raffle:

I will be purchasing this year's **Cedarville Farms Hunt for Two** raffle tickets in the near future. Please let me know how many tickets your Chapter would like to sell. As with past raffles, the selling Chapters get to keep all of the proceeds after paying our Chapter a twenty dollar (\$20) administrative fee. I know some of the Chapters have big bank accounts but still, it's income for the conservation! This Raffle is our Chapter's main fund raiser.

Thank you all,
Kurt Snyder
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Northwest Chapter News

By: Rick Billieu

I hope all of your hunting adventures went well this season. Although my waterfowling success was limited, I had the pleasure of hunting with several Chapter members and friends. We had a short Brant Goose season again this year due to low bird numbers. Perhaps you were able to get out there for one or two of these Bucket List Waterfowl. The **NW Chapter** is planning to stay busy this year with multiple events and activities. If you have an idea for a chapter activity, just let me know.

December Chapter Meeting:

Our guest speaker at the December chapter meeting was **Clint Lucci, Fish and Wildlife Police Officer - Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)**. Officer Lucci spoke at length about various topics including a few of the current enforcement issues in the area — some of the recent Swan kills in the area as a result of hunters; lead poisoning and other causes that lead to their death; 15-shot limits at wildlife areas; as well as when to contact law enforcement to report issues. There were plenty of questions from Chapter members.

January Chapter Meeting:

Our January meeting guest speaker was **Dave Jones, Fish and Wildlife Police Officer - Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)**. The primary topic of discussion was the February 9th thru 20th "**White Goose**" [Snow, Ross and Blue Geese] extended season in **Skagit and Snohomish** counties.

Officer Jones reviewed the current plan including which areas would be open to hunting, the areas closed to hunting, and the Department's rationale for holding the extended hunting season as a depredation hunt to reduce private land damage. **Much of the discussion centered on clarification of the closed Skagit Wildlife Area units and their boundaries and the closure of areas east of I-5 in Snohomish county.** An excellent and lively discussion by the attending members.

Special Thanks to both **Officer Clint Lucci** and **Officer Dave Jones** for attending the chapter meetings and their willingness to share information with the membership.

"Like" Our Facebook Page:

See our Facebook page **Northwest Washington Waterfowl Association** at:
<https://www.facebook.com/waducks.org/>

Wood Duck Boxes & February Meeting:

Wood Duck Boxes provide an excellent opportunity for anyone to become involved in wildlife management. The Chapter has many boxes distributed throughout the area on both public and private lands. At our Chapter meeting in February we will help boost their population by building a dozen more boxes to deploy in the region.

NW Chapter Calendar of Events:

Here are some of the Chapter's planned activities for the year, including the return of our annual banquet, this year on September 28! so mark your calendar to join us all year!

Feb – Wood Duck Box-build, deployment and maintenance.

March – Mallard Nesting Tube maintenance.

March/April – **Skagit Wildlife Area** clean up and Blind assessment.

May – **Brant Foundation** carving contest – **WWA** information/membership.

June/July – **Skagit Wildlife Area** Blind build and maintenance.

September– Youth Hunt and Chapter Banquet (September 28).

October– Skagit Boat Tour

Monthly Meetings:

The **Northwest Chapter** meets on the second Tuesday each month at the Conway Fire Station starting at 7 pm. Raffle at the end of each meeting. So mark your calendar to join us and bring a friend.

Support your Passion – Get Involved

Rick Billieu
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Lower Columbia Chapter News

By: Doug Hargin

September Youth Hunt at Brownsmead:

The Lower Columbia Chapter supported an Oregon youth hunt in September on the Lower Columbia River. Dan Neal and LC member Bob Esperto took a group of young hunters out on a successful waterfowling adventure.



Youth at the Oregon Youth Hunt in September 2018.

Ridgefield Refuge Youth Hunt November 3rd:

We had 10 youth show up, 8 of which were hunting for our annual youth hunt at the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge. Doug Lee and Rich Hannan showed up early to hand out muffins, calls on lanyards, blind bag and a pair of rigged green-winged teal decoys to each hunter. Arlan Hackett brought the BBQ grub and Chris Stalcup grilled the hotdogs and hamburgers for the young hunters and the adults. Jerry Piazza, Doug Hargin and Dion Hess came out to help also. Thanks to Dave and Cindy Lescalleet for administrating the hunt for the refuge.

See the next page for photos of this great event.



Veteran's Hunt RNWR November 11th:

Our inaugural Veteran's hunt at the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge exceeded all expectations. WWA member Dion Hess applied his skills from years of organizing a veteran's fishing event -- "Operation Salmon" to shape our hunting event.

We had 70 people attend the Saturday night dinner at the Sportsman's Steakhouse & Saloon in Ridgefield. Our keynote speaker was Oregon Air National Guard Brigadier General Donna Prigmore. Our special guest speaker was active duty Green Beret Justin Boardman just returning from his tour in

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Afghanistan whom also participated in the hunt and is a member of **Fallen Outdoors**. The dinner was also attended by **Ridgefield Mayor Don Stose, Vancouver Mayor Ann McEnery-Ogle, State of Washington Representative Larry Hoff** (he donated to the event and participated in the hunt), **Representative Lynda Wilson, State Senator Ann Rivers, USFWS Regional Director Robyn Thorson and, Assistant Regional Director Jason Holm, Media Coordinator Brent Lawrence and Volunteer Coordinator Josie Finley.**

We would like to recognize these veterans and thank them for their service and participation in our event. **Sal Trujillo, Patrick Culhane, John Kaiser, Doug and Jennifer Hawkins, Justin Boardman, Joe Wright, Cory Rehmer, Stephen Veres, Darren Wertz and John Upstick.** The veteran participants were provided with **Cabela's** waterfowl hunting coats, **Gerber** shears, blind bag, duck call, licenses and shot shells for the hunt.

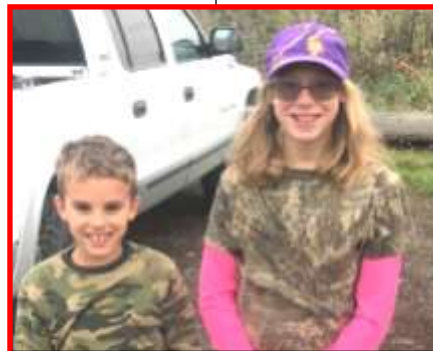
We would like to thank the following people for their generous help at the event: **WWA** members serving as guides to the veterans; **Ted Blade, Doug Lee, Dan Haffenbrack, Richard Hannan, Bob Taylor, Dino Mastri** and **Dion Hess.** Also helping to guide were **Kirk Benson, Caleb Benson, Steve Olson USFWS, Larry Hoff** and **Mike Horne.** **Federal Wildlife Officer Ryan Wagner** and **Sam Davis** with **Ridgefield American Legion Post 44** for their help with **ATV** assistance to the hunt parties and media at the event. We appreciate the help and support from **Dave** and **Cindy Lescalleet** again donating their time and effort to run the check station for the event as well as **Brandon Traeger** and **Fallen Outdoors** coordinating veteran hunters and logistics. **Dino Mastri** brought a pile of early morning doughnuts and pastries to fuel up for the hunt. **Arlan Hackett** tracked down the food for the post-hunt BBQ on Sunday. **Chris Stalcup** did another fine job grilling the burgers and dogs for the hungry group and thanks to **Bill Mitchell** for his help during the BBQ.

Thanks to the following supporting partners: **American Legion Post 44, Fallen Outdoors, Community Military Appreciation Committee (CMAC), Cabela's, Gerber Knives, Stein Distributing, Larry Hoff, Heroes Northwest, Rose Real Estate and Evergreen Home Loans.**

Additional links with photos and coverage of the event:
<https://www.fws.gov/news/ShowNews.cfm?ID=050C727B-CEAF-D335-57AF345E575B0257>
<http://nwsportsmanmag.com/inaugural-ridgefield-nwr-veterans-waterfowl-hunt-a-success/>
<https://www.columbian.com/news/2018/nov/14/hunt-for-heroes-ridgefield-refuges-event-lets-veterans-give-sport-a-try/>

December Party and Food Drive:

Approximately 40 people attended our gathering on December 13th to share a few stories, games and great food. **Ted Blade** put together the shrink wrap game for the kids and adults. The main course consisted of **Arlan's** famous prime rib roast and **Doug's** smoked turkey. Thanks to everyone who brought food donations for a truly memorable evening. The donated food was delivered to **Share House** by **Arlan.**



Photos of youth at the Ridgefield Youth Hunt in November 2018.
Upper left: Joshua & Christina Berkompas
Upper right: Morgan Rolland and Sydney Heckathorn
Lower left: Nolan Leilen with his five ducks
Lower right: Roan Paradis



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Seattle Chapter News

By: John Arrabito

Free Round of Trap or 5-Stand for WWA Members

We had a bit of a delay in getting out the **WWA Newsletter** this month, so the January 23rd meeting will be a chance to sharpen up your shooting skills on us with a FREE round of Trap or 5-Stand for **ALL WWA** members of **ALL Chapters** in attendance. There are still a few days of the regular waterfowl season thru January 27th to practice for, plus several extended goose seasons in February and into March. See **Red Highlighted Dates** in the Calendar of Events on Page 2.



While you're out there be on the lookout for **Anti's** vandalizing vehicles in designated parking areas. The incident above happened just this past Saturday, January 19th, at the **WDFW Ebey Island Site** and was found by the local hunter when he returned to his vehicle about noon. Luckily he was able to scrub the paint off with a magic eraser.

The owner tried to call the **WDFW** non-emergency hotline, however it was down. Being close to the **City of Everett's Water Treatment** facilities there are reportedly

plenty of observation cameras in the area, including some secret game cameras maintained by **WDFW**, so hopefully these will help catch the law breakers. If you need to get access to photos taken by a local government agency's observation camera[s], you can now do so by filing a public records disclosure request by email.

For instructions, see <http://www.atg.wa.gov/obtaining-records>.



Seattle Chapter and Life Member, Mike Lovelace staffs the **WWA Duck Mount Display** at the **4th Annual Ben Welton Memorial Youth Hunt** at the **Willapa National Wildlife Refuge** last **October 20th**.

"Like" Our Facebook Page:

Check out our Chapter's Facebook page **Washington Waterfowl Association— Seattle Chapter** at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/24026559992025/>

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Whatcom County Chapter News

By: Matt Berry

February Meeting:

The February Chapter Meeting will be on Tuesday, February 5 at the **Ferndale Public Library**.

"Like" Our Facebook Page:

The Whatcom County Chapter is switching from a closed group to a regular Facebook page to be able to take advantage of some of Facebook's features. Please "like" our page: <https://www.facebook.com/WhatcomWWA/>

Moses Lake Chapter News

No News This Month

Kitsap County Chapter News

No News This Month

Southwest Chapter News

By: Bruce Burns

Would like to welcome the 2019 year in, hoping everyone had a great Holliday Season and your Waterfowl hunting is going well.

Sportmen's Show WWA Booth & Raffle:

The **Southwest Chapter** is starting off with a booth at the **2019 Puyallup Sportsmen's Show** that will be held Wednesday, January 23rd thru January 27th.

I would like to thank all of the people that have volunteered to staff the booth this year — hopefully the show will be a good one! If you are attending the show come by and say Hi.

This years raffle prizes are:

- 1st place — a Henry 22 caliber rifle;
- 2nd prize — a youth shotgun; and
- 3rd prize — a salmon rod and reel

February Meeting:

Our first meeting of the year will be February 26th at 6:30_{pm} at the **Tacoma Sportsmen's Club Education Building**. Looking forward to seeing everyone.

Yakima Valley Chapter News

No News This Month



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WWA Classifieds:

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

Rules are simple:

- 25 words or less.
- Members only may advertise.
- For sale items only, not for business ads. (Businesses are welcome to purchase business ads from us.)
- Submit your classified ad each month (we have no way of knowing if you sold/purchased your item or not).
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By: Ellen Satre

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The **WWA** is based on volunteer efforts and donations from folks that care about the waterfowl hunting heritage. Our success rides on the shoulders of these volunteers and generous benefactors. Below in red is a listing of recent contributions to the five (5) primary funds established by the **WWA** since publication of the **October 2018 Newsletter**.

WWA Youth Fund — \$2,565

WWA Legal Fund — \$18,172

WWA Habitat Fund — \$1,010

Ross Cleveland — \$50

Grant Hosford — \$25

WWA Heritage Lands Fund — \$11,077

Ron Coster — \$35

Al O'Connor — \$25

WWA General Fund — \$154

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TREASURER's REPORT

At its February 27, 2018 Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting, the WWA Board voted to stop publishing our monthly financial report in the Newsletter which is available to the general public on our website[www.waduck.org].

However, in an effort to maintain and continue our history of financial transparency with respect to our membership, the monthly Treasurer's Report will be emailed to not only the BOD, but also to each and every Chapter Chairman to be made available for inspection and review by the Chapter membership or any individual Chapter member in good standing with dues paid current at any regularly scheduled Chapter Meeting.

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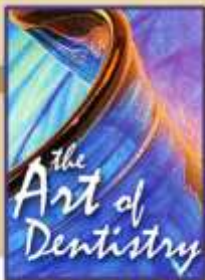
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- Established in 1945
- Non-profit 501(c)(3) organization
- 10 chapters throughout Washington
- *We spend all of our resources within Washington State*

Our projects include:

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