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

NEWSLETTER

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Thank You, Members!

The directors and officers of your Chapter appreciate your patience and cooperation during the COVID-19 pandemic. We care about you so we took prudent measures to best protect you based on emerging information and requirements. The Chapter leaders are working diligently to reopen the facilities, staying within the governor's executive orders.

Chapter schedule changes

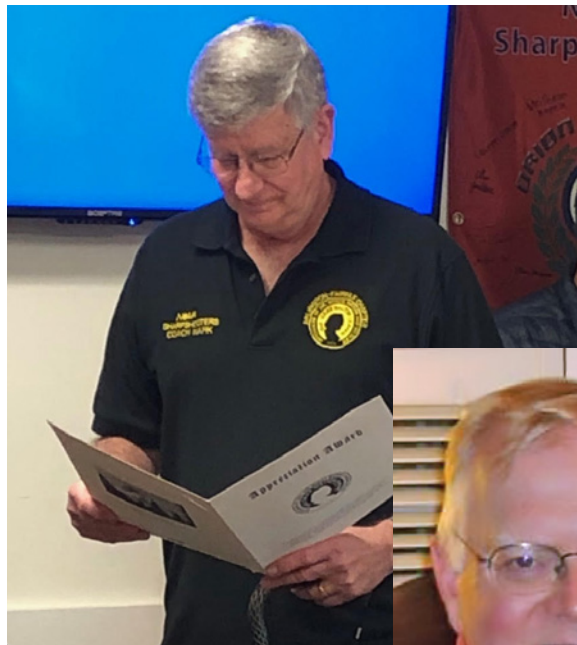
It's been difficult during the past several months with the need to cancel many of our important yearly Chapter activities such as our disabled picnic, NRA Women on Target clinic, and the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Crush n' Clays charity event. These events will not be rescheduled this year, but we are looking forward to our full robust programming in 2021. Keep an eye out for information on our Chapter Web site and in the newsletters for the future scheduling of these events and others. Those are your best sources for up-to-date information about what is going on at the Chapter.

—*Paumela Meara*, Vice President

Judge Tobin Award

Mark Budgeon and *Dan Roberts* each received a 2019 Judge Tobin Award. This award is presented to a Chapter member or members in recognition of their outstanding service to the Izaak Walton League of America. Congratulations to Mark and Dan.

For more information about IWLA awards, you may visit the National IWLA Web site at <https://www.iwla.org/chapter-resources/awards>



Pictured: Top—Mark Budgeon;
right—Dan Roberts.



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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

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Chapter's Web Site 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 Tuesday.....1 p.m. to 8 p.m.
All other Tuesdays.....1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Other times, call the field house office number..... 703-631-4495

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In Memory of Dan Roberts

Dan passed away on May 22, 2020, from his battle with cancer. He has been the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter's Target Archery director for the past five years and during that time he made a huge difference in the Target Archery program at the Chapter. Dan was devoted to teaching the next generation of archers and organized many world class USA Archery tournaments. He was definitely a force for youth archery and the Junior Olympic Archery Development program. The Chapter will miss him greatly.

Message from Robert D'Imperio, President of Cub Run Archers

I met Dan Roberts about five years ago and was immediately taken by his dedication to the advancement of archery. He became the indoor director of Cub Run Archers and lobbied hard for many of us to become USA Archery certified instructors. He personally taught the classes and created a corps of qualified teachers to help realize his dream of creating a youth competition archery team for the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter. He took a nearly defunct Junior Olympic Archery Development program and through his relentless drive, transformed it into a hugely successful organization with some 30 plus young archers competing all over Virginia. After becoming the Target Archery director of the Chapter, he set his mind to the Herculean task of hosting tournaments at our club. He made sure they were not merely local affairs and had them sanctioned as official USA Archery tournaments. These were attended by literally hundreds of archers from all over the eastern seaboard. If I am not mistaken, at least one national record was broken during these events. In the last two years, he founded the George Mason archery class and was named adjunct professor of archery.

It was only a few years ago many of us gathered at his church to grieve the passing of his beloved wife. It is hard to fathom we now find ourselves grieving so soon once again as Dan leaves us to join her. His contributions to archery at our club and indeed the entire state of Virginia have touched countless lives and his passing will leave a void impossible to fill. A heartfelt thank you Dan from all of us lucky and grateful enough to have been a part of your journey.

The Passing of Charles Calvin Swisher, July 25, 1945–February 13, 2020

Another unique Isaak Waltonite passes on. Charles, known to everyone as Charlie, had been a member of our Chapter from 1992 to 2019. He made his presence known throughout the Chapter with his infectious grin, dry wit, inexhaustible supply of jokes, and an extensive knowledge of electronic and mechanical facts. He could carry on detailed discussions with anyone without missing a beat. He also had an almost photographic memory by apparently memorizing every conversation he ever had with everyone he ever knew.

Charlie suffered with COPD but retained his love of the Chapter and its members by continuing to return on Wednesday and Friday mornings to the Geezer's table at the Skeet & Trap range. His physical capabilities declined, but his sense of humor and sharp wit remained until the end.

Charlie will be truly missed by all that knew him. We are sure, however, he is continuing to share his stories or instructing a kindred soul what the proper lead for a station 5 high house on the Skeet field is. God bless you, Charlie.



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/>.



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.

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 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.

Attention Members: Chapter Picnic Change Notice

The Chapter picnic has been moved to September 12, 2020. Please stay tuned as more information will be provided in future newsletters and on the Chapter Web site.

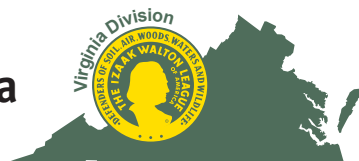
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Web Links

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

Check out the Virginia Division Web site:

<http://va-iwla.org/>



ARL-FX IWLA Membership Minutes

August, September, October 2020

Important Information About Your Membership:

- Your 2020 PURPLE Range badge inserts will expire on December 31, 2020.
- RENEWAL season for 2021 will begin on October 1st.
- SAVE TIME, save our Chapter money ... Renew online.

Membership Reminders:

- IF YOU MOVE AND CHANGE YOUR ADDRESS ... PLEASE let us know!
- IF YOU CHANGE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS ... PLEASE let us know!
- IF you are NOT getting your monthly E-BLAST through your e-mail account please let us know!

SAVE TIME, save our Chapter money—Renew online starting October 1, 2020 at:

<https://wp.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org/online-membership-renewal/>

Renewal reminders:

- IF YOU SEND A CHECK ... The renewal form for 2021 is NEW. Please read before you send it in and PLEASE remember to sign the back page.
- We will be sending out “reminders” about 2021 dues starting September 1 to all current 2020 members through e-mail.
- Online renewal will be available October 1, 2020.

Membership Notes:

I think the most often heard question from new members I hear is ... I’ve completed my 6 hours of service to the Chapter ... why am I still receiving “invites” to sign up for volunteer work?

The answer is simple. We (members) quickly forget this Chapter has incredible facilities, well kept grounds, multiple free community events, successful conservation projects, AND still has an incredibly inexpensive dues structure **BECAUSE we run on VOLUNTEER service.**

Membership Office Hours

- Every Tuesday (except holidays) from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- First and third Tuesdays (except holidays) from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- AND ... beginning Saturday, October 12 ... Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

If you have any questions about Membership ...
CALL 703-631-4495 or E-MAIL memberships@arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org

“As always ... get out to our Chapter and have some fun.”

—Beau Crandall
Membership Director

AmazonSmile Donations

The Chapter wants to thank everyone who has supported the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., IWLA, by choosing the Chapter as your charity when purchasing items on AmazonSmile. For the price of each eligible dollar you spend, the Chapter receives 0.5% as a donation. A donation in the amount of \$120.90 has been received from the AmazonSmile Foundation as a result of AmazonSmile program activity between January 1 and March 31, 2020.

If you would like to donate to the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., through AmazonSmile, simply use the following instructions:

Go to <http://smile.amazon.com> when you make purchases through AmazonSmile and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases to our Chapter. There is NO cost to you.

Our Chapter is listed as: Izaak Walton League of America Arlington-Fairfax Chapter.

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



ARL-FX Chapter Inc., IWLA, Environmental Sciences Scholarship Updates

David Nguyen, 2016 Scholarship Winner

I would like to gladly inform you I have graduated from the George Washington University (GW) with a bachelor of science in electrical engineering. These past four years have been a great learning experience and wouldn't have been possible without the support of my professors, my friends and family, and the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter of the Izaak Walton League of America. For students to graduate from the engineering school at GW, they have to complete a capstone project. For my project, I decided to help Dr. Nagel, a research professor, build a Seebeck Calorimeter that would help him conduct his research in low energy nuclear reactions. Dr. Nagel believes that low energy nuclear reactions could be a new source of clean energy, with no greenhouse gas emissions and no nuclear waste. The calorimeter would help Dr. Nagel in measuring the energy output of these low energy nuclear reactions. Due to the pandemic, all classes were moved online so we were unable to finish the project. Although we were unable to finish the assembly of the calorimeter, we did complete the designs and were able to perform software simulations of the calorimeter. Next fall, I plan to return to GW for graduate school, to earn a master's degree in electrical engineering with a concentration in energy. Hopefully, this pandemic will ease by then so I can return to campus and help Dr. Nagel finish this project.

Zachariah Miller, 2017 Scholarship Winner

This school year at Palm Beach Atlantic University was the strangest, and most challenging, year of my life. With three years of undergraduate biology on the books, I am excited to graduate next spring. Despite the Corona virus, I finished this past semester stronger than all previous semesters. This year I studied subjects such as marine biology, ecology, environmental microbiology, organic chemistry, ichthyology, cell biology, and wetlands management, developing many skills in the process. This year I started a project looking at the effect of climate change on bone-mineral density of various organisms. I have looked at fish in subtropical waters and am turning my attention to narwhal bone density for a view into arctic climate change. This project should paint a picture of the effect climate change is having on the overall health of oceanic species, and I am very excited to return to the arctic for my second year of narwhal research. Another new opportunity was afforded to me this year in the form of a divemaster job on a scuba boat. I work as a divemaster/

deckhand for the Scuba Club. Between my research, scuba diving, fishing, and school, I'm always on the water and learning conservation techniques that will aid me in my career goals. The support of the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, IWLA, has been invaluable in my educational experience, and its continued support for these four years is very much appreciated. Thank you Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, IWLA.

David Finkenstaedt, 2018 Scholarship Winner

This academic year was far better for me despite the challenges arising from the Corona virus pandemic, which caused my classes to be taught online. I found the transition to online classes slightly jarring, especially for my German language class, but luckily most of my lecture courses were effective in teaching the material. I decided to stay in Blacksburg throughout the semester to remain immersed in my studies despite loss of actual in-person classes. I think this was the best decision to help me from becoming distracted and losing motivation to work. I undertook a new class on human development and our impacts on the environment which was particularly interesting. Because of it, I plan on adding a minor in sustainable natural environments through the Virginia Tech College of Natural Resources in my junior year this fall. My club activities included becoming a member of the International Relations Organization, where there was research being done on the current and future issues surrounding the Lake Chad Basin crisis caused by shrinking water resources. This research was very interesting and it has given me a new avenue to pursue, working abroad in developing regions. The pandemic has pushed my goals back because the majority of summer work relating to internship experience and jobs have been cancelled. Currently I've applied to be a contact tracer in order to help out the community during this pandemic. As of the end of this semester, I have been exploring options to either go straight into the workforce, hopefully in the State Department or EPA, or continue with my education through graduate school.

Lindsay D'Imperio, 2019 Scholarship Winner

It has been an interesting year to put it mildly. It feels like I was just getting used to all the challenges and excitement of campus life and being away from home for the first time when BAM ... just like that, I was back home and scrambling to figure out how to complete my freshman year from my bedroom with a 14-inch laptop screen substituting for a classroom.

Scholarship Updates continued on page 7



2020 Chapter Election Results

The annual Chapter elections were conducted in accordance with Chapter bylaws during the month of July 2020 with the polls being open on the 4th, 5th, 11th, and 12th of the month. Nominations were solicited from the Chapter membership in the preceding months and the nominees were presented, finalized, and approved at the monthly member meeting in June. Steve Landry chaired the nominations and election committees.

The Chapter officer positions open for election in 2020 were vice president and treasurer. In addition, named directors for Conservation, Education, Skeet & Trap, and Target Archery and three director-at-large positions were on the ballot. Provisions for write-in candidates were also included on the official ballots.

All valid ballots cast were counted and the votes for each candidate tabulated by members of the election committee following the close of the polls on July 12th. Vote-count statistics are available to Chapter members

from the election committee chair. In accordance with the Chapter bylaws, the election committee report will be presented and the winners put forward for installation at the August monthly general membership meeting. By majority vote, the following officers and directors were determined to be the winners for their respective positions:

Vice President: Pamela Meara

Treasurer: Bob Crisman

Conservation: John Seaberg

Education: Bucky Sills

Skeet & Trap: Bob Brino

Target Archery: Robert D'Imperio

Directors-at-Large: Marv Hicks

Keith Kunk

Oscar Starz

Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to all the Chapter members who came out to vote.

—*Steve Landry*, Nomination/Election chairman
<https://wp.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org/chapter-election-information/>

Scholarship Updates continued from page 6

I am happy to report I have completed my last final exam this week and have successfully navigated my first year of college with high marks. In these incredibly

uncertain times, it is so reassuring to know I have Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, IWLA, helping buttress my education going forward into an unknown future. I will do my very best to make sure I deserve that support.

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 2020. The Youth Shotgun Team 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/>



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

The ARL-FX Sills Air Range, Part I: Where We Started

The long-term survival and growth of any volunteer organization is highly correlated with a steady influx of new members. In particular, attracting younger members and their families is key. Otherwise membership shrinks, the member population ages out, and eventually the volunteer organization starts to wither. With 45 percent of our current membership over 65 years of age, this is a challenge we are facing.

Our IWLA Chapter has been in existence since 1936, which shows that over the years we've been able to adapt our offerings and upgrade our facilities to keep our Chapter vibrant and relevant. That process must never end due to shifting demographics, suburbanization, increased environmental awareness, shifting societal views on the shooting sports, and honestly, the rise of TV and online distractions. Gone are the days when students would carry their .22 rifles on the bus so they could shoot at a school-run range after class. Also largely gone, at least in this area, is a strong hunting tradition that introduced youth to the shooting sports. Such marksmanship and hunting activities were the traditional gateways to lifelong participation in shooting sports and exercise of Second Amendment rights. And if people are not exposed to such activities early in their lives, it's much harder to recruit them later in life.

For a time, it appeared that school-based competitive shooting programs were going the way of the dinosaur. That would have had a hugely negative impact on youth shooting programs in this area. Fortunately, many of the concerns about use of firearms (ventilation, overall negative views of firearms) were largely mitigated by the introduction of air rifles powered by compressed gas. Such air guns don't require special ventilation, the lead is easily recoverable, and rightly or wrongly, such guns are seen in a more positive light than gunpowder-based firearms. Seeing this opportunity, in the



early 2000s several Chapter members and local high school coaches began to promote air rifle. This led to the revival of the Potomac High School Rifle League (PHSRL), the start of the NoVA Sharpshooters team, and the conversion of our Chapter's tractor shed into a small, unheated, uncooled air rifle range using paper targets on seven narrow firing points. From this small start, more and more teams (re)joined the PHSRL, with more and more youth given the opportunity to learn about the shooting sports. To be frank, these actions and

these volunteers saved local youth rifle shooting sports.

This revival eventually led to problems, but fortunately they were the problems of a successful and growing program. The range was in constant use in the evenings as coaches ran multiple relays trying to execute practices and matches. Because of the small number of lanes, most team members did not get to shoot in actual matches — only the top five or six athletes were allowed. Even worse, high school coaches limited overall team size due to the small range size. During open practices, long lines were common as practice time was strictly limited to allow more youth time on the line. During the summer, desperate for advanced rifle clinics, parents and youth would travel long distances at significant cost to take advantage of rifle camps in Ohio, Alabama, and Colorado because our Chapter range was too small to host such camps.

Despite these challenges, local rifle athletes continued to get scholarships to shoot on college teams, going on to win national championships and Olympic medals. In fact, two of the seven rifle Olympians in Rio were from our Chapter—and neither of them trained in our new facility—they were products of the tractor shed.

Watch for "The Air Range, Part II: Building for Growth" in our next newsletter.

Roger Thrasher—Air Range Director

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Membership Renewal

Your current membership expires December 31, 2020.

Renewals postmarked after January 1, 2021—Add \$40 late processing fee!

NO EXCEPTIONS!

- (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.

If you believe you qualified for the \$50 Dues Credit, check here: ☐

Primary Member

Second Badge Holder

Membership Type: _____

Membership ID #: _____

Name(s): _____

Address—Street: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: (H) _____ (H) _____
 (C) _____ (C) _____

E-mail: _____

Date of Birth: _____

ARL-FX Membership Types	2021 Dues	Life & Benefactor Membership Types	2021 Dues
<input type="checkbox"/> RG—Regular	\$211.00	<input type="checkbox"/> LF— National Life Regular	\$161.00
<input type="checkbox"/> RGD or R or S—Regular (Disabled, Remote, or Senior)	\$171.00	<input type="checkbox"/> LB— National Life Benefactor	\$161.00
<input type="checkbox"/> FM—Family Regular	\$310.50	<input type="checkbox"/> LFD or R or S— National Life (Disabled, Remote, or Senior)	\$121.00
<input type="checkbox"/> FMD or R or S—Family (Disabled, Remote, or Senior)	\$235.50	<input type="checkbox"/> FL—Family National Life Regular	\$235.50
<input type="checkbox"/> ST—Student	\$152.00	<input type="checkbox"/> FLD or R or S— National Family Life (Disabled, Remote, or Senior)	\$160.50
		<input type="checkbox"/> FB—Family Benefactor	\$235.50
		<input type="checkbox"/> FBD or R or S—Family Benefactor (Disabled, Remote, or Senior)	\$160.50

Remote—Residence is over 50 miles from the Chapter.

Senior—Age 60 or over as of 12/31/2020.

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

RETAIN THIS PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS

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

2021 Membership Dues Paid \$ _____ Date _____ Check No. _____

For tax purposes. Regular (RG) members may claim a \$57 deduction and Family (FM) members may claim \$93.50. Life Regular (LF) (LB) members may claim a \$7 deduction and Family Life (FL) (FB) members may claim \$8. 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 "ARL-FX 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 ARL-FX 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 ARL-FX 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 ARL-FX IWLA is voluntary.

This release form is in effect as long as I am a member of the ARL-FX 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.

Questions/payment arrangements? Call the Chapter 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. Office hours 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. every Tuesday AND beginning October 12th EVERY Saturday from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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.

ARL-FX IWLA Cub Run Archers

For those Chapter members who are interested in competing in Virginia Bowhunters Association (VBA) archery events, the Chapter established a VBA group called Cub Run Archers so field archery tournaments could be held at the Chapter. VBA is the representative for bowhunters throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. To join Cub Run Archers, applications are available at the Field Archery range house. For more information, please contact Brad Edgington, secretary, Cub Run Archers, by e-mail at bedgington71@gmail.com.



Field Archery Project

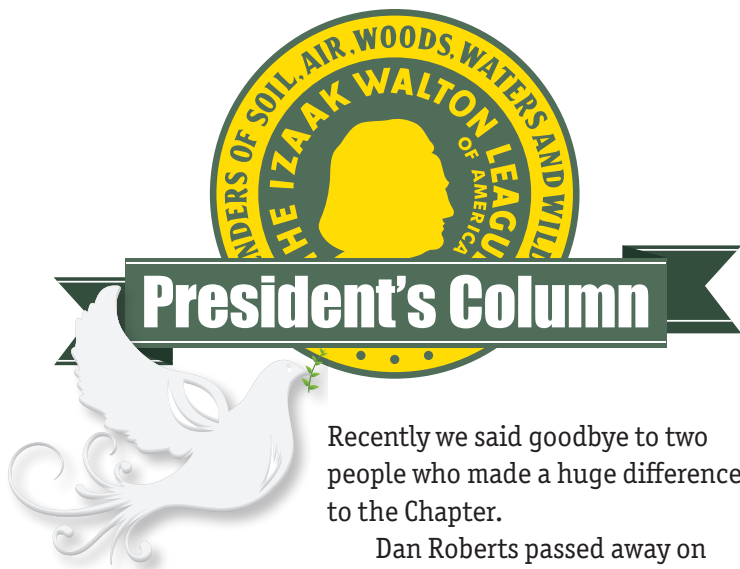
The Field Archery range is looking for an up and coming artist to dress up the #13 target back stop (the canvas backstop is already painted green) on the 3-D archery range. If you have an interest in doing this project, please contact the Field Archery director, Dick Reimer, by e-mail at rreimer@cox.net.

ARL-FX IWLA Archery 101 Classes

Classes will resume in September. Each class will be limited to ten participants plus instructors maintaining social distancing. The classes will take place in the indoor archery range on Sunday, September 13th, Sunday, September 20th, and Sunday, October 25th from 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, archery safety, purchasing of equipment, and live shooting. We have the bows and arrows and all you need to do is register and show up. For Chapter members the class is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children with a family max of \$30. For non-Chapter members adults \$25 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 Reimer at rreimer@cox.net or call him at 703-543-8585.

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 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 trash bags before going into any dumpster. During cold weather when finished be sure to drain the hose of water to keep it from freezing.***



Recently we said goodbye to two people who made a huge difference to the Chapter.

Dan Roberts passed away on May 22, 2020. Dan took over as the designated Director for Target Archery in July 2016 with the program in disarray. He immediately started to recruit help and held three U.S. Archery level-2 archery instructor certification classes. Soon, he was holding two major indoor World Archery STAR FITA archery tournaments every year.

The Junior Olympic Archery Development archery team archers he formed competed well during the STAR FITA archery tournament. Divided into age and bow classes, it was the Competition Archery Team that represented the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., Izaak Walton League of America, well at the STAR FITA archery tournament. Going toe-to-toe with some of the best young archers in the

region, the Competition Archery Team archers maintained a sense of calmness. One after another, Competition Archery Team members, ranging from 9 to 14 years old, made their way to the shooting line hoping for a clean shot. Dan Roberts would ultimately lead his team to become state champions, a recognition of all the hard work performed by the Competition Archery Team. Juniors are the future of any program and we are doing great because of these efforts.

Gilbert Ramey passed away on April 13, 2020. In any organization, especially in a volunteer organization, there are a number of individuals who perform a function that is essential, but out of the limelight. What makes these jobs especially arduous is they go on for week after week, month after month, and year after year. Since Gilbert joined the Chapter in 1998, he had been one of those people.

Doing a job like this requires lots of effort and dedication and all behind the scenes with hardly any recognition. If it was routine maintenance on the property, being part of the team that cooked for our annual picnic, or walking around to hand deliver invitations to our annual picnic to our neighbors, we could always count on Gilbert.

Everyone's life ends the same way. It is only the details of how they lived that distinguish one from another. They made a difference, they will be missed, we are diminished.

Tom Ciarula, President
Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc.,
of the Izaak Walton League of America

Animal Protection

The Chapter grounds are considered a wildlife sanctuary and hunting is strictly prohibited. All animals are protected and are not to be harmed in any way. Anyone found to be harming wildlife on the Chapter grounds will be brought before the Board of Directors for disciplinary action.



SIGN UP!



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

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

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Rifle-Pistol Range

REMINDER: Rifle-Pistol Range, Short-Range Days (Weather Permitting)

To accommodate handgun shooters who want to practice at distances less than 25 yards, the Chapter offers short-range time on the fifth Sunday of months that have them. On these Sundays, from noon to 5 p.m., the targets are set up downrange near the berm at the range 100-yard line and the firing line is delineated back 10 yards with tables. The shooting area is on gravel/dirt/grass, so plan accordingly (it is also not covered). All range procedures remain the

same for the handling and use of firearms during short-range times. For more information, always check with the Range Safety Officer on duty.

2020 Short-Range dates:

August 30th & November 29th.

2021 Short-Range dates:

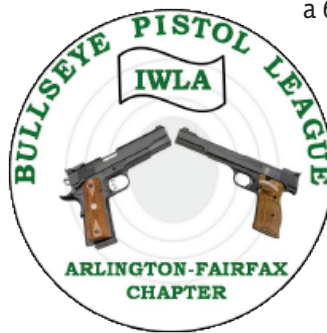
January 31st, May 30th, August 29th & October 31st.

ARL-FX IWLA Bullseye League Pistol Matches—2020

The Bullseye League rimfire matches are cancelled for the remainder of 2020. If you did pay in March, those funds will be applied to the 2021 rimfire matches. The conduct of the matches at the Rifle-Pistol Range would be a health management problem. Additionally, 50 percent of the participants are in the higher-risk group. This cancellation will also apply to the centerfire matches beginning in August.

The good news will be the commencement of the postal/e-mail matches. The shooter's scores are mailed to a person responsible for tabulating the scores. However, with the advancements in technology, the scores will be e-mailed to the match director. Since the revised Rifle-Pistol Range rules allow only members at the range. Guests will not be allowed to shoot in the matches.

However, this could change for guests as the virus threat lessens. A participant will have a month to shoot



a 60-round match and e-mail the total of slow-, timed-, and rapid-fire scores. Do not send a picture of the score card. I will not read them. E-mail your score to redbull@zoho.com.

Although score cards and targets are available in the attic of the field house, they will not be accessible at this time since the field house is closed. Hopefully, this will change when conditions change and other phases are implemented. Participants will be required to bring their own stapler, score card, and targets. Enjoy this opportunity to continuing an enjoyable shooting sport. Be patient.

—Jack Mackey

Rifle-Pistol Range rules and operating times are posted on the Chapter Web site: arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org.



IWLA Digital Newsletter

Want the latest conservation news from the Izaak Walton League and Action Alerts on key advocacy issues? Sign up today at <https://members.iwla.org/apps/#QuickSub>.

E-Newsletter and Action Alert Sign-up

Are You a Fund-Raising Pro?

In 2003 the Chapter board of directors established a charitable trust under Internal Revenue Code section 170(b)(1)(a) called The Arlington-Fairfax Chapter Inc., IWLA, Education and Training Facility Trust (ETFT).

The trustees are seeking Chapter members with professional fund-raising experience willing to assist in making this important project become reality.

The purpose of the trust is to secure donations sufficient to design, build, and equip the education and training facility. This project is distinctly separate from the Chapter's general budget and capital improvement funds. The site for this facility will be across the main road from the Chapter field house.

It will serve as the primary location for:

- NRA basic firearms education and training courses
- NRA shooting coach schools
- NRA Refuse To Be a Victim seminars
- NRA Women on Target clinics
- Special clinics
- Smallbore team practice
- Competitions

The current design includes a pistol/smallbore range and a classroom. Both may be divided when necessary for multiple events.

If you have the experience we seek and an interest in volunteering your expertise, please contact the trustees at ARLFX-ETFT@arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org.

For more information visit the ETFT Web page at:
<https://wp.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org/education-training-facility-trust/>

ARL-FX Chapter Athletes Sign with College Teams

Continuing a tradition of local athletes going on to shoot on college rifle teams, this year nine ARL-FX junior members have committed to shoot for eight different colleges (either NCAA or club teams).

Gregory Dumas (Lake Braddock SS) @ University of Akron
Jack Kersey (Robinson SS) @ University of Memphis
Becca Lamb (Acorns CJRC) @ West Virginia University
Andrew Morris (Robinson SS) @ Morehead State University
Anusha Pakkam (Acorns CJRC) @ USMA West Point
Scott Patterson (Robinson SS) @ Murray State University
Sally Reeke (Robinson SS) @ Morehead State University
Hallie Willis (West Springfield HS) @ University of Alabama at Birmingham
Ben Wolin (Lake Braddock SS) @ University of Michigan
Best wishes to these athletes as they continue their shooting careers.

Education & Training Updates

The 2020 Education & Training schedule is available. Make sure you check out the schedule on the Web site:

<http://wp.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org/education-and-training-2/>

 **SIGN UP!**


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REMEMBER

Speed limit is 10 mph on the ARL-FX IWLA property!

Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., IWLA, Calendars

For current and updated Chapter calendars and event times, go to the Chapter Web site under the Calendars tab—<https://wp.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org>.

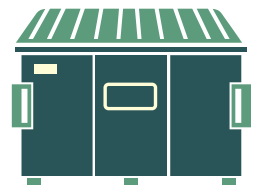
Event	Time	Facility
Field Archery Dinner	Every Tuesday	AC
Cub Run Archers Meeting	1st Sunday of each month	AC
Board of Directors' Meeting	1st Tuesday of each month	FH
Youth Chapter BOD Meeting	2nd Tuesday of each month	FH
General Membership Meeting	3rd Tuesday of each month	FH
Bull Run Muzzle Loaders	3rd Sunday of each month	RP
Regular Open Air Range	Mondays & Fridays	AR
Open Air Range (Members Practice)	Sundays	AR
Fall Finale Open/Club (Skeet)	August 28–30	ST
Rifle-Pistol Short Range Day	Sunday, August 30	RP
Chapter Annual Picnic	Saturday, September 12	LP
101 Archery Class	Sunday, September 13	FA
101 Archery Class	Sunday, September 20	FA
New Member Orientation	Saturday, October 3	RP
IWLA VA Division Meeting	Saturday, October 10	IWLA Fredericksburg-Rappahannock Chapter
101 Archery Class	Sunday, October 25	FA
Ed. & Trng. NRA Courses	Various Dates	<i>See Web site</i>

AC=Archery Club House, AF=Athletic Field, AR=Air Range, Camp=Camp Sites, FA=Field Archery, FH=Field House, LP=Large Pavilion, RP=Rifle-Pistol, SP=Small Pavilion, ST=Skeet/Trap, TA=Target Archers



Dumpsters

Please remember the dumpsters located on the Chapter property are for Chapter use only, not your personal use. Anyone caught dumping their personal trash in a Chapter dumpster will be brought before the Board of Directors for disciplinary action.



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 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*.

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



Education & Training NRA Course Updates

The 2020 Education & Training schedule for NRA courses are available. Make sure you check out the schedule on the Web site:

<https://wp.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org/nra-courses/>



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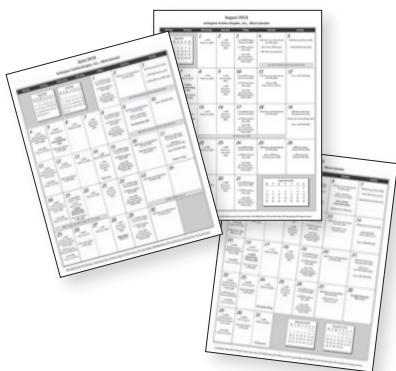
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The Chapter Newsletter is your link to all Chapter activities and information. Keep it handy.
It is also available on our new Web site in color.

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

New Web site launched—Check it out!



For current Chapter calendars, go to the Chapter Web site under *Calendars of Events*. Also, look out for the new Chapter Monthly E-Blast of upcoming Events!

<https://wp.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org/chapter-calendars/>