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Message from the President- Kyle Wiebold

Hello-

The seasons are changing and the cold weather is coming. It seems really early this year but I think I'm feeling it because we couldn't go out this summer like we are used to. I am hoping things return to normal in the near future and we are able to get out and enjoy our trails, events, and the good friends we all have inside this association. Our December board meeting is coming up real soon and we are hopeful that we will be able to get together for this meeting. More information will be available once it is finalized. I hope you all are doing well and I can't wait to see you soon. Until then be safe and happy wheelin'.

Kyle Wiebold

PNW4WDA President

Washington Executive Report- Lisa Chissus

The PNW4WDA has submitted an RTP Education grant application for our spill kits #20-1980. The PNW4WDA has also been busy writing letters of support for the forest service, BLM, & DNR for NOVA & RTP Grants. Deadlines were extended to November 3rd, so be sure to get your club support letters to your land managers prior to this deadline.

New funding will be available for trails and bridges from the Great American Outdoors Acts (GAOA). In fact, 65% of this funding has been designated for non-transportation projects. The PNW4WDA has been participating with the USFS and will continue to coordinate input on a local level to help prioritize projects for 2021 and beyond.

Thank you to all those that volunteered to help repairs out on Kaner, Naches, Gold Creek, & Copper City. We all appreciate your contributions to keeping our trails accessible!

Naches Government Meadow Repair

Skip Franz took the lead on this project and collaborated with Ron Rutherford, our PNW4WDA Land Manager for Naches East, and the Naches Ranger District. The Forest Service provided the materials for the repair and delivered materials out to the closest forest service road to the crossings that needed repair at government meadows. Region 4 provided the trailer and Skip Franz transported the materials to the crossings. Several clubs from region 2 and region 4 volunteered as well as individual members

participated in restoring the crossings with the materials provided. Additional materials are needed to complete this restoration and will be addressed after the spring of next year.

Lisa Chissus
Washington Executive Director
waexec@pnw4wda.org (mailto:waexec@pnw4wda.org)

Sponsorship- Angie Marek

The PNW4WDA Board of Directors is pleased to continue the Webinar Series. These webinars are available to our members live or the recordings can be viewed at a later time by clicking on the webinar link on the website at PNW4WDA.org.

We hope you have enjoyed the webinars so far, please support those Partners and Associate Members who support us. During these trying times, we need to continue to stay in touch and enjoy our sport however we can.

Registration information will be emailed to past participants prior to the scheduled date as well as listed on our social media pages and website. At the end of each webinar, the sponsor will be giving away prizes to those in attendance.

Upcoming Webinars:

November 4th- Using your Hi-Lift Jack, sponsored by our Partner Olympia Jeep and presented by Richard Sheridan & Tim Lund from Freedom Recovery Gear

December 2nd- Proper Tool and Gear Storage and seatbelts, sponsored and presented by our partner Northridge 4x4

January 6th- Lube and Maintenance on Your Rig, sponsored and presented by our Associate Member Billy Bob's Off-Road

February 3rd- Gears and Drivetrains, sponsored and presented by our Associate Member Twin Peaks Off-Road

March 3rd- WARN Industries Virtual Tour, sponsored, and presented by our Partner WARN Industries
Watch for more webinars being added to the list. If you would like to know more about the benefits of becoming a PNW4WDA Partner please contact Angie Marek at sponsorship@pnw4wda.org (mailto:sponsorship@pnw4wda.org) .

REGION 1 DELEGATES MEETING- Casey Stokes-Miller

October 21, 2020

The Virtual Meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Casey Stokes-Miller, who is substituting for the Region Director who was unable to attend. The meeting was attended by 1 guest, 8 delegates, and two officers, representing 4 clubs. (The meeting was held virtually due to continued restrictions from the Governor that do not allow for in-person meetings of greater than 5 people.)

Guests: Lisa Chissus, Washington State Director.

Secretary Report:

* As published in the Tri-Power. Motion made for acceptance and seconded. The motion passed.

Correspondence:

* None

Directors Report:

* No report.

Treasurer's Report:

* Not distributed at this meeting, but also not significantly different from the past 3-4 months. From last month, a check for reimbursement was distributed to reimburse for a gift card of appreciation for outgoing Director, Dave Taylor.

Land & Legislative:

* Reiter: Trail work has been ongoing by the usual people who work on the Reiter trails. However, since the representative was unable to attend this meeting, there are no further details.

* Walker: There was a good turnout for the work at Walker on the 2nd Saturday of this month. Around the Sound Jeep Club, Timber Tamers did E&E work, and M&O work was done to repair the rock climb on the Rainier Ridge Ram trail. It is also noted that current COVID restrictions have impacted trail work, as work parties are limited to only six people, including the leader for a given work project.

* Legislation: Grant requests for the upcoming 2021-2023 biennium are upcoming. With the current COVID issues, Jim Cahill has recommended making grant proposals for ½ of the usual commitments. There is still a need for letters for grant support for each year, and these are especially important this year. If there are any questions, please either phone or e-mail, Jim Cahill. Individual letters are also welcome in addition to the club letters. Lisa Chissus also advised that a request for an Administrative Fee can be added as part of the Grant Applications and used for such things as T-shirts and Decals to

help promote the trail work. (This same information is applicable to Reiter for Ben Hale.) Another important note is that it is common that the attendance sheets from the DNR work (both E&E and M&O) get misplaced, so it is strongly recommended to keep a copy of this record by the clubs to submit if the forms are lost with DNR. (A good way to do this is to take a photo of the attendance sheets submitted to DNR at the time of the work; these forms are available on the PNW website with updated COVID information at the top of the forms.)

Competition:

* No report from the Competition representative. However, the season is now over.

Club Power/ We Did it/ Quill Power:

* Please forward to Angie Holm of Happy Campers Club. aholm02@hotmail.com (<mailto:aholm02@hotmail.com>) .

* On these forms, the most important item for the Forest Service is the Hours Worked. This is important to report the volunteer hours we give.

* The form is available on the PNW Website. The form needs to be printed out, SIGNED, then scanned and e-mailed to be submitted back to Angie.

* Angie requests that even trail work forms for E&E and M&O be sent to her to help report that this work is being done.

Membership:

* After the inquiry last month whether the Facebook page for Region 1 is public or private, it was confirmed that it is public. However, only a limited number of specific people have authority to make posts. The public can make comments, but cannot add posts. This will be actively monitored.

PR:

* Pam asks that she be contacted with all information that can be used to promote Region 1 and responsible 4-wheeling as well as trail maintenance. Contact her at pamelamae76@gmail.com (<mailto:pamelamae76@gmail.com>) . Lisa also encouraged sending photos, including photos of moving equipment used for trail work and trail maintenance.

Sunshine:

* Please contact Jennifer Hayter of Dirty 13 (jenhayter1@gmail.com (<mailto:jenhayter1@gmail.com>)) if cards need to be sent out.

Club Report:

* The Dirty 13 Club sponsored this evening's meeting. No members of Dirty 13 were present to give a report on their club.

Region Report:

* No report.

Old Business

- * Metal Plaques: Ed was not present at this meeting, so there is no update.
- * Change of Venue; Delegates were reminded that when we are able to meet in person again, we will be meeting at Alf's Pizza (9620 19th Ave SE, Everett, WA 98208).
- * Ocean Shores Patrol: Although not officially sponsored this year, a large number of individuals still went to help with beach clean-up this year. A large amount of trash was collected, including the top of a shipping container. A note was made for the future that if pets are brought to the Tidelands Campground, the owners must check with Dave at Tidelands first before bringing the pets; insurance restrictions will not allow certain breeds of dogs to be brought to the campground.
- * Replacement for the Yahoo Groups list. The links have been transitioned to Groups.IO, and new links are established as below. Please also note that the Yahoo Groups links are not totally "dead", but we will be using the new links instead. The information that was also sent out in an e-mail on 9/23/2020 is: "To Subscribe, email to PNW4WDARegion1+Subscribe@groups.io (mailto:PNW4WDARegion1+Subscribe@groups.io) OR go to: <https://groups.io/g/pnw4wdaregion1> and click on the blue "Apply for Membership in this Group", button. (Because of the way these links formatted in this e-mail, please note that to go to them, you will need to press your "CTRL" key and then click on the link.)"

New Business:

- * Nominations for 2021 Region 1 Officers.
- + Director: Pam Remley tentatively accepted last month, but declined this month. Kevin Vanderhorst was nominated again but again declined as he had last month. Nominations also were made for Luke May and Grace May—both declined. A nomination was made for John Vandergrift, who accepted contingent upon someone else taking over the office of Secretary.
- + Vice Director: Jayson Lautenbach was renominated last month, but was not present to accept. He is not present at this meeting, but Kevin V stated he had spoken with Jayson, and confirmed that Jayson will accept renomination.
- + Treasurer: Casey Stoked-Miller was renominated last month; she still accepts that nomination.
- + Secretary: John Vandergrift was renominated; he accepts that nomination with a contingency that he will not accept it if he is elected as a director. Pam Remley was nominated for Secretary, and she accepted.
- + Land and Legislation: Ed Tenney was renominated last month; he tentatively accepted. Kevin Vanderhorst was nominated this evening; he will accept contingent that he is nominated as the representative for the North End.
- + There will also be opportunities for further nominations in the November meeting, with elections in November.

Good of the Order:

* Casey asked about returning the Kathy Sterner Award so it can be given to the next recipient. Lisa Chissus said she hasn't heard an update for this year, but said that the trophy can be returned to her by someone who will be traveling farther south where she is, then she can pass it on to the PNW from there.

* Pam Remley announced that there is a new ranger for the Naches District—Aaron Stockton, and he starts October 26. Even though he is not technically in our Region, it is encouraged for us to be aware of what is happening elsewhere in the PNW, as all of us do recreate in areas outside of our Region. It was noted that there has been a lot of turnover in this position of the Naches District Ranger, which has made it difficult to establish administrative continuity there. It is encouraged that we make efforts to build a good and productive relationship with Aaron.

* Kevin Vanderhorst stated he does want to continue to pursue serving as the Trail Coordinator for Trail Jamboree this year, but would like contact from Dave McMains for further information before accepting the Trail Coordinator position.

Raffle:

* Not held as this is not an in-person meeting.

Hosting Schedule:

November 18th Outdoor 4X4's

December No Meeting Happy Holidays

Upcoming Events:

Walker Trail Work Parties are every 2nd Saturday of the month (Canceled until after quarantine.)

Reiter Trail Work Parties are every 4th Saturday of the month (Canceled until after quarantine.)

Upcoming More Events: Please see PNW4WDA.com for upcoming events and discussions

Submitted by

[John Vandergrift](#)

Region 1 Secretary

REGION 2 DELEGATES MEETING- Rick Cornwell

October 22, 2020

Called to order by Director Rick Cornwell at 7:45 P.M. followed by the flag salute and a moment of silence.

Secretary's Report: Megan Laurent made the announcement that she will be stepping down from this position effective immediately. Nichol Phillips will be stepping in. (Thank you!)

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Club Power/We Did It: Megan Laurent has forms. If you are needing a form please feel free to visit the PNW website or reach out to her and she will email/mail you a form to fill out and return.

Naches: 4 crossings were repaired. Not much to report.

Evans: Nothing to report.

Elbe: We were not able to host a work party this year, unfortunately. Make sure if you are on the trails to keep an eye out for any trouble makers. There has been more theft and vandalism. There has also been the destruction of property more than ever this year. It is aggravating. The campground project has been pushed out until September of 2021-ish.

Tahuya: There is a new land manager. The whole south loop will also be closed next year due to logging.

Land Matters: The position is still available. Lisa made a statement to make sure you send your letters of support to your land managers.

Letter Writing: Not much to report. Angie has not received anything in a while. Let her know if you do.

Membership: No report.

Ways & Means: Nothing to report.

Public Relations: If you have anything you would like posted on the region Facebook page please let Megan Rabe know. Nicole Phillips is also working on a food donation program for the regions to participate in.

Future 4-Wheelers: No report. The position is still available.

Competition: It is wintertime so no racing report. Keep an eye on ballots in the mail via tri-power. How they are to be counted is still being determined. We had our 2nd round of nominations for competition chair and Nathan Linderkamp is still nominated. A motion was made and seconded.

Region 2 Fun Run: No report. This position is still available for next year.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Lisa gave out a reminder to get your nominations in for the Kathy Sterner award. We had our 1st round of nominations tonight.

Director-Jessica Bailey

Vice Director- None

Treasurer-Lora Jungmayer

Secretary- None

Land Matters- None

Public Relations-None

ROLL CALL

Announcements:

None

The next meeting will be November 19, 2020, @ 7:30 P.M. via ZOOM

(Please inquire with Jessica Bailey if you would like to get on her email list.)

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 P.M.

*Respectfully submitted by Megan Laurent

REGION 3 DELEGATES MEETING- Kristin Smith-No Report

REGION 4 DELEGATES MEETING- Skip Frans

October 13, 2020

Teleconference via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m. followed by a flag salute and a moment of silence.

Dave McMains made a motion to approve the amended minutes from the previous meeting as edited, which was seconded by Ed Massey. Motion passed.

Secretary's Report-Nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report- Treasurer made the Treasurer's Report.

Skip Frans submitted PUAM bills for Port-a-Potties and dumpster. ZOOM is an automatic monthly deduction from the bank account.

Peggy Thomas will resend the Gold Creek banner bill to Dave McMains for immediate reimbursement.

Club Power Gary /We Did It/Quill Power-Nothing to report.

Land Matters- Dave McMains reported he is the new Land Matters Chairman, following Dale Neuman's resignation.

Timbers have been provided for the 520 bridge, being repaired by the Ski Benders.

The weekend of the 10/17-10/18 the Trail Seekers are going to repair the trail crossing at Government Meadows, with Lee Benoun's help and direction. Everyone participating will be meeting at the Gold Creek Café on Saturday morning at 8:00 a.m.

Skip Frans requested all write letters of recommendation and support for Stephanie Margheim

Stephanie.Margheim@dnr.wa.gov for

20-2061 EDU Southeast Region Education & Enforcement North

- o Teanaway Community Forest, Taneum Ridge State Forest, Beverly Dunes, dispersed recreation on other DNR blocks

- o 3 campgrounds, 3-day use areas, 1 trailhead, 11 miles trail

- 20-2182 EDU Southeast Region Education & Enforcement South

- o Ahtanum State Forest, dispersed recreation on other DNR blocks (Wenas, Rattlesnake, etc.)

- * 7 campgrounds, 2-day use areas, 3 trailheads, 23 miles trail, and Ross Huffman

Ross.Huffman@dfw.wa.gov Fish & Wildlife for the Forest Service.

20-2150 WDFW WDFW Region 3 NOVA Grant

Dave McMains and Nicki's request for letters has been completed.

Membership

PR

Competition

Old Business- Clean-up at Juniper Dunes this weekend was not a PNW event.

There was a Virtual open house Earl and Sande Nettnin attended.

45 people attended the Faux PUAM including members from Cascade 4x4, Cascade Quads, Independents, and Ski Benders.

Yakima Waste was 500-750 pounds of trash. The Forest Service provides 2 Trash-A-Roos as door prizes which sell for \$40 each! All old t-shirts were sold out, netting \$200! Peggy & Less must now submit a new design. Gold Creek LOVED the banner presented to them.

Pictures of Five Fingers are available for viewing.

Canner Crossing pictures have been posted.

Thanks to Cascade 4x4 for the pictures.

The small bridge was not repaired due to a lack of materials, which will be provided in the Spring.

Train Jamboree paperwork is complete but waiting for processing. On hold due to Covid-19. Dates for 2021 Trail Jam: July 8, 9 & 10.

New Business

Lisa and Ron will be documenting a manual illustrating the correct building and repair procedures with pictures of what it should look like.

Club Reports

Hurtin Units: nothing planned

Sand Commandos: Nothing to report

Dessert Rats: meeting held at Sonic Drive-in; Veterans Day parade planned, a small group will be going to Moab.

Jeepin' Nomads: nothing to report

Trail Seekers: Naches Work Party

Nichole and Mike: Did Doe Deer Run sponsored by Cascade 4x4, They ran Naches, Kaner, and Trash Pickup

Nitty Gritty: No report

Good of the Order

Nominations: Dave Skip Frans for Director, McMains for Treasurer; Melody Frans for Secretary (Sande Nettin and Lisa Chissus declined.) Nominations will be reopened in November

Bobby Harris' (Hurtin' Units) dad has had 2 heart attacks but is doing well members.)

Gary Hughes announced Sherry Paine's mother passed away.

WOVA dues of \$100 are due in January. Skip Frans motioned to pay the \$100 dues for 2021; motion seconded by Gary Nettin and approved. Skip Frans will pay the dues with the Region's debit card.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Melody Frans, Trail Seekers

REGION 6 DELEGATES MEETING- NO REPORT

COMPETITION REPORT - Steve Zentner

Hello everyone -

Recently I was having a discussion with my 80-year-old mother about the health of the PNW. My mom was a long-time board member back in the 1970s and 1980s. Some of my earliest memories are of being driven to meetings where I was able to hang out with other kids who ended up being some of the long-term friends that I still have today. As my mom and I were discussing current association concerns, she pointed out that they are similar to the same discussions being had forty years ago. Obviously, things are way different now with the advent of social media, the internet, etc. but one thing that has not changed is that the PNW Board of Directors is there to represent the membership of the association.

The above being said - I encourage all of you that have ideas of how to lead this association forward to let your voices be heard. Granted that in the Covid year, the chance to get together to voice your concerns has been a challenge. However, we know that this will end soon. Maybe it is time to consider a run for office at a region or association level. There are lots of newer members that have ideas of where to go. There are also a lot of board members at all levels who are willing to get these ideas across. As we approach 2021, let us hope for a return to normalcy and a chance to make this association stronger than ever.

Please fill your ballot out, place it in an envelope with your competition number on the outside.

Mail it to me at:

Steve Zentner

PNW Competition Chairman

33550 Tide Creek Road

Deer Island, Oregon 97054

Thanks to all who support Lisa and me as we enter another year,

1. The rule currently reads...

Under section 1 – SAFETY RULES

2. HARNESS: 1) 2/2020 – All competitors, including all kids driving any course, will be required to have and wear a five-point harness in good condition, consisting of a lap belt, one strap per shoulder, and a crotch strap. (Exception: kids lap driver. Lap drivers will not need the crotch strap due to length restraints.

Rule amended to read...

2. HARNESS: 1) 2/2020 – All competitors, including all kids driving any course, will be required to have and wear a five-point harness in good condition, consisting of a lap belt, one strap per shoulder, and a crotch strap. Exception: kids lap driver. Lap drivers will not need the crotch strap due to length restraints. Exception: Street and Trail only class. Exception: Youth drivers needing a booster seat.

Reason – To allow the street and trail vehicles to participate. And to allow the kids that are transitioning from lap driver to driving class.

Submitted by Steve Zentner - RPM Racing

2. The rule currently reads....

Under section 1 – SAFETY RULES

E. ROLL CAGE AND BODY REQUIREMENTS:

2. Vehicles with metal tops and factory doors in place must have a minimum of a single braced roll bar behind the driver. The bar must be inside wagon type vehicles. The bar may be mounted either inside the cab of trucks or in the bed behind the cab.

Rule amended to read...

2. Full body vehicles – such as Tahoe, Grand Cherokee, etc. – without a cage must have full doors and windows installed to participate. Any vehicle with a truck bed must have a minimum of a half cage behind the seats or in the truck bed. If such a vehicle is rolled once and structural stability is compromised, this vehicle is eliminated from competition until the vehicle is repaired to specs or a cage is installed.

Reason – To clarify rules for the street and trail class

Submitted by – Steve Zentner – RPM Racing

3. The rule currently reads...

Under Section 1 – SAFETY RULES

E. ROLL CAGE AND BODY REQUIREMENTS:

1. Full rigid floorboards (plywood, fiberglass, or metal) with minimum openings are required. A complete firewall made of metal or fiberglass with minimum openings to protect against gas fumes, oil, fire, etc., required. Buggies and rear-mounted engine vehicles are exempt from the firewall rule, although fluid hoses (such as power steering lines) should be covered in case of rupture.

Rule amended to read...

1. Full rigid floorboards (plywood, fiberglass, or metal) with minimum openings are required. A complete firewall made of metal or fiberglass with minimum openings to protect against gas fumes, oil, fire, etc., required. Buggies and rear-mounted engine vehicles are exempt from the firewall rule, although fluid hoses (such as power steering lines) should be covered in case of rupture. Floorboards are to reach a minimum of the bottom of the back of the seat to prevent damage from underneath to the participant.

Reason – To clarify the existing floorboard rule

Submitted by Steve Zentner – RPM Racing

4. The rule currently reads...

Under – SECTION 1 – SAFETY RULES, LINE N REGARDING SIDE BY SIDE RULES

1. All side by sides must have a 6-point aftermarket cage meeting the following tubing size specifications dependent on vehicle weight.

1. UTV weight under 2000 lbs. – OD 1.5 inches with ID .095 inches
2. UTV weight 2001 lbs. to 2500 lbs. – OD 1.5 inches with ID .120 inches or OD 1.75 inches with ID .095 inches
3. UTV weight 2501 lbs. and above – OD 1.75 inches with ID .095 inches

Rule amended to read...

1. If a side by side has a factory cage, no passengers are allowed with the exception of a minor driving. If the roll cage has been compromised (rolled, flopped, or any structural damage) the side by side will not be eligible to race until the cage has been updated to the following specifications in a 6-point cage.

1. UTV weight under 2000 lbs. – OD 1.5 inches with ID .095 inches
2. UTV weight 2001 lbs. to 2500 lbs. – OD 1.5 inches with ID .120 inches or OD 1.75 inches with ID .095 inches
3. UTV weight 2501 lbs. and above – OD 1.75 inches with ID .095 inches

Reason – to allow the entry-level side by side vehicles to compete in our association

Submitted by Nichol Phillips – Cascade 4X4

Rule presently reads... Under – SECTION 1 – SAFETY RULES, LINE N REGARDING SIDE BY SIDE RULES

3. All side by sides must have a roof cover with sheet metal or aluminum. Must be a minimum thickness of .060 inches

Rule amended to read...

3. All side by sides are recommended to have a roof cover with sheet metal or aluminum to provide structural stability and safety in case of a rollover

Reason – to allow entry-level side by sides to compete.

Submitted by Nichol Phillips – Cascade 4X4

6. Rule presently reads....

Under Section 2 – Competition

3) Any person driving over any trophy course prior to the event will be ineligible to compete. At no time shall anyone be allowed to run a primary course for fun. (EXCEPTION: Drags

Rule amended to read...

3) The obstacle and cross-country courses shall be open for thirty minutes each immediately following the driver's meeting for a parade lap.

I would also like to eliminate under Section 3 – Primary Courses – lines B and C - the rules that specify the hosting club will send one vehicle over each course to test the course. This would be redundant with the change to a parade lap.

Reason – to allow our membership that is unable to walk the track the ability to see the course before driving it.

Submitted by Steve Zentner – RPM Racing

7. Rule presently reads...

Under SECTION 2 – COMPETITION

8. The competition will start promptly at 9:00 a.m. Each day and will close at 4:00 p.m... The last vehicle sign will be hung at 3:30 p.m. (EXCEPTION: Drags and Team Relay.)

Rule amended to read...

8. The competition will start at 9:00 AM on Friday and Saturday or immediately following the thirty minutes allotted for a parade lap on Obstacle and Cross Country. Courses will close at 4:00 p.m. The last vehicle sign will be hung at 3:30 p.m. (EXCEPTION: Drags and Team Relay.)

Reason – to allow the allotted time for the parade lap

Submitted by – Steve Zentner – RPM Racing

8. Rule presently reads...

Under SECTION 2 – COMPETITION

20. All courses, with exception of Team Relay, will have a minimum of two (2) fire extinguishers. Each fire extinguisher will be a minimum of five (5) pound BC rated. These will be placed in the vicinity of the start and finish gates. Team Relay course requirement will consist of one (1) five (5) pound BC rated fire extinguisher at each gate. Hosting club(s) will be responsible for providing the fire extinguishers.

Rule amended to read...

20. All courses, with exception of Team Relay, will have a minimum of two (2) fire extinguishers. Each fire extinguisher will be a minimum of five (5) pound BC rated or the updated extinguishers that have no residue and are rated for 30 seconds of discharge minimum. These will be placed in the vicinity of the start and finish gates. Team Relay course requirement will consist of one (1) five (5) pound BC rated fire extinguisher at each gate. Hosting club(s) will be responsible for providing the fire extinguishers.

Reason – to allow the usage of the newer technology extinguishers that are available.

Submitted by Steve Zentner – RPM racing

9. The rule currently reads...

Under SECTION 2 – COMPETITION 14 B REGARDING KIDS EVENTS.

B. Other required events:

1. Drags – (optional if the venue has space for drag course)
2. Children’s Competition (will compete on separate courses if at all possible.)

1. Obstacle
2. Barrels
3. Other events (i.e. Fun Courses) are optional.

Rule amended to read...

B. Other required events:

1. Drags – (optional if the venue has space for drag course)
2. Children’s Competition (will compete on separate courses if at all possible.)
 - a. Obstacle
 - b. Barrels
 - c. Cross Country

Reason – To give the kids the chance to run cross country as well as barrels and obstacle courses.

Submitted by Steve Zentner – RPM Racing

10. The rule currently reads...

As per the existing drag class section of the competition book, driveline loops are required for competition modified drags. Refer to section B – 9 of the drag rules, section 5

I would like to eliminate the ruling for driveline loops required for comp modified drags to get them in line with our rules regarding driveline loops being recommended and not required.

Submitted by Steve Zentner – RPM Racing

11. The rule currently reads...

Under Competition

7) No passengers or riders permitted in the relays, drags, and barrels courses. (EXCEPTION: Kids Barrels Courses.)

Rule amended to read...

Passengers are allowed on obstacle and cross-country courses, as well as required for competitors under

16. No passengers on team relay drag, or barrels.

Reason – to clarify a murky rule regarding riders at Summer Convention.

Submitted by – Steve Zentner – RPM Racing

12. Rule presently reads...

Article 9, Section 4 – Street and Trail Team Relay

I would like to abolish Street and Trail Team Relay as a separate event since they run with the competition class anyway.

Submitted by Jessica Bailey, Renegade Off Road

13. Rule presently reads...

Under Section 1, Battery requirements

2) Batteries must have a metal or plastic cover to protect from shorting out.

Rule amended to read...

Positive battery terminal and any other positive terminal elsewhere on the vehicle (such as shut off switch, alternator, starter, etc.) must be covered

Reason – there are more positive leads that are exposed than just the battery itself.

Submitted by Brandon Marek, Renegade Off Road

The following are rule additions that have been submitted to be added in the applicable sections of the book as needed.

14. Competition vehicles must have window nets. (Exemption – Street and Trail)

Reason – To keep driver and passenger arms inside the vehicle in case of a rollover

Submitted by Jessica Bailey, Renegade Off Road

15. All competitors must wear a minimum of closed-toed shoes and long pants while competing.

Reason - to prevent damage to the skin in case of a high-pressure rupture or fire

Submitted by Rob Stafford, Cascade 4X4

16. All vehicles in competition class must have a metal roof either welded or bolted down to the roll cage

Reason – to prevent potentially hazardous objects outside of the vehicle and keep driver and passenger extremities contained in case of a rollover

Submitted by Jessica Bailey, Renegade Off Road

2020 BALLOT

CIRCLE ONE

Rule Change Proposal 1.	SAFETY RULE – HARNESS	YES	NO
Rule Change Proposal 2.	SAFETY RULE – ROLL CAGE & BODY	YES	NO
Rule Change Proposal 3.	SAFETY RULE – FLOORBOARDS	YES	NO
Rule Change Proposal 4.	SAFETY RULE – SEC 1 SXS CAGE	YES	NO
Rule Change Proposal 5.	SAFETY RULE – SEC 1 SXS ROOF	YES	NO
Rule Change Proposal 6.	COMPETITION – PARADE LAP	YES	NO
Rule Change Proposal 7.	COMPETITION – START TIME	YES	NO
Rule Change Proposal 8.	COMPETITION – FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	YES	NO
Rule Change Proposal 9.	COMPETITION – KIDS RUN X COUNTRY	YES	NO
Rule Change Proposal 10.	DRAG CLASS – DRIVELINE LOOP	YES	NO
Rule Change Proposal 11.	COMPETITION – PASSENGERS	YES	NO
Rule Change Proposal 12.	ARTICLE 9, SEC 4 – S&T RELAY	YES	NO
Rule Change Proposal 13.	SECTION 1 – BATTERY REQUIREMENTS	YES	NO
Rule Proposal 14.	COMPETITION – WINDOW NETS	YES	NO
Rule Proposal 15.	COMPETITION – SHOES & PANTS	YES	NO
Rule Proposal 16.	COMPETITION – METAL ROOF	YES	NO

Respectfully Submitted,

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PNW4WDA Competition Chairman

Bridges, Trails, and Crossings! Written by Jolene Vesey

Milk Creek

On the weekend of October 3rd and 4th, Mike was asked to help rebuild a bridge up Milk Creek road. Normally it is about a 2-day process. The first day is all about making sure all the products are up to the site and ready to go for the next day. Skip Frans, (Director of Region 4) as well as Ron Rutherford (Nomads Member) helped haul the timbers in. Chad Atkins had a large role in helping maintain the road as well as direct the runoff water that we get in the spring. Mike Van Amburg has been the director of this maintenance crew for years. Both Mike and Chad have had a hand on almost every project that has been built. The second day is the time we rip out the old bridge and replace it with new. This process is very rewarding when you see all the years of wear and tear and replace it with the hopes of new stories made. The help on Saturday was Mike, Chad Atkins, and Chad Vesey, (owner of Build-IT Offroad, Gleed Boyz) and his family Jolene, Adison (12yrs old), and Regan Vesey (9yrs old).

This project was a little tricky only because we had to salvage the old stringers. The rest of the old bridge was dismantled and the work begins on improving the footings of the bridge. Then the salvaged stringers were added which this bridge had 3. Each of them about 20 feet long. After discussing the plan on how we need to space the planks 4x12 9 feet long and making sure the bridge is square this project starts to form. The Vesey girls were involved with drilling the holes for the nails and using a sledgehammer to direct the nails into place. Anytime you can educate the younger generation on how to help improve the trails is always rewarding. These two girls did not hesitate to lend a hand knowing it was helping out the Naches Forest Service. Moments after this bridge was in place, there were about 10 jeeps ranging from a 4 door Jk to an old Cj5 that were the first to cross it. What a rewarding moment to see.

For 6 years or more, Mike Van Amburg, (owner of Van Amburg Enterprise also a member of the Ski Benders snowmobile group), and Chad Atkins, (owner of Atkins Landscaping, Gleed Boyz), has had a great relationship with the Naches Forest Service. Both have been able to help keep our trails open and maintained throughout the 6 plus years. Following the Forest Service guidelines of course.

Gold Creek Station Crossing

On Friday of October 16th, the bridge behind Gold Creek Station was widened. This group was Mike and Liz Van Amburg (President of the Ski Benders), Chad Atkins, Sam Ross, Greg Boiselle (Owner of Ice & Fire Mechanical), and Donnie and son Seth (7yrs old) Wolfe. Sam Ross donated his jeep to help haul in the lumber for the new bridge. This particular bridge was a narrow bridge yet side x sides were barely getting across. Each of these guys unloaded the lumber by hand and started the repairs.

Kaner Flats

On the weekend of October 10th and 11th, there was another bridge maintenance job up near Kaner Flats. Friday's help was Mike Van Amburg and Chad Atkins. Both were involved in taking out the old

bridge and planning the footings of the new bridge. This project was a slam dunk compared to the previous weekend only because it was a complete redo virus salvaging some parts. Saturday's help was Mike Van Amburg, Chad Atkins, Chad Vesey, and family as well as another local Naches Family Sam and Amber Ross (Gleed Boyz) and their daughter Allie Ross(15 yrs old). There was plenty of rain during most of the morning with a drizzle of snow falling here and there. In this project, we were able to burn the old remains of the bridge which helped the crew keep warm during the ground maintenance time. Just like clockwork once the new stringer was in place, and the new bridge was up in place ready for thousands of people to travel across it. Of course, just as we finished there were numerous vehicles passing back and forth over the bridge.

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