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Message from the President- Kyle Wiebold

Hi All-

I hope you are all doing well and staying healthy. Things are slowly moving along down here. I will be very glad when they let the restaurants and other businesses open back up. I'm sure you all are ready for it as am I! If you haven't already heard winter convention this year will be a virtual meeting. Registration links have been sent out to your email along with instructions if you are a delegate. Please register early so we can get this all done and not be scrambling at the last minute. I would like to ask also that everyone mute themselves unless it is their turn to talk during the meeting. I'm expecting a large turnout, so I want to keep it running as smooth as possible. I want to say thank you to everyone that is working behind the scenes to make this happen! I appreciate all of your efforts and could not do any of this without you. Competition ballots are due by the end of January as well so please get those printed, filled out, and sent back to Steve Zentner by the end of the month. Contact Steve if you have any questions. Until next time- stay safe and happy wheelin'

Kyle Wiebold
President
PNW4WDA

Washington Executive Report- Lisa Chissus

URGENT ISSUE! Please let your legislator know that they can't allow our NOVA funds to be taken away from ORV use!!

House Bill HB1094 and Senate Bill SB5092 section 961:

During the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium, the legislature may appropriate amounts of money from the NOVA account to the department of natural resources to support programs that benefit nonhighway road and nonmotorized recreational facilities.

You can follow these links and click on the comment box and let them know what you think about this attempted theft of our Constitutionally protected gas tax refund money.

<https://app.leg.wa.gov/billssummary?BillNumber=1094&Year=2021&Initiative=false>

<https://app.leg.wa.gov/billssummary?BillNumber=5092&Chamber=Senate&Year=2021>

Each member needs to send their representative their response to this. It takes less than 5 minutes to complete.

Our Grant Application for the Spill Kits has been completed and is now in the grant review process. The grant review period will be until March 5th, so will report on whether our grant was approved as soon as I am notified.

Lisa Chissus

Washington Executive Director

waexec@pnw4wda.org (mailto:waexec@pnw4wda.org)

Sponsorship- Angie Marek

Hi Everyone,

Hope your January has included some fun on the trails or sometime in the garage, in some cases probably both. The PNW4WDA has continued to bring you monthly webinars. It started out as something to do during the Covid quarantine and has continued as an event that is looked forward to by many of our members.

Over the past five months, we have hosted six great webinars, if you missed them you can see the recordings by clicking the webinar logo on the PNW4WDA website and selecting the webinar you would like to watch.

https://www.viethconsulting.com/news_archive_headlines.php?org_id=PNWF#

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The next webinar will be on Wednesday, February 3rd at 7 pm Pacific Time Zone. This one is being presented by Virgle Osborne of Twin Peaks Offroad, an Associate Member of the PNW4WDA. The title is Gears and Drivetrains. Virgle will be talking about - What to run? How to set them up? How low do I need to go? How will gears affect the performance? Tune in and we will chat about it. This webinar will cover the different brands and how the set up works along with the tools required to do them. We hope you will join us. If you have not already registered, you can do so by going to the PNW website as shown above. I want to give a huge THANK YOU to the Partners, Members, and Presenters that have made these webinars possible.

January has been busy with renewing and enrolling Partners and Associate Members. With the support of these members, the Pacific Northwest 4 Wheel Drive Association is able to continue the fight to develop and maintain recreational opportunities. Watch in Tri-Power, the PNW Website, and on our Social Media pages as we continue to update and highlight these businesses. Please support these businesses as they support us!

As I shared in past articles, we have added a new level of Partnership this year. It is a Contributing Partner; this gives Associate Members a chance to increase their support of the Association. Thank you to the following who have either renewed or signed up for a partnership.

Platinum Partner-

Olympia Jeep

Gold Partner-

WARN Industries

Contributing Partner-

ATV Mfg.

Larid Lighting (Oregon Commercial Lighting)

Extreme Terrain

TR Beadlocks (Trail Ready)

Stay tuned for future announcements as we continue to update our Partners and Associate Members. If you or someone you know would like information on how they can support our efforts to protect motorized recreation, please contact Angie at sponsorship@pnw4wda.org (mailto:sponsorship@pnw4wda.org) or Jessica at membership@pnw4wda.org (mailto:membership@pnw4wda.org).

Here are the details:

Platinum Partner Level-

A customized sponsorship package will be developed to fit the needs of your company. Includes all of the benefits of the Gold Level plus other options which can include major sponsorship in some of the Associations events as well as additional advertising opportunities.

Gold Partner Level-

For \$2000.00 annually, you will receive an Associate Membership to the Pacific Northwest 4 Wheel Drive Association, a monthly ad in Tri-Power (content provided by you), a link on our website to your business, opportunity to sponsor at least two webinars, quarterly posts on our social media (content provided by you). Most of all, the opportunity to help preserve motorized recreation.

Silver Partner Level-

For \$1500.00 annually,

Bronze Partner Level-

For \$1000.00 annually, you will receive an Associate Membership to the Pacific Northwest 4 Wheel Drive Association, a monthly banner ad in Tri-Power (content provided by you), a link on our website to your business, opportunity to sponsor a webinar, yearly post on our social media (content provided by you). Most of all, the opportunity to help preserve motorized recreation.

Contributing Partner Level-

For \$200.00-\$999.00 annually, you will receive an Associate Membership to the Pacific Northwest 4 Wheel Drive Association, an opportunity to sponsor a webinar for \$100.00, a yearly post on our social media (content provided by you). Most of all, the opportunity to help preserve motorized recreation

Associate Member Options (included with any of the Partner Levels)-

* Associate Member Class I - \$100.00 per year

Business firms engaged in the manufacturing and distribution of off-highway vehicles and/or part and accessories on a nation-wide basis

* Associate Member Class II - \$75.00 per year

Business firms engaged in selling, leasing or renting off-road vehicles, equipment, parts, accessories or related items

* Associate Member Class III - \$50.00 per year

Any general business firm, corporation, or interested individual

For Additional Information Contact:

Jessica Allen, Membership Chairman – membership@pnw4wda.org (mailto:membership@pnw4wda.org)

Angie Marek, Partnership/Sponsorship Chairman – sponsorship@pnw4wda.org

(mailto:sponsorship@pnw4wda.org) or 253-381-7916

Don't forget to register for Winter Convention, due to the restrictions imposed by Covid-19 we will be holding the meeting virtually on February 13, 2021.

Please register for PNW4WDA Winter Convention Delegates Meeting on Feb 13, 2021, 9:00 AM PST at:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4736549170048668683>

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

Until next month, stay safe and don't forget to have a little fun!

Angie Marek

COMPETITION REPORT - Steve Zentner

Hello friends -

As we kick off 2021, your competition committee is getting ready for a new year. As you read this, we have most likely gotten together as a committee to count the ballots from the rule proposals submitted at the Fall Delegates meeting. This information will be presented at Winter Convention. I appreciate the hard work and effort that our comp committee puts in each year.

Since it's the offseason, maybe it's time for you to take a look at your vehicle. Take a good look at your cage. Are your harnesses in need of replacement? I know we have plenty of PNW sponsors who can hook you up with updated harnesses, helmets, and eye protection. Let's do our best to be safe this season. We have new people coming in every year to compete with us. Let's set a good example for all of them as well as our future generations of competitors.

Here's hoping that our 2021 season is one of the best we will have. See you at Moonshiners.

Steve Zentner

PNW4WDA competition chairman

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

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 them 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,

Steve Zentner

PNW4WDA Competition Chairman

Region 1 Report - Pamela Remley

January 20, 2021

The Virtual Meeting was called to order at 7:11 PM by Pamela Remley, Region 1 Director-elect and Acting Director. The meeting was attended by 2 guests, 9 delegates and 3 officers, representing 3 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.)

There was a virtual Flag Salute; the Pledge of Allegiance; and a moment of silence for the ill and departed.

Guests: Nichol Phillips, Tri-Power Editor, and PNW4WDA PR Officer; Lisa Chissus, Washington Executive Director.

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

Correspondence: None

Directors Report: Thanks to Dave Taylor for his service as past Region 1 Director, and thanks to Casey for “taking the reins” for the past several months. “Dues are due”—It is time to submit dues to the PNW4WDA. The PNW4WDA Winter Convention is 2/13/2021 and will be virtual due to continued COVID restrictions. If you have not received an invitation, please check the PNW4WDA website.

Webinars sponsored by PNW4WDA are going on; it’s good to attend them! Please check the PNW4WDA website for details of the upcoming webinars. (And there are good drawing prizes for those who attend through the entire webinar!)

Treasurer’s Report: As distributed with the agendas for this meeting, and the year-end financial balance was digitally shared. There was very little activity in 2020 (either income or payouts) due to the COVID situation. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer’s report. The motion passed.

Land & Legislative: Ed Tenney, South end representative. The next Reiter meeting is next week. There has been nothing from DNR that is going on at this point; there is some work being done virtually every Friday by Mike Kash—mostly small projects. Grants are still being pursued; letters of support are still welcome through the end of this month; the contact information is included in the Legislation section of this report. Kevin Vanderhorst, North end representative. There is nothing going on in Whatcom County currently. Walker Valley has a big workday planned for 2/20/2021. This will actually be several smaller projects at the same time. DNR has a need for \$2700+ to rent heavy equipment—this is not covered by the current budget, so they need help covering this. Much discussion on how to do this. There was a proposal to ask for this funding from PNW4WDA, but it was also noted the time frame for this is very tight: the workdays for this for DNR will be 2/16/2021-2/20/2021; the PNW4WDA Winter Convention is 2/13/2021; and the next Region 1 meeting is 2/17/2021. With this tight time frame it was questioned whether it is too close to be assured that the PNW4WDA would be able to provide funds timely enough if the Association is able to provide the funding. Ed Tenney moved that

Region 1 pay for the whole amount for equipment rental for this DNR project, then ask the PNW4WDA for reimbursement; then to ask the Region 1 clubs to contribute any additional funds that might not be able to be covered. Kevin Vanderhorst seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Nichol also mentioned that WHOVA has some equipment that might be able to be made available for large projects, but this equipment is also not in our Region 1 area. Ed and Kevin will see about getting information about this. Legislation: Grant requests for the upcoming 2021-2023 biennium are upcoming. There is still a need for individual letters of support for the grants for both Reiter and Walker.

Please forward e-mail messages for Walker to Jim Cahill ** JAMES.CAHILL@dnr.wa.gov (mailto:JAMES.CAHILL@dnr.wa.gov)

and Ben Hale ** benjamin.hale@dnr.wa.gov (mailto:benjamin.hale@dnr.wa.gov)

with a small description of how you use the trails and how often as well as work projects with which you've participated. Lisa Chissus reported on an issue in the 2021-2023 State Biennium Budget where there is a proposed misallocation of NOVA funding for non-motorized projects. Lisa stated that it is not known from where this originated, as DNR did not request it. This happened once before (possibly 2012 or 2014), and WHOVA filed suit to halt the misallocation, but a significant amount of that funding was not recovered. There is a way to electronically message state senators and representatives that is very easy to do and has been described in other e-mailings with digital links to easily contact state senators and representatives; all individual PNW4WDA members are encouraged to do this. Region 1 clubs are all encouraged to take this to all their members to help with this to protect proper funding for our trails! Lisa also mentioned that there may be a need for us to band together with other user groups. Apparently, an individual ranger in Okanagan County decided to close a trail in an area where there was some question of conflict over use by different groups rather than mediating a solution. We may need to join with other user groups to maintain access to our trail systems.

Competition: No report from Competition representative.

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. Angie also requests that copies of any letters or e-mails sent to state senators and representatives also be copied (or "CC'd) to her for the Quill Power reports so we can keep track of what legislative measures are being addressed.

Membership: No updates to report, per Pam.

PR: No updates, per Pam.

Sunshine: Please contact Jennifer Hayter of Dirty 13 (** jenhayter1@gmail.com (mailto:jenhayter1@gmail.com)

) if cards need to be sent out.

Featured Club: The Happy Campers Club sponsored this evening's meeting. Angie reports that the club was formed several years ago when Arlene "encouraged" her to be the Region 1 Director. The Happy Campers is basically a single family—Angie, Rich and Steven.

Region Report: Happy Campers reported as above.

Rainier Ridge Rams reported by Kevin. Expecting a new baby for one of their families. Big success with January 1 Snow Run. 3 new prospective members. Club members helped Kevin with repairs to his shop—greatly appreciated!

Bullshiffters—no report.

Timber Tamers—Ed and Casey reported some runs lately, including a New Year's Eve night run instead of the past Hangover Run on January 1. Did the usual end of year charity donation to Hand in Hand.

Dirty 13—Carl reported that their numbers are now actually down to about 9 (instead of 13), and that they have been making snow runs. Not much else happening due to COVID.

Wandering Willys—no report.

Bobtails—no report.

Do Wop Ditty—no report.

Outdoor 4x4—Grace announced that they have a brand new member, born just 2 days ago! Nichol reported that her clubs in Region 2 have had runs every weekend this month, including Florence, Idaho and to High Rock. She announced that there is also an organized clean-up project at Tahuya this weekend.

It was discussed, moved, seconded and passed to have this Roll Call/Region Report as part of future meetings.

Old Business: Metal Plaques: Ed reports he has all the metal plaques, but still has to purchase the stickers for them.

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).

New Business: None.

Good of the Order: Kevin noted the Hefty Haul Out will likely be low-key this year and not "officially" organized due to COVID—dependent upon whether DNR will be able to allow it. More information next month. Pam encouraged attending the virtual meetings of other Regions; good way to keep connected.

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

Hosting Schedule:

February 17th Offroad Express
March 17th BullshifTERS
April 21st Rainier Ridge Rams
May 19th Timber Tamers
June 16th Dirty 13
July 21st Wandering Willys Jeep Club
August 18th Washington Bobtails
September 15th Doo Wop Ditty
October 20th Dirty 13
November 17th Outdoor 4x4s
December No Meeting

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

The meeting was ended at 8:40 PM.

Submitted by

** John Vandergrift

Region 1 Secretary

Region 2 Report- Rick Cornwell

January 21st, 2021

Called to order by President Rick Cornwell at 7:35 P.M. followed by flag salute and moment of silence.

Secretary's Report: Motion was made and seconded to accept the report as printed in the Tri-Power, although there was no December meeting. Thank you!

Treasurer's Report: Lora Jungmayer provided a verbal report. A question was asked if Jessica was reimbursed for Zoom.

Club Power/We Did It: Make sure to get your forms in!

Naches: Currently Closed for the winter

Evans Creek: Closed for the winter

Elbe Hills: No Report.

Tahuya: Clean-up will take place this weekend, 9:00 AM Saturday, January 23rd. Elfendahl staging area.

Land Matters: Still looking to fill this position. Please bring it back to your clubs. Lisa Chissus gave a report on Legislation and other happenings: Lisa Chissus reported on an issue in the 2021-2023 State Biennium Budget where there is a proposed misallocation of NOVA funding for non-motorized projects. Lisa stated that it is not known from where this originated, as DNR did not request it. This happened once before (possibly 2012 or 2014), and WHOVA filed suit to halt the misallocation, but a significant amount of that funding was not recovered. There is a way to electronically message state senators and representatives that is very easy to do and has been described in other e-mailings with digital links to easily contact state senators and representatives; all individual PNW4WDA members are encouraged to do this.

Region 2 clubs are all encouraged to take this to all their members to help with this to protect proper funding for our trails! Lisa also mentioned that there may be a need for us to band together with other user groups. Apparently, an individual ranger in Okanogan County decided to close a trail in an area where there was some question of conflict overuse by different groups rather than mediating a solution. We may need to join with other user groups to maintain access to our trail systems.

Letter Writing: If you send an email to your legislatures, please send a copy to Angie.

Membership: Please get your memberships renewed for your clubs and individuals.

Ways and Means: No Report.

Public Relations: No Report

Future 4-Wheelers: Still looking to fill this position. Please bring it back to your club kiddos!

Competition: No Report

Old Business: Winter Convention will be an online event scheduled for February 13th as a GoToMeeting. All are welcome but you must be a delegate to vote. Please let Angie know if you need a link. Also, if you did not receive a link in an email, you will need to update your email on the PNW4WDA Website.

New Business: The Webinars have been very successful, thank to Billy Bob's Offroad for putting the last webinar on. February 3rd will be the next Webinar sponsored by Virgil Osborne owner of Twin Peaks Offroad and will focus on Gears and Drivetrains at 7 PM. Please register on the PNW website. Angie also states if you are interested in being an Associate Sponsor or Contributing Sponsor (a new level of sponsorship), please contact her or Jessica Allen. March 3rd will be a Webinar showcasing our Gold Partner, Warn. This will be a tour of all the best parts of WARN.

Rob Stafford states that after the Northridge 4x4 Webinar, they sold over 500 of the Elements Fire Stick. It's a great product if you have not checked it out yet. Several people are moving from the traditional fire extinguisher to this stick.

Trail Jamboree: Look for messaging regarding a committee that will be forming for this event. If we are not out of COVID, another similar event will take place just not under the name of Trail Jamboree.

Announcements:

Congratulations to your newly voted Region 2 Officers:

Director-Jessica Bailey

Vice Director: Rob Stafford

Secretary-Open (temporary fill by Nichol Phillips)

Treasurer-Lora Jungmayer

Land Matter-Open

Public Relations-Megan Rabe

Thank you to Rick for your time as Region 2 Director.

The next Region Meeting will be February 18th via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted by Nichol Phillips (filling in)

Region 3 Report - Kristin Smith

January 19, 2021

Called to order at 7:29 pm followed by the flag salute and a moment of silence.

Secretary' report: Motion made, seconded, and passed to accept the minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Kyle presented the Treasurer's report.

Club Power/We Did It: no report

Oregon Land Matters: The Tillamook is open, however formal campgrounds are closed. LaDee Flats is closed.

Washington Land Matters: Yacolt will open on April 1st.

Competition Report: The property owners at Ethel feel certain there will be a race season for 2021.

Roll call: Flat Broke and 4 Wheelin", Sand Fleas, Hubs In, PNW Individual Members, Push N Pulls, and Trailbreakers. Guest-John DeWolff.

REMINDER—Dues are due!

Old Business: Tony gave some history on Operation Shore Patrol. 50th Anniversary September 18 & 19, 2021.

New Business: Officers for 2021 elected by a white ballot. Region Director Kristin Smith, Treasurer Kyle Wiebold, Secretary Carol Jensen (to be determined).

The next meeting will be on March 16, 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Region 4 Report - Skip Frans

January 12, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by a flag salute and a moment of silence for those dearly departed, and specifically veterans alive and departed.

Secretary's Report: Ed Massey motioned to accept minutes as posted, Mike Julsrud seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Received an invoice from Peggy Thomas for the Gold Creek Station banner to reimburse her, but no address to send a check to. Skip provided address. Zoom bill paid.

Land Matters: Okanogan/Wenatchee avalanche control closures for snowmobilers to accommodate Heli-skiers. Views must be submitted in support of no closures, requesting a process for closures, and disallowing closing arbitrarily for heli-skiing. This is being congressionally fought by the Washington State Snowmobilers Association and they need our support.

Ron Rutherford sent a letter of support to DNR for a grant request to fund a second person in the Ahtanum State Forest to do maintenance in campgrounds and motorized trails.

Ron will also be meeting with Jerry Ford to discuss the Naches motorized trails.

WHOVA has applied for NOVA & RTP grants 20-2082, 20-2401, and 20-2402

Two pieces of budget legislation have been pre-filed and would allow the Legislature to steal all of our Nonhighway and Offroad Vehicle Activities (NOVA) funds and give them to the DNR for non-motorized purposes.

House Bill HB1094 and Senate Bill SB5092 section 961:

(5) During the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium, the legislature may appropriate amounts of money from the NOVA account to the department of natural resources to support programs that benefit nonhighway road and nonmotorized recreational facilities.

Both of these bills are scheduled to get a hearing next week, so it is vitally important to contact your Legislators ASAP.

You can follow these links and click on the comment box and let them know what you think about this attempted theft of our Constitutionally protected gas tax refund money.

** <https://app.leg.wa.gov/billssummary?BillNumber=1094&Year=2021&Initiative=false>
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** <https://app.leg.wa.gov/billssummary?BillNumber=5092&Chamber=Senate&Year=2021>
 (https://app.leg.wa.gov/billssummary?BillNumber=5092&Chamber=Senate&Year=2021)

Club Power Gary /We Did It/Quill Power: None

Membership: Dale Neuman has submitted a letter of resignation to the PNW for High Country Cruisers.

Sande Nettnin sends a reminder to all clubs: DUES ARE DUE!

Congrats to Roamin' Chariots: The only club to have their 2021 Dues in.

PR: No report. If you have anything for PR, please send it to Jim Hall.

Future 4-Wheelers: Position still open.

Competition: Mike Julsrud reported. Here is a very, very early list of playdays for 2021 as per those that have responded.

May 29, 30, 31 - Moonshiners - location TBA

June 12, 13 - RPM at Ethel

June 26, 27 - Four at a Time Ethel

July 3 and 4 - possible event hosted by a few individuals. TBA

July 7 - 11 - Trail Jam (not a comp event but the PNW's only moneymaker so please don't schedule against)

July 17 and 18 - Outdoor 4x4's at Ethel

July 24 and 25 - Mud Daubers at the Farm

summer convention - no bids yet. Possibly Aug 13 - 15 or Aug 20 - 22

September 4, 5, 6 - Overbored - location TBA

There is also talk of a Countyline event somewhere in the summer months.

As of now, there is no bid for summer convention. The comp committee is meeting on February 6 and if no bid is input, we will choose a date at that time.

Regarding insurance for events - due to Carol Jensen before winter convention. Regarding points - please contact Carmen Trummert. Heather Smetzler is in charge of plaque system info.

Old Business:

Nominations: Director: Skip Frans

Vice Director: Gary Harting

Treasurer: Dave McMains

Secretary: Melody Frans

Sande proposed a white ballot, Ed Massey seconded. No discussion. Motion passed.

New Business: Donation request received from Blue Ribbon "Share the Trails" discussing COVID and closures. Discussion tabled until next month's meeting.

PNW4WDA WINTER CONVENTION 2021 REGISTRATION (VIRTUAL MEETING)

Saturday, February 13th, 9:00 AM

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 restrictions, the 2021 Winter Convention will be online. All members & guests are welcome to register for the meeting, only 2 delegates from each club will be allowed to vote per our bylaws. In the registration you will be asked what club or organization you belong to and if you are a voting delegate. Delegate/Club verification will be completed prior to the meeting so make sure your club dues are paid. If you need help renewing your dues contact Jessica Allen, Membership Chairman at ** membership@pnw4wda.org (mailto:membership@pnw4wda.org)

. If you need help with registering for the meeting contact Angie Marek at ** sponsorship@pnw4wda.org (mailto:sponsorship@pnw4wda.org)

. A few days prior to the meeting all registrants will be emailed the handouts and reports. If your club has an event flyer they would like to share, please email it to Angie Marek at ** sponsorship@pnw4wda.org (mailto:sponsorship@pnw4wda.org)

Please register for PNW4WDA Winter Convention Delegates Meeting on Feb 13, 2021, 9:00 AM PST at:
CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW TO REGISTER

** <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4736549170048668683>

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After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. You will also receive reminders one day prior and one hour prior to the start of the meeting. If you are interested in running for a PNW4WDA office, please be prepared to have someone nominate you at the appropriate time during the meeting. If you have questions about running for an office, feel free to reach out to any board members or Kyle Wiebold at ** president@pnw4wda.org (mailto:president@pnw4wda.org)

Thank you for your understanding and we can't wait until we can once again meet in person and get back to attending events.

Trail Jamboree: no new information available. Dave McMains would like a short meeting following the emergency board meeting following Winter Convention to discuss.

There are 3 rules and 13 proposals to vote on at Winter Convention.

Delegates need to attend and vote on these issues. They have been published in the Tri-Power ** <https://www.pnw4wda.org/tri-power.php> (<https://www.pnw4wda.org/tri-power.php>)

Announcements:

Club Reports: Sand Commandos met in December for club officer elections. 2020 officers will continue through 2021.

Desert Rats elected officers for 2021 and are collecting member dues.

Nitty Gritty observing COVID restrictions.

Trail Seekers met in December welcoming three new family memberships, collecting toys for Toys 4 Tots and participated in a Christmas tree run. Preparing for an elk migration watching run in the Whiskey Dick area on Saturday, January 30, meeting at 9:00 a.m. at the Shell gas station off Exit 115.

Hurtin Units had their annual Christmas party (protest), elected officers, all continuing on from 2020 except for Phil. Making plans for 2021 trail runs and events.

Pam (Rainer Ridge Rams) the new 2021 Region 1 Director attended a work party; and worked with Walker Valley.

Nichol (Cascade 4x4) minimal runs, planning a trip to Moab in September 2021.

Good of the Order: Shelby Thomas is now a formal PNW member, starting the second generation of Trail Seekers!

Reminder: The Zoom account is a Region 4 Zoom account for all clubs to use for their meetings.

Contact Skip access information and instructions.

Next Meeting: February 9, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M. Teleconference via Zoom

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm

Respectfully submitted by Melody Frans, Trail Seekers

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