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CALL: Ray Lloyd on 946-6050

FOR SALE: 61 camp trailer, good shape, everything works! Frig, heater, stove. \$700 943-0855

SCHOLARSHIP

Howard Gardner is in charge of the new wildlife scholarship established in the name of Dick Fitzner. It is anticipated this scholarship will be awarded for the next semester at WSU. Contact Howard for qualifications needed or if you have any other questions.



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JANUARY, 1993

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COMING EVENTS

GENERAL MEETING - TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1993, 7:30 p.m. Richland Public Library

Board Meeting - Tuesday, January 19, 1993, 7:00 p.m. Richland Public Library Conference Room

Bulletin Deadline - Friday, January 22, 1993, contact Anita

DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING REPORT

Our guest speaker for the December General Meeting was Dean Lydig, Chairman of the Washington Wildlife Commission. Dean is knowledgeable about our concerns and the issues we as hunters, fishermen, sportsmen and conservationists have. His job is to find the best solutions to those problems. Dean's presentation was very informative and sparked some valuable questions and answers. Dean brought the final report of the Review Committee which was a volunteer committee assembled to review the Washington State Department of Wildlife. The primary focus of the Committee was answering three questions: 1) Is the Washington Department of Wildlife managed efficiently? 2) What is the current cost and the potential cost of fully expanded programs? 3) How should Department programs be funded and what sources could be used to expand programs? This report is available through our Secretary, Anita Jeffs, if you missed the meeting and would like to read it. Also available from the meeting is a fact sheet on the Economic Impact of Wildlife-Related Recreation in Washington.

Door prize winners for the evening were:

Dean Thompson	-	Bushnell 7 x 35 Insta-focus binoculars
Rocky Ross	-	Wool gloves
Don Hand	-	Fishing grab bag

New officers and a Board of Trustees for 1993 were elected at the December General Meeting.
Elected were:

Officers

President	Mike Estes	582-2212
Vice President	Jack Pickard	582-5397
Treasurer	Tom Davis	946-7747
Secretary	Anita Jeffs	943-0855
Past President	John Pfeiffer	627-5429

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Steve Wray	943-4777
Jerry Zeitler	545-6694

Volunteers to the Board

Howard Gardner	943-9084
Dale Schielke	375-0183

Congratulations to these concerned members who have accepted the responsibility to plan and execute the Club programs and affairs. These members are here for you, so please give them a call if you have any questions.

JANUARY 1993 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING!

The speaker for the January 5, 1993, general meeting will be Mike Krei, Senior Field Representative for the National Rifle Association (NRA) in the states of Washington and Oregon. The topic of Mike's presentation will be "Hunter Harassmentt." Although we are inclined to believe this problem exists only in other areas of the country and happens only to hunters we don't know personally, such is not the case. Come and listen to Mike's recommendations on how to handle these very difficult situations you may encounter if you are confronted by anti-hunters. This will also be your opportunity to question Mike about any issues or activities of the NRA that might be of interest to you!

**GENERAL MEETING - TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1993, 7:30 P.M.
RICHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY**

THANK YOU TO THE RR&GC VOLUNTEERS!

Many thanks to the officers, board members and volunteers who made 1992 such a memorable year for the Richland Rod & Gun Club. Literally thousands of hours were donated to attend meetings and work on projects like the salmon booth at the Allied Arts Sidewalk Show, habitat planting, installation of disabled hunter duck blinds, the outdoor survival seminar, hunter education instruction, reconstruction of bird waterers in the Horse Heaven Hills, maintenance of the wood duck nesting boxes, preparing and serving the Big Game Dinner, and reviewing and commenting on a variety of EIS and proposed management plans for the Hanford Reach, federal wildlife refuges, national forests, etc. The benefits of all this effort are many. Monies earned were used to send several youths to conservation camp and to fund contributions to many wildlife projects and organizations. Likewise, the input that we have made to numerous governmental bodies on a variety of plans and projects will hopefully help preserve our outdoor resources for the enjoyment of all. Thanks to everyone for a job well done!

HUNTER EDUCATION - Howard Gardner

Howard Gardner, Instructor for our Hunter Education programs announces: "In November and December, two Hunter Education classes were held, one in Richland for 22 students and one in Benton City for 19 students." Assisting Howard in the classes were Jerry Zeitler for muzzleloading and Max Jones for bow hunting.

NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome our new members:

Harvey Christ and family of Kennewick
Jim Sanders of Richland
Ernie Fontana and family of Richland

We extend our warmest welcome to you and look forward to seeing you at our meetings!

QUALITY HUNT

Arlen Schade who won the Quality Hunt drawing at the Big Game Dinner last March, will leave with his partner Jerry Bloom, for west Texas Barberry Sheep and other exotic species hunting. Join Arlen and Jerry at the General Meeting in March to view and hear their story! Good luck guys!!

TRIVIA WINNERS

The winner of the December trivia question "Only steelhead with missing adipose or ventral fins may be possessed" was Scott Estes. There were six correct entries. There isn't a trivia questions this month. We are looking for new ideas similar to our trivia contest, to help the readership of our newsletter. If you have any ideas, please let Jack Pickard know, 582-5397.

BIG GAME DINNER

It is not too early to be thinking about our annual Big Game Dinner, my mouth is watering already thinking of the tender juicy meat to be served! If you would like to donate your wild game for the dinner, or sign up to help cook and/or serve, please contact John Pfeiffer at 627-5429. Meanwhile, be sure to mark your calendars for March 27th!!

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1993 Big Game Dinner
Saturday, March 27, 1993
Richland Knights of Columbus Hall
Social Hour 6 pm Dinner 7 pm

Please send me _____ tickets at \$12.50 each for the Annual Big Game Dinner. Orders postmarked on or before March 2, 1993, will receive one "Early Bird" drawing stub for each ticket purchased. Also, enclosed is \$_____ for _____ tickets for the Quality Trip Drawing at \$15 each (see the rules above). Enclosed is my check payable to the Richland Rod and Gun Club for \$_____. Mail to John Pfeiffer, 2061 Appaloosa Way, Richland, WA 99352.

Oops!! Don Frick won a pair of binoculars as a door prize at our last General Meeting!! But, who won the hat??

Well! Where ARE those good ideas to help increase the readership of our bulletin?? Please give us a hint — what would you like to read about in the bulletin? Call Anita on 943-0855 or mail your ideas to her at 1424 Goethals Dr., Richland, WA 99352



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COMING EVENTS

General Meeting - Tuesday, February 2, 1993 - 7:30 p.m. Richland Public Library

Board Meeting - Tuesday, February 16, 1993 - 7:00 p.m. Richland Public Library

Bulletin Deadline - Friday, February 19, 1993 - Contact Anita Jeffs at 943-0855

DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING REPORT

Mike Krei, National Rifle Association (NRA) Senior Field Representative for Washington and Oregon was our guest speaker. Mike gave a good presentation on hunter harassment across the U.S. and right here in Washington. Mike showed a video which showed examples of media bias and clips of animal rights and anti hunting representatives speaking out. Mike also warned us to watch for local, state and federal legislation with the term "non-leathal" wildlife management. Such terminology can be easily overlooked and the results would eliminate public hunting.

The NRA will hold several Advanced Hunter Education Skills seminars in the northwest this spring:

Spokane March 7th
Everett March 9th
Portland March 11th

The Spokane seminar will be held at the Spokane Convention Center. The cost for the seminars are \$10 for NRA members and \$12 for non-members. Registration is at 5:00 pm and the seminars are from 6:30 to 9:30 pm. For further information and/or advanced registration please call 1-800-492-HUNT.

Look for a Friends of the NRA banquet fund raiser here in the Tri-Cities in April!

FEBRUARY 1993 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING!

Ice Fishing! Come hear Rod Meseberg from Mar Don Resort talk about ice fishing the pot holes! This is the first year in a while that we have had good ice on the lakes so we could take advantage of some quality ice fishing. Living by and working on O'Sullivan Reservoir definitely gives Rod an advantage on the where and how's of ice fishing in the Potholes. He will be sharing his pointers with us this Tuesday evening, 7:30 pm at the Richland Library. If you have never been ice fishing before think strongly about it this year. It is an experience everyone should try at least once! See you there!

**GENERAL MEETING! TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1993
7:30 pm RICHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Big Game Farms - Howard Gardner

The board approved sending a letter to the State Game Commission supporting parts of their proposed regulations on big game ranching. On January 15th the Commission approved permanent regulations prohibiting the importation of native deer, elk, moose and caribou into the state. The farming of fallow deer and reindeer will be allowed except for reindeer in Stevens, Ferry and Pend Oreille counties, and Spokane County north of the Spokane River. Regulations were approved that require the use of State Department of Agriculture disease testing standards for captive wildlife. Fencing standards were established for game farms. If you have an opinion on big game farms or commercialization of wildlife, please let the board know by writing to our president Mike Estes or Howard Gardner.

Umatilla Refuge Public Use Management Development Plan - Howard Gardner

This public use plan was reviewed and discussed by the board in our December meeting. After a great deal of discussion the board voted to support Alternative A of the plan which called for maintaining the present management approach. The other alternatives, b, c, and d, would have initiated increasingly more land and water closure to hunting and fishing. We did not believe the data was present to support any of the proposed closures. In addition, in our correspondence communicating our position on the plan, we reiterated our position of opposing guided waterfowl hunts on the refuge.

Fly Tying Class

Learn to tie flies! Once again the Columbia Basin Flycasters and the Richland Rod and Gun Club sponsor through the City of Richland Community Center free fly tying classes. The classes will be held on Monday evenings, beginning February 22. Register at the City of Richland Community Center.

******* COME TO THE 1993 BIG GAME DINNER *******

Our 43rd annual Big Game Dinner will be held on March 27th!! MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Social Hour 6:00 pm
Dinner 7:00 pm
Guest Speaker, Door Prizes and Quality Trip Drawing Following Dinner!!!

The Richland Rod and Gun Club Social Event of the year is set for Saturday, March 27, 1993, at the Richland Knights of Columbus Hall. Tickets are still \$12.50 each and will not be sold at the door. Contact any Officer or Board Member for tickets, or pick them up at the February or March General Meetings, or fill out the order form at the end of the next page and mail directly to Dale Schielke, 2635 Harris, Richland, Wa 99352. Tickets will be available until March 26, 1993 only. Remember, guests are welcome so call a friend and ask if they would like to come along and enjoy some delicious wild game! Donations of game (no hamburger please) are needed for the social hour appetizers and dinner. Also, we will be smoking any game for the social hour appetizers, so if you have something to donate please drop it by Chuck's Meat and Locker in downtown Kennewick, then contact John Pfeiffer at 627-5429 or Jim Choate at 943-9236 so they will know what is available. If you are interested in volunteering your time to work at the dinner, again please contact John or Jim, or sign up at the General Meeting.

QUALITY TRIP DRAWING RULES

1. Only members having their 1993 dues paid through to April 1994 will be eligible to purchase entry tickets.
2. Tickets are \$15.00 each.
3. A minimum of 50 entry tickets must be sold, maximum sold will be 100.
4. Each member may purchase two (2) tickets; with a family membership, the spouse and eligible dependents may also purchase two each.
5. You must be 16 years of age or older at the time of the drawing to purchase tickets.
6. Winners will present a program at a General Meeting of the membership about their adventure.
7. The drawing will be held at the Big Game Dinner on March 27, 1993. You need not be present to win.
8. The winner will select a partner who must be a member of the Richland Rod and Gun Club and who must also have participated in the drawing.
9. An alternate will be drawn in the event the winner is unable to go. The alternate will select his/her own partner who must be a club member and have been in the drawing.
10. Winners are requested to donate some meat for the 1994 Big Game Dinner, assuming their hunt was successful!
11. The trip must be approved by the board not later than the June meeting or it will be forfeited.
12. If the alternate is chosen to go, he must submit a written proposal by the September board meeting or forfeit.



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Board Meeting - Tuesday, March 16, 1993 - 7:00 p.m. Suite C, at International Technology, 1045 Jadwin Avenue. Due to a scheduling conflict at the Richland Library, this meeting will be held at International Technology, 1045 Jadwin Avenue, Suite C. Special thanks to David Myers for making this space available to us. The April 20 and May 18 Board meetings have been confirmed for the Richland Library conference room.

Bulletin Deadline - Friday, March 26, 1993, - Contact Anita at 943-0855

FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING REPORT

Our guest speaker at the February General Meeting was Rod Meseberg from Mar Don Resort on O'Sullivan Dam Road, Othello. Rod talked about ice fishing and his forecast for the Potholes Reservoir and Seep Lakes fishing this year! Rod gave us his tips and ideas, such as:

. Rod's secret for smoking white fish!!

Filet, soak in a salt brine, smoke at 170 F for 2 hours, peel skin off, cut in strips, put in pint jar with 1/4 tsp vinegar and pressure cook!

. "The darker the day the darker the bait"

. Try for White fish in late March right after they open the canal gates!

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The Threesome in the Dark

*The old one, whiskers grey with age,
sighs patiently a yawn.
The young one yearns the break of day,
anticipates the dawn.
The strong one shoulders most the load,
and gamely marches on.
A loon cries sharply in the night,
a ghost once here...then gone.
The old one finds the shoreline first,
he knows the way the best.
The strong one follows close behind,
a bit in need of rest.
The young one bringing up the rear,
is equal to the test.
The blind they find in good repair,
the object of their quest!
The strong one fights the knifing cold,
while setting out the blocks.
The old one proves he's not as bold,
takes shelter in the rocks.
The young one peers into the gloom,
and shivers in his socks.
Then huddled close, console themselves,
with oddly warming talks.
The young one's on his first big hunt,
to him it seems a lark.
The strong one looks upon his son,
and knows he'll make his mark.
The old one slowly wags his tail,
and gives an eager bark.
They share a love of simple times,
the threesome in the dark.*

COMING IN APRIL

- . Look for an NRA fund raiser here in the Tri Cities in April!
- . Look for the Columbia Basin Sportsmens Show to be held at the Columbia Center Mall April 16 - 18th. The event will include seminars, contests and target shooting as well as exhibits. Phil's Sporting Goods has offered space to several hunting and shooting clubs to use as a membership sign-up opportunity. We have accepted his offer. Each person who signs up at the booth as a new member of any of the clubs will have a chance to win one of several free prizes that will be on display at the booth.

D. Peterson 12/91

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- . Try Warden Lake and the Reservoir this spring for trout.
- . Look for perch in the Reservoir, Long lake and Soda Lake.
- . The small mouth bass will be down by the dam in April, fish right off the riprap.

Plus, we learned safety tips like the ice is not safe for walking on unless you can see through it - clear ice at least 2 1/2" thick with no air bubbles, and cautions such as do not take glass containers out on the ice and no fire unless you have 10" or more of ice.

This months **door prizes** were won by:

****Larry Martin - Binoculars and **Don Hand - Fishing tackle grab bag**

*******BIG GAME DINNER*******

Social Hour 6 pm
Dinner 7 pm

Remember the BIG GAME DINNER, Saturday evening, March 27th! It is the social event of the year for Rod and Gun Club members and their families and guests! An evening of dining, prizes and entertainment.

TICKETS \$12.50 ea, call John Pfeiffer at 627-5429 or 376-1086, or Dale Schielke at 375-0183 or 376-8808

Buy your tickets by March 2nd and be eligible for the EARLY BIRD DRAWING!!!!!! A ticket count will be taken at the general meeting, if you are selling tickets, please bring your stubs and money. **Quality Trip tickets** are just \$15 each, don't miss your chance at winning your dream hunt!!

Our guest speaker at the dinner will be Dan Brown, chief naturalist for the Coulee Dam National Recreation Area. Dan will present a program titled "The Great Floods: Cataclysm During the Last ice Age." Dan's presentations have attracted standing-room-only crowds in the past so get your tickets now!!

If you have game to donate for the social hour appetizers, contact Howard Gardner at 943-9084. Howard will arrange for smoking too.

MARCH 1993 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Join us on March 2nd to hear Jerry Bloom and Arlen Schade tell us all about their **Quality Hunting Trip** which they won at the Big Game Dinner Quality Trip Drawing last year!! Jerry and Arlen went to Texas for west Texas Barberry Sheep and other exotic species hunting and I hear they have a great show planned for us. **See you there!!**

**GENERAL MEETING! TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 1993
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Wood Duck Boxes - Dale Schielke

If you are interested in Wood Ducks and/or helping clean and survey the Wood Duck boxes, call Dale Schielke at 375-0183 or 376-8808.

Proposal to Eliminate the Wildlife Commission.

As you probably already know from recent newspaper articles, mailings from the NRA, and from other articles in this newsletter, there are numerous proposed bills before the Washington House and Senate which affect hunting, wildlife, and your right to keep and bear arms. As of this week, there are at least 30 proposed bills on these topics in the State legislature. The RR&GC Board is doing its best to stay current on the status of these bills and to make appropriate input to our local legislators, to legislative committee members, and to the governor's office. It is also important for you, as an individual, to call and write letters on these topics.

One piece of legislation that is currently being drafted is a proposal to combine the Department of Fisheries and the Department of Wildlife. Speculation is that the bill will be introduced by Senator Brad Owen, chairman of the Natural Resources Committee, on behalf of the governor's office during the week of February 23. Part of that proposal will apparently eliminate the Wildlife Commission. The Commission is composed of persons who are NOT employees of the State, who set hunting and fishing seasons and bag limits. If the Commission is abolished, who will assume their duties and responsibilities? Would you be concerned if department employees (i.e. Curt Smitch or his equivalent) would make these important decisions within the bureaucracy of state government without the opportunity for public input? A copy of the proposed bill has been requested from Senator Owen's office and will be discussed by the Board for possible action when received.

Copies of all bills can be obtained by calling the legislative hotline on 1-800-562-6000.

Wildlife Areas Scoping Meeting - Howard Gardner

Because of changes in patterns of wildlife use, habitat, public use and recreational activities on Department of Wildlife (DOW) managed Wildlife Areas, the DOW is holding scoping meetings around the state to obtain public comment. I represented the club at the meeting held in Pasco on January 23, 1993, and as identified by the Board, made the following recommendations:

- . Manage Wildlife Areas to maximize public hunting, fishing and trapping opportunities.
- . Maintain or maximize the wild or primitive character of the land. Other than campgrounds, outhouses and boat ramps at points of entry, there should be no other activity/development.
- . Stress walk-in recreation, minimize roads.
- . Prohibit waterfowl guiding.

BIG HORN SPORTS AND RECREATION SHOW

The Inland Northwest Wildlife Council will hold their 33rd annual Big Horn Sports and Recreation Show at the Spokane Fairgrounds on March 18 - 21st. More information is available from the council office at 509-534-6550 or Jerry Reiber at 489-8760 or 487-2919 (Spokane).

Advanced Hunter Education Seminar

Remember the Advanced Hunter Education Seminar sponsored by the NRA to be held in Spokane on March 7th at the Spokane Convention Center. For further information call 1-800-492-HUNT.

SB 5160

GUN RIGHTS and YOUR ABILITY TO HUNT
ARE UNDER ATTACK IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE

The anti-gun/anti-hunting legislators in Olympia are in the process of pushing Senate Bill 5160 through to become law in the State of Washington. If this bill becomes law, we will experience serious restrictions to our Second Amendment rights and our ability hunt. It is another attempt to punish the law-abiding gun owner for what the criminals are doing in our society today. These new laws will have absolutely no affect on the criminal and increase the chances of making a criminal out of today's law abiding gun owners.

Examples of the proposed legislation which may hit home with you are:

A 5-day waiting period on all sales of semi-automatic rifles and shotguns. This would include the Remington 1100, a standard hunting shotgun. Effect on the criminal - None. They will still buy their illegal guns on the black market, no registration or waiting period. Result - Law-abiding gun owners pay the price! Solution - Enforcement of current laws on the books.

A special license would be required for every semi-automatic firearm owner just to transport that weapon from his/her home. Effect on the criminal - None. They won't buy a special license for their illegal guns, but they will still transport them at will. Result - Law-abiding gun owners pay the price. Solution - Enforcement of current laws on the books.

In addition, SB 5160 contains language aimed at restricting various aspects of gun ownership. One of these mandates that firearms kept in the home be stored in certain ways. Among the recommended procedures under the so-called "safe storage" provision is for loaded firearms to be stored with either a trigger-or gun-locking device. Gun owners know that such a practice is dangerous and can lead to accidental discharge. Firearm and trigger-lock manufacturers specifically warn against storing firearms in such a manner.

Ask your legislators why they think singling out gun owners for prosecution will improve the safety of Washington's children. laws are currently on the books making it a crime to recklessly endanger a minor. The fact is more kids die in Washington from bicycle accidents than from firearm accidents!

Another key section of SB 5160 dismisses the effectiveness of current law. This bill would enact needlessly restrictive laws concerning the possession of firearms on school grounds. Remind your legislators that it is already illegal for a minor to possess a firearm anywhere without adult supervision -- including in school. And, remember it is also unlawful to carry a firearm concealed without a permit. Proposals such as this could be utilized to threaten law-abiding parents when picking up a child from school.

Don't allow yourself and your Second Amendment rights to be used as an excuse! Make your elected leaders muster the courage to declare a real war on crime and criminals and tell them to leave law-abiding citizens alone!

To complicate matters, Governor Lowry is proposing to re-write the sentencing guidelines for the State of Washington. His intent is to reduce the Department of Correction's budget - 35 million dollars - giving lighter sentences to convicted criminals walking the streets committing more crimes which will in turn increase pressure to outlaw our guns.

It is time to stand up and let our legislators know that we ARE NOT WILLING to put up with their ineffective ways of dealing with these issues. Meaningless gun control does not translate in meaningful crime control! The rights of Washington's honest gun owners and sportsmen must not be sacrificed in a vain attempt to control crime in the State.

ACTIONS THAT CAN BE TAKEN BY YOU TO HELP DEFEAT SB 5160

1. Call AND write Governor Lowry: 206-753-6780
Governor Mike Lowry, Exec. Dept.
Legislative Building
Olympia, Washington 98504
2. Write letters to the Editor of your local newspaper, spread the word!
3. Call, write or visit your State Senator and Representative.
4. Call the members of the House Judiciary Committee and the Senate Law and Justice Committee.

Call 943-1852 for the phone numbers of the above.

Quite frankly, if you are not willing to help defeat this legislation, you are in effect supporting the anti-gunner and deserve to lose your Second Amendment rights. I HOPE I HAVE RILED YOU UP ENOUGH YOU WILL WANT TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT!

Remember, each letter is equivalent to 100 people who feel the same way but do not take any action. So, your letter is important and does make a difference. Silent indignation is not recognized. Please take ten minutes and write a letter!

Where to write

Federal

Hon. Bill Clinton, president of the United States, The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, D.C., 20500.
U.S. Capitol Switchboard (all offices of Congress) 202-224-3121.
Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., 730 Hart Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20510. 202-224-3441.
Sen. Patty Murray, B 34 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20510. 202-224-2621.
Rep. Jay Inslee, D-Wash., 1431 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20515. 202-225-5816.
Rep. Tom Foley, D-Wash., 1201 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20515. 202-225-2006. Spokane office: 1-353-2155. Walla Walla office: 522-6370.
Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., 711 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20510. Portland office: 503-326-3386.
Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., 259 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20510. Portland office: 503-326-3370.

State

Gov. Mike Lowry, Legislative Building, Olympia, WA 98504. 206-753-6780.
Gov. Barbara Roberts, 254 State Capitol Building, Salem, OR 97310. 503-378-3100.
Sen. Jim Jesemig, D-8th District, 412 JAC Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7614.
Rep. Lane Bray, D-8th District, John L. O'Brien Bldg., Rm. 303, Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7882.
Rep. Curtis Ludwig, D-8th District, John L. O'Brien Bldg., Rm. 304, Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7986.

Sen. Eugene Prince, R-9th District, 101 Institutions Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7620.

Rep. Mark Schoesler, R-9th District, 319 John L. O'Brien Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7844.

Rep. Larry Sheahan, R-9th District, 315 John L. O'Brien Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7942.

Sen. Harold Hochstatter, R-13th District, 115-B Institutions Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7624.

Rep. Gary Chandler, R-13th District, John L. O'Brien Bldg., Rm. 416, Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7932.

Rep. Mick Hansen, D-13th District, 427 John L. O'Brien Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7808.

Sen. Irv Newhouse, R-15th District, 403 Legislative Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 204-786-7684.

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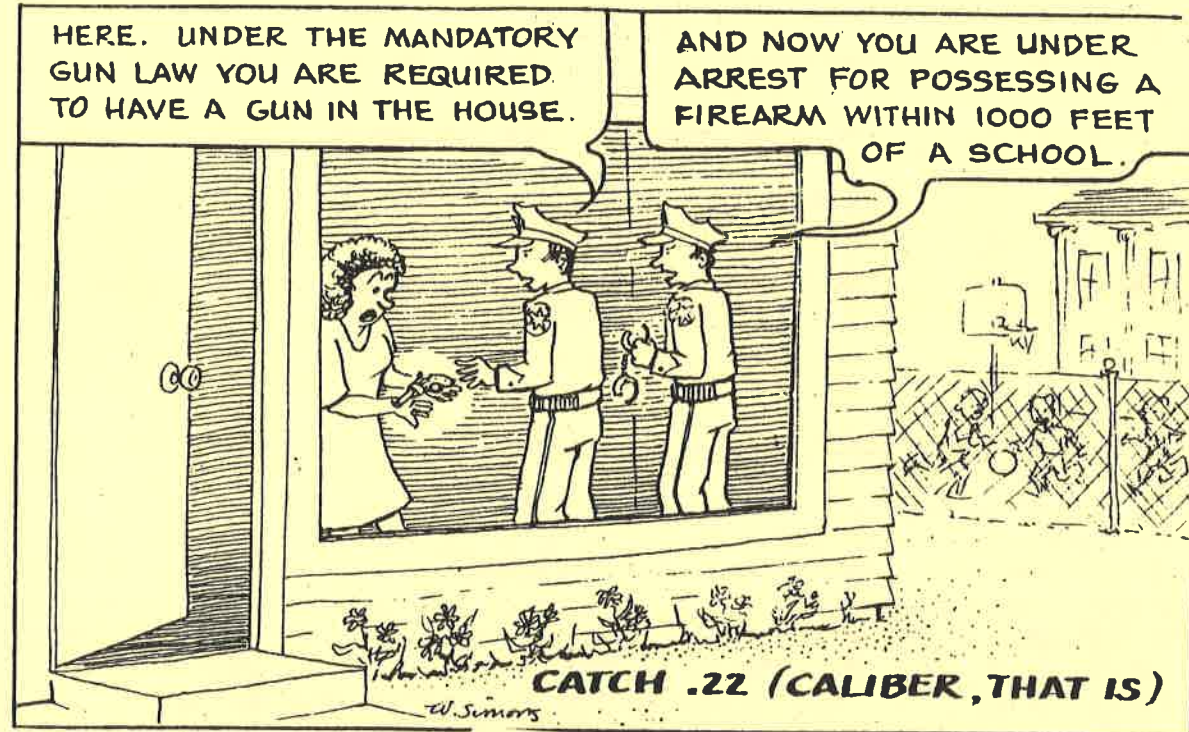
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COMING EVENTS

General Meeting - Tuesday, April 6, 1993 - 7:30 p.m. Federal Building Auditorium

Board Meeting - Tuesday, April 20, 1993 - 7:00 p.m. Richland Public Library

Bulletin Deadline - Friday, April 23, 1993, - Contact Anita at 943-0855

MARCH GENERAL MEETING REPORT

What a great meeting!! Arlen Schade and Jerry Bloom gave a slide presentation on their Quality Hunting Trip in Texas for West Texas Barbary Sheep! Arlen and Jerry left the Tri Cities in the middle of our January snow storm, hassled through airline flight delays to arrive in Alpine, Texas, 200 miles east of El Paso, in the Davis Mountain Range where they would be hunting. The Davis Mountain range is an area of limited vegetation, brush, cati, canyons, rimrocks and steep cliffs. On the slides the area looks similar to here but we soon learned different! The rimrocks and cliffs are not only steep but HIGH. And the vegetation!!! Arlen says all growing things in Texas either poke, scratch, bite or grab at you! Don't wear wool pants or blue jeans! Cowboys wear leather for a reason, things like Cats Claw Brush are just waiting for the tenderfoot!

Arlen and Jerry both came home with beautiful majestic sheep! Both sheep had impressive horns, Arlen's should make the SAS record book at 29 1/2" and Jerry's came in at 24"!!! Both sheep also had beautiful glossy dun colored coats with long manes, and chaps on the front legs.

After the long steep climbing in pursuit of their sheep, Arlen and Jerry went Javelina hunting! What an experience!

Howard Gardner displayed three beautiful coyote pelts at the meeting also. Each pelt was of different coloring. Thank you Howard!

Keith Brady was the luck winner of the General Meeting raffle!! CONGRATULATIONS on winning that great hunting knife Keith!

MARCH 1993 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

1993 FISHING FORECAST!! Join us on April 6th in the **Federal Building Auditorium** at 7:30 p.m. for the Annual Fishing Forecast. The Department of Wildlife is letting us borrow their biologists for the entire evening!! Coming will be Art Viola from Region 1, Jeff Korth from Region 2 and Eric Anderson from Region 3. Art, Jeff and Eric will be treating us to an overlook on the prospects for fishing this year. After a long hard winter we are all ready for a dose of good news about getting outdoors again!!!

GENERAL MEETING! TUESDAY, APRIL 26 1993
7:30 pm Federal Building Auditorium

Wood Duck Boxes - Dale Schielke

Larry Martin and Dale Schielke cleaned and surveyed boxes along the Walla Walla River on March 21st. Four boxes were occupied by Scratch Owls, two with two and four eggs each respectively. Five boxes had been used by Wood Ducks last season. If you are interested in checking the remaining boxes on the Yakima and Snake Rivers, and/or at the Finley Ponds, please contact Dale Schielke at 375-0183. This would be a great afternoon outing!!

Thank You to Member Carl Wheeler

Once again Carl Wheeler of Wheeler's Gun Shop donated an outstanding gun for the members only drawing at the Big Game Dinner. The gun is a Browning A-Bolt Composite Stalker in .30-06 caliber. It will be an outstanding mountain rifle for the lucky winner! **Thank You Carl** for your continued support of our club!

APRIL HAPPENINGS

- April 2, 3 & 4 Sagebrush Freetrappers Rendezvous Contact Dick 503-567-0309, Scott 503-567-4068 or Lisa 967-2059
- April 3 Bass Encounters of Benton City Tournament Call Blair at 588-4688
- April 6 Our General Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Federal Building Auditorium
- April 10 Sand and Sage Hunting Retriever Club NAHRA licensed Hunting Retriever Field Test at Scooteny Reservoir Call Alan 547-9312
- April 10 Friends of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation 1993 Benefit Banquet and Auction, Ridpath Hotel, Spokane Keith 509-238-6885
- April 20 Our board meeting, 7:00 p.m. Richland Public Library
- April 22 Friends of the NRA Columbia Basin Banquet Clare Cranston 547-6273
- April 16, 17 & 18 Columbia Basin Sportsmens Show at Columbia Center Mall Call Ben 582-3328 or 1-800-743-5922

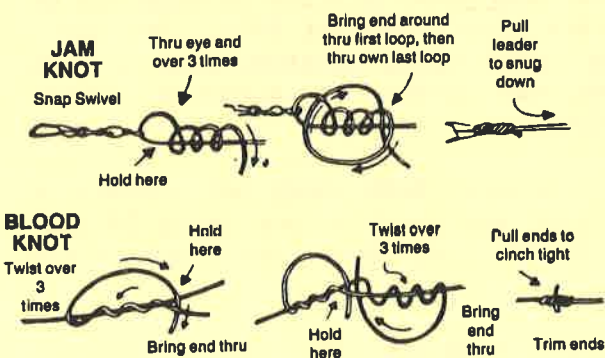
NRA Columbia Basin Banquet - Howard Gardner

The Friends of the NRA is sponsoring a fund raising banquet on April 22, 1993, at the Red Lion in Pasco. The dinner will feature 8 ounces of Prime Rib with all the trimmings including a desert and coffee/tea. For NRA members and spouse/friend the cost will be \$20 per person. For non-members the cost will be \$45 per person and \$20 for spouse/friend. The \$45 includes an NRA membership for one year with all the NRA member benefits. Funds will be raised at the dinner through silent and live auctions and a raffle. There will be a fantastic variety of items for the auction and raffle, similar to Ducks Unlimited and Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation events. All monies raised will be used to support NRA legislative activities in the State of Washington. Let's go all out to support the only organization protecting your second amendment rights. Call Howard Gardner at 943-9084 or Clare Cranston at 547-6273 for tickets.

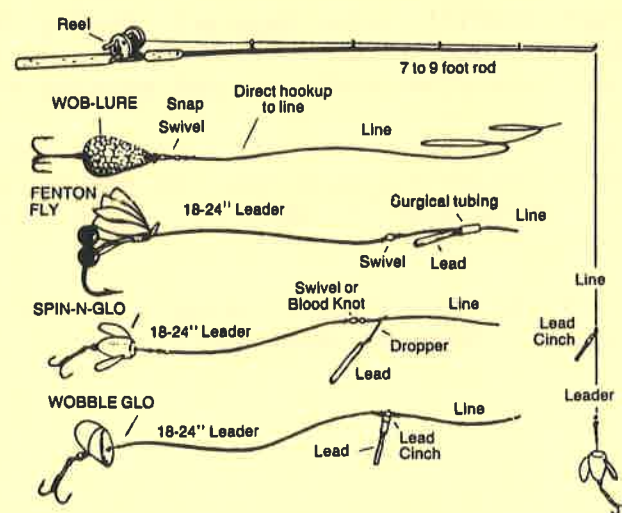
For Women Only

The first Northwest Women's Fishing Conference will be held on August 7, 1993, at the Red Lion on the Columbia River in Portland, Oregon. The conference will include seminars by members of several women's fishing organizations and a fashion show of clothing, equipment and accessories for women who fish! Look for more in future bulletins.

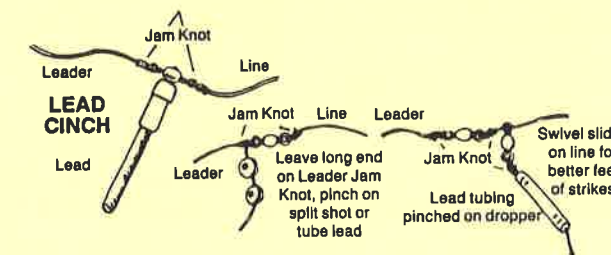
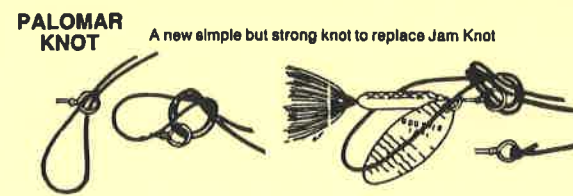
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The Big Game Dinner was an outstanding success! What a feast! We ate Aoudad, Venison, Antelope, Pig, Elk, Salmon, Duck, Pheasant, Quail and Antelope! No wonder it was a sell out three weeks before the dinner!

Our Guest Speaker, Dan Brown, Chief Naturalist at the Coulee Dam national Recreation Area was wonderful. He gave a very impressive program entitled "The Great Floods: Cataclysm During the Last Ice Age." Dan's slides were absolutely beautiful. It was awe inspiring to learn how the lands we have been tramping over for years were formed.

Door Prizes! Over 100 prizes were awarded amongst laughter, oohs, awes and sighs of disappointment during the evening! A list of our sponsors/donors for the evenings event is below. A complete listing of the lucky winners will be in next week's bulletin.

Special awards were also presented during the evening, including distinguished service awards to Howard Gardner, Clare Cranston, Frank Flynn, Jack Hampton, Ben Webb, Phil Van Hoy, Rose Iris and Paul Toberg, and twenty-five year member awards were given to John Ratcliffe, Gerald Bloom, Loris Brinkman, Ken Wise, Roberta Wise, John Fletcher, Roger St. John and Bill Stinson. Mike Estes, RR&GC President, presented a special award to John Pfeiffer, past president, for his above and beyond service to the club and as the Chairman of the 1993 Big Game Dinner Committee.

All in all, seventy three members gave of their time and effort to make this year's Big Game Dinner a success. We would like to extend a very meaningful Thank You to these members for a very enjoyable evening! The food donor drawing was won by Charles Morbeck and the volunteer workers drawing was won by Jeff Fulks.

A very special Thank You goes to Dave Myers, our Master of Ceremonies. Dave did a fantastic job, his voice held out for the entire evening and he didn't break during the pressure of who's table got to go when to the food line! Thank you Dave!

You can never say thank you enough, and we all thank the Knights of Columbus for their hall and their excellent services! It is always enjoyable to work with the Knights of Columbus. Their service is always excellent and helps ensure a successful event every time.

QUALITY TRIP DRAWING! The Quality Trip drawing was won by Tom Davis, our club treasurer! Tom's receipt was the lucky one, with the number 60! Of course, there was some confusion on stage when Tom looked up the receipt numbers and realized number 60 was his own! We all congratulate Tom and know he probably didn't sleep a wink that night thinking about all the possible great trips he could take! Rose Iris was dreaming too, as she was drawn as the alternate!

Our members only drawing was won by Tom McIntosh. Tom won the Browning .30-06 rifle donated by Carl Wheeler of Wheeler's Gun Shop in Richland. The early bird drawing held for those buying their Big Game Dinner tickets early, was won by Tim Wiberg. The two Walleye Fishing Trips given away in a separate raffle were won by Jim Bach and Paul Toberg! Congratulations to these lucky winners!!!

Last, but certainly not least as the dinner would never have happened without these members, we extend our Thank Yous to our chefs Roger Renne, Jim Choate and Gerald Zeitler, our Hors D'oeuvre Chairman Howard Gardner, and our door prize chairman Steve Friar. Thank you all so very much!

An addition to the door prize donor list on the next page, the Tri City Americans donated a hockey stick with a certificate for personal autographs, and a pennant.

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Allied Arts Sidewalk Show

The club will once again work at the Salmon Booth set up during the Allied Arts Sidewalk Show. The show will be held the weekend of July 23 and 24, 1993. Volunteers are needed for Thursday night set up, as well as serving during the show. Please give Howard Gardner a call and volunteer to help out with this fund raiser. The salmon is delicious so come join us!!!

BIG GAME DINNER

We continue to appreciate and thank the sponsors who donated prizes and helped make our 1993 Big Game Dinner a fantastic success! I have enclosed a listing of the winners, please excuse my spelling, if your name is wrong or has been left out, please let me know and I will be sure it is corrected in next month's bulletin!

Our 1994 Big Game Dinner is already in the planning stage!! The date is set: March 26, 1994. The place is not set, we would like to find a place that could accommodate more people. Do you know of a location where a sit down dinner can be prepared and served, and presentations given, that would hold more than what we have been able to in the past? Give Mike Estes a call if you have an idea, 582-2212.

Wood Duck Nests

There is still work to be done on the Wood Duck nests, if you are interested in a beautiful and fun morning or afternoon outing, give Dale Schielke a call on 375-0183.

Guzzler Repairs

If you are interested in a trip to the near hills to repair the guzzlers, give Larry Martin a call on 545-9647. Don't know what a guzzler is? Join Larry and see!

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MEETINGS AND DEADLINES

General Meeting - Tuesday, May 4, 1993 - 7:30 p.m. Franklin County PUD Auditorium

Board Meeting - Tuesday, May 18, 1993 - 7:00 p.m. Richland Public Library

Bulletin Deadline - Friday, May 21, 1993, - Contact Anita, evenings at 943-0855

APRIL GENERAL MEETING REPORT

Fishing! Fish! Fishing! Catching! Fish! It is that time of the year, fishing season is open and family fishing weekend is coming up soon! Art Viola, Joe Foster and Eric Anderson, Department of Wildlife biologists were special guests, treating us to an overview of the fishing prospects for 1993! Here are just a few tips on fishing Eastern Washington's lakes and rivers (be sure to read the Fish and Game regulations for specifics regarding the seasons and possible restrictions):

..Tucannon River..Opens June 1st. 10,000 Rainbows will be planted. Get there before the end of June for the best fishing!!

..Touchet River..Opens June 1st. Planted with 5,000 rainbows and 11,000 Brown Trout! Try the confluence of the north and south forks. Those Browns are hard to catch!

..Tucannon Lakes..Open March 1st except Curl Lake which opens June 1st. 115,000 fish will be planted in these lakes. Curl Lake is a handicapped access lake and has good steady fishing all summer.

..Mill Creek Reservoir..Will be planted four times with 31,000 fish. Will be good early fishing.

..Bumping Reservoir..Good fishing year around, especially through May. Try maggots. Good for 6 to 9" Rainbows.

..Wild trout fishing is good in the Tieton, American, Naches, Little Naches and Bumping Rivers.

..Wenas Lake..Good for Brown Trout up to 8 pounds, Try evening fishing with night crawlers on the bottom, down near the dam.

..Kachess Lake.. Good lake for Kokanee through early June.

..Sprague lake..Fantastic late in the evening fly fishing on the shore line.

..Warden Lake..Will be real good for 12 to 14" Rainbows!

The evenings raffle prize was won by our new member David Ochu!! Dave won a pair of binoculars! **Congratulations Dave and welcome to the club!!**

MARCH 1993 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

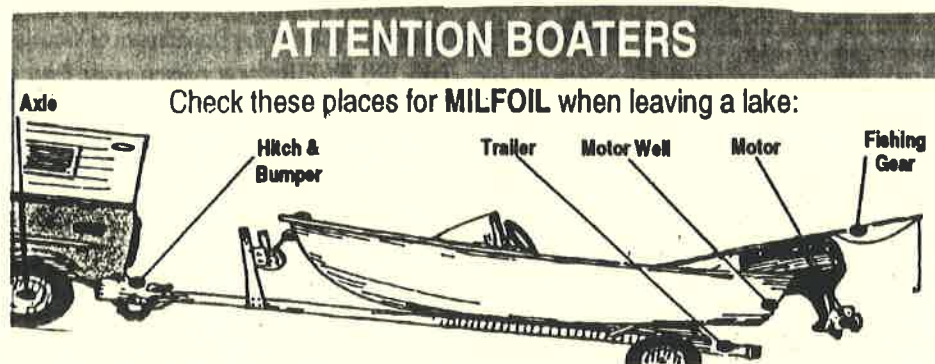
This month's general meeting will be held in the Franklin County PUD Auditorium, 1411 West Clark, Pasco, same time, 7:30 pm.

Rocky Ross will be our special guest this Tuesday. Rocky will make a presentation on the Snake River Land Acquisition Project. This project involves compensation for the lands lost because of the placing of dams on the Snake and Columbia River system. The project entails three phases, 1) On project habitat development - Corp owned property along the Snake. 2) Off project land acquisition - project to purchase lands such as the Booker property and the Bailies Boys Ranch. So far about 23,000 acres have been purchased. 3) Game Farm Alternative - The original plan was to plant 20,000 Pheasants every year for 20 years. Then the attitude about planting pheasants changed in the Department and the money being spent to raise pheasants was paid to the farmers to compensate for leaving habitat and cover for wildlife. This is one of the largest mitigation projects undertaken so far. Join us and hear what Rocky has to say.

GENERAL MEETING! TUESDAY, May 18, 1993
7:30 pm Franklin County PUD Auditorium
1411 West Clark
Pasco, Washington

Shrub Planting and Pipe Project - Howard Gardner

On April 3 the club responded to a request by Rocky Ross, Department of Wildlife habitat Biologist and club member, to provide manpower for a shrub planting and irrigation pipe laying project in northern Franklin County. When it became apparent enough help was not coming from other sources, the following twelve club members and one guest responded on short notice: Jerry Bloom, Jordan Case, Bob Clark (guest), Howard Gardner, Mark Gerboth, Jack Hampton, Lou LaDouceur, Bob Lyness, Dave Myers, Jack Pickard, Dale Schielke, John Schmidt and Ben Webb. It was a great crew and although it rained all morning, we got a lot done! These workers are to be commended for their willingness to, in a sense, drop everything and contribute their time to a valuable habitat project.



Columbia Basin Outdoor Show

April 16 through 18 saw the first outdoor sports show here in the Tri Cities. The show was sponsored by Northwest Trails Outdoor Shows, and was a success. Turnout was not as good as everyone had hoped, but the displays and seminars were excellent. The club shared a booth with Phils Sporting Goods. Phil's donated a raffle prize to anyone who signed up during the show as a member of the club or as a member of the NRA. **We extend a special THANK YOU to Phil for sharing his booth and providing the door prizes. Thanks Phil, it was fun!** Four new members signed up during the show, Mark Gross and family, Bob Caldwell, Dave Abbott and Darryl Curfman. **Welcome to the Club!** Thank you's are also heartily extended to those club members who volunteered their time to man the booth during the show with Phil and his workers: Jerry Zeitler, Howard Gardner, Ben Webb (Ben was chairman of the clubs participation), Jack Pickard, Kevin Webb, Jim Sanders, Anita Gahimer and Clare Cranston.

Habitat Projects

On May 8th, another Department of Wildlife habitat project will be underway. Join the crew at 8 am on May 8th, along side Dodd Road just before the Iowa Beef road. ???Give Howard Gardner a call on 943-9084.

Youth Conservation Summer Camp

The Washington State Junior sportsmen's Council will once again sponsor their youth conservation camp for those between the ages of 12 (must be 12 by July 1, 1993) and the ages of 16 (must not reach the age of 17 before camp begins). The girls camp will be Sunday, July 18 through Saturday, July 24th, and the boys camp will be held on Sunday, July 25th through Saturday, July 31st. The club will sponsor seven (7) kids who are club members or dependents of club members this year, on a first come first served basis. Applications (enclosed) must be turned in to Larry Martin by May 30th. The club will pay the \$125 camp fee for these seven kids, however, transportation to and from camp will be the responsibility of the parents. See the enclosed camp application or contact Larry Martin on 545-9647. **Applications must be completed and submitted to Larry Martin no later than May 30th.**

NEW MEMBERS

The club and all members extend a happy welcome to the following new members:

JC Dove, Richland
Scott Rasley, Walla Walla
Terry Helman, Richland
Dale Landon and family, Richland
Calvin and Bonnie Thomas and family, Richland
John Cooper and family, Grandview
Randy and Kim Dykeman and family, Richland
Dennis Hiner and family,
David Ochu, Kennewick
Brian Mattingly and family, Kennewick
Mark Gross and family, Pasco
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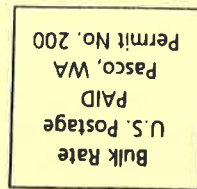
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Hunter Education Instructors

Hunter education programs are taught throughout the US and Canada. They are designed for first time hunters to receive training in safe gun handling, sportsmanship, wildlife identification and respect for private and public property. Whether your children hunt or not, these courses, taught by people who care and funded by legislative action, are extremely worthwhile, because knowing how to safely handle and unload a firearm might one day save a life, theirs or yours!! It is a wonderful program and would not exist without volunteer instructors. Instructors are now needed here in the Tri-Cities. If you are interested in becoming a Hunter Education Instructor please contact Howard Gardner on 943-9084.

May Board Meeting - Mike Estes, President

Special guests at the May Board Meeting were Ray Duff and Larry Popejoy, regional manager of the Department of Wildlife, who were in town Tuesday to meet with instructors and department personnel about hunter education training in the Tri-Cities. Larry and Ray spent more than an hour briefing us on the merger of the Departments of fisheries and Wildlife, changes to the Wildlife Commission and its expanded role, and current and future DOW projects. Both managers expressed appreciation for the active role the RR&GC has taken on wildlife issues and the Board pledged to continue that involvement in the future.

Poachers Beware!

The Washington State Legislature has taken a tougher stand against poachers. A bill introduced and signed this week allows Washington to join the Wildlife Violator compact so Washington wildlife agents can work with other states to solve poaching cases. Under the new law, out-of-state violators cited in Washington will no longer be able to return to their native states and ignore the citation as their home state will revoke their hunting and fishing privileges until the Washington citation is resolved.

In return, Washington will revoke the hunting and fishing privileges of a resident who refuses to pay the fine for a violation committed in another state.

Revocation of hunting and fishing privileges by any state means loss of those privileges in all states.

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MEETINGS AND DEADLINES

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Board Meeting - Tuesday, June 15, 1993 - 7:00 p.m. Richland Public Library

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MAY GENERAL MEETING REPORT

Rocky Ross gave a wonderful presentation on the Lower Snake River Compensation Plan!! This effort, under taken by the Walla Walla District of the U. S. Corps of Engineers and the Washington Department of Wildlife is the largest fish and wildlife mitigation project undertaken. This project, designed to replace the habitat lost on the Snake River when Little Goose, Lower Granite, Monumental and Ice Harbor dams went in, has been approached with four goals:

- 1) On-project development, which includes efforts such as vegetation planting, Goose nest structures, guzzlers, and fencing to keep out cattle.
- 2) Land acquisition, with an original goal of 8400 acres for fishing access and hunting. To date, 1500 acres of Chuckar hunting access lands and 700 acres of fishing access lands have been procured.
- 3) Interim compensation program, developed to support projects where fast results will be seen, as it takes 20 years for lost habitat to be replaced. Includes items such as raise and release programs for pheasants, and cooperation agreements with private land owners to plant habitat and allow public hunting.
- 4) Resident trout program, which includes in-stream habitat improvements for natural trout production.

Included in this newsletter you will find a listing of all the public hunting and fishing access points/lands of the lower Snake River.

The raffle winner for the May General Meeting was Joe Carello! Joe won an ultra light pole and reel! Join us at our next meeting where you could win too!

Fitzner Bow Raffle

Linda Smith, with ticket number 463086, won the Martin Speed Flite M-41 Cougar bow donated by Mrs. Dick Fitzner to be used in a raffle as a money making project in support of the scholarship fund the club has established. Dick was tragically killed in an airplane crash.

Upland Wildlife Restoration Council Annual Meeting - Don Hand

Don represented the club at the 2nd annual Upland Wildlife Restoration Council meeting in Ellensburg on May 1 and 2. During 1992 the council has contributed to the initiation of 182 agreements with private land owners for the opening of 258,000 acres of land for public access and habitat development. A fund raiser project has been established by the council to raise monies for Upland Wildlife Restoration enhancement activities. Proposals for specific uses of the funds will be accepted from clubs and organizations who contribute directly to this project. In addition to donations, money will be raised by selling car window (or wherever) stickers with the Upland Wildlife Restoration logo for \$20. Stickers are now available from Don Hand. Call Don on 586-0611.

JUNE 1993 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

This month's general meeting will be held at the Richland Library on Tuesday, June 1st.

Upper Yakima River Species Interactions Studies. The guest speaker for our June 1st General Meeting, being held at the Richland Public Library, will be Geoff McMichael, Department of Wildlife, Fish Biologist. Geoff will give a special presentation of the Upper Yakima River Species Interactions Studies. These studies have been going on for the past three and one half years. The project has two main objectives. They are 1) to collect baseline information on resident trout population in the Yakima River above Roza Dam (population estimates, movement, growth, spawning locations, etc....) and 2) to conduct experiments to investigate the competitive interactions between wild resident trout and hatchery steelhead smolts.

This last winter there was a news segment on one of our local TV channels showing the game department putting radio transmitters into trout so they could track their movements. This is where the idea came from for our special presentation. It sounds interesting to me! Hope to see you there!

P.S. I don't think I have expressed the clubs thanks yet this year to Jack Pickard, our vice president, for his efforts and successes in planning and arranging for our guest speakers and special presentations at our General Meetings. He also provides me with a write up on the upcoming General Meeting for this bulletin. THANKS JACK!!

**GENERAL MEETING! TUESDAY, June 1, 1993
7:30 pm Richland Public Library**

Wenaha Tucannon Wilderness Service Project - Dale Schielke

A hike/pack trip into the Wenaha Tucannon Wilderness is planned for June 18, 19 and 20. We will be assisting the forest service in trail rehabilitation on an area of the Panjab Trail near Dunlap Springs. Depending upon the number of volunteers we may also do trail log out for some of the trail which has not had winter downfalls cleared out yet. Hikers, horseback riders and mule skinnners are all welcome. Interested individuals should call Dale Schielke on 375-0183 for details and to allow trip planning.

Columbia Basin Friends of the NRA Banquet - Howard Gardner

The NRA banquet was held on April 22nd and attendees enjoyed a fine prime rib dinner at the Red Lion Inn in Pasco. A total of 285 dinner tickets were sold and the various auctions and raffles held during the dinner netted \$6,000. The success of the venture was the result of a lot of hard work by Mike Krei, NRA Field Representative, and David Blacketer and his committee of: Dan Adams, Vern Birdsell, Ron Brodzinski, Bob Caldwell and Clare Cranston, Glen Fryxell, Bob Gudgel, Howard Gardner, Dwight and Mary Hughes, David Koontz, Bob McPhee, Leon Nanarian, Susan Schmaltz, Paul and Rose Iris Toberg and John Worrell. The auctions and raffles were a lot of fun, I'm already looking forward to next years banquet!!

DOW Habitat Planting - Larry Martin

On Saturday May 8th and Wednesday May 12th, we completed planting of trees and shrubs in two habitat plots in Walla Walla County near the Iowa Beef plant along Dodd Road. We planted approximately 1300 plants. We worked hard and had a good time and good fellowship both days! Thank you very much to the following people who worked Saturday: Game Department personnel Susan Nostrant and Scott Rasley, and members and friends Jack Hampton, Jordan Case, Mike Estes, Scott Estes, Lou Ladoucheur, Tom Davis, Jack Pickard, Jerry Zeitler, Bob Martin, Larry Martin, Donny Martin, Dave Douglas, Eric Douglas, Dale Schielke, Carlos Uriarte, Larry Richards, Dave Walter and Oran Dodson. And, thank you very much to the following people who worked Wednesday evening: Susan Nostrant, Joe Cerna, Larry Martin, Erin Bryan, Howard Gardner, Jack Pickard, Dave Douglas, Eric Douglas, Mike Estes and Jerry Zeitler. Our goal in doing these projects?? More wildlife of many kinds!! And by golly, with effort like this the goal is being achieved!

Youth Conservation Summer Camp

There is still space available for youths to attend the Washington State Junior Sportsmen's Council youth conservation camp for those between the ages of 12 (must be 12 by July 1, 1993) and the ages of 16 (must not reach the age of 17 before camp begins). The girls camp will be Sunday, July 18 through Saturday, July 24th, and the boys camp will be held on Sunday, July 25th through Saturday, July 31st. The club will sponsor seven (7) kids who are club members or dependents of club members this year, on a first come first served basis. Applications must be turned in to Larry Martin by May 30th. The club will pay the \$125 camp fee for these seven kids, however, transportation to and from camp will be the responsibility of the parents. Contact Larry Martin on 545-9647. **Applications must be completed and submitted to Larry Martin no later than May 30th.**

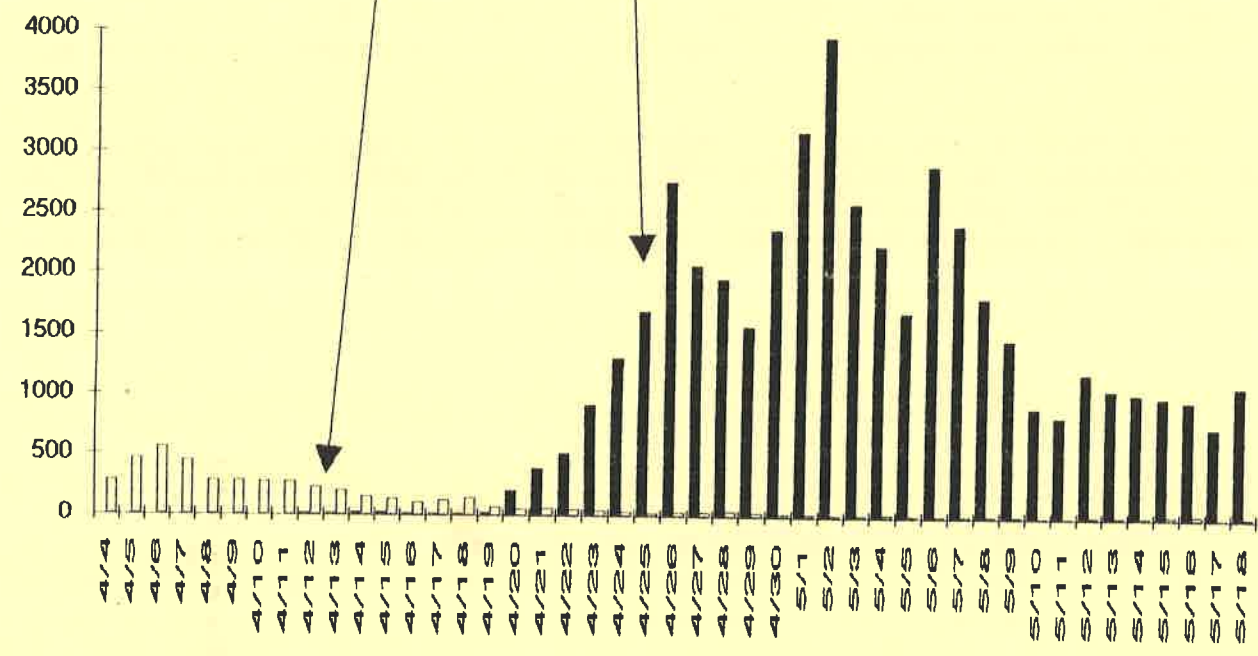
Allied Arts Sidewalk Show - July 23 and 24

Volunteers will be needed soon for the Sidewalk Sale Salmon Bake booth. If you have missed this in the past you will want to be sure and catch it this year. There is nothing like Salmon BBQ by us!!! This is our part in the Allied Arts show held at Howard Amon Park as part of the annual Water Follies festivities. Everyone should expect a call and be prepared to help for a few hours. It's fun! Work begins with set up on Thursday, July 22, then cooking and serving the 23rd and 24th.

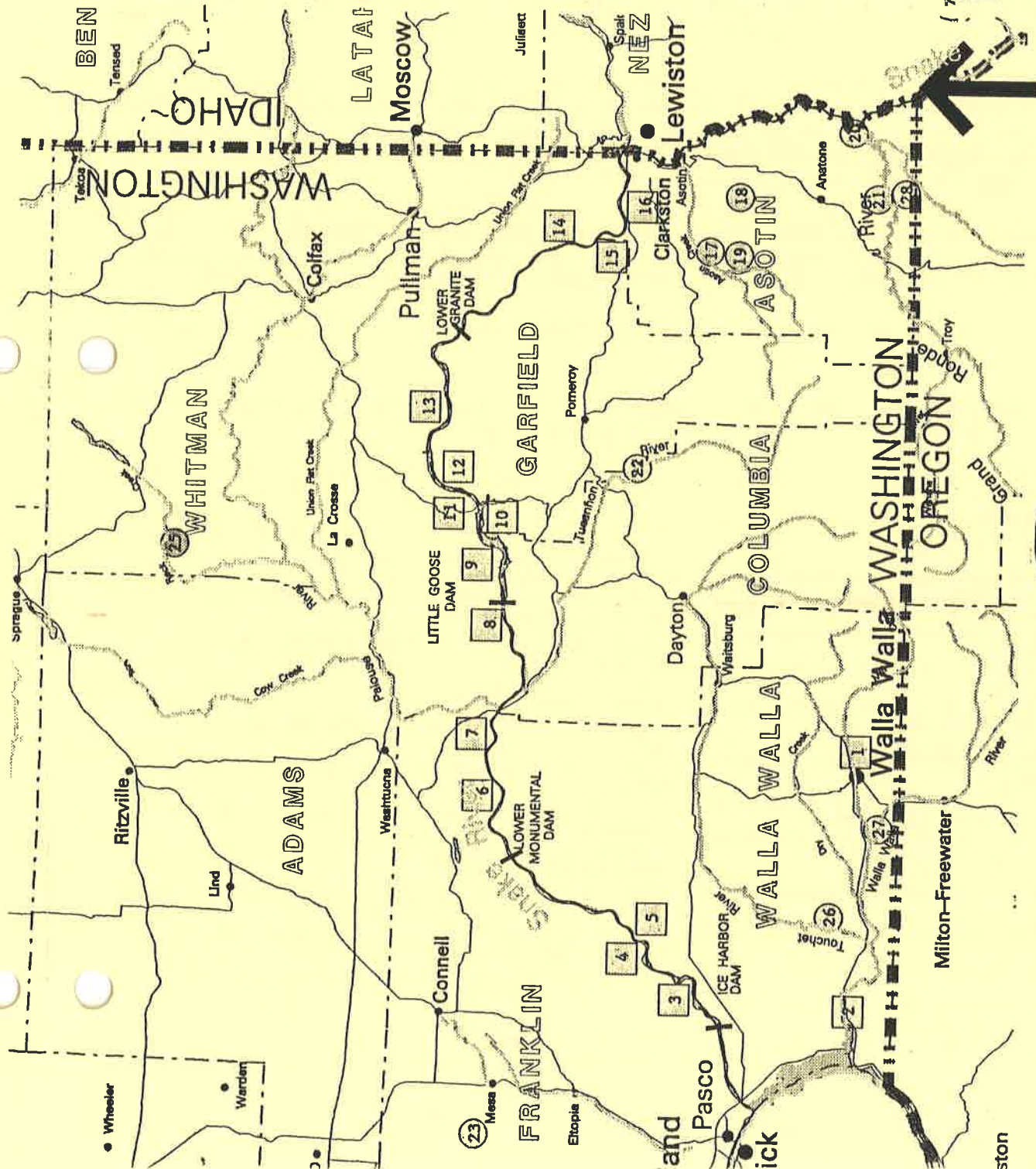
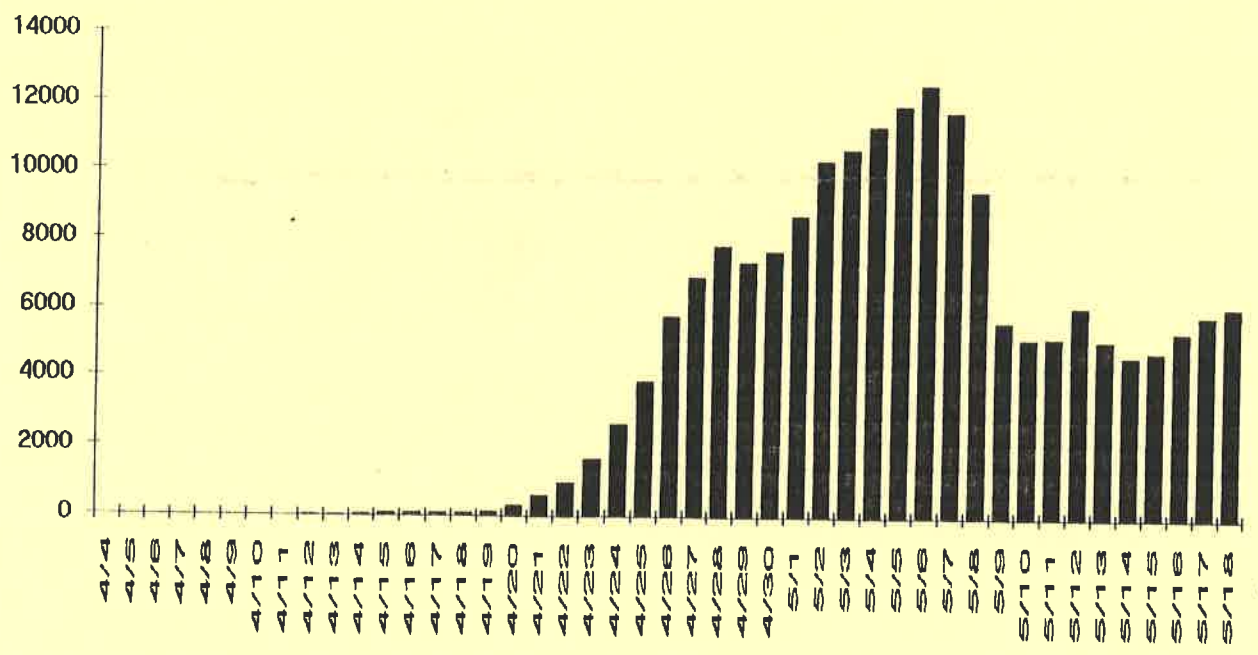
Annual Club Summer Picnic

Our annual club picnic is tentatively set for August 3, 1993 at the south end of Leslie Groves Park under the gazebo and near the horseshoe pit. Look for more details in the July Bulletin!!

STEELHEAD AND SALMON OVER McNARY DAM, 1993



SALMON IN COLUMBIA RIVER ABOVE McNARY DAM



NAME	LOCATION	ACRES	USE
1. Mill Creek	Approx. 2 Miles East of Walla Walla, WA off I-17	70.00	H,F
2. Whelan HMAU	Approx. 12 Miles East of Pasco, WA off I-17	178.00	H,F
3. Big Flat HMAU	Approx. 18 Miles North East of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	822.00	H,F
4. Lost Island HMAU	Approx. 18 Miles North East of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	92.00	H,F
5. Holman HMAU	Approx. 20 Miles North East of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	347.00	H,F
6. Stockum HMAU	Approx. 46 Miles North East of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	784.00	H,F
7. Fifty-Five Mile HMAU	Approx. 52 Miles North East of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	27.00	H,F
8. John Henry HMAU	Approx. 52 Miles North East of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	78.00	H
9. Ridgway HMAU	Approx. 28 Miles North East of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	84.00	H,F
10. New York Bar HMAU	Approx. 24 Miles North West of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	270.00	H,F
11. Canal Ferry HMAU	Approx. 22 Miles North West of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	288.00	H
12. Willow Bar HMAU	Approx. 28 Miles North West of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	19.00	H,F
13. Swift Bar HMAU	Approx. 24 Miles North East of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	344.00	H,F
14. Nisqually John Canyon HMAU	Approx. 14 Miles North West of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	3070.00	H
15. Early Bar HMAU	Approx. 13 Miles North West of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	388.00	H,F
16. Old Timothy HMAU	Approx. 6 Miles West of Pasco, WA off Highway 204	80.00	F
17. 2 Essences on Astor Creek	Approx. 2 Miles West of Astor Creek, WA off Highway 159	53.00	F
18. Astor Creek Wildlife Area	Approx. 4 Miles South West of Astor Creek, WA off Highway 159	528.00	H,F
19. River Creek	Approx. 18 Miles North West of Asotin, WA off Highway 120	426.00	H
20. Joseph Creek Wildlife Area	Approx. 5 Miles South East of Asotin, WA off Highway 120	947.00	H
21. Joseph Creek Wildlife Area	Approx. 5 Miles South of Asotin, WA off Highway 120	2033.00	H,F
22. Woodman Wildlife Area	Approx. 18 Miles South East of Asotin, WA off Highway 120	2942.00	H,F
23. Woodman Ranch	Approx. 5 Miles North West of Asotin, WA off Highway 120	1834.00	H
24. Belle Ranch	Approx. 8 Miles North West of Asotin, WA off Highway 120	3697.00	H
25. Rivers Ranch	Approx. 12 Miles North of Asotin, WA off Highway 120	2291.00	H,F
26. 8 Mile Touchet River	Approx. 8 Miles North of Walla Walla, WA off Highway 204	2.00	F
27. Savage Public Fishing Area	Walla Walla, WA off Highway 12	88.00	F
28. Swank Public Fishing Area	Approx. 3 Miles South of Asotin, WA off Highway 120	61.00	F

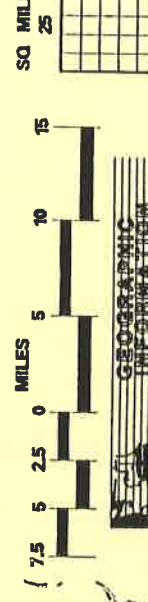
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Patty Murray's Gun Control Tax

As you have probably heard, Patty Murray, a Washington freshman senator has proposed a 25% sales tax on certain weapons and ammunition. The money raised from this tax will fund victims of accidental or deliberate gunshot wounds. In addition, she wants to raise the 3-year cost of a federal firearms license from \$30.00 to \$2,500.

Murray is trying to get guns out of the hands of criminals and no one disagrees with that philosophy. This bill will do nothing to meet that goal since an overwhelming majority of weapons used to commit crimes are gained by illegal means. They would not be subject to this tax! Even if the weapons were subject to this tax, her logic is flawed because raising taxes does not equal crime control.

This is obviously just another case of the law abiding gun owner paying the price for an inept legal system. If Patty Murray would put the same energy into getting the gun toting criminal off the streets and in jail where they belong, this issue would be solved!

It is important that you let Patty and other legislators know how you feel about her proposal.

Your opinion DOES count when you make it known. Call or write your legislators and let them know that in your opinion, this is the wrong way to go.

Where to write

Federal

- Hon. Bill Clinton, president of the United States, The White House, 1600 Perinsylvania Ave., Washington, D.C., 20500.
- U.S. Capitol Switchboard (all offices of Congress) 202-224-3121.
- Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., 730 Hart Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20510. 202-224-3441.
- Sen. Patty Murray, B 34 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20510. 202-224-2621.
- Rep. Jay Inslee, D-Wash., 1431 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20515. 202-225-5816.
- Rep. Tom Foley, D-Wash., 1201 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20515. 202-225-2006. Spokane office: 1-353-2155. Walla Walla office: 522-6370.
- Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., 711 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20510. Portland office: 503-326-3386.
- Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., 259 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20510. Portland office: 503-326-3370.

State

- Gov. Mike Lowry, Legislative Building, Olympia, WA 98504. 206-753-6780.
- Gov. Barbara Roberts, 254 State Capitol Building, Salem, OR 97310. 503-378-3100.
- Sen. Jim Jesemig, D-8th District, 412 JAC Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7614.
- Rep. Lane Bray, D-8th District, John L. O'Brien Bldg., Rm. 303, Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7882.
- Rep. Curtis Ludwig, D-8th District, John L. O'Brien Bldg., Rm. 304, Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7986.

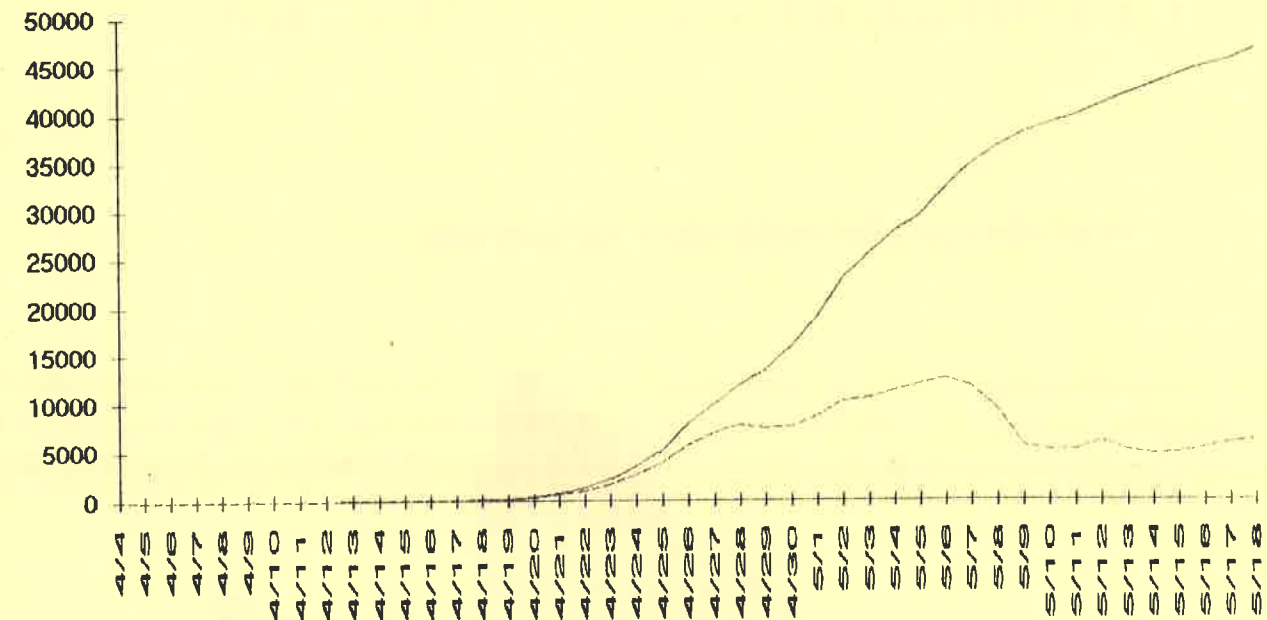
- Sen. Eugene Prince, R-9th District, 101 Institutions Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7620.
- Rep. Mark Schoesler, R-9th District, 319 John L. O'Brien Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7844.
- Rep. Larry Sheahan, R-9th District, 315 John L. O'Brien Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7942.
- Sen. Harold Hochstatter, R-13th District, 115-B Institutions Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7624.
- Rep. Gary Chandler, R-13th District, John L. O'Brien Bldg., Rm. 416, Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7932.
- Rep. Mick Hansen, D-13th District, 427 John L. O'Brien Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7808.
- Sen. Irv Newhouse, R-15th District, 403 Legislative Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 204-786-7684.
- Rep. Barbara Lisk, R-15th District, John L. O'Brien Bldg., Rm. 320, Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7874.
- Rep. Margaret Rayburn, D-15th District, John L. O'Brien Bldg., Rm. 301, Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7960.
- Sen. Valoria Loveland, D-16th District, 412-B Legislative Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7630.
- Rep. William A. Grant, D-16th District, John L. O'Brien Bldg., Rm. 243, Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7828.
- Rep. Dave Mastin, D-16th District, 242 John L. O'Brien Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504. 206-786-7836.
- Washington Legislative Hotline (toll free) 1-800-562-6000.

Fish Counts - Dave Myers

Salmon and Steelhead fishermen: You have probably watched with interest the daily counts of fish passing over the Columbia and Snake River Dams. The accompanying graphs provide the compiled data for those passing over McNary Dam. The first graph shows the daily counts. The second shows the approximate number of salmon in the reach between McNary, Ice Harbor and Priest Rapids Dams. It looks like it is going to be a good spring chinook fishery on Icicle Creek near Wenatchee as over 25,000 fish have passed over Priest Rapids Dam.

I will try to keep these graphs updated as long as the Tri-City Herald keeps printing the counts (about November). It would be most interesting to correlate fish catches vs fish counts, river discharge, temperature, etc. If you are interested in helping please provide me with data concerning fish caught, including the date. Contact Dave Myers on 375-0343

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Permit and special tag deadlines

Don't let the summer fun let you forget the new EARLY big game permit and special tag deadlines. It could slip by you this year, as the postmark deadline on many submissions is **July 22nd!!!!**

For your information:

..Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation Tri-City Chapter Fundraiser, Preston Wine Cellars, Pasco, August 14th, 3 pm. Ticket Chairman is Annette Aughey, 922 South Green Street, Kennewick.

..Idaho Gun and Collectible Show, July 17 and 18, Western Idaho State Fair Building, 5610 Glenwood, Boise, Idaho. For information call 208-746-5555

..Yakima Gun and Antique Show, July 24 and 25, Yakima Convention Center, East Yakima Avenue, Yakima, Washington. For information call 208-746-5555

..Bass Encounters tournament, July 24 and 25, Potholes Reservoir at Mar Don Resort. For entry forms and information call 588-4688.

\$3 for Squawfish

Squawfish season opened May 3 on the Columbia and Snake Rivers. Anglers will receive \$3 for each fresh squawfish measuring at least 11 inches brought in to one of 18 registration stations. For more information you may call the BPA in Walla Walla on 509-522-6213 or Spokane on 509-353-2515.



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JUNE GENERAL MEETING REPORT

Geoff McMichael, Department of Wildlife Fish Biologist, gave a wonderful presentation on the Upper Yakima River Species Interactions Studies. The objectives of the studies are to obtain data on the resident trout population, conduct short term experiments that will provide information on the issue of competition between resident trout and anadromous fish, and to develop long term monitoring plans. Geoff reminded us of an important fact: In catch and release situations, 30% of the fish caught will die if they are handled while being released. If release is done without handling the fish, 90% will survive. Use wet hands if you have to handle a fish or a soft nylon landing net. If you have to handle the fish, hold it upside down under water barely cradling it and it will settle down. That's it on hints! We learned other hints, but you will just have to begin coming to the meetings to learn them!

One more item though.... If you catch a radio tagged fish in the Yakima River catch and release area, or from a tributary, please be sure to record it on the form reprinted below and mail to the Washington Department of Wildlife.

Our door prize was an Ambassador Proplus graphite composite pole and reel. The lucky winner, with number 431971 was **Lou LaDouceur!!** Congratulations Lou. Join us in September where you could win!!

SEPTEMBER 1993 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Our next general membership meeting will be held on September 7th at the Richland Public Library. Vista Vet Hospital will provide a guest speaker on preseason conditioning and field first aid for your best and most faithful hunting companion, the dog. This will be a great presentation so mark your calendars now before the summer activities carry you into the fall hunting seasons unprepared!

**GENERAL MEETING ... Tuesday, SEPTEMBER 7, 1993
7:30 pm Richland Public Library**

Youth Conservation Summer Camp

The RR&GC is sponsoring eleven youths to the Washington State Junior Sportsmen's Council Youth Conservation Camp in July:

Stephanie Miller	Heidi Pickard	Mindy Pickard
Katherine Reed	Jessica Rizzo	Kellie Anderson
Gretchen Mensinger	Abbie Siefken	Isaac Case
Joshua Cook	Ryan Morgan	

We wish them the best at camp! Thank you to Larry Martin for chairing this activity!

Salmon Booth -- Allied Arts Sidewalk Show -- July 23 and 24

Volunteers are still needed for this club activity. Every year the club gets together with the Columbia Basin Fly Casters and sponsors a Salmon Feed Booth at the Allied Arts Sidewalk Show. We use a special recipe for BBQ salmon and serve the best dinner available at the show I am sure!!! Here are the shift times and jobs to be done:

Thursday 6 to 9:30 pm ... workers needed to set up booth and cookers

Friday 9 am to 1 pm ... workers needed for cooking and serving
1 pm to 5 pm ... workers needed for cooking and serving
5 pm to 9 pm ... workers needed for cooking and serving

Saturday 9 am to 1 pm ... workers needed for cooking and serving
1 pm to 5 pm ... workers needed for cooking and serving
5 pm to 9 pm ... workers needed for tear down and cleanup

Please call Howard Gardner to sign up, 943-9084.

All cookers and servers MUST have a valid Health Card from the Benton County Health Department. You must attend a class and pass a test to obtain this card, here is how:

1. Attend a special evening class to be held at the Allied Arts Gallery, 89 Lee Blvd., Richland, at 6:45 pm. NO ONE WILL BE ADMITTED LATE! Or,
2. Go to the Health Department at 800 West Canal Drive, Kennewick on

Wednesdays and Thursdays, 9 am to 11 am or 3 pm to 5 pm

Choose your time and CALL first to sign up: 582-7761
The cost for the permit is \$8.00 and will be reimbursed by the club.

Annual Club Summer Picnic - August 3rd - Leslie Groves south side

A reminder, **mark your calendar**, our annual club picnic is set for August 3, 1993 at the south end of Leslie Groves Park under the gazebo and near the horseshoe pit. This picnic is a salmon feed for the club which will exceed the Salmon Booth fare in excellence!! Bring the kids, the horseshoes, your lawn chair and get ready for an evening of good fun and fun!!

Wildlife Issues Discussed at Open House - Mike Estes, President

The Departments of Fisheries and of Wildlife held an open house in Yakima on June 23rd to collect public input relating to the merger of the two departments. Attendees were asked to identify key issues in the areas of fisheries, administration, licensing, enforcement, wildlife, habitat and the role of the commission. Our club was represented by Dave Elmer, John Pfeiffer and Mike Estes. The open house provided us an excellent opportunity for on-one discussions with DOF/DOW personnel where attendees could raise any issue they felt was important. Ideas and concerns were recorded on flip charts and attendees were given colored stickers to put next to the topics that individuals felt were of greatest concern or to show support for an idea. Similar meetings are being held around the state. The information will be used to provide direction and focus for how the newly created department will operate.

Hunter Education Instructors

As I reported in last month's bulletin, instructors are needed for the hunter education programs. If you are interested in becoming an instructor be sure to give Howard Gardner a call on 943-9084.

Proposed Seasons for 1994 - 1996

Public input is being gathered now for the 1994 through 1996 game seasons. If you have any comments please contact Tom Davis on 946-7747 or Gerry Zeitler on 545-6694. Tom and Gerry will be getting information on any public meetings to be held on this subject.

For Women Who Like to Fish

Remember the Northwest Women's Sport Fishing Conference August 7th at the Airport Inn Ramada in Portland, Oregon. Enjoy this unique event for women who love to fish and remember the great shopping in Portland! Registration deadline is July 28th. Call 503-922-5215 or 503-922-4046 for more information. I have two registration forms also. Did you know they make pink neoprene waders? There will be a style and equipment show there too!

Watch the Reservoir Levels

If you are planning a trip to any upriver reservoirs in the Northwest, please plan ahead. Although the Cascade reservoirs are full now, Hungry Horse, Libby and other upriver reservoirs are at least 50 feet below full pool this summer and could be even lower in July and August. Although the snowfall was above normal in many areas this last winter the basin wide snowpack was poor and snow did not accumulate in the mountains. Add this to potential drawdowns for fish flows, you might find yourself greatly disappointed and your vacation abruptly changed when you discover the boat launch high and dry. Please check it out before you hit the road and keep an open positive mind in case you have to change your plans at the last minute!

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For your information:

August 1 ... Inland Northwest Wildlife Council Annual Picnic, Pine River County Park on the Little Spokane River near Wandermere Golf Course. Call 534-6550 or 327-7896. Car entry permits are required. I have two, Anita, 943-0855.

August 3 ... Our annual picnic at Leslie Groves Park!! See article inside.

August 7 & 8 ... Antique and Gun Show, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Kootenai County Fairgrounds, N 4060 Gov't Way.

August 7 ... Northwest Women's Sport Fishing Conference, Portland, Oregon. See last months bulletin for more details or call 503-922-4046.

August 14 ... Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation Tri-City Chapter Fundraiser Dinner at Preston Wine Cellars, Pasco, 3 pm. Contact Annette Aughey, 922 So. Green Street, Kennewick.

August 17 ... Our board meeting, 7:00 pm, Richland Public Library Conference Room

August 28 ... Bass Encounters Columbia River Bass Tournament at Crow Butte State Park. Call 588-4688.

September 7 ... Our general membership meeting, 7:30 pm, Richland Public Library

HELP STOP POACHING

IF YOU SEE A GAME VIOLATION
REPORT IT TOLL FREE
CALL 24 HOURS - 1-800-477-6224

Please, if you are hesitant to call in a violation because you know a Game Warden could not possible respond in time, think again. Data on the number of calls, type of violation, etc., may mean a difference between an increase or a decrease in Game Wardens! Repeat violations in the same areas could mean a Game Warden will spend more time in a particular area, or the same vehicle reportedly involved in a violation several times will be watched for more closely. so please, call in those illegal actions you may observe.



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Annual Club Picnic - Salmon BBQ

Tuesday, August 3rd 6pm Leslie Groves Park South end

Rain or shine the salmon will be on the grill and ready just for you and the whole family on Tuesday, August 3rd, 6 pm, at our Annual Club Picnic! Remember, this is the famous BBQ'd salmon served just last weekend at the Allied Arts Sidewalk Show! Bring the kids, the lawn chairs, picnic blanket, horseshoes, and whatever else you need for an evening of food and fun among friends and people who care about fish and game management, conservation and sportmanship. Bring your own serving and eating utensils, beverages, condiments, plates, etc., will be provided.

Oops! Our picnic is a semi-pot luck and there is a cost:

Those with their last name beginning with

A through L ... Bring a dessert to share, and
M through Z ... Bring a salad to share!!

The cost is: \$3.00 per person with children under 12 \$1.00 each

Directions to the park: Go north on George Washington Way through Richland to Newcomer Street. Turn right on Newcomer. At the "T" with Harris Avenue turn left onto Harris. Go to Park Street and turn right onto Park. Follow Park Street around to the parking area near the gazebo and the horseshoe pit, or roll down those windows and follow the smell of salmon on the grill!!!

SEPTEMBER 1993 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, September 7, 1993
7:30 p.m. Richland Public Library

Mark your calendar for our next general membership meeting! Vista Vet Hospital will provide a guest speaker on preseason conditioning and field first aid for your faithful hunting companion, your dog(s). Sometimes we learn the hard way just how much our dog means to us. I lost mine just a couple of weeks ago and still can't walk out the back door without an intense feeling of loss and great sadness. So please, make the extra effort to treat your dog with the best of care and attention, at home and in the field.

Benton County Critical Areas Protection Ordinances - Howard Gardner

The purpose of this ordinance is to meet the requirements of the Washington State Growth Management Act. The protected "critical areas" include: wetlands, frequently flooded areas, fish and wildlife habitat conservation areas, critical aquifer recharge acres, and geologically hazardous areas. After reviewing the ordinance and discussion with Mike Estes, Jack Pickard, and Jerry Zeitler, the following comment was given at a public hearing before the Benton County Planning commission:

.. Opposed low intensity agriculture, such as livestock grazing, as an allowable use in critical resource and riparian buffer areas. This was based on the disruption to wildlife use.

.. Within a critical area or buffer we opposed the removal, excavation, stockpiling or grading of soil in any amount. Same reason as given above.

.. For new surface water discharged to a river or creek, in addition to no decrease in water quality, the club requested the impact of a fluctuating water level be part of the performance standard.

I have a copy of the proposed ordinance for review by club members. You may contact me on 943-9084

CORRECTION

A recent article in the Tri City Herald mentioned the five islands north of Richland as being closed to public use and hunting. The "five islands" located in the Columbia River adjacent to North Richland and the Hanford 3000 and 300 Areas, are closed to public use such as boating and picnicing, but will be open for hunting during hunting seasons.

Ukiah Elk Hunt - Help Wanted

Steve Wray will be elk hunting the Ukiah Unit in late October. If there are any fellow hunters out there who have experience or knowledge of the Ukiah area, give Steve a call and let him in on some pointers for hunting this area. Call Steve on 943-4777.

Fish Counts: The Steelhead are coming! The Steelhead are coming! That is the good news for club members who enjoy the masochistic pursuit of this anadromous rainbow trout. The fish counts on the lower Columbia River dams have been steadily rising over the past several weeks and it won't belong before the first surge hits the Hanford reach. The table below provides the total number of fish over each of the dams and the "fish in reach" for each reservoir. These data are through Sunday, July 18.

Dam	Sum Steelhead	Steelhead in reach	Sum Salmon	Salmon in reach
Bonneville	28,006	14,385	133,878	48,612
The Dalles	14,244	4,394	85,506	14,843
John Day	10,985	2,460	79,214	1,168
McNary	13,894	3,256	76,884	366
Ice Harbor	10,215	-----	31,745	-----
Priest Rapids	636	-----	44,773	-----

^a Number accounts for fish in reach before start of counting.

The cooler weather we have experienced this year may speed the fish upstream. There is no sign yet of the start of the fall chinook run.

Contact: Dave Myers 375-0343

Use of Funds

The Use of Funds Committee has recommended and the Board of Directors has approved the contributions listed below. Other contributions are still under consideration. You may contact the board or Howard Gardner, Use of Funds Committee Chairperson, if you have any comments, questions or recommendations.

Columbia Basin Dive and Rescue	\$ 250
NRA Inst. for Legislative Action	200
United Conservation Alliance	100
Hunter Education Associations - State	50
- National	50
Wildlife Oriented Scholarship	500
Washington Game Warden Association - Membership	35
Dept. of Wildlife Upland Wildlife Restoration Program	500
Sport Fishing Institute	50
Adopt-a-Pothole (An organization similar to Ducks Unlimited where you adopt a mid-US prairie pothole which is developed for wildlife use.)	125
Central Washington Warm Water Fisheries Advisory Committee	500
Washington Wildlife and Recreation Coalition	<u>125</u>
Total	\$2485

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OCTOBER, 1993

Actions Happening on Tuesday, October 5th:

Annual Hunting Forecast - Our general meeting this month is at 7:30 pm in the Franklin PUD Auditorium at 1411 West Clark in Pasco, and will include our annual hunting forecast.

ASCE Conference "Bio-Engineering Issues Related to Salmon Decline on the Columbia and Snake Rivers" 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Cavanaugh's Inn, Kennewick Contact Mathew Laws 509-522-6588 if you have questions, or 509-735-1280 to register. Registration the day of the conference starts at 7:30 am.

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MEETINGS AND DEADLINES

General Meeting - Tuesday, October 5, 1993, 7:30 pm - Franklin County PUD Auditorium

Board Meeting - Tuesday, October 19, 1993 - 7:00 p.m. Richland Public Library

Bulletin Deadline - Friday, October 22, 1993, - Contact Anita, evenings at 943-0855

October General Meeting

7:30 pm Tuesday, October 5th - Franklin County PUD Auditorium
1411 West Clark
Pasco, Washington

Directions to the Franklin County PUD Auditorium are at the bottom of this page. We hope to see you there...This will be our annual hunting forecast meeting with tips for all hunters. Regional biologists Pat Fowler, Region 1, Mark Quinn from Region 2, and Roger McKeel from Region 3 will be our guests. Please join me and fellow club members in welcoming our guests and enjoying a great evening with the opportunity to ask hunting questions specific to your interests and hunting area.

Directions to the Franklin County PUD Auditorium:

The PUD Building is on the northeast corner of the intersection at 14th and Clark Streets, just one block north off Lewis Street in Pasco. Coming from Richland and Kennewick, you can take the Lewis Street exit off the blue bridge.

FOR SALE

Experienced 20 foot fiberglass fishing boat, 1977, Olympic, 302 Ford, 753 Hamilton Pump, newly refurbished interior, side console, Eagle flasher, trolling motor bracket; \$3,000 Contact Dave Myers at home on 375-0343 or at work on 943-6728.

HELP WANTED

Retired avid fisherman needs a fishing partner for bass, salmon, walleye and panfish fishing. If you have some free time and enjoy fishing as much as I do, please give me a call on 735-6380. Thank you. I hope to hear from lots of new friends soon! Paul Penick

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Columbia River Salmon and Steelhead - Dave Myers

As predicted at our last club meeting, the steelhead returns this year are dismal at best. September, 1993, counts are at less than 20% of September, 1992. Salmon counts are about 20% above last year, but do not appear to be being caught at even last year's level. You will have to work hard to put a fish in the cooler. It looks as if the peak has not reached McNary Dam yet, but may get here before the end of September. Rumor has it that fish are being caught near the mouth of the Deschutes River below Biggs Junction. Fishing pressure on the Hanford Reach has been abnormally light, with few reports of fish being taken. I did, however, hear of a 48 pounder being taken September 21st!! If you have any questions about the fish counts, contact Dave Myers at 375-0343.

Landowner Relations - Hunter Ethics

The National Rifle Association, NRA, has available a free "Landowner Relations" brochure and a "NRA Hunter-Landowner Permission" booklet. These publications have been developed as part of the effort to preserve the heritage of hunting in America. One of the keys to preserving this heritage is through our relations with landowners. We must all treat landowners and their property with the respect and dignity they deserve. If you are having a hard time getting permission to hunt on private land, take advantage of these publications. The booklet is a two-part permission slip, designed to provide you with an approach to landowners and improve your role as a responsible citizen and hunter. The slips state the NRA Hunter's Code of Ethics. If you would like copies of the free brochure and/or booklet, contact the NRA Sales Department at 1-800-336-7402. The Booklet is Item Number HE3N0033 and the booklet is Item Number HI3N0142. The Code of Ethics permissions slips are reprinted from the booklet below.

1994 Calendars are Here!!

Our 1994 Calendars are here and will be on sale at the General Meeting on October 5th. These calendars make great gifts for the holidays and are always an excellent way of saying thank you to the landowner(s) who allow you to hunt their lands. Look for Tom Davis at the General Meeting to get yours now!!

RR&GC Accessories for the Holidays

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Coming Up!

- October 5 ASCE Conference on Bio-Engineering Issues Related to Salmon Decline on the Columbia and Snake Rivers, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm \$10
Call 735-1280
- October 5 Our General Meeting/Annual Hunting Forecast, 7:30 pm at the Franklin County PUD Auditorium, 1411 West Clark, Pasco
- October 7 - 10. Wenatchee River Salmon Festival Contact Susan Thomas, 509-782-1413
- October 16 - 17 1993 Salmon Festival at Oxbow Park on the Sandy River, Troutdale, Oregon, near Portland, call 503-222-9091
- October 19. Our board meeting, 7 pm, Richland Public Library
- October 30 - 31 Wenatchee Gun and Antique Show, Wenatchee Convention Center, 121 N Wenatchee Ave, Wenatchee, Washington

Refund of Highway Taxes on Boat Fuel - Dave Myers

If you have been chasing around trying to find a steelhead salmon, walleye or whatever, wondering where all your money has gone, you should be aware that those who own boats can reclaim a major portion of the Washington State Fuel Tax charged at the pumps. In order to claim this refund you must keep records of that fuel used exclusively for marine purposes. If you have such records as required, you may initially claim a refund for the previous 13 month period. If you are interested write to:

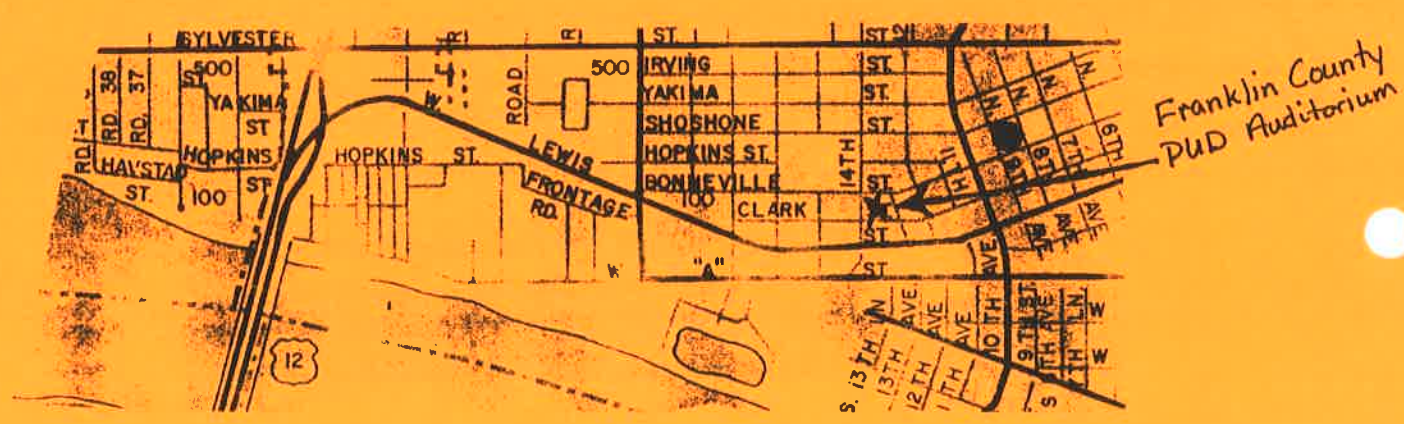
Washington Department of Licensing
Fuel Tax Section
P. O. Box 9228
Olympia, WA 98507-9228

They will send you a copy of the rules and the necessary forms. In subsequent years they will send you this form for you to apply for the refund. Contact: Dave Myers on 375-0343 if you have questions.

September General Meeting Report

Our September meeting was a great evening with six special guests and an excellent presentation by our featured guest Dr. Robert Privette from Vista Veterinary Hospital. Our special guests were Kellie Anderson, Stephanie Miller, Heidi Pickard, Minday Pickard, Kathy Reed and Abbie Siefken. These young ladies were six of eleven young adults the club sponsored to the Washington State Junior Sportsmen's Council Youth Conservation Camp this last summer. The young ladies each told us their special thoughts from their experience and thanked the club for our sponsorship.

Dr. Privette, our featured guest speaker, gave a wonderful presentation following a video by Gun Dog Magazine on preseasoning conditioning and field first aid for your hunting companion, your hunting dog! Dr. Privette emphasized the importance of a "tailgate exam" of your dog, and carrying a first aid kit enabling you to address any potential field injuries.



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Firearm Freedom

Don't forget, you can have a part in what happens to your firearm freedoms. If you are interested in your right to bear arms (if you are not familiar with the issues, latest proposals and solutions, please pickup the latest issue of the American Hunter, read ALL the related articles, then) call or write your opinion into your US Representative and your US Senators. Call 202-224-3121, or write to:

U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515; or
U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510

OR: Senator Slade Gorton at 730 Senate Hart Building, Washington D.C. 20510
Senator Patty Murray at B34 Senate Dirksen Bldg, Washington D.C. 20510
House Speaker Tom Foley at 1201 Longworth House Office Bldg, Washington D.C. 20515

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Board Meeting - Tuesday, November 16, 1993, 7:00 p.m. - Richland Public Library

Bulletin Deadline - Wednesday, November 24, 1993, call Anita evenings on 943-0855

November General Meeting

7:30 pm Tuesday, November 2nd - Richland Public Library

Our November meeting will be very entertaining and interesting. Mike Jones, guide from Mid-Columbia Outfitters in Hermiston, known for his entertaining presentations, will speak to us on Walleye fishing. In addition, I hear there will be some special awards given out by our President, Mike Estes.

October General Meeting Report

Our October meeting was the annual hunting forecast meeting. Our special guests were Regional biologists Pat Fowler, Region 1, Mark Quinn from Region 2, and Roger McKeel from Region 3. The message was similar for all three regions, our hard winter weather last year created some severe shortages in the Deer, Pheasant and Chuckar populations. Good predictions were given for Elk, Quail, Bear, Cougar and waterfowl. Thank you to our guests, they gave us very interesting and informative talks, you missed a great meeting if you could not make it!

Raffle prizes went out to Tara Locke who won a Wood Duck Print, Ben Schwehr who won the fishing grab bag, and Don hand who also won a fishing grab bag! Congratulations!

Elections

Elections for new officers will be held in December. If you are interested in being on the board of the club, please let any of the following past presidents acting as our election committee know:

- Mike Estes 582-2212
- Howard Gardner 943-9084
- Larry Martin 545-9647
- Dave Myers 375-0343
- John Pfeiffer 627-5429
- Jack Pickard 582-5397

Positions up for election are:

President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and 15 trustees.

Please, think about becoming more active in the club, working to support issues such as conservation projects, education, sportsmen-landowner relations, habitat, water resources, youth and hunting and fishing for all.

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HELP WANTED

Fellow member Frank Gahimer and his family are looking for a house to rent in the Tri-Cities area. If you know of something that may be available please get a message to Frank in the evenings on 943-0855. Frank and his wife Rhonda have two sons, so a two bedroom home with a fenced yard is preferred. Frank is employed by Westinghouse and is an avid outdoorsman with special interests in black powder.

Wildlife Scholarship

Applications are now available for the \$500 Richard Fitzner Memorial Scholarship the club established this year. The scholarship is available to any admitted WSU student pursuing a science degree with an interest in pursuing a wildlife career. Applications are available from Pat Startzel at the Richland WSU campus. Please contact Pat immediately if you are interested.

Coming Up!

- November 2 Our General Meeting, 7:30 pm, Richland Public Library
- November 6 & 7 Gun and Antique Show, Red Lion Inn, Pasco, Washington
- November 16 Our board meeting, 7:00 pm, Richland Public Library
- November 20 & 21 Gun and Antique Show, and Christmas Bonanza, Lewiston, Idaho, Nez Perce County Fairgrounds, 1229 Burrell, Lewiston.
- November 24 Bulletin deadline, call Anita, 943-0855
- November 25 Thanksgiving Holiday!
- December 7 At our general meeting in December, we will have as special guest, Richard Mann from Western Safaris, who will talk about hunting and fishing opportunities in Africa and Australia. Join us at the Richland Public Library for this meeting!
- January 4 In January we will hear the latest and greatest about the robo deer, and maybe pheasant, program. The club bought such a robo deer (deer decoy) and it is on loan to the Fish and Wildlife for poaching sting operations. Join us in January for the latest on these sting operations.
- March It's not too early to be thinking about our annual Big Game Dinner! The Knights of Columbus have remodeled the kitchen, so save some game and plan on joining us in March! If you have an idea on how to have a large quantity of door prizes AND make the prize distribution go FASTER..contact one of the board members!!

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New Member.

We extend a warm and hearty welcome to new member Jim Sloat. Welcome to the club Jim!

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Prayer of the Hunter

Thank you God for the hunt.
Thank you for the sweat on my brow, the adrenalin in my veins and the pounding of my heart.
Thank you for the speed and grace of my prey. The hunt was not easy.

And to you my prey....

Thank you for the hunt.
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Thank you for your speed and grace. The hunt was not easy.

Author unknown. Submitted by Larry Martin

Goose Hill

The RR&GC, concerned about plans for development of 1400 acres of Goose Hill property into an Orchard thereby loosing valuable shrub streppe land, wrote a letter to Jennifer M. Belcher, Commissioner of Public Lands. The Club received a response from the Commissioner, stating that the original development plan has been reviewed and only 300 of the original 1400 acres will be developed. Our efforts to help retain valuable and critical wildlife habitat areas and wild shrub streppe lands has been rewarded.



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Board Meeting - Tuesday, December 21, 1993, 7:00 p.m. - Richland Public Library

Bulletin Deadline - Wednesday, December 22, 1993, call Anita at 943-0855, evenings

December General Meeting

7:30 pm Tuesday, December 7th - Richland Public Library

Elections!! Please join us on election night, December 7th, when we will elect our 1994 officers and board members. Nominations are still open and may be made from the floor at the meeting. However, the nominee must agree to serve in the position for which he/she is nominated, before the election takes place. A list of the positions and those nominated is included in later in the bulletin. Please call Jack Pickard on 582-5397.

African Safaris!! Our guest speaker for the December 7th meeting will be Richard J. Mann with Western Safaris out of Mesa, Washington. We will hear about African Safaris in Zimbabwe and the northern territories of Australia, from sightseeing to hunting and fishing opportunities! Richard will show some very exciting videos of actual safaris with his presentation. We hope to see you at the Richland Public Library on December 7th at 7:30 p.m.!

November General Meeting Report

As usual, Mike Jones, of Mid Columbia Outfitters in Hermiston, showed that he knows what he is talking about when he talks about fishing! Mike brought his Washington State record walleye along as proof that his fishing techniques work. Mike showed us how to rig up and told us how to find the walleye hot spots. He also showed a video from one of his trips to Odell Lake in central Oregon where he caught Mackinaw in the twenty to thirty pound range and lots of Kokanee. If you are looking for a fishing guide that knows his stuff, contact Mike Jones!

1994 Richland Rod and Gun Club Nominees:

President: Jack Pickard
Vice President: Anita Gahimer
Secretary: Mike Estes
Treasurer: Tom Davis

Trustees: Jerry Bloom
Clare Cranston
Bill Davis
Steve Friar
Don Frick
Jack Hampton
Don Hand
Harold Livland
Ray Lloyd
Larry Martin
Bob McPhee
Dave Myers
James Nagley
Ben Pesek
Arlen Schade
Ben Webb
Kevin Webb
Steve Wray
Gerald Zietler

Our Past President: Mike Estes

Our Volunteers: Howard Gardner
Dale Schielke
John Pfeiffer

Our Big Game Dinner Chairman: Gerald Zietler

Tri-Cities Shooting Association

Development of the Rattlesnake Mountain Shooting Facility has slowed down recently. The facility has six practical pistol bays, an interim rifle and pistol range, and an interim sporting clays course. The facility is open and has been the site of regular competitive pistol competitions. When complete, the facility will offer to the public one of the most extensive recreational shooting facilities in the Pacific Northwest. The recent slow down in development is due to the lack of heavy equipment. Such equipment is desperately needed to complete grading and road work needed before any additional work can continue. If you know of anyone who could help out, please contact the Tri-Cities Shooting Association President Rose-Iris Toberg at 735-3107. See the enclosed brochure for more information on the shooting facility.

Hunter Education - Mike Estes

A special hunter education class will be held at Phil's Sporting Goods the last two weeks in January. Call Phil's at 547-9084 to register.

Special Awards Given - Mike Estes

Department of Wildlife representatives presented special awards to two RR&GC members at our November 2nd meeting. DOW Region 2 Manager, Ray Duff, presented the Terry Hoffer Memorial Firearms Safety Award to Clare Cranston. Clare was named "Instructor of the Year" for the Hunter Education Program. DOW Region 3 Manager, Larry Popejoy, presented Howard Gardner a certificate for 35 years of service as a Hunter Education Instructor. Congratulations to Clare and Howard on receiving these prestigious awards and for representing the interests of our club so well.

Congratulations on a Job Well Done!!! - Mike Estes, President

With the end of the year quickly approaching, this is an appropriate time to pause and reflect on all that we have done as a club during 1993. Volunteers from our club have donated **thousands of hours** on a multitude of projects that will benefit wildlife and enhance our opportunities as sportsmen for years to come. We participated in habitat projects in Benton, Franklin, and Walla Walla counties. We donated **thousands of dollars** for worthwhile projects like the Upland Wildlife Restoration Project, Rattlesnake Mountain Shooting Range, Central Washington Warmwater Fisheries hatchery, and a deer decoy for the Department of Wildlife. Funding for our donations was available primarily due to the efforts of everyone who worked at the Salmon Booth at the Allied Arts Sidewalk Show in July.

The Board of Directors have communicated frequently with local state and federal agencies (Corps of Engineers, Fish and Wildlife, BLM, U.S. Forest Service and others) on numerous issues. We have talked with and written to state legislators, Congressmen, and Senators about proposed legislation affecting hunting, firearms control, wildlife and the environment, and the Fitzner-Eberhardt Arid Lands Reserve. Our efforts have been recognized and rewarded, and our input has made a difference.

It has been an honor for me to serve as your president this year. The efforts of the officers, trustees, and volunteers working together has enabled us to accomplish more than I could have imagined. **Thank you** very much for all that **you** have done to contribute to our success.

RR&GC Buys All-Terrain Vehicle - Dale Schielkie

In February of this year, the RR&GC applied for funding for a cooperative wildlife project. The "co-op program" provides funds to volunteer organizations who perform approved wildlife enhancement projects. Equipment purchased to perform these projects becomes the property of the Department of Wildlife. Funding to perform co-op projects comes from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. Proposed projects are submitted for evaluation and rating by an Executive Management Team. Approved applications are developed into contracts with the volunteer organization.

In September, our \$7500 proposed project of purchasing an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) for guzzler inspection and maintenance was approved. The ATV will assist both habitat specialists and club volunteers carry tools and repair materials to the remote guzzler sites.

During this past month the Department of Wildlife took possession of a 1994 Yamaha ATV with winch, brush hog mower accessory and loading ramp. This completes the co-op purchase.

The ATV will be used in the early spring by the RR&GC volunteers and specialists in accessing the remote guzzlers for the annual clean-out and maintenance of the 50+ guzzlers located in Benton County. If you would like to help with this project, watch for signup requests for volunteers at our general meetings and bulletins early in 94.

The December meeting of the Environmental Information Network will be on "Nitrate Pollution of Groundwater in the Columbia Basin." If you are interested, the meeting will be held in the Main Gallery of the Pasco Public Library at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 16th. Guest speakers will address the origin and possible health effects of the nitrate pollution.

Firearm Freedom - The Brady Bill Please look for an update in our next bulletin. Refer to our November Bulletin for phone numbers and addresses of your US Representative and US Senators.



Tri-Cities Shooting Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 785
Richland, WA 99352

The Tri-Cities Shooting Association is developing public shooting ranges at the Rattlesnake Mountain Shooting Facility near the Tri-Cities. When completed, Rattlesnake will offer to the public one of the most extensive recreational shooting facilities in the Pacific Northwest. It will be open to all the people of the Tri-Cities area as well as drawing competition shooters from all over Washington, surrounding states, and even Canada.

The 911 acre fenced location consists of land belonging to the Washington Department of Wildlife and the US Bureau of Land Management. This property is administered by the Benton County Park Board under a Memorandum of Understanding with the two property-owning agencies. The TCOSA is developing and managing Rattlesnake Mountain Shooting Facility under a Lease/Concessionaire agreement with Benton County.

As of fall 1993, the facility has six practical pistol bays, an interim rifle and pistol range, and an interim sporting clays course.

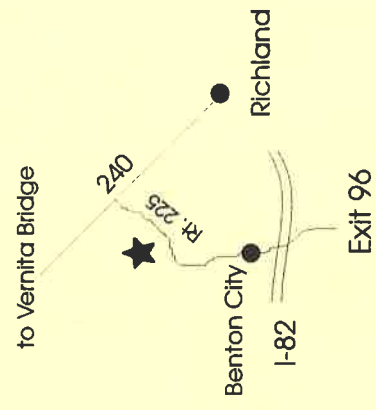
To date, TCOSA has been approved for three development phases under the Firearms

Range Program of the Washington Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation. Phase I consists of the practical pistol ranges and a 200 yard multi-purpose range with covered firing points. Phase II will develop a 1000 yard high power rifle range, trap and skeet fields, and a 10 station sporting clays course. These phases include development of associated access roads and parking lots. Phase III will provide for a well and a water and electrical distribution system.

Each phase has been approved for \$50,000 in state money, **but** these funds must be matched with goods and services purchased by or donated to the TCOSA. Since the cost of materials will consume a major portion of the state funding, TCOSA must turn to our community to donate labor, construction equipment time, materials, and cash to help make this dream a reality.

These donations, as well as a portion of memberships at the Endowment Level and above, may be tax deductible because TCOSA is a tax-exempt, 501(c) (3) corporation.

Rattlesnake Mountain Shooting Facility Location



The interim multi-purpose range is open Saturday and Sunday from 9 to 3, weather permitting. The range is normally closed on holidays and holiday weekends in deference to the volunteer Range Officers and their families. Extremes of heat, cold, wind, and other weather conditions can cause closure.

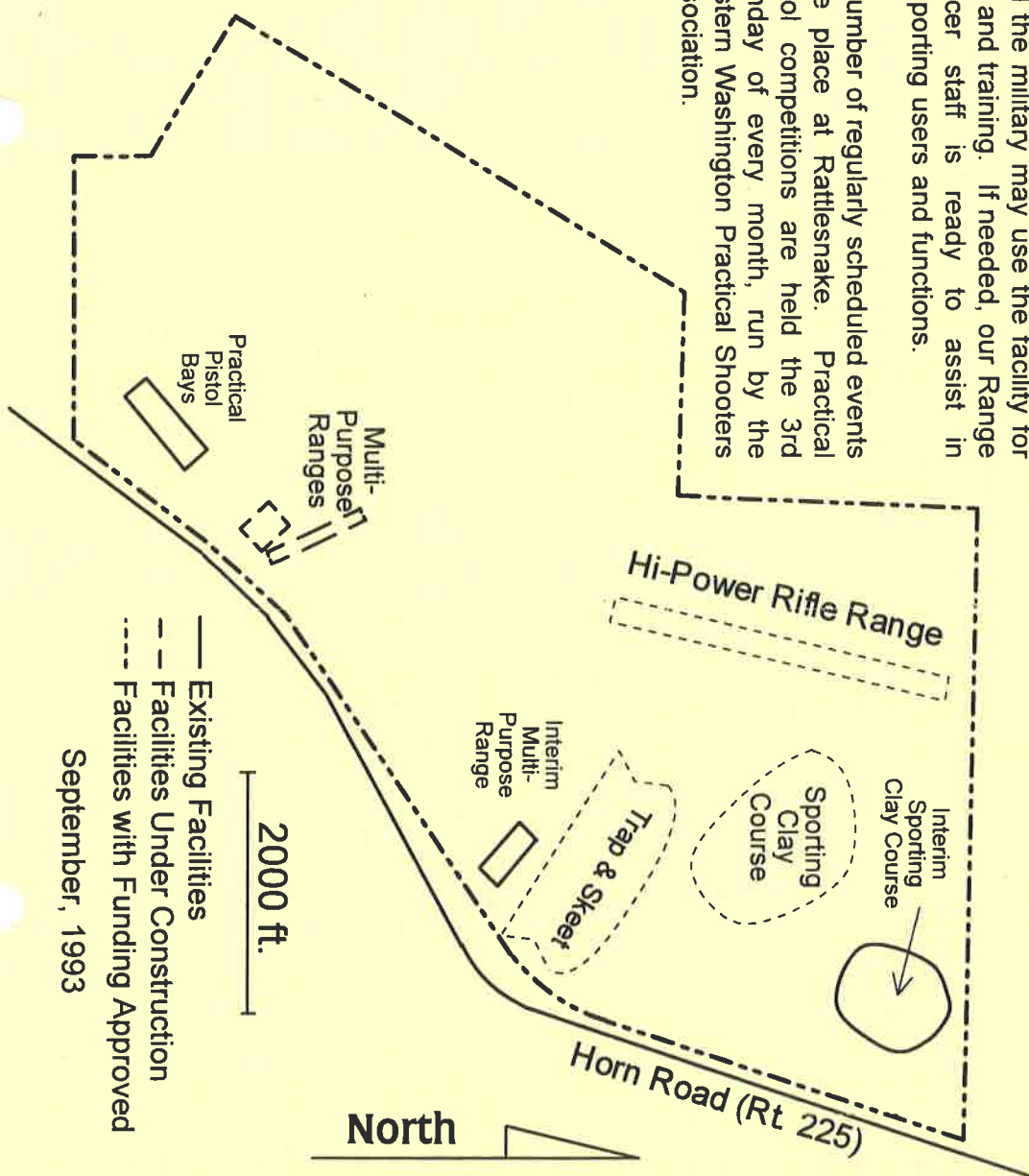
Organizations may reserve the use of the special purpose ranges for events by application to TCSA. Employee groups and the military may use the facility for fun and training. If needed, our Range Officer staff is ready to assist in supporting users and functions.

A number of regularly scheduled events take place at Rattlesnake. Practical pistol competitions are held the 3rd Sunday of every month, run by the Eastern Washington Practical Shooters Association.

High power rifle matches are held the 2nd Saturday of the month, April through September. Sporting Clays shoots are held on Sundays during the spring and fall.

Non-members using the multi-purpose range or participating in an event must pay a \$2.00 daily membership fee.

For more information, write the Tri-Cities Shooting Association or call Rose-Iris Toberg at 735-3107.



Membership Application
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 P.O. Box 785
 Richland, Washington 99352

Affiliated with:
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Today's Date _____

Name (Mr.) (Mrs.) (Ms.) _____ Birthdate _____
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 Family Annual \$37.50
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 Senior \$12.50
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 Benefactor \$5,000

N.R.A. Yes No # _____

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