

Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., Izaak Walton League of America
General Membership Meeting – Tuesday, May 17, 2022

1. **CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Pam Meara.
 - a) A quorum of regular members was present.
 - b) The Pledge of Allegiance and IWLA Pledge were conducted.
 - c) Chapter Officers and Board of Directors present were introduced.
2. **MEMBER TIME**
 - Mr. Bob Barrett asked if there were any updates on the baffle upgrade project at Rifle/Pistol. Ms. Meara stated that she had no updates, but anticipated having more information in the coming weeks.
3. **PRESIDENT'S TIME**
 - Nothing to report.
4. **MINUTES/CORRESPONDENCE**
 - Minutes from the April 2022 General Membership Meeting were available for all to review. The minutes were approved as written.
5. **TREASURER'S REPORT**
 - Mr. Crisman presented the Budget Report through the end of April 2022 to the Membership.
 - As of April 30, 2022, income for the year was \$376,444.68, expenditures were \$82,150.31, leaving a balance in the budget of \$294,295.37.
6. **MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**
 - Mr. Crandall stated that there are currently 2,168 active Chapter memberships. At this time last year, the Chapter had 2,076 memberships.
 - Mr. Crandall stated that there is a New Member Orientation (NMO) scheduled for June, and that there will not be a NMO in August.
 - Mr. Crandall moved to accept the candidates from the April New Member Orientation (those in attendance and those who were not able to attend) be voted into the Chapter. The motion was adopted, and 26 new members were admitted to the Chapter.
7. **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**
 - Air Range
 - Mondays and Fridays is open practice nights at Air Range.
 - Mr. Starz stated that smallbore has started at the Rifle/Pistol range, and that the Air Range is available for adaptive shooting.
 - Mr. Kuck informed those in attendance that two adaptive shooters from the Chapter recently won gold medals at the Junior Olympics.
 - Awards and Grants
 - Ms. Meara presented the 2021 Judge John W. Tobin Chapter Volunteer Appreciation Awards to Warren Gillette and Tim Terrell:
 - Mr. Gillette has been very instrumental in organization shotgun events. Mr. Brino stated that Mr. Gillette went above and beyond when the Skeet/Trap range was shutdown, and that he was concerned about the grounds being compromised/damaged and kept an eye on the range every day. Mr. Brino stated that Mr. Gillette is the “King of the Scrap Shooters and that his hard work is very much appreciated. Mr. Gillette stated that this was truly unexpected and unnecessary because this is a great club and organization. He stated that the Chapter is unique in terms of the people that are here – we are all volunteers.
 - Mr. Terrell has been instrumental in reviewing everything that the Chapter sends out (eblasts, newsletters, etc.), and he has been working on the newsletter for many years.

- Buildings and Grounds
 - Mr. Rose provided an update on Buildings and Grounds projects:
 - Spoke to Skeet/Trap, getting close to awarding shotgun range modifications contract. Asked for quotes from 4 people, only one has responded.
 - Will need to order crushed stone for walkways at Skeet/Trap
 - This past weekend, BSA 1137 laid mulch along roads and clubhouses, repaired all benches at field archery. Will also work on cleaning the campgrounds.
 - Completed routine maintenance on Kubota.
 - Changed some locks at field archery, trying to eliminate “floating keys”
 - Tried to patch some of the holes in the Chapter road, need millings for more complete fix.
 - Disability picnic last weekend, pond was stocked with trout, no fishing signs have been removed, as always we are following State regulations for fishing
- Bylaws
 - Nothing to report.
- Communication
 - Ms. Meara stated that the Chapter sends out an e-blast at the beginning of each month.
- Conservation
 - Mr. Rumble stated that we recently renewed our commitment to VDOT to continue our Adopt-a-Highway program for another two years, and that there were 13 volunteers at the last event.
 - Mr. Rumble also stated that there is a planned Cub Run cleanup event scheduled for November 5, 2022.
- Education and Training
 - Ms. Meara stated that there are more than 50 registered participants for the upcoming Women-on-Target event.
- EMS
 - Mr. Brino stated that we are currently have the soils onsite evaluated to determine how much lime to apply.
- Field Archery
 - Mr. Riemer stated that the range is in good shape, and that the JOAD program is currently operating out of the Target Archery range; the summer JOAD program will start in June.
 - There are monthly Archery 101 classes and other archery classes.
 - Mr. Ansick stated that there will be a work party this weekend to help clean up the Field Archery range.
- Rifle/Pistol
 - Mr. Rose stated that there will be a short range day at Rifle/Pistol on May 29th from Noon-5PM.
- Skeet/Trap
 - Mr. Brino stated that the range is open on Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, and that there is always someone willing and able to teach.
 - Women-on-Target is upcoming and there will be a Registered Trap shoot on Sunday. There will be 4 registered trap shoots and 4 or 5 registered skeet shoots this year.
 - Crush’n Clays is scheduled for June 11th, we are looking for more participants and/or sponsors.
- Target Archery
 - Nothing to report.
- Youth/Junior Chapter
 - Ms. Meara stated that the Youth Chapter is sponsoring a swap meet on June 5th for youth equipment only.
- Chapter Historian
 - Ms. Goodenough stated that in the Chapter was founded in 1936 with 58 charter members. In 1955 there were 88 members, and we currently have 25x that amount.

- Elections
 - Ms. Meara informed all those in attendance that Chapter elections are upcoming, and to let Mr. Landry know if you are interested in running. The deadline for nominations is the June General Membership meeting.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

- Mr. Starz stated that twice a year we have junior tryouts for Olympics. Last week in Michigan Junior Olympics, we sent 16 kids. If you know anyone that is interested, we have the coaching staff and facilities. We have one pistol shooter on national team.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

- Nothing to report.

10. **OTHER MATTERS**

- Opportunity to donate to the AR-FX Chapter through Amazon Smile. See chapter website and newsletters for details

11. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- See Chapter Calendar for current list of events, which is frequently updated to reflect evolving conditions
<https://wp.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org/>.

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 PM

Signed: Sean Gagnon, Secretary