

INLAND NORTHWEST WILDLIFE COUNCIL



The Big Horn

From the President's Deck



I thought of some catchy way to tie my background into my monthly additions to the newsletter. As a Navy veteran, I figured a reference to a ship's deck might make sense.

As the newest President of the Inland Northwest Wildlife Council, I want to live up to the trust the board and the members have placed into me taking over this position. In conversations with our Executive Director, Marie and with some of my most trusted resources within the council, I figured contributing to the monthly newsletter would be a good start. I have some big shoes to fill. If you look at the wall of Past Presidents pictures in the conference room, you see a long history of a lot of hours and commitment to making the INWC what it is today. Then to have watched Pete Butler pour himself into 4 years as our President and play such a major role in bringing us through these past 4 years I'm humbled. Pete presided over Wanda's retirement and hiring Marie to step into the role of Executive Director. That by itself was some serious change. But then the chaos of the whole pandemic, losing 2 Big Horn Shows, and trying to keep things moving forward with very limited face to face interactions among our membership. Pete's work with Marie to find ways to have board meetings, hold an election where the candidates for the board were in the INWC building, but members had to drive through the parking lot to cast their ballots, and keep a sense of organization and purpose in motion were a testament to Pete.

In December we saw board members complete their 2nd full term or move into another role that totaled almost 70 years of combined dedication to the INWC. Marissa Butler having served 6 years as the board Secretary. At the same time, I'm excited to see what we can do with the new board members learning from those that have been on the board and the balance we have of younger board members along with now 4 Past Presidents serving.

I'm going to aim to have something of value to add to each month's newsletter. For this month, I want to state that my goal as President is to help increase communication between members and the board, the members with our fantastic Executive Director and Administrative Assistant, and between the INWC and the public. My challenge to each of you is to attend our monthly general meetings. Then find someone you don't know, or don't know well. Find out something about them and share with them what the INWC means to you. We are already looking at a couple dates to share more information on what it means to be on the board, why serving on a committee is so important to the growth of the INWC and our mission, and even for providing training for potential committee chairs and other ways to get involved.

We live in a beautiful area and have an unbelievable organization we are a part of. But the INWC is only as powerful and meaningful as our members. I'm thankful for everyone of you that have put in the hours, created the reputation and history of the INWC, and continue to make our natural resources something we take great pride in.

See you at the next meeting,

Z Zubrick

February
2023
INWC

General Meeting
Tuesday
February 7th

Social hour 6:30
Meeting 7:00

Program

Solar Siting -

Jesse Ingels

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Meeting program: Solar Siting - Jesse Ingels

Love it or hate it solar energy is coming to Washington State. In fact, more than 40 solar projects have been proposed or permitted already. So how do we ensure that these projects support our growing needs for electricity without negatively impacting fish, wildlife, habitat, farming, ranching, and recreational interests? There is a massive effort under way to create highly detailed mapping systems for the Columbia Plateau aimed at identifying areas of the least conflict for solar placement. INWC board member Jess Ingels has been representing conservation and agriculture in this effort and will share some highlights from the meetings that she has attended thus far.



*Washington State Department of Commerce/U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service



2023 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

EXECUTIVE :
Ron "Z" Zubrick

BIG HORN SHOW:
Marie Neumiller

BUDGET/APPROPRIATIONS:
Vacant

BY-LAWS & RESOLUTIONS:
Dave Colton

MEMBERSHIP:
Chair - Marissa Butler
Co-Chair - Michelle Fleming

HUNTER EDUCATION:
Chair - Aaron Waseca
Co-Chair - Richard Law

2023 SPECIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRS

AWARDS :
Jason Neumiller

DISABLED ACCESS:
Ken McNaughton

BIG GAME RECOVERY:
Pete Butler

BOONE & CROCKETT:
Larry Carey M.H.

BIG GAME:
Ken Hoff

FISHING:
Ken McNaughton

WATERFOWL:
Mike Curry M.H.

SMALL GAME:
Z Zubrick

OUTREACH:
Nick Sagendorf

WILDFIRE RECOVERY:
Jason Neumiller

MAINTENANCE:
Mike Curry M.H.



2023 OFFICERS

- President - Ron "Z" Zubrick
- 1st Vice - Brent Ferguson
- 2nd Vice - Nick Sagendorf
- Treasurer - Alexis Creel
- Secretary - Jennifer Waseca
- Sergeant at Arms - Kily Fleming
- Exec. Director - Marie Neumiller

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Pete Butler - Past President

Term Expires 2023

- Aaron Waseca
- Phil George
- Dave Colton
- Joe Kimball
- Jason Neumiller
- Nick Sagendorf

Term Expires 2024

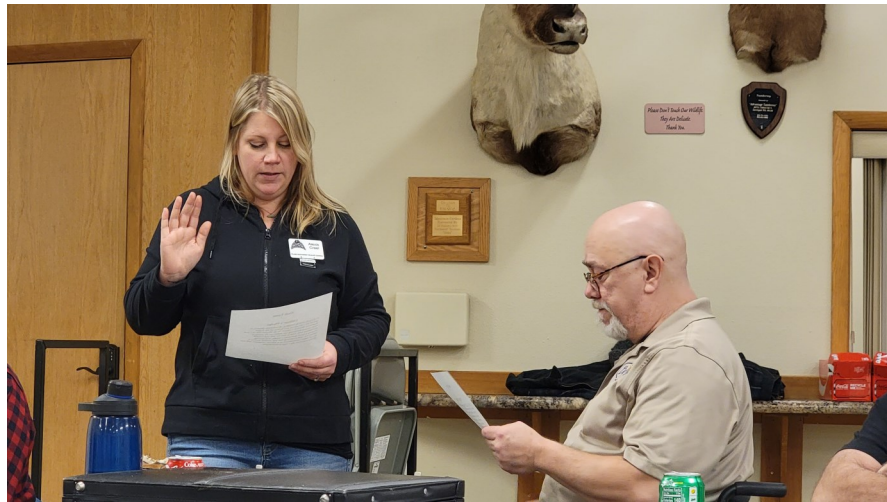
- Marissa Butler
- Brent Ferguson
- Kily Fleming
- Jesse Ingels
- Mitchell Kassa
- Ron (Z) Zubrick

Term Expires 2025

- Alexis Creel
- Paul Fuchs
- Ken Hoff
- Joe Shelley
- John Smith
- Dylan West

INWC Board Updates

Alexis Creel was elected to serve as your Treasurer and executive committee member



_____ and Aaron Waseca were appointed to fill two vacated board positions



Volunteers Needed

Planning for the 2023 Big Horn Show is in full swing! Our event is a success each year because of the support we receive from all our amazing volunteers. We have volunteer opportunities available at all of our INWC stations. Below is a list of each INWC booth and the committee chairs for those booths. Please sign up early so you get your favorite shifts:

INWC membership booth - Marissa Butler

Disabled access committee - Ken McNaughton

Wall of guns raffle - Brent & Marcia Ferguson

Silver Mine - BSA troop 203

Fishing World - Lance Dahl

Air rifle range - Mike Howard

Trophy territory - Ken Hoff

Ticket sales - Alexis Creel

Coffee Room - Birgitta & Floyd Barlow

Sportsman's lounge - TBD

Construction - Mike Curry

Hunter's Education - Aaron Waseca

Vault - Brian Nutley

BHS auction - Marie Neumiller

Bighorn Show Construction

Here we are getting ready for another Bighorn Outdoor Adventure Show. Please remember that this show only happens because of you the volunteers, the biggest asset we have here at the Inland Northwest Wildlife Council. Construction will start on March 11th at 9:00 am at the Fairgrounds in ag C, please enter through the green gate. We will work on setting up the Rifle Range, Fishing world, and the Silver Mine. We will also work on Sunday 3/12/23. Monday at 9:00am we will set up the walls for Trophy Territory. Please call me to sign up to work with the construction of the BHS 509-869-7434. Please come to the next general meeting to sign up for many volunteer opportunities. Thanks for being part of the awesome team here at the INWC and Bighorn Show.

Construction chair

Michael Curry MH

New Lifetime

Renewed Members

Frank & Janise Duval Ron LaPoint Michael & Charlotte Layton d

New Members

Sheilah & Ty Reilly

Annual Giving Donors

Patrons of Wildlife

Big Horn Donor

Travis Parry Rob & Hillary Holman

Sallye Prenger

Master Hunter

Master Fisherman

Master Conservationist

This is the most prestigious award presented by the Council to one of its members for consistent dedicated service towards the betterment of fish and wildlife. It is a once in a lifetime award.



Jim Arrasmith, M.H.*
Bob Cole, M.H.*
Elaine Cole, M.H.
Mel Gulidge, M.H.*
John Kantjas, M.H.*
O.C. Knoles, M.H.*
Dick Lee, M.F.*
Len Mabbott, M.H.*
Jim Kujala, M.H.
Gale Palmer, M.H.*
June Potter, M.C.*

Frank Potter, M.C.*
Bill Rollins, M.H.*
Vern Ziegler, M.H.*
Bill Butler, M.H.*
Jim Johnson, M.H.
John Williamson M.H.*
Len Keefer, M.H.*
Dean Lydig, M.C.*
Len Otto, M.C.*
Jerry Reiber, M.H.*

Ed Walters, M.H.*
Peter Yarwood, M.H.*
Larry Carey, M.H.
Chuck Sauter M.C.*
Art Meikel M.H.
Ed Weiler M.C.*
Ken Hoff M.H.
Tim Clifford M.F.
Leonard Wolf M.H.
Mike Curry M.H.

(*) indicates a member who has passed

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS February 2023

February 7th	INWC Monthly Meeting
February 17th	WDFW Commission Web Conference
February 21st	INWC Board Meeting