



ARL-FX Chapter, Inc., IWLA
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**Chapter Newsletter Delivery Change
to Electronic Version**

Effective February/March/April 2024 newsletter edition

[Click here for more information](#) on how to elect to receive a printed copy.

**If you are exhibiting ANY symptoms of illness,
for the protection of ALL Chapter members,
*Please STAY HOME.***

Do not come to the ranges or the Chapter.

For additional information [Click here](#).


CHAPTER HOURS OF OPERATION:

- 8 a.m. – 9 p.m. for outdoor recreational use (including outdoor range operation)
- 8 a.m. – 12 midnight for indoor uses (including indoor range operation)

With extended hours reserved for staff and special scheduled events, such as camping activities, as needed.

See designated range Web pages for specific days and times of operation.

CALENDAR / EVENTS & CHANGES:

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- **CLOSED: Gilbert's Pond Closed for Fishing – April 15 - May 3, 2024**
 - Gilbert's Pond is being stocked with Trout during this time.
 - Pond will reopen to members after Annual Picnic & Fishing Derby for those with disabilities.
 - Gilbert's Pond – Fishing policy – Operating with Catch & Release Policy in effect. (Chapter follows all [Department of Wildlife Resources \(DWR\)](#) regulations.
- **Annual Picnic & Fishing Derby for Children & Adults with Disabilities**
 - May 4, 2024.
 - [Click here for more information](#)
- **[“Tunnel to Towers” Registered Trap Shoot](#) – May 5, 2024.**
- **[John Linn Memorial Trap Shoot](#) – May 19, 2024.**
- **[Memorial Day Open Skeet Shoot](#) – May 24 - 26, 2024.**
- ** 25th Annual Shotgun Charity Event**
 - Supporting St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.
 - Saturday, June 8, 2024.
 - [Click here for more information](#)
 - Silent auction items are being accepted (see brochure).
 - Do you want to become a sponsor for this event?
 - Contact ARLFXIWLA@gmail.com

Please check the [online calendar](#) for any additional cancellations and updates.

MEMBERSHIP:

HELP WANTED in Chapter Membership Office.

- [Click here for more information](#)

The **2024** membership renewals *were due* by December 31, 2023.

- [Renew online](#)
- [Print and mail](#) completed renewal form.
- Drop off renewal at [membership office](#)

Note: Any renewals received after 12/31/2023 will incur a \$40 late renewal fee.
NO EXCEPTIONS!

SCHOLARSHIP:

ARL-FX Environmental Sciences Scholarship –

Know of anyone intending to pursue a degree in the environmental sciences or a related field of study? The Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., IWLA, has established an environmental sciences scholarship for students living in the tri-county area (Arlington, Fairfax, and Prince William). The applicant must intend on pursuing a course of studies at an accredited institution leading either to an associate degree (2 years) or bachelor's degree (4 years) in the field of environmental sciences or a related field of study.

- [Click here](#) for more information. Deadline for applying is April 1, 2024.
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ELECTIONS:

Election Nominations – Are you interested in running for a position on the Chapter's board of directors? If you'd like to nominate yourself or someone else for a position, [click here for more information](#)

- Nominations are due by the June 18th general membership meeting.

VOLUNTEER SERVICE HOURS:

Please check the Chapter's [SignUpGenius](#) for sign-up events.

NOTE: The Chapter is having issues identifying some members who sign up using SignUpGenius.

- Please use your first and last names as they appear on your membership card and use the e-mail address you provided to the Chapter to make sure you receive credit.

SHENANDOAH PROPERTY:

The ARL-FX Chapter's Shenandoah County property is available to Chapter members to hunt, hike, and camp. It would also be a good location for Scouts to use for events. If you are interested, please take a look at the Chapter's Shenandoah County property Web page.

- [Shenandoah County property Web page](#)

SILLS AIR RANGE:

- **Air Range Open Hours**
 - Monday 5:30 – 9:30 p.m.
 - Friday 6 – 10 p.m.

ARCHERY:

- **Next Cub Run Archers (CRA) Meeting**
 - April 7, 2024, 11 a.m.
- **Fairfax County Park Archery Program (Qualification)**


- [Click here for more information](#)
 - **Targets for Sale at Field Archery**
 - [Click here for more information](#)
 - **VBA Archery Shoot**
 - [April 14, 2024](#)
 - **Chapter procedure and information on Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD)**
 - Detected in white-tailed deer in Fairfax County, [Click here for update](#)
 - [Click here for more Chapter information](#)
 - **Broadhead Rules**
 - [Click here for more information](#)
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RIFLE-PISTOL RANGE:

- [2024 Bullseye Pistol League](#)
 - [Rimfire matches](#)
 - March through August 2024.
 - **Open Firearm Match**
 - 3rd Monday of each month.
 - Next match April 15, 2024.
 - [Click here for more information](#)
 - **Rifle-Pistol Range – [Short-Range Day information](#)**
 - Every fourth and fifth Sunday.
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SKEET & TRAP RANGE:

- **OPEN Mondays starting in February – Skeet & Trap range.**
 - 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- **Winter League**
 - [Click here for more information](#)

- Starts Sunday, January 7, 2024, for 12 weeks.
- Skeet & Trap [2024 Shoot Dates](#)
 - Shoot dates subject to change. (Check Chapter Web site.)
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- [2024 Nora Ross Trap Shooting Clinic](#)
 - June 23 and 24, 2024.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:

- NRA Education & Training [program information](#)
 - [NRA Woman on Target Clinic \(WOT\)](#) – May 18, 2024.
 - Archery
 - Archery 101 [Class schedule](#)
 - [Archery 201 classes](#) (Five-week sessions.)
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REMINDERS:

- **Range Badge:**
 - **All Members** are *required* to display their range badge when they access/use ALL Chapter ranges (firearm, air range, **and** archery). Use of the range will be denied if you do not have it displayed. If you have lost your range badge, please contact the [membership office](#) to purchase a replacement badge.
- **Speed limit: 10 MPH.**
 - Per Chapter Ground Rules and posted signs.
 - This is to ensure the safety of our members, guests, and wildlife.
 - Chapter has purchased a radar gun to assist in checking for speeders.
- **Facility-Use Requests** – Looking for a place to hold an event or to camp overnight with your family? See the [Facility-Use Request](#) page on our Web site for information/procedures on how to make a request.
- **Chapter Property (Pond, Picnic, and Camping Areas)** – All trash must be cleared and removed. Do not burn cans or bottles. You must clean up after use of the Chapter grounds/facilities.
- **Gilbert's Pond – Fishing policy** – Operating with Catch & Release Policy in effect. The Chapter follows all [Department of Wildlife Resources \(DWR\)](#) regulations.
- **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.
- **Chapter 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.
- **Interested in IWLA Apparel/Items? Visit the [IWLA National online store](#)**

NOTE: Shooting is prohibited anywhere on Chapter grounds except at the designated shooting ranges.



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