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### Hello Fellow Waterfowlers —

My bride and I spent approximately five (5) months remodeling the exterior of our home. New windows, a bay window, a round window, insulation, new siding and paint. I am sitting at the kitchen counter of my parents home in SB Cal writing this piece. We needed a break and so did my mom. She has been the caregiver for my dad for 30 + years now. She has shown me what commitment is all about. I can only hope that I have some of that same conviction.

I was reading through last couple of months newsletters and was amazed at all the **WWA** as a whole does. It started out with the booth at the Sportsmen's Show. Clean up of shooting areas through out the state after the waterfowl season. BOD meetings. Chapter meetings. The **Spokane Chapter** renewed. Having our presence at the Brandt Foundation fund raiser. Nesting tubes and wood duck boxes. Sponsoring youth to the **Conservation Camp** at Orcas Island. Sponsoring youth trap shoots and hunts. Sponsoring the **Sanctioned State Duck Calling Championship**. The **BJ Brown Memorial Shoot**. Two Chapters putting on fund raising banquets on September 28, 2019. Plus all the time we put in at meetings that are not on the calendar.

We are a committed group, and I applaud you all. Keep up the good work. We still have challenges on the horizon that we must attend to.

As a new hunting season approaches keep in mind that we need to be on the forefront when it comes to hunting etiquette. Be mindful of where others are hunting and give plenty of room between set ups. We represent the **Washington Waterfowlers**. Keep yourself safe as well as others. Know your surroundings.

The main thing that I have taken from these past few years is the friendships that developed and the great memories.

FOR THE RESOURCE,

***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

Sat, Sept 21	NW Chapter Youth Waterfowl Hunt, read more on <a href="#">Page 16</a>
Sat, Sept 21	Pheasant Forever Youth Upland Hunt, See Flyer on <a href="#">Page 19</a>
Sat & Sun Sept 21-22	WH Chapter Work Party at the Nooksack Wildlife Area See <a href="#">Page 3</a>
Tues, Sept 24	Southwest Chapter Meeting at 6:30 pm at the Tacoma Sportsmen's Club Education Building.
Wed, Sept 25	Seattle Chapter Meeting Annual <b>Swap Meet</b> at the Kenmore Shotgun Range in Bothell.
Thurs, Sept 26	Lower Columbia Chapter Meeting at Vancouver Trap Club in Vancouver.
Sat, Sept 28	Spokane Chapter Youth Waterfowl Hunt at the Turnbull National Wildlife Refuge. See Flyer, <a href="#">Page 17</a>
Sat, Sept 28	National Hunt Fish Day at the Tacoma Sportsmen's Club. See Flyer on <a href="#">Page 5</a>
Sat, Sept 28	LC Chapter Banquet, at Vancouver, WA. See Flyer on <a href="#">Page 10</a>
Sat, Sept 28	NW Chapter Banquet, at Mt. Vernon, WA. See Flyer on <a href="#">Page 15</a>
Sun, Sept 29	<b>CANCELLED</b> — Youth Mentor Shoot, Kenmore Shotgun Range. See <a href="#">Page 6</a>
Tues, Oct 1	Whatcom Chapter Meeting at 7pm at Laurel Farm & Western Supply in Bellingham.
Wed, Oct 2	WWA Board of Directors Meeting at 11:00 am at The Poodle Dog Restaurant in Fife. All WWA members are always welcome.

Thurs, Oct 3	Grays Harbor Chapter Meeting at 6:30 pm at the Evergreen Sportsmen's Club, Rochester, WA
Sat, Oct 5	Farmed Island Tour. See NW Chapter News, See <a href="#">Page 14</a>
Tues, Oct 8	Northwest Chapter Meeting at 6:30 pm at the Conway Fire Hall.
Tues, Oct 8	Whatcom County Council Public Hearing re: proposed NO Shoot Zone at Drayton Harbor. See <a href="#">Page 3</a> .
Oct 12-30	Statewide Waterfowl Season begins, except for Scaup. Closed Oct 31 & Nov 1st.
Sat, Oct 19	Statewide Pheasant Season Opens
Sat, Oct 26	Youth Hunt at the Willapa National Wildlife Refuge. See Flyer <a href="#">Page 22</a>
Sat, Nov 2	Youth Hunt at Ridgefield NWR See <a href="#">Page 11</a>
Nov 2 thru Jan 26	Statewide Waterfowl Season Resumes.

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



# News for the Flock

## Whatcom County Chapter News

By: Matt Berry

### County Council Public Hearing on October 8th

The **Whatcom County Council** is preparing to vote on making **Drayton Harbor** a **No Shooting Zone** based on a petition presented to it by the **City of Blaine**. WA a no shooting zone. **Drayton Harbor** has been hunted safely for decades, but is being threatened by new nearby high end developments and anti-hunters moving into the area.

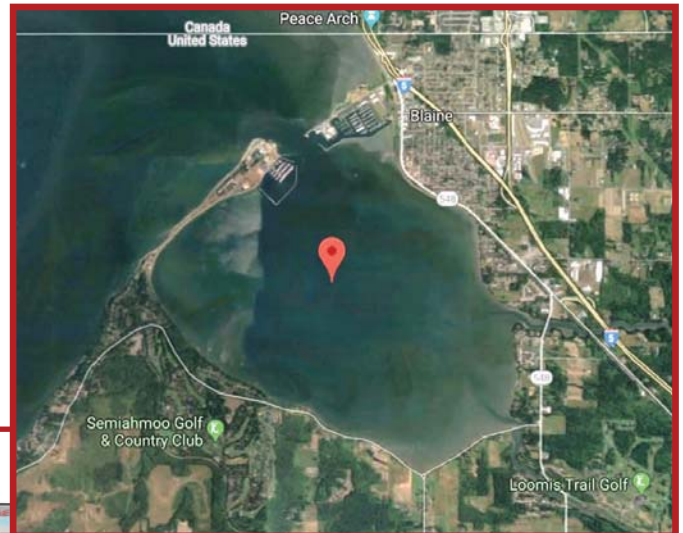
The County Council Clerk is scheduling the ordinance for introduction on the Council's September 24 agenda, with the **public hearing to follow on October 8!**

Thank you to everyone who emailed their thoughts on the matter and/or committed to showing up at the October 8th public hearing to voice your opposition to this proposal. We will be emailing out more information soon on how to become involved. We will need absolutely everyone who hunts this county there in support of our rights!

### Work Party at Nooksack Wildlife Area

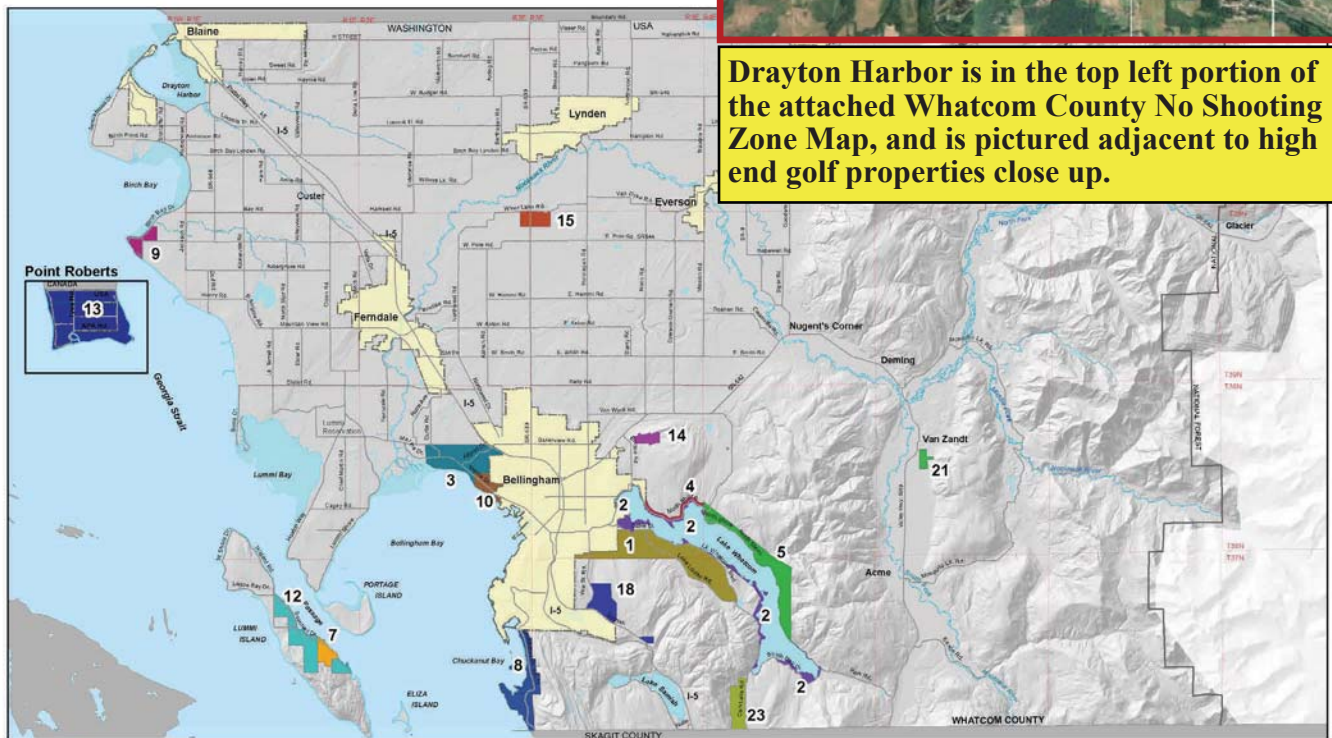
Join the **WWA-Whatcom Chapter** on Saturday, September 21 and Sunday, September 22 from 10:00 am - 12:30 pm. We will be rebuilding, repairing, and brushing blinds at the **Nooksack Wildlife Area Unit**. Tools needed: pruning shears, limb cutters, battery powered tools, saws, gloves, etc.

Please RSVP so we know how much lunch to prepare. We will be barbecuing after the work party. Thank you and see you there!



**Drayton Harbor is in the top left portion of the attached Whatcom County No Shooting Zone Map, and is pictured adjacent to high end golf properties close up.**

## Whatcom County



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### Southwest Chapter News

By: Bruce Burns

#### September Chapter Meeting:

**NOTE:** The **Southwest Chapter** meeting this month has been changed to **September 17, 2019** for this month only!

It will still be at 6:30 at the **Tacoma Sportsmen's Club Education building**. We will be continuing to put together our plans for working on the two (2) duck blinds at **Rapjohn Lake**.

#### National Hunting/Fishing Day is September 28th

The **Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)** and the **Tacoma Sportsmen's Club** are hosting a **FREE National Hunting and Fishing Day Celebration** on Saturday, September 28th. The event will run from 10 am to 4 pm at the **Tacoma Sportsmen's Club**, 16409 Canyon Road E, Puyallup. See Flyer on **Page 5**.

**WWA** stores its **Duck Mount Display Trailer** here, and will set it up and staff it at this year's event. Any **WWA** members not heading to a **WWA** banquet that day — south to Vancouver for the **Lower Columbia Chapter** banquet or north to Mount Vernon for the **Northwest Chapter** banquet — who can volunteer to pull a shift between 10 am and 4 pm, please contact either **Bruce Burns** at (253-961-8802) or **Kurt Snyder** at (360-485-9353).

"This family-oriented event is a great way to introduce youth to target shooting, hunting, fishing, and conservation activities," said **David Whipple**, **WDFW Hunter Education Division Manager**.

**WDFW** invites youth, with their parent or guardian, to participate in shooting sports with department-owned archery equipment, pellet guns, .22 rifles, .223 rifles, and 20 gauge shotguns.

Participants can also enjoy educational displays and hands-on activities including trout fishing, fly tying, rod and reel casting practice, flint knapping, making plaster animal track casts, fish prints, seed balls, and butterfly houses. In addition, all youth participants will receive a reusable drawstring bag with several shooting and outdoor safety-related items. Local and national retailers will also have door prize drawings and giveaways at the event.

"This is a great opportunity to receive training, guidance, and encouragement from certified Hunter Education Instructors, Master Hunters, and Range Safety Officers," according to **Whipple**.

"Youth will also meet with staff and volunteers from the department's **Hunter Education Program**, to learn the importance of hunter safety."

The **National Shooting Sport Foundation** created National Hunting and Fishing Day to celebrate the nationwide conservation successes of hunters and anglers. Congress formalized the day in 1971.

Visit [wdfw.wa.gov/hunting/requirements/education/hunt-fish-day](http://wdfw.wa.gov/hunting/requirements/education/hunt-fish-day) to preregister and learn more about **National Hunting and Fishing Day** and the role hunters and anglers play in conservation across the nation.

### *Midnight Valley Labradors*

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<https://midnightvalleylabs.com>



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A promotional poster for the National Hunting & Fishing Day Celebration. The poster features a central illustration of a rifle and a fishing rod. The rifle is positioned horizontally across the middle, and the fishing rod is curved behind it. The background includes silhouettes of birds in flight on the left and a fish on the right. The text is arranged as follows: 'FREE!' in a red, slanted font in the top left; 'National Hunting & Fishing Day Celebration' in a large, dark red, serif font in the center; 'Saturday, September 28, 2019' in a white, sans-serif font below the title; '10:00 am to 4:00 pm' in a white, sans-serif font below the date; and 'Tacoma Sportsmen's Club, 16409 Canyon Rd. E Puyallup, WA 98375' in a white, sans-serif font at the bottom. The entire poster is enclosed in a decorative border with a checkered pattern.

**FREE!** National Hunting & Fishing Day Celebration

Saturday, September 28, 2019  
10:00 am to 4:00 pm  
Tacoma Sportsmen's Club, 16409 Canyon Rd. E  
Puyallup, WA 98375

In addition to **WWA**, the **NW Chapter of Safari Club International (SCI)** is participating in the **National Hunting and Fishing Day** September 28th from 10 am until 4 pm, at the **Tacoma Sportsmen's Club**. **SCI** will be staffing one of the three (3) youth fishing tanks at that event. The **NW Chapter of SCI**, is one of the prime sponsors of this event. They will have 700 fishing pole rod and reel combinations that they are giving out free to the first 700 kids at this event.

This is a fun event and its all about the kids. There are already over 400 kids preregistered so both **WWA** and **SCI** can certainly use your help. The **Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)** is furnishing lunch for all that help out, so if you want to have some fun and get a free lunch, please contact either **Bruce Burns** at (253-961-8802) or **Kurt Snyder** at (360-485-9353) or **Gary Tennison** for **SCI**, at [gtennison@centurytel.net](mailto:gtennison@centurytel.net) or (253) 549-3777.

# News for the Flock

## Seattle Chapter News

By: John Arrabito

### Youth Mentor Shoot Cancelled

Sometimes good intentions are not enough.

Over the past 14 years Seattle Chapter members **Larry and Kathy Gordon** have been passionate about introducing gun safety skills to the youth of our community. They volunteered their time, energy and materials to provide a positive first time experience to beginning shotgun shooters.

With the **Gordon's** retirement last year, their daughter, **Tricia Ring** and her husband **Royce**, eagerly "took the torch" from her parents and organized and put on the **Mentor Shoot** last year, with the usual help of the many volunteers from the **Seattle**

**Chapter** that have volunteered over the years to provide the **one-on-one supervision** and teaching to each Youth participant, that was the hallmark of this program.

However, what we all super underestimated was the extreme value of the **Gordon's** little "**Mom and Pop**" Gun Shop – **AMS Guns in Woodinville** – to the process. In past years when **WWA** published a monthly hard copy of the **WWA Newsletter**, **Larry** would always take the leftover copies back to their shop to use in the promotion of **WWA**. Through their store **Larry and Kathy** introduced their business clientele to **WWA** and its many programs, including an annual **FREE** safe and educational introduction to the shotgun shooting sports for their children. People who had

no prior knowledge of **WWA**, eagerly signed up their young children up for this event, even though it also demanded a mandatory appearance by a parent or guardian at the event.

Alas with the sale of **AMS Guns** this past year, all of us – the **Gordons, the Rings, the WWA-Seattle Chapter** membership -- were unable to come up with even one youth reservation for this year's scheduled **Mentor Shoot** for late September, and it is with great sadness that I announce its cancellation – hopefully only for this year!

### Thanks for your support of the BJ Brown Memorial Shoot

From **Jennifer Lutz**:  
"Thanks to all that came out to support the 13th Annual **BJ Brown Memorial Trapshoot!** A total of \$1,292 was raised, and \$1,000 of that has been donated to **WWA-Seattle Chapter** and the remaining \$292 has been deposited in the **BJ Brown Memorial Scholarship** through **Northshore School Scholarship Foundation**.

**Jim Painter** took Top Gun for the second year in a row. The **McGovern** boys (**Jacob and Dylan**) took 5-Stand Novice and Handicap Novice!

We appreciate the continued support of the shooting community for this Trapshoot. **BJ** thoroughly enjoyed working at the **Kenmore Range** — personally shooting trap and 5-stand getting himself ready for the upcoming waterfowl hunting seasons!

Wishing you a Safe and Successful hunting season, and **THANK YOU** again!"

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**The Gordons, the Rings, and the Gordon grand daughters, Kaylyn, age 9, and Adaline, age 6.**

**(Seattle Chapter News Continued from Page 6)**

I might add a big THANK YOU to the **Seattle Chapter** members who participated (in alphabetical order) **Tim Adderson** (who came across the pond from **Poulsbo**), **Terry Breidenbach**, **Timon Gasowski**, **John Hanson**, **Paul, Jacob**, and **Dylan McGovern**, **James Ono**, **Jim Painter**, **Marco Pinheiro**, **Craig Sherwood**, **Robb Stack**, **Tim Tinghino**, and **WWA President Rick Holt**, who gave up his Sunday traveling from his home in **Anacortes**.



**(Above) Safety was always Job #1 for Larry Gordon, here shown giving his pre-shoot safety instruction talk. No Youth was allowed to participate in the Youth Mentor Shoot if they did not show up for the Safety Presentation Talk before the event. (Below) One-on-one individualized supervision and instruction was always a mainstay of the Gordon's Youth Mentor Shoot.**

**Ferd Nist Competition has Repeat Champion**

**WWA** has a repeat winner of the annual **Ferd Nist Memorial Shooting Competition** to determine the best shotgunner in **WWA**. **Jim Painter** of the **Seattle Chapter** successfully defended his Championship busting 88 out of 100 targets in **Doubles**, **Continental Trap**, and a **Trap Slider**. Congratulations, **Jim!**

Once again we couldn't entice any members from any other chapters to participate. Any suggestions as to how we can encourage participation in this event for other

**Willapa NWR Youth Hunt October 26th**

**Jackie Ferrier**, **Willapa National Wildlife (NWR) Complex Manager**, reminds hunters, age 16 and younger of the **Youth Hunt** on the Refuge, Saturday, October 26th.

Refuge hunting fees will be waived for all youth and supervising adults, though hunters must have a valid state hunting license, all required federal and state migratory waterfowl stamps, and a hunter education course certificate. See Flyer on **Page 22**.

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### Lower Columbia Chapter News

By: Doug Hargin

#### 16th Annual Chapter Fundraising Banquet

Tickets are available! Saturday September 28th! We can still use your help gathering the gift certificates/cards and donations for this annual fundraising event. Great food, lots merchandise, hunts and fishing trips all rolled into a fun family friendly event! This is your banquet, please engage and participate! Contact **Doug Hargin** (360) 903-6951 for donations or tickets. See Flyer on [Page 10](#).

#### Shillapoo Wildlife Area Work Parties

On Wednesday August 21st we removed blinds #2 and #3 in the **Shillapoo Wildlife Area**. **Area Manager Daren**

**Hauswald** and his assistant **Luke Hawk** were on hand with a trailer. **WWA-LC Chapter** members **Rick Scott, Bob Taylor, Marlin Reinholt, Bill Dose, Jack Whitney** and **Doug Hargin** disassembled the blinds and built a raised platform base for Blind #3.

The following Saturday we constructed replacement blinds on the same foot print of the original blinds. **Daren** and **Luke** brought the trailer loaded with materials purchased by the **Chapter** to replace the structures. We had a good turn out including **Dave Mason, Rich Hannan, Jack Whitney, Dan Hafenbrack, Rick Scott, Bob Taylor, Doug Hargin** and **Arlan Hackett**. Thanks to all who were able to come out and help and to **Arlan** for serving up delicious pulled pork sandwiches!

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Wednesday evening Shillapoo tear down crew with the base built for blind #3. (L-R) Bill Dose, Bob Taylor, Rick Scott, Marlin Reinhold, Jack Whitney, Luke Hawk and Daren Hauswald.



**(LC Chapter News Continued from Page 8)**

**Ridgefield NWR Blind Opening Event**

Meet us on September 21st at the hunt station at 8:00 am sharp to open up the pit blinds and brush up the box blinds on the River S hunt unit at the **Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge (NWR)**.

Bring gloves, waders and boots, bucket, loppers, scoop, machete, zip ties. Tools to help hide the blinds that need it to get them ready for the October opener. As always a BBQ lunch will be provided!

**Refuge Applications Due by September 16th**

Applications and payment must be received (**not post marked**) by 3:30 pm on the 16th of this month. The week day hunting will be severely impacted by the new bridge construction this fall. Go to this link for all the details:

[https://www.fws.gov/refuge/Ridgefield/visit/waterfowl\\_hunting.html](https://www.fws.gov/refuge/Ridgefield/visit/waterfowl_hunting.html)

**Ridgefield NWR Youth Hunt Apps Due by October 4th**

The actual youth hunt will take place Saturday, November 2nd. Check the website listed above for more information on how to apply.

**Youth Hunt at Ridgefield is November 2nd**

This year's **Ridgefield NWR Youth Hunt** will be held on Saturday, November 2nd. Applications for this hunt need to be received by October 4th at the Refuge HQ. While there is usually room for youth without a reservation to hunt, it is best to apply. Those that do apply get to pick their blinds before youth that do not have a reservation.

The **Lower Columbia Chapter** Sponsors this event will prizes for all youth that participate, including duck calls, blind bags etc. A BBQ lunch is provided to all.

If you should have an interest in this coming event, please find attached in information regarding the hunt and also a hunt application on **Pages 11 and 12**. This is a great event for Youth that are 15 or younger.

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**Moses Lake Chapter News**

By: Dick Price

**Pheasants Forever FREE Youth Upland Hunt.**  
See Flyer on **Page 19**.

**Spokane Chapter News**

By: Ramon Guel

**Turnbull NWR Youth Hunt September 28th**

September 28th is fast approaching, and the **Spokane Chapter** is excited for the **Turnbull National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) Youth Hunt**. We have seven (7) youth signed up which is great for such short notice of this returning event.

**Chapter Treasurer, Scotty Allenton**, will be cooking up a goose sausage breakfast for the kiddos before they head out into the blinds. Sounds like a great temptation to get some **Spokane Chapter** members out to help with the event too!

We've enlisted **Pacific Calls** to sponsor the hunt, and they seem eager to continue to build a lasting relationship with the **Washington Waterfowl Association**. See Flyer on **Page 17**.

**Turnbull NWR Work Party**

The **Spokane Chapter** is also volunteering their time on Saturday, October 5th, for a work party at **Turnbull NWR** to celebrate national refuge week. We will be planting trees and mending fences. Everyone is invited from 9:00 am until noon, and there will be food and drink provided for all! More information is on the **Spokane Chapter Facebook Page**. <https://www.facebook.com/wwaspokane/?tn=%2Cd%2CP-R&eid=ARBSayddosh2pthdX4QjVUbNytmWtE-qUMQ-Bpl4hxnV4EnJ9IaAcxkz4otYb13CygQbWbS0CWs-jE6>

If you know of anyone in our jurisdiction that may be interested in joining, but hadn't heard the news of our revival, please send them our way.



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### WATERFOWL BANQUET

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE 16<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WASHINGTON WATERFOWL ASSOCIATION BANQUET, LOWER COLUMBIA CHAPTER

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th, 2019 at 5:30 PM



### CLUB GREEN MEADOWS

7703 N.E. 72<sup>ND</sup> Ave VANCOUVER, WA

DINNER

\$40 SINGLE, \$75 FOR COUPLES

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For Tickets Contact Banquet Chairman, Doug Hargin, at (360)903-6951 or [dlhargin@msn.com](mailto:dlhargin@msn.com)

## Ridgefield NWR Youth Hunt Day



**Only youth will be issued reservations to the morning hunt on this day. Therefore no adult reservations will be accepted for this day. Hunters 15 years of age or younger are eligible for this special hunting opportunity and must be accompanied by an supervising non-hunting adult at least 18 years old.**

**Hunting fees will be waived for all youth and supervising adults. All other refuge hunting program regulations will apply. Also be careful to have appropriate small game license and free state (stamp) validation prior to the hunt. The Refuge has no ability to issue licenses or validations on the day of the hunt! Please also note, goose hunting will not be allowed during youth hunt day. Hunting on this day will be limited to ducks and coot. Supervising adults may not possess firearms in the blind until noon, when general public hunting resumes for the remainder of the hunting day.**

**At noon, unoccupied blinds will be assigned via a ping pong ball lottery for the general public. After the noon blind assignment, the remainder of the day will resume a typical first-come first-serve procedure to occupy vacant blinds. At noon, adults supervising youth hunters with valid licenses/stamps can hunt for the duration of the day.**

**To Apply: Simply mail a postcard to Youth Hunt Day, POB 457 Ridgefield, WA 98642 - or- deliver it in person to Refuge Headquarters at 28908 NW Main Ave, Ridgefield, WA. Postcards must be RECEIVED by close of business on October 4th 2019. On the post card please list your name, age, and a mailing address.**

**Applications are due on October 4th, 2019. Applicants that apply by this date will receive reservations to pick first from the available hunting blinds. Missed the deadline? If you arrive at the check station on the morning of Youth Hunt Day, at least 1 3/4 hours before shooting time, you will be able to choose from the blinds remaining after the reservation youth hunters. Given the typical number of applicants, there will likely be plenty of room on Youth Hunt Day. Please, consider joining the event. Questions? Office # 360 887-4106**

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### Application for Ridgefield NWR Waterfowl Youth Hunt Saturday November 2, 2019

Name (Last, First):

Age:

Mailing Address:

Phone:

To Apply: Simply mail to Youth Hunt Day, POB 457 Ridgefield, WA 98642 - or - deliver it in person to Refuge Headquarters at 28908 NW Main Ave, Ridgefield, WA. Applications must be RECEIVED by close of business on October 4th.

## News for the Flock

### Grays Harbor Chapter News

By: Kurt Snyder

As I write this, I cannot help thinking that I have missed another early goose season. I have not seen many geese in this area, but when I do they are in someone's front yard near to the road I'm driving. I remember days of geese raining down on us in the first few years of the early season. I guess those memories will have to do until NEXT year.....

The **Grays Harbor Chapter's** year is coming to a close, and I do believe we have had another successful one. The only thing we have left is to draw this year's winners of the **Cedarville Farms Hunt for Two Raffle**. The tickets have sold well so far and this just may be another banner year for this great raffle.

Each ticket gets you **TWO chances** at winning a great duck or goose hunt for **TWO hunters!** Overnight accommodations are included. Many thanks to **Cedarville Farms Waterfowl Club** for donating these hunts that benefit **ALL WWA Chapters** who want to participate! See Flyer on **Page 20**.

Preliminary counts show the **LC Chapter** in first place for ticket sales. We only have a few short weeks to sell tickets so get **OUT** there and **SELL!** I will be sending out the reminder messages to the chapters that are selling tickets that they need to be in my hand by the drawing date of **OCTOBER 3rd!**

### Another Successful Youth Shoot

Our 2019 **Colton Smith Memorial Shoot** was another complete success. We only had nine (9) kids shooting and 10 adults volunteering as supervisors, but the event went better than planned. I owe a million thanks to all that volunteered for this great Youth Shoot.

### Wrap Up Meeting October 3rd

As we wrap up our year, I feel extra fortunate that this chapter gets so many volunteers for the events we have. They say the 10% always does 100% of the work, but I think we stay at about 25%! **THANK YOU** all for another very good year.

Our next and last chapter meeting for this season is at the same place, the **Evergreen Sportsmen's Club** near Littlerock at 7:00 pm sharp on the 3rd of October. Our next meeting after that will be the first Thursday of February 2020.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a safe and fun hunting season. May all of your ducks be drakes, your geese be huge, and your gun shoot like it knows what it's doing!

**Kurt Snyder**  
Grays Harbor Chapter



GH Chapter member Brad Roberts backs up his "southpaw" son, Hunter, in a layout blind setup at the Colton Smith Memorial Youth Shoot while event volunteers Linda Bickle and Dick Farrar look on.

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### Northwest Chapter News

By: Rick Billieu

#### Youth Waterfowl Hunts:

Get the kids in the Blinds – signup

On September 21st the **WWA-NW Chapter** is sponsoring youth waterfowl hunts at various locations in north **Puget Sound**. See Flyer on **Page 16**. We'll be running morning hunts, half hour before sunrise to noon and from 1 pm until sunset. All youth will receive a new duck call, whistle and lanyard. **Reservations are required**. First come-first served. Please contact **Rick Skiba**, (360) 387-2225, or [reskiba@msn.com](mailto:reskiba@msn.com) or **Rick Billieu**, (360) 653-8571, or [rgbillieu@frontier.com](mailto:rgbillieu@frontier.com)

**Note:** the EASTERN WA Youth Waterfowl Hunt at **Turnbull NWR** is September 28th. See Flyer on **Page 17**.

#### August Chapter Meeting

Our Guest speaker was **Jacqueline Langston** owner at **Timber Hen Taxidermy**. **Jackie** spoke about how to keep your birds in good shape for the taxidermist. Proper field care is critical to produce the best mounts. She spoke about cleaning methods used prior to delivery to a taxidermist — Tips like not wringing the birds neck, caring for feathers, storage and how damaged birds are fixed prior to the mount process. Excellent tips for all of us that may be planning to mount that special bird or the kids first duck. We also did our annual Swap-meet at the meeting. Thanks to all that brought items to swap, sell or just participate in the activity.

#### September Chapter Meeting

Septembers guest speaker was member **Shawn Tripp**. **Shawn** recently enjoyed the hunt of a lifetime in **Argentina**, southwest of **Buenos Aires**. Can you say lots of ducks, doves and pigeons! The group helped **Shawn** relive his adventure viewing plenty of pictures of the 4-day hunt. Hunts in the morning, mid day and afternoon were on the daily agenda. A few dozen boxes of shells and some of the most beautiful birds on the southern continent.

In the evening they nursed sore shoulders while eating gourmet meals of the days hunt and sipping the local cerveza. Special Thanks to both **Jacqueline** and **Shawn** for attending the chapter meetings and their willingness to share information with the membership.

Don't forget our **4th Annual Banquet** on September 28th. See Flyer on adjacent **Page 15**.

#### October Meeting Guest Speaker

Don't miss this one!

Our October Speaker will be **Rob Wingard (WDFW), Private Lands Biologist for Region 4**. **Rob** will review the regions four different types of access agreements to land-owners — **Feel Free to Hunt, Hunt by Reservation, Register to Hunt, and Hunt by Written Permission**. Members will learn of the private properties enrolled in these programs for the current season and the private lands hunting website. Plenty of hunting area tips and opportunities for questions. Come join us at the October 8th meeting.

#### Farmed Island Tour

Saturday, October 5, 2019 – 10 a.m. start. Bring your Boat or get a ride. Open to everyone (members and public). Cruise the south fork of the **Skagit River** with **WDFW** personnel on-site to provide info on this years planted forage crops. We'll explore the island and check out some of the blinds. For Additional info, contact **Rick Billieu**. **Photos below from 2018 Tour**. (425)299-6704 or [rgbillieu@frontier.com](mailto:rgbillieu@frontier.com)



# News for the Flock

## Washington Waterfowl Association NW Chapter 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Banquet

Saturday Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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**Dinner includes:** BBQ Brisket,  
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drinks

**Youth: \$20 Single: \$40 Couple: \$70**

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Includes: 8 Tickets, WWA  
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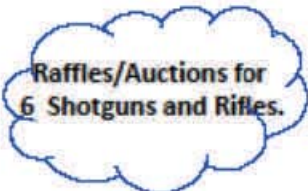
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## News for the Flock

### 2019 Youth Hunt



WWA NW Chapter is once again sponsoring youth waterfowl hunts at various locations in north Puget Sound.

This is an excellent opportunity to mentor youth under 16 years and a great way to introduce youth to the hunting experience and heritage. That first hunt can mark the beginning of a lifelong passion for the outdoors and a commitment to wildlife conservation.

#### Saturday, Sept. 21st

**Edison Hunt Club.** 2 Pit Blinds adjacent to a fresh water pond. Morning and afternoon hunts. 1/2 hour before sunrise until noon and from 1 pm till sunset.

**The Nature Conservancy in Port Susan.** 2 dike blinds. Due to low early morning tides we will hunt from 10 AM until sunset.

**Swinomish Gun Club.** Several dike blinds. Due to low early morning tides we will hunt from 10 AM until sunset.

Experienced support at the blind is available.

Reservations are required. First come-first served. Please contact Rick Skiba [reskiba@msn.com](mailto:reskiba@msn.com) (360) 387-2225 or Rick Billieu, [rgbillieu@frontier.com](mailto:rgbillieu@frontier.com) (360) 653-8571.



## News for the Flock



# Turnbull Youth Hunt

Hosted by

Washington Waterfowl Association

Spokane Chapter &

Pacific Calls



When: September 28th, 2019

Where: Turnbull National Wildlife Refuge

How to Apply: Send a Post Card by August 15th to:

Refuge Manager Turnbull NWR  
206010 South Smith Rd  
Cheney, Washington 99004

Please print clearly

Include Full Name, Address, Telephone Number, Hunting License number for each youth hunter applicant and whether the disabled access site is needed.

Drawing: Turnbull will select 14 hunters (7 blinds with 2 hunters in each blind) prior to the hunt.

Other Information: An adult must be present with all hunters. A dog or kayak will be needed for game recovery. If you have a concern about either please contact WWA Spokane so we can provide a mentor and/or a game recovery tool. Each youth will receive a complimentary duck call from Pacific Calls ([pacificcustomcalls.com](http://pacificcustomcalls.com)).

Hunt Questions Contact Turnbull 509-235-4723 or email  
[Turnbull@fws.gov](mailto:Turnbull@fws.gov)

General Inquiries email WWA Spokane: [wwaspokane@gmail.com](mailto:wwaspokane@gmail.com)

## WWA & WDFW News Briefs

### WWA Looks to Update Its Website

By: James Ono

WWA is trying to revamp our website to increase visibility, drive membership, and communicate our vision and efforts. We would like to collect input and ideas from our member base to help guide the redesign. I have been tasked by the **WWA Board of Directors** to perform this task. The starting point is collecting input from our statewide membership.

Please send your feedback on what you like about our current website; what you don't like; what you would like to see improved or implemented; and what you wouldn't want to see on our website.

Please send feedback to **James Ono**, [j.ono@hotmail.com](mailto:j.ono@hotmail.com)

### Willapa Bay Eel Grass and Early Migration Update

By: Ross Barkhurst

The steadily moving eelgrass die off continues to progress. I have been seeing waves of ducks passing through for over two (2) weeks — Green wing teal, as normal for August and some major movements of Widgeon.

Per an old **Ducks Unlimited** article, it is normal for Widgeon to have an early component that moves through with early teal. I noted that the first week of September a few Pintail went through. The only place Widgeon seem to be holding is **Young's Bay** off **Columbia River** near **Astoria**.

### Avoid the Rush, Complete Hunter Education Now

OLYMPIA The **Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)** reminds prospective hunters to complete their hunter education class before hunting season.

"Since most hunting seasons don't open until September, summer is a great time to enroll in hunter education to ensure you can participate in fall hunting seasons," said **David Whipple, WDFW Hunter Education Division Manager**. "WDFW recommends completing a hunter education course early because late summer and fall courses fill quickly."

WDFW offers both traditional and online options to complete the hunter education requirement.

"The traditional classroom experience includes direct instruction from certified volunteer instructors, which can be important for younger students," **Whipple** said.

"The online course offers the same content, but on the student's schedule. If you take the online course, you must still complete an in-person field skills evaluation." All hunters born after Jan. 1, 1972 must complete a hunter education course to buy a hunting license.

To find a course and learn about hunter education requirements, new hunters should visit the **WDFW** hunter education webpage at <https://wdfw.wa.gov/hunting/requirements/education/basic>.

Those who are unable to complete a hunter education course before the fall hunting seasons may qualify for a hunter education deferral. For more information on the deferral, visit <https://wdfw.wa.gov/hunting/requirements/education/deferral-program>.

### WWC Still Needs Volunteers to Staff Booth at State Fair Which Runs Through Sept. 22nd

By: Robb Stack

There is still a need for volunteers to staff the **Washingtonians for Wildlife Conservation (WWC)** booth at the **Washington State Fair** in Puyallup thru the **Fair's** end date on September, 22nd. **WWC** is an organization of various Washington hunting groups [including **WWA**], who through their **Hunters Heritage Council (HHC)**, lobby the **WA State Legislature** to pass laws that help promote hunting legislation and promotes the good sport we all enjoy.

For a handful of years my wife and I have tended the **WWC** booth at the **Puyallup Fair**. We honestly have fun with this. You get free entry and parking for the **Fair**, but most of all, you get a chance to interact and impact the public in a positive way about hunting and how much hunters do for conservation.

I feel strongly we need to promote the hunting/shooting industry in order to keep our sport alive, so here's a fun way to help. There is still a need for volunteers to staff the **WWC** booth and interact with the public in showing off the furs, skulls and horns of wildlife in a friendly way that puts a good face on hunters and outdoorsmen.

It easy luring youngsters in with interesting animal hides and horns. Little kids can color in stencils of animal tracks... it's a very hands-on display which creates an opportunity to catch someone's ear and offer a short education or hand out a flyer. Grab a buddy, come early, take in the Puyallup Fair, then help take a shift .....for the good of the sport.



## Columbia Basin Pheasants Forever

*Youth Upland Bird Hunt*

*Saturday, Sept. 21, 2019*

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The Columbia Basin Chapter of Pheasants Forever (CBPF) and Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) are partnering in an effort to recruit youth into the sport of hunting by providing youths an opportunity to hunt wild and planted birds in some of the best habitat available in Grant County. The event will be held at the Farm Unit access road just north of Road 10 ([HERE](#)). In the past, the youth hunting event was held at B & G Farms, but the event was moved to accommodate the growing numbers of youth hunters. The hunting area has been in the process of being actively restored and will become prime pheasant habitat once all vegetation becomes fully established.

WDFW Hunter Education instructors will be on site and will help with shooting instruction, will offer "loaner" shotguns, and volunteers will be providing dogs to assist youth hunters. Additionally, Pheasants Forever will providing food for all hunters and parents and will also give away a shotgun to one youth hunting participant, no purchase will be required. For more information, check the [Columbia Basin Chapter of Pheasants Forever - Facebook Page](https://www.facebook.com/ColumbiaBasinPF) (<https://www.facebook.com/ColumbiaBasinPF>) or call the WDFW Ephrata Regional Office at (509) 754-4624.





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## Classifieds – For Sale

### 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.
- Submit your classified ad each month (*we have no way of knowing if you sold/purchased your item or not*).
- Include your contact info. Phone and/or email.

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**Class A 32 ' Winnebago Adventurer** with 1 slide. Sleeps 6. Mileage 44,512. \$19,000.00 or Best offer. Call for information. Contact **Dick Jensen** (360) 491-3761.

**Browning B-80 semi-auto 12 ga.**, as- new, ribbed 27" bbl., Modified Choke, has the semi-hump gas action, very nice gun \$495. Contact **Robert**, 206-909-7189

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**23 Big Foot Canada Goose Decoys**, good condition. 12 have flocked heads/necks. All postures. \$250 OBO. Contact **Matt Klope** 360-672-5100

**Double Gun Journal**, 1989-2017, complete, mint, all original. Make offer. Contact **Kent** 425-778-7490.

**2008 Mercury 15hp long shaft.** Low hours. Macs river runner camo clad or peel off and go back to original. \$1400 or trade for 25hp. Contact **Rick** 360-265-0656

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### For Sale:

**Beretta 3901 Target RL 12 Ga, youth and woman shotgun.** New condition - never has been in a duck blind. Comes with Beretta gun case, 2 chokes and a manual. Gun has spacers to adjust length of pull and an adjustable comb. \$600.00.  
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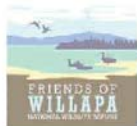


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## OCTOBER 26, 2019 YOUTH WATERFOWL HUNT

### Ben Welton Memorial Youth Waterfowl Hunt

Hunters under 16 years of age are welcomed to participate in this special youth waterfowl hunt at WILLAPA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE. Youth hunters must be accompanied by an adult at least 18 years old who is not hunting. Refuge hunting fees will be waived for all youth and supervising adults during the youth hunt. Hunters must have a valid state hunting license, any required stamps, and a hunter education course certificate. All state regulations for season dates, bag limits, etc. apply. You may arrive up to 1 ½ hours before shoot time and check in at the self registration kiosk. Experienced hunters, food and educational materials will be provide at the times noted.



**8:00am – 1:30pm  
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### WILLAPA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

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## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

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By: Mark Pidgeon

If you have not received your membership card or decal. Please contact **Mark**. As well, if you have questions or changes to your address please contact **Mark** at [marpwwa@gmail.com](mailto:marpwwa@gmail.com) or call 425-221-3986.

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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 **August 2019 Newsletter**.

**WWA Youth Fund — \$2,565**

**WWA Legal Fund — \$18,182**

**Jonathan Knopp — \$10**

**WWA Habitat Fund — \$1,110**

**WWA Heritage Lands Fund — \$11,077**

**WWA General Fund — \$223**

You can contribute in so many ways to the **WWA**, from locally in your Chapter, to statewide, helping the **WWA** carry on! Many donations are tax deductible.

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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](http://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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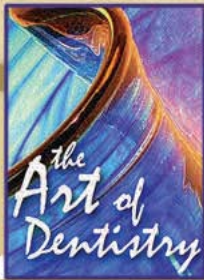
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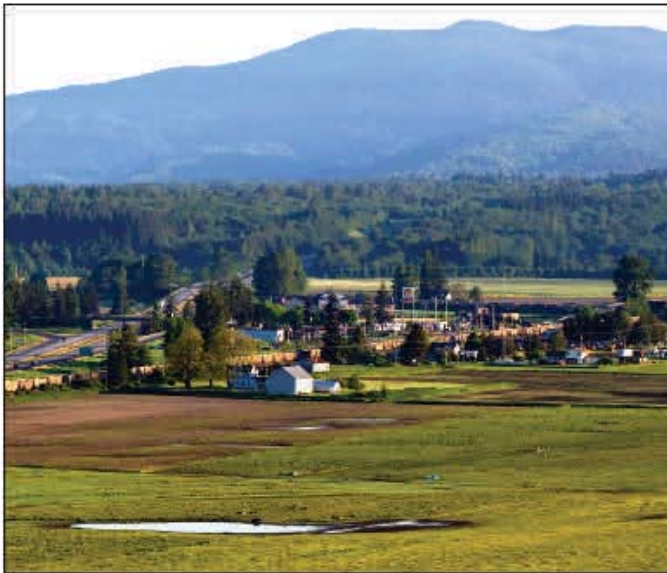
# Heritage Lands



## FARMLAND AND PUBLIC ACCESS PRESERVATION

The WWA is launching a private land/public access program called *Heritage Lands*. The goal is farmland preservation and public outdoor recreation opportunity, with the initial implementation in the Skagit and Stillaguamish River valleys.

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For additional information please contact:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Family (immediate family up to age 18) — | \$ 35.00        |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Regular —                                | \$ 30.00        |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Life —                                   | \$ 500.00       |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Sustaining Life —                        | \$ 750.00       |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Senior (65 or over) -                    | \$ 15.00        |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Junior (under age 18) --                 | \$ 15.00        |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <b>2-Year Regular</b>                    | <b>\$ 50.00</b> | <b>(New)</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <b>2-Year Family</b>                     | <b>\$ 60.00</b> | <b>(New)</b> |
- (2-year memberships not available online)**

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

- 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** — Vacant.
- Lower Columbia Chapter** meets the last Thursday of the month (Jan – Oct) at the **Vancouver Trap Club**, 11100 NE 76th Street in Vancouver.
- Moses Lake Chapter** – Dates and places TBD.
- Northwest Chapter** meets year round the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at the **Conway Fire Hall**.
- Seattle Chapter** meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month (Jan – Oct) at **Kenmore Shotgun Range**, 1031 – 228<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Bothell, WA
- Southwest Chapter** meets on the last Tuesday of the month (Feb – Sept) at the **Tacoma Sportsmen's Club**, 16409 Canyon Road E, Puyallup.
- Spokane Chapter** – Dates and places TBD.
- Tri Cities Chapter** — Dates and places TBD.
- Whatcom County Chapter** meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the of the month (Jan – Nov.) at **Laurel Farm & Western Supply** in Bellingham.
- Yakima Valley Chapter** — Dates and places TBD.

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**A few facts about the WWA:**

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

**Our projects include:**

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