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NEWSLETTER  
of the  
Idaho Chapter  
of The  
Wildlife Society

Number 32, Dec. 1972

## WINTER MEETING

This year we are meeting with the Northwest Section at Boise on Feb. 16 and 17. We will have a breakfast meeting for the Idaho Chapter at 7:30 A.M. on the 17th. The meetings will take place at the Rodeway Inn.

We have several items to discuss in our business meeting and we may have to adjourn and reconvene at a later hour if discussions are too lengthy.

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### Membership Committee:

Tom Leege has generously agreed to accept the position of Membership Chairman vacated by Charles Sundstrom. Membership keymen are asked to send information on new members to Tom so that we can bring our lists up to date. We have included a membership renewal form with this Newsletter. If you have not paid your 1972 dues, please do so at the earliest opportunity.

### Positions and Resolutions:

You will find a proposed Position Statement on Predator Management attached to this Newsletter. Since it is near the time of our annual meeting, we will bring before the membership for approval before making it official.

We wish to remind you that it is basically the responsibility of individual members to submit resolutions and position statements to the chairman.

By-laws:

Hugh Harper, Chairman of the By-laws Committee, will have the new Chapter By-laws ready for meeting time. Copies will be available at the registration desk. Since the format and much of the contents are uniform for all chapters of The Society I anticipate approval by the membership after a minimum of discussion.

Worthy Projects:

At our last General Meeting we recognized that the results of considerable worthy research and management projects may be going unpublished due to a lack of editorial expertise on the part of the investigator. It was also felt that some wildlifers may not consider their material worthy of publication. As a Society we decided to sponsor editorial assistance, where necessary, and encourage our cohorts to dig out their project notes for consideration. Many projects may be going unpublished because the investigators may feel the results are insignificant.

Between now and our winter meeting at Boise keep a sharp eye out for material we can assist in getting published. It benefits all of us and is an excellent way of putting Society funds to good use.

There is also another way to sponsor the publication of worthy material that would be more efficient. That is to publish it ourselves. We could devote the next winter meeting to technical papers on wildlife management and publish the papers as a symposium volume. We can discuss this at the meeting.

Summer Meeting:

The Nevada Chapter of The Wildlife Society asked that we consider a combined field tour on the Humboldt National Forest. Idaho people could stay at Murphy Hot Springs to avoid any overnight out-of-state travel. Judging from our previous records for attendance at summer meetings it does not appear that summer meetings are our kind of thing but we should bring it up for discussion.

The Northwest Section officers asked if the Chapter would be willing to contribute something to the general meeting--like \$80.00 for the beer at the barbeque. After a quick review of the beer capacities of the Chapter's membership the officers decided that we would probably get our money's worth so drink heartily.

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Your Officers:

Richard Knight, President      Dale Turnipseed, Vice. Pres.      Bill Snow, Secretary-Treasurer

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM. Our records indicate your dues to the Idaho Chapter of The Wildlife Society were last paid for \_\_\_\_\_.

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Minutes of the Idaho Chapter of The Wildlife Society Annual Winter Meeting Dec. 3, '71.

Pres. Elwood Bizeau opened the annual business meeting at the Ponderosa Inn at Burley, Dec. 3, 1971. Forty members were present.

Moved by Scholes and seconded by Jenni that the minutes of the Jan. 28, 1971 winter meeting as distributed to the members by mail be approved.

The treasurer's report was read by Secretary-Treasurer Ed Tilzey.

Committee Reports

The membership report was presented by Keith Bayha. Paid-up chapter membership increased from 140 to 181 in 1971. The new membership chairman will be Charles Sundstrom. Pres. Bizeau congratulated outgoing Membership Comm. Chairman Keith Bayha on his outstanding job with this committee.

Hugh Harper presented the By-laws Committee report. He stated that the By-laws of the parent Society were approved April 1971. The NW Section and the Idaho Chapter have not as of yet revised their respective by-laws.

Pres. Bizeau discussed the Publication Committee's proposal to assist members in developing worthy projects into acceptable publications. The Chapter's finances are now large enough to get started.

Position Statements:

Pres. Bizeau reviewed the five (5) position statements which have been prepared by the Chapter.

Summer Tour:

Keith Bayha moved and Al Norberg seconded that the Chapter again have a summer field tour.

Question: Carried.

Hugh Harper moved that the tour again be with the Idaho Section, Society for Range Management. Seconded.

Question: Carried.

Don Jenni agreed to serve as chairman of the upcoming summer tour to be held at Riggins.

Burley High School Ecology Society:

The Burley High School Ecology Society has requested to become affiliated with the Idaho Chapter. Moved by Hugh Harper and seconded by Stu Murrell that we sponsor this student organization.

Question: Approved unanimously.

Bud Stackler was appointed as the Chapter representative to this group.

Election of Officers (to serve for a two-year term):

Nominated for President: Dick Knight and Tom Leege

Dick Knight was elected.

Nominated for Vice President: Dale Turnipseed and Don Jenni.

Dale Turnipseed was elected.

Nominated for Sec.-Treas.: William Snow and Michael Green.

William Snow was elected.

Auditing Committee:

Dick Norell and Walt Sundell were appointed to audit the treasurer's records prior to transfer to new secretary-treasurer.

New Business:

Hugh Harper suggested that the membership encourage the start of a student chapter at Idaho State University. Dr. Rose stated that the problem was basically in finding an individual to act as an advisor and organizer.

Moved by Keith Bayha and seconded by Dick Woodworth that the Chapter hold its next annual meeting with the Northwest Section in Boise in mid-February of 1973. Carried.

Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

s/Edward E. Tilzey  
Secretary-Treasurer

SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY MEMBERSHIP

THE IDAHO CHAPTER OF THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

POSITION STATEMENT: RE PREDATOR MANAGEMENT

As the professional wildlife organization in Idaho, The Idaho Chapter of The Wildlife Society issues the following position statement as a policy guide to state and federal agencies concerned with predator management in Idaho and to professional individuals in planning and implementing predator management programs. In doing this we are fostering and promoting an equitable policy of wildlife management as opposed to game management for consumptive use only.

Predators are a natural component of any wildlife community and as such should be recognized in any comprehensive management program. The management of predatory species is just as valid an objective in ecosystem management as is the management of "game" species. Under proper management, predators and traditional game species are inseparable and well founded objectives should be formulated for both. The use of predator control as a panacea in attempts to increase populations of prey species violates the ecosystem management and denotes ignorance of basic biological principles.

The Chapter does recognize the need for selective predator control in special instances:

The protection of livestock on private property where justified.

In conjunction with initial re-establishment of native species or introduction of exotic species in suitable areas but not to maintain such species if it cannot maintain itself under natural conditions after introduction or re-establishment.

In intensive management areas where it can be demonstrated that predator control would make a significant contribution to achievement of planned objectives.

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