



The West Seattle Sportsman

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The Officers and Trustees of the West Seattle Sportsmen's Club would like to wish you all a Happy, Joyful and Safe Holiday Season!

Club Christmas Party

The club Christmas Party will be on Wednesday, December 7th, at Angelo's Restaurant, 601 SW 153rd Burien, WA. This is in lieu of our regular club meeting. Social hour will begin at 6 PM with Dinner at 7 PM. Our meal will include the following: Appetizers, Salad, Bread, Pasta with Chicken and Peas in a Garlic Cream Sauce, Pasta with Sautéed Mushrooms in a Pesto Sauce, Italian Sausage and the Club will buy your first drink. The price will be \$22.00 per person; this includes meal, taxes and gratuity. We are limited to 40 people so the first 40 paid get to go. Please reply with payment

no later than Friday, December 2nd as we must give the restaurant the number of people coming. Make checks payable to WSSC and mail to West Seattle Sportsmen's Club, P.O. Box 16258, Seattle, WA 98116, or you may pay in person at the range on one of the open shooting nights by giving your check or money to Fred Burr. We will be having a gift exchange similar to last years. If you wish to participate bring a gift worth \$5.00 or so to contribute to the



Santa's bag. You will be given a random number then, which will be the order you get to pick your prize in. Only those that bring a gift will receive one. All who came last year will remember what fun we had with this and I hope to see you all there. †

Officer Elections

Officer Elections were held at the last general club meeting on November 2nd. All existing officers were re-elected to office and will maintain there current position for another year. See page 3 for names of current officers and there position. †

WDFW Seeks Nominations to Sport Fishing Advisory Group

OLYMPIA – The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) is seeking nominations through Dec. 9 for membership on its sport fishing advisory group.

Up to 20 qualified individuals will be chosen to serve on the Anadromous and Marine Resources Sport Fishing Advisory Group for 2006 and 2007. Those selected will provide guidance to WDFW on issues affecting recreational fisheries for salmon and other marine fish species. Members of the advisory group are expected to meet as a group three or four

times a year and participate in the annual North of Falcon season planning process. Members also are expected to communicate policy decisions to sport fishing groups in their areas.

“Advisors are an important link between WDFW and the sport fishing community,” said Pat Pattillo, WDFW salmon policy coordinator. “We’re interested in finding people who understand fisheries and have an ability to communicate with fisheries managers and local anglers.” Nominees do not have to be affiliated with an organized group, and current members of the advisory group may be
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Snow Will Make Yakima Upland Bird Hunts Even Better

From a Fishing and Hunting News article written by Rob Phillips

Central Washington upland bird hunters have been pleasantly surprised so far this season. Hunters working the fields and ditch rows in the lower Yakima Valley have been finding plenty of pheasants and quail to keep their gun barrels heated. And, with a little help from Mother Nature, the hunting should even get better.

"As the corn fields are cut, and if we get some snow, the hunting will be even better," says Mike Schell, habitat chairman for the Yakima Valley Pheasants Forever chapter.

Schell and several other PF chapter members have been having some good luck hunting pheasants on the Yakama Reservation. They've been hunting some of the smaller "Feel Free To Hunt" areas west of Wapato and are finding birds every time out.

"This has been one of the best years in the last several for pheasants," Schell says. "And there are lots of quail around."

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— Mike Schell Blocking techniques: He says that without some snow to slow the running roosters down, it's beneficial to have a group of six or eight guns

so you can do some pushing and blocking. Adding some good dogs to the mix will add to your success too.

"We sometimes have a dozen guys or more, and at least a half-dozen dogs," he says. "With that many hunters and dogs, someone is going to get some shooting."

His advice for a single hunter with a dog or smaller groups is to hit the thickest cover you can find, because even the old running roosters will often hold there. And there always seems to be quail in the thick stuff, he says.

Info: A three-day or fall-season Yakama Nation hunting permit is required to hunt on Yakama lands. Contact the Yakama Nation wildlife office (509-865-5121) or WDFW Region 3 office (509-575-2740). †

Chums Are In

Taken from a Fishing and Hunting News article written by Randall Peters.

Here are several good bets for chum fishing in Puget Sound rivers:

Skagit: "There are fish spread all throughout the Skagit, but the better visibility is in the upper river," says Curt Wilson of Holiday Market (360-757-4361). Try sand shrimp and winged bobbers or sardine-wrapped K-13 to K-15 Kwikfish.

Skykomish: "Thanksgiving Day usually marks the peak of the chum run on the Skykomish," says Kent Alger of Three Rivers Marine and Tackle (425-415-

1575) in Woodinville. Concentrate your efforts on the lower sections of the river below the Lewis Street Bridge in Monroe. Toss pink jigs tipped with sand shrimp under a bobber or drift shrimp/Spin-N-Glo combos with pink, chartreuse or purple yarn.

Green: This is a quality chum fishery located just on the outskirts of Seattle metro. "It's going to be good until the end of November at least," says Larry Anderson of Auburn Sports and Marine (253-833-1440). Fishing is good right now from Highway 18 past the Auburn golf course down to 277th. "This is definitely a drift fishery," says Anderson. Use shrimp, either with or without a Corky, but use green yarn. There's plenty of bank access off Green River Road.

Puyallup: Fish downstream of 96th St. E. near the Sumner Sportsman's Association to the mouth of the White River and along the south shore of the Puyallup along River Road. †

Wapato Hunting Trip

A small group of us went hunting this last month, near Wapato, with almost all of us getting at least 2 birds a piece. They were mostly quail with one pheasant. We camped at Ryan Calhoun's home and they treated us to some of their local hunting areas. See page 4 for a few pictures from trip. †

Range Hours and Activity

Monday - Small Bore - 6 PM

Tuesday - Air Rifle / Pistol - 6:30 PM

Wednesday - Juniors - Call Fred Burr at 206-935-4883 for information.

Cost: Adult members \$2.00, non-members \$4.00, Juniors \$1.00.

Up coming Small bore & Air Matches

Dec 10 West Seattle Air Pistol Open

The West Seattle Sportsmen's Club

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The West Seattle Sportsmen's Club was founded in 1934 by a group of fourteen men who had the foresight to see that sportsmen, in a united group, would present views, be better heard and achieve goals that were not possible when actioned as unorganized individuals. The ambitions of these charter members, who strove for the propagation of wildlife and habitat as well as the conservation of all our natural resources, has proven prophetic, for today multitudes of individuals and sporting groups are carrying on the job of conserving the remaining outdoor assets of natural America. The West Seattle Sportsmen's Club helps lead in this fight in the state of Washington. A member has the opportunity to join others in formulating club action in achieving and maintaining these goals.

However, "all work and no play" is not the format of the club. Many events are spaced throughout the year to insure a member many chances to participate in sportsmen's activities. For \$25, what more could a person ask than the opportunity to go salmon fishing with a group of his friends on a charter boat, fresh water fishing with other members and their families, have a salmon bake, a clam feed, or attend a banquet especially for the ladies. But there's more - he can shoot on the club range, go rabbit hunting, and if nothing else, should get \$25 worth just by watching the kids of the community have a real ball at the Kid's Fishing Derby. To sum it all up, a guy gets at least a hundred dollars worth of fun out of a year's membership.

Events Calendar

- Dec 7th - Club Christmas Party
- Dec - Squidding Contact Jerry
- Jan 4th - Club Meeting
- Feb 3rd - Big Game Dinner
- March 1st - Club Meeting
- March(Late) - Quincy Lakes Fishing
- April 5th - Club Meeting
- April - Razor Clamming ???
- June 3rd - 4th - Clam Digging
- June 7th - Clam Bake
- June 9th - 11th Bowman Bay

If you have any ideas for programs to have at the club meeting or any good outing ideas let one of the Officers or Trustees know. You may contact us at: info@westseattlesportsmen.org

 New

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

WEST SEATTLE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

 Renewal

Date _____

I, _____ of _____, Washington, being interested in the propagation and conservation of game birds, game animals, and fish in the State of Washington, do hereby apply for membership in the WEST SEATTLE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB and tender herewith the sum of \$_____ in payment of one year's dues.

"I solemnly swear that I will abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of the West Seattle Sportsmen's Club and help in its up-building and I will not willfully disobey the Game Laws wherever I fish or hunt. I will always be a true sportsman both in the field and to my brother members at all times.

Signed _____

Street Address _____

City _____, Zip _____

Phone _____, Email _____

Recommended by _____

(New Only)

If you would like to receive the Club newsletter by email check here.





Above: Jerry shows off one of his prize Qual.
Below: Sunday's Hunting results.

WDFW Seeks Nominations from page 1

reappointed. Nominations must be received by Dec. 9, and must be accompanied by a resume of the nominee. Nominations can be submitted to Pat Pattillo, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, 600 Capitol Way N., Olympia, WA, 98501 or faxed to (360) 902-2158. For more information, contact Pat Pattillo at (360) 902-2705, or email at pattiulp@dfw.wa.gov. †



Stuff For Sale

For Sale – Daisy Model 717 Target Air Pistol \$75.00. Contact Fred Burr 206-935-4883

For Sale – High Standard Model 106 Semi-Auto Target Pistol with Bushnell scope, Bausch Lomb spot-



ting scope, gun box and misc. tools & equipment \$700.00. Contact Fred Burr 206-935-4883

For Sale - 2002 Big Foot Camper \$11,000. Contact Fred Burr 206-935-4883.

For Sale - Mossberg 12 gage, model 500, slide action, 30" Full choke barrel accepts 3" shells. Like new, one scratch, used very little. Asking \$200. Contact Fred Burr 206-935-4883.

For Sale - Assorted Fly and Spin Cast Fishing Poles \$10.00 each, Float Tube (used only once) \$50 and Flippers \$15. Contact Fred Burr 206-935-4883.

For Sale - Lowrance LMS350A GPS/Fishfinder. Transom mount transducer and 5 channel external GPS head. \$400.00. Contact Cam Robison at 206-431-8337.

If you have something you would like to list in this section please send an email to "info@westseattlesportsmen.org" listing the item or items you would like to sell, the price, and your contact information. Put "Stuff For Sale" in the Subject line of your email. Keep in mind that this comes out only once a month. In order to be listed in the coming month's newsletter you will need to have your ad emailed to us no later than the 20th of the prior month. †



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