



# The West Seattle Sportsman

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## October Club Meeting

Our October Club Meeting will be at the range on Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:30 PM.

We will have a introduction on shot gun shooting and safety, going over shooting stance and giving some tips on how your gun should fit you. We will talk a little about our up coming trip to Seattle Skeet and Trap. †

## Skeet and Trap Outing

We are planning another trip to Seattle Skeet and Trap in Ravensdale on Sunday October 7<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to go, send Greg an email at [greg@wssportsmen.org](mailto:greg@wssportsmen.org) and let us know that you are interested. You will need shells with shot size 7 ½ , 8 or 9. If you don't have any and do not have time to get some they are available for purchase at Seattle Skeet and Trap. Seattle

Skeet and Trap is located at 26520 292nd Ave SE, Ravensdale, WA. (See Map Below). †

## Possible Up Coming Activities

The following is a list of possible up coming activities for the next 12 months. Have some more ideas or want to Chair or help arrange one of these events lets us know.

- Oct** Bird hunting (Pheasant, Quail, Duck) Yakima opens 13th. Mushroom hunting if we get rain.
- Nov** Mushroom hunting and compass training (Survival trip). Deer hunting .
- Dec** Christmas Party (second weekend). Squid fishing.
- Jan** Squid fishing. Big Game Dinner (Planning).
- Feb** Big game Dinner.
- Mar**

Early lake fishing. (22-24, Quincy Lake).

**April** Fishing opener/ Razor clamming (27-28).

**May** Fishing Derby. Shrimping.

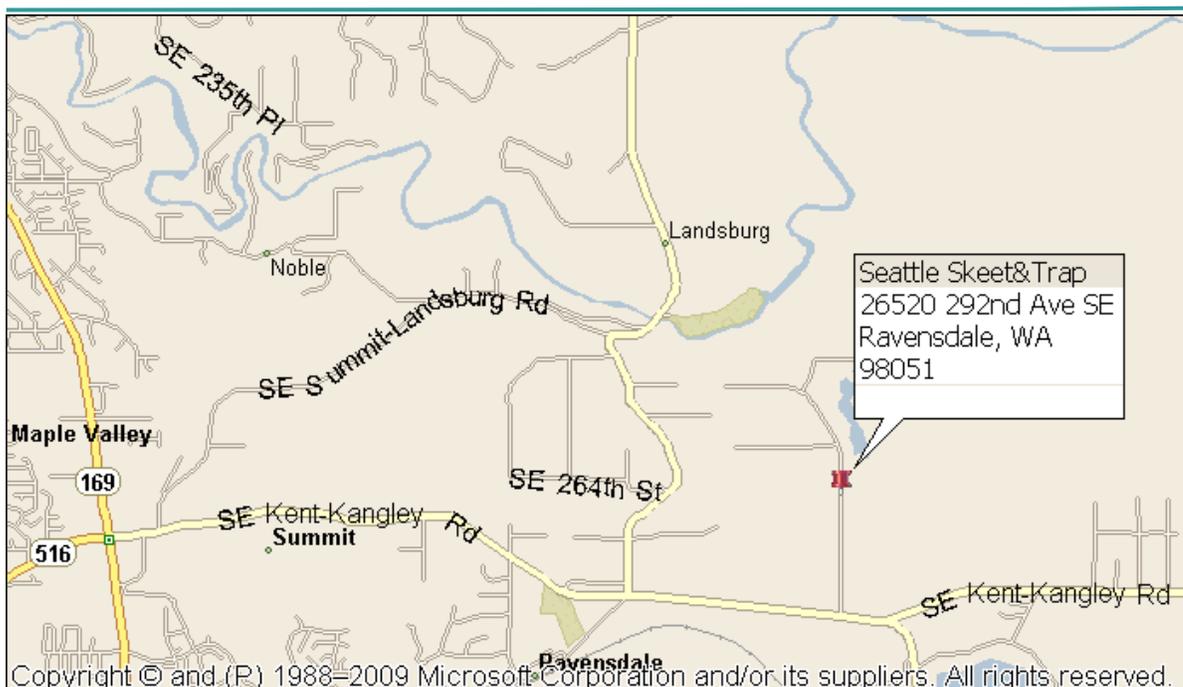
**June** Family camp out (fishing trip) Riffe Lake, 22-23.

**July** Fishing trip (Baker Lake 19-21).

**Aug** Crabbing (Birch Bay 24-25, Wed-Sat). Smelting.

**September** Skeet and shot gun training (Visit the Seattle Skeet & Trap Club).

Salmon fishing (Rivers). Salmon fishing (Sound). †



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## First Razor-Clam Dig of the Season Tentatively Scheduled Next Month

OLYMPIA – The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) has tentatively scheduled a razor-clam dig in mid-October – the first of the fall season – while continuing to accept public comments on future digs.

The first dig of the season will get under way Oct. 13 at four ocean beaches, provided upcoming marine toxin tests show the clams are safe to eat.

WDFW will announce final approval of that plan about a week before the dig is set to start, said Dan Ayres, WDFW's coastal shellfish manager.

"We're still in the process of determining additional fall and winter digging opportunities, but we wanted to give people a chance to start making plans for October," said Ayres, noting that WDFW will announce additional razor-clam digs later that month.

Proposed digging days and evening low tides for beaches tentatively scheduled to open in October are:

- Oct. 13 (Saturday), 5:41 pm, (+0.3 ft.); Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis, Mocrocks
- Oct. 14 (Sunday), 6:26 pm, (-0.5 ft.); Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis, Mocrocks
- Oct. 15 (Monday), 7:11 pm, (-1.1 ft.); Long Beach, Twin Harbors

- Oct. 16 (Tuesday), 7:57 pm, (-1.5 ft.); Twin Harbors
- Oct. 17 (Wednesday), 8:44 pm, (-1.6 ft.); Twin Harbors

- Oct. 18 (Thursday), 9:34 pm, (-1.4 ft.); Twin Harbors

"Low tides will occur relatively late in the day, so diggers need be prepared for darkness during evening digs in the fall," Ayres said.

All diggers age 15 or older must have an applicable 2012-13 fishing license to harvest razor clams on any beach. Licenses, ranging from a three-day razor clam license to an annual combination fishing license, are available on WDFW's website at <https://fishhunt.dfw.wa.gov> and from license vendors around the state.

Under state law, each digger can take 15 razor clams per day, and must keep the first 15 clams they dig to prevent waste. Each digger's clams must be kept in a separate container. Meanwhile, WDFW will continue to accept public comments through Oct. 9 on digging days and other management options for the upcoming razor clam season. For more information, check the department's website at [http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/shellfish/razorclams/seasons\\_set.html](http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/shellfish/razorclams/seasons_set.html). †

## Hunters, Anglers, Firefighters Hope For Rain in the Forecast

Some of Washington's most popular hunting seasons get under way in October, when hunters take to the field for deer, ducks, geese and other game birds. But state wildlife managers caution that persistent wildfires could make planning a hunt more challenging than usual in some areas of the state.

"Hunters need to keep a close eye on the fire reports and road closures, particularly in areas of central Washington," said Matt Monda, a regional manager for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) based in Ephrata. "The situation calls for an extra amount of caution and preparation - at least until the rain moves in."

In late September, WDFW closed three wildlife areas managed by the department in central Washington - Colockum, Quilomene and Whiskey Dick - but reopened them several days later after the immediate danger had passed.

Monda reminds hunters and others going afield that campfires are still prohibited - and some other activities restricted - on all lands owned or managed by WDFW. A notice of those restrictions, posted at

<http://wdfw.wa.gov/news/sep1812b/>, includes links to updates issued by the U.S. Forest Service, the state Department of Emergency

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## Up coming Small bore & Air Matches

Dates	Place	Match Name	Point of Contact
Sept 8-9	Tacoma	State Conventional Prone C'ship	Crossman
Sept 22-23	Tacoma	Schutzenfest/Outdoor Int'l C'ship	Crossman
Nov 3-4	Olympia	State Indoor Int'l 3-P C'ship	Crossman
Nov 17	Puyallup	JORC (West)	Shellenberger
Dec 1	Olympia	JOARC (West)	Crossman

## Range Hours and Activity

Monday - Small Bore - 6:00 PM,  
 Tuesday - Rifle League, - 6:00 PM  
 Wednesday - Juniors - Contact Joe Matter [joe@vashonjrc.com](mailto:joe@vashonjrc.com) for Junior information and shooting times.  
 Cost: Adult members \$2.00, non- members \$4.00, Juniors \$2.00.

# The West Seattle Sportsmen's Club

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## Rolf's Cooking Corner

### Spare Rib Combination

2 lbs. spare ribs  
 Salt and pepper  
 1 tbsp. fat  
 1 medium onion minced  
 2 tbsp. barbecue sauce  
 1 can tomato soup  
 4 or 5 large potatoes peel and cut in half

Method: Cut spare ribs in serving pieces. Season with salt and pepper. Heat Pressure Cooker, add fat. Sear ribs in fat until golden brown. Sprinkle with minced onion. Pour tomato soup and barbecue sauce over ribs. Place pota-

toes on top of meat. Place cover and indicator weight on pressure cooker. Follow manufactures instructions and bring up to pressure. Cook 15 minutes. Cool cooker at once. Serve.



## Events Calendar

Oct 3rd - Club Meeting  
 Oct 6th - Quail Hunting  
     Opens Eastern WA  
 Oct 13th - Quail &  
     Pheasant Opens on  
     Yakima Nations Land  
 Oct 20th - Pheasant  
     Hunting Opens  
     Eastern WA  
 Oct 24th - Board Meeting  
 Nov 7th - Club Meeting  
 Nov 21st - Board Meeting

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



## Stuff For Sale



**For Sale** - New Pontoon Boat - \$200 obo. Outfitter 300 Pontoon Boat (purchased from Costco), still in the box and never opened: 8'8" pontoons, 400lb weight capacity, Integrated launching wheel, Motor mount. Contact Greg – [greg@wssportsmen.org](mailto:greg@wssportsmen.org) – 206-818-4469.

**For Sale** - 35 Remington Ammo - 30 plus rounds rescued from garage sale, age unknown, \$5.00. Call Kim 253-850-7380.

**For Sale** - Club Logo items available; hats \$15.00, shirts and other items available too. We have a few special 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Logo hats available also. Contact Tony at the club meetings, by email at [tony@wssportsmen.org](mailto:tony@wssportsmen.org) or by phone at 425-226-5643.

If you have something you would like to list in this section please send an email to "info@wssportsmen.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 20<sup>th</sup> of the prior month.....†

### *Hope For Rain from page 2*

Management and other agencies involved in controlling wildfires burning around the state.

Aside from its virtues as a fire retardant, a good steady rain would also improve overall hunting conditions during the weeks ahead, said Jerry Nelson, WDFW's deer and elk specialist. Both species benefitted from the mild winter last year, but bone-dry leaves and branches make it difficult for hunters to stalk their prey, he said.

"Until we get some rain, it's like walking on cornflakes out there," Nelson said.

The general deer-hunting season for hunters using modern-firearms starts Oct.

13 in designed areas throughout the state, falling on the heels of a muzzle-loader season that ends Oct. 7.

Salmon, too, would benefit from some rain, because that is their signal to move upriver, said John Long, WDFW salmon manager. Without a push from precipitation, salmon - particularly coho salmon - can remain "bunched up" in the lower ends of rivers and may not be able to take advantage of the spawning habitat available to them upstream.

"That's not good for salmon, and it's not good for salmon anglers either," Long said. "Once we see some rainfall, we'll also see fresh fish moving up the rivers that are more inclined to bite."

For more information about fishing, hunting and wildlife viewing available in October, see the Weekender Regional Reports posted on WDFW's website at <http://wdfw.wa.gov/weekender/>. These reports are updated throughout the month to provide current information about recreational opportunities around the state. †



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