

RICHLAND ROD & GUN CLUB

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

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MEETINGS AND DEADLINES

Next General Meeting – Tuesday January 4th, 7:00 PM at Griggs Pasco Hunter Ed room Next Board Meeting- Tuesday January 18th, 7:00 PM at Griggs Pasco Hunter Ed room February Newsletter Contribution Deadline is January 22nd email: <u>admin@richlandrodandgun.org</u>

January 4th General Meeting 7:00pm Hunter Ed Room at Griggs in Pasco

Our presenter for this meeting will be Ron Moore on the topic of European mount preparation and process on deer, elk, and other game. He will be bringing in examples. This should be quite an interesting presentation so hope to see you there.

Wild Game Dinner - Date Moved

Due to some schedule conflicts the Wild Game Dinner is getting moved to **April 9, 2022.** It will still be at the fairgrounds. Our speaker will be Bill McIrvin who is a rancher and will discuss the issues regarding wolves.

We are now taking meat and fish donations for the 2022 WGD. Please get in touch with Marilynn Steele 509-392-2128 or John Prather 509-521-1593 to get it in the RRGC freezer.

Wild Game Dinner Ticket Refund

If you still have your Wild Game Tickets from 2020 and would like a refund, please bring your tickets to the next meeting or get in touch with Rick Libby at <u>big guy@charter.net</u> or 509-627-5461 to arrange for that. These tickets will not be honored at the next Wild Game Dinner.

Board Members Needed

Our board has lost and is losing a few Trustees, so we need members who are interested in serving. The Board meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:00pm in the Hunter Ed Room in Pasco. If you are interested get in touch with Richard Sharp 509-551-6785 or <u>ospreytallons@yahoo.com</u>

Pellet Range Volunteers Needed

Ron Ruth will once again be heading the pellet range at the Sportsman Show January 21-23, 2022. If you would like to volunteer to help please call Ron at 509-737-7350.

Lunker Lake

We are looking for volunteers for Lunker Lake that will be held January 21-23 with set up on January 20th and break down on January 23 after the show ends.

Please contact Melissa Huston by phone (509)-902-2303 or email <u>mhuston@bhhscentral.com</u> to get added to the times and days you'd like to sign up for to volunteer this year. Please included a phone number and email to receive volunteer information leading up to this event.

Thursday January 20th Set-up begins at 9 am Need between 10-15 volunteers to help get the pond set up before the water and fish arrive.

Friday January 21st

12:30-3:30PM shift Need a lead, a cashier and 15-20 volunteers 3-7PM shift Need a leader, cashier and 17-25 volunteers

Saturday January 22nd 9:30-

12:30PM shift Need a leader, cashier and 20-25 volunteers 12-3PM shift Need a leader, cashier and 20-25 volunteers 2:30-6PM shift Need a leader, cashier and 20-25 volunteers

Sunday January 23rd 9:30-2PM shift Need a leader, cashier and 20-25 volunteers 1:30-5PM shift Need a leader, cashier and 20-25 volunteers Tear down around 5PM Need a lead and need 15-20 volunteers

WDFW Sturgeon Fishing 2022

The popular white sturgeon fishery opens Jan. 1 on select sections of the Columbia River upstream of Bonneville Dam, though the area between The Dalles Dam and John Day Dam – commonly known as The Dalles Pool – will only open three days per week, state fishery managers announced yesterday.

Fishing for legal-size white sturgeon opens New Year's Day on Bonneville Pool (between Bonneville Dam and The Dalles Dam), The Dalles Pool, and John Day Pool (between John Day Dam and McNary Dam).

While Bonneville Pool and John Day Pool will be open daily, fishery managers from Washington and Oregon determined that opening The Dalles Pool only on Mondays, Wednesdays, and

Saturdays should help prevent the fishery from exceeding its quota and ensure conservation goals are met.

The Dalles Pool will remain open for catch-and-release fishing on days not open for retention.

The Bonneville Pool also quickly met its quota in 2021, but that fishery typically lasts longer as it has a larger quota, even with a seven-days-per-week fishing schedule. Managers will still carefully monitor catch rates in all portions of the river.

In 2022, anglers will be able to keep 190 legal-size sturgeon in The Dalles Pool and 105 in the John Day Pool. The 500-fish quota for Bonneville Pool will be under review in January, pending results from the 2021 stock assessment.

The three-days-per-week restriction on the Dalles Pool will remain in place through Jan. 26. Washington and Oregon fishery managers expect to meet again on Jan. 25 to evaluate the season so far and discuss any additional management actions.

WDFW offers special hunt drawing for early hunter reporting

Hunters who report their 2021 black bear, deer, elk, or turkey hunting results by Monday, Jan. 10, will have the opportunity to win one of nine deer and elk incentive permits for fall 2022, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) officials said today.

WDFW Game Division manager Anis Aoude said the Department is offering the special permits, which will be awarded through a drawing this spring, as an incentive to encourage hunters to report their results as soon as possible. The special permits will be valid from Sept. 1 through Dec. 31, 2022.

"Incentive hunts include five deer permits and four elk permits in various areas of the state," said Aoude. "This is a great opportunity for hunters to submit their hunter reports early."

To qualify for the drawing, hunters must submit a report by Jan. 10 for each black bear, deer, elk, or turkey tag they purchased, and each special hunting permit they received in 2021.

All hunters, regardless of their success in the field, must submit hunting reports for each transport tag by Jan. 31. Failure to meet the deadline can result in a \$10 reporting fee, which hunters must pay before they buy a license for the 2022 season.

"We use these annual hunting reports to guide how we manage game populations and develop future hunting seasons," Aoude said.

WDFW Commission Vacancies

The WDFW commission will be needing to fill 2 vacancies. The club cosigned a letter along with 9 other groups to the governor on filling those positions. The board discussed potential nominations.

Throw Back Photo

Richland Rod and Gun Club volunteering along with Unites States Forestry Service to clean up Quarry Pond March 24th, 2000.

