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NEWSLETTER

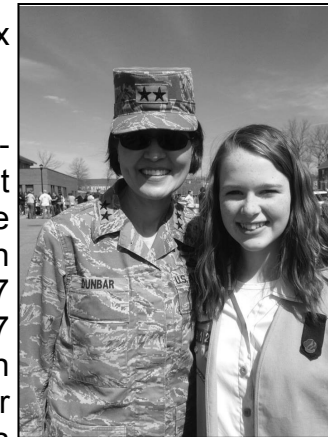
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Dear Arlington-Fairfax Chapter:

Thank you for your support during my Girl Scout cookie season. Because of your generous donation I was able to donate 27 and a half cases (327 boxes) to the brave men and women serving our great nation. All cookies were delivered to the USO Warrior and Family Center at Fort Belvoir on Sunday, April 6, 2014. Your support not only helped out service men



and women but also helped fund and operate the local Girl Scout camps which are dependent of the sales of Girl Scout cookies.

Next year my goal is to have over 500 boxes donated to our troops. Please be on the look-out in future news letters on how you can donate cookies to our brave men and women.

Thank you so very much!

Sincerely,

*Mary Subia*

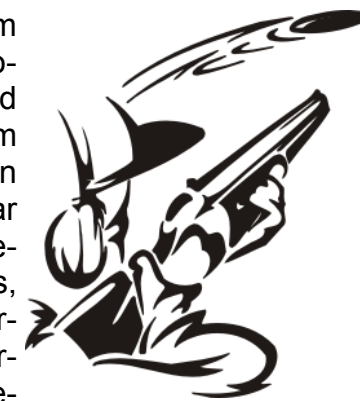
Girl Scout Troop 4912



Junior Trapshooters Wrap Up First Season

The Junior Trapshooting program wrapped up its first season on November 1st with a fun practice and recognition party. The program kicked off March 1<sup>st</sup> and has grown to a core group of about ten regular participants. Welcoming both beginners and experienced shooters, the program is intended to encourage good sportsmanship and personal responsibility through competition while establishing the foundation to make shotgun shooting a lifelong avocation.

The junior shooters participate in AIM (Academics/Integrity/Marksanship), the official



youth program of the Amateur Trapshooting Association (ATA). The AIM program provides youth with the opportunity to shoot in registered competitions on a level playing field as individuals and/or as part of a team. Working with coaches Joe Turner, Dean Spiridon, and Art Crowley, the juniors have continued to develop their skills and several are now competing in registered trap shoots at the club and around the area. Practices will resume the first of March with organizational activities beginning in February. Watch your newsletter for details.

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All other Tues.....1:00pm to 4:00pm

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Scott Aldrich.....571-213-2541

**Chapter Board of Directors Meeting**  
1st Tuesday of each month  
7:30 pm @ Field House  
All members welcome

**Attend your chapter meetings**  
**Regular Membership Meeting**  
3rd Tuesday of each month  
7:30 pm @ Field house



December 2014

Arlington - Fairfax IWLA Calendar

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November 2014

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IWLA Arlington-Fairfax Chapter Well-Represented at the 2014 Virginia State Skeet Championships

On August 13 – 17, 2014, the Virginia State Skeet Championships were held at the Fredericksburg Rod & Gun Club in Fredericksburg, Virginia across five days of comfortable weather more reminiscent of mid-May than mid-August. Over 170 registered shooters competed in the various recognized NSSA classes and combined groups. In addition,

Class after barely missing one clay in the shoot-off held late Saturday. Jim, shooting in A Class, also shot an impressive 98 in the 20 Gauge Championship event, and a 183 in the 2M22 Class in the Doubles Championship Event Shooting in his first Virginia State Skeet Championships, our own Dan Piszker, shot a personal best 97/100 in the 12 Gauge Championship. Dan, who



the state meet also held a 12 gauge 3-Man Team Club Braggers award; the B-C-D-E Shoot-off; and the newly reinstated Champ of Champs event, which had not been shot in Virginia State Championships since 2007. For full meet results see <http://www.vaskeet.org/>. Despite nearly impassable traffic on Route 95 and its parallel routes, several of our club members managed to eventually reach Fredericksburg and represented our club honorably and with distinction. In the AA Class in the 12 Gauge Championship, our renowned Jim Hickerson shot a perfect 100/100 score as did one other individual. Jim secured second place in the AA

has only been shooting skeet for two years, placed fifth in a very competitive C Class where the first three places were initially tied with 98/100 before the shootoff. Also shooting in his first Virginia State Skeet Championships, only 8 months after shooting his first shotgun shell in January of this year during our Winter League, club member Brad Olson shot a personal best of 91/100 to finish in first place in E Class in the 12 Gauge Championship. IWLA club member, Ashly Palles, one of several women shooting in the championships, shot a very strong 90/100 to finish in second place in E Class in the 12 Gauge Championship. Way to go Brad and Ashly for winning the top two places in Class E!



# 2015 Renewal Information

## Renew Today!

**!!! IMPORTANT !!!**

Your Range Badge insert is no longer attached to your new membership card. It is separate in your 2015 renewal envelope. Just slide the old 2014 badge insert out and replace with the new 2015 insert. The new gate code will not take effect until January 1, 2015. Your 2014 Credentials will be honored and the old 2014 gate code will remain active until the 15<sup>th</sup> of February.

**!!! NOTICE - NEW MEMBERS !!!**

If you did not complete your initial 6 hours of work required of new members, you will **NOT** receive your range badge insert with your 2015 membership card. When you have completed your 6 hours, bring your completed work form (and temporary Range Badge) into the office and we'll swap it for your permanent range badge. We do **NOT MAIL** out the permanent Ranges Badges.

**MAILING OF 2015 CREDENTIALS**

In order to save mailing costs, we do as many bulk mailings as possible. This means that our first mailing of 2015 Credentials will not go out until late November or early December.

**!!! ON-LINE RENWAL FORMS !!!**

The 2015 renewal form is available on-line. If you use the on-line form, PLEASE print it double-sided (or use a copier to make it double sided). Don't forget to sign the release statement (if Family, both must sign).

_____ DUES YEAR		Arlington-Fairfax Chapter		_____ Hour Work Record	
		Izaak Walton League of America			
_____ Name (Printed Legibly)		_____ Member #		_____ Phone #	
Has performed the following volunteer work:					
Date:		Time/Tasks Worked:		Certified by:	
				(Signature)	
				Certified by:	
				(Printed Legibly)	



# NRA

The coach school is 16 hours of sports-specific lessons and practical coaching exercises designed to teach the coach candidate the basics of coaching. Successful completion of the course will result in a three year coaching credential from the National Rifle Association

The following general subjects are taught:

- Introduction to the Coaching Program
- Safety and Risk Management
- Competition Events
- Rulebook use
- Equipment and Facilities
- Fundamentals of Shooting
- Coaching Ethics
- Coaching Methodology
- Sports Psychology
- Training Planning
- Running Quality Programs
- How To Conduct Tournaments

## National Rifle Association Small Bore Rifle Coach School November 15th and 16th

The coach class will be taught Saturday and Sunday from 8:00 am to 5:00pm (with a working lunch from 12:30 to 1pm)

**Izaak Walton League, Centreville VA**

**COACHES**

*“The Coach Education Program (CEP) educates and develops coaches to become technically competent in the sport sciences and sport specific theory of coaching and who are dedicated to developing athletes in pursuit of sustained competitive excellence in the shooting sports.”*

**Coach School tuition: \$200 Registration payment can be paid on first day of class**

To register for the class, email Pam Meara At:

**Pam.Meara@arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org**

The National Rifle Association Rifle Coach course is developed and taught in partnership with USA Shooting and the Civilian Marksmanship Program





## Member Earns Girl Scout Silver Award

Mary Subia earned her Girl Scout Silver Award with a project done right here at our club. She earned her award by building and installing 11 individual bird houses, one large bird house (that can accommodate up to eight birds) and refurbishing three existing bird houses. The bird houses were set up along

the main entrance roadway and near the field archery range. All the birdhouses were made from scrap and reclaimed wood from our facility. This is in keeping with the effort to "Reduce, Reuse and Recycle" She chose this project because putting up bird houses is a vital step in creating suitable nesting areas for native bird species while protecting them from predators.



## Ground Breaking the Air Gun Range

August 26th, 2014- The official ground breaking ceremony took place today with



teams that cram into the current range several days of the week. This expansion has been planned for quite some time and now with all the permits in place, the construction has begun. We hope to have the new range ready sometime early next year and ready to go for the World Police and Firefighter Games taking place in Fairfax during the summer of 2015. The shooting sports are growing in popularity and participants all across the country. The one thing that seems to limit its growth is the availability of places to shoot. With the building of this new facility, we will help enable the shooting community to grow even more.

Be sure to read the section on Ryan Anderson, who got his start on the Olympic path right here at

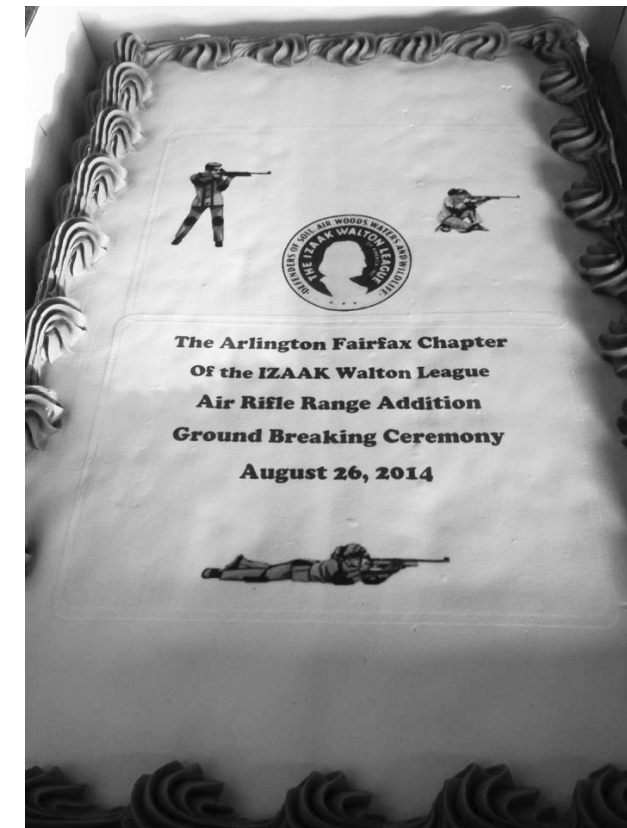
our range. great fanfare. The heavily used seven point air gun range has begun the transformation into a modern 25 point range to better accommodate the several high school air rifle

our range.



## Fairfax 2015 World Police & Fire Games Coming to Our Range

The Fairfax 2015 World Police & Fire Games The World Police & Fire Games is one of the largest multi-sport events in the world, surpassed only by the Summer Olympic Games. The event draws more than 12,000 athletes from police, fire and other public safety agencies representing 70 different countries to compete in 1,600 medal events across 40 sports. Fairfax 2015 is a nonprofit 501(c)3 established to organize, manage and operate all activities related to hosting the 2015 Games which will take place throughout the National Capital Region June 26 to July 5, 2015. Visit [www.fairfax2015.com](http://www.fairfax2015.com) for more information





## Rifle and Pistol News

Houston, we have a problem ...

# Members Shooting the Baffles!

At the Rifle-Pistol Range the first set of baffles lasted nearly 20 years before we had to replace them. The second set of baffles are **only seven years old** and they need repairs. The damage to the current baffles is due to members shooting into the baffles. And the rate of damage is increasing ... **increasing very rapidly!**

Yes, the baffles are there to stop bullets from leaving the range and possibly injuring or killing someone outside the range! So we expect over time to see a few holes here and there from normal shooting mistakes. Now a days we see many holes in the baffles that are due to shooters who cannot aim their firearms or shooters who do not care where their rounds impact. But the **only** source of bullets in the baffles is from people shooting on the range.

While some bullets may leave only a small hole, repeated impacts destroy the structural integrity of the baffle. If we lose a section of a baffle, we will have to take shooting positions out of service until that damaged baffle can be repaired. This happened in August 2012 when we lost shooting positions 16 and 17 for a number of weeks. Major baffle failure may result in a range closure.

We expect **all chapter members** who are shooting at the Rifle-Pistol range to control their aim sufficiently well to hit the target and **NOT THE BAFFLES**. Repairs to the baffles have and will cost us thousands of dollars and the work will take many months. Closing down firing positions while repairs the baffles are being repaired will inconvenience members when the range is crowded.

Time to perform the repairs and thousands of dollars of chapter funds are the penalties we all must pay for the few members who cannot aim their firearms properly and control their shot placement. People who miss the whole target frames and perforate the baffles are de-

stroying your chapter assets. They are wasting your chapter dues because they don't care whether they hit the target or not!

We expect each shooter at the Rifle-Pistol Range to take the time to:

1. **Learn how to operate your firearm safely**
2. **Learn how to ACCURATELY AIM your firearm and hit the target**
3. **Fire slow enough so that every shot hits the target**
4. **After every 5 or 10 shots STOP AND CHECK your target carefully to see that your shots ARE ON TARGET**

We expect each shooter who cannot consistently hit a target firing off-hand to sit down and practice their aim and trigger control until they can hit the target every time.

If you see someone shooting into the baffles, or whose rounds are impacting the range floor short of the berm or shooting into the trees, please notify the duty Range Officer immediately!

**What are potential solutions if the damage to the baffles gets worse?** We may consider banning off-hand shooting with any firearm! Or if we can prove that most of the damage is being done by handguns we may consider banning handgun shooting. These are very serious and restrictive considerations **but something has to be done about the "spray-and-pray" wild and unsafe shooting that is destroying the baffles.**

The bullet holes in the baffles come from the shooters who cannot and will not aim and control their firearms safely. Accidental discharges and misaligned sights should be the unusual exception and not the general rule. Rapid fire that results in errant shots missing the back berm and leaving the range cannot be allowed at an outdoor urban shooting range. There are no valid excuses for shooting something or somebody unintentionally (intentionally is called murder and would be handled by the police). The holes are from members who do not care about the chapter property. The bullet holes in the baffles are by people who do not give a damn!

## Plan Ahead and Avoid the Fall Rush

Remember that weekends during October and November can be very crowded at the Rifle-Pistol Range. This is the season during which many members make their

Ryan Anderson



# THANK YOU

## CENTERVILLE IWLA

## & NOVA SHARPSHOOTERS












NRA All American 2012-2014



Academic All American 2013-2014

2014 International Air Rifle National Champion

2013 National Junior Prone & 3P Champion

2011 National Junior Prone Champion

2007-2011 NOVA Sharp Shooter Team Member

Thank You IWLA from Ryan Anderson

Dear Isaac Walton League Board of Directors,

Approximately ten years ago, when I was just eleven years old, I was shooting my .22 rifle at the IWLA rifle range with my dad. The range officer talked with us and provided some advice. He also told us about the air rifle range across the road where they would “teach me to shoot like they do in the Olympics”. He told us that they have all the equipment and coaching to get me started.

I decided to give it a try and with the help of my dad, I began shooting precision air rifle. Eventually, I joined the NOVA Sharpshooters and then the Arlington-Optimist Acorns Jr. Rifle Club. As a member of these two teams, I was lucky to shoot with a number of very talented junior shooters and learn the Olympic rifle shooting events. We won many national junior team championships within the NRA, USA Shooting, and CMP, with the majority of our air rifle training done at the IWLA range under many capable and enthusiastic volunteer coaches.

As a junior, I was the USA Shooting VA State Champion for three years and in 2010 become the J2 (13-16 years old) National Junior Olympic Champion. In 2011, I placed 2<sup>nd</sup> Junior at the USA Shooting National Championships and was awarded a position on the U.S. National Junior Rifle Team, then that summer traveled to my first international competition with that team to Plzen, Czech Republic. Since then have competed internationally many times with the U.S. National Rifle Team.

For the last three years, I have been attending the University of Alaska Fairbanks on an athletic and academic scholarship, competing in rifle shooting at the NCAA/collegiate level. Since I joined the UAF rifle team, we have placed third, fourth, and second at the NCAA Rifle Championships. Historically, UAF has been one of the nation’s leading NCAA rifle teams and has provided me the opportunity to further develop my skills in the Olympic sport of precision rifle shooting.

I am soon to turn 21 and last month became the USA open national champion in air rifle at the USA Shooting National Championships and also qualified to compete as a member of the U.S. National Team at the ISSF Shooting World Championships coming up this September in Granada, Spain, in both air rifle and the men’s 50m event. This match is considered by some to be equal in importance in the international shooting world to the Olympic Games, themselves.

I am writing this because I want you all to know that I never would have been able to accomplish the things I have without the people and facilities at the IWLA. I have been excited to see over the years as interest has grown in the area and more and more juniors show up to shoot. I am also excited to hear that there are plans to expand and update the air range. Please keep up the good work of running a safe facility, encouraging more youth to shoot, and providing a place for them to learn, grow, and thrive.

Sincerely,



Ryan Anderson

Editors update: Ryan competed in Guadalajara Mexico on the 15th of October in the 11th Championship of the Americas. He won a Silver Medal in Men’s Air Rifle! This is his first medal in an International Open competition (he has won several medals in International Junior competition). This silver medal earns the US a quota slot in the next Olympics!

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once a year visit to IWLA to sight in their hunting rifles. They are there along with all the regular shooters. As a result, shooting positions go fast and waiting lists become necessary. Members should consider a weekday visit to the range and enjoy a more relaxed outing.

Sighting in a New HANDGUN

Well now you have just gotten your Model 501 Super Blaster in the latest 555 Magnum caliber! How are you going to get this new lovely beast shooting right where you want it to?

You should realize that the manufacturer does NOT set the sights on your Super Blaster right where they need to be. There are two models of the Super Blaster: one with fixed sights and one with adjustable sights.

Let’s consider the fixed sight version first. At the IWLA Rifle-Pistol Range the closest distance you can place a target is at 25 yards. Twenty-five yards is not a good starting distance for a novice shooter or anyone with a new gun. You might want to save time and ammo by first going to a commercial indoor range where you can place your target as close as five yards. Once you have a good group relative to your sights at five yards, you can increase the range. If you find that you cannot get a good group at five yards or that the group is substantially off from the proper sight picture at five yards it is time to see a gunsmith for repairs and/or adjustment of the sights.

So buy the biggest target we sell and put it one your target frame with the paper target backwards so the BLANK side of the paper is showing towards you at the firing line. Put a colored sticker 1-2 inches across at the center of the blank target. Post your target. Come back to the firing line and **SITTING DOWN** fire three shots slowly with your new handgun firmly resting on one of our nifty carpet covered blocks. For each shot carefully aim for the colored sticker. Take your time to get a good sight picture.

Do **NOT** STAND UP! Do **NOT** blast a whole magazine of rounds at the target as fast as you can! Three shots slow and easy under control.

At this point you should have a group of three holes somewhere on the target.

On the same target shoot another three times. Now you should have a nice group of SIX holes grouped together somewhere on the target. Try a third time, shoot three more rounds. And if all goes well you have a group of nine holes on the target. (IF you have NO HOLES on the target at all take the new handgun to a gunsmith for a thorough checkup. **Do NOT KEEP SHOOTING this handgun!**)

Let us assume that you get nine holes close together on the target. And for explanation sake lets assume the group is level with your colored sticker and approximately 12 inches to the right of the sticker. Cover up the nine holes or mark them with a pen. Now try three groups of three shots again BUT this time aim approximately 12 inches to the left of the sticker. If all goes well you should hit right around the center target sticker.

So now you know how far the point of fire is for that type of ammunition in your Super Blaster at 25 yards. The next thing is to try another brand or weight of ammunition made for the caliber of your Super Blaster. You will be surprised how far a typical handgun can spread different weights and brands of ammunition at 25 yards. You may be able to find a weight and brand of ammunition that you like that shots on or close to the point of aim of your Super Blaster. This is **OFTEN** the **BEST** way to get a fixed sight handgun to shoot to the sights. It is a lot less expensive than “pushing” sights, replacing sights, etc. And besides you get the fun of trying out various kinds of ammunition in your new gun!

If not, you may be able to buy a sight pushing tool to move the fixed sights on your Super Blaster IF the manufacturer has engineered the “**FIXED SIGHTS**” to be slightly movable. If you don’t want to invest in a sight pushing tool you can consider having a gunsmith move the sights for you. Bring your target along so he has some idea of how far your sights need to move. Usually fixed sight handguns can move the rear sights left and right to adjust for left-right point-of-aim failures. Up-and-down point-of-aim failures are a bit more complicated and may require a gunsmith to install a new taller front sight if your point of aim is high. If your point of aim is low, the front sight can be **CAREFULLY** filed down or replaced to raise the point of impact.

Good Luck. SHOOT SAFELY or don’t shoot at all!

Dr Ed, CRO



## Archery News

### Field Archery Update

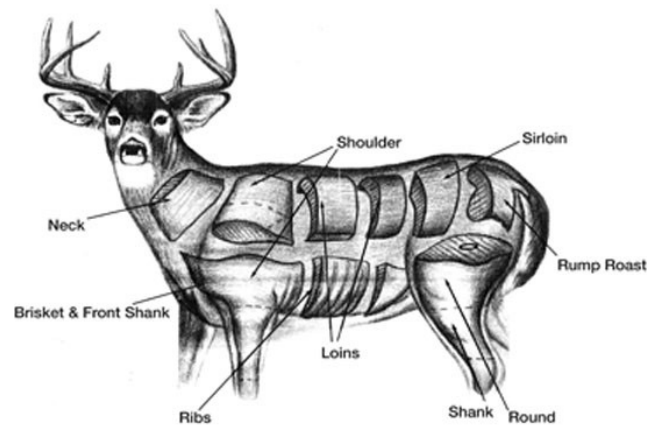
Cub Run Archers would like to extend a warm welcome and an invitation to all members of the IWLA to take advantage of the many facilities, training opportunities, archery equipment, events and great camaraderie that our club has to offer. Our state of the art indoor range is available for your use anytime a qualified Range Officer is on site. It is common knowledge that a good many regulars in the club are at the range house every morning from approximately 9:30am until noon. This is a great time to come down and introduce yourself and find out what Cub Run Archers is all about. If you are new to archery and need advice on anything from bow setup, arrow tuning to shooting technique, not only will you find literally, several hundred years of collective experience, but the equipment to perform those tasks. We especially would like to encourage youth participation and have a great many youth bows that young shooters may practice with to develop their skills. The cost to join Cub Run Archers is only \$15.00 per year, per family. Though you don't need to be a member of Cub Run Archers to use the facilities, we have a monthly newsletter and several dinners and picnics throughout the year and attendance at even one of these would easily be worth the annual membership. If you are interested, please contact Robert D'Imperio, Secretary, Cub Run Archers, 13490 Edge Rock Ct. Chantilly, VA 20151.

You may email Bob at [robbyrayd@yahoo.com](mailto:robbyrayd@yahoo.com) as well. The outdoor facilities are available to any member in good standing of the IWLA. We have practice range with target butts at 5, 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 50, and 60 yards. These are lighted as well if you would like to shoot in the evenings. There is also a crossbow station with a movable bag target for field point shooting and a broadhead target for shooting broadheads. **Remember**, crossbows are allowed **Only** at the special crossbow station and not at any of the other targets or ranges. A 28 point field archery course is also available for use to all IWLA members. Day-time use only as there is no lighting on the course.

### Shooting Reminder

**Only shoot broadheads into a broadhead targets!** If you shoot a broadhead into a field point target you may find yourself purchasing that target. If you do not know the difference between the two kinds of target butts on the range please ask someone at the range before you start shoot-

ing. These target butts cost IWLA members \$250 - \$335 each. Let us get the most life possible out of each target butt.



### Deer Processing Station

For all the IWLA deer hunters who would like to process their own deer, the deer processing station is twenty yards off the Cub Run Deck. The area is lighted with running water from a garden hose located by the deck entrance. You will need to bring trash bags with you for proper disposal of all parts of the carcass. **When finished be sure to wash the area down completely putting all remains in plastic bags before going into any dumpster.** When finished please drain the hose of water to keep it from freezing up during cold weather.



### Archery 101 Session

Cub Run Archers will be sponsoring an introduction to archery class on Sunday November 23rd and January 25th starting at 1:00pm. The class will take place in the indoor archery range. We have the bows and arrows. All you will need to do is show up. For IWLA members the class is \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children with a max of \$30.00 per IWLA family. Non IWLA members, \$25.00 per adult and \$15.00 for children with a family max of \$40.00. Class fee will be collected before the start of each class. For registration please email Bob Walla at [r.walla@verizon.net](mailto:r.walla@verizon.net) or phone 703-501-8041. Each class will be limited to thirty five so register early.

## Information on Renewing your Membership for 2015 FAQ's

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** Please do NOT tape or staple forms, work sheets, and/or checks together. The bottom portion of the Renewal Form is your receipt for the tax deductible portion of your dues. If you don't detach and keep it, we will not keep it or mail it back to you. If you need to make payments, you must bring the request before the Board of Director BY the BOD meeting on the 2th of December, 2014. That requirement is in the Bylaws. If you have not received your new membership card and range sticker within 6-8 weeks of sending your completed renewal forms with full payment (after your check has cleared the bank) – Email or Contact the Office at 703-631-4495. Don't wait months before contacting us. The current credentials and gate code will be honored until the 15th of February.

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**IMPORTANT DATES: DUE DATES** -Completed renewal applications with payment are DUE by January 1, 2015.

**LATE RENEWAL** – Late renewals are any renewal postmarked after January 1, 2015. Late Renewal postmarked after 1/1/15 will not guarantee you a membership slot for 2015. There is a \$25 Late Processing fee after 1/1/15.

### RENEWAL FORMS:

Your renewal forms will be mailed out in your August and November newsletters (as a distinctively colored insert). You will NOT receive any separate mailings or reminder notice that renewals are due. If you download or make a copy of the renewal form, please print it double sided. Fill in ALL of the blanks completely. All of the information must be PRINTED and LEGIBLE. Clearly indicate any CHANGES from last year. If the form is missing critical information (like your current address) or we CAN'T read it, we will NOT process your renewal application but we will send it back to you to be corrected. (You can use a return address label for the name and address section if it is correct.)

Make sure the Release Statement on the back of the form is signed (must be signed by both primary and secondary member if Family membership). If the release is not signed, we will NOT process your renewal application but will send it back to you to be corrected.

### MEMBERSHIP TYPES and CATEGORIES:

**AMOUNT TO PAY** – It is up to you to pay attention to the amount you should pay. If you have any questions, contact us to get the correct amount. If you pay too much, we will assume that the additional amount is meant as a donation.

**SENIOR (S)** – The Senior rate applies to anyone who reaches the age of 60 on or before December 31, 2014. (If you do not provide a DOB, you will NOT be considered eligible for a Senior discount). It is up to you to pay attention to the amount you should pay. If you pay too much, we will assume that the additional amount is meant as a donation.

**REMOTE (R)** -The Remote rate applies to anyone whose residence is more than 50 miles from the Chapter (measured as the "crow flies" not by how many miles you have to drive to get here).

**IFE (LF)** -Life Memberships are only obtained from IWLA National. You must contact National to apply/pay for a Life Membership. Our Chapter does NOT have a Life Membership category but we honor National Life Membership with special renewal rates.

### WORK CREDITS:

**8-Hour Work Credit** -If you have worked your extra Eight (8) hours of volunteer work and want credit for your \$50 discount, you must include your signed 8 hour work slip record with your renewal paperwork. If you do NOT include it or it is not signed, we will NOT process your renewal application but will send it back to be corrected.

**FOR NEW MEMBERS ONLY** -If you have NOT completed your six hours of volunteer work, you will NOT receive your Range Sticker with your new membership card. Once you have completed the six hours of volunteer work, and bring in the completed, signed form to the office (along with your temporary Range Badge), you will then receive your permanent Range Badge and range sticker (We do NOT mail Permanent Range Badges – They get crushed in our Postal System).