

# **PICHLAND 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 November 2<sup>nd</sup> ZOOM Meeting Board Meeting- November 16<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM December Newsletter Contribution Deadline is November 22<sup>nd</sup> email: admin@richlandrodandgun.org

# November 2<sup>nd</sup> General Meeting (ZOOM)

Don't miss the October meeting via Zoom because we have Rachel Little of Benton County Conservation District to talk about the invasive weed situation in our area. The Zoom meeting link will be on the website and sent out in an email to the membership.

The next general meeting will be held on Tuesday December 7th

### **General Meetings**

Due to the new rules our general meetings at the Richland Public Library are canceled for the time being. Thus, we are back to Zoom meetings so look for the notices of the links in your email and they will be on the website as well.

## Wild Game Dinner 2022!

Mark your calendars for Saturday March 26, 2022! We are planning on having the Wild Game Dinner barring any unforeseen circumstances.

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.

### New business at the October board meeting.

Dave Myers suggested that we as a club send a letter to WDFW suggesting they change the time one is allowed to camp from 21 days to 10 which is inline with national parks. Dale Schielke made the motion that the club sends the letter. Paul Kison seconded it. The vote was called and was passed. Dave has written this letter to WDFW about Camping duration on WDFW Lands.

Pending the Board's approval and the President signing it, this letter will be sent to WDFW.

RE: Petition to Amend WAC 220-500-100

**Dear Director Susewind:** 

The Richland Rod and Gun Club (RRGC) has become aware of a petition offered by Mr. Paul Boolen to amend Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 220-500-100, Camping, to shorten the duration that a camp is permitted to remain on WDFW lands from 21 days to 10 days; and to further limit the time which a camp can be unoccupied to one (1) night. We are also aware of your initial response to Mr. Boolen (letter dated 14 September 2021) regarding the petition. The RRGC believes that the proposed amendment, that has been offered, is both reasonable and appropriate and should be acted upon promptly. This proposed time limits are in line with those of the Washington State Parks (for their busy season). Because fishing and hunting seasons are of limited duration and dispersed throughout the year, the RRGC feels that a year-round limitation is most appropriate.

The RRGC is a non-profit group of outdoor enthusiasts (hunting, fishing, camping, etc.). The RRGC is dedicated to conserving and enhancing a broad spectrum of activities that includes habitat improvement, encouraging youth participation in hunting and fishing and assisting WDFW in many areas. The RRGC was founded in 1945 and represents well over 200 outdoor enthusiasts in the Tri-Cities area.

We respectfully request that the WDFW take action on revising WAC 220-500-100 as soon as possible.

Sincerely, X

#### Wild Game Dinner Ticket Refund

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

#### Salmon in the Classroom

Salmon in the Classroom will be happening! There are 50 schools participating this school year and volunteers will be needed to deliver fish to the classrooms in January. Also the Salmon Summit in Columbia Park is scheduled for April 26<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> for the kids to release their fish and volunteers will be needed for that as well.

# **Donation of Reloading Supplies to RRGC**

Bob Zinsli has made a donation of miscellaneous reloading supplies to the RRGC. The board has decided to disperse the items as follows:

- Items set aside as a lot for Wild Game Dinner Silent Auction/Raffle
  - 7 mm Remington Magnum RCBS reloading dies
  - Speer Reloading Manual #8
  - Hodgdon 4831 rifle powder, 1 lb. can
  - Sierra 7 mm 160 gr spitzer BT bullets, new box of 100
  - Nosler 7mm 175 gr partition bullets, box of 50
  - Norma 7 mm Rem Mag NEW brass, 3 boxes of 20
  - Used empty 7 mm Rem Mag brass, ~210 each
- 2. Items offered to members to make an offer to purchase
  - 270 Win used empty brass, ~130 each
  - 30-30 used empty brass,  $\sim$ 150 each
  - 357 Nevins once fired empty brass, 100 each
  - 38 special Nevins once fired empty brass, 48 each
- 3. Items FREE to members on first come first serve basis
  - 308 Win used empty brass, 27 each
  - 300 Savage used empty brass, 9 each
  - 264 Win used empty brass, 2 each
  - 30-06 used empty brass, 3 each
  - 7 mm Mauser used empty brass, 6 each

Richland Rod and Gun Club members interested in either the FREE items or to make an offer, Call Dale Schielke 509 420 0021 or email <a href="mailto:Admin@richlandrodandgun.org">Admin@richlandrodandgun.org</a>. Highest offer received by November 2nd will be the winner.

# WDFW extends public comment period to gather feedback on Puget Sound Chinook conservation Deadline extended to Nov. 5

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) has extended the deadline for public comment on a scoping document to inform actions to conserve and rebuild Puget Sound Chinook salmon. Previously scheduled to wrap up later this week, the public comment period now extends through Nov. 5.

"As we look to the future of conservation and restoration of Puget Sound Chinook

salmon, it's important to us that we're thoughtful in ensuring we're hearing from everyone invested in this important resource," said Kyle Adicks, WDFW intergovernmental salmon manager. "We've heard that providing more time for people to weigh in on this scoping document would be beneficial, and we want to be responsive to that."

WDFW's scoping document provides information about fisheries management, tribal treaties, habitat protection, the Puget Sound Chinook Recovery Plan, coastwide fishery management forums,

requirements for Endangered Species Act coverage, watershed-specific information on habitat and Chinook salmon, and Southern Resident killer whale recovery.

Members of the public can review the <u>scoping document</u> and provide their feedback online at <u>publicinput.com/Q4343</u>.

The Almira Gun Club is hosting a Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot on Saturday, Nov 20, 2021 at the Almira Gun Club. The Almira Gun Club is about a mile east of Almira on HWY 2. Please see the attached flyer or visit us on facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/AlmiraWAGunClub">https://www.facebook.com/AlmiraWAGunClub</a> Please spread the word to your members. Hope to see you there. Ben Wyborney, Almira gun Club, President 2021 (520) 903-7712

A friendly reminder: Always check the WDFW website for emergency rules and rule changes before heading out to your favorite fishing spot.

Aquatic invasive species. If you work or play in Washington's many waterways, you may be unknowingly spreading aquatic invasive species (AIS) destructive to the state's environment and economy. But you can also be a part of the solution, helping to stop or slow the spread of these damaging species.

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) encourages the public to report possible invasive species. You can report non-native, invasive species through the <u>Washington Invasive</u> <u>Species Council</u>. Please call WDFW's Aquatic Invasive Species hotline with any questions at 888-WDFW-AIS.

#### Lunker Lake

The Tri-Cities Sportsman Show is scheduled for January 21–23, 2022 and RRGC will be doing Lunker Lake. Check emails, the newsletter and the website for upcoming details and volunteer opportunities.

#### **Throwback Photo**



KOE kids fishing 2002

There was no photo of the month.

# RGC Photo of the Month Contest Guidelines

- Must be taken in current license year.
- May include hunting, fishing, habitat, camping.
- Must include a critter (human or wild).
- Harvested game must include the hunter or angler.
- Winners will be selected by the Board of Directors.
- All photos become property of the Club.
- Note: The Board may use discretion in applying the guidelines when selecting the winning photo.
- Bring photo print to board meeting.
- Please include name of photographer and date taken.