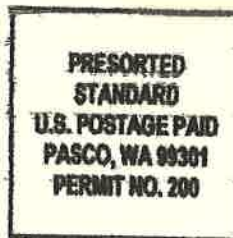


clean. The Mission was very happy to receive the meat which will end up as elk stew. Approximately 19 man hours (8 on 11-4-13 and 11 on 11-5-13) were expended.

**HUNTER EDUCATION INSTRUCTORS NEEDED:** At the present time the Club has four certified Hunter Education instructors. Some of the other instructors we had have retired and other instructors have moved or cannot instruct for various reasons. Don Board, an instructor, may also retire in a year. Younger Club members are needed to step up to the plate and volunteer to become instructors. Females as well as males can become instructors. Instructors must be at least 21 years of age, keenly interested in promoting safety, wildlife conservation and responsible outdoor behavior and willing to teach or assist in at least one class per year. Don can be contacted at 586-7157 or donjoboard@aol.com. This year the Club has sponsored four Hunter Education Classes at the Griggs facility in Pasco. Each class was filled almost immediately. There is a need for more classes in the Tri-Cities, if we had more instructors more classes and youth could be instructed.

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**CLUB PHOTO CONTEST:** Jennifer Gardner entered four photos; one photo was of four boys duck hunting on youth opening weekend, and three photos of Jeff with an elk and a deer he harvested. Dave Myers entered a photo of himself with a Dorado he caught off Cabo San Lucas, Mexico and Mike Estes entered a photo of Kirby Hammond assisting Teddy Harrold fight a Chinook Salmon on the Hanford Reach. Jennifer's photo of the four youth duck hunters was the winner, she will receive five free raffle tickets at the December General Meeting. The photos can be viewed at <http://www.facebook.com/RichlandRodandGunClub>. Club members can bring photo entries to Club General Meetings or Club Board meetings. Members may also submit digital photos (a jpg file) to rroguc@aol.com and prints will be made for the Board to judge.



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## MEETINGS AND DEADLINES

DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING - Tuesday December 3, 7:00 p.m.

BOARD MEETING - Tuesday, December 17, 7:00 p.m. - Hunter Education Facility at Griggs in Pasco

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE December 17, CALL EDDIE AT 586-6009 or [emanthos@aol.com](mailto:emanthos@aol.com)

## DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING

- The December meeting will be 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 3 at the Kennewick Elks Lodge. Members/visitors from Richland or Pasco can access the lodge by taking Columbia Center Blvd. Drive and proceed to the stop light at Clearwater. Turn left onto Clearwater and go two blocks to An S Colorado St. (at the McDonalds Drive in), turn right on S. Colorado and go about two blocks and the street will dead end at the Elks parking lots. Kennewick residents can drive on Clearwater and turn onto S. Colorado. Map directions can be seen at: [www.northwestgamerecipes.com/clubhome/id22.htm](http://www.northwestgamerecipes.com/clubhome/id22.htm)
- The meeting topic will be Walleye Fishing and the presenter is Kimo Gabriel owner and guide of Gabriel Guides a Columbia River Guide Service. He specializes in walleye fishing and is the former Washington state walleye record holder at 18.9 lbs. Kimo fishes for walleye on the Columbia River, Banks Lake, Moses Lake, and Potholes Reservoir. December through March is the best time for fishing for pre-spawn walleye trophies. In the interest of preserving the walleye species he will not keep any walleye over 8 lbs.
- Bring a guest(s) to the meeting and he/she will receive five free raffle tickets.
- As usual there will be a very good selection of raffle prizes selected by Richard Sharp.

## NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING REPORT

Club president Jeff Gardner opened the November 5 meeting to a full house, 100 people or more. After the Club pledge at least twenty visitors stood up, introduced themselves and received five free raffle tickets. Gene Van Liew described the Salmon In The Classroom Project where students raise salmon from eggs to smolt in a 75 gallon fish tank in their class room. They are then released into the Columbia River early in May. There are 33 tanks in the Tri-Cities schools and six tanks in other local schools. The salmon eggs will be available early in January and will be delivered to the individual schools by Club volunteers. Gene needs more volunteers to help at the dissections and other projects such as salmon egg delivery, contact him at 946-7738 if you can help. Ron Ruth discussed the Club's Hunter Education Program and stated that there is a need for more instructors. The Club has conducted four classes this year. The last class filled up within a half hour after it was posted on the WDFW web site. He stated that if we had more instructors we could conduct more classes. Richard Sharp discussed the results of the Largest Steelhead Derby that was held in mid-October. He also discussed the three fishing derbies that are held annually, the Mity Mite Derby, Moonlight Catfish Derby and the Largest Steelhead Derby. Chris Mosher described the Club's Game Recovery program and discussed the 51<sup>st</sup> recovery. Rick Libby stated that he had Club hats for \$10 and 2014 Club calendars for sale at \$3 each. Jeff Gardner and Mike Estes made announcements. Richard Sharp then enumerated the evening's raffle prizes (the Mystery Box was really great).

• After a short break, Kirby Hammond introduced the first speaker of the evening, Scott Attwood from Atwood's Northwest Guide Service whose topic was Winter Steelhead fishing. Scott resides in Kennewick and stated that he has been a fishing addict since he was eight years old. He can be contacted at (509) 521-8211 and at [www.atwoodsnwguideserviceinc.com/index.html](http://www.atwoodsnwguideserviceinc.com/index.html). He is a member of Ranch and Home's Pro Staff and is associated with the Yakima Bait Co. He is presently guiding in Hells Canyon and provides a quality fishing guide service for the Columbia, Snake and Grande Ronde Rivers. He prefers side-drift fishing with a 12 1/2 ft. Shimano rod. He casts upstream and allows the lure to drag past the boat and then fishes with the boat motor in reverse. He prefers quality monofilament line, 8-10 lb. test and believes that braided line is too sensitive. The lure he uses is *Monoflash* with a pink corky on a red Gamakatsu #4 hook. His main line is 10 lb. test and his leader is 8 lb. test, 6 to 7 ft. long. His favorite color at the time of the meeting was chartreuse. Water temperature at Hanford is about 50°, as the water temperature cools he likes Power Bait. He also likes pink or chartreuse *Monoflash* with scent. He stated that steelhead fishing at Hanford starts about December 26 and is slow but picks up as spring approaches.

• Kirby then introduced TJ Hester of Hesters Sportfishing. He can be contacted at (509) 388-7906 or by e-mail at [tjhester@ranch-home.com](mailto:tjhester@ranch-home.com). He is the Fishing Dept. Manager at Ranch and Home in Kennewick. TJ likes to drift fish with a Lamiglas X-11 rod and a low profile casting reel. His main line is braided 20 to 30 lb. Power Pro Super 8 Slick and his leader is 12 lb. monofilament line. His boat speed is 1.1 to 1.5 mph. He changes the hooks on all the lures he uses and replaces them with Gamakatsu Big River hooks. His favorite plug colors are pink or black, he does not wrap his lures with bait. While drifting he prefers the lure to be about 80 ft. from the boat. He demonstrated how to rig a *Prawn Spinner* and emphasized that the prawn head should be at the back of the spinner and the tail at the front with the tail up. He showed how to mooch with a bobber and spinner. He uses 7 lb. Berkley Nanofil as the leader. He buys the spinners he uses for prawn spinners from Yakima Bait Co. After both speakers finished they answered many, many questions from the audience and after the meeting was over many stayed to examine the equipment used and ask even more questions.

• Raffle Prize Drawing Winners were Scott Selvoy who won an 8 ft. spinning combo with drift and float accessories, Kyle Baumgarner who won an 8 ft. Vance custom spiral wrap rod and Magda line counter reel with lighted lures, Dave Cerkensmeyer and Mike Becker each won a Real Tree fleece hood, Richard Sharp won a folding camo seat with back rest, Jim Cartmell won a Flambeau Dry tackle box, Mike Madison won a \$5.00 Ranch & Home gift card, Robert Welch won a \$50.00 Ranch and Home gift card, Paul Meyer won a \$20.00 Ranch and Home gift card, Jay Thomas won a coupler for propane bottles, Brian Home won a serrated machete with sheath, Doug Schuetze won an all-purpose battery charger and Jim Stidham won the big Mystery Box that contained a bird house, bird feeder and bag of bird seed and a heated bird bath.

**WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:** Ted Lewis, Scott & Julie Strickland and family and Helen Newman and family all from Kennewick and Robert Moore from Richland. .

**GAME RECOVERY EVENT #51:** On October 25, 2013 at 3:45 PM WDFW Officer Brian Fulton called Paul Kison for recovery assistance for a young mule deer doe that was injured in Badger Canyon, south

**GAME RECOVERY EVENT #53:** A private citizen with knowledge of RR&GC game recovery activities and WDFW Enforcement personnel notified Paul Kison on November 20, 2013 at 11:35 AM to pick up a deer at WDFW Headquarters in Pasco. The deer had been confiscated by WDFW personnel from a muzzleloader hunter. The deer was a two point buck with average body size that had been field dressed by the hunter prior to being confiscated. The meat was delivered to the Union Gospel Mission on 11/21/13. The antlers were removed by WDFW personnel prior to pick up.

**2014 TRI-CITIES SPORTSMEN SHOW/LUNKER LAKE/PELLET RIFLE RANGE:** The 21st Annual Tri-Cities Sportsmen Show will open Friday, January 17, 2013 at the TRAC facility outside Pasco and run through Sunday, January 19. The Club will again man the Lunker Lake Fishing Pond and help manage the Air Rifle Shooting Range for the 21th consecutive year at the Tri-Cities Sportsmen Show on the three days.

• Many volunteers will be needed to man the pond and Air Rifle range. Volunteers will be needed to man the pond in 2 1/2 to 4 hour shifts. If you have not volunteered and you wish to volunteer please call Marilyn Steele at 392-2128 or Don Board at 586-7157 for the Air Rifle Range. Your duties at Lunker Lake will consist of baiting the hook for each child, removing the fish, after it is caught, and placing it in a plastic bag, after you have dispatched it. You will get a big kick out of working with the kids. A group of about six volunteers or more will be needed **Thursday morning**

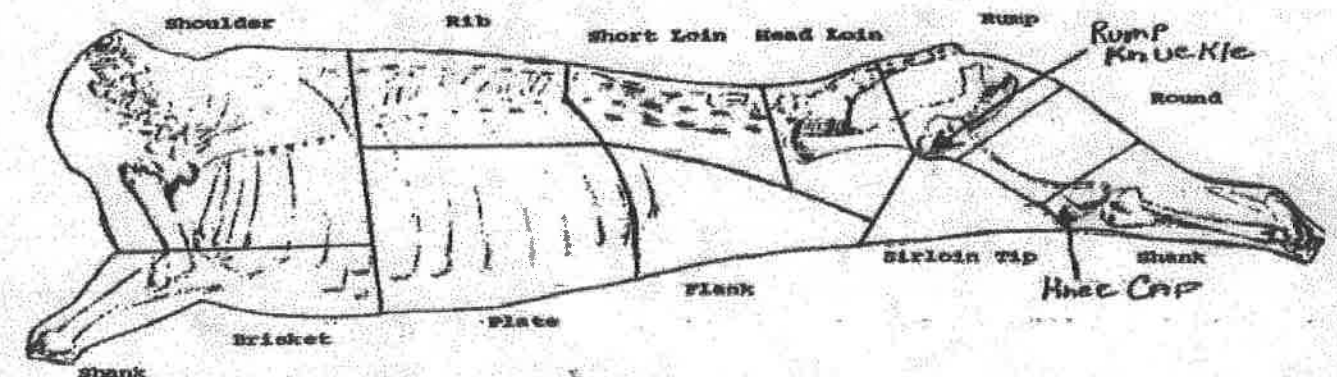
**January 16**, starting at 9:00 a.m. to set up the fishing pond. During the show a minimum of 16 volunteers per shift will be needed to man Lunker Lake. Shift times for set up of the fishing pond are 9:00a.m. to noon, depending on when the fish will arrive. on Thursday the 16th. Shift times for Friday the 17th are 12:30-3:30 p.m., and 3:00 -7:00 p.m. **Saturday** the 18th, shifts will be from 9:30-12:30 p.m., 12:00-3:00 p.m. and 2:30-6:00p.m. **Sunday** the 19th, shifts will be from 9:30 a.m-2:00 p.m. and 1:30-5:00 p.m., the last shift will be 4:30 p.m. to finish (about 7:00 p.m.) will stay over to help drain and disassemble the pond. The Shifts have a half hour overlap for transition. A cashier and a leader are needed for each shift.

• Lunker Lake volunteers should wear eye protection, bring a needle nose pliers or hemostat to remove the hook from the fish and bring a towel(s) to wipe your hands after you have handled a fish. Bait (Powerbait and salmon eggs and worms provided for Sunday) will be provided, if you have a favorite color power bait you can give it a try and maggots have also been hot. Soft drinks and bottled water will be provided for the volunteers, food - usually a bowl of some sort of soup will also be available. Be prepared to have a great time with the youngsters and be patient with pushy parents. All volunteers will get free admission to the show on the day they are working at the pond or shooting range. Parking will be free again this year. Profits from Lunker Lake are returned to the Club and are used to send youth to the Washington State Youth Conservation Camp. More information about the show is at [www.shuylorproductions.com/](http://www.shuylorproductions.com/)

• Volunteers will have free admission to the show on the day you sign up to volunteer.

More information and signup sheets will be presented at the December and January General Meetings. The Show will be open to the public Friday: 1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. and Sunday: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. General admission to the public will be Adults: \$9.00, Children 6-12: \$4.50 and

**ATTENTION HUNTERS!!:** The hunting season has started and it is time to set aside some of your harvest for the Club's annual Wild Game Dinner that will be held in March 2014. Donations of game meat including waterfowl and other unique game meat such as bear, boar, or cougar, upland birds and clean, boneless big game roasts and steaks are desired. Halibut, Steelhead and salmon are also needed. A good big game roast is the sirloin tip. It is boneless, relatively tender but dry; therefore it should be cooked with moisture in a closed pan. Every hunter, whether he cuts his own meat or not, can remove this roast as shown below. Clean the meat or fish thoroughly, pat it dry and double wrap it; first with plastic wrap and then with waxed freezer paper. Be sure to squeeze all the air out around the meat (**NO GROUND MEAT PLEASE**). Seal with tape and mark package as to what it contains and with **your name and hunting license number**. Bring the package(s) to the General or Board Meetings. The packages will be placed in an ice chest(s) and then stored in a freezer. Your donations will help make the Wild Game Dinner a big success. Good hunting and good fishing! **Meat donations have been very low.**



**GAME RECOVERY EVENT #52:** Larry Martin received a call from WDFW officer Brian Fulton 11-4-13 at 5:15 PM. about an elk that had been hit by a car west of Richland on highway 240 at mile post 11. Brian was on his way to the elk when he called and said he would remain there at the scene to help if needed, he also mentioned the elk was still alive and it would put it out of its misery. Larry called Bob Kolowith who said he would meet Larry at the Richland Fred Meyers as soon as he could get there. They got to the elk at about 6:20 PM. There were four WDFW personnel at the scene including Don Hand, they had already gutted the 6 point bull which made our work much easier. The officers sawed off the antlers and then they all helped load the whole animal into the bed of Larry's truck. Bob and Larry took the elk to Larry's home where they skinned and quartered it and let it cool over-night. The following morning they boned out the elk and delivered the meat to the Union Gospel Mission in Pasco. They were able to save all of the meat from three legs, plus the back strap and quite a bit of other meat which turned out to be very good and