



# RICHLAND ROD & GUN CLUB

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I GIVE MY PLEDGE AS AN AMERICAN, TO SAVE AND FAITHFULLY DEFEND FROM WASTE, THE NATURAL RESOURCES OF MY COUNTRY; ITS AIR, SOILS AND MINERALS, ITS FORESTS, WATERS AND WILDLIFE. I WILL HELP EDUCATE FUTURE GENERATIONS TO BE RESPONSIBLE CARETAKERS OF THE RESOURCES OF AMERICA

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## 2015-2016 Officers

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Frank Scopa, Sec. 375-4748

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## MEETINGS AND DEADLINES

NEXT GENERAL MEETING-7 pm, Tuesday September 1, Richland Public Library, 955 Northgate Drive, Richland

BOARD MEETING—7 pm, Tuesday, September 15th, Hunter Education Facility at Griggs in Pasco

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE-September 27th, Call Frank Scopa at 375-4748 or

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**MEMBERSHIP AND DUES: THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL ATTEMPTS BY RRGCL LEADERSHIP TO KEEP THE MEMBERSHIP ROLLS COMPLETE AND UP TO DATE. THE EFFORT TO MAINTAIN CURRENCY IS A SIGNIFICANT VOLUNTEER EFFORT. OVER THE NEXT TWO MONTHS, THERE WILL BE AN ADDITION TO THE MEMBERS' ADDRESSES. THERE WILL BE A SUFFIX ADDED AFTER YOUR NAME TO REFLECT THE YEAR THAT YOUR DUES ARE PAID THROUGH. (EXAMPLE, SMITH (2017)). IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS CONTACT JENNIFER GARDNER IF THERE IS ANY DOUBT AS TO YOUR MEMBERSHIP STATUS. JENNIFER CAN BE REACHED AT "JEN\_GARDNER11@YAHOO.COM". THERE WILL BE A PURGING OF MEMBERS IF YOUR 2015 DUES ARE NOT MADE CURRENT BY SEPTEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>. YOUR DUES MUST BE PAID THROUGH MARCH 2016.**

**TOP SHOT:** The following was copied from the RRGCL Face Book page.

“It was mighty hot out there! Some very good shooting. Seems like we all could have shot a few more rounds, once everything got rolling. We did manage to all shoot, despite some confusion about numbering of targets.

### THE WINNERS

Centerfire (100 Max Score) - Tom Strycula 98 , Chris Mosher 70, Larry Martin 70

Rimfire (100 Max Score) – Chris Mosher 66, Tom Strycula 50, Dale Schielke 49

Handgun (150 Max Score) – Jack Pickard 131, Larry Martin 127, Butch Corriveau 114

Shotgun (7/7 Max Score) Dale Schielke 7/7, Dave Myers 7/9, Tom Strycula 7/10

We need to do this again. It was fun, but we need to schedule it for early in the morning, before it gets too hot. And it was just TOO HOT! We have really learned a lot on how to make it easier on everybody, and have more fun doing it. We also need to promote it more within the Club since almost every member has a gun that he/she could use. Thanks for participating Dave & Butch.”

**SALMON BOOTH:** Dale Schielke again provided the leadership for this year’s effort for the Salmon Booth for the Allied Arts Association “Art in the Park”. The dates were the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of July. The booth was assembled on the evening of Thursday and the fish was prepared also on the evening of Thursday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July. There were sufficient volunteers for all of the shifts which was very much appreciated. We sold out on salmon dinners and sandwiches approximately 5:00 PM on Saturday evening. We had three pieces of BBQ chicken left when the booth was shut down. The booth and all of the site clean-up was completed by approximately 7:30 PM Saturday evening. Please extend a sincere word of thanks to Dale for his successful effort and leadership. Columbia Basin Fly Casters had the lead in this year’s effort. The profit from the Salmon Booth came to \$2,992.42 for RRG. This is down from last year but 2014 was an exceptional year. Thanks to all of the volunteers for making this 31<sup>st</sup> consecutive year once again successful.

**RRGC PICNIC:** The RRG picnic the 4<sup>th</sup> of August at the Leslie Groves Park gazebo located east of Harris Avenue on Park Street in Richland. The cooking started at approximately 4:00 PM salmon and BBQ chicken was served just a little after 6:00 PM. Neither Dale Schielke nor Dave Myers were in attendance this year and the picnic leadership and food preparation fell by default to our VP Richard Sharp. Richard’s effort as the lead was excellent with no notable difference from Dale and Dave’s previous efforts. Thanks to the volunteers that assisted Richard, Ben Burdett, Howard Gardner, Jack Pickard and Frank Scopa. There was a significant amount of fishing gear available for sale at the picnic. The fishing gear was donated to RRG and offered to club members. Some of the gear was sold via a silent auction. While an accurate head count was not performed as to the number of attendees, it was estimated that between 43 and 50 people attended the picnic. As per tradition, the annual Liar’s Club competition was the after dinner entertainment. The winners were as follows; Third Place – the tag team of Olivia Clapper and Kayla Rowell, Second Place – Daxton Cummings and First Place – Mike Estes (RRG President). Thanks to everyone that attended and participated.

**HUNTERS EDUCATION:** Ron Ruth thanks the volunteer members for their support on the successful completion of another Hunter Education Class. There will be another RRG sponsored Hunter Education Class. It is scheduled for the week of 9/28/15. The date is based on the availability of the Griggs Hunters Education Room and the range availability. We will begin class Monday the 28th and go through Friday the 2nd of Oct. from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Range day will be on Saturday the 3rd of Oct. from about 11:00 AM to about 3:00 PM. The class will finish on Monday the 5th of Oct with the final exam. There is a need for additional volunteers to be present for the classroom time as well as the range day. Please contact Ron Ruth at [ron-rose@frontier.com](mailto:ron-rose@frontier.com) if you can assist. Ron also has a schedule that can be provided to prospective volunteers. Ron will be in the classroom at all times and will need at least one other person for the Washington State 2 on 1 rule. We will need at least two instructors or volunteers for each class period and three instructors for live fire on range day. Ron also announced that Ben Burdett completed the WDFW Hunter Education Instructor Course.

**CONSERVATION CAMP:** Larry Martin reported that the six youngsters sponsored by RRG will provide their report about their time at this year’s Youth Conservation Camp. Alec Markel, a previously RRG sponsored attendee will also provide a report about his participation as a camp counselor. Alec’s family recently joined RRG with a family membership.

**CONSERVATION:** Larry Martin informed the Board that six guzzlers were checked in the Prosser area. Of the six, one was badly damaged and several need minor repairs or upgrades. Larry stated that with the ALEA funding, he would be able to purchase the additional materials that would be need in

addition to the materials he has on hand. He also informed the Board that all volunteer hours have to be reported to WDFW at a rate of \$21/hour. The \$21/hour rate provides quantification of the volunteer efforts.

**WOOD DUCKS:** Dale Schielke reported that 37 youngsters attended a presentation that he gave at the Richland Public Library. They were also able to assist in building wood duck boxes. Duck Day at the McNary Refuge will be the 12<sup>th</sup> of September. There will be duck banding, a taxidermy demonstration, a retriever demonstration as well as a presentation on gun safety.

**GAME RECOVERY:** Chris Mosher reported that one 4x5 bull elk was recovered near Othello. The bull died after exhausting itself while tangled in hay tarps and ropes. Chris was able to debone the carcass and deliver approximately 500 pound of meat to the Union Gospel Mission in Pasco.

**BULLETIN HELP: Frank Scopa**

If you are receiving this bulletin via U.S. Mail and you have an email account, please send an e-mail to Frank Scopa at [secretary.rrgc@yahoo.com](mailto:secretary.rrgc@yahoo.com) with your email address. We are now current as to mailing addresses for the hard copies. We are down to 49 members receiving hard copies via the US Mail. New members will be added as the information is received. If you are receiving both a hard copy and an e-mail copy, please let me know. We are now mailing and/or emailing a copy of the monthly newsletter to the following organizations to keep them abreast of our activities; Ranch and Home, Sportsman's Warehouse, Griggs Ace Hardware and Columbia River Catering Co. The businesses listed have been sponsors in the past. When you do business with them, thank them for their sponsorship and let them know you belong to RRGc.

**NEW MEMBERS AND MEMBERSHIP:** No new membership applications were received this month. Jennifer Gardner continues as the Membership Chair. She can be contacted at 509-981-9366 (Spokane number).

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Richard Libby presented the Treasurer's Report for July. The report was approved by the Board of Directors at the Board Meeting held on August 18th. Rick also provided a copy of the final accounting of the Salmon Booth. He also provided a spreadsheet of the Salmon Booth results for the past 30 years. He can be contacted at [Big\\_guy@charter.net](mailto:Big_guy@charter.net) if you would like a copy.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:** September 15th, 7:00PM, Griggs Hunters' Education Room, Pasco. All RR&GC members are invited to attend.

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING:** September 1, at the Richland Public Library at 7:00 PM.

**WILD GAME DINNER:** A Committee was established to recommend a WGD speaker for future dinners. Dale Schielke took the lead on this effort. The other committee members are Dave Myers and Frank Scopa. Four speakers were considered and a recommendation was made to schedule Mr. John Clements as our guest speaker. Dale has confirmed Mr. Clements availability and Mr. Clements has accepted our invitation. He is a well-regarded scenic photographer and he has made a presentation once before at a previous Wild Game Dinner.

**DATA MANAGEMENT:** A committee was formed to establish a path forward for the recording of RRGc documents, photos and to establish an electronic history of RRGc. The committee consists of Russ Wyer, Sam Morrison, PhD, and Frank Scopa. There has been input and discussions with Rick Libby, Treasurer, Jennifer Gardner, Membership and Frank Scopa, Secretary. Russ Wyer and Sam Morrison provided a report on the future Data Management effort. There will be a "Drop Box" or "Cloud" location that will be owned and operated by RRGc. One of the limitations of the storage location will be that there will be limited storage for RRGc photos. Photos will have to be updated and will be made available for viewing for the limited period of time. There will be file locations within the storage location for each of the RRGc officer positions plus committee chairs. An important item that

will need to be provided will be “continuity sheets” for each of the club officer positions and committee chairs. The “continuity sheets” would be required for each position/activity chair that requires specialized knowledge or points of contact. As the maturation of the Data Management process continues, necessary training will be provided for those that feel the need. This will allow data access and input to be standardized. Mr. Wyer expects the entire process to take 18 months to complete.

**PHOTO OF THE MONTH:** Chris Mosher and his daughter deboning the recovered bull elk mentioned in the Game Recovery report.

**WANT ADS:** Harvey Huisingh has 45 pounds of 00 buck shot for sale. It is from the National Lead Co. and listed as “Hoyt”. \$80 or best offer. Harvey can be reached at 509 943 9326.

Both Jack Pickard and Frank Scopa each have lead sleds that can be borrowed by club members only for sighting-in rifles. Jack can be reached at [jlpick66@gmail.com](mailto:jlpick66@gmail.com). Frank can be reached at [secretary.rrgc@yahoo.com](mailto:secretary.rrgc@yahoo.com).

**If you have anything that needs to be in the Want Ads section or information that you would like to convey to the general membership, please keep in mind that the cut-off date for inclusion is normally the Sunday after the Executive Board Meeting. Send your information to [secretary.rrgc@yahoo.com](mailto:secretary.rrgc@yahoo.com)**

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