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Message from the President- Kyle Wiebold

I want to thank Angie Marek for putting together the webinar series for the PNW4WDA. Our first webinar on winching was a great success. Our next webinar is August 12. You should have all received an email to register. There are prizes at the end of the webinar to be given out and lots of great info as well. Please sign up and join us. I hope you are all staying safe and healthy. Have a great summer and hopefully soon we can be back together in person. Take care.

Kyle Wiebold
President

Bylaw Updates-Sande Nettnin

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAW PROPOSAL FORM

To be Voted on At Fall Delegates Meeting

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAW PROPOSAL FORM

ARTICLE III Dues SECTION 5

Constitution/Bylaw presently reads: Dues will be pro-rated for new clubs joining after January based on the twelve (12) month year from the first day of the month of their acceptance into the PNW4WDA to the next due date on the basis of the amount stated in Section 4 above, but not less than ten dollars (\$10.00)

Proposed Constitution/Bylaw amendment to read: Delete this section

INTENT: To do away with pro-rating of dues.

Date to Take Effect: Immediately upon passing

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAW PROPOSAL FORM

ARTICLE III Dues SECTION 6

Constitution/Bylaw presently reads: The voting member clubs may submit to the PNW4WDA Membership Chairman, listing of additional new individual club members, not more than once a month. Dues for those additional new member families will be pro-rated based on the number of the months remaining from the first day of the month submitted until the next due date and amount as stated in Section 4 above.

Proposed Constitution/Bylaw amendment to read: The voting member clubs may submit to the PNW4WDA Membership Chairman, a list of additional new individual club members, not more than once a month.

INTENT: To do away with the pro-rating of dues.

Date to Take Effect: Immediately upon passing

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAW PROPOSAL FORM**ARTICLE III Dues SECTION 11**

Constitution/Bylaw presently reads: Individual member dues shall be forty dollars (\$40.00) per calendar year, pro-rated to the date of joining but not less than ten dollars (\$10.00), the first year only.

Proposed Constitution/Bylaw amendment to read: Individual member dues shall be forty dollars (\$40.00) per calendar year.

INTENT: To do away with pro-rating of dues.

Date to Take Effect: immediately

Washington Executive Report- Lisa Chissus

Fawn Creek and Sand Creek Closures

Little Naches Road 1900 Closure Dates

July 20 – August 8 Little Naches Road will be closed to ALL through traffic for 19 days between July 20 – August

8 at milepost 10.6 (near Timothy Meadows). No vehicles, including emergency vehicles, will be able to pass through the construction zone. After the initial 19-day closure to through traffic, construction will continue for about a week with 2-hour closures followed by 15-minute open periods. The road will be open evenings and weekends during this time. Dates may change. Construction work entails replacing the existing small culvert with a 32-foot wide concrete box structure.

Fawn Creek Culvert project is part of a larger partner-funded project in the Little Naches River to restore access

and reconnect miles of habitat for endangered species. SAND CREEK RD 1902 WILL ALSO BE CLOSED.

Great American Outdoor Act was introduced by Cory Gardner (R-CO) on March 9, 2020, during the 116th United States Congress. On June 9, it passed a procedural vote 80–17 and moved to full consideration before the Senate. ... On July 22, the bill was passed by the House on a bipartisan vote of 310–107. his bill establishes the National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund to support deferred maintenance projects on federal lands. For FY2021-FY2025, there shall be deposited into the fund an amount equal to 50% of all federal revenues from the development of oil, gas, coal, or alternative or renewable energy on federal lands and waters. Deposited amounts must not exceed \$1.9 billion for any fiscal year. The fund must be used for priority deferred maintenance projects in specified systems that are administered by

- the National Park Service,
- the Forest Service,
- the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service,
- the Bureau of Land Management, and
- the Bureau of Indian Education.

Reduced Match Requirement- in response to the limitations that COVID has had on volunteer activities, the Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) has voted to reduce the required match for grant applications from 20% down to 10% for Recreational Trails Program (RTP) Grants. There is already no match requirements for Non-highway and Off-highway Vehicles Activities (NOVA) grants. The RCO office will start accepting applications on August 10th and will be hosting a Webinar on August 10th at 10 AM to learn more about how to apply for a grant.

BE KIND our public land use is at an all-time high and staff for parks is limited. For example, Naches Ranger district says their use is up 400% and they are working with 9 seasonal hires instead of 32! Many government workers are concerned about their safety from the public, so please help to encourage those working on our public land!

Lisa Chissus

Washington Executive Director

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Oregon State Director's Report- David Mauer

Forest Service Releases Assessment of Current Conditions of Northwest Forests

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service released a [Bioregional Assessment](#) evaluating the social, economic, and ecological conditions and trends covering 19 units across WA, OR and northern CA in a brief and easy-to-understand format. The assessment uses the best available science and focuses on capturing current conditions and changes in the national forests and grasslands. It provides recommendations on how the Forest Service could address the challenges facing forests, grasslands, and communities in the plans that govern how land management decisions are made.

"The release of this assessment gives our region the data and scientific analysis to make future well-informed, landscape-level decisions that benefit our six northern forests," said Randy Moore, regional forester for the Pacific Southwest Region in California. "Furthermore, we're now able to move forward and prepare for updating land management plans to provide essential commodities and recreational opportunities, manage and reduce risk from wildfires through vegetative management and other proactive landscape efforts, provide clean air, water, and habitat for plants and animals, and preserve our cultural resources, for present and future generations."

The Forest Service and other federal land management agencies are required by law to develop plans that guide the long-term management of public lands. These plans are developed using public input and the best available science. They establish priorities for land managers and provide strategic direction for how the plan area is to be managed for a period of ten years or more. They may be periodically amended or revised entirely to address changing conditions or priorities.

"This assessment will make it more efficient to modernize our land management plans and reflect the new science, and changes to social, economic, and ecological conditions across this region," said Glenn Casamassa, regional forester for the Pacific Northwest Region in Oregon and Washington. "It will also preserve the tenets of the Northwest Forest Plan that are working well so that work can continue effectively and efficiently."

The Northwest Forest Plan covers nearly 25 million acres of federally managed land in Oregon, Washington, and northern California focusing on managing the entire landscape for long-term social and economic stability. The Bioregional Assessment is not a decision document and does not impact current forest management. Instead, it will be used to shape ongoing engagement with stakeholders, state, county, Tribal governments, and Forest Service staff as they prepare for the next steps in the planning process together.

David Mauer,
Oregon State Director

REGION 1 DELEGATES MEETING- Dave Taylor

July 22, 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 9 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: None.

Secretary Report: As published in the Tri-Power.

Correspondence: None.

Directors Report: No report.

Treasurer's Report: Not distributed at this meeting. However, there has been no income—but also no expenditures.

Land & Legislative: No report.

Competition: No report.

Club Power/ We Did it/ Quill Power: Please forward to Angie Holm of Happy Campers

Club. 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.

Membership: No report.

PR: No report.

Sunshine: Please contact Jennifer Hayter of Dirty 13 (jenhayter1@gmail.com) if cards need to be sent out. There was a request to send a sympathy card to Region 4 for Dave Walters. Ed said he would contact Jennifer for this.

Club Report: The Wandering Willys Club was to sponsor this evening's meeting. No report due to the quarantine.

Region Report: No report.

Old Business: Metal Plaques. Ed stated that we will need to order 9" Region 1 stickers to apply to the plates; Casey will look into getting this done.

New Business: Change of Venue for future in-person meetings. 4WheelParts has notified us that they will no longer be able to sponsor the monthly Region 1 meetings. Casey has been in contact with Alf's Pizza (9620 19th Ave SE, Everett, WA 98208), and they will be happy to be the venue for our future in-person meetings when they can resume. There is a concern about difficulties contacting delegates for virtual meetings, as it is not possible to do that through Yahoogroups. Angie stated she had forwarded all the contact information to Dave Taylor, and she no longer has it. Due to Yahoogroups also no longer sponsoring groups and forums, it was discussed whether to potentially change to a private webpage or to establish a private Facebook page. This will be discussed further with Dave Taylor when he is available again. Ocean Shores Patrol. There was extensive discussion on whether Region 1 should be involved by participating with this as an organized event this year due to concerns of the COVID-19 pandemic and the likely restrictions that will still be in place in September. Issues were discussed regarding the challenges of being able to maintain appropriate Social Distancing for this event. It was also recognized that extraordinarily strong opinions abound about the whole governmental response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the restrictions that have been applied, and those opinions are quite mixed. Kyle Wiebold (PNW President) has been contacted and replied that the PNW4WDA Board has discussed it and plans to wait a bit longer to see if the situation and restrictions change before deciding on an official PNW position. However, he is not optimistic that there will be significant changes at least through November. The delegates discussed concerns ranging from wanting to hold OSP, but with concerns of potential liability for Region 1 and the clubs as well as for risks of spreading COVID-19 infections and likely negative PR fallout if OSP is held. The overall consensus of the delegates is that we will likely need to cancel it, but that we will wait until our August 2020 meeting to make the final decision to see if circumstances change that would allow us to hold the event.

Good of the Order: No items.

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

Hosting Schedule:

August 19th Washington Bobtails
 September 16th Doo Wop Ditty
 October 21st Dirty 13
 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- No Report

REGION 3 DELEGATES MEETING- No Report

REGION 4 DELEGATES MEETING-July 14, 2020

Teleconference via Zoom

Next Meeting: August 11 @ 7:30 P.M.

Teleconference via Zoom

Honored guest: Jerry Ford, Naches Ranger District

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. followed by a flag salute and moment of silence, with special thoughts of our loss of Dave Walters, who passed July 7th and also for Barb Rutherford who has recently undergone several surgeries.

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

Secretary's Report: None

Treasurer's Report: No expenses to be paid. Jim Sprick reservation check for PUAM still outstanding.

Honored Guest Report: Jerry Ford, Naches Ranger District, spoke about current events and how we can still proceed with PUAM while complying with state and local guidelines. Skip reiterated that PUAM activities could proceed, however, it will not be officially organized and there will be no raffle, no kids' games, no music, no potluck, with masks and social distancing being maintained. There will be a sign-in for "We did it!" credit. Skip will check with Gold Creek for permission to place a dumpster on their property along with 2 Sani-cans. This event will NOT occur at Jim Sprick Community Park, which is closed due to the pandemic. Jerry Ford will let us know where the clean-up focus should be. He will also check to see if the Forest Service can provide gloves and hand sanitizer. Jerry forwarded the Volunteer Agreement to Lisa Chissus for signature. Dave McMains asked for permission to replace the carsonite trail signs; Jerry agreed. Jerry will ask his crew if there are specific areas we should focus on and will let us know. 19000 road closure is still on schedule: 7/22-8/9 trail closed to replace the culverts with a bridge. We can, however, still get around the closure on the Naches pass trail. Additional work will be done prior to September so PUAM will not be affected. Jerry pointed out the permit for Trail Jam expires in July this year. Lee Ellis is the person to renew it. Ron Rutherford commented that the Jamboree Chairperson is working on it. Lisa Chissus will contact Teresa Rabe for status.

Dave has formally canceled Jim Sprick for this year but has reserved it for 2021. Jerry will find out what needs to be done to renew the Trail Jam agreement. Teresa has all the information, but someone must confirm she is still managing it. Ron Rutherford is willing to assist in the investigation and follow up.

Club Power Gary /We Did It/Quill Power: No report

Land Matters: No report

Membership: No report

PR: No report

Competition: No report

Old Business: Nothing to follow up on.

This coming week Dale Neuman will be working with John Simon, Cle Elum Ranger station to certify as an equipment operator. This is not a "training" session, it is a certification session.

Dave McMains has a list of about 17 persons who have agreed to complete the certification process, so a weekend session is being arranged. Liberty is now open for public use.

New Business: 7/15 Olympia Jeep webinar "Ropes, Straps, & Shackles Oh My" at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to register and participate as they are a great sponsor.

7/19 Juniper dunes – in memory of Dave Walters.

7/21 RCO Fall Grant program meeting. Proposing to remove all matching grants for the rest of the year.

Rose Shriner has been named the new Project Manager for Naches Forest Service.

Little Naches drainage

Another logging unit ready to go – thinning and health issues

No meetings this year due to COVID

Region 4 trailer is being moved to Kim and Merrick Graves's home – access is just a courtesy call.

Club Reports: Hombres cleared a bridge and trees blocking the water flow on the Copper City trail.

Good of the Order: From Skip Frans, Director Region 4 All members of PNW4WDA are welcome to attend Region 4 meetings. With the use of ZOOM

conf call, it is now easier for all to have input. If you would like to attend send Skip Frans a note at reg4dir@pnw4wda.org He will add you to the distribution list

Faux Jam at Squaw Rock occurred. All had a good time, lots of people, and everyone practiced social distancing. Skip hosted a HAM radio session and all 7 people who tested, passed their test. Skip will discuss with Teresa about hosting a test only session at Trail Jam next year.

Char and Ed celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 3.

Dave will celebrate his 32 anniversary on 7/16.

Meeting adjourned 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Melody Frans, Trail Seekers

REGION 6 DELEGATES MEETING- NO REPORT

Sponsorship Report - Angie Marek

The first webinar in the PNW4WDA Partner sponsored webinars was a huge success! Thank you for Olympia Jeep for sponsoring the webinar presented by Richard and Tim from Freedom Recovery Gear. If you were unable to join us for the live presentation, I encourage you to watch the recorded version. The link is located on the PNW4WDA website at PNW4WDA.org and click on the link located on the front page. There was so much great information shared with us.

The second in our series will be August 12th at 7pm and is sponsored by Northridge 4x4 and the topic will be Suspension. They will be focusing on options, what is the best option for how the Jeep/Truck will be used, and proper suspension geometry for the best possible drivability. Northridge will be giving away two Northridge 4x4 swag bags, one 10" WARN LED light bar and one BedRug Track mat at the end of the webinar to a few lucky PNW members who are present. The live webinars are available to PNW4WDA members in good standing.

The third in our series will be on August 28th and will be sponsored by WARN Industries, more information to follow.

If you registered for the first webinar you are already registered for the series. If not, make sure to register for the upcoming webinars. To register click on this link;

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1069602021031856144>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

We hope you are doing well and look forward to having you join us on August 12th and August 26th.

Thank you,

Angie Marek, PNW4WDA Sponsorship Chair

COMPETITION REPORT - Steve Zentner

Hello everyone,

Good news - we finally have a competition event to report on! After a long down time, due to conditions in the world, we were able to have a play day at the Clatsop County Fairgrounds in Astoria, Oregon on July 25th and 26th. It was good to see old friends and make some new ones. Although many of us spent most of the weekend cutting the hay off our drivelines, no one seemed to mind. There were smiles all around.

The event was held without trophies, without points, without a lot of hoopla - but no one seemed to care. The focus was on time spent together and time out of the house. This past year has made many of us realize what we take for granted. When this Covid issue is behind us, I hope we all realize how lucky we are to be able to spend our summers together at the race track.

Here's a few highlights from the event...

Fastest Obstacle Times -

Men - Jammer Trummert

Women - Carmen Trummert

Fastest Barrel Times -

Men - Larry Curtis

Women - Melissa Harbin

Elimination run off winners -

Princess - Olivia Harbin

Prince - Tanner Hedrick

Queen - Carmen Trummert

King - Jammer Trummert

I have sent Nichol a few pictures from the event to post. I want to thank everyone for their patience during this strange year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Steve Zentner
PNW4WDA Competition Chairman

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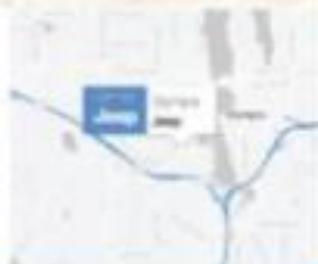
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