

**INLAND NORTHWEST
WILDLIFE COUNCIL**

September
2023
INWC



The Big Horn

General Meeting
Tuesday
September 5th,
2023



Program

**National Hunting
and Fishing Day**

**Steven Dazey -
WDFW Hunter's
Education
Coordinator**

**Attend Virtually
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September, the month when hunting really starts to kick into high gear. For archery hunters, early deer season gets started. Small game seasons open, and families and friends start preparing for deer and elk camps. Growing up as an Indiana farm kid, pheasant, rabbit, and squirrel hunting were some of the things I looked most forward to. These events served many purposes. Of course, the thought of putting game meat in the freezer was a part of it. But the traditions of spending time in the woods, sitting around a fire during deer camp, and learning from my dad were so much more important. As I became a dad, the excitement of taking our kids out hunting and fishing was a thrill that ranks up there high on the major life memories.

Today, as many of our passions in the outdoors are under attack by anti-hunters and groups that have agendas that are not based on proven science, we also face the potential to lose those traditions. As one of our hunter education instructors, I look at the students that come through our classes and see the excitement I had when I was their ages. With all the technology options that kids have today, it has become a real struggle to get or keep younger generations interested in hunting or fishing. When I'm in our conference room, I look at the pictures of the men and women that have gone before me as President of the INWC. I imagine that like me, many of them took on this responsibility to help perpetuate the traditions of ethical conservation practices of hunting, fishing, and stewardship of our natural resources.

As much as I learned from my dad, I had so many things to learn when I left home and started to travel on new adventures. We didn't have anything bigger than a whitetail deer in Indiana. So, learning how to hunt elk, fish for species bigger than crappie and catfish, or camp in real mountains were things I needed to find good mentors to learn the best practices. Meeting groups of outdoors people when we moved to new places was a great way to learn. Here, we were able to connect with the INWC. Getting involved in some of our volunteer projects allowed us to connect with people who knew/know this area.

Big Horn

Over the years that we've been a part of the INWC and have had the joy of going on various volunteer opportunities, we have had a chance to get to know some amazing people and learn so much about the inland northwest. Being able to work along side past Presidents such as Mike Curry setting up the Big Horn Show, Dave Colton during Hunter Education classes, Ken Hoff and John K. Smith out on projects such as the fence project in Tucannon, and Master Fisherman Ken McNaughton on Disabled Access projects has provided me with mentors, colleagues, and even the opportunity to pass along knowledge to our grandkids.

One of the most powerful aspects of the INWC is our ability to volunteer in one of our many conservation efforts. Every project we do has demonstrated a connection to the bigger picture of conservation. It also provided the opportunity to learn, teach, and build friendships. This month, I challenge each of us to find someone to bring to any INWC gathering. It doesn't matter if it is only a general meeting, a major undertaking such as a weekend access clearing event or participating in a committee meeting. This is how we can perpetuate our lifestyle of conservation, the love of the outdoors, or sharing how to enjoy some smoked salmon that you caught with a dear friend or close family member.

Z Zubrick
INWC President 2023

2023 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

EXECUTIVE :
Ron "Z" Zubrick

BIG HORN SHOW:
Marie Neumiller

BUDGET/APPROPRIATIONS:
Vacant

BY-LAWS & RESOLUTIONS:
Dave Colton

MEMBERSHIP:
Chair - Vacant
Co-Chair - Michelle Fleming

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

2023 SPECIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRS

AWARDS :
Jason Neumiller

DISABLED ACCESS:
Ken McNaughton

BOONE & CROCKETT:
Larry Carey M.H.

BIG GAME:
Jesse Ingels

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 - Nick Sagendorf
2nd Vice - Jesse Ingels
Treasurer - Vacant
Secretary - Joe Shelley
Sergeant at Arms - Kily Fleming
Exec. Director - Marie Neumiller

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Past President - Vacant

Term Expires 2023

Phil George
Dave Colton
Craig Heupel
Joe Kimball
Jason Neumiller
Nick Sagendorf

Term Expires 2024

Richard Furry
Kily Fleming
Jesse Ingels
Mitchell Kassa
Richard Law
Ron (Z) Zubrick

Term Expires 2025

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

Events, Business & Policy Opportunities

September 5, 2023 - Fundraising & BHS committee

- The INWC has great fundraising ideas and events in progress for 2023-2024. We need your help to make these events a success!
- We would love to have you on our team, please join us in the INWC board room from 5:30-6:30. Pizza provided please RSVP for a headcount.

September 9, 2023 - Disabled access platform assembly

- Volunteers needed
- Meet @ INWC warehouse 8 am - 12 pm

September 16, 2023 - Disabled access platform install

- Meet @ INWC warehouse at 7:30 am then caravan to the installation location on Brewer/Mitchell Mountain

September 19, 2023 - INWC Board Meeting

- Are you interested in expanding your participation in the INWC? Or have you considered running for the board?
- INWC board meetings are open to the public and members.
- Stop by our next board meeting to learn more about the business side of the INWC and how you can get involved.
- Recruiting for the 2024 board begins soon, and elections will take place at our December board meeting. So you still have lots of time to learn more and get involved.

September 21, 2023 - Disabled Access route patrol

- Boundary Mountain,

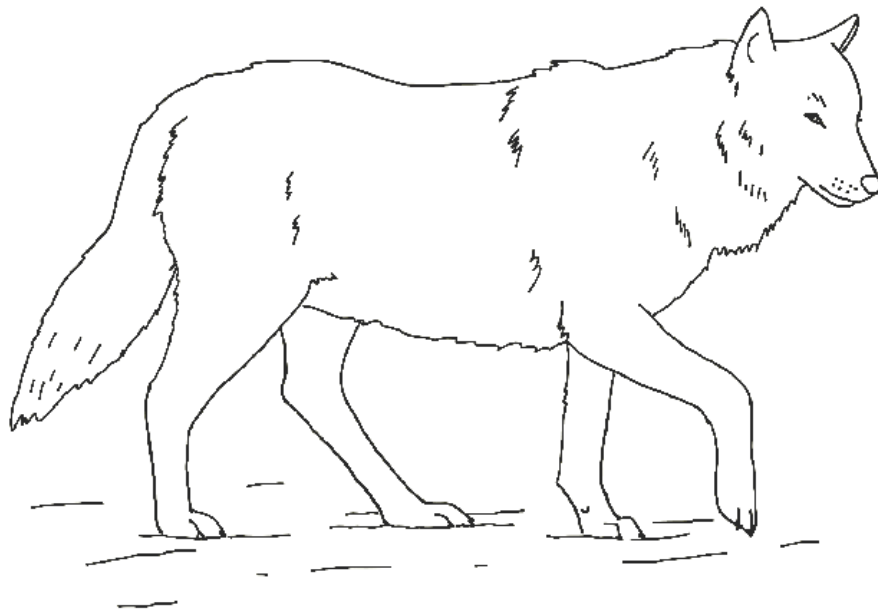
September 28-30, 2023 - WDFW Commission Meeting

- This will be a hybrid meeting, in person Yakima WA, and online
- Share your voice with the commission so that you can be heard on all issues impacting fish, wildlife, and their habitat.

INWC Junior Art contest

*Hey, INWC Junior members we love seeing your wildlife art! This month's theme is wolves. Please share your coloring page, a drawing, and/or photo of wolves and bring it to the next general meeting or email them to info@inwc.org for a chance to be featured on our website newsletter, and/or social media pages.

Gray Wolf



Ask a biologist!

Do you have questions about wolves that you would like to ask? The WDFW wolf team will be presenting at our October meeting. Submit your questions to info@inwc.org to have them answered by WDFW biologists.

****Parents & members we want to hear your questions too!****

Citizen Science Opportunity!

Attention Grouse Hunters! Did you know that you have the opportunity to help WDFW with their grouse population studies just by going hunting like you always do? After your successful hunt please submit a wing and tail sample to one of the designated collection bins for study. One of those bins is conveniently located in the INWC parking lot, so you can deliver your sample while attending our monthly meetings! See below for more information about the program.

Forest Grouse Wing and Tail Collection

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) collects hunter-harvested forest grouse (spruce, ruffed, dusky and sooty species) wings and tails during hunting season beginning on September 15th. This will help to evaluate changes in species composition, sex, and age of harvested grouse over time.

Grouse hunters can help by depositing one wing and the tail of each grouse harvested into wing collection barrels placed around the region (there is a barrel at the INWC!) or by bringing them to the closest WDFW District or Regional office. If none of these are viable options the day of harvest, please refrigerate or freeze the parts until you can drop them off at a different time.

Place samples in the paper bags provided at wing barrels or in any paper bag. Please use ONE bag for EACH bird. Avoid using plastic bags (especially Ziplocs), as they speed up decay.

On the outside of the bag, please record:

1. The species of grouse
2. The game management unit (GMU) where the grouse was harvested
3. The county where the grouse was harvested
4. The date of the harvest

Please visit the WDFW website for barrel locations and more information:

wdfw.wa.gov/hunting/requirements/upland-birds/grouse-wing-tail-collection



Wing Collection: Please cut off the least-damaged wing as close to the body as possible.

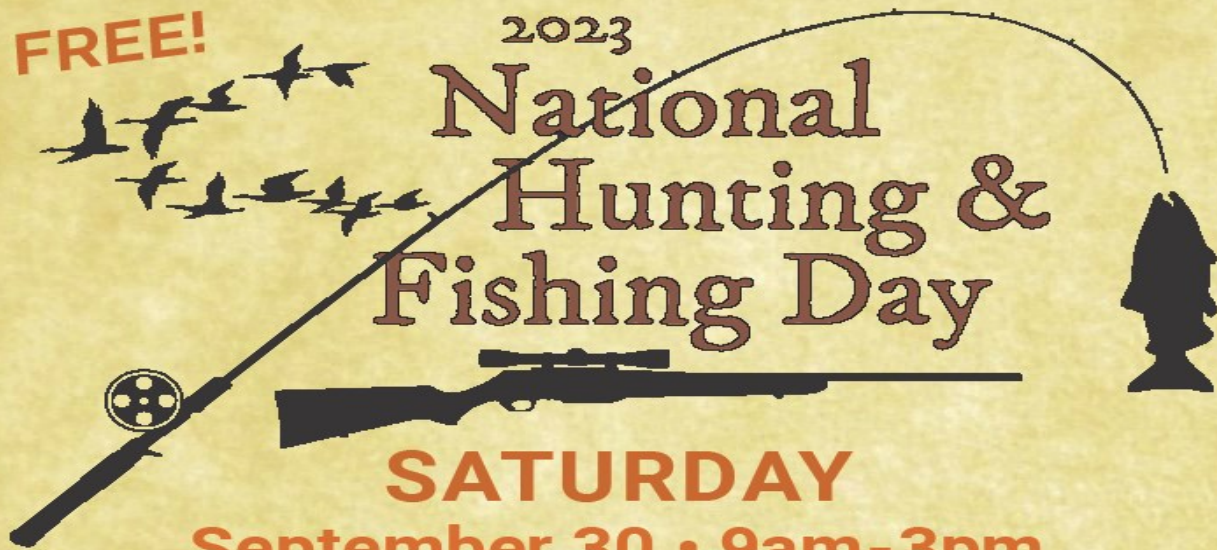


Tail Collection: Please cut off the entire tail.

FREE!

2023

National Hunting & Fishing Day



SATURDAY

September 30 • 9am-3pm

**Camp Cowles
4161 Northshore Diamond Lake Road
Newport, WA 99156**



Washington Department of
FISH & WILDLIFE



**BOY SCOUTS
OF AMERICA**

INLAND NORTHWEST COUNCIL

YOUTH CAN SHOOT WDFW FIREARMS, ARCHERY EQUIPMENT, AND AIR RIFLES

**Other events include: Trout Fishing • Casting Practice • Knot Tying • Fish Prints
Track Plaster Casting • Conservation Organization Displays • And Much More!
Participants receive swag bags and safety equipment.**



For more information and to pre-register visit
wdfw.wa.gov/hunting/requirements/education/hunt-fish-day

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Big Horn

New Lifetime

Renewed Members

Lucas Neumiller

Amanda Jantz

New Members

Lilly Ferguson

Savuth Vann

Annual Giving Donors

Patrons of Wildlife

Travis Parry

Rob & Hillary Holman

Sallye Prenger

Big Horn Donor

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.

Ken McNaughton M.F.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS September 2023

September 1	INWC group night @ the ball park
September 5th	Fundraising & BHS committee meeting 5:30pm
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September 8-17	INWC @ the Spokane Fair - volunteers needed
September 9th	Disabled access platform - volunteers needed
September 19th	INWC board meeting 6:30pm
September 20-30	WDFW Commission meeting - Hybrid Yakima