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Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc. • Izaak Walton League of America

# NEWSLETTER

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## Sills Air Range Rolls Out The Oscar Starz Volunteer Award

The lifeblood of any not-for-profit organization is the volunteers who give freely of their time and effort to make an activity a success. This is true for the all-volunteer Sills Air Range, which has depended on a large set of volunteers—past and present—who made our air-range operations so successful. These efforts have resulted in literally thousands of youth athletes being able to participate in the air-gun shooting sports. Also, given that everyone is unpaid, it's hard to find enough ways to say "thank you" to the volunteers.

With that in mind, the Sills Air Range decided to recognize significant volunteer contributions with a large walnut plaque with the names of those volunteers. Each volunteer is also presented a coin as a small token of appreciation. In developing this award, it rapidly became clear the award should be named for Oscar Starz. He is a constant presence at the air range and also at Rifle-Pistol. His dedication to the Chapter and to youth shooting sports is well known—and sets an example for everyone. Plus, he has a cool last name so that we say all our honored volunteers are "Starz."

Awardees for the inaugural Starz Award include:

- From the early years (and many still going): Oscar Starz, Don Ballard, Steve Canale, Tom Ciarula, Jay Cliff, John Collins, Dave Cunningham, Bucky Sills, Al Fehlings, Bob Hardy, Chris Holman, Floyd Houston, Doug Mistler, Pamela Meara, Chuck Miller, Tom Pike, Rich Stibrik

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## New Chapter Officers

Vice President and IWLA National Director Pamela Meara conducted the swearing in of Chapter officers at the September 17, 2019, general membership meeting.



Pictured: Youth Activities—Joe Turner, Air Range—Roger Thrasher, President—Thomas Ciarula, Director-at-Large—Jim Smith, Field Archery—Dick Riemer, Director-at-Large—Chris Rose, Membership Chairman—Benn Crandall and Secretary—Sean Gagnon

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<i>Youth Activities</i>	Joseph Turner.....	703-627-4808



### Chapter Board of Directors' Meeting

1st Tuesday of each month  
7:30 p.m. @ Chapter field house  
All members welcome

### Attend Your Chapter Meetings

General Membership Meeting  
3rd Tuesday of each month  
7:30 p.m. @ Chapter field house

### Newsletter Committee

<i>Pamela Meara</i> .....	Editor-in-Chief
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<i>Field Archery field house</i> .....	703-631-4498
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**Chapter's Web Site**     [www.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org](http://www.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org)

### Chapter's Facebook Page

Arlington-Fairfax-Chapter-Inc-Izaak-Walton-League-of-America

### Chapter Field House Office Hours

1st and 3rd Tues.....1 p.m. to 9 p.m.  
All other Tues.....1 p.m. to 4 p.m.  
Other times, call Cristina Frerking & Beth Hellman .... 703-631-4495

### Property Physical Address

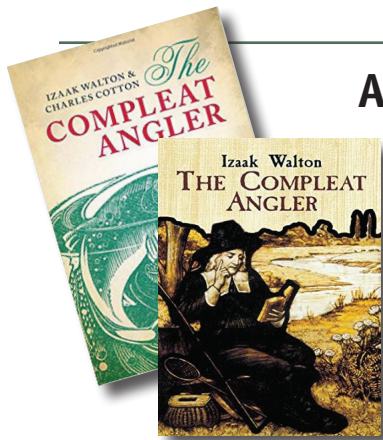
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## A Brief History of the Izaak Walton League



At the turn of the 20th century uncontrolled discharges of industrial waste and raw sewage, unrestricted logging, and soil erosion threatened to destroy the nation's most productive waterways. The country's forests, wetlands,

and wilderness areas were quickly disappearing. In 1922, 54 sportsmen declared it was "time to call a halt" to this destruction. Aware that action—not just talk—would be necessary to solve these problems, the group decided to form an organization to combat water pollution and protect

the country's woods and wildlife. As a reminder of their purpose, they named the organization after Izaak Walton, the 17th-century English angler-conservationist who wrote the literary classic, "The Compleat Angler."

The Izaak Walton League of America soon became the nation's preeminent organization of hunters, anglers, and outdoor enthusiasts dedicated to sustainable use of our country's natural resources. Today, the League's more than 43,000 members and 240 community-based chapters are building on the accomplishments of those who preceded them as defenders of the nation's soil, air, woods, waters, and wildlife.

For more information about our League's history, visit: <https://www.iwla.org/about-us/history-mission>.



### Request for Proposal for Chapter Caretaker

Proposals are currently being solicited for an individual to perform caretaker services on a contract basis. The primary scope of the contract is routine maintenance and minor repair of the Chapter's five main buildings and numerous smaller structures. The majority of work will be performed at the 100+ acre Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, IWLA, property located at 14708 Mount Olive Road, Centreville, VA 20121.

Detailed contract requirements and proposal submission instructions are available at <http://wp.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org/caretaker-rfp-october-2019/>

Proposals must be postmarked by **November 27, 2019.**

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### IWLA Mission

To conserve, restore, and promote the sustainable use and enjoyment of our natural resources, including soil, air, woods, waters, and wildlife.

### Izaak Walton League Member Pledge

To strive for the purity of water, the clarity of air, and the wise stewardship of the land and its resources; to know the beauty and understanding of nature and the value of wildlife, woodlands, and open space; to the preservation of this heritage and to man's sharing in it.

I pledge myself as a member of the Izaak Walton League of America.

### Donate to Arlington-Fairfax Chapter by Using AmazonSmile

Chapter members are reminded they can donate to the Chapter by registering and using AmazonSmile at [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) when they shop on Amazon. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the Chapter. Our Chapter is listed with AmazonSmile as **Izaak Walton League of America Arlington-Fairfax Chapter.**

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Please see <http://smile.amazon.com/about> for program details.

## Hope Grows in the Chesapeake Bay

Virginia farmers and cities have made progress in reducing polluted runoff into the Chesapeake Bay, but more remains to be done to restore the health of the bay.

In 2018, heavy rains flushed large amounts nitrogen and phosphorus into the Chesapeake Bay, although wind and other factors kept the size of the resulting “Dead Zone” in the bay at about average size, 1.7 cubic miles. In 2019, additional runoff resulted in a larger Dead Zone expected to average about 2.1 cubic miles.

Excess sediment flowing into the bay clouds the water, blocking out sunlight needed by underwater grasses that provide food, cover, and oxygen for fish, crabs, and other critters.

Despite a rough year or two, some long-term trends are encouraging. The blue crab population has been trending up over the past 20 years and reached nearly 600 million crabs this year. Underwater grasses continue to expand in the bay, although the rain and cloudy water last year made an accurate survey difficult.

The rockfish (striped bass) population in the bay has fallen over the last 15 years, although it may have stabilized. Rockfish numbers remain well above the levels of the 1980s when the population crashed, triggering fishing bans. Oyster numbers remain less than 1 percent of their historic level, but restoration of oyster beds in five Virginia rivers and five more in Maryland is underway.

Virginia communities have completed upgrades on most of Virginia’s wastewater treatment plants, more than meeting the state’s goals for reducing nitrogen and

phosphorus from those sources. But on farms, the progress has been slower.

Since 2002, Virginia has protected more than 1,000 miles of streambank by fencing streams off from cattle, helping reduce phosphorus from cattle manure in our streams. Virginia has helped farmers develop hundreds of conservation plans, but the number of farms actually using soil health practices will need to double by 2025 to meet goals for reducing nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment runoff from farms.

Federal and state funds provide valuable incentives for farmers to adopt conservation practices that reduce polluted runoff, build healthy soils, and foster healthy rural communities. In the Chesapeake Bay region, the IWLA Agriculture Program is looking for opportunities to secure additional funds for the soil health practices so vital to reducing runoff. To learn more, visit [iwla.org/agriculture](http://iwla.org/agriculture).

—*Duane Hovorka*

IWLA, Agriculture Program Director

## The Izaak Walton League of America



### Web Links

Check out the IWLA Web site: <https://www.iwla.org>

Check out the Virginia Division Web site: <http://va-iwla.org/>

## IWLA’s Save Our Streams (SOS) Program



**Virginia Save Our Streams** is a program of the Izaak Walton League of America (IWLA). Founded in 1922, the Izaak Walton League is one of the nation’s oldest and most respected conservation organizations. With a powerful grassroots network of nearly 270 local chapters nationwide, the League takes a common-sense approach toward protecting our country’s natural heritage and improving outdoor recreation opportunities for all Americans. For more information about our Virginia chapters, please visit the Virginia Division of the Izaak Walton League.

### SOS Web Links

Check out the IWLA *Save Our Streams* Web site:

<https://www.iwla.org/conservation/water/save-our-streams>.

Check out the IWLA Facebook site: <https://www.facebook.com/iwla.org/>.

Check out the VA SOS Web site for more information, forms and gear:

<http://www.vasos.org/>.





# ARL-FX IWLA Membership Minutes

## November, December 2019 & January 2020

### IMPORTANT

Your 2020 Membership DUES are due ... Our Chapter is thrilled that you are one of us and look forward to seeing you in the coming year.

Renewing is easy ... You can use any of the following three ways:

1. **STOP IN THE OFFICE:** We are in the membership office every Tuesday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (with extended hours to 8 p.m. every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of month). You can pay with cash, check, or credit card (through PayPal Only).
2. **SEND US A CHECK:** Simply fill out the renewal form you found in this edition of the newsletter, enclose a check for the appropriate amount, (make the check out to: ARL-FX IWLA) AND ... be sure to check all the following areas:
  - Be sure to sign your renewal form (it's on the back of the form).
  - Be sure to sign your check.
  - If you are not sure of the amount you owe, *please do NOT guess*. Call us at 703-631-4495 during office hours and we will help.
3. **USE THE ONLINE RENEWAL** and pay by credit card (through PayPal).
  - Simply enter this address into your home computer: <http://wp.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org/online-membership-renewal/>
  - It will take you directly to the renewal page.

- Follow directions to complete your renewal.
- There are NO additional fees added for paying through PayPal. The ARL-FX Chapter board of directors has agreed that the Chapter will cover the additional fees for you.

**Note:** There will be a late fee assessment of \$40 for any renewals received starting January 1, 2020.

### No Matter How You Renew ... Please Renew As Soon As Possible

#### What's New:

Volunteer ... Volunteer ... Volunteer ... Volunteerism is the heart of our Chapter. As of the middle of December, our members have volunteered more than 8,000 hours of their time to help the Chapter run events and complete projects in 2019. This does not count the more than 200 Range Safety Officers who volunteer their time to keep all of our ranges open and safe for everyone. For 2020, we are already planning some major projects to improve the Chapter:

- A new parking lot for general use and the Air Range
- Firewood cleanup (going on now and continuing thru mid-January)

Remember, all information and tracking is done via SignUpGenius.com.

*As always ... get out to our Chapter and have some fun."*

*—Beau Crandall*  
Membership Director

### Got Grants? Yes, We Do!

The Chapter extends our thanks to the NRA Foundation known as the Friends of the NRA for funding two grants at the Chapter in 2018. The Shotgun Range and Air Range were the recipients of the grants. Your support of local Friends of the NRA dinners helps raise funds for this program.

<https://www.friendsofnra.org/>



The Chapter extends our thanks to the IWLA Endowment for funding a grant for the youth shotgun team. The Endowment funds selected projects at IWLA chapters and divisions each year. It only uses the proceeds from investments. The investment principle is never used and grows through donations made to support the endowment. <http://iwla-endowment.org/>



## ARL-FX History

The Chapter has a great story to tell with its history. We are looking for some volunteers to help bring this history together. Please consider pitching in if you are a student requiring community service or a Chapter member looking to fulfill volunteer hours or with an interest in history. In addition, if you are a youth member with an idea for a school project that dovetails with our Chapter-history project, please let us know.

Some possible tasks are:

- Creating a historical timeline of events
- Digitization of hardcopy from the early days
- Creation of a historic backdrop to place Chapter activities in context
- Chasing down rabbit holes (such as locations, legislation, local news articles, and extremely vague references)
- Documenting current activities
- Tracking metric information required for awards, grants, and recognition

### The Chapter's Early Years

The Chapter was originally chartered as the Falls Church Chapter in February 1936. In 1938 the Chapter was renamed the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter.

### 1939 Facts

- **January 26:** The Club House Fund was established. Initial funds came from a turkey shoot and raffle held in November 1938.
- **May 15:** Instituted a badge program with a 10-cent fine for any member appearing at a meeting without said badge
- **June 14:** Participated in a Crab Feast sponsored by the Brunswick Chapter. It was open to the public and the price was 15 cents.
- Chapter Standing Committees
  - » Clubhouse
  - » Upland Game
  - » Migratory Waterfowl
  - » Legislation and Regional Contact
  - » Education and Publicity
  - » Law Enforcement—Fishing
  - » Law Enforcement—Hunting
  - » Membership
  - » Social and Entertainment
  - » Farmer-Sportsmen Co-operation
  - » Anti-Pollution

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- From the later years (and many still going): Mark Budgeon, Stacey Collins, Jeff Corzatt, Ken Gaul, Keith Kuck, Doug Lamb, Roy McClain, Josie McCarty, Jeff Nolan, James Stenborg, Valerie Thrasher

In addition to recognizing our volunteers, there are many donors who have made generous donations to fund air-range improvements. A large plaque with their names is also on display in the air range. These donors include:

Joe Anderson, Richard Atchison, ARL-FX IWLA, Arlington Optimist Acorns Combined Junior Rifle



Club, Brabston Family, Mark Budgeon, Bull Run Muzzleloaders, Clark Family, Davis Elkins Charitable Foundation, Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF), Kimm Family, Roy McClain, MidwayUSA Foundation, NRA Communications,

Tom Pike, Robinson Secondary School, Ruger, Suburban Whitetail, 10pt9 (target shooting retailer), Kurt Thune, Ernie Vande Zande, Vortex Optical, and West Potomac High School.

There are many more plaques open for volunteers and donors. Contact [iwlasillsairrange@gmail.com](mailto:iwlasillsairrange@gmail.com) if you want to get your name on the wall.

### Izaak Walton League of America Store

Are you interested in getting an IWLA apparel/items? Did you know that IWLA National has on line store? Visit <https://members.iwla.org/apps/#Store>,

### REMEMBER

Speed Limit is 10 MPH on the ARL-FX IWLA Property





## Air Range

### Two Junior Pistol Athletes Win USA Shooting Progressive Position Pistol National Championship



Bhavjeet Sanghera and his sister, Suman Sanghera, were crowned National Champions at the 2019 USA Shooting Progressive Position Pistol National Championship on July 21, 2019, at the CMP South Competition Center, Anniston, Alabama. This is a phenomenal achievement for them and a first for the junior pistol shooting program.

attended the USA Shooting Rifle/Pistol Championships at Fort Benning, Georgia.

The USA Shooting Progressive Position Pistol National Championship is held every summer at two locations: Eastern Region—Anniston, Alabama, and Western Region—Colorado Springs, Colorado. Air pistol matches are held at each location and the top three scoring athletes are announced for the Eastern Region, Western Region, and overall national levels.

Bhavjeet won gold in the men's Eastern Region and Suman won gold in the women's Eastern Region. Their overall scores also sent them to the top to be named overall National Champions.

You can learn more about this competition at <https://www.usashooting.org/membership/youth-programs/youthpistol>. Final results are posted at [https://www.usashooting.org/library/2019\\_PPP\\_National\\_Awards\\_-\\_Final.pdf](https://www.usashooting.org/library/2019_PPP_National_Awards_-_Final.pdf).



Cadre members of the NoVA Sharpshooters, Bhavjeet and Suman started competing in the discipline of international air pistol two years ago and now also compete in international sport pistol. They attended the 2018 and 2019 USA Shooting Junior Olympics at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and in 2019 they also



**SIGN UP!**



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Please use to sign up for Volunteer Opportunities—located on the Chapter Home Web page.

### Chapter Air Range Open Practice Nights

Mondays 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. • Fridays 5:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.

**NEW TIME! NEW TIME!**

Sunday Adult Chapter Member Hours at the Sills Air Range

Now 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on most Sundays (except when there is a clinic or match)

Check the online Air Range Calendar for specifics — <http://afc-iwla-sillsairrange.org/calendar/>

Equipment is available to borrow and coaches are ready to help.

Air Range questions—contact [range@afc-iwla-sillsairrange.org](mailto:range@afc-iwla-sillsairrange.org)

## USA Shooting Assistant National Coach Visits ARL-FX Chapter

The ARL-FX Chapter hosted USA Shooting Assistant National Pistol Coach Eric Pueppke August 28th to September 2nd. He visited the Chapter to instruct two advanced NRA coach classes: Level 3 Pistol Coach and National Coach Developmental Staff Pistol (NCDS). Nine students completed the level 3 course and six completed the NCDS course.

On Saturday, Air Range Director Roger Thrasher provided a tour of the Sills Air Range and then Coach Eric

attended a meet and greet with NoVA Sharpshooters who attended the 2019 Junior Olympics.

The Chapter also squeezed in a couple other events. On arrival day, Chapter president and National Air and Space Museum docent Tom Ciarula provided a tour of the Udvar-Hazy Center. One free evening, host Mark Budgeon provided a tour of downtown D.C. and the national landmarks.

This was a fantastic learning opportunity for the Chapter as well as our young pistol athletes.



## Youth Knife Safety Workshop

On September 21st, it was another beautifully sunny Saturday morning at the ARL-FX IWLA Chapter and members worked bows, rifles, tomahawk throwing, and other events safely around the Chapter grounds. Under the large pavilion, the Chapter's Knife Club held its first "Youth Knife Safety Workshop" for local Boy Scouts in the area. From 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon, the Scouts learned about such important knife topics as knife anatomy, safe carrying/opening/closing methods, safe use individually and around others ("knives are tools, not toys"), and safe methods for

sharpening and maintaining their trusty (allowed-to-be-carried) pocket folder after use. Everyone had a great time and lots of important lessons were learned. The Knife Club leadership/members would like to thank Peter Gugino and Joe Arevalo for their great coordinating and organizing with the Scouts to attend this event—thanks Gents.

Other workshops in the future will be scheduled and advertised via the newsletter and Chapter online media. Many thanks to all who attended, and as always, **Stay Sharp!**



Boy Scouts Brian Crochetiere, Alexander Arevalo, and Christian Arevalo learn "feather-sticking"/whittling and safe knife sharpening under the watchful eye of Knife Club leadership.



# Outdoor/ Indoor Archery

## Archery Update

The indoor archery range is available to all Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., IWLA, members for your use anytime a qualified range officer is on site. The outdoor ranges are open 24/7. Many Chapter members are at the archery range house every morning from approximately 9:30 a.m. until noon. This is a great time to come down, introduce yourself, and find out what archery is all about. If you are new to archery and need advice on anything from bow setup and arrow tuning to shooting technique and equipment, help is available 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 outdoor targets butts are at 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, and 60 yards. The range is lighted if you would like to shoot in the evening. There is a crossbow station for crossbow shooting. Crossbow targets may be shot with field points or broadheads.

**One must only shoot from and through the crossbow station.** Crossbow shooting is allowed **only** at the crossbow station. **No shooting from outside the crossbow station.** A 28-point field archery course is also available and tree-stand shooting during daylight hours. **No core drilling broadheads are permitted to be shot at the field archery range.** These are the **Toxic** and the **Cyclone** and any new core drilling broadheads that come on the market.

**Air Bows**—Air bows are not allowed to be shot at the Field Archery Range.

## Cub Run Archers

For those who are interested in competing in Virginia Bowhunters Association (VBA) archery events, there is a group formed by the Chapter called Cub Run Archers you can join. This group was established so field archery tournaments could be held at the Chapter. Cub Run Archers is a registered VBA club. The VBA is the representative for bowhunters throughout the state of Virginia. To join Cub Run Archers, applications are available at the archery range house. For more information, contact Robert D'Imperio, Secretary, Cub Run Archers, 13490 Edge Rock Ct., Chantilly, VA 20151-4101 or contact him by e-mail at [robbyrayd@gmail.com](mailto:robbyrayd@gmail.com).



## Archery 101 Classes

On Sunday, January 19, 2020, the Chapter's indoor archery range will be hosting a beginner's archery class. This class will take place in the indoor archery range starting at 1 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. The class is for those who have never shot archery before or have very little knowledge in the sport of archery and would like to see what our sport is all about. The class will cover the different types of archery equipment, safety, purchasing of equipment, and shooting. We have the bows and arrows and all you need to do is show up. For IWLA members the class is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children with a family max of \$30 per IWLA family. For non-IWLA members the class is \$25 per adult and \$15 for children with a family max of \$40. Class fees will be collected before the start of the class beginning at 12:45 p.m. The minimum age for children is 9 years old. To register for the class e-mail Dick Riemer at [rriemer@cox.net](mailto:rriemer@cox.net) or call him at 703-543-8585.



## Indoor Archery Range Open for Evening Shooting

Come on out and do some evening shooting. The indoor archery range will be open Monday through Friday evenings 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., October 2019 through March 2020.

## Deer Processing Station

For all Chapter deer hunters who would like to process their deer, the deer processing station is twenty yards off the Field Archery deck. The area is lighted and with running water from a garden hose located by the deck entrance. You

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## Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., IWLA—Competition Archery Team

**“Archery is a simple game, it’s the mind that complicates it.”**

Happy fall, archers.

This past month, the Indoor Archery Youth classes have begun. These 12-week sessions are divided among Beginner Youth Archers (ASC-110) and Intermediate Youth Archers (ASC-210). The intent of these lesson areas is to reinforce safety, bring some great fun, and increase interest in the competition aspect of the sport of archery. These classes are conducted from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sundays at the indoor archery range.

New this session is the addition of the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Izaak Walton League of America’s Advanced Archery Training Program (ASC-301). This smaller-sized class is conducted on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. The intent is to focus on refining skills needed for competition and developing commitment to the sport of archery.

The final goal for all the 24 archers across the three classes is to compete at the local, state, and national levels: Indoor FITA Tournament (November 2–3), Virginia State Indoor Championship (February 1–2), and Archery Indoor Nationals (February 28–March 1), respectively. Watch our newsletter for updates on how well these archers do in the upcoming competition archery tournaments.

Good luck to all the archers that make up the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., IWLA, Competition Archery Team.



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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 putting them into any dumpster. During cold weather, when finished be sure to drain the hose of water to keep it from freezing.***



## Upgrade of the Archery Flagpole Area

If you happen to venture to the Field Archery range, you will notice a tremendous difference in front of the clubhouse. **Mason Feathers**, son of IWLA member **Mike Feathers**, just completed a face lift on the flagpole area. This project completes Mason's quest for his Boy Scout rank of Eagle. When Mason approached us regarding this project, the front corner of the archery field house was a mess. The bushes were overgrown and the weeds had overtaken the ground cover. Mason presented the concept to the ARL-FX IWLA board of directors in August and received approval.

After numerous discussions, Mason and his team cleaned out the area, removed all the old ground cover, trimmed and shaped the three trees, power-washed the donated paving stones and the Cub Run podium, and then rebuilt the area. They even found the old ARL-FX IWLA sign behind all the clutter, so that was given a once over to clean it up. Mason built a new birdhouse for the area.

The end results are amazing. **Bob Walla**, president of Cub Run Archers, **Fred Ansick**, range captain, and all the ARL-FX IWLA archery members would like to thank Mason for his efforts. We would also like to thank Eric Eifler for the donation of over 100 paving stones.



### Izaak Walton League of America Store

Are you interested in getting an IWLA apparel/items? Did you know that IWLA National has on line store? Visit <https://members.iwla.org/apps/#Store>,



### Donate to Arlington-Fairfax Chapter Using AmazonSmile

Chapter members are reminded they can donate to the Chapter by registering and using AmazonSmile at [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) when they shop on Amazon. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the Chapter. Our Chapter is listed with AmazonSmile as **Izaak Walton League of America Arlington-Fairfax Chapter**.

Please see  
<http://smile.amazon.com/about>  
for program details.

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# Skeet & Trap Range

## Virginia State Trap Shoot—July 3-7, 2019

The first week of July the Virginia State Trap Shoot was held at the Winchester Gun Club. With over 200 registered shooters it is the largest trap shoot in Virginia. The Chapter was well represented with over 20 members shooting in the events. See the table below as the Chapter members took home numerous awards at the shoot. The Chapter team also won the club championship, which was tied with the first 5 shooters. The sixth team designated shooter decided the 2019 Club Championship. If you know any of the shooters listed below, congratulate them on their good shooting.

Event	Individual	Class	Award
1	George Hafkemeyer	Veteran	Glen Funkhouser Singles
1	Danny Sirk	Senior Veteran	Glen Funkhouser Singles
2	Danny Sirk	Senior Veteran	Rance Boyd Handicap
3	Dean Spiridon	Overall Double Runner Up	Danny Sink Doubles
4	Robert Nolan	Class B	200 Singles
6	Sean Moores	Resident Class B	Class Singles Championship
7	Danny Sirk	Resident Champion	Federal Handicap
7	Pamela Meara	Resident Lady 1	Federal Handicap
8	Scott Petitto	Resident Class B	Class Doubles Championship
9	Alan Hemer	Resident Champion	Old Dominion Clay Target Championship
9	Scott Petitto	Resident Runner Up	Old Dominion Clay Target Championship
9	Adel Moussa	Resident Class AA	Old Dominion Clay Target Championship
9	Robert Nolan	Resident Senior Veteran	Old Dominion Clay Target Championship
10	Scott Petitto	Resident Runner Up	Virginia Doubles Championship
10	Dean Spiridon, Jr.	Resident Class AA	Virginia Doubles Championship
10	Adel Moussa	Resident Class B	Virginia Doubles Championship
10	Sean Moores	Resident Class B	Virginia Doubles Championship
10	Dean Spiridon, Sr.	Open Class C	Virginia Doubles Championship
11	Jeff Miller	Resident Champion	Virginia Handicap Championship
11	Alan Hemer	Resident 3rd	Virginia Handicap Championship
11	George Hafkemeyer	Senior Veteran	Virginia Handicap Championship
11	Benn Crandall	Open Veteran	Virginia Handicap Championship
High All Around Events 9-11	Ed Frustachi	Resident Veteran HHA	High All Around
Club Champion	Arlington-Fairfax IWLA	Club Champion	VA Gun Club Championship

## CONSERVATION CURRENTS



## IWLA Digital Newsletter

The League's monthly electronic newsletter keeps you up to date on important conservation and outdoor recreation news and League happenings. If you are not yet receiving "Conservation Currents," we encourage you to sign up today at <https://members.iwla.org/apps/#QuickSub>.



## Virginia State Trap Shoot Winners



Pam Meara



Sean Moores



### Use of Outhouses



**IMPORTANT:** Septic tanks are used for the outhouses on the property. Trash (plastic bottles, bags, etc.) should never be disposed of in an outhouse for any reason. Trash clogs the septic tank and the Chapter has to pay to get it cleared. Groups may be charged these costs if the septic tank becomes clogged while they use the property.



Alan Hemer



Bob Nolan



## Annual Christmas Party for Underprivileged Children

**Noon to 3 p.m. • December 14, 2019 • Indoor Archery Range**

The event is scheduled for December 14, 2019, from noon to 3 p.m., and will be located at the Chapter's indoor archery range. We will be hosting approximately 50 underprivileged children between the ages of newborn and 14 years and their families. They will be treated to a traditional Christmas dinner, with a party atmosphere, and gifts for the kids delivered by Santa Claus.

This party is one of many great events our Chapter does for the community. If you would like to volunteer to help, we will need members who can help with the following:

- Gift Buyers
- Gift Sorting and Stocking Stuffing
- **Party Set Up:** Friday, 12/13/19 at 10 a.m.
- **Food Servers:** Saturday, 12/14/19 at 11 a.m.
- **Transportation:** Saturday, 12/14/19 at 11 a.m.
- **Cookies & Pie Donations:** Saturday, 12/14 by 11 a.m.
- **Party Break Down:** Saturday, 12/14/19 at 3 p.m.

If you have any questions please contact the Chairman, Carl Armstrong, at **Carl.Armstrong@arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org** or **703-932-2347**. If you can assist, please click the **SignUpGenius** logo located on the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, IWLA, home page.



## Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., IWLA, Calendars

For current Chapter calendars and event times, go to the Chapter Web site under *Calendars of Events*. Also, look out for the new Chapter Monthly E-Blast of upcoming Events! <http://arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org/index.php>

NOVEMBER 2019		
Day	Event	Facility
1	Open Small Bore Rifle Practice	RP
	Air Range Public Open House	AR
2	<b>New Member Orientation</b>	FH
2-3	Mental Strength Clinic	AR
3	Bulleseye Pistol Match	RP
	Adult Air Pistol Clinic	AR
4	Air Range Public Open House	AR
5	Field Archery Dinner	AC
8	Open Small Bore Rifle Practice	RP
	Air Range Public Open House	AR
9	<b>Chapter Planning Meeting</b>	FH
	Ed. & Training—Shotshell Reloading	FH
10	Cub Run Archers Meeting	FA
	Adult Air Range Practice	AR
11	Air Range Public Open House	AR
12	Youth Chapter B.o.d.	FH
	Field Archery Dinner	AC
	<b>Board of Directors Meeting</b>	FH
15	Air Range Public Open House	AR
16-17	NRA Rifle Coach School	FH
17	Bull Run Muzzleloaders	RP
	Adult Air Range Practice	AR
18	Air Range Public Open House	AR
19	Field Archery Dinner	AC
	<b>Membership Meeting</b>	FH
22	Air Range Public Open House	AR
24	Adult Air Range Practice	AR
25	Air Range Public Open House	AR
26	Field Archery Dinner	FA
29	Air Range Public Open House	AR

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SP=Small Pavilion, ST=Skeet/Trap, TA=Target Archers

DECEMBER 2019		
Day	Event	Facility
1	Bulleseye Pistol Match	RP
	Adult Air Range Practice	AR
	Cub Run Archers Meeting	FA
2	Air Range Public Open House	AR
3	Field Archery Dinner	AC
	<b>Board of Directors Meeting</b>	FH
6	Air Range Public Open House	AR
	<b>New Member Orientation</b>	FH
8	JSOC Air Rifle	AR
9	Air Range Public Open House	AR
10	Field Archery Dinner	AC
	Youth Chapter B.O.D.	FH
13	Air Range Public Open House	AR
14	Christmas Party for Disadvantaged Children (Volunteer at SignUpGenius)	FA
15	Bull Run Muzzleloaders	RP
16	Suburban Whitetail BOD	FA
	Air Range Public Open House	AR
17	Field Archery Dinner	AC
	<b>General Membership Meeting</b>	FH
20	Air Range Public Open House	AR
22	Air Pistol League	AR
	Adult Air Range Practice	AR
23	Air Range Public Open House	AR
24	<b>Newsletter Submission Deadline</b>	FH
	Field Archery Dinner	AC
25	CHRISTMAS CHAPTER CLOSED	
27-28	Holiday Air Rifle Clinic	AR
27	Air Range Public Open House	AR
29	Adult Air Range Practice	AR
30	Air Range Public Open House	AR
31	Field Archery Dinner	AC
	Adult Air Range Practice	AR
30	Ed. & Train Proficiency Training	FH

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## JANUARY 2020

Day	Event	Facility
3	Air Range Public Open House	AR
4	<b>New Member Orientation</b>	FH
5	Bulleseye Pistol Match	RP
	Adult Air Range Practice	AR
	Cub Run Archers Meeting	FA
6	Air Range Public Open House	AR
7	Field Archery Dinner	AC
	<b>Board of Directors Meeting</b>	FH
10	Air Range Public Open House	AR
12	Adult Air Range Practice	AR
13	Air Range Public Open House	AR
14	Field Archery Dinner	AC
	Youth Chapter B.O.D.	FH
17	Air Range Public Open House	AR
19	Archery 101 Class	AC
19	Bull Run Muzzleloaders	RP
	Adult Air Range Practice	AR
20	Air Range Public Open House	AR
21	Field Archery Dinner	AC
	<b>General Membership Meeting</b>	FH
24	Air Range Public Open House	AR
26	Adult Air Range Practice	AR
27	Air Range Public Open House	AR
28	Field Archery Dinner	AC
	<b>Newsletter Mailing Party</b>	FH
31	Air Range Public Open House	AR

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## Photos Needed!

*Doing volunteer work on the Chapter grounds or helping to make the picture perfect?*

We would love for you to take a picture of work done or in process and e-mail it to Pam Meara ([pmearaiwla@gmail.com](mailto:pmearaiwla@gmail.com)) and/or Ellen MacBrayne ([emb4art@verizon.net](mailto:emb4art@verizon.net)) to publish in the Newsletter. Send the largest photo possible and include a caption identifying faces, place, event, and date.

## Keep a Lookout!



Coming in the near future ... the Chapter is about to launch a major conservation program to convert our PAPER newsletter to an electronic version. Yes, we may all miss our post office delivered important reading material ... but we would like to save as many trees as possible ...

AND save the Chapter thousands of dollars per year. You can do your part, by "opting" out of the paper version of our newsletter and accepting the new electronic version.

Sometime in November, we will be sending out to all our members an e-mail (through our MailChimp account) to accept the electronic version of the newsletter rather than a paper version being sent through the mail. If you have any questions, please e-mail the Chapter newsletter at [arlfxnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:arlfxnewsletter@gmail.com).

## Volunteers Needed for Financial Review Committee

We need members, particularly those with financial management or accounting experience, to conduct the annual review of the Chapter's financial records. The bylaws call for a review to be conducted annually by a committee selected by the Chapter president and to present its report to both the board of directors and the members. Anyone interested in participating should contact the treasurer, Bob Crisman, by e-mail to **Bob.**

**[Crisman@arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org](mailto:Crisman@arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org)**. Please include any financial management, accounting, or related experience you may have. Oh, by the way, you'll receive credit for eight hours of volunteer work worth \$50 off your next membership renewal.



## SIGN UP!



**SignUpGenius®**

Please use to sign up for Volunteer Opportunities—located on the Chapter Home Web page.





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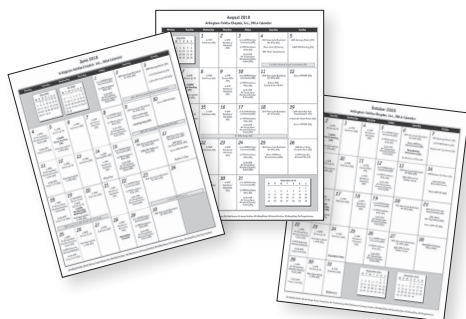
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The Chapter Newsletter is your link to all Chapter activities and information. Keep it handy. It is also available on our new Web site in color.

***<http://wp.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org/>***

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# Membership Renewal

Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc.  
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P. O. Box 366  
Centreville, VA 20122-0366

Your current membership expires December 31, 2019.

Dues **MUST** be paid prior to January 1, 2020.

If \$50 Dues Credit claimed, check here: ☐

Renewals postmarked after January 1, 2020—Add \$40 late processing fee!

Note: Your membership spot is not guaranteed if you are late.

## Primary Member

## Second Badge Holder

Membership Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address—Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_

(C) \_\_\_\_\_

(W) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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(W) \_\_\_\_\_

- (1) **PRINT LEGIBLY AND FILL IN ALL** required information on this form. Clearly indicate any changes.
- (2) **SIGN THE MEMBER RELEASE ON THE BACK** of this form and return the top part of form with your check made payable to AFC-IWLA.
- (3) Questions/payment arrangements? Call the Office at **703-631-4495**. If necessary, leave your name and telephone number with your concern(s). Your query will be answered as quickly as possible.
- (4) If being reassigned to area far removed from Northern Virginia for 2 years or more, inquire about Inactive/Reserve status.

### INDIVIDUAL Memberships

#### 2020 Dues

- |  |       |
|--|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> RG—Regular  | \$211 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RGD or R or S—Regular (Disabled, Remote, or Senior)       | \$171 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LF—National Life Regular                                  | \$161 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LFD or R or S—National Life (Disabled, Remote, or Senior) | \$121 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LB—Life Benefactor  | \$161 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ST—Student  | \$152 |

Remote—Residence is over 50 miles from the Chapter.

### FAMILY Memberships

#### 2020 Dues

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| <input type="checkbox"/> FM—Family Regular  | \$308 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FMD or R or S—Family (Disabled, Remote, or Senior)               | \$233 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FL—National Family Life Regular                                  | \$233 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FLD or R or S—National Family Life (Disabled, Remote, or Senior) | \$158 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FB—Family Benefactor   | \$233 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FBD or R or S—Family Benefactor (Disabled, Remote, or Senior)    | \$158 |

Senior—Age 60 or over as of 12/31/2019.

My check # \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ made payable to AFC-IWLA is enclosed.

**PLEASE SIGN THE MEMBER RELEASE ON BACK OF THIS STATEMENT BEFORE RETURNING**

**Detach here and submit the TOP portion with payment**

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2020 Membership Dues Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Check No. \_\_\_\_\_

For tax purposes. Regular (RG) members may claim a \$53 deduction and Family (FM) members may claim \$82. Life Regular (LF) (LB) members may claim a \$6 deduction and Family Life (FL) (FB) members may claim \$7. Students (ST) may claim \$42

The Izaak Walton League of America—a non-profit conservation organization—is recognized as a Section 501(c)(3) public charity under the Internal Revenue Code. Minimum National dues are \$40 for individuals and \$60 for family memberships, which includes the Outdoor America magazine. Magazine is inseparable from dues. Chapter and Division dues may vary.



# MEMBER RELEASE

**Range Badges, Membership Cards, and the Gate Combination will not be furnished unless the completed Release Statement has been received by the Chapter. If this is a family membership, then both parties must sign.**

## Release Statement

In consideration of the permission granted to me to use the pistol, rifle, skeet, trap, and archery ranges and other facilities of the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Incorporated, of the Izaak Walton League of America, Centreville, Virginia, I do hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators irrevocably release and forever discharge the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Incorporated, of the Izaak Walton League of America (hereinafter "AFC-IWLA") and all of its officers, directors, agents, and employees, acting in or under color of his or her official capacity, from any and all claims, demands, actions or causes of action, costs, charges, and liabilities of whatever kind, on account of my death or on account of any injury to me which may occur from any cause during my use of its ranges and/or facilities.

This release is intended to cover all injuries, fatal or nonfatal, and illness of every name, type, kind, or nature, and personal property damage, if any, which may be sustained or suffered from any cause whatsoever connected with or arising out of or by reason of participating in the aforementioned activities. I know the risks and unexpected dangers involved in said activities and assume all risks of injury to my person and property that may be sustained in connection with the stated and associated activities, in and about the installation.

I further agree that I will indemnify and will hold harmless the AFC-IWLA and all officers, directors, agents, and employees thereof from any and all costs, charges, claims, demands, and liabilities of any kind arising from the improper or negligent actions of the undersigned while participating in the activities of its property.

I have reviewed the AFC-IWLA Range Safety Rules and the Chapter Ground Rules and I understand and agree to abide by all the provisions therein. I have read and understood the foregoing release. I certify that my attendance and participation in activities at the AFC-IWLA is voluntary.

This release form is in effect as long as I am a member of the AFC-IWLA, or for so long as I may use the aforesaid ranges and/or facilities, both now and at any future times, but in no event longer than is permitted by applicable law.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
2nd Signature (Second Badge Holder)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## IWLA Pledge



To strive for the purity of water, the clarity of air, and the wise stewardship of the land and its resources.

To know the beauty and understanding of nature, and the value of wildlife, woodlands, and open space.

To the preservation of this heritage and to man's sharing it,  
I pledge myself as a member of the Izaak Walton League of America.