



RIGHLAND ROD & GUN CLUB

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

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MEETINGS AND DEADLINES

NEXT GENERAL MEETING-7 pm, Tuesday June 6th, Richland Public Library,
955 Northgate Drive, Richland

BOARD MEETING—Tuesday, June 20th, 7:00 PM, Hunter Education Facility at Grigg's in Pasco

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – June 18th, Email rrgsecretary@gmail.com

**FISHING ON FRIDAY JUNE 9TH 6 P.M.
TO SATURDAY JUNE 10TH 3 P.M.**



A catfish challenge will begin on Friday June 9th at 6 p.m. The fishing is just for bragging rights, there is no sign up, no entry fee, and no prizes. This is an opportunity to get out there and fish with your fellow club members. Bring your big cats for weighing in at 3 p.m. at the Cummings:
FISH FRY & POTLUCK JUNE 10TH 4 P.M.

**73534 N. Pederson Rd.
West Richland, WA**

The fish fry and potluck will begin immediately following the closing of fishing and the big cat weigh in, just for bragging rights. Even if you do not plan on fishing, make sure you attend the fish fry and potluck. Bring more than just your cats, walleye will also be on the menu.

For the potluck:

A-G: Bring a salad

H-P: Bring a dessert

R-Z: Bring an appetizer or other

JUNE MEETING PROGRAM:



On Tuesday June 6th at 7 p.m. at the Richland Public Library, Drake Ofsthun will present bass fishing tips and tactics, you should be there. Jake is a senior at Kamiakin High School in Kennewick, WA and he is an up and coming bass angler of the northwest. He will be competing in Bassmaster High School Championship with his brother Reed on June 22nd- 24th on Kentucky Lake in Paris, Tennessee. Last fall, Drake and his brother Reed weighed in over 21 pounds of smallmouth on the Columbia river, including a 6.5 lbs small mouth. Come to the meeting on Tuesday June 6th and learn some bass fishing tips and tactics.

HUNTERS EDUCATION



The summer hunter's safety class is set to begin on June 19th and the class has been scheduled as a daytime class. A nighttime hunter's safety class will be offered in September, beginning on the week of September 11th. We need volunteers for these classes to maintain the acceptable ratio of instructors to students. Please contact Ron Ruth with your availability (509) 737 7350 or ron-rose@frontier.com.

WATER GUZZLERS



Larry Martin has an ongoing effort involving the construction, and maintenance of water guzzlers. These water guzzlers collect rain water in areas that are otherwise too dry to support game birds and song birds. In the month of May, Larry Martin and a group of boy scouts inspected and cleaned nearly a dozen water guzzlers.

WOOD DUCK BOXES



Dale Schielke has an ongoing effort involving the construction, maintenance, and monitoring of wood duck nesting boxes. Starting in January Dale and volunteers have completed the annual maintenance on 443 wood duck nest. Last nesting season had 228 of the boxes used by wood ducks, 101 used by screech owls, 26 owls

were either banded or had previously been banded, and 975 membranes were counted. The hens have started nesting now, and we have a number of in-box cameras installed and streaming video to the internet.

Recently, Dale found another hen that is a late nester where he was able to locate her with the in-box camera. When he looked in the box with the inspection camera, no hen was in the box but he could see an egg. When he examined more he discovered 9 eggs total covered with shavings and down. Dale plans on returning and capturing the hen to check for a band sometime before too long. You can follow the nesting activities of this hen

at <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/rrgc-nestcam>

WILD GAME RECOVERY



Chris Mosher has an ongoing effort involving the donation of wild game to the Union Gospel Mission. Chris recovers wild game from animals that were involved in accidents on the highways around the tri-city area. Below is a report of Chris's game recovery and meat donation that occurred in the month of May:

At about 8:50pm on 5/19/17, Chris Mosher received a call to pick up a deer. It was shot based on a kill permit issued by Don Hand of WDFW. Permit number (um-201704-11183-0). It was a 3-4 year old Whitetail doe. Chris de-boned and delivered 41 pounds of meat to the Union Gospel Mission on 5/20/17 at approximately 7:00 am.

MAY MEETING RECAP:



Jacob Munden presented on spring salmon tactics, specifically for spring salmon. Jacob believes when the Columbia hits greater than 50 F the springers should move up the river. Based on 2009 there was about 4-5 days of good fishing before the fishing was closed. Spinner baits and brads baits are better for warmer water fishing. Jacob is normally on anchor and he fishes quickfish and flat fish when he is in less than 10 ft of water. Jacob usually flat lines his set up 40-50 feet behind the boat. In deeper water (greater than 10 ft of water) he uses a fish dropper with 24" to 36" bow lines have 10 oz, aft lines 6 oz, and off the side 8 oz. Jacob fishes with Mag lips without using a dropper, in faster current he uses sizes 4.5 and 5.5 and he uses sizes 3.5 to 4.0 mag lips for slower current. Bait wrapping is good with sardine, herring, shad, and tuna. His recommendation is to fish with green for spring chinook. Double trouble is the most popular color for fishing for spring

chinook. When fishing in deeper water you can fish with jet divers and the advantage is that it walks on the bottom. There were some great tips presented and you should have been there.

RRGC APPROVED GUIDES



Flatout Fishing: Is run by Gerry Reyes and he specializes in steelhead, salmon, walleye, sturgeon, and shad fishing. Gerry provides a fun fishing experience with lots of laughter and fish. He shares his fishing tips and is always willing to teach. This past fall Gerry gave an excellent presentation on his Fall Salmon fishing tactics. I highly recommend fishing with Gerry. Contact him by phone (509) 302 1240 or by email flatout@hotmail.com.



Fisher's Catch Outfitter: Is run by Tony Fisher for sturgeon, salmon, steelhead, walleye and shad fishing. Tony does an excellent job at getting folks onto fish and he provides an excellent family experience. Tony presented to the club fishing tactics for Sturgeon fishing. His presentation was excellent and he definitely knows his sturgeon fishing. Contact him by phone at (509) 727-7137.



Atomic Anglers Guide Service: Is run by Chris Tannahill for salmon, steelhead, sturgeon, and walleye. Chris is a very successful fisherman that has been very successful walleye fishing, and he is ready to get after the spring salmon run. Contact him at (509) 539-1293 or email him at atomicanglersguideservicellc@gmail.com

MAY PHOTO CONTEST

Two photos were submitted for the photo contest this month. The winning photo was Paul Logman with a 20 pound 38 inch Mackinaw (lake trout) that he caught at Deer Lake on May 4th 2017, the photo was taken by Bob Mombnutt. The runner up photo was submitted by Greg and Carla Boeringa and it shows their granddaughter sighting in at the shooting range. As a reminder, photos need to be submitted before the next board meeting on June 20th and

the photos can be submitted to our club president Richard Sharp.

BULLETIN HELP – EMAIL vs. USPS: If you are receiving this bulletin via U.S. Mail and are able to receive a digital copy please contact the club secretary.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: June 20th, 7:00 PM, Griggs Hunters' Education Room, Pasco. All RR&GC members are invited to attend.



FOR SALE: a 14 ft Lund (aluminum) on an EZ Loader trailer with A 9.9 HP motor for sale - asking \$2,100.

Please contact Tom at kleintnc@charter.net

WANT ADS: Club members looking to sell hunting and fishing supplies in the upcoming newsletter; contact the club secretary with a description and photos of the items for sale.

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